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A SHOWING OF PROSPERITY. The annual report of the Pennsylvania Railroad for the last year, which appears at its regular time, and can be found in all elsewhere, is a remarkable showing.

THE COMPROMISE CHARGE. The compromise verdict in murder cases has produced some astonishing developments, prominently that of the Cronin case, which was tantamount to asserting that the proper punishment for a deliberate, carefully planned, and palatial conspiracy to murder was about three years in the penitentiary.

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A LIBERAL OFFER. A new attitude, with regard to the relations of the Catholic Church to the public schools, is taken by a priest in one of the suburbs of St. Paul, Minnesota. The public schools being crowded, he offered to donate the parish schools to fill the temporary gap, the expenses to be paid by the Board of Education and the question of religious instruction to be kept entirely separate from school hours.

BACK FROM THE GRAVE. One of the things every man ought to know is when he is dead. Of all people he ought to be the best authority on this point. It may be added that a man's wife should be sure about his death before she proceeds to bury him. A woman who buries a man under the impression, firstly that he is dead, and secondly that he is all that is left of what was once her husband, and afterward meets her husband in the flesh and a naturally aggrieved state, subjects herself to much mortification and expense. A St. Louis woman has just had such an experience.

FUEL FROM THE AIR. An Indiana Man's Device for Separating and Burning Gases. ANDERSON, Ind., March 3.—Adrian Hill, the man who successfully condensed natural gas, is to the front again with an invention or discovery that is even more remarkable. He has patented a process to separate and store the oxygen in air, and his device, making a substance that is highly inflammable, and he claims that it can be produced at a very small cost.

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the man buried was not O'Connor. And last of all, O'Connor himself turned up with a singular story of having been buried while in a state of suspended animation. He further claims that medical body-snatchers stole him from the cemetery, and that he came to life just as a surgeon began to carve him on the dissecting table. Whether this unusual story is true is not yet known. The only thing certain is that somebody blundered. Mrs. O'Connor's feelings must be very distressing. If she liked O'Connor it is bad enough; but if she was not willing to be a widow, she will feel very bitterly toward the body-snatchers.

It is also intimated that Mrs. O'Connor may be able to recover damages from the snatchers. It will be the first instance on record of a man presenting resurrectionists for stealing his own body.

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AT THE THEATERS.

A Visit to New England—Sketches of City Life and Character. THE fashion of sketching characters from the life, American life, is being taken together with a very slender thread of story, is growing. This fashion, which Denman Thompson set and William Dean Howells and a few millions of men and women have approved, is responsible for the production of "Old Jed Prouty" by Messrs. William Gillette and Richard Gold. The experts have not decided yet whether such a collection of sketches deserves to be called a play, and for our part we think it will be content with the title of dramatic sketches, or some other equally descriptive name.

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CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

An engine on the East Tennessee and Virginia road is regarded with superstitious dread by the railroad men. It has killed 27 people during its career.

An ingenious Maine editor's clever dog prints his paper for him by means of an animal power press. The editor has invented one dog can run two printing presses with it, say.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward's eldest son, Arnold, is said to be a literary prodigy. He is only 14 years of age. He recently sent an essay on a magazine which received a check for \$50 and a letter of thanks.

Bridgton, Me., has at least one abandoned citizen. He met with an accident and was confined to the house for several weeks. It was for some time thought that he had an accident policy entitling him to \$25 a week.

The theme of the Japanese national anthem as recently rendered into English is: "Oh, that the reign of our Emperor might continue for thousands and thousands of years—until other spheres become rocky."

A Blue Springs (Ky.) paper says that in a recent law suit in that town, Colonel Kelly, representing the jury, brought down the house by saying that he held an illustration in making a point in the case.

Edwin Booth was playing "Richard III." in Charleston, S. C., a number of years ago, and when he came to the scene, "Who will proclaim divorce 'twixt France and me?" his triumphant gallery got yelled out "Chicago."

The postmaster of Owosso, Mich., has been so pestered by local duties consorting with his pretty clerks that he has placed copies of a window a printed card which reads: "This window for P. O. business only; not for visitors."

The Emperor of China visits the Emperor dowager at the Nanchang palace every five days to inquire after Her Majesty's health. The visits are always made early in the morning and accompanied by a vast retinue of personal followers.

In Virginia the Fish Commissioners are making preparations to hatch the eggs of salt water fish. They have secured 10,000,000 eggs of the Spanish mackerel, which at the hatchery is established. It is proposed to hatch a very large scale.

The highest meteorological station in Europe is on the top of the Soudkirk, in Austria, 10,165 feet above the level of the sea. The operator is Peter Lechner, who lives there with his family. He has no communication with the outer world except by telegraph and telephone.

Uncle Joe Haddon, who is still living in South Carolina, was sent out to America in 1833 by an English company to manage the first locomotive on the old South Carolina Railroad. He is now 98 years old, and still does his own work as a miller and machinist on a Carolina plantation.

A theater in Algiers shut up during the reign of the grip, and the actors sued for their wages, the manager refusing to pay, as he was not making any money, and the court held that he was not liable, as he was not making any money, and the court held that he was not liable, as he was not making any money.

The Fike's Peak cogway will be illuminated the entire seven miles by electricity. Carbons will sparkle on top of the old giant of the Rockies, and a night train will run for the benefit of the tourists. The cogway is to be a magnificent sight, and the company is to acquire an enormous outlay of money to put in the plant, but the contractors say it will be done.

The use of nitro-glycerine in cases of emergency instead of alcohol is recommended by an English physician. A drop on the tongue causes a fainting man, and it may restore life in the case of a person who has fainted. It has quicky relieved headache, and pain and asthma, and strengthened weak pulses in fever.

At Columbia City, Cal., a church organization under the name of "The Conservators" has been carrying on a series of meetings. The members claim that they are without sin, and that they are without sin, and that they are without sin, and that they are without sin, and that they are without sin, and that they are without sin.

IMPORTANT RAILROAD DECISION.

The Laws of a State Must be Observed Within the State. WASHINGTON, March 3.—The case of the Louisville, New Orleans and Texas Pacific Railroad Company vs. the State of Mississippi was decided by Justice Brewer in the Supreme Court today. The question involved was the power of the State to compel railroad companies to provide within the State separate accommodations for the two sexes.

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