THE TOPICAL TALKER

trange Faces Before the Footlights-A

Order-Mr. Pltou's Stock Company.

WHEN "The Old Homestead" is on the but

you will find people in the theater who are never to be found there at any other time.

Presently a venerable looking gray haired m

the audience must be very lively. The man who has to go to the theater constantly is in

A RCHIE BOYD, who plays Joshua, looks as i

he had been living the wholesome life of a New Hampshire farmer, instead of careering

around the country with a troop of players. As

Strange to say the whole company, with a few

exceptions, has grown fatter and heavier du

ing the season. Considering the friction, un

life on the road, this is curious to say the leas

Now that adiposity has come to be a politica question and a national issue, as it were, per

haps some specialist will examine this ph

A CORRESPONDENT suggests that the death

of the robin, mentioned in this column several days ago, could not have been caused

by the electric light wire, because the bird was

in the air and a circuit could not have been

formed. But it is quite possible that the bird collided with two electric light wires, or with

one of them and a telephone wire, in either of

pleted with fatal results. The electric light wires are supposed to be insulated in Sewickley, but everyone who has used a telephone there

No inquest was held upon the robin, so that

it may be that the poor bird died from other than electric causes. It is quite likely that

the bird flew with great force against the wires

spondent suggests. However it happened there is a widewed bird sitting on a nest full of eggs

in an apple tree nearby, and it is a grievous thing to hear her call for her mate early and

MR. Howells cannot keep up the pace he

set himself in "A Hazard of New For-tunes," The conclusion of the story "The Shadow of a Dream" in the May Harper is

painfully suggestive of pot-boiling necessities

n the Howells household. It is the constant

ianger of writing by contract that such forced

efforts as "The Shadow of a Dream" have t

be made. The supply of apparent equivalents

for each have to be kept up. So it comes about

that an interesting and super-sensitive clergy

nan is smashed against a wall as if he were

cockroach. Mr. Howells shows not the least

ompunction in solving a delicate problem

T is Mr. Augustus Pitou's idea to organize

stock company, so-called, which shall travel through the land for the whole season. He has

begun already to engage actors, and he means to get the best material from England as well

s America. With this select band of artists-

none of whom will be stars—a repertoire of four

plays will be performed in each week stand.

The plays are to be new, three high legitimate

The company is to be engaged for a three

year term, and will start upon the road at the

opening of the season of 1891-2. Mr. Pitou in-tends to begin booking this company at once.

A COMMENDARLE ENTERPRISE

Our Expedition Gets the Correct Condition

of the Rands Over Which They Travel.

The expedition fitted out by THE PITTSBURG

DISPATCH, to investigate the condition of the public roads in Western Pennsylvania, is a

commendable enterprise. The party passe

through this place on Monday. They travel in

an ordinary road wagon, and in that way get a

correct estimate of the roads over which they

ravel and experience the same difficulties as

the average teamster. The people throughout the State, and especially this part of it, have

discussed the road question pretty thoroughly during the past winter, and the majority have

come to the conclusion that something must be done to improve our public roads, and the

terprise of THE DISPATCH is calling addi

ional attention to the subject. The bad con-

ition of our roads may be put down as a heav tax on every pound of produce, lumber, bark etc., brought to our market. This is especially

true of a large portion of the county which i

A NONOGENARIAN PEDESTRIAN.

Warner Passes Through Uniontown E

Route From Connellsville to Washington.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.

UNIONTOWN, May 13.-Harrison Warper, th

onogenarian who started from Wheeling II

days ago for Washington, D. C., pushing a wheel barrow in front of him, passed through

this place to-day on his way to Connellsville He was looking well, and said his health wa

unusually good. He was on schedule time, and expects to reach the capital city some time next week. He is due at Cumberland to-morrow and will push right forward to his

morrow, and will pass right forward to his
journey's end.

Warner says he was present at the inauguration of President Harrison's grandfather, and
also witnessed the induction into office of General Jackson. He belongs to a long-lived race.
His father was very old when he died, and his
mother was over 90 years. He has a brother
still living who is 85 years. The old man expects to start for home in about two weeks
atter reaching Washington, and will return by
the same route. This will be the second time
that he has made the triu.

Renson to Congratulate Themselves.

If what the baseball National League and

the Brotherhood say of each other's financia

prospects is trustworthy, the directors and pro-

nce in the League, and those of the present

club, who last winter vainly tried to get in

have every reason to congratulate themselves. If there is anything deader than Boulanger or

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Mrs. Sarah McIlvaine.

rs of the former Detroit club, who wer

hat he has made the trip.

From the Detroit Journal.

omedies and one a farcical comedy.

From the Indiana (Pa.) Messenger.)

and knocked the life out of itself, as my corre

knows how much or rather little the insulation

which case a circuit would have been con

nomenon and report.

late in vain.

clined to envy these regenerate persons.

Death-The Evil Effects of Writing to

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EMERY AND DELAMATER.

The McKean county fight terminated vesterday in a rather peculiar manner. The convention went decisively for Stone; but on the congressional contest the bitterness of defeat for the Delamater-Standard crowd was sweetened by throwing the county for Watson and balking Senator Emery's aspirations in the direction of a Congressional

career. It may be questioned whether this was not the most important point to the managers of the Delamater campaign. Stone has carefully kent out of the hitter aspects of the fight and the failure to get the delegates which were given to him can be put up with by Delamater and Andrews. But Emery had made an attack on Delamater which made his defeat an absolute essential to the salvation of his opponents. No deal could be too costly which would secure his elimination from the field, and the outcome affords a good deal of ground for the theory that this view was acted upon by the mana-

But Emery is a man who is not easily silenced, and the intimation of his appearabce as an independent candidate, with Democratic indorsement, contains a promise of lively times in the future.

THE PENSION DEADLOCK.

The Senate and House seem to have arrived at a deadlock on pension matters, by the report in favor of the non-concurrence of the Senate in the House amendments which make the last pension measure a service pension bill. The issue between the two bodies is absolute and irreconcilable. The Senate is in favor of a pension bill for veterans who are in need of aid, and passes a bill to that effect. The House says the only bill must be one awarding a pension to all soldiers as they reach a certain age, and converts the Senste dependent pension into a service pension; and the Senate retorts that it will not stand it. The possible compromises are to have both provisions, or neither; and the decision as to which it will be, will either give the Treasury surplus a new lease of life or cut it short entirely.

TOO WET OR TOO DRY. Though La Grippe is no longer with us, it

is still interesting to note the various attempts which are being made here and abroad to discover the cause or causes of the epidemic. A German physician, Dr. R. Assman, attributes it to the unusual activity of bacteria in the air owing to the absence of rain and snow in sufficient amounts to clean the atmosphere. He lays great stress upon the power of rain and snow to cleanse the air of dust and disease germs, and calls attention to the fact, established by official records, that an excessive drouth prevailed in Europe last November and December. It is also a fact that Great Britain did not enjoy more than fifty per cent of its normal rainfall during those months.

The argument of Dr. Assman is that owing to the excessive drouth the germs of influenza spread over all Europe. It sounds plausible, but a few inharmonious facts are extant. The influenza was at its height in England in the month of January, and that | as it has done from time to time ever since month was remarkable for its excessive rainfall. But the rainfall has been even more remarkably above the normal amount in most parts of the United States during the past winter. Even if Dr. Assman has hit upon the cause of the influenza epidemic in Europe, it is very plain that he has not enlightened us very much upon the Eubject of our equally objectionable plague. It would be singular, to say the least, if a drouth were convicted of causing a plague in Europe for which wet weather is popularly held largely responsible here.

SENEGAL'S PROTEST.

The heauties of European civilization are not always apparent to the savage mind. The natives of one of the States which make up the Senegambia have killed their King because he tried to impose upon them European ideas which he had imbibed at the Paris Exhibition. Of course the French. who are still interested in their unfortunate colony in Senegal, will be highly indignant at this bloody reflection upon their great Exposition. We are somewhat inclined to sympathize with the natives. There may be mitigating circumstances in the King's case, but until we know more than the bare fact of his being killed by his subjects because he experimented upon them with imported notions our hearts instinctively go out to them. The monarch of a country on the West Coast of Africa ought to beware of hurting his subjects' sensibilities. The negro of Senegambia has a dash of Moorish od in his veins, and his temper is not to

be trifled with. Who knows what that dusky monarch did, or tried to make his subjects do? Perhaps he put on trousers without warning; or donned a silk high hat of the latest Parisian style and walked about with a glass in his eye and a sky blue purasol over his head. Fresh from Paris he may have spent his evenings sipping absinthe, puffing execrable cigars-such as Paris smokes-while a decollete female in cafe chantant style sang to him doubtful French songs. In this case how were his dutiful subjects to know

that he was not insane? Not improbably the Eiffel tower had some thing to do with the tragedy. We can very well understand that it would be hard to convince an unsophisticated savage of the utility and beauty of a structure of the Eiffel kind. But it may have been on broader and grander grounds that the peonle acted. Their effectual protest may have been made against the introduction of such European blessings, as standing armies, political parties, taxes, legalized immoral-

terated food, doctored wines, quacks, deadly newspapers, patent medicines and fushionable preachers. Senegambia may escape European ideas for a while if death be her protective tariff.

THE EFFECT OF THE DECISION. The decision of the United States Supreme

Court in what is known as "the original package case" proves upon perusal of the fuller reports to have carried a greater significance in overturning the police powers of the State than was shown by the telegraphic summary. The early report conveyed the inference that it simply defended the right of a liquor dealer in one State to ship, as inter-State commerce, liquor in the original packages to purchasers in another State. It now appears that the ruling goes much further than that,

The case was one in which a brewing firm shipped to their agent in Iowa (who was a non-resident in that State) some beer, which the latter offered for sale. The Supreme Court affirms his right to sell it, notwithstanding any State law, on the ground that no State can interfere with commerce between the States. The following is the language of the Court on this point:

"They (the importers) had the right to import this beer into that State and, in the view which we have expressed, they had the right to seil it, by which act alone it would become mingled in the common mass of property within the State. Up to that point then, we hold that in the absence of Congressional permission to do so, the State had no power to interfere by seizure or any other action in prohibition of importation and sale by the foreigner or nonresident importer."

This decided reversal of the general acceptation as to the dividing line between inter-State commerce and the police power of the State has led a good many people to jump to some rather wild conclusions. It is asserted that under this decision any man can sell liquor without regard to State laws, whether prohibitory or regulative, and that so long as the liquor is in the original packages it can be sold and resold, either at wholesale or retail. Such a view is probably inspired by the desire on the hand of prohibitionists, who wish to make their issue a national one, and of the represents tives of the liquor interest on the other, who want to see all restrictions cast aside. It goes beyond the real meaning of the decision in two respects. In the first place the decision only upholds the right of "the foreigner and nonresident importer" to sell the liquor; and next, its language indicates that the right ceases and the property becomes subject to the power of the State when the importer has sold it once. On this point the language

of the Court is tolerably plain: "The point of time when the prohibition ceases and the power of the State begins is not the instant when the article enters the country but when the importer has so acted upon I that it has become incorporated and mixed up with the mass of property in the country, which happens when the original package is no longer, as such, in his hands."

The decision is surprising enough as it is It implies that the liquor dealer of another State can sell liquor in any State without reference either to license or prohibition: and there is an inference that even a resident may do so, if he acts strictly as the agent of the non-resident The same rule would seem to apply to the olemargarine trade, and to a vast number of articles of inter-State commerce now subject to State regulation But if any of our disappointed appli cants for license take the view that this lets down the bars to an indiscriminate sale and resale of liquor by them, in the original packages, large and small, they may find that to act on such a view would be a costle mistake. Under the strict terms of the decision no one is given the right of sale except the foreigner or non-resident importer, and a single sale by them "incorporates the article in the common mass of property" which subjects it to the police power of the State.

It would not be surprising if the Supreme Court should modify even this decision when t perceives how subversive it is of the police power of the State. If it should not, Congress can very easily dispose of the subject by a law authorizing each State to adopt laws to regulate or prohibit the liquor traffic between it and other States.

OFFICES FOR SALE.

Politics is a very pretty business in New York. It is pretty and extremely practical. Of late the work of Tammany artists has been attracting the attention of the public, Tammany Hall became the foremost university in political corruption. Charles B. Hoagland is a graduate of Tammany. Incidentally he has also been a park policeman, one of those lovely beings who toil not and yet are arrayed in gray uniforms of great glory. The public is likely to be most interested in Mr. Hosgland's public career as a practical politician, however. This career has for the time ended in a prison cell, where Mr. Hoagland is reflecting upon a charge made against him of larceny in having received \$100 from Peter J. Gerrity on the pretente of getting the said Gerrity on the Metropolitan police

Mr. Hosgland is said to have been the shining light and motive power of the 'Tammany Hall Ninth Assembly District Syndicate for Obtaining Positions in City Departments at So Much a Head." The syndicate did a brokerage business in all sorts of civic offices, from Park Superintendents to messengers and scrub ladies. The rates charged varied according to the place and the extent of the applicant's ability to pay. For instance, one man paid \$200 for an appointment on the Central Park police force, while another man paid but \$75 for the same place, or rather for a promise thereof. The syndicate cleared some five or six thousand dollars in this way. and it would have continued to enjoy a profitable trade had it not been for the troublesome fact that the promises made in its name by Mr. Hoagland were not kept. The syndicate had no difficulty in obtaining bribes from office seekers, but the latter found it no easy thing to get anything in return. That is to say "the pull" or "inflocence" of the syndicate proved to be something akin to an ir resdescent dream. So the highly moral bribers in a flush of indignation, for scamps can be virtuously indignant, have revealed to the public of New York the office-selling

syndicate. Nothing short of an earthquake followed by a flood, of the size that proved so beneficial in Noah's time, can rid New York City of its pestiferous politicians.

THE rather hazy statements as to what has been done with regard to the Behring Sea seal fisheries hold out the glittering hope that we are to be favored with a modus vivendi in that part of the globe as well. THE issue which has arisen between the residence of her parents. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. J. Ashe, of the M. E. Church in the presence of the immediate friends and relatives.

The young couple will go to housekeeping in Allegheny City at once, having elegantly furnished a some there.

Emperors of Germany and Russia threatens of compliments. At their last meeting they conversed in French and got along very well together. But since then William has abolished

ity, reformers, royal and otherwise, adul- the French language, and requests his Russian brother that their coming conference shall be held in German. But Alexander does not speak German well whereupon he notifies the War Lord of Germany that he will express his ideas exclusively in that jawbreaking language, Russian. The difficulty threatens to develop into a deadlock, unless some professors of Volapuk seize opportunity by the forelock and by instructing both monarchs in that tongue prior to the conference, demonstrate to the world its usefulness in getting obstinate auto crats out of their difficulties,

> McKEAN county very decidedly went against Delamater yesterday, notwith the programme that was laid out to carry it, in addition to performing the political

"A VICTIM" writes to the New York World from Philadelphia with the ass that the State of Pennsylvania loses \$50,000 by the failure of Senator Macfarlane's kiting financial institutions, "the money having been deposited there by Senator George W. Delamater." This is an interesting charge, and investigating it would raise an equally interesting inquiry how Senator Delamater comes to be depositing State money. If we are not mistaken the State Treasurer of Pennsylvania is one H. K. Boyer. Victims may be pardoned a good deal, but they should give their stories about public affairs a little more tenuity.

FOURTEEN million five bundred thouand dollars for the navy yard at League Island ts another little item of the class that is calculated to make the surplus hide its diminished

THE fact that the organs of the European classes are representing William of Germany "enfant terrible" larking about in a boat and threatening to upset the whole boat-load of conarchs does not lessen the importance of the young Emperor's attitude. The man who upsets monarchical privileges and precedents n Europe must expect to be lampooned; but he may nevertheless rank as a great man.

THE San Francisco Alta says that by the policy of taxation Mr. Carnegie's fortune "rose from \$100 to \$58,000,000 in 29 years." This is in the nature of good news for Mr. Carnegie.

THE Lawrenceville police yesterday gave cogent proof that the guardians of the peace have had improved light on their ability to prosecute infractions of the liquor law. Now that the police authorities have discovered that they can uphold the law it is to be hoped that the way of the speak-easy transgre will be made hard.

THE contention of the political partisans as to whose gerrymander shall stand is edifying as to the nature of parties, but does not contain much promise of fair representation.

ming statement of the causes which led to his retirement would be a disclosure of state secrets and therefore a grave criminal offe may convince the Iron Chancellor that his system of absolutism does not work very well-for

GENERAL BUTLER'S latest plan for reeasing the imprisoned Anarchists from the Illinois penitentiary proves that the resources splitting are inexhaustible.

THE intimations that knives are being whetted for whoever may get the nomination of the Democrats for Governor would be fatal to Democratic hopes, if it were not for the fact that the harmony of the Republican organiza tion is in a decidedly minor key.

THE strike at McKeesport and the threat of one in the coke regions show how shadowy was the hope that Western Pennsylvania had all its labor disputes settled.

THE war between the Reading and Pennsylvania railroads is getting so sharp that there is reason to fear that it may be settled and a comtched up before the Reading gets the South Penn built to Pittsburg

THE silver boomers of the West are still decidedly of the view that the saints are enti tled to the earth and the fatness thereof, and that they are the saints.

THE news that the dresses of the new French ballet to appear at Madison Square Garden have been seized by the customs officials, does not seem serious. A small matter like that can be easily replaced.

PEOPLE WORTH READING ABOUT.

SENATOR GEORGE F. EDMUNDS and family of Vermont, are in New York City.

THE old house of Justice Stanley Matthews, at Washington, has just been sold for \$81,500. M. JULES FERRY has at last shaved off those drooping side whiskers that long served the caricaturists so well.

A PORTRAIT of William Lloyd Garrison has been presented to the public school at Wash-ington which bears his name. THE Queen of the Belgians is one of the best

equestrians in that country, and can drive a six-in-hand with grace and safety. MR. STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS is said to realize only about \$100 a year from a plantation in Mississippi which cost his father \$115,000.

"OUIDA" uses on her hair and eyebrows a scent that costs \$30 an ounce. She can't bear starched muslin and the touch of velvet makes her flesh creep. MILLET'S "Woman Spinning," which was sold to the late Mrs. Morgan for \$17,100, has been bought for \$9,000 by a Paris firm who will

take it to France. "MY son," said Senator Brown, of Georgia to a reporter who asked him if he was, as re worth \$1,000,000; "my son, \$1,000,000 a mighty big lot of money," and that was all he would say.

A Swiss cobbler named Bernaserni has re turned to his native canton the possessor of millions which he made as a dealer in leather and hides in the Argentine Republic, where he THE Czar of Russia wears the largest ruby in the world, valued at \$100,000, in his crown,

which is mitre-shaped and has on its crest cross composed of five big diamonds supporting the ruby. EDWARD BELLAMY, author of "Looking Backward," says that he has not made the fortune out of his book which the newspapers have credited him with making. He is looking

forward to the future. COUNTESS TOLSTOI makes bektograph conf her husband's books that are under ban in Russia and thus circulates them in the mail. She has nine living children, the oldest, a daughter, aged 18, who sympathizes with her father's doctrines and often helps him in his work with the poor. The whole family speak

LAKE SHORE REDUCES RATES

proposition to reduce the rate on provision

per 100 pounds from Chicago to the seaboard, in consequence of the latest cut in lake and

in consequence of the latest cut in lake and rall rates.

After consideration of the subject it was decided that before taking such action it would be better to request the trunk lines to restore and maintain the lake differentials agreed upon

WILL BRING BACK A BRIDE

Charles Emrich, of Allegheny, Weds

West Newton Lady.

SPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATCH.

WEST NEWTON, PA., May 18.—Mr. Charles Emrich, bookkeeper of the Ben Frankiin In-urance Company of Allegheny, was quietly parried this evening to Miss Rosa Kratt, at the

SULADOS

om the present basis of 30 cents to 25 cent

On Previsions From Chicago to the board to Meet Cuts. CHICAGO, May 18 -At a meeting of the Ch cago Freight Committee of the Central Traffic Association to-day the Lake Shore road made a

Mrs. Sarah Mcllvaine, widow of James Mell-raine, formerly a miller at Irwin, died at her me at Cakment, on Monday morning, after a home at Cakment, on Monday moraing, after an illness of less than a week. A lovable woman, and a true and earnest Christian, she was loved and reverenced by all who knew her, and regretted as one whose death haslet vacant a place that is hard to fill. She leaves to mourn her three children, Mr. G. M. McIlvaine, of the Superintendent's office, Baltimore and Ohio Ballroad, and Misses Neille and Bianche McIlvaine. Mrs. McIlvaine was the elder sister of Mr. S. J. Osborne and Mrs. W. C. Coffin, of Allegheny; of Mr. Joseph Osborne, of Pittsburg, and Mr. Al. Osborne, of Dallas, Tex. Funeral services will be held at her late home, Cakmont, this afternoon.

Hogo Charles Heinrich Ernest H. Heinrichs, formerly of THE Dis-PATCH writing force, has the sincere sympathy of his many friends in his bereavement over the loss of his infant son, Hugo Charles. The little one had been suffering for some time, and yesterday morning breathed its last.

Hon. P. M. Osterbout. TUNRHANNOCK, Pa., May 13.—Hon. P. M. Oster-nost, State Representative in 1864-5, and State senator in 1872, died here to-day aged 30 years. The secessed was in the conventions that sominated Fremont and Lincoln.

Sampel N. Ettin. HARRISBURG, May 13.—Samuel N. Ettla, one of the oldest firemen in the State, died this morning. He was one of the organizers of the State Fire-men's Association, and was its Secretary for ten foars. LAST OF ITS KIND

An Enjoyable Celebration in the Ridge Ave-Queer Cause for Adiposity-That Robin's pue Orphan Asylum-Jarley Wax Works and Other Amusements-The Mousetrap-Other Glennings From Society's Circles.

It is quite probable that the anniversary cele-

bration in the Ridge Avenue Orphan Asylum yesterday afternoon was the last one that will grace that building, as the lady managers are This is not an advance agent's story, but a fact that you may observe for yourself if you will. On Monday night Mr. Phelps, who is inter contemplating the sale of the property and the ted in the Grand Opera House, was sitting in purchase of a building with more extensive grounds somewhere in the suburbs of the city. the foyer at the back of the parquet, as he very ften does, watching the audience come in Whether or not it proves to be the last cele bration of its kind, it was a most enjoyable on mied by his family, approached Mr. for the bright, happy, interesting little faces of 175 tiny mortals, all dressed in their "best bib and tucker," with dainty bouton-Phelps. They saluted each other, and the old man said to Mr. Phelps: "This is the second time in my life I have been in a theater."

This the truth no doubt, for the speaker was a man who is a Presbyterian of the strictest niers, were seen in the chapel at 2 o'clock, the time designated for the opening of the exercises with which the asylum celeold-fashioned sort, to whom the theater as an institution is little better than an ante-chamber brated its fifty-seventh anniversary, having grown aged in years as well as good works o a still warmer place. In the audience or lady managers of the institution, constituting a reception committee, and numerous guests also, thronged the chapel, which was a fonday night I saw several men, with their wives and children, who certainly had reason to feel the strangeness of their surroundings. Mild as "The Old Homestead" is, the sensations veritable conservatory, with its wealth of fresh fragrant blossoms banking mantels and fire produced by it upon the non-theater-goers in places, and burdening the window seats.

The programme was opened by a "Boat Song," in which all the childish voices joined. Rev George Purves followed with prayer, and an ress on the origin of "Mother Goose," admirably and simply worded for the conception of youthful minds. The Secretary's report was then read by Mr. George Logan, and was very satisfactory, the home having spent an unusu-ally pleasant and prosperous year. Numbers of a matter of fact, the part or the migratory existence agrees with Mr. Boyd to a remarkable degree. He weighs some 15 pounds more than he did when he played Josh Whilcomb here last little ones have been cared for and placed in permanent homes; but one death occurred, and that was an infant that had been so thoroughly

permanent nomes; but one death occurred, and that was an infant that had been so thoroughly drugged before being placed in the care of the matron that it slept its little life out.

A "May Song," by the class, was next on the programme, and a "Lost Kitten," by Carrie, and "Tolo's Letter," by Emma, both recitations, preceded the singing of "Mountain Top" and "The Mill Wheels," by the school. Little Helen recited "The Bunch of Keys," and "From Little Folks" was given by a class, as was also "Some Folks." "The Careful Messenger" was recited by Kate, the "Twenty-third Psalm" by a class, and "Tom's Quandary" was recited by Charlie. "The Last Hymn," a recitation by Sophie, "A Little Bird Tells" by Fred, "Angel Voices," sung by a class, and "Dolly Invited to Tea" by Clara, were followed by "Mother Goose's Party," which was composed of various members of that historical family, who were all dressed in costume, A song. various members of that historical family, who were all dressed in costume, A. Song. "Like a Bird," by a class, and a "Valedictory" by Freda, concluded the literary exercises, during which, both as performers and listeners, the little ones conducted themselves in such a manner as to reflect great credit upon their teachers, Misses Wallace and McKinley, and the matron, Mrs. Northorp.

The chapel exercises being over, under the supervision of the attendants, the little ones ware conducted to the various dining halls on the first, second and basement floors, where

supervision of the attendants, the little ones were conducted to the various dining halls on the first, second and basement floors, where numberless tables were laid with pretty, white linen, and burdened with oranges, bananas, assorted cakes, and the more substantial eatables. Probably the most interesting dining hall was that on the second floor, where the tiny wee tots in cunning little white dresses were seated in low chairs at a long table of corresponding height, and after folding their little hands and asking a blessing in unison, enjoyed the dainties given them. On the first floor the next older ones lunched, and in the basement dining room the oldest ones enjoyed a treat befitting their advanced age, one table in this room being reserved for and filled by former immates of the "Home." A great big dish of ice cream, out of eight gallons donated by Linther, concluded the repast, and the play rooms were quickly peopled by the contented, happy little mortals. While the supper was in progress the guests roamed around through the vast building, peeping into the hospital room, where two little invalids were lying in snowy beds, clothed in the whitest of little slumber-robes, into the various dormitories, school rooms, bath rooms and parlors, all of which testified to the most careful attention of those in charge, and were pleasing examples of what house-cleaning will accomplish in the way of freshness.

The home is under the control of the following ladies, all of whom, with the exception of Mrs. Lois J. Campbell, Parnassus; Managers, Mendames Mary A. Brunot, Lettits Holmes, Martha Albree, C. A. Oudry, J. W. Dalzell; R. Wood, Anna C. Kay, Emma Stowe, Anna W. Scott, and Misses H. B. Lothrop, L. Forsythe, S. C. Campbell, Amelia Grier, M. H. Smith and S. Garrison; Purchasing Committee, Mrs. Lettita Holmes, Mrs. Lettita Holmes,

H. B. Lothrop;

AN ENJOYABLE PARCE

The Pittsburg Femnle College Appears in a Mouse Trap.

"The Mouse Trap," with which the recital at the Pittsburg Female College was concluded last evening, was a most enjoyable little farce It was a mouse trap, as the name signified; not one of these little steel-and-wood contrivance whereby the frisky little mouse is caught, but a tran into which six ladies, including the maid, were caught, concocted by a man whose sweetheart was wildly furious at him and was lecturing him severely upon a lecture in which he had opposed woman's suffrage, and asserted that women were not brave or ossessed of nerve. She very forcibly presented to his view numberless cases where somen had displayed wonderful courage and very haughtily signified that she desired his company no longer. He, however, not to be worsted, pretended to have seen a mouse, when, in the most natural way imaginable, the brave little woman gathered her skirts about her and hopped on the nearest chair, uttering just such nopped on the hearest chair, uttering just such screams as would best prove her own remarks about the bravery of her sex. While she kept her lover busy searching for Mr. Mouse with the poher the maid entered with several cards of callers. Seeing her mistress in such a position she quickly divined the cause and imitated tion she quickly divined the cause and imitated her example in every way, even to the shrieka. The callera, meanwhile, conducted themselves to the parlor, and hearing the maid's frantic protestations of her fear of a mouse, lest no time, though one young lady lost her footing, and falling gracefully, increased the general bediam, in utilizing every chair, sofa and table in the room in like manner as the mistress and maid were doing.

Various methods of escape were discussed, and finally the unique one of frightening the inoffensive little mouse by a united scream, given by the ladies, and the emphatic use of the poker on the floor by the man was decided upon, and the visitors and maid with such accompaniment made a grand exit or rush rather. Leaving the lower to conferent by

poker on the noor by the man was decided upon, and the visitors and maid with such accompaniment made a grand exit or rush rather, leaving the lover to confess to his sweetheart that there wasn't any mouse and never had been a mouse in the room, that it was only a "mouse trap," in which to entrap her and prove her weakness. Obtaining her forgiveness in course of time the curtain rang down amid the rapturous applause of the audience which filled the chapel and which had thoroughly appreciated the entire programme.

The cast of characters in the farce was as follows: "Mrs. Somers," Miss Ola Lockwood; "Mrs. Curwin," Miss Nellie Brown; "Mrs. Roberts," Miss Frances Gilchrist: "Mrs. Miller," Miss Jean Harris; "Mrs. Bemis," Miss Mary Helsey; "Jane" (maid), Miss Elizabeth Dick; "Mr. Willis Campbell," Mr. Charles Norcross, and the others who participated in the programme were Mr. Theodore Salmon and Mr. H. B. Brockett, in musical selections, and Miss Mary B. Kler, in recitations, who scored as great a triumph in her individual work as she did in the entire entertainment which was under her direction.

MRS. JARLEY'S WAXWORK.

Much Pleasure Afforded ton Large Audies at the Fourth Ward School.

Mrs. Jarley and her wonderful selection o wax works afforded pleasure to a large and ence at the Fourth ward schoolhouse, Alle-gheny, last evening. It was for the benefit of the Mite Society of the Central R. P. Church, Alleghedy, that the famous lady consented to exhibit her far-famed wax collection, and, though thoroughly disguised with a corked

face, probably the first Mrs. Jarley of color ever heard of, a big flowered gown and an immense big bonnet, the voice of a well-known college professor was recognized as the beauties of the individuals in the collection and their various characteristics were treated by the lady in charge.

The assemblage included the characters generally exhibited by the famous personage and her servants, and little Nell had the usual amount of trouble in oiling and dusting the sometimes refractory works of the models which were, Mrs. Jarley said, so human like in their crankiness. Mr. and Miss Newel with vocal selection very agreeably occupied the time when the curtain was drawn between the different parts of the programme and the entertainment was concluded by Mrs. Jarley's Dream and Rock of Ages. bream and Rock of Ages.

Mezart Club Concerts The opening sale of seats for the two concert to be given next Monday and Tuesday evening to be given hear stoney and thesany evenings by the Mezart Club with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, has been quite unprecedented in the 12-year history of Pittsburg's foremest musical organization. We are not used to seeing a long line of anxious purchasers awaiting the opening of the box office for concert enterTo the Editor of The Dispatch:

prises. It may be that the orchestra brings this kind of thing to us from the Hub, where last fall a line was formed three whole days before the opening of the sale for its regular sories of concerts at the Music Hall, and fabulous amounts were bid at auction for choice of the sale seats. Pittsburg is getting "In line"

Social Chatter. PREPARATIONS for the fair and entert nent to be given in Carnegie Library June for the "Fresh Air Fund" are progress apidly, and a most signal success is antici PROP. CADMAN, of New Haven, Conn., will

give his "Stereopticon Illustration of Miracles and Mission in the Islands of the Sea" at East Liberty Presbyterian Church to-night. MRS. W. J. A. KENNEDY, of Neville street will leave shortly for Philadelphia there to visit Mrs. J.G. Ditman, of Sprin Garden street INVITATIONS are out for a farewell ball to be given by the class of '91 of the United States Naval Academy Friday evening, June 6.

THE Randall Club will give a delightful social musicale at Old City Hall this evening. MRS. G. W. BLAIR, of Fifth avenue, Point Breeze, will give a I o'clock luncheon to-day.

THE METHODIST UNIVERSITY.

Hearty Endorsement of the Project From NEW YORK, May 18 .- The Board of Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church closed their session at the Book Concern in this city to-day, session at the Book Concern in this city towar, all the Bishops being present, except Bishop Warren, who is in Europe. The assignments of the Bishops to the fall conferences were made, and Bishop John P. Newman was appointed to visit Japan, and hold the cor ence there in July. The establishment of a National University in the city of Washington, D. C., under the patron-age of the Methodist Episcopal Church having been submitted to the Bishops, having been carefully considered, the boar agreed unanimously in commending the project. A resolution adopted states that ar endowment of at least \$2,000,000 and suitable buildings should be procured before the university be put in operation. The resolution

continue:

"In view of the local demand in all parts of the country for the emergent needs of already existing institutions, we must look chiefly for the proper endowment of the National University to our friends to whom God has entrusted large wealth, who may by the gift of tens of thousands or even millions of dollars, forward this great and noble enterprise. To such we earnestly commend the proposed uni-

forward this great and noble enterprise. To such we earnestly commend the proposed university and its object, praying that God may open their hearts to the magnificent opportunity which is offered them of doing what their less favored brothers cannot do—of adding their names to the roil of those who have been able to do great things for their country and their race.

The Bishops made public the assignments of episcopal visitations for the year. They are for the West, and include the following:

Erie, Oil City, September 10, Mallilieu; Eastern Ohio, Cambridge, September 17, Mallilieu; Ohio, Newark, September 24, Mallilieu; Central Ohio, Lima, September 25, Andrews; Pittsburg, Greensburg, October 1, Mallilieu; Northern Ohio, Mankato, Bucyrus, October 2, Foster; West Virginia, Weston, October 2, Fosse.

NOT SATISFIED YET.

McKeesport Postoffice Candidates Who Were Rejected Still Brenthe Vengennce.

IMPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] McKEESPORT, May 13. - No matter hor much the McKeesport postoffice muddle is cried down, it will not down, and according to advices received from Washington to-night by candidates, those who were instrumental in bringing about the recommendation of the last Soles will not find it as clear sailing as was ex-pected. There is not one of the old candidates who have any hope of receiving the appoint-ment, but they are cheerful and say that they

ment, but they are cheerful and say that they have word from headquarters to-night which prompts them to renewed hope that the opposition forces who succeeded in knocking them out will in the end get left in the last recommendation of Mr. Ray.

Speaking for the candidates, they all say: "We have nothing against Elmer Soles. He is a gentleman and is highly esteemed, but we have against the people who succeeded in bringing about the change, and desire it to be remembered that we represent more citizens and Republicans than do those who are trying to engineer Mr. Soles through in order to capture what they failed to secure in the recommendation of Captain W. E. Thompson."

HOMEOPATHISTS IN POLITICS.

They Want Control of a New Illinois Asylum for the Insane. CHICAGO, May 13.-The Illinois Homeo pathic Medical Association is in annual session in this city. The chief interest attaching to the meeting is the fact that the association proposes to enter the next political campaign in a body.

in a body.

The next state Legislature will probably provide for an additional asylum for the insane, and the homeopathists propose to try to have it put in charge of their school of medicine. To this end they will unite in an effort to secure the nomination of general State officers and members of the Legislature pledged to give them what they want. In case the candidates of either party refuse to do this, they intend to throw their combined influence to the other party. ther party.

ON THE THRESHOLD OF LIFE.

Gradunting Exercises of the Senior Class of

the Greenville High School. PERSONAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. GREENVILLE, May 13.—The Opera House was crowded this evening to witness the grad-uating exercises of the senior class of the Greenville High School.

The names of the graduates are as follows The names of the graduates are as follows:
William S.McFetridge, salutatorian; Elizabeth
M. Koonce, Francesca E. Moser, Jennie E. Braden, John F. Ralston, Clara E. Saul, Emma H.
Hodge, Effle G. Roberts, William F. Evans,
H. Blanche Thorpe, Theresa Hendrickson,
Cora Hewitt, Roy Beatty, Emma G. Grimm,
Mary S. «Shaeffer, Margaret McElhaney,
LaNora Herrick and Annie T. Brown, valedictorian.

AFRAID OF RIDICULE.

ent Asked to Place a Decent Wat Vessel on Lake Michigan. CHICAGO, May 13.-The directors of the Ch

cago Board of Trade to-day adopted a memorial to Congress, asking that a modern high class war vessel be substituted for the old steamer, Michigan, the only United States man-of-war of the great lakes.

The memorial declares the Michigan would excite the ridicule of foreigners visiting the World's Fair.

She Left the Wenith Bekind. rom the New York World.] Mrs. Mary Miller, of Western Pennsylvania, probably the wealthiest colored woman in the atry, died the other day. Her income was \$200 a day. Four years ago she owned a barren piece of ground, but there was oil beneath its surface, which made it oil right.

> LOVE BYMS. BY ORELIA KEY BELL.

Shine, shine, O sun! your ample urn
With all its golden beams o'erturn,
Thi turret-top and tree-top burn
With amber glory.
Sing, sing, O birds! with quivering trill
The palpitating ether fill,
Till every quivering leadet thrill
With mr. glod story. With my glad story. Yes, turn your merriest roundelay, For oh! my love will come to-day.

Blow, blow, ye winds! the tidings swell

And so my happy secret tell
To shells and flowers.
Play, play, ye lountains' send on high
Your diamonds till they dent the sky,
And the rebound resiliently in fragrant showers.
Yes, dash on high your dismond spray,
For oh! my love will come to-day.

Bloom, bloom, ye flowers! my secret dear Kiss from the breezes, then lay bare Your hearts till all the conscious air Is softly laden.

Skip, skip, ye brooklets! skip and dance.

Ineffable. That saints who pity mortals may

Over your pebbles glint and glance.
To see you ue'er again may chance
So happy a maiden.
Yes, o'er your pebbles glint and play, For on! my love will come to-day. And ye, O Guardian Scraphim, ice! for even to the brim My cop is full.

Thro' heaven's expansive latitude
Swell anthems of her gratitude
Who soon will taste bestitude
incliable.

From the Binghamton Republican.] The gymnasium has become a necessity ad junct to mental development, as it develops the physical organization to endure mental strain. Smile down when comes my love to-day. Frank Lestie's Popular Montaly for Jus

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. OUR MAIL POUCH.

street bridge. It was announced about 45 or 50

years ago, that on a certain day at high noon

M. Anser, whose name would indicate French extraction, would fly from the Hand (now Ninth) street bridge. Vast crowds were assembled to witness the daring feat. At the time appointed M. Anser actually took up his perilous flight and the affair took place as anserted.

Yet yesterday morning I find a different ver-sion of the matter in THE DISPATCH.

Bishop's Park.

While perusing, with much interest, the en-tertaining article in a recent issue, on the

Bishop's Park, in Farnham, England, I noticed

a slight error in your correspondent's descrip-tion of its locality. Farnham Park is in the

Normal School Course.

What Books should a boy studdle who Intends

to enter Normal School and which hasn't the opportunity to finish a coarse through? F. Pittsburg, May 13.

[If he is the boy who wrote the above, we

ing book and grammar, and to stick to them

until he has mastered both. He should not at-

Three Queries.

1. What is Edison's address? 2. What sound has O in the word docile? 3. What is meant by

onnage or tons displacement in speaking of J. A. F.

merely a matter of taste, as one pronuncia

quantity of water a laden vessel displaces l.

[Both countries have African possessions

Cape Colony at the south, is English territory

OHIO LEGION OF HONOR.

some Changes in the Constitution Made by

Decision of the Grand Council.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

COLUMBUS, May 13.—Thirty-seven delegates

were to-day in attendance on the annual meet-ing of the Grand Council of Ohio American

Legion of Honor. The reports indicate a pros-

year 27 death claims, aggregating \$90,000, have been paid. The membership is increasing. Adam Warnack, of Boston, Supreme Secretary,

delivered an address on the condition of the order in the United States. Since the found-

A change was made in the constitution, which gives the Grand Council authority to

city where there is a council. It formerly sti

ulated that all meetings should be held in this city. The Grand Commander was also given

Galion; Committee on Laws, F. W. Rockwell, Akron. The council will meet in this city in May, 1891.

STILL NOT SATISFIED.

Ohlo's Political Wool Growers Want More

Changes in the Tariff Schedule.

RPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.1 COLUMBUS, May 18,—Columbus Delano, Pres-

dent of the National Wool Growers, David

Iarpester, President Ohio Wool Growers, and

ex-Congressman Converse, have just concluded a conference here on the McFinley tariff bill,

83 per cent ad valorem, on all such qualities of the value of 13 cents per pound and below, in-cluding pert charges and 50 per cent on all

A TESTIMONIAL TO FRANCE

the Sons of the Revolution.

testimonial to be sent from America to France

The work is in the hands of a large committee

representing every section of the country and each political party, and has our fullest in-dorsement. Money and suggestions for the best form of a testimonial should be sent to the

chairman of the committee, Dr. William Seward Webb, of New York City, or to W. H. Brearley, of the Detroit Journal.

"Is it not possible that in every town throughout the country the papers will appeal to their readers and secure additions to this fund, even though it be comparatively small?"

Stanley Able to Care for Himself.

Emin Pasha says that he has information i

regard to Mr. Stanley and Tippoo Tib which

Well, why doesn't he publish it? He can pu

money in his own purse and his publisher's Nobody will weep for Tippoo Tib, and Mr

Stanley is entirely able to take care of himself.

Not to be Slighted.

Barnum's advance agent failed this year t

present the Brooklyn Board of Aldermen with

the customary number of free passes. The in-dignant city fathers yesterday unanimously

from \$550 to \$3,000 per week. Barnum nor any

other man can slight the aldermanic deadhead

A Good Day for Rattlers.

A man by the name of Heckathorn on Sun

day discovered a nest from which 16 rattle

snakes were driven by the storm. He killed them all, and 12 of them were sent to P. Gruber,

who is boiling out the oil. It is said that rattle snake oil is a sovereign cure for rheumatism

Satisfied With the Name.

CHELSEA, MASS., May 13.—The Comm

considered its recent vote to petition the Legis

Athletics Rently Indispensable.

ted a resolution raising the circus licens

f published, would create a great sensat

om the New York Sun.]

From the New York Herald. 1

From the Oil City Derrick.]

nd often benefits blind ever

with impunity.

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etings annually or bi-annually at any

and received about \$54,000.

Has England or Germany any pos

ould advise him to "studdle," first, the

ANSER

PITTSBURG, May 13.

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English language.]

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-A colored boy of Spudra, Cal., is named Simon Suckergs. Six years ago, and once before that and once since, I told the true story in THE DISPATCH of the "man" flying from the top of the Hand -A turtle weighing 175 pounds was re-

cently captured in Santa Anna, Cal. -Addison, Mich., it is said, is the only town in the world which has no red-headed

-An Adrian, Mich., boy cut his toe off as the only effective cure for an elephantine

-Out in Town the other day a girl of only 14 attempted to suicide because she had been crossed in love. -A firm in Nashua, N. H., has received

an order from England for 500,000 feet of kiln-dried hard pine timber. -Beers is the name of the Austrian sculptor who has succeeded in discovering a process for molding marble fluid precisely as bronze is molded.

-A trout, 14 inches long, fell from a cloud into the yard of Mr. Daniel at Tampa, Fla., a day or two ago. It was still alive when picked up.

county of Surrey, and not in Kent, as your correspondent has it. It is near the border line of Hants and Surrey.

Pardon me for making this correction, but as I am a native of that lovely part of England, I am neturally desirous of having its description correct. -A carrier pigeon with a silver band bearing the number 1,514 on one leg alighted near Gloucester, Mass., Friday, in an ex-hausted condition.

Mich., has two big wheat crops in his granary which he proposes to hold until the price reaches the dollar mark. -There are 16 negro jockeys in the coun-

try who are paid from \$2,500 to \$8,000 a year, but not a colored minister in the United States receives one-half the lesser of these sums. -Farmer Baker, of Fine Gold, Fresno

-A shower of worms, it is reported, fell near San Andreas station, in Santa Cruz county,

-A woman in Yonkers is perhaps the

is Mrs. Rominaski, and she asserts that she is 109 years old. She lives with her daughter, her granddaughter, and her great-grand--Some missionaries in Africa are greatly troubled by the fact that the natives are not at

all eager to adopt the dress of the white men. Not even the converts are willing to wear the amount of clothing which, according to mis-sionary ideas, is essential to respectability. -In the house of a shoplifter, appre-

hended in Philadelphia the other day there were found 167 packages of coffee, 28 dress patterns, 90 bonnets, innumerable hats, fine shawis, laces, pocketbooks, cans of jelly, kid gloves, curtains, sachels and other articles worth \$3,000.

perous condition of the order. During the tened its teeth in his wrist. The cat held on so tenaciously that its head had to be severed be-fore its grip relaxed. Stokes became ill at once and soon died. -There is an old tady living in Polk county, Fia., who is quite a genius. She can

means are not systematically and methodically adopted to exterminate this bird there will be very little profit in fruit raising in those sec-

-A jeweler at Lawrenceburg, O., missed

-Lieutenant Von Barby, of the Twelfth Hussar Regiment, Germany, has taken the

the man safe.

DETROIT, May 13.—An avening paper to-day publishes the following appeal to the press of America: "The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution earnestly solicits your co-operation in raising a fund by \$1 subscriptions for an adequate fund for a suitable Street Car Conductor (to driver)-I wonder what that man is running so hard for Driver (looking back) - Mebby the fool wants ter git on. G'iang! - New York Weekly.

> 15 Yes. 17 "Did he welter?" "No, sir. The beggar had no blood-didn't even know his grandfather's name. "-Nem Yor

Hampden Sewall-Oh, she's been working like a horse for two or three days and is all worn out. Physician-Why don't you see a veterinary surgeon?-Rochester Post-Express.

yon've just read? Isabella—Why, that was Browning's.

tion-I mean contraction.

She-Oh! (Pause.) But it seems easier than that. The Jester. FICKLE FORTUNE. Ah! Fortune's a jade Who often has played

"That's none of my confounded busin "Be careful, sir!" called a patrolman to a

Clara (waking)-Whose poem was that

Clara-I thought so, I knew it the moment I fell asleep. - Town Talk. "It was bad enough for our American

"What is worse?"
"Why, here's a dispatch which says that sereral American ladies traveling in Turkey were
eral American ladies traveling in Turkey were presented to the Sultan the other day."- Wash-

She-Well, professor, you've described coughing and sneezing very eloquently indeed.
Will you tell me what kissing is? -Kissing is the anatomical juxtaposition of two obicularis oris muscles in; a state of distrac-

inture for change of name, owing to the common use in neighboring cities of the expression "as dead as Chelsea," and the city will retain the name of Chelsea, that it received as a town in 1758.

-Ex-Sheriff Lazelle, of Enton county,

county, lost a fine horse one day last week. He had an autopsy held, which showed that death was caused by a large catfish in the horse's

until he has mastered the rudiments of the Cal., last week. "The worms resembled the grab, were white in color and had red eyes. They were a new species to the residents." -A 7-year-old son of James O'Hara, of

Saginaw, while running across the street to see a dog fight, tripped and fell over a stone in such a manner that his head was doubled under him, breaking his neck and causing inst [1. Menlo Park, N. J. 2. Either long or short -A Topeka baby, which weighs 21/4 s as correct as the other. 3. The term is varipounds with all its clothes on and a wooler

shawl, has been taken by its parents to Denver to be exhibited in a dime museum. They are to received \$60 a week for eight months and all expenses. ously applied. Generally speaking, it means the number of tons of freight a vessel can carry. "Tons displacement" refers to the oldest person in New York State. Her name

north of it are German possessions. In the in-terior both countries are striving to make

-A day or two ago David Stokes, colored, of Rockingham county, N. C., struck at a cat, when the enraged animal flew at him and fas-

write poetry and set it to music, and has written two books. She hunts phosphate, plants trees, clears land, works in an orange grove, can knit dresses, make neat shoes, plant hats of pal-metto and make flowers out of shucks. -California has a fruit pest in the gray linnet, far worse and more damaging to fruit raisers than the English sparrow. If some

city. The Grand Commander was also given power to cail meetings of the Grand Council. The following officers were elected: Grand Commander, Charles E. Moore, Cincinnati; Grand Vice, Rev. R. M. Freshwater, Scio; Prator, R. G. Williams, Alliance; Secretary, William Lichtenwalter, Canton; Treasurer, M. H. Levagood, Elyria; Chaplain, C. S. Deolittle, Mansfield; Guide, J. P. Eiz, Akron; Warden, W. A. Smith, Cleveland; Sentry, John A. Schaber, Bucyrus; Trustees, H. H. Hill, Akron; J. W. Myers, Toledo; Mrs. H. R. McIlvaine, produced. -Scotch manners can occasionally be odd. A Glasgow gentleman in escorting some ladies from a dance found a diamond hairpin in the bottom of the cab and handed it to one of the ladies. The owner advertised and the or the ladies. The owner advertised, and the young lady who had taken it from her escort received a reward of £10. Then the young man applied for a share of the money, and, she refusing, he carried the question to court. The court allotted him £5.

-T. Kenney, of Hamlin, N. Y., is the owner of a most extraordinary cat. In addition to the four feet usually allowed to cats, this feline glories in two more. Branching outward feline glories in two more. Branching outward from each front leg is a smaller leg, terminating in a perfectly formed foot. As she walks toward one with those four feet abreast she creates a curious impression. Her surplus feet are evidently of no inconvenience, as she is an unusually good mouser. She is very domestic in her nabits and will grab for a ball or string as quickly as her more common sisters. and will endeavor to secure a change in the carpet wool clause. Under the present pro-visions of the bill, duty on carpet wool will be

several valuable stones early the other morning, and couldn't account for their disappearauce, for he had only opened the safe a few cluding port charges and 50 per cent on all such wools valued above 13 cents per pound, Heretofore large quantities have been imported under the carpet clause as carpet-wool, which have been used in the manufacture of common or cheap grades of clothing, displacing an equal quantity of American clothing wool. Ohio wool growers apprehend that this point is not sufficiently well guarded in the bill. They believe it necessary that the bill should state in express terms that carpet wools under this clause, shall embrace only the coarse qualities which can be used for manufacturing carpets and that deeces partly coarse and partly fine shall not be received at the 32 per cent rate of duty, but shall pay the regular rate of duty on clothing wool. ance, for he had only opened the safe a few moments before. He searched in vain for them, and then, turning to his 3-year-old-baby, who had been running about, asked: "Where are those little things?" "Me eat'em all," was the baby's answer. A physician was at once summoned. He did not think any serious result would follow the costly feast. An examination of the tray showed that it pearls and 5 diamonds had been swallowed by the child.

most interesting ride of late. He was riding with the troops in the neighborhood of Merse with the troops in the neighborhood of Merse-burg, when his horse took fright and bolted. All efforts to restrain him being fruitless, he gave him the roin and waited his opportunity to jump off. To his dismay the animal swerved suddenly in the direction of a plateau over-hanging a broad expanse of water: a few mo-ments and both herse and rider would be over-the edge. A bright flash was seen for a mo-ment, the saher of the officer tell upon the head of his steed, and they both came to the ground, the man safe.

AMONG THE HUMORISTS

"And you shot him, Colonel?"

Hampden Sewall-Doc, I wish you'd step down to the house and see my wife. Physician -What seems to be the matter?

girls to go out of their own country and marry titled bankrupts, but this is worse."

Council of this city, at a meeting last night, re-

With fancies of men and has ruled them They've toiled for her smiles,
Been slaves of her wiles
And found at the last she had fooled them. Cold Comfort.-Creditor-When are you going to pay your debts? Debtor-That's none of your confounded busi-"But I need my money."

"He careful, sir!" called a patrolman to a man who was speeding his horse on Cass avenue. "What for?" asked the driver as he pulled ap. "I'll have you up for fast driving." "What is fast driving?" "Why, over six miles an hour." "May, old fellow, take me into court, won't you? If you will only get it into the papers that this hoss was going over four miles an hour I can sell him for \$40. If you will I'll try and help you some time,"—Detroit Free Press.