Curb and Corridor.

paddled round a bit till I ran against some big

leviathan of the deep. It was Martin Shafer

and he was trying to keep affeat, too. So l

struck out for the side, and something nearly

swam down my throat. I caught it and held

AT one point in yesterday's parade a rather

A painful incident was happily averted by the presence of mind of those in command.

The United States mail wagon met the procession, and some young bloods in one of the de-tachments thought that this wagon should give

way to the parade, like other conveyances along the line of march. Now the United States mail cannot be stopped, and the drivers have orders to fire on anyone who arrests their

progress. Consequently when the parade resisted their efforts to cross the street there was

some very hot language. At this moment an elderly gentleman, apparently one of the mar-

shals of the celebration, spied the scene from afar, and cantered to the spot. He at once

commanded the obstinate lines to halt, which

they did with the best grace possible. Then the mall wagon drove through, and the danger

THE dignity of a certain Marshal of Parade

surious incident. He was nicely mounted on

prancing charger, which was recognized by

once a really splendid animal, and still makes a

fortunate marshal, and it was whispered through the crowd that this was one of the

horse's old circus acts. The dancing continue

until an old acquaintance of the charger spoke a talismanic word from the sidewalk, when the

unexpected and uncomfortable waltz ceased as quickly as it had begun. The discomfited

marshal immediately got possession of that command and, it is to be hoped, used it with

success during the day, whenever the band

THE occupants of two second floor Fifth ave-

nue offices yesterday practiced a new sys-tem of telegraphy over the heads of the

seething multitude to the no small gratification

left hand side of the street sat a bevy

of pretty maidens, while directly op-posite were ensconseed some five or six

stalwart specimens of Pittsburg bachelorhood.

A perfect understanding seemed to exist between the dames and their knights, for hand-

kerchiefs were gracefully fluttered, jeweled

fingers kissed, and a host of inexplicable sig-

nals exchanged between the parties. The oc

casional appearance of an extremely inappro-priate paterfamilias on the ladies side, seemed

to cause a suspension of operations for a while

On these occasions the amatory youths seemed

very intent upon the progress of the parade

But the moment paterfamilias disappeared

the telegraphic code was once more put in

occupant of the right-hand side offi

tried to throw a bunch of flowers to his

The bouquet fell short, however, to his great

mpertinent and unromantic "newsie" caught

the flowers as they fell, and taking off his bat-

tered hat, placed his hand over the region of

The sequel of the telegraphy cannot be nar-

rated. It is to be hoped that the gallant cava

liers, plucked up courage enough to brave paterfamilias, and cross to the charming ob-

As a specimen of the power of yesterday's

A gentleman's new suk hat fell from one of

street. In the soft and gentle twilight the

the postoffice building windows into Smithfield

owner found one section of the said hat at the corner of Seventh avenue; another on the Dia-

mond alley crossing, and a third, on which his

name had been inscribed, was picked up near

BARNUM COMING HOME.

The Showman and the Animals New E

Rente for America.

BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

are on their way back to America, on the Fur

Thursday afternoon. Kiralfy's ballet is on board, too, and likewise a majority of perform-

ers in the great moral show. A luncheon was given on board the Furnessia Wednesday to the

London newspaper men, and Barnum assured them that he and the show were coming back

Where Blood Runs Thin.

Blood may be thicker than water, but die

ner brother's cigars to give to someone else?

Cradle them close to your breast; They will soon enough leave your brooding care

Gather them close to your loving heart,

Soon enough ascend youth's topmost stair

Fret not that the children's hearts are gay,

When you'll sit in your lonely room and sigh

When you'll long for a repetition sweet,

That sounded through each room, Of 'Mother' mother;" the dear love-calls That will echo long through the slient halls,

There may come a time when you'll long to he

The eager, boyish tread, The tuneless whistle, the clear, shrill shout, The bustle in and out,

When the boys and girls are all grown up,

Or gone to the undiscovered shore, Where youth and age come never more, You will miss them from your side.

Then gather them to your loving heart;

Soon enough secend youth's topmost stair Little ones in the nest.

nyone ever know a girl who would not steal

in a year or two.

From the Atchison Globe,]

Little ones in the nest.

For a sound of childish fun;

And add to their stately gloom.

And pattering overhead.

LONDON. February 22.-Barnum's animals

essis, which sailed from the Albert Dock

the Southside Market House at 6 P. M.

crowd the following fact may be noted:

practice. At one point in the performan

inamorata in the opposite

chagrin and the enjoyment of his frie

his heart and bowed to the unwilling

jects of their manifest affection,

played "Marching through Georgia."

was somewhat disturbed yesterday by a

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PITTSBURG, SUNDAY, FER. 22, 1890.

AN ADEQUATE CELEBRATION. It is many years since Pittsburg has had such a celebration of the birthday of Washington as that of yesterday. The general rule has been to confine the observance of the day to the patriotic bankers and brokers. Yesterday, however, the day was appropriately marked by a parade of the Jr. O. U. A. M., which held the attention of the city for the greater part of the afternoon, and by the laying of a corner-stone for a monument to the great patriot whose birthday has been a holiday so long that its fit celebration had fallen into desuctude.

The public acknowledgement is due to the members of this order for the striking manner in which they have revived the observance of the day. It is especially a matter for public approval that their first effort has taken a direction that is particularly appropriate to Pittsburg. That is the reparation of the strange omission in this city of any monument to the great leader who. before he earned the title of Father of His Country, had a fair claim to be recognized as the founder of Pittsburg. It is hardly creditable that such a commemoration has been so long lacking. But our omission in this respect is to be repaired, and the demopstration conveys the best assurance that it will be fully and creditably made up.

The stimulation of patriotism is a great mission, and the evidences that the American Mechanics are discharging that mission intelligently and judiciously are most gratitying.

COUNTRY VERSUS CITY.

Colonel Thomas P. Ochiltree elsewhere discusses the respective merits of country and city in the production of statesmen. The argument contains a good deal of New Vort W D Kelley from Philadelof statesmen is more likely to be for their abilities than for their serviceability to political rings? If so, the cities can learn how general wish for representatives of ability and high character.

THE GAIN FROM LOW RATES

The gain that comes from the intelligent reduction of rates for passenger travel is illustrated by the remarkable increase in trafhe since the cable lines reduced their through rates to five cents. The showing of the Citizens' Traction Company that its receipts are actually \$2,000 per week greater than before, sufficiently bears out the prediction of promptly justify itself. The quick increase, both of gross and net

revenues in this case, contains an important suggestion as to like possibilities. Of course the most obvious suggestion is as to the suburban traffic of the railroads. The applicafact that growth of expenses keeps more nearly in proportion with growth of traffic on the steam roads than on the cable roads. But there is no doubt that if the policy of lest extent by the railroads, there would be a growth of business far beyond the experience of the past.

This testimony ought also to convince the traction roads that there is a possible gain for them in the further reduction of short fares. If the reduction on the longer tion tickets, would probably create an even greater gain. The logic of one case applies to the other; but perhaps the extraneous force which induced the first reduction may have to be waited for until the transit lines feel the power of competition on their shorter fares as they have already felt it on their longer ones.

When that is the case we may look for 3 cent fares between the down-town portion of the city and the residence quarters of Lawrenceville, Oakland and Birmingham.

EDUCATIONAL LAWLESSNESS

The college youth is especially busy at this present time, in the task of demonstrating himself to be an ass. If he were content to write himself in large characters a plain, inoffensive donkey it would not much But when the beneficiary of scholastic in-

The mildest form of undergraduate idiocy heads to "cut" recitations, and were sur- the negroes to emigrate, at once the derful diplomatist.

class kidnaped the chairman of another and kept him prisoner for days. This is the labor, policy of brigandage without its excuse of gain; but in the line of wanton criminality, it was surpassed by the act of some students of Lafayette College, in cutting loose from the train a car filled with students of another class and leaving it on the track in a good

position to cause a railway slaughter. The act of the Washington students was the least obnoxious of these freaks. Those who perpetrated it harmed no one but the duty of obeying the laws and respecting personal rights is wasted on these scholastic youths. More practical instruction is required, and, as the State furnishes that kind of instruction, the collegiate kidnapers and train-wreckers should have the benefit of it, with the ameudment that is under discussion, permitting their redundant vitality to be exercised in the labor of

constructing much-needed public roads. In other words, when lawlessness and blackguardism by college students is punthe Editor of THE DISPATCH will under no | ished with the penalties of the law that apply to humbler tolk, lawlessness and blackguardism among college students will come te a very sudden stop.

THE FORTUNES OF THE ASTORS.

The death, vesterday, of John Jacob Astor,

grandson and namesake of the original John Jacob, the founder of the Astor family, brings to mind the marvelously rapid development of the United States. Not much reliance can be placed on newspaper estimates of the wealth of individuals, but if the report that William B. Astor, who died in 1875, left an estate worth \$200,000,000 is at all an exaggeration, it is probably not so enormously so. The suggestive fact about the Astors' wealth is that it has had little, if any, relation to Wall street operations, to watered stocks, or to 'trusts'' or combinations for cornering commodities in general demand. After the first \$20,000,000 which was amassed by the original John Jacob in the fur and foreign trade, the bulk of the immense fortunes of the house of Astor is to be credited to the growth in values of New York real estate. This in turn was due to the expanding business of the country which demanded facilities for business at the great seaport and commercial metropolis of the East; so that the wealth of the Astors represent much more closely the natural growth than the accumulations of the Vanderbilts, or of Jay Gould, which date from a more recent period, and which are due to more violent speculations and adept maneuvering.

It is but little over one hundred years ago since the first Astor was working at two dollars per week for a fur-beater in New York. Of course Jay Gould's transactions in mouse traps seem, by comparison, relatively modern history; but it is the secretions of the Astors which illustrate best the rise of New York, and it is the proportions which New York has taken on in an hundred years which typify, on the most magnificent scale, the development of the material resources of the country.

Mr. Gladstone, we believe it is, who has just put himself on record in the prediction that within the next one hundred years the United States will number six hundred million inhabitants! Think of it! Nearly ten special pleading, or it would not have persons for every one there is now! Imagine dodged such examples as Sumner from Bos. if possible, cities ten times as large or even ten, S. S. Cox and Samuel J. Tilden from on the same scale as at present, but ten times as numerous. Fancy ten times-or phia, and Edwin M. Stanton from Pittsburg, rather many more than ten times-the railor credited President Cleveland on one side roads, the telegraph wires, the schools, the or Alger on the other to any more rural dis- churches, the newspapers, the doctors, the tricts than the cities of Buffalo and Detroit lawyers, the statesmen, the varied indusrespectively. Still there is enough in the tries we now have! It staggers conception. high character of statesmen who have risen | Fortunately there is a vast deal of country to eminence from the rural districts, to make | for these enormous accretions to scatter over the cities do some serious thinking. Is it yet. It would be eminently inconvenient for not the fact that among farmers the choice such enormous growth to concentrate wholly on existing lines.

Seeing what has happened in the last hundred years, who can doubt that the prophecy to amend their record—when their politics of six hundred millions for 1990 is plausireach a high enough plane to produce the ble? One of the regrets of our generation, standing midway between 1790 and 1990, must be that the longevity of the antediluvians is not permitted us, so that those now living might have a glimpse of this most astounding and unprecedented growth of a nation, the assurance of which is plain and reasonable enough. There is surely no topic of more material interest, more curious or fascinating to the speculative mind.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE EVIL.

The unquestionable proof that Graham THE DISPATCH that the reduction would the Chicago court official, who jumped his bail in order to escape trial, had been engaged in the regular business of fixing up furies in the interest of parties, for a consideration, moves the Chicago Inter Ocean to some very weighty and pertinent remarks on the subject. That paper intimates that such tion of the principle is limited there by the a business could not flourish unless it was patronized, and does not scruple to disclose its belief that the patronage which made jury-packing a profession came from those eminent examples of rich respectability, the cheap suburban rates were carried to its ful- corporations. If none but poor criminals could be bled, the business would be less profitable than honesty; but because wealth is willing to hire the briber of juries, that

work is done. The same principle may be found to work in the case of corrupt influences about Legislatures. The capital of the country draws fares has doubled that branch of its skirts away from contact with the men their business, the reduction of the who make it their trade to buy legislators. shorter havis to 3 cents or commuta- But it is political and corporate history that the lobbies which do these things are always hired by the great corporations. Except where corporate interests have legislation to secure or defeat the lobby is almost an unknown quantity. But the organization of the wealth and respectability of the country in corporations, supports and maintains

this festering sore upon the body politic. These two things show a very grave responsibility for the rich, and especially for the rich corporations. Their employment makes possible the corruption of justice and the corruption of lawmakers. Their refusal to pay for such foul work might make it possible to abolish such evils.

NONSENSE ABOUT THE NEGRO.

A Boston man proposes to solve the negro question in the South by moving all, matter. The confraternity of ordinary tools | or at least five or six millions, of the negroes is so large that the reinforcement of a ma- to the West, permitting them to found two jority of the undergraduate interest would States and show what they can do in the not change the balance one way or the other. | line of self government. This is undiluted nonsense, for two reasons. In the first place stitutions and endowments displays himself the negroes are entitled to the aid, advice with much pains as a blackguardly and law- and leadership of the more intelligent of less tool, it is high time to take measures their fellow citizens, white or black. In the next the declaration that the South wants to get rid of them is a shallow humbur. manifested itself the other day at the neigh- Southern statesmen may talk that way for boring institution of Washington and Jeffer political effect; but the moment anyone son. There an entire class took it into their commences an organized movement to get

prised to find themselves promptly directed | South proceeds to place its lawless veto to cut college altogether. The same spirit on any disturbance of its labor. The fact is carried to more offensive degree broke out at | that the South would more deeply resent Cornell recently, where the students of one any attempt to deprive it of its negro labor than the attempt to educate and elevate that

THE story that Mr. Cleveland met with an ejaculation some of the attempts of his supporters on election night to argue that hope might still be obtained from Michigan and Illi nois, causes a Republican organ to ask, "Did Mr. Cleveland really indulge in profane language?" Considering that the story is that he harled the big D, at an attempt to keep up the claim of victory after defeat was evident, the attempt to make it appear that he used profane language over his defeat, is not less mean that

WASHINGTON'S birthday bore fruits yesterday in the development of a plan to raise a memorial to independence at Philadelphia as well as in the laying of the corner stone of the Washington monument in Pittsburg. good work is going on briskly.

THE statement that the Louisiana lottery will next attack the Montana Legislature calls forth from the Philadelphia Press the remark that the attempt to get a lottery charter in Montana will be balked by constitutional prohibition. We hope this is true; but the esteemed Press need not go outside of Pennsylvania to discover that constitutional prohibitions can be nullified, if the corporation seeking to do so is only strong and rich enough

IT IS reported that the Chinese are flock ing into Siberia in such great numbers that the Government is shutting them out. It must be that the Chinese do not afford enough amusement to the Russians by committing suicide after a flogging.

THE statement that Bismarck has revived his old policy of threatening to resign, recalls the fact that he often used that method of car rying his point with the present Emperor's grandfather. But the characteristics of officeholders are shown to be similar in Germany to America by the fact that the first Emperor died in old age before Bismarck really got re-

TALE is once more heard of Robert Lincoln for President in 1892. There seems to be good treason for concluding that if we are to continue to choose Presidents on the ancestral plan, it might be wise to try a variety of an-

AFTER the Chicago stockyards have been carefully unloaded on our British friends, per-haps it will be no longer necessary for the railway kings who have heretofore held a controlling interest in that establishment to so manipulate their rates as to force all the live stock and peef business of the country to pay ribute to just exactly those stockyards,

THE Republican gag tactics in the National House of Representatives are adopted with glee by the Democratic majority in the West Virginia Legislature. This illustrates the difference it makes whose ox is gored.

THE announcement of a city cotemporary that the "Festival of Dogs" has begun at one of the East End churches leaves the reader in painful doubt as to whether the canine race partakes of the occasion in an active or passive sense. In other words, are we to hope that the dogs enjoy it or that they are enjoyed a la

THE man who takes dynamite home and

THE announcement that a new building

s to be put up on the site of the Willey build-

ing makes it pertinent to express the hope that the new structure will be built more carefully than the old one. The terrible object lesson as to the results of undue haste will probably insure more deliberate and lasting work in this in-

completion of such an invention by the Westinghouse Company will earn the public appre-THE Jr. O. U. A. M. left nothing to be desired, and nothing to be criticised, in the magnitude or complete arrangements of their celebration of the memory of

Washington. They can only outshine themselves when it comes to the unveiling of the WITH the report that the surplus has vanished before the vigorous attacks of the job

bers enables us to maintain the hope that the price of whisky and sugar will remain undis-IT is reported that competition among the crematories of Paris has grown so active as to reduce the cost of disposing of a corpse

operation of this economic force, death has eased to be a luxury and has become a neces-THE French Cabinet mildly shows the a hint that he need not call again until he is

to the cheap price of 60 cents. Under the

nvited. Some one claims to have detected Mark Twain in plaguarism. Considering that Mark has not written anything for some years, he must have placiarized from the vast multitude of people in past ages who presented eminent xamples of doing nothing at all.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

Mr. GLADSTONE is in bed with a bad cold, nt anxious friends are assured he will be all right in a few days. PHILIP SOUSA, director of the Marine Band, Washington, has written an opera which De Wolf Hopper thinks of producing. It is ap-

opriately called "The Wolf," MR. TALBOT, the father of the English House of Commons, was wealthy as well as old and ocentric. He bequeathed £3,000,000 to one daughter, £1,000,000 to another, £800,000 to a third, and £1,000,000 to a grandson,

THE Empress of Austria is the best house keeper among European royalties. She em-ployes 50 cooks-25 men and 25 women. She pays strict attention when in Vienna to the etails of her huge household and is a very MR. WILLIAM MORRIS, the post, is robust

and square-built; he has shaggy hair, and he delights in rude apparel. He loves the sea. and nothing pleases him more than to be mis taken for a sailor; in fact, his appearance is somewhat nautical. THE Rev. Moses D. Hoge, D. D., will, on

Thursday next, complete his forty-fifth year of service as pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, at Richmond, Va. It is the only charge he has had, and he its only pastor. A great public demonstration will mark the anni-MASSACHUSETTS has two distinguished citi-

zens named Rice. Alexander H. has been in Congress and Governor of the Bay State, and two or three times he has come near being apcointed a Cabinet Minister. He is a dealer in paper in Boston, and one of the largest in the world. He is often confounded with William W. Rice, who for four terms was a quiet mem-ber of Congress from the Worcester district. THOMAS NELSON PAGE, in a paper read before the Nineteenth Century Clab recently, said that in the South poetry, in many respects, had not kept pace with prose. Dialect had un-doubtedly been used by Southern writers to

excess, but there was much to be said in its detense, and in defense of those who used it. On the whole, the South presented to-day a field for literature such as could not be found elsewhere, and the conditions for a literature existed there as they did not in any other sec-

One of Blamarch's Good Deeds.

From the Chicago Herald. 1 Emperor William has been dissuaded from publishing a volume of poems which he wrote when a young man. Truly Bismarck is a won-

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

The Chicago Detained at Morocco on Ac-Fints in Pittsburg and the Probable Reason Why - A Reminiscence About

Big Men-What of That. correspondent, evidently a lady, but who singularly, is not courteous enough to sign her name, asks me: "Are there any flats or apartment houses in either of the cities? If there are not, what appears to be the reason?" This anonymous query is worth answering because it is often asked, and for other reasons which will appear later on. Competent author ities inform me that there are, properly speak ing no "flats" as the term is understood m New York and other large cities where such buildings are numerous, in either city. There is an apartment house in Allegheny and another in Pittsburg-but neither of them are

Mr. Studiey - The Newsboy's Idea of

considerable affairs.

Why there are not flats in these cities is not an easy question to answer. One suggests that it is because the people of Pittsburg and Allegheny are fond of homes in the shape of whole houses. But so are people in New York, and they have taken to flats because house rents, as many think they are here, are outrageously high. The fact seems to me to be that the advantages of the "flat," its coziness and convenience, especially for a small family, are not un-derstood here. There are enough Pittsburgers, however, who have seen the "flat" in New York, Chicago or elsewhere to make a big flat building a profitable investment, if it were built in a good situation. Near the parks in Allegheny would be a favorable site. Central Park in New York is belted with fiat and apartment houses.

0,0 H. Rows, the veteran actor, said to me yesterday: "I saw that sterling American for, J. B. Studley, at the Bijon Theater last night, which brings to my mind the burning of the Brooklyn Theater about 18 years ago. Mr. Studiey was the Jacques Froehard in The Two Orphans' on that occasion. A number of panic-stricken people who rushed over the stage from the front of the house, and in their fright lost all control of themselves, could not find their way out of the burning building. On seeing Mr. Studley they appealed to him for help, and while he himself had a narrow escape, he managed to pilot them safely out of the theater. I remember on one occasion after this at the old Bowery Theater, New York, his eception must have lasted two minutes by the

"His performances of Ludovico, Master Walter, Ingomar, Pierre Michel, Bill Sykes and other parts safely stamp him as an artist in the full sense of the word; a thorough stage manager, a creator of parts, an actor, a scholar and a gentleman, and as full of talent as a

watermelon is full of seeds." To all of Mr. Rowe's eulogy I can say amen.

CEVERAL theatrical managers in near-by towns have asked the Sewickley Valley Club to repeat their excellent performance of peralda" for the filthy but almighty dollar. But faithful to their traditions, and it must be added, with a proper sense of the fitness of things, the Sewickley amateurs have declined to play for rewards more substantia

than applause.
One manager in an Ohio river town offered the club a certainty of \$500 cash, which is a good deal more than the average professional empany can drag out of that town, let me tell you. The manager knew well enough he could

THE dozens of bands which assisted the gallant Mechanics vesterday in honoring the nemory of Washington achieved an extraordinary triumph. It was not the amount of noise they made, nor the skill of individuals or groups of players which startled me, and lots of others, no doubt. They played actually some new tunes-marches which had not been heard dries it on the stove makes his appearance reg- five hundred and fifty-five thousand times beularly in the newspapers. The case up in fore. Of course the old tunes, or some of them. Greensburg yesterday was attended with the usual fatal results.

Greenslurg yesterday was attended with the usual fatal results. Georgia," and mere civilians may be allowed to say the same of other notable marches. For myself I like the stirring war quicksteps. and it is not of them that I complain by infer ence, when I applaud the appearance of new measures in the repertoire of our brazen bands. But there are some terrible old-timers among the marching airs popular with local musicians, and for their removal there will be sincere hanksgiving.

improvement for the benefit of the public. The WHEN President Harrison was in this city last week a conversation took place between two newsboys on Diamond street, which deserves to be reported. "Goin' ter see der President to-night,

Blacky ?" said one boy to the other. "What fur? I doan know der President." "But he's a mighty big man." "Big, is he ?" repeated the boy called Blacky. contemptuously. "Big, is he? I seen his pict-ure, an' he ain't so high"—and he raised a

blacking brush to a level with his head, and then wens on: "No, sirree--if I wan" ter see big men I'll take a squint at Chris Magee, or Dan Silvis-they're big, they are !" THE newsboy's lack of reverence reminds me

of a story told about that queer old character, Joe Shriver, who kept the hotel in Economy in the days when that quaint place was peopled by Economites. A sleighing party drove up to the hotel one

evening, and while supper was being prepared, one of the ladies, who had known Economy since childhood, had the temerity to approach the little den where Mr. Shriver secluded himself. She said the old man looked so lonely that she would try to cheer him up. She did all the talking. She told him about all the people in oung Duke to the door and dismisses him with the world outside he had known as children and she particularly enlarged upon the good fortune of one man, who as a small boy Shriver bad often seen. This man had been appointed to a rather high place in the diolomatic service of the United States. She described the importance of the consulate, its dignities and emoluments, and wound up quite an eloquent little speech with, "And, Mr. Shriver, every. body calls Mr. —— Cousni now!"

Mr. Shriver looked up for the first time and said querulously: "What of that?"

HEPBURN JOHNS. A PET RAT'S COSTLY PRANK.

He Sets a New York House on Fire, Causlng a Loss of \$500.

NEW YORK, February 22.-The Terkuloski family, living on the first and second floors of the house No. 877 Grand street, consists of Louis, the father, his wife and three children. and, until yesterday, a large, overfed rat. Now the rat is dead. The rat made its appearance several months ago and its peculiar antics so amused the Terkuloskis that they secided to make it one of the family. Yesterday morning they were sorry for it. About 5 o'clock the family were awakened by the smell of smoke,

family were awakened by the smell of smoke, and on investigating they found the partition wall, in which the rat lived, in flames, Louis ran to the front door and yelled "fire," while his wife sat in a chair and screamed as if her life depended on it.

The ilremen came, and when the place had been damaged by water about \$500 worth, the fire was subdued. The rat was found between the casings of the wall, burned to death, Beside it were found the remnants of several matches, and it was evident that in some manner the rodent started the fire by chewing on the sulphu. Mr. Terkuloski says he will have no more rats in his place, as they come too high no more rats in his place, as they come too high

ALL THE CLOCKS SET BACK

The City of Cincinnati Much Slower Than it Used to Be.

CINCINNATI, February 22.-At noon to-day the city adopted standard time. Heretofore all business, except that of railroads and telegraphs, was done by local time, which is 22 min-utes faster than standard time. The clocks are all turned back and churches, schools, stores and factories are all adapting themselves to the new standard.
Some of the churches change the hour of meeting service from 11 to 10:50. The banks have agreed to continue the same hours, from

Gaello Instend of English TORONTO, February 22.—Senator MacInnis has introduced a bill in the Canadian Senate to make Gaelic an official language.

10 to 3, thus setting the day's work back 22 min

DEATHS OF A DAY.

John Cree.

CHAMBERSBURG, February 22.—John Cree died here to-day, aged 85 years. He was prominent in all local religious institutions, and had been an cleer in the Presbyterian Church for 85 years. He was the father, of James Cree, of Pittaburg, and Thomas S. Cree, International Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association.

OUR FLAGSHIP QUARANTINED.

count of La Grippe. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. ANNAPOLIS, February 22.—A letter received bere from on board the United States ship Chicago, the flagship of the squadron of evolu-tion, dated Toulon, France, February 5, says that vessel was quarantined at Tangiers, Morocco, on account of la grippe, there being 30 cases n board. There have been about 200 cases on the vessel altogether. From Tangiers the Chicago went to the Rock of Gibraltar, thence o Carthagenia, Spain, where liberty was given the men. The Cartbagenians seemed surprised at the presence of so many blue jackets. From

at the presence of so-many blue jackets. From Carthagenia the Chicago steamed for Port Mahon, Island of Minorca, which was reached on the morning of the 22d.

Port Mahon is a pretty place. The entrance to the harbor is narrow, and winding through a deep opening into a pretty sheet of water about 500 yards wide, bounded on one side by beautiful green-clad hills, that alope gently down to the water, and on the other by rocky walls that rise abruptly from the water to the height, in some places, of fully 150 feet, beyond which is comparatively level and upon which the city is butt. The bouses are all built of stone; so are the flooring and foundations, the only woodwork being the shutters, which are invariably painted green.

The Chicago left Port Mahon on the 2d instant, leaving the Yorktown behind to bury what Orderly Secreent of Marines who had the Chicago left Fort Mahon on the 2d instant, leaving the Yorktown behind to bury their Orderly Sergeant of Marines, who had died that day of pneumonia. The Yorktown arrived later. The Chicago has sailed since for Ville Franche.

NOT FEELING THANKPUL.

An Action of a Lutheran Conference That

Excites Comment, CHICAGO, February 22.-The recent action of the Illinois Conference of the Swedish Lutheran Church, now in session at Rockford, Ill., is got in the soup. But the soup was only thin stuff, and I found myself able to swim. So I exciting considerable comment among the ministers of all denominations in this city. A reso-lution thanking God for the general prosperity of the last year was defeated by the farmer lay delegates on the ground that they had experienced no great amount of prosperity. Dr. A.K. Parker, of the Centennial Baptist Church, it to the light. It was William W. Nisbet! Yes, big and little; we were all in the flowing bowl when questioned concerning the curious action of the Conference, said: "In all probability there was some flaw in the wording of the reso lution, not now apparent, which caused its de-feat. It is hardly possible that a gathering of Christian gentlemen would refuse to offer due thanks to God."

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"If there was no prosperity, as claimed by the farmer lay delegates," said Prof. David Swing, "you could hardly expect them to give thanks. It is safe to say that the farmers couldn't be expected to vote thanks to God for prosperity it they hadn't had any, whether spiritual or agricultural. They have the example of Dr. Beecher, Henry Ward Beecher's father, on this. Dr. Beecher and his family wers in his carriage riding, near Eatavis, O., years ago, and the horse ran off and tumbled them all out. Harries Beecher at once fell on her knees to offer thanks to God for their miraculous preservation. Dr. Beecher, observing her, said: 'You needn't thank God for me, for I'm badly hurt,' The moral is that you need not thank God for blessings unless you have received them."

HARD ON THEATRICAL TROUPES.

An Inter-State Commerce Decision May Force Companies to Quit the Road. BALTIMORE, February 22.-In regard to the

many in the crowd as a former performer in a well known traveling circus. The horse was cision of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, in the case of the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad against the Baltimore and Ohio Company, announced yesterday, Manager Ford said this evening: "The loss to theatrical companies by a change of railroad fares from 2 cents to 3 remarkably good hack for show occasions. The Marshal seemed proud of his mount, and rested his hand on his left hip in the style of military heroes, as they appear in war chromos. Suddenly, however, the band in front struck cents a mile, will be such that a great many now on the road will be compelled to give up before the end of the season. The decision, if sustained, will cost the larger companies from \$15,000 to \$20,000 a season, which virtually wipes up "Marching through Georgia." Then the charger reared up on his hind legs, and began to dance in a very live-ly fashion, to the very apparent dismay of his rider. Everyone laughed, except the un-

out all the profits."

Vice President Lord spoke as follows: "In advance of the receipt of an official copy of the decision of the Inter-State Commerce Commisdecision of the Inter-State Commerce Commis-sion, I am unable to say what will be the action of the Baltimore and Ohio. The tickets have not, however, been on sale for points east of the Ohio river for a long time past, and were good only within the lines of the Central Traffic As-sociation, or between the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. At least 20 roads, and perhaps more, have been seiling the tickets in question, and the suit against the Baltimore and Ohio was in the nature of a test case. Whether we shall abide by the decision of the Inter-State Com-merce Commission, or shall go into court and merce Commission, or shall go into court and contest the question, will not be settled until after the decision is received."

PARMING OUT FREAKS.

A Museum Trust to Control All the Curioaltles in the Country.

NEW YORK, February 22.-The rumor of a "Dime Museum Trust" is not a freak of fancy. Mr. W. H. Grabam, an investor of English capital, and two other Wall street brokers, have ormed a financial syndicate to buy and manage all the large dime museums in the country. They will hire and control all the valuable "living curiosities" and all the important "freaks of nature" in the United States. The news has aroused a good deal of curiosity among the

blic and a good deal of excitement among One of the owners of a Grand street museum One of the owners of a Grand street museum said last evening: "The avadicate has offered us \$20,000 for our place of amusement, which we will not sell for less than \$30,000. The trust will own three dime museums in New York, it will have two museums in Chicago, two in Philadelphia and one in every other large city in the country. The syndicate has an enormous capital, and will make long contracts with all the first-class "freaks" in the country. It will employ them 52 weeks a year, exhibiting them from fall to spring in its own museums and farming them out to circuses and side-shows in the summer."

AUNT ELIZA AND THE ORGAN.

Her Opposition to Instrumental Music Causes a Lawsuit. NEW PHILADELPHIA, O., February 22.

Prof. John Orth, of this place, sold the Methodist Episcopal Church, near Port Washington, an organ, the instrument to be paid for when there was enough money in the treasury. A very eccentric and pious old lady known all over the neighborhood as "Aunt Eliza," is bit-terly opposed to church organs. There is where the trouble began. She attended divine ser vices regularly, but the moment the organ began playing "Aunt Eliza" would walk out and sit on the church steps with her fingers in her ears until it ceased and then returned for the ears until it ceased and then returned for the sermon. To put an end to all the trouble the church trustees carried the organ out and placed it in the corner of a field.

Prof. Orth, driving along the road ons day, was shocked to see the new instrument out in the rain with half a dozen chickens roosting on it. He sued the church trustees for damages and the case has just ended in Common Pleas Court, the jury rendering the Professor damages to the amount of the value of the organ.

A GERMAN PUBLISHER'S SCHEME.

Renting Attle Rooms to Secure Space fo Advertising Posters.

[BY DUNLAP'S CABLE COMPANY.] BERLIN, February 22.—The local newpaper the Berliner Auszeiger, has suddenly acquired an enormous circulation by a very clever trick, uggested by an American. On hundreds of walls in the city huge signs were posted bearing the legend, in German: "The Asserter has he largest circulation the world." The law orbidding the pasting of signs or placards on ouses, except by the inhabitants thereof, the olice warned the manager of the paper that he must take down the anouncements, whereupon he immediately hired a small attle room in each house, and thus established the right o pasting the signs. The police now are at tacking the Auszeiger for willfully circumvent in the law.

FISH BROUGHT FROM AFRICA,

That their restless feet will run; There may come a time in the by and by Consignment of Mackerel From Cape Town to the Bay State. PROVIDENCE, MASS., February 22. - The

ong-talked-about consignment of African mackerel arrived here last night by packet schooner Lucknow, coming from Cape Town via London in steamers. The consignment, which consists of 38 casks holding about three barrels each, was opened for inspection this morning at the packing sheds of the Union Fish Company, on radiroad dock, by Agent Collins, to whom they were consigned. They are sweet and in first-

HER TWENTY-SECOND CHILD.

Georg . Washington Higgins the Latest Arrival at a Tima Home. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE I

TIFFIN, February 22.-Mrs. Michael Higgins wife of a glassblower, lately of Steubenville, to-day gave birth to her twenty-second child. It was a boy and was named George Washing-

LITERATURE AS A BUSINESS. THE STROLLER'S STORIES,

Mr. Howells Thinks the American Author Odd Observations and Quaint Opinions From Poorly Paid for His Work.

W. D. Howells in March Harper. 1 Last week Mr. J. B. Scott showed a prominent member of the brewing interest through the Carnegie Library building. The Of all the silly superstitions that have survived out of the credulous past, none is sillier than the notion that literature ought to work for nothing and find itself. The most prosexquisite decorations were pointed out; the pictures and architecture minutely examined; but the man of vats seemed to appreciate all perous writer in our country probably gets no more for his work than tens of thousands of this splendor very slightly. Mr. Scott began to feel somewhat like Mark Twain's Italian guide. lawyers and doctors each receive; but in a civilization where every office rendered to the when, as a last resource, he escorted the brewer down the stairway into the immense cellars of Commonwealth is paid for, where every conceivable service from man to man has its wage, the pullding. Then the heart of the beer king was touched at last, His admiration burst forth it is felt that the author if paid at all ought to be underpaid; that he is the only laborer unworthy of his hire. We will allow that if unrestrained, "Great heavens!" he cried, "what unworthy or his hire. We will allow that if you take the word of literary men about one another they are mostly unworthy of their hire; in their jealousies and envies they have themselves much to blame for the common feeling concerning them. But, after all, how many authors among us keep their carriages or have three kinds of wine at table out of their disgracoful gains? THE crowds along Smithfield street during yesterday's parade were as nearly impene-trable as it is possible for crowds to be. The

female portion of the crowd-which was mainthree kinds of wine at table out of their disgraceful gains?

Mr. Pheips says that book making has become a trade, and that profit is its chief end. For the present we will not deny this, but we warn all those intending to go into the business with a view to profit as the chief end, that there is not much money for the amount of work in it. In spite of Mr. Pheips' confidence, however, there is probably no man or woman in the country intending to go into it with that view. Those who love literature have at least wit enough to know that they will never become rich by it: and that probably they will always remain poor. ly responsible for the block up, by the wayproved very timorous in crossing before the advancing parade. Several ladies hesitated in the middle of the causeway and the proverbial fate of hesitating females became theirs. They were swallowed up in the marching lines, to emerge later on with rumpled plumes and finery awry. In one instance a clever poticeman assembled all the ladies at the corner of Seventh avenue in a bunch, and then gave them the signal to charge. There was a flutter of skirts, a few shrill screams, and the cloud of light infantry swept across the track, under the very noses of a band of trampling horse-

IMITATORS OF AMERICANS.

MARTIN J. FRANK, who lately fought and the Japa Like This Country and Are Adopt fell in the Southside political fight, spoke of his overthrow in strikingly allegorical lan-Ing Its Customs. From the New York Star.]

One of the oddest things in the history of the present age is the admiration which Japan has for the United States. Forty years ago they were an isolated community, keeping them-selves carefully aloof from all civilized nations. To-day their clothing, institutions, ways and manners are copied from our own. The first of their race who came over here were a troupe of acrobats; now there are more than 50,000 within

acrobats; now there are more than 50,000 within our borders. In this city they have a ciuh, many stores, offices and boarding houses. They presper in their new home, and form a very good element of our population.

I run across their Consul here quite often. He has a queer name, Saburo Fujii, but he is a very delightful person. He belongs to the highest rank in Jupan, holding a position corresponding to that of a Duke in Great Britain. His culture is famous at home, he having carried off the leading honors of the schools and college where he studied in both Japan and England. He is about to years of ace, is ruddy, smiling, well fed and speaks our language like a native. He enjoys our music and drams, and is a frequent visitor to our leading houses of amusement.

A MODEL IN EVERY SENSE.

complete and Reliable News From All th World in The Dispatch.

From the Parkersburg Daily Sentinel.] When we want to read the news of the world trustworthy, we invariably turn to THE PITTS-BURG DISPATCH, a model newspaper in every sense. As a news gatherer it is unsurpassed by cities, and in the quantity and quality of its news it is thoroughly metropolitan. A sur-prising nose for news, care for the truth and resentation in a readable form of the world's faily happenings are prominent characteristics of THE DISPATCH that make it so great an

attractive a newspaper.

The Sunday edition of THE DISPATCH has low reached a circulation exceeding 50,000 and s one of the best in the country. It is a veritable magazine of pleasant literature, of 20 large pages, made up of the news of the day, con respondence from home and abroad and enter taining fiction.

IRISH LEADERS IN AMERICA.

wo Members of Parliament Cordinity Welcomed at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22.-Among the passengers on the steamer Australia, which ar-rived from Honolulu at an early hour this morning, were the Irish leaders, John Dillon, M. P., and Sir Thomas H. Gratton Esmonde M. P. Considerable preparation had been made here to receive the visitors, and when the Australia came to the dock this morning a committee of Irish-American citizens and a large number of other persons were in waiting on the wharf, and extended we come to the of the various onlookers. At a window on the

on the what, and home rule advocates. The visitors were taken at once to the hotel, where a committee waited upon them, and presented them with an address of welcome, con gratulating them upon their successful effort throughout the Australian colonies and othe places in the Southern homisphere, in behalf of the Irish cause. This afternoon an informa reception was held at the rooms of the guesta.

WHAT BOTHERED MABEL.

A Child's Truthtal Frankness Son Embarrasses Her Mother. From the Lewiston Journal. A Portland family had company one day and little Mabel was helping her mother in prepar-ing supper. Her mother told her privately to spread the cloth on the table, and be sure and nave the neatest part at the lady visitor's side After endeavoring to do as near as she was requested, she went to the visitor, child like, and

nuch to the mother's discomfiture, she ex-

"Only think, mamma wanted me to give you the cleanest part of the tablecloth, and I can't find any clean part to it!"

A Job for the Male. From the Greensburg Argus.] A Greensburg barber has hired a mule whos sole duty is to kick him unceasingly for an entire week-and for this reason: Recently he purchased a one-tenth ticket in a lottery and on afterward sold it for what it cost him to J. J. Rickart, of Maple avenue. Saturday he received notice that his ticket had drawn the oneenth of a \$300 prize. P. S .- The mule is ful-

The Russian Ruler's Diet, From the New York World.1 The Czar of Russia always eats the same breakfast—ham and eggs, a slice of roast beer and tea. Later in the day he is apt to dine

filling his contract to the best of his ability.

A great many American girls, not in politics at all, are just as anxious as can be to get a fair

Not a Political Aspiration.

From the New York Evening World.]

POINTED PARAGRAPHS. NEW YORK Commercial Advertiser: If ther is anything that can melt away more quickly than a snowflake, recent events would indicate that it is a rich national bank when it gets in

the clutches of a "kiter." PHILADELPHIA Record: Senator Slair's eight-day speech ended on Thursday. His wind and his manuscript gave out. Like an eight-day clock, he cannot go again until he shall have obtained more wind.

BROOKLYN Standard-Union: Senator Blair wants an official newspaper in which to print and circulate his speeches. It might pay to let him have it if he would consent not to spea the speeches in the Senate. WASHINGTON Post: Parliamentary law is receiving some severe wrenches out in Ohio. A member of the Legislature took the floor

Wednesday evening to announce that he could lick any two Republicans in that body. NEW YORK Evening World: Mr. Andrew Carnegie has done a praiseworthy act in be stowing a fine public library upon the working men and women of Allegheny. In his remarks he bade such men and women to feel that the library was theirs. More deeds like this are in

order from the rich, who after all are stewards

in a measure, to the poor, WHEELING Intelligencer: A terrible scan dal has broken out in the region of the Ohio Legislature. It has been discovered that several members of that body have lent their rail. road passes to friends. When the railroad companies learned this they must have mourned over the degeneracy of the times. In simple Colonial days no legislator ever lent his rail

road pass. Boston Herald: William Walter Phelps has spent 25,000 marks in remodeling the building which he and his family are to occupy during his residence in Berlin. It has caused more than 25,000 re-marks among the Berliners. The architects of Berlin are studying this first spec-Cradic them on your breast; They will soon enough leave your brooding care, men of a stylish American home with great interest. We used to get our models from

Europe, but we have improved upon them, and are returning them with interest.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-In a field near Circleville, O., containing 200 shocks of corn, over 7,000 mics and 89 hawks were killed last week. Done to satisfy

-A grocer at Lynchburg, Va., who had been in business for 13 years without making a cent, conidn't figure out how it was until his head clerk was taken sick, thought he was go-ing to die, and owned up to having embezzled about \$17 000.

about \$17,000. -Adolph Sutro is strying the experiment of raising cinchona trees near San Francisco,
"If he succeeds he will not only have some
very ornamental trees, but demonstrate that
the raw material for quinine can be produced
in this country."

-An Indiana publisher of a weekly paper went to his reward the other day. This reward was not heaven, but a job in a hank at \$2 a day. Ht had worked 21 years as editor and publisher, and had figured it up and found that he had not averaged a dollar a day.

-A curious fact is that of the 17 clerks in the Senate of the new State of Washington a majority (nme) are women, and there is but one who carries "Mra." before her name. The same rule holds goed with the House, a majorita of the clerks being ladies.

-The Watsessing (N. J.) Woman's Ibristian Temperance Union has decided to boycott all grocers and butchers who sell cider. The question of making mince pies without cider was also discussed. Many of the members said they could not make good ples unless they used cider, but this was contradicted by the conservative members of the body. The final action of the union is regarded with great anxiety by all lovers of old-fashioned mince ples.

-The application of a caveat to stop a marriage is something new. It is stated that a member of the Maryland Legislature had con-tracted a marriage with a lady, and journeyed to the county seat to procure a license, when he made the painful discovery that his rival had filed a caveat against the issue, and before he can get it the case will have to be argued. The wedding day has been postponed, but the old man is a fighter, and won't give up easily.

-The most comical mishap that ever be fell a fire engine occurred recently at Toledo. The noise of an approaching fire apparatus startled a 65-year-old countryman and his wife as they were making their way along the sideas they were making their way along the side-walk. To grab his wife's green umbrella and rush into the middle of the street directly in the path of the oncoming steeds was the work of a moment for the excited farmer. His gr-rations and shouting brought the horses to a sudden stop. The fire laddies drove off swear-ing, but the crowd cheered the old fellow as he retured to the sidewalk muttering: "Tarnation foois! let'em run away if they want to. I'll never risk my life to save their necks again."

-Jupiter, Fla., can boast of the most intelligent mule on record. The animal is 21 years old. Every night he proceeds to the il fessiving station. It is customary for the man on watch to discharge his coston signal (a red on watch to discharge his coston signal (a red light) when vessels come too near the beach. The mule has "caught on" to what this signal means. So every night at So'clock the sailor's four-legged friend proceeds to walk the beach, and if a vessel comes too near the shore the mule, instead of a coston signal, sends forth a neigh that makes night hideous. "Port or starboard your heim," is the order on the ship, and away sail the joily tars in perfect safety and with a grateful heart to the four-legged pairol-man.

-Like wine and whisky, the turtle improves with age. One of the delicacies at a recent dinner at Windsor Castle was a turtle which had reached the advanced age of 100 years. Not with standing its antiquity its flesh was sweet and tender. It was captured by a British cruiser near Ascension Island, and so thoroughly did Her Majesty enjoy the sonp and steaks provided by the venerable crustacean that she has sont the cruiser off again for a fresh again. for a fresh supply. It must travel several thousand miles is order to obey her commands. The turtle is probably the only edible that grows better with years. Age does not really improve lowis, game and meats, although the restaurants sometimes appear to believe that it -Many guesses or estimates of the total

cost of the Forth bridge have been made, but now that it is nearly completed its exact cost can be stated with almost absolute certainty. Under the original Forth bridge act, 1873, the Under the original Forth bridge act, 1873, the bridge and connecting railways were estimated to dost £1,250,000 to be raised by shares and £416,000 by mortgage. Various acts had, however, to be applied for thereafter for power to raise further sums, and now still another is being promoted in this session of Parliament for power to raise £206,000 additional. That will bring up the sum which has been expended on the bridge and connecting railways to about £255,000,000, which may now be accepted as the exact cost of the undertaking.

-A foreign traveler tells of seeing musical trees in the West India Islands and in Nubia. It has a peculiar shaped leaf and pods with a split or open edge. The wind passing through these gives out the sound which gives the tree its peculiar name. In Barbadoes there is a valley filled with these trees, and when the wind blows across the island a constant meaning, deep-toned whiste is heard from it, which in the still hours of the night has a very weird and unpleasant effect. A species of acasia, which grows very abundantly in the Soudan is also called the "whistling tree" by the natives. Its shoots are frequently by the agency of the larve of insects distorted in shape and swollen into a globular bladder from one to two inches in diameter. After the insect has emerged from a circular hole in the side of this swelling the opening played upon by the wind becomes a musical instrument could in sound to a sweet. wind blows across the island a constant mean

the opening played upon by the wind become a musical instrument equal in sound to a sweet toned flute. -A good story is told of Bishop Grafton (Protestant Episcopal) of the diocese of Fond du Lac. One of his first visitations was at Waupun, where there has been much church dissension in the past, and while there he was the quest of Mrs. Webster. After the prelate retired he was annoyed by a mouse in the room He did not lie awake and wonder what could be done to abate it. He quietly arose, took the remains of a luncheon which he had been en oying, placed it on the top of a glass in center of a washbowl, filled the bowl half fu center of a washbowl, filled the bowl half full of water, leaned a photograph from the table to the edge of the bowl so as to give the mouse a runway, then calmly went back to bed. In a few moments he heard the pattering of the mouse's feet on the photograph, a splash, a few struggles, and all was quiet. Then the worthy bishop turned over and slept the sleep of the just. As Mrs. Webster remarked the next morning: "Bishop Grafton will find no difficulty in governing the discesse if he can so easily handle a mouse."

IN JEST AND BARNEST.

Men solace themselves with cigars, but women so lace themselves with corrects. - Yeno-Don't fret about what your reputation will

be after death. Tombstones are mighty charita-ble.—Burlington Free Press. An exchange says that the coloring matter in greenbacks is deadly poison. Rodents! We don't scare, - Laurence American.

"Give me the man who sings at his work." says a writer. He can have him. Also the man who whisties at his work, -Norristonon Herald. Algy (who has more than he wants)-Pool! Riches have wings. Poor Jack (who hasn't enough)-Maybe: but

they're mighty slow in flying toward a fellow.— Dudely-You look at me as if you thought was a fool, ch? Stranger-Why, no; you can't be such a fool, after all. Your remark shows that you read a man's thoughts at a glance. - Texus Siftings. "Do you see that man over there?" said

one rural visitor in the House gallery to another, "The one who was jes speakin'?"
"Yes. He was once a famous Know Nothing." "Well, he don't seem to be clean over it, yet Washington Post. Old Gentleman-I shall report you, young

man. Why didn't you stop your car before? Here I have been running after your car more than a Conductor-All right, guy'nor; I'm sorry, but I Suftinge. What a genius you are!" exclaimed a

roung lady visiting an inventor's workroom, "I believe you could make almost everything." "Yes," replied the young man modestly. "In there anything you would like to see me make." 'Make me an offer, " whispered the girl, shyly, - Munsey's Wookly.

Willits-"So Pauline Gushington, the poetess, is your wife, ch? You're a lucky dog, to be married to a woman who is so loving as she want he ?? must be."

Alliets—"I don't know about that. You see, she writes that kind of truck for money. And she is not in the habit of talking shop around home."

— Terre Haute Express.

THE SLOWEST THING, Slowly the dial finger moves when one is

waiting for his love: Slowly the start to unlearned eyes creep 'cross the firmment acove; Slowly the snail propels himself, and slowly open