THE CRITIC'S REVIEW.

yellow, and terra-cotta, and of the authors, three are English, one is French, and two are

German. Our interesting international copyright conditions allow these books to be sold at

about 30 cents apiece. Foreign art must pay an enormous duty to get into this country, but for-

eign literature can get in for nothing.

Sylvia Arden (Frank F, Lovell & Co.) is dec

orated on the cover with the figures of three

hungry vultures, swooping down into a very

the reader is in perplexity from beginning to

The Mynns' Mystery, another book from the

very first page, where George Manvile Fenn, the

author, declares in his own writing that Messrs.

Lovell & Co. are authorized to print this book Mr. Fenn's penmanship is a mystery in itself

Everything, however, which Mr. Fenn writes

is interesting, and "The Mynns' Mystery" is no

play as high as homocide. The murder is done

the tracks are all covered up most ingeniously

the fortune, at least, is in the murderer's grasp when—well, it would be unkind to tell the plot

for there is not much else but plot in the book

The telling of the story is the main thing. And

the story is really too good to be told in any

ADY CLANCARTY (Rand, McNally & Co.) is

title, "Wedded and Wooed," might seem to in-

dicate. It is a capital story, set out against a

good, solid, and well-drawn background of his-

tory. The time is in the days of William of

Orange, and the plot turns upon a con-spiracy to kill the new King, set

agoing, of course, by Jacobites, and prevented by the timely disclosures of Lord Clancarty.

The author is A. D. Hall. The story is well

written; the historical characters are accurately

and graphically pictured; fact is not made so

obtrusive as to hinder fiction; there is plenty of

ovemaking, and no end of fine lords and fair

The bombshells are bursting most formidably

about a beleaguered fort on the cover of Jules Verne's A Family Without a Name. (Lovell &

Co.) Jules Verne has here deserted science

which has given him the foundation of so many

good stories, and resorted to history. The scene

of the book is Canada, Canada is being discov-

ered by Frenchmen, it seems, as well as by

Americans. There is a fitness in the fact,

for the romantie element in Canadian

history is mainly in the French part of it. M. Verne has not gone back

so far as Mrs. Catherwood, but has taken inci-

dents from history which are within the mem-

disaffected peace, the French in Canada in the

year 1837 rose in insurrection. The plot of the

story is intertwisted with the exciting events

of that hopeless uprising. The hero is Jean

Sans-Nom. There is a heroine as brave as the

hero. At the end the cause is lost, hero and

heroine in a burning boat go over the fatal

cataract of Niagara, and the story closes not

year," writes the author, summing up the lesson

of the book, "every year an affecting ceremony

The new interest with which people in these

"Every

unlike "The Romance of Dolland."

and

not nearly so sensational a story as its sub-

other than the author's way.

Crawford is the author.

Literature and Other Books.

A STRIKING SPECIMEN.

Of Journalistic Enterprise Was the 20-

Page Disputch of Yesterday.

THE opinions of so many country and sub.

amply testify to the high regard held for the

It was a bright, newsy and interesting number.

specimen of popular journalism and enter-

has refused a German Ioan.

Hopkins holdings in the Baltimore and Ohio

Railroad is untrue. The widow of a Union

porting page are highly interesting, as usual,

TIVE Popular Candidates for Governor" are

described excellently by "H. H. C." H. Rider Haggard's novel of "Beatrice" con-

tinues with unabated interest. "Growing in

Panama and its people. Others, of the many

"Miss Grundy, Jr.," B. P. Shillaber, of "Mrs

R." Edward Wakefield, Arlo Bates, Brenar

etc. The fairy story, by "Paysie," is, as usual,

to lovers of sport.

urban papers throughout Pennsylvania

in that city, at the age of 90. —A Kalamazoo grocery man gives away a copy of "Stanley's Travels" with every pound of cheese purchased.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Edward D. O. Moore, of Brooklyn,

claims to have solved the problem of squaring the circle and has written a pamphlet to prove

-One orange grower of San Diego keeps trees from being plucked of ripe fruit by putting up placards: "These oranges have be -A Santa Rosa, Cal., furniture man last

week filled an order for a mattress. It was seven feet six inches long and will be used by a newcomer from Missouri.

-A Ridgeway, Pa., physician says that olive oil is an antidote for rattlesmake poison. Half a dozen tablespoonfuls are sufficient, he declares, to cure any case of snake bite. -A negro who attempted to rob a store at

Palmetto, Ga., thought he would enter by way

of the chimney. About haif way down he stuck fast and yelled for someone to help him out. -There is a new name for the all-around the table billiard shot. It is now known as the "Nellie Bly," and in every billiard room may be heard the expression, "Here goes for a Nellie Bly." -It very seldom happens that bees will

make their honey and comb in the open air, but such a case has been found in the orange grove of W. L. Dolive, southeast of Orlando, Fla., where a swarm of bees have made a large piece of honey on the limb of one of his orange -Mrs. W. C. Godwin, of Sanford, lost a pet capary a few days ago. The bird had been

pet canary a rew days ago. The bird had been in Mrs. Godwin's possession for 14 years, but for the past year has not warbled a note, until Saturday, when, to the surprise of all, it sang for a few moments and was quite lively, then fell from its perch and died in a moment. -A specimen of magnolia grandiflora is growing on the "old Hardwicke" property northeast of Lancaster. The fact is reported

-The English Government has been redeeming at their nominal value the old gold coins that have become short weight through much use, with the idea of getting them out of circulation. It was supposed that there were \$20,000,000 worth of such coins in the country, but the call only brought out about half that sum. This month the old rule of taking such coins only by weight will go into force again.

-A French official returning to his home in the suburbs a few days ago, his wife and

a powerful narcotic and put him to sleep.

—Several big snowstorms may yet come along. An old farmer, interviewed by the Mount Joy, Pa., Star, remembers that in April, 1834, there was a heavy snowfall, and another soil tiller says that "in June of 1845 or 1846,

-In removing the bank near the

-It has always been more or less of a disputes question whether or not fish possess the sense of hearing. Some interesting experiments were once made by Mr. John W. Masury at his trout hatchery in Eastport, L. I. There were present on the occasion Mr. William C. Barrett, Mr. Frank H. Palmer and other noted anglers. The trout were in a narrow stream which traversed the building from end to end.

which traversed the building from end to end. At the lower corner was erected a screen, behind which the operator took position. Every variety of noise was made by the person in concealment and amid it all the trout remained perfectly motionless; but as soon as a handkerchief was waved above the top of the screen the fish darted toward the appear end of the building at a high rate of speed. -In Pike county, Pa., is the Blooming iours by rail and one is landed in a wilderness, tempered by a perfectly equipped club house, The club owns 18,000 acres in fee, and is the lesses for a long term of years of 8,000 more.

ing, fire-lighting and all other fatat forms of hunting are prohibited. -An elliptical-shaped gray stone, proba-

self for ?"
"Somebody told him his day-old baby was the image of him."—New York Sun.

"He's a horse car conductor and doesn't like to ring them up. "- New York Sun. Where is the boasted liberty of the press

if a paper may not indulge in the luxury of grat matical errors without being hauled over the coals for it?—Binghamfon Leader.

He-Perhaps you won't believe me, but I

never laugh at an inferior.

She-Of course I believe you. It would be impassible for you to do such a thing, -- Hoston Transcript.

your father about you; you've been fighting!

Bobby-Well, mum, hain't I been licked bad enough now, without havin' another scrap with par-Tengs Sylings. (Sharply) "Seems to me, Mand, that young Mr. Hankinson stayed pretty late last night. Did he have any pressing business?" (Hushingty) "Not till just before he went away, mamma."—Chicago Tribuna.

screw loose about you somewhere. - Tepus

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PITTSBURG, MONDAY, FEB. 17, 1890.

THE CANAL ONCE MORE. The discussion of the Lake Erie Canal project, which is resumed in an article elsewhere, presents several interesting issues with regard to the practicability of the project. It is shown there, as THE DIS-PAICH has heretofore pointed out, that the question of a water supply is not a doubtful one. The important question to be settled required and the depth of excavation needed

for the canal. In the discussion of these important factors of cost it seems to be taken for granted that the canal must contain fifteen feet of water because that depth is about of the Sugar Trust. . what is obtained on the Sault and St. Clair Canals. But while it would be very valuable to have that depth in the new canal, it should be regarded as a maximum and not a minimum. It would be useless to make it more than fifteen feet, unless the upper canals were also deepened; but it would not feet, if such a diminution were necessary.

What is wanted of the commission is very

OTHER SCREWS LOOSE.

straint; and we have never heard that con- less frequent than formerly. with regard to the woman's mind.

HIGH LICENSS AND PROHIBITION.

The active organ of the Prohibitionists, the Voice, devotes a good deal of space to a detailed proof of the fallure of high license. As the facts on which it bases this, its as- the jurisdiction of Kentucky, at least, one sertions, in detail are those already familiar of the social wrongs of the day. The radito our readers, in the shape of the growth of | cal differences, which have appeared on inspeak-easies in Philadelphia and Pittsburg, they need not to be recounted in detail. It is conceded that there has been a large development of illicit and secret liquor selling.

Voice; the contention of that journal is, that poster. Deluded by the promises of the since high license fails, prohibition should be gaily colored bills he has paid down his resorted to, but the most evident conclusion from its premises is that, if high license cannot restrain the liquor traffic, pro- activity. Consequently a bill has been inhibition would be an utter failure troduced imposing a penalty on any circus in the attempt to abolish it, High license, backed by public opinion and aided by the interest of the licensed saloon plain that prohibition would a fortiori be an equal failure and that secret liquor selling would proceed on an immense scale, even

more openly than is now done? The conclusion is not necessary that secre liquor selling argues the failure of the law. The illicit saloon keepers, by the very nature of the business, must conduct their business quietly; must keep off the princisecret corners it shows a great advance over | into the reality of a sleepy animal about as the day when any man could open a saloon | tall as a mastiff, how shall a demand for the next a church or in any residence quarter | cakes and ale of shows be aroused?

where he could get a building. The high license law may not be a glittering success, but its failure is not so absolute | the small boys who study the posters and as the facts of the case show that prohibition

would be under the same circumstances. A USEFUL PREEDOM.

The exposure and defeat of the North Dakota lottery scheme is an encouraging example of the salutary effect of public sen timent aroused by the press. There is little doubt that the lobbyists who so nearly succeeded in getting a legalized Government gambling institution fastened on the new in time to arouse the public, and the job fell into ruins at the mere touch of popular disapproval. Some of the moralists have lately been disposed to credit a great deal of demoralization to the sensational charac- Government the best terms requires no comter of the newspapers. But here is a case where the freedom of the press was the lever which exposed and defeated a great public wrong that would probably have been successful to-day if there had been less liberty of comment by the newspapers. A free public sentiment and unrestricted discussion are the best safeguards against public

THE SUGAR TRUST'S MEASURE The proposition which is reported to be pending in the House to settle the matter of the sugar duties by putting raw sugars on the free list and keeping the duty on refixed, is simply the one way of adjusting that issue which would most thoroughly de feat the public considerations that should be

taken into account. The one interest that !

protection is composed of the sugar plauters. Their claim is not a very strong one; but, so far as it goes, it has some status in view of the protective principles. The one interest which has violated the great protective idea of increasing domestic competition in the industry, is the Sugar Trust. But this proposition is to take away the protection from the planters and actually increase it to the Sugar Trust by widening the margin between the cost of the raw materials and the duty which the foreign competitors of the trust must pay. If the trust had drawn up the measure itself, it could not have framed one that would more completely swell its illegitimate profits.

The New York Press points out the correct solution of the problem with the remark "that a proposition to admit sugar free, with a sufficient bounty to the American sugar producer, would be a popular and effective way of reducing the surplus revenue." This would preserve the purpose of encouraging domestic production of sugar, while taking away the barrier that has permitted the foundation of a sugar refining monopoly. The objection that the bounty would not stand, at once underrates the popular intelligence, and displays slight tives of the sugar interests who advance it. The people are intelligent enough to see that a bounty of a few millions on sugar taxes them less than the tariff which colis that of cost, which is decided by the lects some eighty or ninety millions; and height of the summit, the number of looks the sugar people ought to know that if the people will not stand the smaller burden

> The sugar duties should be revised in the interest of the people and not in the interest | about the time that the robins nest again.

BACK-ACTION BALLOT REFORM. Quite an enthusiastic movement is being agitated by such leading exponents of independent and Demogratic sentiment in the State as the Scranton Truth, Harrisburg Patriot, and the York Gazette, in favor of ruin its usefulness to make it less than 15 a Constitutional Convention to do what The cost to the city is \$1,400 annually. The exthey consider necessary to make ballot re-Pittsburg knows by experience that hun- form possible. The provision in the Condreds of thousands of tons of coal can be stitution which is regarded as obnoxiou; is transported on from six to twelve feet of | that requiring ballots to be numbered, and water. It would be safe to guarantee that the number set opposite the name of the vessels carrying 800 to 1,000 tons could bring voter, by the election officers. This is reore to Pittsburg with ten feet of water, at a garded as destructive of the secreey of the slight advance over the rates now charged | ballot, as it leaves it within the power of on ore from Lake Superior to the Lake Erie | the election officers to discover how each voter has voted.

But does the Australian ballot system plain. It should procure surveys of the leave no such power to the election officers? lines by different summits, giving the cost | Most of the expositions of that system which of eight, ten, twelve and fifteen feet canals | we have seen provide the election officer by each route. With those estimates before with the power to make up the ballots of the public, an intelligent judgment as to the | illiterate voters, the very class whose votes relative cost and value of the canal can be | most require protection. Our reformatory friends are a little too prompt in proclaiming that the constitutional provision is a bad one. The fact is that the convention The report which is published elsewhere which drew up this constitution was under of the committal of an unmarried woman the leadership of men of remarkable ability to jail for examination as to her sanity, and and independence; and this very provision her refusal to leave that institution after was aimed at an evil of far greater vitality she has been there three months, contains | in falsifying the will of the people than the several singular features. Not the least bad influence over voters which the Ausamong them is the questionable method of tralian system seeks to prevent. That evil procedure and the remarkable way of ascer- was ballot-box stuffing. The numbering of taining a person's sanity which leaves her ballots furnishes the means of detection if in the county jail from November till Feb- dishonest election officers should seek to put ruary without any examination by experts in enough ballots to turn an election, after in mental diseases. The law is quite par- the voting is done. Its value has been ticular as to the steps which shall be taken proved in convictions which have made the in order to subject insane persons to re- old evil of ballot-box stuffing very much

finement in a county jail-however the To adopt the Australian system without patient may seem to like it-is set down in some check on dishonest election officers the statute as a proper treatment for that | would be to turn our elections over to the class of disease. There seem to be other | mercy of the practices which are reported to screws loose in this matter than that alleged | have made majorities to order. That would | be avoiding Scylla and getting swamped in

Charybdis with a vengeance. THE IDEAL AND THE REAL

We observe that the Kentucky Legislature has taken steps to sternly reform, within vestigation, between the circus posters as they appear on the walls and the shows themselves as they pan out under canvas have attracted the attention of some Ken But, with that concession, it is difficult to | tucky statesman. Probably the lawmaker see how the fact improves the position of the has himself suffered from the deceptive coined money with the hope of seeing a real live mermaid, or a sea-serpent in scaly

which advertises more than it shows. With this measure passed what circus could continue to operate? The result must keepers in stopping illicit liquor selling, is inevitably be such as that with which the unable to suppress the secret saloon. Is it not | railroads threatened the country when the inter-State commerce was at the point of passage. Every circus must go out of business. The underlying sentiment of the circus and menagerie business is sentiment; and the proposed law would eliminate all the romance. How could the popular heart be fired when glaring showbills could no longer exhibit (on paper) a herd of elephants 35 feet high, and must show nothing more pal streets, and they must cease to attract startling than the tame reality of seven and the young or the weak into their saloons. It | nine foot elephants? Or if the flaming and is not a pleasant reflection that laws are not | thrilling portrayals of hippopotami taller enforced; but so long as the law drives illicit | than men and swallowing a poor savage at saloons into their holes and keeps them in a gulp, is cut down by the Inexorable law,

> The circus interests should move to protect themselves and preserve the joys of life for creep in under the canvas. A judicious distribution of circus tickets among the Kentucky legislators, is needed to preserve the existence of that unique and inspiring

work of art, the circus poster. THE Senate Committee's report seems to be inspired by the necessity of making a better showing for the Pacific railways than the commission did. In doing so it reports that the present management of the Union Pacific is doing its best to make an honorable adjustment State had the Legislature fully set up. But of its de't to the Government, but is unable to the scheme was exposed by the newspapers say anything so good of the Central Pacific. The remarkable conclusion is, therefore, that the Central Pacific shall have its debt renewed at 2 per cent, while the Union Pacific must pay 8 per cent. The logic which gives the corpo tion that has most successfully cheated the

> THE statement that Hutchinson has not only forgiven the clerk who robbed him, but has given the sharp swingler his old position, indicates only a partial recognition of the fit-ness. To show a full appreciation of that great principle Old Hutch should make the clever thief his partner.

> WHILE there may be a good deal of exaggeration in the partisan press about it it is worth while to remark that the passage of a \$2,500 claim in favor of the President's law firm which has often been passed upon unfavorably and which has bung fire for 20 years, is neither good politics nor good taste.

lingering death to which the poor project has been subjected.

THE Senate acted wisely last week in refusing to include among the offenses extracitable under the treaty with Russis, attempts or the life of the Czar or his family. The United States does not approve of assassination; but it is impossible to ignore the fact that under conditions like those prevailing in Russia to-day such offenses are political crimes. When the United States gives up political offenders against absolutism they will abjure the principles on which their Government is founded

FRANCE has swelled her debt to \$6 900 . 000 000 which is the largest in the world. It looks as if there might be a conspiracy in Euope to make republican government impossible by sanding it into bankruptcy. But perhaps some of the monarchies may go into bank-

A NEW YORK paper indignantly advises Tom Platt to move to Chicago; and the unwary Chicago papers advise him to come to that enterprising city. This shows less than pletely as he has New York's.

intelligence on the part of the representa- of the fare of the jall may argue that the best proof of Miss McCloskey's insanity, which was the remarkable cause of her being sent to that guarded. Sylvia Arden and her brother are on institution, is that she likes the jail so well that | a visit to this wild and mysterious place. Here

THE reports of the Atlantic steamers conthey will certainly overthrow the greater he will fill a popular want that will be felt

> TEMPERANCE agitation in Missouri has reached the intemperate degree of threatening

dent, and \$1,500 to his family in case of death, ample is a good one for larger places than Atlanta to imitate.

Washington. It is gravely asserted that Lord Randolph Churchill has never crossed London Bridge nor

visited the Tower.

dissuaded from publishing a volume of poems which he wrote as a young man. SARAH BERNHARDT wants to play Juliet in

give in and do what he wants, he looks as if he had done so and were grateful to them for the

So CERTAIN has Mr. Gladstone been during the last five years of the ultimate success of the Home Rule movement, and of his eventual resumption of the Premiership, that when he left office upon the fall of his Government in 1886, he stored away most of his bric-a-brac and

streets. Lately one of his grandchildren, a young girl, accompanied him. One night after an entertainment he drank himself into a deligious and shot himself dand down in the intervals into a discontinuant of the crisis of bloodshed, and settling down in the intervals into a discontinuant of the crisis of bloodshed.

own rank, but all the arrangements of the ship are upset so that he may have separate quar

ters and occupy the Captain's cabin

A CHICAGO WOMAN'S SHOR

Court Room. CHICAGO, February 16.-There was an exherself, stood up her rights,

of herself, stood up her rights. She had a case in court and was sitting at the table provided for lawyers when the colored janitor of the building, who didn't know her, ordered her away. "Go away," indignantly replied Miss Kane, who is quite large and muscular. "You get out, I say!" repeated the janitor. "I will not; get away from me."

At this the colored man stepped to the side of the lawyer and was about to take hold of her, when she drew back and struck him a violent blow in the month with her overshoe. Before he recovered from his surprise he received another blow in the face, this time between the eyes. Then they clinched.

Attorneys, policemen, detectives and reporters jumped to the rescue and hauled the janitor before His Honor, who fined him \$5 for contempt of court. He paid it and was ordered to keep out of the courtroom thereafter. Miss Kane had the sympathy of everybody who saw the row. Some years ago she threw a glass of water into the face of a Milwaukeo Judge whose decision didn't suit her.

JEFFERSON COUNTY OIL LANDS,

in cash, when the lease is signed, with provisions for an eighth royality and a stipulated sum for each well put down. It is said that the drill will first benefits the territory at Hazen, near the farm of 0. C. Fritchman.

While the main object of the company in leasing the land is supposed to be for the purpose of securing gas, it is thought by some that a thorough test will be made of the field for oil. Warsaw has long enjoyed the reputation of being a promising oil field, though never properly developed.

A PROGRESSIVE DAILY PAPER.

Literary Merit. From the Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin.] ary merits and the bigh standard of its conboth the daily and Sungay issues has necessitated the building of another marvelous double perfecting press for its already well equipped ona fide circulation of over 50,000.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Captain John Landerath. Eurs, February 16.—Captain John Landsrath, of Union City, died last night of pneumonia. The deceased was a soldier in the Mexican War and was an officer in the late war. He was a wealthy live stock importer of this piace.

IN ASSUCH as the State of New York has proved that electricity will serve as a method of administering sudden death, it is a shame that it did kill the World's Fair that way. It would have been much more merciful than the

long use. Prof. Quackenbos, the author, is a Columbia College. diagrams and maps have been carefully revised in accordance with the Paper-Covered Foreign Novels That Come fully revised in accordance with the latest scholarship, and a considerable and well chosen bibliography added. There are two kinds of valuable men in the world of scholarship—men who find out truth and men who put the truth which other men have found in such shape that anybody can understand it. Prof. Quackenbos belongs to the second of these valuable species of literary workers. The literatures of ancient nations, Oriental, Greek and Roman, the leading authors and their writings, the language in which they wrote, the lands in which they lived, are set forth attractively. The chapter on Egyptian literature is of especial interest. in Daty Free-Lord Clancarty, With a Plot Laid in the Days of William of Orange-Conversation on Mines-Auclent PILE of paper-covered novels claims The Critic's first attention. There are six books in the pile, bound in various tints, white, gray,

HENRY DRUMMOND'S Tropical Africa, the been in print by another publishing house, comes to us in a cheap edition bearing the name of John B. Alden, publisher, As To his Majesty, the Sultan, I am glad

steep cleft which opens in the midst of a wilder ness of bare and precipitous mountain tops. Evidently, judging from the cover, Sylvia A that he is handsome; that he will have neither press nor parliament, roads nor rail-Arden is a murder story. Those vul-tures are after somebody. We look withroads in his dominion; that he rides splendid in with some interest to find out who it is, and how it came about. We find ourselves orses, and that he made me a present of a long, silver-mounted musket and a great sword inlaid with gold. I admire the lofty, serene, disdainful way he has in looking at outside coin the wild regions of Scarfell Chace. There have been gold mines there in the long past, disdanful way he has in looking at outside co-temporary agitations." In fact, M. Pierre Loti admires almost everything which has to do with the Sultan of Fey, his deminions and his subjects. The hilarious Arab on the cover, fourishing his musket (no doubt "long" and "silver-mounted") in the air, in the act of going through that exhibition of wild riding and prancing and shouting and shooting, which is the Arab fashion of welcoming a guest in the desert—this wild Arab has won Pierre Loti's heart. and the rocks are scarred, and rent and furrowed, and tunneled with the pick axes of miners. There is a solitary mansion in this desolate region, and here lives Gregory Morson. Morson has shut himself in from the civilized world. His servants are Greeks and Italians. The approaches are all closely Into Morocco (Welch, Fracker Co.) is a book too comes Bearcroft the hero to visit Morson his old friend. Morson is betrothed to Sylvia

Into Morocco (Weich, Fracker Co.) is a book of travels which is interesting from cover to cover. It is written in the delightful, sketchy, graphic Frenchy fashion which makes almost all Celtic literature attractive. Day by day, even hour by hour, the indofatigable diarist keeps his journal for our benefit. He lets us into his enjoyment most thoroughly. It is even better than going there, to read this charming, bright, entertaining book. Arden. The very first day of Bearcroft's visit, indeed, before he got to the house, Sylvia is shot at as she is riding along the hills, by some unknown assassin, thus the story begins. It is one of the queerest stories in the language. Poison, madness, mystery, burial alive, monks, villians and underground passages figure in it;

THE CYCLONE SNOW PLOW. end. Finally the hero gets a great treasure of hidden gold and marries Sylvia Arden. Oswald Big Track-Clearer That Rushes Through Drifts Very Rapidly.

same publishing house, promises to go well with "Sylvia Arden." The mystery begins on the From the Sacramento Union-Record, Feb. 4.] The Cyclone steam snow plow arrived here vesterday morning in charge of Engineer John Goldy for repairs. The Cyclone is the largest and widest snow plow yet built for any road, making a path 10 feet 4 inches in width. Its capacity is something marvelous. When the fan and auger are running at the rate of 500 exception. There is a genuine cold-blooded murder in this book. A young lady and a large fortune are at stake, and Saul Harrington is willing to revolutions per minute it will throw out 130,000 cubic feet of snow per minute. The car is 48 feet long, the width of the wheel being 10 feet 4 inches. Within the car are three engines of 600 horse power each, or a combined force of 1,800 horse power. Two of these engines drive the fan which expels the snow. The third one connects direct with the auger, which draws the snow into the cylindrical case in which the fans revolve. The discharge pipe is 33 inches square, the spout being 14 feet above the rails. This throws the snow almost perpendicularly for 30 feet before it begins to curve over in its fall, clearing the telegraph poles with ease. It is provided with the largest Baldwin locomotive boller for consolidated engines, the whole length of the boiler being 28 feet, having 1,500 feet of heating surface. It has a 12-feot fire box and 185 flues 2 inches by 14 feet. 10 feet 4 inches. Within the car are three

It has a flanger on the front end which works y air and gathers the snow from the center of he track and from each side of the rails, taking the track and from each side of the rails, taking it into the finer portion of the plow, whence it is expelled through the spout on the top, leaving a perfectly flanged rail. The trucks are extra heavily built, having 5½ by 8 journals. The plough weighs 75 tons 500 pounds. It is entirely under the control of the engineer, who stands at the front end, on the inside, and operates the throttles and communicates with the pushing engineer by the use of his whistle, without having any gongs, signals or bells, as is customary on the rotary plows. The engines are capable of traveling 700 revolutions per minute, and being connected directly with the fan and auger it is possible to revolve them with the same rapidity.

A BILL FOR SECURING A HUSBAND.

Broker Helps Mate a Couple Who Kick Against Paying Him. New York. February 16,-Civil Justice Steckler was yesterday called upon to decide, in the Fourth District Court, how much it was worth to George Lange to get married. the evidence it appears Lange offered Jordan & Co., real estate dealers, \$50 in considerat their securing him a business partner. About the same time Mrs. Mary Martin, a widow with

three children, asked Charles Jordan to find a partner for her in the express business left by her husband. The two clients were introduced, and, as it afterward transpired, formed not only a business, but a matrimonial partnership. Upon the trial Mr. Jordan denied being a matrimonial agent, and his partner, Mr. William A. Long, made a similar denial. Mr. Lange, however, testified that Jordan had told him he had a nice wife for him, that money was no object—the lady would settle that. After some inquiry, Mr. Lange said, he consented to meet Mrs. Martin, and shortly afterward married her. Some days later Jordan demanded \$25 from him for fixing him so nicely, but he refused to pay. need to pay.

Mrs. Lange also testified that she had told

Susiness of All Kinds Improved by Recent Cold Weather.

ing at night, which the past week having leen working steadily the past week having loss, telephone poles, boards and pipes for gas lines.

The lumbermen have been crowding their work in the greatest conceivable manner. The work in the greatest conceivable manner. The slides and log roads have been working every night. Lots of lumber has gone to the mill. Teams are at a premium.

Temperance Advocates to Speak a Goo Word for Lathrop Ladies. St. Louis, February 16 .- The Rev. Ben Deer ing, a noted temperance advocate of this city, and Rev. J. M. O'Brien have been engaged by the citizens of Lathrop, Mo. to go to Plattsburg, a neighboring town on Monday next to explain and defend the action of the crusaders. They will be accompanied by a number of Lathrop ladies and some exciting times are looked for.

The Story of Johnstown, portrayed than in "The Story of Johnstown M. Place, of Harrisburg. It was written so enough after the flood to get all the facts fro tragedy could be measured and bounded. The book is a neat volume of 400 pages, profusely illustrated by well-known artists.

Generosity in Gerrymandering. From the New York World.] ublican district. When Did She Write One? From the Philadelphia Times.] Mrs. Rives-Chanler say that she will never write another novel. Why another?

THE IDEAL WORLD. I seem floating away in dreamland

> Unlike anything of earth, In this land of purest incense, Where poetry has its birth. "Tis the realm of the imagination, Where the figures come and go Responsive to the rhythm Of the thoughts that ebb and flow.

very pleasant reading for the little folks. The Dramatic, Musical, Society, Military and Grip and Password columns were replete with class AWKWARD ENGLISH WORDS. selens What whom the W Improved Vocabulary.

From the Mineteenth Century, Why English writers, talkers and printers many verbs in daily use passes comprehension, so needless and so anomalous is the lazy and incorrect habit into which some good writers as well as the vulgar have permitted themselves to fall. "I bid him to do it now" is correct, to fail. "I bid him to do it now" is correct, but "I bid him do it yesterday." in which the present tense is used lastesd of bade in the past, is an indefensible corruption. Among the verbs which have been deprived of their past tenses and their preterites, may be specified to bet, to beat, to let, to spread, to shed, to cuit to put, and to shut. There are no grammatical or any other reasons why they should not have been among the verbs which have in not have been among the verbs which have in

flexions in other languages, but never had in English, though they ought to have had if in-telligent grammarians had had the original ortelligent grammarians had had the original ordering of the language.

"Can" and "must" have not even the infinitive "to can" and "to must." "Can" has a
past tense ("could"), but no future, which can
only be rendered by the paraphrase "I shall be
able," or "It will be in my power." "Must" has
neither a past nor a future—"I must do it today" has to be put into the past tense by the
roundabout locution, "I was obliged to do it,"
or "It was necessary that I should do it," while
the future of the verb falloir, which in the corresponding case, an the more precise language
of the French, is il faut, becoming il faudra in
the future is in English only to be expressed
by a paraphrase, expressive both of compulsion

by a paraphrase, expressive both of compulsion and obligation in futurity. NOT TOO YOUNG TO MARRY.

License Refused a 40-Year-Old Woman Who Sald She Was 14. FOTTSTOWN, February 19.—Michael Korauki, a young hungarian, of Pottstown, applied several days ago to Clerk of Courts Makburger for a marriage license, saying he intended to wed a a marriage license, saying he intended to wed a girl if years of age, whom he daily expected from across the seas. The license was refused and yesterday Korauki went to New York and met his betrothed, Miss Mary Dampco, who turned out to be a sturdy Hungarian woman, 40 years old. Notwithstanding this disappoint-ment in regard to the age of his bride, he bunted up a ciergyman and the wedding took place.

late.

It was celebrated to-day by the Hungarian element of Pottstown with beer drinking and merry making. Korauki and his affianced had conducted their courtship by letter, and she had deceived him about her age. PERTINENT AND PECULIAR.

PHILADELPHIA Times: But when the English syndicates want to sell, what will they get for their bargains? NEW YORK Press: Editor Medill says that Cleveland keeps a thumb on the popular pulse. Make it two thumbs, Brother Joseph, and we'll support your resolution. PHILADELPHIA Inquirer: Hereafter when

is particularly big and strong it will probable ST. LOUIS Globe-Democrat: Calvin S. Brice will probably have to pay his Ohio taxes before he can claim to be enough of a citizen of the State to entitle him to represent it in the Senate. Senatorships for Democrats come high

New York World: The news comes from

Berlin that our Minister and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Walter Phelps, have introduced "the 5 o'clock tea" in that city. Thus do we get in our revenge for whatever points we lost o Germany in the Samoan treaty. NEW YORK Tribune: Governor Hill has never before, in the whole course of his official career, been so still as since he sent the World's Fair message to the Legislature.

in Ohio.

waiting to hear something drop, for the drop came immediately after the performance. PHILADELPHIA Press: The erstwhile obstreperous minority in Congress will please take notice that there is now a set of rules for the guidance of that body. The gentlemen will, therefore, come to order, and tell the country what they honestly think of their recent con-

CHICAGO Tribune: By taking advantage of a cold snap the ice dealers of Oshkosh, Wis., a cold snap the ice dealers of Oshkosh, Wis. have filled their houses with excellent ice, and the people of that flourishing city are in a condition to snap their fingers disdainfully at the rest of mankind. Let no presumptuous witting of newspaperdom use the name of Oshkosh flippantly during the year 1890.

OUR MAIL POUCH.

Mr. Neidlg Responds to His Critics-Their Points Discussed-His Iron Track System Sustnined and the Opposition Challenged to a Comparison of Facts and Figures.

first of Pittsburg journals everywhere in the State. And certainly yesterday's magnifithe Editor of The Dispatch: The undersigned, in discussions with his felcent 20-page edition of THE DIS-PATCH was well worthy of all the praise it has received from far and near. ow men always endeavors to meet propositions eat are more tangible than "what they seem to think," It is pretty difficult, while a man all ablaze with pearls set in the duller but and still more difficult to get at just what he does think. The better plan is to draw him out more useful background of news from allquarters of the habitable globe. THE DIS PATCH is eminently a newspaper for the peo-ple, and the edition of yesterday was a striking

does think. The better plan is to draw him out and consider only his expressed propositions. Your correspondent, "Old Fogy," in Friday's DISPATCH, has fallen into this error, Says this critic: "Mr. Neidig differs only from others who have given this plan attention, in providing no place or roadway for the horses."

The system which was set forth in last Sunday's DISPATCH had but a few paragraphs devoted to the road under consideration, and that part was prelaced thus:

Now, without going into any wearisome details, etc., he stated further what will lose no force by repetition, "Once the wheels are attended to, once provided with a smooth and unyielding surface," now mark, "the solution of the gnitre problem comes in sight."

Does "Old Fogy" grasp this? This coming into sight of the solution of the "entire problem"? It was certainly not logically inferable that his system was "exactly described," as is offirmed by this writer, when the propositions advanced were so plainly qualified.

Now, let us go into some calculations on this matter, and the writer respectfully sequests. There is to be a Parliamentary investigation of the treatment of Dynamiter Daly in English prisons. English papers are much divided in opinion over the verdict in the Parnell Commission case. Henry of Battenberg has pacified the Queen and grown a beard. The new Duke of Fife has presented his patent and assumed his seat in the House of Lords. The Due d'Orleans has received his sentence manfully, and all the Legitimists and Orleanists are stirring up France in his favor. The Portuguese are beginning to back down, and the republicanism of that nation seems to have disappeared miraculously. A grand Now let us go into some calculations on this matter, and the writer respectfully requests the advocates of any rival system to do the same. Let us now consider one mile of this proposed road:

An oak plank 6x2 inches and 12 feet long, will weigh 63 pounds. military tournament will shortly be held in

London. It has become probable that Dom Pedro will be the next President of Brazil. Kaiser Withelm's bold attempts to ameliorate the condition of his laboring subjects meet At oak plank ex2 inches and 13 feet long, will weigh 63 pounds. An iron bar, equivalent to 6x3% inches and 12 feet long, will weigh, according to the tables, 7.51 pounds per foot and 12 feet would then weigh 90.12 pounds. This added to the 63-pound plank, would make a total of, say 154 pounds. This , then is the weight of a single 12-foot iron barred plank, exclusive of devices for fastening, etc. with due recognition. He is "friends with Bis-march" after all, President Diaz, of Mexico, A Democratic Representative from Arkansas, whose seat is contested, has found evidence which may secure him the case. Virginia Republicans are kicking because of the division Now, as important roads generally intersect of spoils. The prohibition laws have turned out a complete farce in Bangor, Me. The railroads, let us commence the construction of this road at some railway crossing first, as it report that Carnegie has bought the Johns-

of this road at some railway cressing first, as it may then be used over which to convey material for other roads. We will commence track laying at once, to get material along the line and attend to minor details later on. It is safe to say, that on this track, three tons is not overloading a team. Now three tons is not overloading a team. Now three tons. These dorails will lay 20 12-foot lengths of track, a distance of 246 feet. In a mile are 5,280 feet, and it will take so many loads for the mile as 240 is contained times in 5,280, which puts the loads per mile, of this part of it, at 22.

Now, what do you think of this, Mr. "Traveller," when you assert that the expense of its transportation through the country would be heavy? Compare this work with from 7,000 to 10,000 tons of material per mile required for a good macademized or Telford road?

Doesn't it dawn on you that that "expense of transportation through the country," through fields and across ravines, over a jongly, rattling roadway in its embryotic state, to the final destination, would also be "heavy?" Do you catch on that I have only considered wagoning my material on the iron tracks, and that a plan of trucks can be used doubling or trebling General claims to have been tricked into a false marriage and robbed. Sergius Stepniak confirms the rumor of Russian atrocity in Siberia. The hearing of the great Montana Senatorial case opened in Washington Satur-day. Isaac Sawtelle has made a partial confession of guilt in connection with his brother's THE Economites had a close communion celebration at Economy. No outsiders were permitted to witness the festivities. There are prospects of an endowment of over \$200,000 for the Allegheny Carnegie Library. Two respectable Allegheny women were arrested in Boggs & Buhl's. Their house was found full of stolen goods. The Americus Club decides to build a \$100,000 clubhouse on Sixth street. The Siavs meet in Allegheny. Miss Flora Tanner is exonerated by the School Board for flogging an unruly boy in school. Pringle's review and the

catch on that I have only considered wagoning my material on the iron tracks, and that a plan of trucks can be used, doubling or trebling the load, and in the same proportion reducing the number of draughts? How many ton loads of stone—and a ton is a load—are equivalent to 240 feet of road?

Now as to cost, Put the plank at \$15 per 1,000; the iron at \$40 per ton, and the cost of one mile is \$1.760.

On the track thus laid down any other material necessary can now be transported at a miniial necessary can now be transported at a minimum of cost. This may be gravel, cinder, crushed stone or whatever may be deemed necessary. A good deal more can be done before the cost comes half way to the cost of a first-Favor" is a well-written account of the game of racquet. "Morton at Home" is the subject class stone pike.

of Frank G. Carpenter's spirited Washington article. Bill Nye is highly entertaining on Kentucky in general and Louisville in particular. "Come Forth," by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, continues; "Old Fogy's proposition that there must be a nacadamized foundation for the plank is not Fannie B. Ward writes gracefully of worthy of serious consideration and shows an utter lack of grasp of the real phy sice of the utter lack of grasp of the real phy sice of the case. Ten of thousands of miles of railroads, employing 40-ton engines, have their crossties resting on earth. This road still presents to the very best stone road the relative difference between travel in a parior car and transportation in a freight car. But "Old Fogy" makes a tremendous break in his allusion to the Pennsylvania Railroad. He "seems to have been thinking." Why, bless your old heart, Mr. "Fogy," ton to ton, as to vehicle, tonnage to tonnage as to transportation, day to day as to contributors to this splendid number, are: Partington" fame, "R. S.," General W. T. Sherman, Dr. DeWitt Talinage, W. Kirwan Norcross, Rev. Howard Crosby, D. D., H. R. Elliott, Nell Nelson, Clara Belle, Bumbaio, "S," John Paul Bocock, "Tramp," Rev. George Hodges, "H. I. S.," Bessie Bramble, "Lorna Doone," Caroline Pepper, Shirley Dare, "F. T. onnage as to transportation, day to day as to ime of hauling, the surface on which these the loads, is 40 times greater than the orossti surface, and the resistance thereunder of th Pennsylvania Railroad. Please strike us with omething harder. anks rest and the resistance of that surface to

Pennsylvania Haliroad. Please strike us with something harder.

"Traveler" also propounds a conundrum in-tended to be a stunner, and, if it will hold to-gether long enough, may be answered thus: Get your vehicles to something like uniform echo. "How are you going to mow fence cor-ners with your machine?" "How are you go-ing to rake over a stump with that thing?" "If

my girls learn to sew on one of your machines, and cao't sew by hand, and, when they marry and their husbands can't afford a machine, how are they going to keep house?" Do not hesitate, gentlemen, give os the best you have, but please strike us with something harder.

H. NEIDIG, M. E. WAMPIN PA. February. WAMPUM, PA., February 15.

The Carnegie Library Commission. To the Editor of The Dispatch: It is pleasing to note that Allegheny Councils by an overwhelming majority, have vetoed the absurd ordinance by which the City Property Committee sought to make of the Carnegie Library a simple political job, run by them-selves. They never had the decency to consult Mr. Carnegie as to his wishes in the matter, but Boss Tweed-like, sent him as their ultimatum,

an ordinance which handed his magnificent gift over to what is generally considered the least intelligent committee of Councils. Mr. Carnegie was too much of a gentleman te reciprocate their rudeness, but any intelligent person, reading his reply to their communication, can see how little he was pleased with it. In speaking of the City Property Committee, we do not, of course, include the small minority who have struggled so manfully against the prejudice and selfishness of the majority.

The conditions of Mr. Carnegie's gift to Pittsburg clearly show two things: First, that, after long consideration of the subject, he believes that public libraries should be conducted by the people and for the people; not by politicians for political ends; that, while city councils should have a voice in the matter, the managing commission should include a sufficient number of competent citizens, outside of councils, whose special abilities and long tenure of office will insure wisdom and stability in the management of the institution, and keep it from the degrading tendency of political patronage. gift over to what is generally considered the

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sands of people who are visiting the Carnegue Library, and who are enjoying the beauties of

sands of people who are visiting the Carnegre Library, and who are enjoying the beauties of its art, music and architecture, cannot fail to see that nothing but the best talent the city affords, without regard to politics, is good enough to develop for the public use, all the varied capabilities of such an institution.

It is commonly reported that one reason why the City Property Committee have struggled so hard to get control of the Carnegie Library, is that the principal positions have already been pledged, for reasons mainly political. Will our citizens stand by calmly and permit Mr. Carnegie's gift to be used as a common political lever? We do not think so meanly of the intelligence of the community.

The majority of Councils have shown that they disapprore of the action of the City Property Committee. Let them go a step further, and provide for a mixed commission in which Councils, the Board of Control, and the best non-political taient, outside of both these bodies, shall have fair representation. If this is done before the formal presentation next Thursday, Mr. Carnegie will feel that Councils have performed a proper and a graceful act. If they fail to do this, all intelligent citizens of Allegheny must feel that they have been deeply dishonored by their representatives, who have accepted a \$500,000 library hullding without the slightest regard to the wishes of the docor.

There were no legal difficulties in the way of placing the institution in the hands of a mixed commission; for it is received under the same law as Mr. Carnegie's gift to Pirtsburg. This law was prepared by one of our best attorners, with the express purpose of enabling the city to accept such a gift with its accompanying conditions. we have a quarrel with any nation we shall pro-pose to arbitrate it, and unless the other nation

The Carnegie Library Commission should be composed of men who could properly organize all its various departments, arrange free concerts and lectures, and who could induce our wealthy citizens to contribute money, books and works of art to fill the vacant walls and shelves. Who would choose as trustee for gifts or loans a constantly changing committee sunject to the bias and vicesitudes of politics? Surely not successful business men.

Not the least important function of this commission would be to see that the hall and lecture room are placed at the disposal only of proper persons and for proper objects; a duty that those who are aspirants for political preferment cannot be expected to perform with unbiased judgment.

Every citizen of Allegheny interested in the future usefulness of the Carnegie Library should at once make a determined effort to have enacted an ordinance placing the entire institution in the hands of a commission which beside members of Councils and of the Board of Control, should include a number of citizens to be nominated by Mr. Carnegie. And we repeat that common courtesy requires that this should be done before next Thursday, when Mr. Carnegie Will make a formal transfer of the library to our municipal authorities.

Alleghent, February 15. The Carnegie Library Commission should be

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that only two of these trees, one in Laurel Hill Cemetery, the other on Mrs. Lippincott's prop-erty, are known to be growing as far north as Philadelphia. The Lancaster specimen, it is stated, is very old, but annually bears a dozen or more of large fragrant flowers.

-The old Garibaldi homestead, at Clifton, L. L. which was presented to the Italian Government in 1882 by Mr. Bachmann, is likely to revert to the latter. The Italian Consul in New York and the trustees appointed to look after the property refuse to nay a bill of \$622 for taxes and repairs, the latter saying test the Italian Government should pay ithe bill, and the Consul insisting that the trustees must meet the debt. Mr. Bachmann says he will take the house back.

family being absent, found a burgiar asleep on the sofa in the parlor with his jimmy and skeleton keys by his side and a lot of jewelry and other valuables packed up to take away, He was unable to arouse the man even by shaking him, and when he sent for the police they had to throw cold water in the man's face to bring him to. It turned out that he had found a bottle which contained something that looked like wine and had taken a drink. It was really

while the wheat was in bloom, a snow of several inches fell. Some farmers took the lines from their harness, tastened them together, and passed over the tops of their wheat to dislodge the snow; in all cases where that was done there was no wheat, while where the snow was left to melt away the wheat suffered no injury."

end of their lumber yard at Brewster's Neck, on the Thames river, three miles south of Norwich, Conn., the other day, the Dawley Broth-The runs cover about an egus of ad acre of ground, and the thick walls are as high as a man's head. It is thought the fort was creeted in the Revolution, at the time Decautr's little fleet was blockeded by the English in the Thames, in order to prevent the British war vessels which lay off New London from coming up the river to Norwich.

Grove Park Association, the pioneer on the list of great game and fish preserves. A few These form a tract of 42 miles square. The club is now giving great attention to stocking its waters with trout and bass. Deer are plentiful, and only because wise rules have been made and enforced. A fine of 350 is enforced for the killing of a fawn or doe. Each member is allowed to kill one buck during the season, and he must meet his fate by stalking. Hounding treatlebting and all other fatal forms of

bly two feet in length and about six inches in diameter, was received at the White House yesterday, accompanied by a letter from Gov-ernor Prince, of New Mexico. He stated that the stone was of the idol age, anterior to the arrival of the Spaniards in the Western continent, and it was known to be over 300 years old. Among the Pueblo Indians the stone was venerated as a household god, and examination showed that with some rude tools an attempt had been made to depict eyes, nose, and mouth on the upper flat portion, while in the center crossed hands are easily discernible. It rests on a shelf just above Private Se. Halford's desk, and as a companion pi there is a primitive gourd, which was a

AS YOU LIKE IT.

Still Making a Fair Record,-"Was Platt's record in the Senate good for anything?" Artful Dodger-Quite a spell we're hav-

floer (putting on the handouffs)-Yes, quite a cold snap. - Boston Beraid. "What do you suppose he drowned him-

"Why doesn't that man pull the bell instead of monkeying all night with the latch key?"

"Does your daughter read much?" "No. she does not." "I understood she reads, all the latest novels." "Well, so she does, but I don't call them much."—Yonkers Statesman.

Mrs. Grump-Bobby, I shall have to tell

Little Boy-When are you going to the carpenter shop to be fixed?

Post—Carpenter shop!

Little Boy—Yes: I heard pa tell ma there a

any claim for

the usual Chicago acuteness. The New York idea is evidently that if the political boss can be induced to make the change he will slanghter Chicago's World Fair project as com-SOME of the prisoners who have complained

cerning the huge icebergs and floes which they encountered along their usual lines, presents a singular contrast to the scarcity of ice on terra firma this winter. If some enterprising mariner will tow a few icebergs into port before spring

THE city of Atlanta has solved the question of provision for firemen by taking out accident policies which will give each member of the force \$10 per week if disabled by acci-

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE. WILLIAM D. HOWELLS is writing a novel of

GENERAL ADAM KING'S leading rival for the Consul Generalship at Paris is General Ma-EMPEROR WILLIAM of Germany has been

English on her next tour of this country, and is brushing up her knowledge of the language to fit herself for the task. THE eyes of Henry M. Stanley are described as having a marvelous effect upon the wild Africans. It is said that "he first looks as if he were going to eat them, and then, when they,

other household goods in the garrets of the Prime Minister's official residence at No. 10 Downing street, where they remain to this poet and writer rivaling in Russia Turgeneff himself, has just died. Along in the fifties he became a slave to drink, and ever since has

PRINCE GEORGE of Wales has been assigned to the ship Excellent to learn how to shoot big guns as a preliminary to being promoted to the nmander and being placed in charge of a vessel. He has learned his seamanship easily, and even at present he is not compelled to mess with the common Lieutenants of his

unites the patriots of Montreal at the foot of a column erected to the memory of the political victims of 1837 and 1838. On the day of its Used to Punish an Impudent Juniter in the inauguration an address was given by M. Euclide Roy, President of the Institute, and his last words fitly embody the moral of this history, and that is: "To glorify self-sacrifice is citing scene in Justice Bradwell's court at the Armory yesterday morning when Miss Kate Kane, a female lawyer somewhat disto make heroes." tinguished for her ability to take care days are reading the Bible insures a welcome to books about the Bible. It is said that when the presses of Harper & Bros. have nothing

Numerous Lenses Made and Test Wells to be Drilled in a Few Days. PRPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR & BROCKWAYVILLE, February 16 .- In addition to the prospects of a gas field at Brockport, on the east side of this place, negotiations to open up a field on the west are about to materialize. nearly all the oil and gas territory between Richardsville and Warsaw, and when the negotiations now pending are completed they will have from 10,000 to 12,000 acres in their possession. Twenty-five cents per acre is paid in cash, when the lease is signed, with pro-

The Disputch Remarkable for Its High THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH is one of the nost progressive daily papers in the country. Its Sunday edition is remarkable for its literors. The rapidly growing circulation of THE SUNDAY DISPATOR has a

best known, have brought the discoveries of explorers and the conclusions of scholars withn reach of the ordinary reader, and have made the Pharaohs and the Cæsars very real people.

Dr. Ebers' last book, Joshua, is before us. John W. Lovell & Co. publish this edition. Everybody who has read "Ben Hur," and who wants to read another book like it, written by a man who is both scholar and genius, should read "Joshua." Readers of THE DISPATCH will not need to be instructed in its merits, nor informed as to its interest. THE PASTOR'S DAUGHTER (Worthington Co., J. R. Weldin & Co.) is by W. Heimburg.

German Egyptologist. His long series of his-

torical novels, of which "Uarda" is perhaps the

The Oil City Fuel and Gas Company nave described in the control of some reason the publishers call "photograv-ures." Some of them, however, are quite pretty. The heroine is an old maid, the first page tells us, who is found putting flowers on the grave of some one who had evidently been dear to her, in a quiet little church-yard. She tells her story, and a touching story it is, though a little drawn out, of love and grief and happi-ness and death. "Vive la joie" was written on the fresqued ceiling at the old baronial castle and the little children who amused themselves by firing arrows at the gods and goddesses over their heads finally obliterated the words so that not a trace remained. But the joy for which long life was wished had long before departed.

> in a month. In 1864 a hard-working Lancashir coal-miner, named Hoxton, who had begu with a pick and by sheer force of will and had to use a pen, put out a practical book fe the use of workers in mines. It was so plain, useful and valuable that it won immehave done well to put out an American edition have done well to put out an American edition. Practical Blackemithing is compiled, edited and published by M. T. Bichardson. This is Vol. II., and there is going to be a Vol. III. So much there is to be said about the industry and art of blacksmithing! The book is full of pictures. Payme's Business Educator and Payme's Legal Advisor bear their meaning in their titles. They are handy and well-arranged compendia of a great many things which people want to know. (J. R. Weldin & Co.)

Mr. Jordan she wanted to be married, and he had said he could find plenty of men who were willing. She paid \$10 down, and agreed to particle. willing. She paid \$10 down, and a Judge found \$10 more after the ceremony. The Judge found for the plaintiff, and Mr. and Mrs. Lange will

else to do they work off more copies of "Ben Hur." And the sale of that book has certainly been remarkable. We noticed a short time ago a new book on the same lines, "Emnanuel," a story of Christ's time. The story, "Come Forth," which Elizabeth Stuart Pheirs just now contributing to this paper, and which is read with interest by a very wide constituency, is another evidence of the desire on the part of people to know more about the Bible. The pioneer in this re-

DEFENDING THE CRUSADERS.

COMEWHAT in contrast to this batch of paper. covered novels is another pile upon The Critic's table, of which the top book is Congersation on Mines (J. B. Lippincott & Co.: J. R. Weldin & Co., \$1 25). Everybody who knows anything about mining knows more about the merits of this classic than The Critic could tell character raised himself to a position where he diately a popularity which it has always kept. It is to mining what Isaac Wal-ton's book is to fishing. Mesars. Lippincott

A NOTEST LITERATURE (Harper & Bros. J. B. Weldin & Co., \$1 50) is a new edition of a book which has had its value attested by

STIMULATED BY SNOW.

REDCEWAYVILLE February 18-Jefferso county has probably never had a more welcome sign than the snow storm last week. So much work to wait for winter has never before piled up here as at the present time. When the few days of cold weather set in every man who owned a team was up and hustling, some working at night, while others did duty at night. They

Several volumes, devoted to the Consmaugh disaster, have already appeared, but in none has the terrible tragedy been more graphically ritten by J. J. McLaurin and published by J first hands and long enough afterward to make a thorough investigation and to eliminate what was incorrect in the report written before the

Under the unjust scheme for redistricting Ohio hatched by the Democratic legislative caucus, the Democrats help themselves to 14 of the 21 Congressional districts. Butterworth and McKinley are put in Democratic districts rosvenor is kindly permitted to inhabit a Re

To a spot I fain would reach, Where the winds, so soft and slumbrous. Their mystic music teach. There are pictures of wondrous beauty. Outwrought with a skill most deep, There are forms of countless creations, There the ideal its vigil keeps The air has a subtle fragrance,