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A COPY OF SOUTH FORK.

The authenticated news as to the Walnut Grove dam, in the Hassayampa river, of Arizona, shows that the worst fears that have been entertained were well founded. The destruction of the dam was complete, and the loss of life includes nearly all of the population that lay in the path of the

The reports indicate that this was almost an exact reproduction of the Johnstown disaster. A high dam, holding an immense body of water, was swept away by the stress of heavy rains. A destructive wave tore down the valley for miles, sweeping everything before it. Had the valley been as populous as that of the Conemaugh, the loss of life and destruction of property would have been as great. But as it is in a new and thinly settled country the deaths are thought to be only 40 or 50, an appalling total by itself, but of small magnitude compared to the Johnstown destruction.

The Arizona dam was a comparatively new structure and for that renson its fatal weakness is more inexcusable than that at South Fork. But when such fatal results ensue, it argues the greatest need for safety wherever such structures are undertaken.

IMMERSION AND THE LAW.

The introduction of the religious question of baptism into the legal responsibility of the jailer and Sheriff for a condemned criminal is a singular feature of the case of the man now under sentence of death in the Allegheny county jail. He has asked for the rite of baptism by immersion, and that request has put the officers of the law into a quandary. The religious solace asked by a man under sentence of death ought to be granted him; and yet the jail has no facilities for immersion, and the law does not contemplate the removal of the criminal from the jail where he is to be executed. Since the available rite of sprinkling will not give the religious solace desired by the condemned man, it is probable that if the case is laid before the court authority will be given for taking him under guard to some church where the ceremony can be performed.

FEATURES OF THE RELIEF REPORT. The report of the Pittsburg Relief Commission given to the public last week contains some features that are worthy of more comment than they have yet received. The liberality and promptness of Pittsburg's aid to the destitute people of Johnstown, as set forth by that report, are subjects of public interest and local pride. But some especial details of that charitable work may have escaped attention.

One characteristic feature of the spontaneousness of the relief is furnished by the fact that in the first hour after subscription were opened, without any previous effort to work up public feeling, the money relief came in at the rate of \$1,000 per minute. Within an hour on that Saturday afternoon, the first day after the flood, Pittsburg put up \$60,000; and the contributio .. were subsequently swelled, as all know, to over thirteen times that sum.

Another fact which Pittsburg can contemplate with no little pride is that the whole \$800,000 went into the Johnstown relief work without any drawback or diminution. No part of it was diverted to pay the expenses of taking it to the stricken place or of clerk hire in its distribution. All these expenses and services were given without charge or met outside of the contributions, so that the entire fund was a clear donation to the destitute and suffering.

Such a record is one that our people may well be glad to study. Whatever conservatism Pittsburg may exhibit in other respects, she is not a laggard when stricken humanity calls for the aid of the charitable.

BRAZIL'S INTERNAL DANGER.

Stories come from abroad that the European powers are colloguing to take united action unfavorable to the Brazilian Republie. The effort is reported to be to induce England, as the chief naval power, to take the initiative in actual hostilities, which it is hoped would overthrow the present government and restore the Empire. All of which Brazil need not fear in the slightest, if her course is such as to demonstrate the freedom of the people and the protection of individual rights. Public opinion in Europe would no more permit an enterprise to overthrow a true constitutional Republic in Brazil than it would in the United States. But if Brazit establishes trade monopolies, rules by a dictatorship and makes the guarantees of liberty and property less clear than under Dom Pedro, then European inricious summer." All of which could have tervention might be possible. There is no been delivered by Captain John Bunsby need for her to fear Europe, but she should be on her guard against ruin from her own

CABS ON A SUNDAY.

Consistency is a jewel, although Colonel Shepard, the millionaire editor of New York, does not seem to place a high value upon it. In the devout endeavor to obtain the World's Fair for New York Colonel Shepard with Dr. Channey M. Depew and Mayor Grant spent last Sunday in canvassing the Congressmen in their homes at Washington. It campaign of cabs, that is to say they rode from house to house pleading their cause will appreciate fully, he broke the fourth | prophesy at all. commandment.

It would be unrighteous and uncharitable to single out Colonel Shepard for rebuke if he had not persistently set himself up as a model man, a religious man, an editor holier than other editors, and the owner of a paper in which sporting and religious news were happily blended. Colonel Shepard stopped the Fifth avenue stages from running on Sunday because his respect for that day was so great. Does he adjust his views to the occasion and the place? If it is immoral to

haps Colonel Shepard will bring forward are so afraid that it will do so without taking his convenient conscience to account for the defeat of New York's World's Fair project. A scheme prosecuted in cabs on the first day of the week could not succeed, Colonel Shepard can say.

HAZARDS OF LEGAL CONSTRUCTION

The decision of the Supreme Court, in regard to the question of the titles to real estate conveyed by Mrs. McConnell, is naturally a surprise to lawyers, and is calculated to deepen the feeling that the uncertainties of life are nowhere more decidedly illustrated than in the rulings of the ultimate tribunal of this State. We do not undertake to criticise the

opinions of that lofty body on legal points.

So far as the law is concerned it is enough to point out that this complete reversal of the almost unanimous views of the lawyers and lower courts, makes a reliance upon law in such a grave matter as the title to real estate, little better than a stake upon the dice. But habits construction, which produce legal such uncertainties, warrant the inquiry whether the need is not for less hair-splitting and more plain sense. We do not think that men of average intelligence who read the clauses of the Gross will, quoted elsewhere, can have any doubt as to its purpose. Yet a minor phrase, of debatable

invalidate the deeds which have been granted without question heretofore. In this particular case the matter can, w presume, be righted without any very serious complications. But it is worth while to inquire whether the tendency to hair-splitting legal construction, which invests the science of law with the hazards of a game of chance, is for the public advantage.

THE RAILROAD RUMORS.

The rumors which have been flying about railroad circles and have taken the form of several not very harmonious publications concerning the negotiations between the Baltimore and Ohio and Pittsburg and Western Railroads, are far from definite. Whether these companies are to be consolidated, or whether the one or the other is to absorb the Western connection, known as the Chicago and Akron, is not yet settled. But it will be safe to take it for granted that there is at least this foundation for all the talk, that the two companies will form a traffic arrangement by which they can use each others lines both for lake and through

The best reason for this opinion is that the interests of the two systems naturally harmonize. The Pittsburg and Western furnishes the Baltimore and Ohio with the most direct route to the lake and the shortest line from Chicago, not only to Pittsburg, but to Baltimore. The Baltimore and Ohio gives the Pittsburg and Western its only outlet to the East. The two roads cannot get along well without each other; while, by working in harmony, they will create a transportation system second only to the Pennsylvania Bailroad in strength and im-

portance to Pittsburg. With this powerful natural force impelling the two companies to act together Pittsburg can safely leave it to the future to decide whether the union will be that of a mere traffic agreement, or of consolidation and purchase by one company of the other.

TOO INFLATED FIGURES.

That story of a big combination of capital to start refineries at Lims, O., and fight the Standard would be very satisfactory if it were not characterized by one very common fault. That is the size of its reported capital, which is altogether excessive for two

The first is its resemblance to the capital which the imaginative reporter of imagina ry combinations generally assigns. Fifty millions of capital is an imposing sum; and it is very easy to assign it to a new enterprise on paper. But it is not so easy to get it together in actual business, that so much capital is likely to spring into the petroleum arena and take every one by surprise in this

manner. The next objection is the practical certainty that if there is an organization with fifty millions of alleged capital going into competition with the Standard, about forty millions of its capital is water. Now watered capital is not the right foundation on which to commence a sharp competition. That force always squeezes the water out of capital and permits earnings only on actual investments. To try to get profit on this capital would imply combination and an eventual joining of hands with the Stand-

ard on such terms as could be made. If any corporation wishes to compete with Standard on business principles it that. doesn't need \$50,000,000 capital to do it with. One-fifth of that sum judiciously handled would make a competitor that the overthrowing.

INSTRUCTION FOR WEATHER PROPHETS. We are pleased to observe a tone of conservatism and reservation about the latest efforts of the weather prophets. Hardly could the oracles of Delphi more carefully leave themselves loopholes to crawl out of, than do some of the modern prophets, who assume to deduce from the laws that govern the elements the events of the future. One such cautious vaticinator has lately brought himself before the public in the attitude of hedging. "Intense cold coming so late after an open winter" may do much damage to vegetation. "There is room to fear that the phenomenal weather of the past four months will be followed by a cap-

with equal point and clearness. Such prophecies as these, together with the reduction to absolute silence of a large number of weather cranks conveys the encouraging fact that even this class can learn from experience. The past year has been a terrible one for prophets who tried to prophesy. Not a single one of them dreamed of coming within long range of the remarkable weather of either the summer or the winter. The fact has penetrated their skulls and they are showing it by producis said that these worthy apostles made it a | ing the class predictions which mean no more than Oliver Ditson's old ruse of printing along the whole margin of a month in with the legislators. Colonel Shepard was his almanae: "About this time expect one of them. He, too, rode in a cab; he, heavy showers." This ability to learn pertoo, disturbed the devotions of the members | mits resente views for the future. In time of Congress-and, to use a phrase which he the weather prophets may learn not to

> THE river men are urging the condemna tion and purchase of the entire property of the Monongahela Navigation Company, instead of a single look at a time, as was directed by the last Congress. That would be the simplest way to avoid the legal difficulty as well as the hardship to the company arising out of the attempt to take its property piecemeal. It would also be the promptest way of putting the Monongahela shippers on an equality with those in the Kanawha Valley, who have the benefit of an entire system of Government locks and dams.

on Sunday, is it not also sin'ul to ride about in a cub in Washington on that day? Per
MR. CLEVELAND is reported as saying that "1892 will take care of itself." No one distant watch disappeared. It is believed the steer are the garment and contents. The watch is on exhibition at Tremont.

care of them that they are already bidding to the contract of taking care of themselves and 1802 together.

THE group rate coal tariff, which was so convincingly demonstrated before the Inter-State Commerce Commission to be all right, is now shown to be all wrong in a way that con vinces every one except those who get the advantage of the inequality. It would be rather severe on the commission if the railroa should reverse its decision in their favor.

A MOTION to send the Hon, Henry W. Blair abroad to lecture to the crowned heads of Europe on education, would receive univer-sal support if it were not for the general belief that even monarchs are entitled to some mercy

Ir is an encouraging indication that the victory of Chicago in the World's Fair matter is accompanied by less of the howgag on the part of Chicago and of ululation on the part of New York than might have been expected. The time for wind-pumping is over, and the whole country will now work together to make the affair a credit to the New World.

PREPARATIONS are being made for an exhaustive census of Alaska. A trip to Alaska is not an unpleasant thing in summer, and the census will be thoroughly enjoyed by those who take it and the trip at the same time.

Ir snything is calculated to make the American eagle scream and the star-spangled spirit rise up in protest, it is the report that the omnipresent British syndicate is around purport, is made to overset that purpose and trying to buy up the national game and convert its profits to British gold. When baseball is converted into syndicate property what will be come of all our boasted liberties?

> Now THAT the World's Fair business is settled and the Carnegie libraries are accepted, the public can give its undivided attention to the great national question of what the Hon. Buck Ewing is going to do.

> IT is suggested that when the Montans Legislature meets again the Sergeant at Arms should be a cowboy who is sufficiently expert with the lasso to rope in the absentee members That seems to be the only resort left, unless the members should adopt the unheard-of course of eschewing party squabbling and attending to the interests of the public.

CONGRESS should now dispose of the legislation for the World's Fair in the shortest order, and let Chicago show what she can do in the way of rapid work on the national enter-

A KANSAS farmer sold one of his beeves to a local butcher, agreeing to take a quarter in exchange. The butcher charged regular rates for the beef and when they came to settle up the farmer owed the butcher two dollars. It would be safe to bet that that butcher is violently opposed to the aggressions of dressed

THAT Arizona dam may not have de stroyed as many lives as its South Fork exemplar, but it seems to have done its utmost in the line of overwhelming every one it could

THE sickly green postage stamp has been upplanted by the new issue, which ornaments the correspondence of the nation with a carmine hue. And yet this genial coloring of the postoffice business fails to earn for Wanamaker the approval of that unyielding assailant of the verdant stamp, the New York Sun,

THE supply of ice is now nothing but a slowly fading hope, but the hopes of artificial ice and cold storage companies are rising as ambitiously as their stock.

CARDINAL GIBBONS makes the very proper suggestion that the solution of the negro problem will be reached by Christianizing the negro. The result would probably be at-tained, in view of the probability that the operation would include the Christianizing of the whites at the same time.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

THE young King of Spain is again indisposed. Ir is said that Jeffreys Lewis con riting memoirs of her experiences on and off the stage. LORD TENNYSON and Mr. Gladstone, who

are suffering from bronchial catarrh, are somewhat better. THE Queen has ordered Angeli, the artist, to paint her portrait for the Russian Regiment, of which she is honorary colonel.

THE ex-Emperor of Brazil, who was much distressed by the death of his wife, has slowly recovered from his domestic grief. GENERAL RUGER, Interviewed in St. Paul about the Wild court-martial, says that the man disobeyed a proper legal order.

PRESIDENT CARNOT finds it impossible to pardon the Duc d'Orleans as he intended, as a Cabinet crisis would result from such action. PRINCESS VICTORIA, the sister of Emperor William, will hereafter live most of the time out of Germany, having an allowance of \$50,000 a year for that purpose from her brother. THE last time Stanley lectured at Birming-

ham he received 15 guineas for his fee. This time the Birmingham lecture manager offers 800 guineas, and is atraid he can't get him at THE two Misses Pendleton, daughters of the late Minister to Berlin, propose to remain in London through the season. The health of

Miss Pendleton, which was seriously low when Standard would have some difficulty in she left Berlin, is much improved since her arrival here. THE wedding of Archduchess Valerie, o Austria, with Archduke Franz Salvator, which was postponed by the death of Crown Prince

Rudolph, has now been definitely fixed for the 18th of August, the birthday of the Emperor, who will be 60 years old on that day. * LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL, speaking at Paddington, said he would give a general support to the Government during the present session of Parliament, but would reserve the right of liberty of action on certain subjects.

SURPRISING DEVELOPMENTS.

An Assignment Caused by the Fores Embezzling Money.

CHICAGO, February 25,-Surprising developments accompanied an assignment made this afternoon by A. G. Leonard & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, No. 207 Monroe street. The immediate cause of the assignment was failure to meet \$6,400 due on a new factory at DeKalb, Ill. The liabilities are placed at \$100,-000, with assets the same. The real trouble was the embezzlement of large sums of money by the firm's factory foreman, S. M. Cutter. The foreman, it was reported, had not been seen since February 5, and is thought to be in Can-ada. Mr. Leonard stated this evening that Cutter had been systematically robbling the firm for 18 months. They were unable to say how much he embezzied until they investigated further, but the amount is large.

DIED WHILE PRAYING

An Affecting Scene in a Philadelphia Catholic Church.

PHILADELPHIA, February 25.-With his head bowed and his hands clasped in prayer Thomas Healy, a young man who resided at No. 1818 Wood street, fell dead vesterday morning in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, at Twentieth and Locust streets. He had but recently recovered from an attack of pneumonia, and yesterday he felt able to go to early mass at ine church.

He had been on his knees praying only a few moments when he fell over dead. His sudden demise is attributed to heart disease.

A STEER'S STRANGE APPETITE.

The Animal Swallowed a Man's Vest and a Silver Watch. SPRINGFIELD, O., February 25 .- Hamilton & Braunaman, the butchers, purchased a steer a day or two ago of 'Squire John Henry Blose,

a well-known resident of Tremont, this county, When the steer was killed a silver watch, in good condition, was found in the stomach. Two years ago a laborer on the farm hung his vest

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

The Indiana Were Too Tame-Chicago's Strong Point-Good Players Pictures-A

Queer Dream. FRIEND of mine took his son A Indian show which shivered in and shivered out of several nearby towns and villages during the cold snap last week. There were 25 persons in this great company, the bills said. To my own knowledge there were at least six musicians led by a ferocious brave in war paint and blankets, four or five smaller Indians bedizened with feathers, and a diminutive donkey who answered to the name of Daniel Boone. Considering that a blismard had arrived before the show the enthusiasm the latter excited

WELL, in the evening my friend took his boy, aged, I suppose, about 8, to see the show. I regret bitterly that I was not present; competent critics say the evening performance was not half as exciting as the parade in the morning, when a musician lips froze on to a trombone and three Indiana, including the ferocious drum major, had to pull the artist and the instrument apart. Resides Daniel Boone, the mall, but suggestive donkey did not appear pon the stage.

The small boy I have alluded to watched the fights between Indians and cowboys, the scalp ing and the ki-ying with awful solemnity. was evident that he was deeply moved, but his father refrained from asking him how he liked t till breakfast came around next morning. "Didn't please me a bit," said the youngste then, "I don't like tame Indians, and that's what they are."

CHICAGO'S STRONG POINT. Chicago mayn't be pretty, But e'en the most unkind Will grant that Windy City

Knows how to raise the wind.

THAT it is not necessary to cover walls and fill windows with horrible daubs in the name of thestrical advertising the bills of both the principal companies in town demonstrate. The large lithograph of Annie Pixley with a haby in her arms is one of the best pictures of the kind I have ever seen. Some of the "Paul Kanyar" bills are admirable also, especially a bead and shoulders of the hero as presented by Mr. Haworth.

Still a few lines in plain printer's ink in a newspaper of large circulation avail more as an advertisement than a hundred times their number of lithographs.

A SINGULAR DEEAM.

I dreamt that Senator Blair was dead, And a surgeon dissected his swollen head. Within it was found the bones between A queer little thing—a new machine. It derived its power from the bump of concell. And with wheels and pulleys 'twas all complete To drive at a furious rate the tongue, And a belt ran down into either lung. And the surgeon said: "Why, I've a notion We've found a cine to eternal motion. As the sanguine surgeon of Dreamland spoke, The vision vanished, and I awoke.

A POINT ABOUT NATURAL GAS.

Columbus Consumers Concerned About Salpbur in This Fact.

COLUMBUS, February 25.-Prof. Curtis Howard is making a number of experiments for the information of the Columbus Natural Gas and Fuel Company, the results of which will be of interest to consumers. The test in will be of interest to consumers. The test in progress at the office of the company yesterday was for the purpose of determining the presonce of sulphur in the gas and the amount of the same, if any. This is done by passing a minimum flow of the gas through clear fluid in a bottle by means of glass tubes which permit the escaping gas from the bottle to burn. The experiment had been in progress about two hours and the fluid showed no appreciable coloring, hence it was concluded the gas is peculiarly free from sulphur.

The gas in some other fields, it is stated, colors the fluid under similar circumstances in a few minutes owing to its being so heavily charged with sulphur. The absence of sulphur renders the gas desirable for certain lines of manufacture, the wares of which will not tolerate the presence of sulphur. Additional heavy ate the presence of sulphur. Additional heavy contracts will depend upon a demonstration of the point outlined above.

THE WRONG MAN BURIED.

Strange Mistake of a Woman Who Thought She Was a Widow. 18, February 25,-A rather pec case of mistaken identification is reported by the police to-night. J. J. O'Connor was among the unclaimed dead at the Morgue for several days. On Saturday last Mrs. O'Connor, who se and was given the remains, which she took home with her. There was the usual demonstration of grief and funeral, Mrs. demonstration of grief and funeral, Mrs. O'Connor sparing no expense in the process. She has just discovered that the J. J. O'Connor to whom she once gave her heart and hand is in the land of the living and has not the remotest intention of making his exit from this world just yet. Mrs. O'Connor does not know whom she has buried.

AT DEATH'S DOOR.

Hon. James R. Stanbery, of Newark, Stricker

With Paralysis. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. NEWARK, O., February 25 .- The citizens of this place were greatly shocked to learn that Hon. James R. Stanbery, one of the oldest and nost prominent members of the Licking county bar, and known all over the State, had been stricken with paralysis and now lies in a dangerous condition at his home. He was on e street on Saturday in apparently good alth, He is a member of an eld family note for their intellectual and legal attainments.

He has reached his Soth year and was actige up to the time of his affliction.

ILLINOIS REPUBLICAN LEAGUE.

Governor Fifer and Hon. John M. Thursto Make Addresses.

SPRINGFIELD, February 25 .- The State Con ention of the Republican League clubs met re this noon in Representative Hall with about 600 delegates present. Most of the prominent Republican politicians of the State

were in attendance.
Governor Fifer delivered an address of welcome, and Judge John M. Thurston, of Nebraska, president of the National League, made a speech. To-night a reception was tendered the delegates and the public at the executive mansion. For the Suppression of Rum. PROVIDENCE, R. L. February 25 .- The Union

or tourth party for the suppression of "rum," met in convention to-day and nominated the following ticket: Governor, Arnold B. Chace, of Lincoln; Lieutenaut Governor, Franklin Metcalf, of Charlestown; Secretary of State, Harlon S. Babcock, of East Providence; Gen-eral Treasurer, Edward A. Green, of Lincoln.

Gotham's Proud Boast. From the New York Tribune.] Fairs may come and fairs may go, but the glory of the city of New York under the worst municipal government ever instituted among men goes on forever.

DEATHS OF A DAY. James McDouald.

James McDonald, Esq., who died at his resilence in Homestead yesterday morning, was one of Allegheny county's best known and most exemplary citizens. Mr. McDonald's parents we Scotch, and he was born in that part of the ci-Scotch, and he was born in that part of the city known as Scotch Hill, more than 75 years ago. He was known to all our older citizens as the manager for many years of the Bakewell Glass Works, Mr. McDonald was elected Burgess of Homestead shortly after his removal there. Late in life he became a member of the Presbyterian Church, but his early life was spent under the pastorate of the Rev. Dr., John Black, and he shared largely in his pastor's views in opposition to slavery.

Mrs. Mary Moore, ath of Mrs. Mary Moore, wife of William Moore, the brick manufacturer, mother of Geor E. Moore, took place at her residence on Cour E. Moore, took place at her readence on Center avenue, near Devilliers street, yesterday forenoon. She was very highly regarded by a large
acquaintance as a Christian lady, and has been
for years an active and consistent member of the
Methodist Protestant Church on Fifth avenue.
The immediate cause of her death was heart disc
case, after but a few days' illness, in her 5th
year. The foneral will take place from her late
residence for morrow.

Isane Craig, Jr. Isaac Craig, Jr., of Allegheny, died yesterday : Issae Craig, er., of allegacer, than a venue and he family residence, corner Sherman avenue and Dhio street. He was a son of Isaac Craig, St., an Ohio street. He was a son of Isaac Craig, St., an ex-Mayor, and one of the oldest residents of the North Side. The deceased was only 3) years of age and well known in Allegheny. Alexander Joseph Oliva.

PARIS, February 2.—Alexander Joseph Oliva, he semiptor, is dead. He was born in this city in 824. His work has been mainly in portrait basts, ie has made very many of distinguished pyrsons.

ITS WORK NEARLY FINISHED.

The Pan-American Congress Prepared for Early Adjournment. WASHINGTON, February 2h.—The Interna-tional American Conference will in a day or two consider the date of its final adjournment. Its work is in such a forward state that it will

probably be able to close its sessions early in April. A tour through the Southern States by special train, recembling in details of management that through New England and the Northwest, will immediately follow the adjournment. west, will immediately follow the adjournment. The conference is just now in a tangle over the third resignation of its secretury, Senor F. G. Pierra, of the Spanish-American Commercial Union, of New York. Senor Pierra is a gentleman of culture and learning, and is especially well informed upon the character and resources of the South American Republics, and upon the necessity of better communication between them and the United States.

Before the Secretary of the Conference was elected his salary was fixed at \$300 a month, Seoor Pierra's business interests in New York Before the Secretary of the Conference was elected his salary was fixed at \$300 a month. Secon Pierra's business interests in New York are such that he has felt that he could not afford to spend his time in Washington for such remuneration and lie has twice resigned. Each time, however, he has been induced to withdraw his resignation. Last week, however, he resigned a third time.

Yesterday he sent to the Conference a letter signed by a number of the delegates asking him to withdraw his resignation and saying that, in view of the approaching end of the conference, he wished to do so, although he would not accept a cent of the insufficient salary allowed for his services. His letter was referred to the Executive Committee, where it now lies side by side with his latest resignation.

CANAL STOCK AWAY DOWN.

The Panama Ditch, Centing \$250,000,000

Only Three-Tenths Done. From the New York Times.] In the last two weeks the price of Panam Canal shares (par value \$100) on the Paris Bourse has fallen from \$15 to less than \$12. The correspondent of the Gaulois, who appears to have sent his dispatches just before the commissioners sailed from this port, says that seven-tenths of the work remain to be

that seven-tenths of the work remain to be done, and that the part of the ditch already made "is beginning to fill with sand." The estimate of the quantity of work remaining should affect the correspondent's other estimate of the possible cost of a canal with two locks, which is \$140,000,000. The two caunot be reconciled, for the company spent about \$250,002,000 upon the work already done, incurring obligations exceeding \$400,000,000 only three-tenths of the work the remainder would consume more than \$800,000,000, instead of \$140,000,000.

There will be a great deal more sand—or

of \$140,000,000.

There will be a great deal more sand—or mud—in the unfinished ditch than the correspondent of the Gaulois saw a few weeks ago, when the people of France contribute money enough for the remaining "seven-tenths" of the

ALLEGED EXPOSE OF MASONRY. Recreast Member of the Order Sued for

Bill for Printing. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW HAVEN, February 25 .- Frank R. Fisk, of the Fisk Printing Company, has sued Elisha M. Trowbridge to recover on a bill con-tracted for the printing of a book in which tracted for the printing of a book in which Trowbridge claims to make public the secrets of Masonry. The book consists of a compilation of all the inner workings of Masonry, and is profusely illustrated, explaining the cosumes worn by the candidate for Masonio honors. The first illustration is that of the lodge room, giving the positions of the various officers and the route taken by the candidate when he enters the lodge room.

All the different degrees from the apprentice degree to that of the Royal Arch Mason are clearly explained, and, in fact, all secrets and ceremonies of Free Masonry are given away in this book. The pass words of ancient Freemasons are given as follows: Boaz, Shibboleth, Jachin, Tubal, Mah Hah Bon, meaning Marrow Bone. The case will be tried in April. In his book Trowbridge, sho is a Mason, has violated the oath of the "apprentice degree" and the oath of the "Master Mason degree."

A MOUNTAIN OF GOLD. The Metal so Finely Distributed It Mus

be Treated Chemically. A correspondent of the London Times cently gave an interesting account of Mount Morgan gold mine, which is in Central Queensland, and can be truly described as a mountain of gold. The stone which is quarried from the mountain is a kind of black ironstone, with no outward appearance of the more precious metal, but this ore yields from five to six ounces of gold to the ton. The metal is so finely distributed that the ordinary mercury amalgam

process could not be resorted to without great loss, and this is therefore superseded by the chiorination method. The process for separating the precious metal is briefly as follows: The ore is crushed and reduced to sand; it is next roasted, placed in barrels, and subjected to the action of chlorine gas, when a solution of chloride of gold, in color like sherry, flows out from the mass. By after-treatment with charcoal and subsequent reduction in a reverberatory furnace, the gold is finally recovered in the metallic state. The metal from this mine is far purer than any yet found in nature, the baser metals associated with it amounting to less than one-half per cent. ses for separating the precious meta

THE ELDER ASTOR.

How He Profited by an English Deed Putnam County.

From the New York Star. 1 Just before the war Great Britain deeded to John and Mary Morris Putnam county, in this State. When the States seconded from the mother country the Morrises adhered to Er gland, and were driven out of the State by the patriots. Years after, when the treaty of peace had been signed, John Jacob Astor appeared or the scene, and notified the State that he wanted \$500,000 for Putnam county, which he declared he had purchased from the heirs of John and Mary Morris.

The State employed Daniel Webster and

The State employed Daniel Webster and other eminent counsel of that day; but Astor proved that the land had been deeded to the Morrises for a life interest, and at their death was to be turned over to their heirs, and that the State when it parceled off the land to the farmera gave them the life interest only of John and Mary Morris. Astor won his case and raised his price, and when asked how much he would settle for he said \$500,000. He got it.

THEIR SECOND CONCERT.

Large Crowd Greets the Mozart Club

in Old City Hall. The second concert of the Mozart Club was given last evening in Old City Hall. The club is now in its twelfth season and every event seems to be better than its predecessors. The large hall was crowded with lovers of music, there being few empty seats. The club was represented by nearly every member in the organization. The work of the chorus was particularly good and the only thing to be re-gretted is the fact they have not a better half to display the richness of programme was as follows:

itarello. "Cupa Fatal Mestiria" Miss Rosa Weber, "Requiem Mass"

THE INTERESTS OF DAIRYMEN Discussed at the Annual Meeting of the

State Association. [SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] MEADVILLE, February 25 .- The sixteenth annual session of the Penusylvania State Dairy-men's Association convened in this city. The attendance at the opening was light, probably owing to the almost impassable condition of the roads and heavy rain this morning. In his opening address President J. C. Sibley, of Franklin, urged the dairymen'to systematize organization and a pressure of their claims for legislative recognition. Fred Edmunds, of Thuman, N. Y., on "Marketing of Dairy Prod-ucts," put all his force on first-class butter and cheese, saying no other quality had a claim on the market. In the evening Waldo F. Brown, of Ohio, spoke to a good sized audience on the subject, "Wanted—A Man."

QUAY STILL SLEEPLESS. The Senator Reported Saffering From His

PHILADELPHIA, February 25.—Senator Quay has been unable to find balm for his shattered bealth in Florida, and in a letter received by bealth in Florida, and in a letter received by Collector Cooper yesterday the Senator says that he is still suffering from insomnia. He is having great success as a fisherman, however, and inclosed in the letter the mammoth scale of a tarpon. The scale hore this inscription—"Langth, 6 fest 4 inches: weight, 110 pounds. February 17, St. Luce. With regards of M. S. Quay."

The Senator is now fishing on the Indian river, and has no idea of returning to Washington until his health is recumerated.

Old Complaint.

OUR MAIL POUCH.

Mr. Jankins on the Golden Rule and in Defense of Rev. Mr. Maxwell. o the Editor of The Dispatch: Reference has been made in our city paper from time to time during the past week or more to Rev. Mr. Maxweil's renting a dwelling.

Evidently this has been done by someone, or more than one, for a purpose.

Mr. Maxwell has not threatened to bring any suit, neither has he appealed to the Bishop, as has been stated, no charges having been brought. Mr. Maxwell was called as rector of Trinity Church for the consideration of \$3,500 per annum and a house, and it so stands recorded on the minute book of the parish. The church has so far complied with the agreement. At the last vestry meeting the vestry passed a resolution not to rent a house or renew the ease, and so notified the owner of the house and Mr. Maxwell. To this action I most decidedly objected. I was in the vestry when Mr. contract made with him. I have never yet repudiated a contract or failed to meet my obligations at any time out of the church, and I ertainly will not be a party to it in the church,

or consent to it. A man's first duty is to himself, next, pro viding for his family. Rectors and ministers are not exceptions to this rule. Mr. Maxwell must have a house for his family. If the vestry must have a house for his family. If the vestry will not provide one, he must. If the church had been distressed for funds, and the vestry had requested Mr. Maxwell to relieve them of a part or all of the rental of the house for a time, I believe he would have accommodated them as far as he could; but they made no such request, neither was there any necessity for its being made.

request, neither was there any necessity for its being made.

Have we forgotten the golden rule? or have we reached that high position of positive knowledge where August Compte in his "Positive Philosophy" claims the religion of our childhood disappears? I have always been found sympathizing with the distressed, regardless of creed or position, when they are blameless; this is my position now.

Many, perhaps, may be interested in an article in the last issue of the Churchman, page 222.

I send this to your paper without the consent, thowledge or approval of either Mr. Maxwell or Bishop Whitehead, and over my own signature, and am alone responsible for its publication.

THOMAS C. JENKINS.
PITTSBURG, February 25.

Citizenship Defined.

o the Editor of The Dispatch: THE DISPATCH of Monday last published : ommunication under the heading, "Is the At-orney Right?" stating that a young man of age the day before election day was refused a te because he had not been a citizen 30 days The question hinges on the definition of citizenship, which is clearly expressed in the Constitution of the United States in the following

stitution of the United States in the following words: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the pursdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State in which they reside."

The Constitution does not say that one must wait 21 years after birth, if born in this country, before he becomes a citizen. A child born in this country is a citizen at birth.

The words of the election law of Pennsylvania also prove this: "Every male citizen 21 years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections." Why does the law contain the "21 years of age" if one is not a citizen before that time? The attorney is wrong.

PITTSBURG, February 25.

Mariatte's Law. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Noticing in DISPATCH of this date "New Theory of Gas Expansion," I take this oppor-tunity in stating that in chemistry we have a law regulating the gaseous state, known as the Law of Mariotte (though really discovered by Boyle, of England, in 1661) and may be expressed thus: The volume of a gas is inversely as the pressure; the density and elastic force are directly as the pressure and inversely as the volume. For instance: If a vessel contains one cubic foot of a gas under a pressure of 10 pounds, the volume will be reduced to one-half, one-tenth, or one-hundredth of a cubic foot, if the pressure be increased to 20, 100, or 1,000 pounds respectively on the contrave the gas

pounds respectively, on the contrary, the gas will expand to 2, 10, or 100 cubic feet, if the pressure is reduced to 5, 1 or one-tenth pound respectively.

Vapors, produced by evaporation of liquids or solids, have the same properties as gases.

AN M. D.

WALKER'S MILLS, February 25. To the Editor of The Dispatch: 1 wish to obtain full and reliable information in regard to the climate, natural resources, etc., of the new State of Washington. To whom shall I write for the same.

PITTSBURG, February 25. or Secretary of State. Olympia, Wash., probably they will gladly supply you pamphlets of an official nature giving abundance of information on the subject.]

Booth at Harris' Theater. To the Editor of The Dispatch: "Did Edwin Booth ever play "Richard the Third" at Harris' Theater?" In reply to the above in to-day's DISPATCH I would answer yes, but it was called the Opera House then, and it was the same season O. B. Doud was the stock leading man. Mr.

Dood was the stock leading minus of the played in one week "Hamlet," "Brutus," "The Fall of Tarquin," "Hichard" and "Shvlock," and, if I remember rightly, "Claude Melnotte at the matines. This was the season of 1868.

J. H. Rows. GLENWOOD, February 25.

Calomel Instead of Cats. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Permit me to say to that Pittsburg centle man who is advertising for 50 cats to rid his place of rats that he is going to an unnecessary expense. If he will buy 50 cents worth of cal omel and sprinkle it on pieces of buttered bread, it will settle the rodents. The medicine makes them thirsty, and they will drink eagerly either beer or water. The hair will come off the rats thus dosed, and this will frighten the pests away. G. McM.

CONNEAUT, O., February 25.

Let the Weather Wise Reply. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Will you kindly inform me through you paper what was the lowest point reached by the thermometer during the winter of 1888-5. Was it below zero or not? G. F. B. Vas it below zero or not? Pittsbung, February 25.

PROSPEROUS AND PROGRESSIVE. The Pittsburg Dispatch a Newspaper of

Many Excellences. From the Valley Spirit, Chambersburg, Pa.] One of the most progressive daily newspapers in Pennsylvania is THE PITTSBURG DIS-PATCH. It is steadily improving, and-a natural result-steadily increasing in circulation and as steadily advancing in tion. Republican in politics, it is not afraid to condemn the errors of its party; devoted to the interests of the city in which it is published, it has no fears about opposing and denouncing local municipal wrongs.

Its Sunday edition has now a circulation of over 50,000, and its week-day editions are pushing toward this figure. It is well said that be-

A WINSOME WEE THING.

cause of its many excellences as a newspaper

its name has become a household word in Wes

ern Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio.

CHARLES MACKAY'S LAST PORM. My wife's a winsome wee thing, Wed twenty years or mair, And aye the bonnier growing, As baith mine eyes declare. 'I is love that made her bonnie, And love that keeps her sae, In spite o' time and fortune, On life's uncannie way.

Love scares away the wrinkles

From aff her smooth white brow,

And duty done through good and ill

And yields her happy peace of mind, If e'er the world goes wrong, And turns the murmur of lament Into a cheerful song. The kisses gather on her lips

Like blossoms on the rose,
And kindly thoughts reflect the light
That is her bosom glows—
As wavelets in a running stream
Reflect the noontide ray,
And sparkle with the light of heaven
When rippling on their way. She is a winsome wee thing. And more than (wenty year She's twined herself about my heart

By all that can endear;
By all that can endear on earth
Foreshadowing things above,
And lead my happy soul to heaven,
Hejoteing in her jovo!

- Blocktood's Mana

LUTHERAN MISSIONS.

Conference of the Representatives of the Various Evangelleni Church Bourds. A conference of ministers of the Evangelical Lutheran Church was held yesterday after-noon and evening in Trinity Letheran Church, in Allegheny. At 2 o'clock the condition of home missions was discussed. Rev. W. J. Hay presided. Aid was asked to build new churches

of Church Extension will consider the requests.

A children's meeting was held at 4 o'clock, and at 7:30 P. M. there was a union service of the churches of the two cities. Rev. Charles Reinwald conducted the devotions. Rev. A. Stewart Hartmann, of Baltimore, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, addressed the assembly. He said that there was a greater calamity daily occurring in America than the Johnstown flood: the loss of human souls, and that it was necessary only to present the facts to the people. In the United States 101 missions of the Lutheran Church receive \$3,000 a year from the board, an average of \$360 to each mission. Fifty more ought to be established. Mr. Hartmann appealed for more money.

Rev. H. H. Weber, of York, Pa., Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, spoke of his work. He said that three out of four German immigrants were Lutherans, and 19 of every 20 Seandinavians, and that the constant incoming of those people taxed the heaviest energies of the board.

Rev. Dr. George Scholl, of Baltimore, Secre

the board.

Rev. Dr. George Scholl, of Baltimore, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, spoke of the work in other lands, smong the believers in other religions. Fifty years ago there was not a Lutheran minister in India. Now there are \$25 congregations, with 11,000 members. In Africa 500 natives have been educated as Christian missionaries.

A LONG YOYAGE.

A Bottle That Had Been Traveling Over Four Thousand Miles. From the Port-of-Spain Gazette.]

On the evening of the 24th instant, Mr. William Jones, while walking on the beach of the Nariva Cocal, noticed a bottle which had been washed ashore by the waves. He opened it and found it to contain a scrap of paper, which he forwarded to the office of this paper. The following was written in German on one side, the other side having written across it the date "I September, 1889," and the signatures T. Schlinger and Aust. Lichmatrone:

"The German bark Joseph Haydn, Captain H. Pflieger, from Bremen, finds itself to-day in south latitude 7° 36° and west longitude 12° 45°, where the crew has thrown this bottle overboard on the Sedan-day, 1889. All on board well. On the voyage from Singapore to Marseilles, 2 September, 1889."

The writer or writers were evidently patriotic Germans, from the use of the anniversary of Sedan as a date. They have, however, rendered a greater service to science than to naam Jones, while walking on the beach of the

dered a greater service to science than to na-tional feeling, as the point in the South Al-lantic where they threw the bottle was not far westward from the Island of Ascension. This westward from the island of Ascension. This shows that the ocean current which bore is along over well nigh 4,000 miles in five months and laid it gantly with its message on our eastern coast, must have traveled at the same rate (nearly 50 miles a day) as the equatorial current flowing above the West Indies from the Guif of Mexico eastward to the Atlantic. The direction of the current from the South Atlantic which carried the bottle here was, therefore northwestarly.

PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES.

The Champion Menn Man Encountered by a Traveling Showman. New York Sun.]

"There are several champion mean men in this county," said the circus agent, "but my champion mean man lives in a town in indi-ana. If any other State can match him I'll let 1,000 orphans into our show for nothing."
"Give us the particulars," remarked one of the group.
"Well, when our advertising car got along "Well, when our advertising car got along a wanted one side of a

"Well, when our advertising car got along there last season the men wanted one side of a cooper shop to display some of our finest pictures. The owner wanted \$25 in cash and ten free tickets for the privilege, but we refused to be robbed. He finally came down to \$20, then to \$15, and we offered him \$10. He said he would take an hour to think it over, and at the end of that time I went to get his answer.

"What do you estimate the tickets worth?" he asked.

he asked.
"Fifty cents apiece."
"And I can sell mine?" "'If you wish.'
"'Well, you see how it is. My wife is very sick and liable to die. If she lives we can use sick and hable to die. If she lives we can use two of the tickets to go to the circus. If she dies I can use one, but I'll have to give the other to my sister-in-law for helping at the funeral. That's what I have just agreed to do. Make it \$10.50 and ten tickets, and you can have the short.

TESTING THE BRAINS OF DOGS.

Dr. Paul Gibler's Method of Ascertainin

Hydrophobic Symptoms.

NEW YORK, February 25.-Dr. Paul Gibier

ing many letters from all parts of the country

Poisoned by a Rat's Bite.

COLUMBUS IND. February 25 - James W.

Clark was recently bitten on the back of his hand by a rat. He is now in a serious condi-

Her Usual Style.

Windy City, which has been working heroically

for the prize, got there, as usual, with both

Sewall Sent Back to Samoa.

Washington, February 25.-The Presiden

to-day sent to the Senate the nomination of Harold M. Sewall, of Maine, to be Consul-General of the United States at Apia.

ON THE WORLD'S FAIR,

CINCINNATI Enquirer: What a terribly big

NEW YORK Tribune: When the great big

CLEVELAND Plaindealer: Chicago gets

the World's Fair for 1892 and the Democracy

CLEVELAND Leader: The interest felt in

World's Fair site was almost as great as if a

NEW YORK Prem: New York certainly owes

a word of thanks to the Congressmen from other States who stood by us throughout the

balloting, because, unswayed by local or sec-tional influences, they felt that this was the

greatest city in the New World, and that it

ought to have the fair, not so much for its own sake as for the fair's sake.

PHILADELPHIA Record: The majority in

Congress has decided to send the World's Fair to the wild and windy West, which remained

undiscovered for 200 years after Columbus set

head Chicago has this morning.

Well, why not?

Platt did it.

she is bard to peat.

From the Oil City Derrick.

"As business is business I agreed to his terms, but I never ached harder in my life to give anybody a good lighting." FIFTY YEARS A PRIEST. Father Besseines, of Indianapolis, Cole--The Czar of Russia has just de brates His Golden Jobilee. INDIANAPOLIS, February 25,-Archbishop Elder, of Cincinnati, accompanied by his private secretary and Father Mackey, of St. Peter Cathedral, arrived to-night to take part

Peter Cathedral, arrived to-night to take part in the golden jubiles to-morrow, marking the iftieth anniversary of Rt. Rev. Father August Bessoines' (V. G. P.) ordination as priest and also his fetirement from active church work. The services will be imposing, in which many of the leading Catholic clergy will participate. Letters of congratulation have been received from Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishops Ryan and Ireland, Bishop McCloskey and other eminent divines, and distinguished gentlemen of other denominations have also written in the Kindliest terms. To-day Father Bessoines was presented with a purse containing over \$2,000 and other costly gifts in other ways. to quit his post. -In the Belgian districts, where the playful frog lives in large colonies around the ponds, canals, and disches, there is lamentation and woe among the farmers at the wholeale destruction of the creature, which, besides being in the French gourmand's estimation, "good for food," is very useful to agriculturists

as a slug and insect hunter. After various as a slug and insect hunter. After various fruitless attempts to prevent the destruction of the frogs, they have now put their case—and that of the frogs—before King Leopold, peti-tioning that frog hunting be prohibited during certain parts of the year, so as to prevent frogs from disappearing altogether from the country.

If, therefore, it should be noticed in the near
future by admirers of stowed frogs that their
favorite dish is becoming more expensive than
ever they will know whom to blame for the
fact. of the Pasteur Institute in this city, is receivasking how to determine whether dogs which have bitten persons are mad. He requests that in such cases a part of the brain of the dog be sent to him at once, in glycerine, and he will reply to queries without delay, otherwise he cannot explain. -Chemically, the apple is composed of vegetable fibre, albumen, sugar, gum, chlo-rophyll, malic acid, gallic acid, lime, and much water. Furthermore, the German analysts say that the apple contains a larger percentage of

of the brain and spinal chord. It is, perhaps, for the same reason, rudely understood, that old Scandinavian traditions represent the apple as the food of the gods, who, when they felt themselves to be growing feeble and infirm, resorted to this fruit for renewing their powers of mind and body. Also, the acids of the apple are of signal use for men of sedentary habits, whose livers are sluggish in action; these acids serving to eliminate from the body noxlous matters which, if retained, would make the brain heavy and dull, or bring about jaundice or skin eruptions and other allied troubles.

TO PROVOKE A SMILE.

NEW YORK World: For Director General of the fair in Chicago: Tom Platt, of Oswego. Binghamton Republican. boundless West undertakes to have anything

In the English Literature Class,-Mabel gets a firmer grip on New York State. Tom -Hogg wrote pastoral peetry about lambs and this city yesterday over the selection of the per's Basar.

national convention were balloting for a Presi-Life, as a rule? Miss B.-1 haven't Time to enloy anything. PHILADELPHIA Times: It is not yet surthat the fair will be held in Chicago, as the Senate may refuse to concur in the action of the House, or those who are opposed to any fair at all may join forces with these who don't want the fair he'd in Chicago and defeat the

that is advertised for rent? Junitor-Yes, hoss.
In the advertisement it reads that there is running water. Where is it?

walls, hit's so damp, - Teras Siftings. It Was Needed .- "Where is the drawing the architect's plans.
"I thought perhaps the front and back parlors would obviate...'
"No, indeed; we must have a drawing room for my daughter is determined to be an artist."

Quick Work.-"And to think," said he as he pressed her little hand, "to think that I never saw you before to-night."

eyes on America. This amounts to a virtual defeat of the project in advance. Having put the site out of sight, the next appropriate move on the part of the politicians who are modeling in the business should be to prevent any Federal recognition of Columbus or his

British naturalist, is trying to procure the passage of an act of Parliament making birds-nesting fliegal in order to preserve some of the rarer British birds from total extinction. -One of the largest forests in the world

tands on ice. It is situated between the Ural and the Okhotsk Sea. A well was recently dug in this region, when it was found that at a depth of 116 meters the ground was still frozen. -It is alleged that the falsifications of English coins by clipping and counterfeiting has gone to a greater extent during the last few years than for a long time before and that things have got to such a pass that it isn't safe to accept coins at all

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-New York State has 644 G. A. R. posts

-An ambisious young Englishman an-

ounces that he is about to publish a key to

-Scotchmen banquetting in London are

ow entertained with music of real northern

ong stood vacant, is to be changed into a grand

-Charles Jones, of Middleton, killed an

tter on his farm which weighed 1734 pounds

An old citizen says the last otter known to have been seen in this section was 50 years ago.

-King Dinah, the Senegambian chief

who made a sensation in Paris last summer, is having trouble with his subjects because he has adopted some of the habits of civilization.

-Rev. F. O. Morris, the well-known

rowning's works.

-Scientific farming in Italy is to be undertaken this year by a company owning a capital of \$20,000,000. If the operations prove successful the old wooden plow, polled by oxen, that has held the field since an era before the Roman Chesars, will probably have to go. -The British military authorities an-

ounce as the subject for the prize essay of the United Service Institution for 1890 "The tacti-cal operations of the future as affected by the introduction of magazine rifles and machine and quick firing guns and smokeless powder." -The Czar of Russia is now the largest landholder in the world. Three weeks ago he purchased one single tract larger than the State of Texas. He has also bought in the lands of the Hobenlohe family, which they had inherited, but were not allowed to occupy in Russis.

-Switzerland proposes to hold at Lausanne in June a fair that will present specimens of all known allmentary substances, taking in oreads, confectioneries, pastries, cooked dishes, vagetables, grocories, preserves, chocolares, and so on through all that the human stomach -Monuments have now been completed

over the burial places of the English, French

and Italian troops killed in the Crimea during

the war of 1854-5. Russia' memorials over her fallen soldiers on the same plains are on a grander scale, as she continues to hold the fort, -A florist in London, England, has had the happy thought of hanging trails of moss over and around the electric lights in his window. The green and yellow thints of the deli-cate leaves form a lovely veil for the light, which glimmers through them without being diminished.

-H. O. Forbes is reported to have made

an important discovery in the neighborhood of Christchurch, New Zealand. It is the discovery in a cave of a great many valuable relics of men, birds and besats. Not the least interest-ing portion of the find consists of the bones of in extinct species of swan. -The Eighth Hussars of the British army have a gazelle for "child of the regiment." It secompanies the regiment everywhere, and is an especially conspicuous figure on the Sunday church parade, when it accompanies the band, leading the line with a stately tread, appar-ently-imitated from that of the urum major.

-Monthly police reports of foreign vistors in the hotels and boarding houses are made at Paris. On February 1 the official number was 7,500 a slight decrease from the preceding month, but with slight variations, the number remains about the same for each month, excluding August and September, the dull season.

-A clever young woman in St. Joseph, fo., outwitted a tyrannical father on Friday and succeeded in marrying the man of her shoice without his consent. She managed to become maid of bonor at a wedding where her "best cam" was also the groom's, and at the continuous of the coremony advanced with the groomsman, and they were pronounced man and wife "ere the mother could speak or the father could bar."

private soldier, whose fidelity recalls the story of the Roman sentinels, who perished in the destruction of Pompeli. When a recent earthquake destroyed a small Russian town in Central Asia, this soldler was on duty at the tary treasury. Although the houses crashing around bim, he stood motion awaiting death. Fortunately a sergeant him amid the ruins and instantly ordered to out this root.

phosphorus than any other fruit or vegetable. This phosphorus is admirably adapted for re-newing the essential nervous matter, lethicin, of the brain and spinal chord. It is, perhaps, tion. His hand, arm and one side of his body are badly swollen, and it is thought blood poisoning is setting in. The World's Fair prize has been gobbled by Chicago. It took eight ballots to do it, but the

The Old Familiar Towel. - Foremanhat's all that racket over there; somebody pled No, sir: the towel fell on the floor; that's all -

Police Captain-What did you let the fel-

low run away from you for?

New Officer—Faith sor, he ran so fast he got outside the limits of the law before I and casch 'im.— A Well-Planned Plot. - Stranger-How was it possible for the villains to kidnap their prey in the very heart of a great city?
Citizen—Easy enough. It was done right next door to a police station. —UMcago Times.

Young Miss Wagg-And Lamb got even with him by writing an essay on "Roast Pig The Great Five .- Miss A .- Do you enjoy

Miss A. -Oh, I should Judge that you had. Then they both Puck-ered up their lips and laughed. This conversation took place on the West Shore of America. - West Shore. Would-be Tenant-So, this is the house

Down on de fust floor de water runs down da m?" asked Mrs. Strukoyle, as she looked