INSPIRED BY PINAFORE

Mark Twain Got the Points for His Famous

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"saw the sights" at night. He took out that old, worn, historical corncob pipe of his, and began to puff at it and drawl out that he did

Seeking an Inspiration.

THEN, after a few minutes of silent puffing, with his legs crossed, he ran his hands

through his grissly hair and drawled: "You

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"I told him there was a performance by children just up the street at Haverly's Thea-

ter-now a thing of history-and he seemed de-lighted. We went there, and I never saw

He Knew it Would Strike Everybody.

WELL, when it came his time to speak, he

got up, and, in his usual nasal drawl, began with those memorable words to the effect that we could not all be great Generals,

like the distinguished guest of the day, nor

could the most of us be poets, and only a few

could get into high offices, while more could

get into jail and then the Legislatures, but that

he would speak about babies, because that

"And then he made that speech—undoubtedly

the most humorous he ever delivered. And, so sure was Mr. Sam Medill, then managing editor

OUR ROAD EXPEDITION.

would strike everyone's experience.

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This is a good argument for State and county aid in road making, intelligently applied to roads which have more than a local importance, and many require more than local resources to put them into substantial condition. With the improved spring weather, the pleasanter aspects of rural wayfaring may be reflected in the re-MEG. NATURE IS RELENTLESS. SHIELEY DARE. COURTING IN THE COLONIES THE DELVER.

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### AN UNDIGNIFIED DISPUTE.

The personal controversy between Mr. Cleveland and the New York Sun is extremely unfortunate for both parties and cannot but cause regret among the friends, either of that political leader or of that enterprising journal. It is noticeable that no issue of official

conduct or public policy is at all involved in this dispute. It ought to be the fact that 'senile liar" and "cowardly liar."

Mr. Cleveland's sake it is very unfortunate | restored in every corner of the State. that he should pay any attention to personslities of that character. He could afford to ignore them.

It is to be hoped that the exchange of vituperation that has taken place will satisfy both disputants and that the country will be permitted to pursue the discussion of public topics in a dignified and sensible manner.

### THE RIGHT WAY.

The settlement of labor questions by means of mutual consideration and the effort on both sides to reach a fair compromise, has been an honorable characteristic of Pittsburg industrial life.

At the opening of the week it was declared to be almost certain that there would be a strike in the railroad yards, and a universal strike in the railroad mines was generally predicted. Before the close of the week the mining question has been settled by a fair compromise, so far as the Pittsburg district is concerned, and miners make the Western district pay proportionate wages. There is a good prospect, too, that the week will close with the railroad strike settled in an equally honorable

and creditable way. and creditable way.

This is the fortunate result of Pittsburg's which to suppress the White Cap nuisance, ample experience of the loss and folly of His father's house was attacked by a band of strikes and lock-outs, tempered with a mutual respect of both employers and emploves for each other's rights. Long may this method prevail in the setttlement of Killing the White Caps is a rather severe wages questions in Pittsburg!

THE EIGHT-HOUR MOVEMENT.

The programme which Mr. Samuel Gompers maps out for the eight-hour movement in his letter published to-day is not very definite: but it foreshadows a broad and general campaign in favor of the establishment of eight hours as a day's work. There is no doubt that the agitation so far as it has progressed has accomplished material results. In many trades a nine-hour day has been conceded in advance of the time set for formally opening the campaign. Whether the general reduction to eight hours may not be hampered by compromises of this sort is for the future to reveal.

So far as Pittsburg's part in this struggle is concerned, it is evident that for the present at least it will be that of an interested and sympathetic spectator. It the movement succeeds elsewhere it will probably be conceded here without trouble. Until it is successful elsewhere it would not be fair to obstruct business in the city which gives the best wages and shortest hours to its work-

The sympathies of the majority will be heartily on the side of any practical effort to diminish the hours of labor. But as a question of policy there is reason to doubt whether it would not be better to direct the movement to reducing hours in trades where they still work ten hours or over to the nine-hour day than to try and make a sweeping reduction to eight hours in the whole body of industry.

#### IMPROVEMENT BY SUNSHINE.

The dry weather of the past few days has effected a mitigation of what seemed to be the hopeless condition of the country roads, and THE DISPATCH expedition has made rapid progress through Beaver countr. Some examples of bad roads were found, especially in the vicinity of Beaver, where landslides have left two important highways in dangerous condition, and the cost rural wayfaring may be reflected in the reports from THE DISPATCH expedition.

#### LEM SING'S FATE.

A Chinaman sits, or was sitting when last heard from, in the center of the Nisgara Falls Suspension bridge. It is not the Mongolian's choice that he occupies this midpontine position. He made his way surreptitiously into the United States, was discovered and politely escorted to the Canadian frontier. There the Canadian authorities wanted a Custom House receipt for the fifty dollar tax imposed upon Chinese, or fifty dollars. Lem Sing, for that is his name, had neither. Canada refused to admit him. the United States remained obdurate, and Lem Sing had to stay midway. The picture of the Chinaman standing in the middle of the Nisgara bridge contemplating two aspects of high civilization is humorous. The New Zealander admiring the ruins of St. Paul's from the crumbling piers

What is Lem Sing to do? The Chinaman proverbially needs very little capital to start a laundry, but the circumstances are terribly against Lem Sing. It is an opportunity to start an international laundry, to be sure, but a bridge sidewalk is not convenient for tubs and ironing boards. The rentano's, 5 Union Square, New York, where location is a trifle too exposed and breezy. The fate of Hood's sailor seems likely Lem Sing's.

And so he chewed His pigtail till he died."

#### DELAY ON THE FAIR BILL. The adverse fates seem to preside over

legislation on the World's Fair project. The legislation in the House, being complicated by the rivalry of different cities for the exhibition, occupied over three months when it ought to have been decided in about as many weeks. After the House got through with the subject it was hoped that the Senate would take prompt action and let work be commenced at once. But the vice of legislative dawdling is as strong in the Senate. Though Senator Huwley has given notice three times he has been unable to secure consideration for the bill; and vesterday the Senate retused to give any time to it, in order that it might go into executive session, and consider how its secrets are not kept. It looks now as if five or six months of valuable time may be wasted, before anyone has authority to commence work on this national enterprise.

KENTUCKY'S SMALL CIVIL WAR.

The pugnacity of Harlan county, Ky., appears to be unconquerable. The fight remen of such prominence would refer to each | ported yesterday between the State troops other in dignified terms. But it is the fact and a band of outlaws in the mountains of that the pursuit of mere personalities has that district affords a singular commentary been carried to that point where neither on our civilization. The men who are party can refer to the other except in terms | carrying on a small civil war in their defiof vituperation. The sum total of their dis- ance of the State are not bandits. They putation is that these eminent exponents of have not the excuse of highway robbery for politics and journalism display themselves | their resistance to authority. They are before the country in the act of ringing the simply men who have refused to recognize very slight changes between the epithets any law but their own lawlessness, and have Of course in considering the matter it is such a degree that they cannot surrender, inevitable to avoid the fact that the personal even to military force. It is to the credit of attacks of the Sun upon Mr. Cleveland Kentucky that she is using military force have been persistent, or that they took the where it is necessary to establish obedience very undignified form of enlarging upon his to the law; and it is to be hoped that she physical characteristics. Nevertheless for will keep up the effect until good order is

> THE usual full report of the executive session of the Senate yesterday, furnished by the Associated Press, informs us that the discreet Senators concluded that it would be wise to not deal too severely with the enterprising reporters who publish what the Senators

IT is interesting to find the Philadelphia Times asserting that "the backing and filling about sugar is due to a conflict between the claims of the Sugar Trust on account of contributions to the campaign fund and the claims of those interested in the growth of cane and sorghum." Since every proposition made by the Republicans gives the Sugar Trust less than a quarter of the protection proposed for it by the Mills bill, in the difference between the duties on refined and raw sugars, will the esteemed Times please explain what caused the care for the interests of the Sugar Trust displayed in the Democratic measure?

WHEN the tornado indulges in the practice of carrying on its blasts the germs of disease from some unknown point, perhaps hun and operators are united in an effort to dreds of miles away, as is reported from Kentucky, it complicates its visible destruction with an addition of a wholly superfluous char-

> acter. A nov of fourteen out in Missouri has those marauders last Saturday night, and they were proceeding to whip the head of the family, when the boy opened fire with a shot-gun, kill-ing two of the bullies and stampeding the rest. Killing the White Caps is a rather severe disguise their tariff policy that nobody can discussed, but when the law does not protect tinguish it from that of the Democrata.

people in their houses at night, they are entitled

IT is satisfactory to learn, concerning Cuba, that the esteemed Omaha Republican is "not sure that annexation is the best." That fact, in connection with the other little point that Spain will not let us have Cuba, may caus-the whole subject to be indefinitely postponed

THE case of Mrs. Rloomer is a singular example of persistency of falsehood. That lady has several times written to the newspa-pers declaring that she did not invent the feminine trousers that bear her name. Yet the celebration of her golden wedding causes the old statement to be repeated from one end of the land to another. Is it always to be the case that a lie will travel seven leagues while the truth is putting on its boots?

WITH the Prime Minister of England kicking up a row because he is not admitted to the continental gambling house of Europe we are permitted to view the eccentricities of some of our statesmen with tolerance and even with admiration.

IT ought to have some instruction t Pennsylvania and Maryland that New York is debating a proposition to enlarge the canal locks so as to permit the passage of larger vessels. In the meantime Pennsylvania is doing nothing to secure canal navigation and Maryland is doing worse than nothing. While this policy is continued, New York will continue to hold the great route of freight transportation.

THE coal industry of this section has learned by long experience how much better it is to settle a wages dispute by compromise than by c nflict, and sets a good example to the rest of the country by the arrangement just completed at Columbus.

lr will be news of sad import to the traveling public to learn that Switzerland's public treasury has been depleted of about \$1,500,000 by a financier bearing the unpleasing and Italian name of Scazziga. This will be a sad blow to the frugal Swiss commonwealth, but it will bear a deeper meaning in the reflection that future travelers in Switzerland will have

THE appearance of a man and dog, supposed to be ghosts, is making a sensation on the Southside. If the police get hold of the pair they should demonstrate the physical reality of the man and make an actual ghost of

THE collapse of Senator Camden's paper at Parkersburg indicates that Senatorial organs are not likely to achieve glittering success in journalism. But when we reflect that the defunct paper was also a Standard Oil organ, the impossibility of its being a live newspaper juts out as prominently as any of West Virginia's mountains.

WHEN two of the prominent men of the nation reach the point of controversy where all that either can say is to call the other a cowardly and variegated liar, it is time for both to

CAPRIVI declares that he will have no inspired journalism, whereupon Bismarck pubthat is likely to increase the new Chancellor's dislike for his predecessor's way of managing public opinion through the press. Bismarck is just beginning to appreciate the fun of being

THE gushers in the Montour and Chartiers fields are more than balancing the aridity of the holes on the elevated district of West-

It is interesting to observe that Senator Payne, of Ohio, is marking his last session in Congress by introducing a bill showing some relation to patriotism. It is for the erection of a monument to Commodore Perry, with whom Senator Payne had the good fortune to be con-

#### PROMINENT PEOPLE.

HERBERT GLADSTONE will visit the United States and Canada during the coming summer. THE Empress of Austria is devoted to yachting now that she is no longer able to ride a

THE Rev. Robert Collyer, of this city, has returned from his visit to Chicago, where he preached last Sunday.

busy studying French. LORD ALBERT EDWARD GODOLPHIN OS-Ceylon to become a tea planter,

MR. EDWIN BOOTH says, in a letter to the New York Tribune, that there is no truth in the report of Lawrence Barrett's failing health. He will return to the United States in June and resume his dramatic season in September. THE announcement seemingly well authenti-Sullivan is at work on a grand opera, for which Eugene Field, of Chicago, is writing the libretto, and that it will be ready for production

DUKE CARL THEODORE, of Bavaria, who has long given his skillful service as an oculist free to the poor, has opened, at Meran, a hospital and free dispensary for diseases of the eye. The ducal doctor personally directs the establishment.

MR. AND MRS. D. C. BLOOMER, of Council Bluffs, Ia., recently celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. Bloomer has been for years a prominent advocate of woman's rights and was the originator of the famous "Bloomer costume." Ex-Congressman Firch, of Nevada, is

caught on election days that he has actually never yet voted for a Presidental candidate Changes of residence and important business ons are assigned as the reasons why he missed his votes.

GENERAL JOHN BIDWELL, who has been an nounced by the California Prohibitionists for Governor, was one of the pioneers in that State. Some years ago he became so impressed with the evils of intemperance that he had several acres that had been planted with grapes pulled carried their defiance of civil authority to up, and the land converted to school purposes for Indian children.

### THE TARIFF BILL.

Boston Globe: It is the worst bill reported on the floor of Congress. PHILADELPHIA Times: Mr. McKinley and his committee, in trying to please everybody, have changed their tariff from day to day to neet the demands of the latest interest that interviewed them, till they have succeeded in making everybody distrustful and themselves and their work ridiculous.

PHILADELPHIA Record: At last the Ways and Means Committee has been delivered, after 128 days of painful gestation. And what an abortive thing it has brought into the world! Nothing could be done that would so promote the prospects of the Democratic party as to give Mr. McKinley the bit in his tee Speaker Reed the reins, and let them have

BOSTON Journal: The changes which were made in the tariff bill just before it was reported to the House, rendered it a more popular measure, and a measure more closely in accord with the true principles of protection. It was a splendid stroke of courageous statesman-ship, by which the abolition of this most burdensome of all our revenue duties [on sugar] was accomplished.

NEW YORK World: The tax on sugar reaches more consumers than any other in the entire tariff schedule. Its abolition would give a pereptible relief to every poor family in the land. sugar growers introduces a new principle to our system. If sugar-growing is unprofitable without a bounty, so is corn and wheat growing in many parts of the country. What is vent universal bounties to unprofitable industries if this policy be once entered upon? NEW YORK Tribune: Those who remember how powerfully Mr. McKinley assailed the free

trade measure offered by Mr. Mills, will not be surprised that his argument in behalf of the Republican bill now pending is remarkable for maniness, mastery of facts and soundness of reasoning. After reading it one rejoices that the day of mealy-mouthed timidity is over, and that Republicans are no longer itching to so

n Old Canonsburg Boy Gone to His Rest-Experimenting With National Airs-As to

THE DISPATCH chronicled a couple of days ago that the Hon, Eugene M. Wilson died of The newspapers talk of him as a distinguished lawyer of Minneapolis and a Minnesota Con-gressman and public officer, but he is rememred by several Pittsburgers as a hand and generous boy at college 40 years ago. Mr. Wilson was at Jefferson College, Canonsburg, from 1850 to 1853, and a classmate of his said to me yesterday: "Young Wilson was one of the finest-looking young men I ever remember seeing. He was a good fellow, too, and pretty bright. He came from Morgantown, where he had a lovely home. Dr. Riddle, of Allegheny, will remember him, no doubt, and his chum and room-mate was W. T. Playford, one of the lead-

ing lawyers of Uniontown to-day.
"Wilson drifted away from this part of the country after he left college. Naturally he was a Democrat, and after the war he entered politics actively in Minnesota. He ran unsuccessfully for Governor in Minnesota last year."

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

A GOOD experiment is to be made at the Bijou Theater next week. At the close of the performance Mr. Phil Weis's excellent National airs. The idea is borrowed from England and Canada where the National air, "God Save the Queen," is always played after the performance. The National anthem seems to have the effect of making the exit of the audience sedate and orderly. At present our audiences scramble headlong for the door.

But the virtue of playing "Hail Columbia" and other National airs in our theaters is the patriotic feeling it encourages. Any means to attain such a laudable end is worth trying. We do not pay enough respect to our National airs. There should be one with which every American should be familiar, know the tune and the words by heart. At present there is not, as has been proved over and over again whenever mixed assemblages of Americans have attempted to sing a National song impromptu as it were. A melancholy failure of this kind, which occurred a couple of years ago on board a transatlantic line, is still vivid in my mem-

WHAT a splendid lesson to modern real-"W har a spiendid lesson to modern real-ism," says Henry Arthur Jones, in this week's Mirror, "is conveyed in the few hundred lines at the end of the second act and the be-ginning of the third act of the second part of Henry IV.! First, we get the tavern scene at the Boar's Head, a bit of the frankest, most uncompromising realism, the Prince and his fellow roysterers done to the life with photographic fidelity, but with such a gust and wealth of comic creation; such vivid, riotous quickening and marshalling of the sordid details and disreputable personages into a masterpiece of jocund, careless, glowing, baccha-nalian revelry; such delightful rough-shod triumph over virtue, morality, respectability and responsibility, broken in upon only by the grave, compunctious reply of the Prince to Peto's message-

By Heavens, Poins, I feel me much to blame, So idly to profane the precious time.

Give me my sword and cloak. Falstaff, good -such sustained warmth and vigor and joviality as quite redeem the scene from the imputa-tion of mere realism. What a reproof to the modern clamor for ugliness, vice and disease for their own sakes! Every stroke is real life itself, and yet what a fine impression of genial. healthy, rollicking life it leaves!

### THE SPIRIT OF '76.

Yeomnury of Northwestern Pennsylvania Up In Arms-A Convention Called. The farmers of the Crawford-Erie district have issued a call for a convention to be held in Meadville on May 1, 1890, to express their choice for suitable persons to represent them in two seats in the Legislature. On the next day a convention will be held to nominate suit-Senate, and for a seat in the Legislature. On Friday, May 9, a convention of both counties will be held in Cambridge to express their choice for suitable persons to represent their interests in Congress. The call has been signed party, and continue pouring in at an alarming rate. The Pennsylvania Farmer, the Grangers' organ in that section, in speaking of the move ment, editorially says:

That we have devoted seven columns of space to the publication of about 1,800 names of farmers who have signed a call to meet in council to consider and discuss the grave issues of cointed Consul General at Paris, but he is very the hour means that these men have discovered that many of those to whom they have entrusted their interests have been unfaithful BORNE, son of the Duke of Leeds, has gone to and they propose to attend to their own business in future. It means that these men be lieve that political parties should be subject to the will of the people, and not the people as slaves to party leaders and their interests, a prey to individual avarice and ambition. It means that the honest yeeomanry of this cor-ner of the Keystone state are not afraid to stand up and be counted in this movement. It means that they propose no longer to squander their birthright for a mess of pottage to tickle the palate of prejudice but turn to gall

### CURRENT TIMELY TOPICS.

REV. T. DEWITT TALMAGE is undoubtedly at peace with his wife and other ladies through-out the land. The reverend gentleman is quoted as saying "that so far as possible let all women ress beautifully.'

OVER 100 papers in the United States are now controlled by colored people. The colored man is certainly getting a move on.

A SKELETON has recently been discovered n Pompeli with pants on. We'll bet the skeleton was the first fellow to die with his boots on.

THE pig market is in the slough. The deever.

as such things don't rain down, they are com-SCIENCE is daily spreading. The latest noveity is bread made from wood. Something like that has been needed these many years, as it will leave more grain for the manufacture of spirits.

SENATOR INGALLS says poverty never will kept many a man from begging.

the party's cuticle has thus been saved. BACHELORS and marriageable gentlemen women in that State have \$29,000,000 to their credit

THE spring poetry that Senator Vance sprung on the Senators the day the vote was taken admitting the Montana delegates, is said to have changed the minds of several members. The verage Senator is willing to put up with a good leal of abuse, but they draw the line on poetry.

MEAT AXE, a Shoshone Indian prophet, preliets a flood in July next which will wipe out the heartless pale faces. As it is a well-known fact that an Indian was never known to tell the truth, the above prediction will not cause any uneasiness on the part of the pale faces.

A MAN at Connellsville, near this city, was a man at Connects the case tols city, was rooting around a lot of old stones when he un-earthed something like 300 eggs. On taking them home and placing them in a warm place, he made the remarkable discovery that they were snake eggs, and nearly every one turned out a real live tile, but he dispatched them before they could do any harm. The man who found the eggs is not

SENATOR INGALLS said to a New York World reporter that a tremendous undercurrent of thought was moving with irresisible force throughout the whole length and breadtn of the West. The Senator should lose no time in getting on a few people while here, and let them know in out of the wet. He is the first of the Gubernatorial candidate to visit the "frosty sons of thunder," and cer-

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON, it is said, reads more papers than any other man in Washington. How his nerves must have been shocked during the past two or three weeks in reading the news Rhode Island, Wisconsin and other De

### DEATHS OF A DAY.

MONTREAL, April 18. - Frere Justinien, Provin cial Superior of the Community of the Brothers of Charity in Canada, is dead. He was born in Belgium in 1838; came to Boston as Superior in 1874, and was promoted to Provincial Superior in

QUITE CREDITABLE.

An Amateur Performance of Romeo and Juliet That Was Not a Comedy-The Pupils of Prof. King Acquit Themselves With Honor. A very fashionable and not uncritical au-ience assembled yesterday afternoon in the

Bijou Theater, to witness the matinee produc with the way Mark Twain got up that funny tion of "Romeo and Juliet" by the pupils of the Curry School of Elecution and Dramatic Cul-ture. While a critical audience, as was testispeech of his on babies, delivered at the great banquet given to General Grant at the Grant reception here?" asked Mr. Sam Steele at a Chicago Press Club reception the other night, fled by the warm applause which greeted really good piece of acting, yet 'twas a generous one, as the weaker parts of the play when everyone was in a reminiscent mood. were passed over without even a sign of restlessness. On the whole, it was a very creditable performance, both to Prof. Byron W. King, the instructor and manager, and also to the young winateurs who were included in the cast of characters. The staging of the tragical romance was exceedingly pretty, especially the portion which Mr. Steele is one of the best known newspa per men in the country and knows more prom-inent people, and has been connected with more of these great receptions than any other news paper man of the day, unless I except Joe How ard, Jr., and Gath,
"Well, you know that Mark Twain was the The staging of the tragical romance was exceedingly pretty, especially the portion which constituted the famous balcony scene, and, with few exceptions, everything pertaming to the stage was conducted in a really professional manner, minus the amateurish hitches that usually characterize such performances. The costumes worn were appropriate to the time and the characters represented, and in beauty and elegance all that could be desired. Some very beautiful ones were displayed in the minuet, which was danced most gracefully by a charming coterie of young ladies and gentlemen. guest of the Chicago newspaper men when he was here then—it was the last time he visited Chicago," I was doing my best to entertain the distinguished humorist, and we tried to beguile the time until the banquet next day—he came in early in the afternoon the day before. Mr. Frank B. Wilkie, known all over the country through his Poliuto letters, gave a dinner to Twain at the Tremont, and I was to see that he "saw that sights" at night.

charming coterie of young ladies and gentlemen.

M ss Millie Gardner, as Juliel, displayed considerable talent, being stronger in her portrayal of misery and agony than in the tender passion. On the other hand, Mr. Ed McClelland, as Romeo, was at his best in the various love scenes and the farewells which are constantly occurring between him and his love, but he was strong also in his interview with Friar Laurence, when informed of his banishment, Miss Gertrude Donohue, as Nurse, and Mr. J. D. Brison, as Mercutto, were decidedly the best characters in the cast, and seem to be possessed of the true artistic spirit. Several others seemed to merge their own identity into that of the character personated, among them Mr. seesed of the tree artistic spirit. Several others seemed to merge their own identity into that of the character personated, among them Mr. Frank Reynolds, as Prince, Mr. George McC. Kountz, as Tybalt, Mr. Wilfrid M. Grace, as Friar Lawrence, and Mr. E. M. Grace as Peter. In the remainder of the cast much that was to be commended and little to be condemned was to be seen. It was as follows: Paris, Mr. George Douthett; Montague, Mr. William Giffin; Capulet, Mr. William Robinson; Benvolio, Mr. A. K. Wil-on; Balthazar, Mr. William Hammer; Sampson, Mr. John B. Montgomery; Gregory, Mr. Frank Righter; Abram, Mr. Cor, Martin; Attendant, Mr. Walter Dawes, Apothecary, Mr. Tom Carnahan, and Lady Capulet, Miss Clara Dawes. Those who danced the minuet were Hisses Kittle Hamm, Lillian Agnew, Ella Stots, Clara Dawes, Millie Gardner, and Messrs. J. D. Brison, A. K. Wilson, Walter Dawes, George Douthett and Mr. Braum.

#### SATISFACTORY REPORTS

Made at the Semi-Annual Meeting of a Woman's Missionary Society. The semi-annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Pittsburg, was held yes-terday in the West End M. E. Church. Mrs. E. B. Van Kirk presided. A large number of societies were represented, and nearly all gave very satisfactory reports of the work done during the last six months, and showing an increase of four societies. 'The Treasurer's report was approved. It showed a balance in the

port was approved. It showed a balance in the treasury amounting to \$1.085. Rev. W. P. Oldham made a lengthy address on the results accomplished by women in missionary work, and of the greater interest taken in it by them than by those of the other sex.

Henri Maccudum, a Syrian, made a short address about Syria. He stated that there were 104 Christian schools in that country, with an average attendance of 4,000 natives. He said that the people of his country were just beginning to appreciate the good which was being done for them by Christian nations and believed that Syria would yet be highly civilized, and would then repay all that was done for their moral and educational elevation. Before adjourning the society accepted an invitation adjourning the society accepted an invitation to hold the annual meeting next fall at Spring-

#### REALLY A RARE TREAT.

Residence in Their Own House.

remarks.

The financial statement was read, showing a

balance in the treasury of \$1,472 the expendi-tures during the year being \$20,000. After the meeting a collation was served in the billiard

room, and a pleasant time was spent. The affair was also enlivened with a number of vocal and instrumental selections by the Elec-

Chairs, curtains and carpets, beside a host of

Christian Association of the East End must

have for its new home on Collins avenue, and

pelled to get them otherwise. To accomplish that feat they will have a concert at Old City Hall, Thursday evening, May 1, by the Phil-

A number of Pittsburgers are looked for at

Morgantown, W. Va., during the coming sea-

son. Morgantown this year will be the head

SOCIAL CHATTER.

An entertainment for the benefit of the

Ladies' Missionary and Aid Society of the Third U. P. Church, Allegheny, will be given

in Carnegie Hall on Monday evening, April 28, Leland T. Powers will render "David Garrick"

and Yoerge's orchestra will furnish the music.

MRS. D. D. DICKEY, of Winebiddle avenue

gave a lo'clock luncheon yesterday in honor of her little son, Master William Hamilton

MES. R. J. CUNNINGHAM, of Sewickley, will

THE cooking school pupils receive their di-

Good-Bumored and Happy.

Major E. A. Montooth, Pittsburg's handsome

ne was in the field to the finish. He went away

smiling, good-humored, and apparently happy.

Still Looking for the Earthquake.

Some of the followers of the crazy California

prophet, Erickson, are still on the hilltops, looking for the overdue earthquake and tidal wave. They attribute the delay to the fact

that "Beelzebub has caused some phenomenon

in the Arcue regions." Beelzebub, "the lord of

flies," has never had the reputation of having

est thing, however, he has ever been known to

any on him. His Arctic voyages are the co

entertain her friends next Monday evening,

plomas at the Grant street school house.

From the Somerset Herald,

tainly made a good impression.

From the New York Sun.]

Dickey.

Furniture for Its New Home.

The Annual Literary Entertainment of the Wisconsin Editor's Upinion of the Move-Curry Teachers' Lyceum. Ohio Troubled With a Surplus of Mudannual literary entertainment of the Views of Pennsylvanians From Various Teachers' Lyceum of Curry University was given last evening in University Hall, and was Sections of the State. a rare treat to those fortunate enough to be from the Milwaukee Wisconsin. ]

present. The programme consisted of a THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH has sent an exsalutatory by Miss Margaret Coulter, an address pedition through Pennsylvania to examine the country roads. The explorers navigate the mud by the President, Miss Elizabeth Simpson; a soprano solo, "Answer," by Miss Hattle Gray; a recitation, "Mac Lain's Child," by Mr. in a prairie schooner drawn by horses named Beaver and Bucephalus. Thus far they have Gray; a recitation, "Mac Lam's Child," by Mr. Henry Hertzler; an original oration, "Self Help." by Miss Alice Greot; an essay, "Wherein Lees the Cause," by Miss Sadie Wolfe; a contralto solo, "Gentie Annie," Miss Matilda George; essay, "School Aids," Miss Maggie Clark; biography, John Henry Pestalozzi, Miss Annie Heath; a soprano solo, "What Should a Young Maid Do," words by Byron W. King, Miss Clara Smith: Lyceum Journal, Miss Belle Gibson; recitation, "Awfully Lovely Philosophy;" Miss Mame McKenna; vocal duet, Misses Smith and George.

Of this society Miss Elizabeth Simpson is President, Miss Belle Lacock Secretary, and Mr. W. McU. Stevenson musical director. succeeded in keeping on top of the State, but the horses now resemble clay models. At one place in Fayette county the explorers were saved by a farmer who gave them this timely still or you will have to die them out." There vania can undoubtedly discount us. She has been paying too much attention to business beneath the surface.

#### Ohio Extends Sympathies. ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY.

From the Warren, O., Chronicle.] THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH has dispatche a two-horse wagon correspondent on a tour through several counties in Southwestern Penn-Tariff Club Boys Celebrate One Year of sylvania, to report the condition of the roads, His principal experience thus far has been in The Young Men's Republican Tariff Clublast the line of making excavations in fathomless night observed the first anniversary of the mudholes for his submerged team and wagon opening of their new club house. A large num-The roads are reported in execrable condition ber were present, none but members being invited. A meeting was held in the assembly with very few exceptions. If it is true that robm. President McFarland giving a short ad-dress. He reviewed the history of the club should not feel utterly alone in this muddy dress. He reviewed the history of the club from its start, with seven members, to the pres-ent time, with 800 members. George Elphinstone made a short speech, taking for his subject the pictures of prominent Republicans on the walls of the room, and thereby reviewing the different political enochs of this country. A. C. Robertson, Heber McDowell and C. L. Magee also made a few condition of its roads.

### A Practical Treatment

From the Conneautville Courier.] THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH has set about the treatment of the subject of improving the country roads in a practical way, and in doing so shows commendable enterprise. The pub-lishers of the paper last Wednesday started an expedition organized to explore the rural high-ways of Pennsylvania. Several reporters, in a wagon built for the purpose, and provided with photographic material, will traverse every country road and obtain the views of the farmers concerning their improvement. The importance of the results of this method of obtaining a complete picture of the condition of other necessary articles the Young Woman's the roads, together with a concensus of opinion of those who use them, cannot be over estimated. The country roads are the farmers' highways to their markets, and they will take a great interest in anything which may result in their improvement.

THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH has fitted out wo-horse team to travel over the country of navigation, and as camping parties usually select that position on the river, the town ex-pects to be crowded. Two well-known young men from this city were there Friday arranging for ground near Cobun's creek. mud and the mud holes, with which they bound. It is THE DISPATCH'S method of do ing good to a class of people who have failed to do good for themselves on the road question. This constant agitation of the question will in sure good roads, and the grangers will thank THE DISPATCH for its radical effort in their ehalf .- Myersdale Commercial.

THE approaching season promises to be one of journey and excursion. The New York Mail and Express has sent one of their writers on a long boat journey from Sandy Hook, New York, to the mouth of the Columbia river, in Washington, a distance of 7,000 miles. THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH has also sent out an exloring expedition to take deep sea sounding of the roads throughout the adjacent counties -Killanning Republican.

THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH has sent out an expedition to explore the country roads in Vashington, Fayette and Greene counties, union still lives, after being on the road for over two weeks, and is nearing home, having found many things, but failing to find the bottom of the roads in many places. Allegheny should end Stofiel to the Legislature, to assist in Governor, dropped into Somerest on "private business" on Friday last, He managed to call making laws for the improvement of the roads. His experience of the past two weeks would be very valuable to our next body of lawmakers,-Uniontown Genius of Liberty,

> Particular as to the Kind of Rula. from the Omaha World-Herald. A recent Pennsylvania dispatch telling of a sheets." The next thing we shall be asked to believe is that the harlstones came down in

pillow covers. Such attempts upon the public

Not no U mixed Evil. rom the Philadelphia Times. ]

redulity should be stopped.

The Congressional disagreement on the silver uestion is not an unmixed evil. If it continues we won't coin but 2,00,000 light-weight dollars a month, instead of possibly twice that number if an agreement is reached. OUR MAIL POUCH.

Agricultural Depression and Extravagance -A Lesson From Turkey-Trapping. Performance by Children-A Subject

To the Editor of The Dispatch: I see that THE DISPATCH has taken the Pennsylvania roads in hand, and no doubt the effort will lead to good results. I notice that a correspondent hopes that, while ascertaining the quality of Pennsylvania roads, THE DIS-PATCH will also be enabled to enlighten the people regarding the present agricultural de-pression throughout the country, upon which so much has been said and written. Even Congress has taken the matter in hand and proposes to ascertain why some farmers are not getting rich, but I imagine that the Congress man cares more for the farmer's vote than for

Now nere are two subjects that I would like Now nere are two subjects that I would like a small space to unburden myself about.

I travel much over Pennsylvania roads in a buggy, in places they have been almost impassable this winter, but are now much improved and are improving every day. There is such good drainage in this country that the water runs off rapidly, and in an hour or so after a heavy rain the roads are dry in many places if the sun shines. Your young men should have started in January if they desired a picnic.

And now as to agricultural depression, Would it not be well to find out first whether there is any such thing before making a fuss about it? I travel much among farmers, and talk with them, and I somehow have the imtalk with them, and I somehow have the impression that as a class they are as well housed, well fed and as well clothed as any other class of citizens, and with few exceptions, better. There are those among the farmers that are growling and will continue to growl to the end of their days—not because there is anything wrong with the agricultural interests, but because they have made mistakes in conducting their business, cot in debt and become chronic growlers. You do not hear the genuine farmer complain. He goes along about his

ing their business, got in debt and become chronic growlers. You do not hear the genuine farmer complain. He goes along about his business, works hard, lives within his means and saves money every year. To this class of men the fact that there is an agricultural depression will be a surprise. They know nothing about such things.

The so-called agricultural depression was brought about by the war and changes in ways of living since the war. It is not an agricultural depression. It is a condition which affects the farming classes. If farmers would live as they did in the good old days there would be no "agricultural depression." But neither they nor the rest of us are content to live in that way. Think of it, you who are 50 to 69 years of age. How did your father and mother live? How did you live when a boy? I could make this article about a mile long on this very topic, but what good would it do? You would only grunt and turn on your heel and say "Do you suppose I am going to live as my father did? People don't live that way now and I am not going to. I'll die first." Very well, you will not die, but you will assist in keeping up the "agricultural depression."

Farmers have lived beyond their means. This is the whole secret; there is nothing more in it than this. They have been continually goaded by their surrounding to spend more and more money; to live in better and better atyle, until they have morgaged their farms and have renewed these mortgages and kept them going year after year until the time is arriving when they cannot keep them going any longer, then comes—the "agricultural depression." Why not call it by its right name—debt?—for that is what it is, pure and simple. Farmers who have been careful and kept out of debt are not complaining of agricultural depression. lighted. We went there, and I never saw Clemens so tickled. He enjoyed the performance immensely, and would laugh in that quet way of his and poke us in the ribs, and call attention to every little clever bit by a performer, and would mutter to himself: "That's the thing. That's the very thing I want. Ah! I've got it now. This will strike everybody."

"We did not know what he meant until the next night at the banquet. He had repeatedly remarked to reporters that he did not know what he would say, and could not give them any pointers as to his speech.

It is my opinion that the next census will show a fearful condition of things in this country, so far as mortgages on land are concerned. frame some law to "relieve" this depression,

of the Tribune, that he could get the notes, or manuscript, from Twain that he made no proframe some law to "relieve" this depression, but Congress might as well try to change the force and direction of our cyclones by legislation. If Congress could make an appropriation to pay off the mortgage on every farm in this country, and then pass a law that no more mortgages should be given. It might "relieve" the depression, but Congress cannot do this, and some other way must be found. Congress can do nothing for the farmers: the latter hold the remedy in their own hands. Instead of looking to Congress, or to any other power, let them turn their eyes backward and look into themselves for the solution of this problem.

The situation reminds me of the way we used to trap wild turkeys when I was a boy. We would build a pen of logs in the woods, cover it snugly over the ton, then dig a trench under one side and scatter corn in the trench. The turkeys would come along and begin picking up the corn and continue along the trench until they found themselves in the pen, when the corn suddenly gave out, and the poor things could not get out, because they would only look upward, trying to find some way to the other transports. vision for taking the speeches. So when, a few minutes after midnight, Clarence Dresser was sent to the speakers to get their speeches so as to have them in next morning's *Tribune*, he got all but Mark Twain's. He said hedid not have all but Mark Twain's. He said he did not have a note, nor could be give the slightest intimation as to what he would say.

"I s-h-a-l-l h-a-ve t-o d-e-p-e-n-d o-n a-n in-s-p-i-r-a-t-i-o-n I h-a-ve r-e-c-e-i-v-ed si-n-ce I c-a-m-e h-e-r-e," drawled the speaker. Then Mr. Medill had to get three shorthand men to take that speech, and relay each other so as to give it in the hands of the printer as fast as it fell from Twain's lips.

the corn suddenly gave out, and the poor things could not get out, because they would only look upward, trying to find some way to fly over. A certain class of farmers are in just this fix. They have followed the golden stream into the trap and now are unable to get their heads low enough to find the way out.

What is the remedy, do you ask? Advice is take, but it costs rothing, and there is no com-pulsion about taking it. My advice is (no charge) to every farmer who is in debt-live within your means, pay your debts, and my word for it, the "agricultural depression" will disappear, PITTSBURG, April 18.

### A Veteran's Bivousc.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Since my last letter to you our flag has been many times at half-mast, indicating each time that another of our comrades had been sumoned to the final roll call. The coffin, the shroud, the hearse, all speak out of the final bivousc. The young live in hopes of the future, the old in reviewing the past, I often watch the gray-haired veterans by whom I am surrounded-men who represent nearly every civilized nation on the globe. See that smiling old Canadian Frenchman

Fifty-three years ago he was in the employ of the Hudson Bay Company and wintered in the Rocky Mountains; he was three years in the Polar seas searching for Sir John Franklin. Watch that smile. What are his thoughis? Are they running over the details of the seige and surrender of Vicksburg, or going still further back, when he was telling that old, old story to that lovely, blushing brunette, who is listening with willing ears to that which, though old, is always new? Who can tell? Look at that stalwart, giant-framed, erect

old Scandinavian, and you will not marvel that Charles XII., of Sweden, whipped the Russians at Pullowa, with only one to five, and caused Peter the Great to gnash his teeth in despair. There sits a venerable typical German with his old pipe, and seemingly in a revery. Is he thinking of his youth in the Fatheriand, or of the exciting scenes around the powder-heated cannon where he served with such activity that the gun hurled its destructive missiles into the Rebel ranks with terrible effect at Gettysburg? In Prussia, in 1848, he made himself obnoxious to the Crawn, and for prudential reasons fied to the more healthful clime of America. Those two near him are unmistakably from the "Green Isle." See, one has just finished his pipe and put it hot against his friend's neck. The other jumps, and makes an emphatic remark that sets all who hear it into emphatic remark that sets all who hear it into a roar of laughter. Nothing but the "Grim nonster" can suppress the Irish wit and mirth The old graybeard over in the corner, readin The old graybeard over in the corner, reading THE DISPATCH (loaned him by a commade), is one of the world-renowned "Buck-tail Rifles." He has been "on the shoot" ever since his boyhood. Has he found something in the home paper that carries him back to the wilderness in Northern Pennsylvania, or is it a reminder of the skirmish line in '63?

The New England Yankee is here, a broadshouldered, strong-built hero of the wicked rebellion days. This same Yankee was for some years manager of a large sugar plantation in Cuba, was in Havana when Lopez, the filibuster, was executed; was hir self a proscribed man, but by strategem made good his escape when the Dons were hunting for him, He is totally deaf, made so by the cannon in the First Rhode Island Artillery.

The "Home" contains to-day at least 150 goodsized volumes of unwritten Aemrican history.

AN INMATE.

SOLDIERS' HOME, MINNEHAHA, MINN.

### HE WANTS HIS GIFTS BACK.

Lover Sues to Recover the Value of Presents to His Sweetheart. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.

NEW YORK, April 18.-Is the social obligation of a young woman to return a young man's gifts when she breaks an engagement also a legal obligation? That, in substance, was the problem placed before Judge Goldfogle in the Fifth District Civil Court to-day. David Leese expected to marry Sadie Dichtenberg

Fifth District Civil Court to-day. David Leese expected to marry Sadie Dichtenberg on the 18th of March at her home. David offered to bear a share of the expense of a big wedding. He took a receipt from Sadie's mother on February 17 for \$55, which he paid on that date. But before the wedding day arrived somebody went to Sadie with the story that David had at one time been an inmate of the Ward's Island Insane Asylum.

The wedding was indefinitely postponed, and David demanded the return of the \$85 which was refused. He then sued for the money. Sadie is a buxom girl of 17 with rosy cheeks. She said she had postponed the marriage six months that she might get over a cold and grow strong again. After she had postponed the wedding she began to find out more about David's ways, and now, since he had standered her in the newspapers, she would not marry him anyway. Questioned as to what she meant by finding out his ways, she said: "I aas sick two weeks, and he never askell how I was." She denied that she was now engaged to anybody, and said she had had experience enough was reserved.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

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-Spokane Falls, Wash., is growing so fast that the brickyards are unable to supply the material for new buildings as fast as it is

-A doctor says a man 1 meter 80 centimeters (5 feet 11 inches) should weigh 80 kilo-grams, or 160 pounds. That is just as many kilograms as he measures centimeters in height.

-A cannon ball, believed to be a Revolutionary relic, was unearthed at South High street, West Chester, on Monday. It was about three inches in diameter, and was heavily en-crusted with rust.

-A couple of bulky and thoughtless oven made a dive for a window full of green house plants in a restaurant at East Jordan, Mich., and before they could be headed off the side-walk and window were smashed to small pieces. -An Englishman who insulated his bedstead by placing underneath each post a broken off bottle says he had not been free from rhou-matism or gout for 15 years, and that he began to improve immediately after the application of the insulators.

-The testimonial fund to the Rev. Dr. Theodore Cuyler, of Brooklyn, aiready amounts to \$30,000. Dr. Cuyler has preached 2,750 ser-mons and made 25,000 pastoral calls: beside abtending many of Talmage's funerals when the renowned pulpit orator failed to turn up. -Judge Barton, of Big Prairie, Newaygo county, Mich., had been Supervisor of his

township for 30 consecutive years until the election last week. Then his Democratic op-ponent got just as many votes as he did, and when they drew cuts for it the Democrat won. -Mr. Macdonald, one of the Irish members of the House of Commons, is totally blind. Through the devotion of his wife he is also one, of the most prompt in attending to his duties. She takes him regularly to and from the Houses where her figure has become as familiar as hi

-The man who is credited with the original device and manufacture of the revolver pistol, Benjamin Darling, died recently at others. -That the horse-breeding industry is be-

ing seriously disturbed by the rapid develop-

ment of electricity as a motive power is evident. The indications now are that within another three years there will not be a horse car in active service in any of the cities in this country. -An extraordinary feat in telephoning was recently accomplished between St. Peters-burg and Bologne, a distance of 2,465 miles,

Conversation was kept up, notwitstanding a rather high induction. The Russian engineers propose to converse by telephone over a dis-tance of 4,855 miles. -A Georgia man is very superstitious. He believes the 16th of April will be his mascot. He was born on this date, married on this

date, his oldest daughter was born on the 18th, he enlisted in the army on the 18th, fought in several notable battles on the 18th and be-lieved he would be acquitted to-day, April 18. -Jefry Buckley was born May 3, 1821, and W. N. Carr was born February 9, 1821. They are both in their 70th year, and twentyninth year of service in the Nashville Postoffice. They were appointed in 1862, and have served continuously since. They are always on duty, from early morning until late at night, watching constantly for their patrons' letters. -The total number of souls who have pro-

tent forms for the five months ending with April 1 is 90,000. At the commencement of Nowember the officers of the organization, upon General Booth's instructions, set about to ob-tain 100,000 conversions in Great Britain alone during the following six months, and this num-ber has now almost been reached. -An Antigo, Wis., man has been notified by the customs officials in New York that a package of human hair sent him by mail from Germany has been seized, and has replied that

fessed salvation at the Salvation Army peni-

Germany has been seized, and has replied that they have seized his wife's own back hair, which she forgot to take along with her from Germany, where she had worn it for several years. She can get her hair back by making affidavit to this effect and paying about 70 -A Hudson Mich husband who had been married four years, and had repeatedly mother used to make, became so mad over a boiled dinner his wife set before him the other day that he seized a handful of hot cabbage and slapped it into his better half's face, after which he rubbed butter over her physiognomy

and then emption a teapor of boiling water upon her suffering person. -The subjects of the King of Dahomey are a bigoted and superstitious people, and all over the country there are innumerable "fetiches" consecrated to some pagan derry. Individuals who desecrate these "fetiches" by touching them are invariably put to death, but before they are executed they have to undergo the most painful tortures at the hands of the those ferocious female warriors

-Twin sisters celebrated their 77th birthday anniversary at Inswich, Mass., the other day. A local paper states that so remarkable was their resemblance to each other that the parents were often called upon to distinguish them to visitors. Their tastes were also simi the age of 77, it is said, they dress alike and have a likeness to each other which is unusual, even in twins. Both began life as workers in the old Ipswich lace factories, and were equally skillful in their art.

-In the town of Great Valley, in Cattaraugus county, N. Y., there is an interesting puriosity, phenomenon or freak of nature, known locally as "the whistling well." The well was drilled to the depth of 45 feet a half century ago, but no water accumulated. A flat stone with a lif-inch hole was fitted over the mouth of the well, and a whistle fitted into it, which changed its tone as the air was drawn down or up. In settled weather the whistle was silent. An approaching storm was heralded by the warning shriek of the whistle as the air rushed out of the well, but as clear weather approached, the current of air changed, in cushed into the well, and the faithful white rushed into the well, and the lateral windste-changed, and told the story by its changed tone. The whistle has long been worn out, but the well still continues to advertise the weather. In a heavy rainstorm the out-rushing wind forces the rain upward some feet in the form of a

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.

spray.

married life?

"Do you know what the dollar sign is. "Yeth, um. It's an eth wiv a wallwoad wun-nin' over it." Mother-Well, John, how do you like

Son-Very well, indeed. "Extremely so."
"And you try to be so yourself?" "I am so. ·Does she cook as well as your mother? "Mother. I cannot tell a lie. She does."-Bo

DANA AND CLEVELAND. Then up rose Grover Cleveland. And down he largely sat On Mr. Charles A. Dana And smashed him out quite flat. Because when Grover Cleveland Sits on a man's hat, There's something in his make-up
To smash the whole thing flat.

- Washington Star.

When you see a woman who struggles to keep up appearances you do not have to look far to find a man who is struggling to keep down ex-Mrs White-Dr. Jalop's daughter has

cloped with a Pullman car porter. Isn't it awfulf Mrs. Green-And she always said that wealth ad no attractions for her, the hypocrite. - Buston Gussy-It must have been rather rough on the old Indians when they had but a single pipe

when they smoked their pipe of peace.

Charlie-I should say so; for my part when there's a crowd I prefer a pipe apiece. - New York The coachman who contemplates eloping with and marrying his employer's daughte should remember that by so doing he will lowe

his position from coachman to groom ton Republican. "That's a splendid string of fish, Cadbury. Of course you got them like all fishermen do.?"
"No: I'll tell the honest truth, I caught them

Wickwire-What a lot of time is wasted through ignorance, that otherwise might be Yabsley-Isn't there though? I know of a case

in point. Unly last week I sat down and played solitaire for three hours before I found out I didn't have a full deck."—Terre Haute Express.

Between the Acts-He-It is really so warm here that I think I will go out and get a breath of air, if you will excuse me, Miss Blones, She (on his return)—Do you call that air, Mr. Bjohnson?—Howard Lampoon.