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### TELLER'S BRAVE WORDS.

Mr. Teller's position on the silver ques tion cannot be criticised either for lack of definiteness or for undue modesty. He is going to have the silver of his constituents, the bonanza kings, turned into legal tender by free coinage, or he and the administration part company.

What will happen when the administration and the Colorado Senator are no longer able to remain in the same boat is not clearly disclosed. The first fear would be that the Senator may not have all the patronnee that he would like. But that possibility also suggests the probability that before the Senator made this radical deliverance he got the Colorado offices pretty thoroughly distributed to the best of his ability.

If the Senator has not done this it would be safe to give long odds that before his hold defiance reaches the country the Senstor has informed the administration that his threat of revolt is to be taken in a purely Pickwickian sense.

#### APARTMENT HOUSE QUESTION.

The announcement that a building of flats for bachelor apartments, with the appurtenances of billiard rooms, bathrooms and restaurant is to be erected in Pittsburg shows that the progress of the city toward metropolitanism is steady. Heretofore the bachelor in Pittsburg has had to lead an Ishmaelitish sort of life, camping down wherever the exigencies of office buildings or lodging houses left furnished or unfurnished rooms to rent. This new class of buildings promises regular quarters for that class, and holds out the additional hope of apartment houses for small families whose circumstances require them to live in the downtown parts of the city. This is a class of building which is more needed in Pittsburg than in other cities where it is in general use; but which Pittsburg, with its noted conservatism, has never adopted. Without breaking up the preferable home lite, it is sooner or later bound to come to the rescue of the people who are now cempelled to accept the make-shifts of boarding

FARM AND RAILWAY MORTGAGES. General Butler's recent statement that the fact is that both the statement and the denial

cording to the census returns of 1890, was whenever he dared to since. over ten thousand millions. The regular total capitalization and slosely appreximate netual value, it presents the farming inter-

the authority of Mr. H.V. Poorthat one-half the total railroad capitalization of the country, or four thousand millions, is purely same amount of fictitious securities constitotes a fist valuation, and if the interest is Competition at present squeezes a great deal of the water out of railroad earnings; but if the grand purpose of railway pooling were attained the farmers of the country might he forced to pay dividends on a purely imaginary mass of capitalization \$550,000,-000 greater than General Butler's total, which has created such a sensation.

Perhaps if this point is fully appreciated the agricultural suspicion of corporate plans may be perceived to be not so wholly unreasoning as some people consider it.

# THEY SHOULD BE CAREFUL.

It is stated that numerous citizens of Pittsburg have already entered upon arrangements for setting up "original package" shops, in which, as the proprietors tondly suppose, they will have the right to sell liquor under the United States But it will be seen that even with this re-Supreme Court decision. As the persons who are doing this are generally disappointed applicants for license, and have by their applications already declared themselves to be citizens of Pennsylvania, they are tikely to get themselves in a pretty mess. Before going any further they should ask some intelligent friend to read them that part of the decision which confines its effects to "foreigners and non-resident importers." If they will do so instead of relying on loose newspaper reports, they will see that the privilege of driving a four-horse team through the Pennsylvania license law may be open to the citizens of other States, but is not for them.

# HOW WOULD IT DO SO!

In connection with the investigation of that Breckinridge-Clayton election a Chieago paper makes it an argument in favor of the Australian system, as follows: In one precinct, where the ballot box con-

for Clayton, 75 negroes swore positively that they had voted for Clayton. Most of these men were very ignorant and could not identify their ballots. In almost every case where the ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 8, 1846, voter was unable to read, the ballot bearing the Vol. 45, No. 97.—Entered at Pittsburg Postoffice. book was found to be a straight Democratic one. Of course, the box may have been stuffed, Business Office--Corner Smithfield and but the probability is that the men voted for Breckinridge under the impression that they were voting for Clayton. Under the Australian system, modified to conform with American enditions, such a blunder could not have been

But how does the Australian system pre-Brentano's, 5 Union Square, New York, and vent such a blunder, if blunder it was?

17 Ave. de l'Opera, Paris, France, and 15 Take the more innocent supposition that Strand, London, Eng., where anyone who has been disappointed at a hotel news stand the ignorant voters were induced to vote one ticket under the impression that they were voting another. The Australian system provides that election officers shall make up the ballots for ignorant voters. THE DALLY DISPATCH is delivered by carriers at proper means are resorted to to carry elec-

Take the more probable supposition that the ballot box was stuffed, by taking out a number of tickets and substituting the same AT The BUSINESS OFFICE of THE DIS- number of tickets of the other party. The PATCH has been removed to Corner of numbering of the tickets furnishes the means of detecting such an offense. Some time ago THE DISPATOR pointed out that the provision for numbering tickets in the State Constitution was a safeguard against ballot-box stuffing and should not be cast aside, in the adoption of the Australian reform. To this a very warm advocate of the reform replied that it destroyed the secrecy of the ballot, and that the crime of ballot-box stuffing was sufficiently guarded against by the Australian method. What provision of that system furnished the saleguard was not then stated nor has it since been. Nor does it yet ap-

> be more completely at their mercy than they are to-day. Let us recognize and adopt the good points of the Australian system. But let us not accord it virtues which it does not possess, nor be too sure that it will prevent crimes against the ballot which were not considered in its framing, and discard the precautions against them which better experience has incorporated in our laws.

pear how, with the machinery of elections

controlled by unscrupulous partisans,

the mass of ignorant voters could not

#### BISMARCK IN A NEW ROLE.

It is announced that Bismarck's retirement from public life is not to be permanent. In Berlin as well as in Vienns friends of the ex-Chancellor are saying that he will soon take his seat in the Prussian Herrenhausen,or House of Peers, and at the same time will accept a place in the Reichs-It is one of the singular results of the dual system of Government in Germany that a man may be a member of the Prussian Landtag and the Imperial Reichstag simultaneously. If Bismarck is so disposed he may make his reappearance in politics startling in this dual role. Doubtless he will take the fullest advantage of existing parliamentary conditions if he decides to appear before his countrymen as an opponent of the policy of the Emperor and as the leader of a new party.
What extraordinary changes the whirligig

of time may cause will be strikingly shown if Bismarck should become the creator of a true parliamentary opposition in Germany Bismarck in the past has been the enemy of Government through the elected representatives of the people. When he could chatag by temporar not control the Re mortgages on the agricultural lands of this | combinations of parties he tried to obtain country amount to \$3,450,000,000 still causes | his end without it, and he was often successa good deal of discussion among the papers, ful. In 1862 and until the war with Denmostly of an incredulous character. The mark he raised the funds needed by the Prussian Government in defiance of the are equally guesswork. But when we come | Landtag, and though he was shrewd enough to examine it, there hardly appears to be to obtain an indemnity for his unconstitugood reason either for regarding the asser- tional acts from that body when his success tion as so remarkable or for denying it so in the Schleswig-Holstein episode had made atrenuously as some people seem to think. him immensely popular, he has shown his The total value of agricultural lands accontempt for parliamentary institutions

Socialism has never had a friend in Ris ratio of growth since then, of 20 per cent, marck, although the Iron Chancellor found would make a conservative estimate of the it worth his while during his struggles with value of farms in the United States. The the Liberals to coquet with the Socialist leader amount of mortgages stated by General Lassalle. He will therefore be following Butler is therefore a little less than 29 per his natural bent if he heads a party hostile cent of the total valuation-which with the to socialism. Chancellor Caprivi will be addition of some hundreds of millions worth | hardly able to choke off Bismarck, as the of agricultural machinery and live stock to latter in his official days silenced his oppothe right side of the account is by no means | nents, With Bismarck as its leader the a hopeless showing of assets and liabilities. opposition in the Reichstag will be aggres-As compared with the railroad interest, in sive, resourceful and homogeneous. The which the delits, except 50 per cent of the personality of the ox-Chanceller is still such a mighty force in Germany that it will endow any combination of parties that may est in the light of comparative solvency and | be made under Bismarck's leadership with a strength not to be procured otherwise. It is too soon to hazard an outline of what the mortgage burden is not the worst one parties the opposition to the imperial policy that farmers may have to bear. We have will be composed. The idea of Bismarck entering the Reichstag as a simple representative, as an opponent of the Imperial Government for the first time in his life, fistitious inflation. That sum of actual in- and as a champion perforce of parliamentary vestment in railways performs a service rights, is almost bewildering in its novelty. which is beneficial to the farmers. But the The debut of Bismarck in this new character will be awaited with the deepest interest. Whoever wins in the coming struggle, earned on it, the burden must be levied on | Emperor or ex-Chancellor, it would seem agriculture as the fundamental industry. I that the cause of liberty is destined to be advanced greatly in Germany.

# THE RIGHT TO DISCHARGE.

The action of Judge White in granting a non-suit in the Henry case against the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad, so far as the corporation is concerned, ends a very remarkable suit. The case is striking as presenting a novel question as to where the line can be drawn between the right of a corporation to discharge subordinates at its discretion and the right of the employe to the protection of his reputation against the injury that is likely to result from the inference that a sudden and peremptory discharge is caused by crookedness on his part.

So far as this prosecution is concerned the victory lies with the railroad company. sult the abstract question remains in a somewhat confused condition. The plaintiff gets no damages; but the non-suit is granted on the claim that no case had been made out showing that the company had authorized any statements derogatory to the plaintiff. The natural deduction from the suit is that the employer can exercise the right of discharging employes; but he had better be very careful about telling what the discharge is for, unless he is prepared to prove

THE way in which the Delamater organs are claiming that the defeat of Emery in Mo-Kean county vindicates Delamater, and the Delamater's defeat does not vindicate him. gives that political event the happy aspect of suiting everybody by beating everybody.

THE movement to raise a fund for establishing the Bethesda Home, of this city, on a he has secure basis, is one which will appeal to all ties?

tained 210 ballots for Breckinridge and only 44 | charitable people of the city on the stronges grounds. No charitable organization has a field where there is wider opportunity for true charity in befriending the friendless and aiding those who need aid. It is to be hoped that the sum of \$12,000 needed for the work will be promptly contributed as soon as the purposes of the institution are understood.

THE obvious mission of the Hon. Elijah Morse in the delivery of his recent tariff speech was to present the evidence that the in-dustries of New England can produce in himself as impressive and variegated a specimen of the donkey class, as New York has done in the person of Elliot F. Shepard.

THE Philadelphia Press declares that no one but a demagogue would have introduced the amendment to the tariff bill proposed by the amendment to the tariff bil proposed by Mr. Anderson for the suspension of the duties on staples controlled by trusts, because "trusts cannot be reached by the tariff." This conveys to the readers of the esteemed Press the information that that paper itself has been indulging in demagoguery when it informed the public that the reduction in the sugar duties ould break up the Sugar Trust.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL CLARKSON declares that "the Government of the United States is a political and not a business machine." That is just exactly the complaint against the present system. It is a pomachine.

CALIFORNIA has applied for ten acres of pace in the Chicago Exposition. This evokes friendly comment from the Chicago papers to-ward California; but the fact that people in Chicago are urging the adoption of the lake front site which contains forty seres of ground and an illimitable expanse of water, shows the Chicago idea to be that the proper division of space will be ten acres for California and thirty or the rest of the world.

SEVERAL big sharks have lately appeared in New York bay and the rivers about New for k City. Their appearance just after the revival of stock speculation in Wall street ndicates that they want a share of the lambs.

Two small Chicago boys were recently found wandering about Milwaukeb armed to the teeth; and the officials jumped to the concluion that they were there to kill Indians. This byiously does the Chicago boys injustice. They had drawn the legitimate conclusion that the election of Bad Boy Peck to be Mayor of Milwaukee showed that there was employment in that city for two industrious assistants to the city fool killer.

IP the tariff talkers keep on, it will soon be time for Senator Quay to address to them his favorite bit of advice. Let them look at the National Republican Chairman and see ow quiet he is keeping.

THE need of a lower all-rail rate on coal from Pittsburg to Chicago is the subject of another special from Chicago in this morning's DISPATCH. The point is a strong one; and if l'ittsburg's ratiroads leading to the West have their own as well as the public interest at heart, they will make rates which will permit this large and profitable traffic to be car-ried from Pittaburg to the Western center of

A SYNDICATE which owns breweries in every State would seem to have matters pretty vell fixed for trade under the United States Supreme Court decision, in despite of either icense or prohibition.

THE statement that a leading firm of con ractors in Canada paid \$250,000 in the matter of securing contracts from the Canadian Government is some slight mitigation to this contry. There may not be very much comfort in the company of misery, but about the only satisfaction that can be got out of such things is the knowledge that other nations have got it as badly as we have.

brary, a librarian and a hope of getting some books, it might be worth while for it to conpure water. THE order of Census Superintendent

Porter that enumerators must not accept comsensation from local organizations evokes sar-West. The most obvious retort is founded on the last Quay story, that the only privilege of that sort will be that of keeping down the census of the Southern negro population.

An incorporation has been effected at Chicago promote the erection of a monumental statue of General Sheridan.

THE Norfolk Club dinner to Mr. Clarkson, at Hoston, has been postponed until May 22, on account of the death of his father. SIGNOR SUCCI made a great deal of money out of his tasting feats, and put it into Italian

entes. He has suddenly become a bleate GLADSTONE's head resembles, in its contour

very fair outline of the man of Ireland. That s what keeps him at loggerheads with his Eo lish colleagues, THE Caar's brother, the Grand Dake Aloxia

is going to take some friends through Siberia and show them how like an earthly paradise a asian prison pen is. ELRIS HALL is a 12-year old plantets from Australia, who is attracting attention in Lon-don. She has been elected to a scholarship at

he Royal College of Music, THE 1ste General Greeley, Senator of France, was, in 1879, the Minister of War who ordered that all military bands should play the "Marsel laise" on all official occasions. MRS. EDWARD MORRELL, of Philadelphi

ormerly Miss Drexel, has received the gift of a colt of the mare formerly owned by General Grant and now by Mr. G. W. Childs. REV. JAMES STALKER, of Glasgow, Boot land, one of the most learned and influential men in the "Land o' Cakes," will deliver the Yale lectures on preaching next year.

SENATOR EVARTS has three houses which he keeps open all the time-one in New York, one in Washington and one in Windsor, Vt. It is estimated that it costs him \$100,000 a year for his

W. CLARK RUSSELL is living at Bath E. gland, in the house in which Lord Chesterfield wrote his famous letters. Mr. Russell is martyr to rheumatism, but in spite of his suffer ngs is quite buoyant of spirits. MISS NELLIE ARTHUR, daughter of the lat

President Arthur, has developed into a beautiful young lady, with a brilliant complexion Her taste in dress is original and effective.

# THE FESTIVE COCKBOACH. From One House to Another.

The Peculiar Way in Which They Trave From the Louisville Courier-Journal.

It is said that the troublesome little brow roaches that infest so many kitchens, get inte such places by "following the water-pipes." D one sense they do. This is the way they travel: A plumber is sent to do some work in an illkept kitchen, where these bugs congregate in great numbers. While he is soldering and inging, a pair of the roaches conceal the selves in his toolsack, and when he is ready to go they go with him. If they like the next place he visits, they drop out and go to raising their family. They are not particular as to whether they get into an old house or a new one, and are not frightened off by a water one, and are not rightened off by a water-hammer. Sometimes they do not accompany the plumber, but emigrate in grocery baskets, goods boxes, etc. The new Constitution of Kentuckey will doubtlessabolish them.

#### From the Diamond to a Museum From the Chicago Times. 1

Dong Allison, tamons in his day as a basebal player, is now an usher in the National Mu-seum at Washington. When a man has had nose set awry, his hands converted into models of mountain ranges, and his legi twisted out of shape trying to elevate national game, what more fitting refuge could he have than a national receptacle of curios

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THE TOPICAL TALKER

WITH a highly valuable book, entitled "I Exposition Universelle," by Henri de Parville, which reached THE DISPATCH a few days ago, came the following letter:

asys ago, came the following fector:

SiR-I have the honour to send you hereby a copy of M. Henri de Parville's new Publication on the Paris Exhibition, containing a letter from Mr. Alphand, the clover Director of the Works. (Extra printed Copy for the Press.)

This charming publication may offer some interest to your readers, and we should be very obliged, if kindly you may give some lines on it. I join an appreciation giving an Analyse on the contents of the Book. I would thank you greatly for sending me a numero containing your kind for sending me a numero containing your kind notice, and I beg to accept, Sir, my highest civili-ties. Bottscatt.n, Editeur, 13, rue des Saints-Peres, Paris.

A very pretty example of what can be done with the English language surely.

WAS never so flustered and perplexed as I was the other day," said a lady, to me yes-terday. "I was coming back from Chicago, and in the car I met an old friend of my school days. I was very giad to meet him; so was be, I think, to meet me, and anyhow we indulged in a host of reminiscences. But I was uncomfortable from the very first because I could not remember his name. I did remember that at school we used to call him 'Dumpy,' beappearance, but I couldn't address a middle aged gentleman. A weathy financier, by such a name. His last name I couldn't remember at all.

how awkward it is to keep on saying Mr. or Sit to a man. How to get it out of the man I tried to think. I suppose my brain got muddled at-tending to several matters at once, for at last I said: 'Let me see—what was your name before you were married?'
"The look of astonishment on that man's face

"I wanted to find out his name-you know

I shall not soon forget. I discovered his name; but it did not make me much more comfort-

A PLOOD IN VIEW. If day by day the rain doth fall, Lo! Pittsburg will not need a park, A library or music hall, So much as it will need an ark.

F DOUARD STRAUSS, who is to be in Pittsburg with his orchestra on Monday week, is a great admirer of American women in the ballroom. This is what he says about our girls and the valse, and surely his words may be taken as authoritative on such a subject: "I have heard that the most graceful valueurs the world over are found in America, and I hope I will find that this is so. Speaking from my present experience, however, the only place where the valse is danced in the perfection designed by my father, the first Johann Strauss, is at the Austrian court balls. Here we have the threequarter time-which is graceful in the extrem -traditional with dancers and with players but which one cannot describe. It must be seen. Hardly a mouth passes that some dance loving diplomat does not come to me and beg that I tell him the secret of our beautiful court measure, and I tell him and time the measures as well as I can, and they go away and introduce the step in England, in France or Italy, but always without success. Our beautiful court valss—as pleasant to the spectator as to the per-former—is the result of traditious and the sympathetic collaborations of dancer and player, and it cannot be duplicated elsewhere without the very concurrence of these same circum-

#### MR. VAUX'S NOMINATION.

PHILADELPHIA Record: Richard Vaux will ncrease the influence of the Pennsylvania representation in Congress. His wide knowledge n regard to public questions and his genial wi rill make him a valuable acquisition to the membership of the House.

PHILADELPHIA Times: The chief reason for congratulation over the nomination of Vaux, is in the fact that a man of national fame, of unsuited repute and of pre-eminent abilities is to succeed Samuel J. Randali in the House as one of Philadelphia's representa-Now that Allegheny City has got a li-

PHILADELPHIA Inquirer: Mr. Vaux is a man who is worthy of the nomination tendered to him, and if elected he will grace the chair to stand by Emery as faithfully as Emery which was so ably filled for so many years by Mr. Randall. He will go to the full lengths of the free traders, and a little further, if necessary, and perhaps it is just as well that it should be so.

PHILADELPHIA Press: Out of it all the Democrats of the Third district get a candidate whose election will give them a representative entirely fit to sit in the seat of Randall, and who will be a credit to the city of Philadelphia. He is a man of the highest character and strictest integrity, who has displayed a broad intelligence and usefulness in important public posi-tions, and against whom nothing can be alleged but an enduring devotion to Democracy.

PHILADELPHIA Ledger! Neither in private or in public life is there a man of purer probity of character than Richard Vaux, While it may be doubted whether any person ever heard him conest the new trite saying that "a public office in it by his work in administering an unsalaried highly responsible public office for more than 30 years as faithfully and efficiently for the public good as ever any private trust could be stered.

# CURRENT TIMELY TOPICS.

Ex-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has rented another summer cottage. All the returns have not yet been received, but it is believed that he has rented up to date about 900 cottages

THE Randall printers in the Government office have been deenpitated since the Congress nan's death. They are fourists now.

AN Ottawa, Ill., man has been fined \$125 for kissing another man's wife. Many additional judges would have to be appointed in Pennsyl-vania, and ther would be kept mighty busy, too, f all the men guilty of the same offense

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN will probably pass through this city on Sunday next on his way to Tucoma. Wash., after putting a girdle around the sarth. The traveler has a kindly feeling for and fering humanity, and will therefore not deliver a

PAPERS with the name of Benjamin Harrison naised to their masthead for President in 1892, are scarcer than bon's teeth

A rown in Kansas has a woman who is try ing to take care of a young baby and regulate the affairs of the municipality at one and the same time. She is certainly a very busy woman.

STANLEY is still being bored. The great explorer should hasten to this country. The people will not grumble on putting up a dollar per head for being bored an hour or two of an evening by

Mr. Stanley.

QUAY, it is reported, will visit Florida shortly to try his hand at fishing again. The remainder of the Fennsylvania politiciaes will do their fishing in the grand old Commonwealth. CHICAGO has been so busy for the past few

Louis, gobbie two cases of leprosy. The Windy City appears to be neglecting everything in her anxiety to make the fair a howling suc REV. TALMAGE says the presant Bible is the eve in until a better one is writte

days that she has allowed her hated rival, St.

AN Oil City man named Gruber has a saloer and keeps on tap at all seasons of the year a rare collection of snakes. One box contains between 25 and 30, and includes the common garter, black, milk, rattler and other pet species. They are kept in the barroom, and are the means of keeping many a blear-eyed toper from entering the place.

# DEATHS OF A DAY.

BETHLEHEM, PA., May 14.—Word was received here to-day that W. W. Thurston, President of the Bethlehem Iron Company, and President of the Bethlehem Iron Company, and President of the Juricaga Iron Company, of Cuba, died in London, England, at midnight hist night. He was returning with his family from a trip along the Nile where he had gone for his health

will be buried in London. William H. Bigelow. WATERVILLE, MR. May 14.—William H. Bige-low, Superintendent of the New England Ball-way Mail Service, died yesterday afternoon.

### GARFIELD DAY IN CLEVELAND.

Memory of the Murdered President. CLEVELAND, May 14.—The Garfield me-morial dedication will be one of the grandest events that ever happened in Cleveland. Elaborate preparations are being made. Grand Marshal Baroett has decided that the parade Marshal Barcett has decided that the parace shall form near the public square and reach the cemetery along the famed Euclid avenue. The avenue stretches from the square to the cemetery, a distance of six miles, and it will not be necessary to march along any other streets. Every mansion on the avenue will be decorated and the magnificent lawns will be covered with flowers. At the cemetery gates an imposing arch is now being erected. It is a duplicate of the arch leading to the Capitol at

an imposing arch is now being erected. It is a duplicate of the arch leading to the Capitol at Hartford, Conn., and will consist of two immense circular pillars, 29 feet in diameter, 40 feet apart and 100 feet in beight. The pillars will be capped by a cone-shaped structure.

Garfield's body now reposes, strongly guarded, in the public vault in the cemetery, and will be removed to the monument in a few days. Amos Townsend, Chairman of the Committee in Arrangements, positively denied a sensational story that had been flashed about the country that the body is in the vault of the Safe Deposit. Trust and Bank Company on Euclid avenue. Ex-President Hayes will be President of the day and ex-Governor J. D. Cox, of Ohlo, the orator. President Harrison and Secretary Blaine will speak briefly. The President will be entertained by Mr. Dan P. Eells, and Mr. Blaine by Mrs. J. A. Garfield. In case of rain the memorial services will be held in the Music Hall, which has a seating capacity of 5,000. Invitations have been sent to nearly all the distinguished men in the country and many have replied that they are coming. traffic or from prohibiting it altogether if it thinks proper."

Not content with quoting the former declara-

# GETTING READY TO RESUME.

Re-Riection of Directors of the Montgomers

Trust Company.
NORRISTOWN, May 14.—It is fortunate for Trust and Safe Deposit Company that William F. Slingluff's financiering outside the institution was brought to a close early in his wild speculative career. He was proparing to float the bonds of a Fiorida railroad when he was proparated to the control of the c the bonds of a Fjorida railroad when he was overtaken. As yet the railroad exists only on paper. It is a connecting link about nine miles long, and the capital stock of \$50,000 is said to be full paid up. The company holds a deed for 2,040 acres of land said to have been donated to it. The deed is in a safe in Norristown, where it was awaiting the selection of a trustee to secure the bondholders as soon as Mr. Slingluff was ready to take his hand in the game.

The stockholders of the Trust Company held a meeting to elect a Board of Directors and receive a statement of the affairs of the company. They were told that the collateral loans were secure the Slingluff borrowed \$180,000 and that his securities were good for about half this amount, making the concern's loss about \$90,000. The stockholders adopted a resolution that the directors resume payment whenever, in their judgment, it shall be deemed except that John R. Jacobs and P. G. Stinson were substituted for A. R. Cox, deceased, and Jacob H, Grater, resigned.

#### EMERY'S DEFEAT.

Snappond Srg: The good fight has been fought and the result from any standpoint from which it may be viewed is little botter than a draw. Mr. Emery made a bitter fight and has been completely vanquished. As a political factor he is a dead duck. His vaunted influence does not pass beyond the source of his own voice.

PHILADELPHIA Inquirer: The lesson of Mr. Emery's defeat is plain. While all itepublicans agree that the largest latitude should be given in the discussion of the availability of candidates, they also agree that all the kicking should be done before the convention, and after it has done its work every Republican is expected to do his duty. This lesson they have emphasized in a most thorough manner by defeating Emery in his own county.

MEADVILLE Tribune: Senator Delamater's friends are content with the verdict: the Sena tor does not need the McKean county delegates to insure his nomination and what is more they have never been counted in his column. Under ordinary circumstances there would have been no contest in McKean, but the course of Emery forced the fighting which practically ended in a Delamater victory. We call it a victory, and victory it was.

PHILADELPHIA Times: The convention resulted in a clear victory for Stone, who se-cured the two delegates to the State convention from that county, Stone's friends failed Congress by a coalition of the Smith and Wat son delegates, the former having been put in the field as a dummy for Watson and to help Delamater carry the county against Stone The result is, therefore, only a half victory for Emery, who won his fight against Delar and lost the battle for Congress.

# AN EARLY SETTLER GONE.

A Warren County Lady Dies at the Age of Ninety-Seven.

KENZUA, PA., May 14 .- At Kenzua Fiats, or Sunday evening, Mrs. Polly Marsh died at the age of 97 years. Mrs. Marsh was born in Proviearly age came to the Susquebanna Valley with adopted parents. She came to the Alle gheny river accompanied by her husband, Syl vanus Marsh, and others, and settled in sight of her present home over 60 years ago. She had ten children, five of whom survive her. On gave his life for his country during the Rebellion in 1861. Mrs. Marsh outlived her husband di years. About five years ago she visited the Kenzua viaduot, walking a mile to take the train, returning next evening, not being over-

fatigued with the trip. "Aunt Polly," as she was called by old and young, was most remarkable in retaining all her faculties perfectly until her last hours. Until two years ago she could see, knit and read with comparative case. She was a kind, Christian

# CIRCUS AND STAGE.

THE sale of seats for the three concerts o the Strauss Vienna Orchestra opened yester-day morning. Although it rained all day there was a continuous stream of ticket buyers at Kleber's, and by last evening each of the three charts for the different concerts was well narked off with red ink. At a rough calculation it may be said that from one-third to our half of the entire number of reserved seate have already been sold. Still, an entertain ment of this kind does not demand any particular location, almost any seat in the building allowing full enjoyment of the music, so there are hundreds of desirable seats left. There will be a different programme at each of the three concerts. There has been an absurd attempt to exclude this famous organization under the contract labor law, but as Mr. Curtis has well said: "It is no more necessary to hear Strauss' Orchestra to determine that it is a company of fine artists than to bear Mr. Gladstone to know that he is a great orator. It would be a public loss if the law should be interpreted so as to exclude such artists." Patti has also had a word to say on this subject. She wrote to the Collector of the Port at New York:
"I know how perfectly the Strauss Orchestra, of Vienna, under the spirited direction of Edouard Strauss, plays the newitching dance music which has made the Strauss name famous throughout the world." The orchestra is nov in Boston, having left New York on the arrived. It is to make its debut there to-night, the Labor Inspector naving decided that he is not authorized to call the greatest band of

musicians in the world common laborers. QUIETLY sandwiched between blood-curdling, hair-raising deeds in the "Wild West" department of the Forepaugh show, which ex-hibits in Exposition Park, Allegheny, Monday and Tuesday, May 19 and 20, and East Liberty Wednesday, May 21, is a refreshing little ac that catches on finely with the audiences. Four stalwart, bronzed and dashing cowbovs rugged Western girls participate in the most novel equestrian display extant. Mounted on their swift-footed little broncos, they actually execute all the movements of the old-fashioned Virginia reel, to music furnished by Bugle Bill's

"ONE OF THE BRAVEST" is followed at the Bijou Theater by Ferguson and Mack's farce comedy "McCarthy's Mishaps," in which there is plenty of fun-making, music and dancing, which a good company of comedians deal with in good style.

THE attraction at Harris' Theater next week is "The Celebrated Case," the remarkable melo-drams, with Mr. Sullivan and a strong cast. HERRHANN, the man of mystery and magic will take the public through ways that are dark at the Grand Opera House next week.

### ORIGINAL PACKAGES.

Chief Justice Fuller's Ruling Similar to That Laid Down by Chief Justice Taney Over Forty Years Ago-Editorial Comment From Various Papers.

THE conflicting interpretations put on the "original package" decision even by good lawyers can be explained only by a failure to gread the full text of the decision and consider what the court clearly and explicitly said. Speaking for the court Chief Justice Fuller quotes approvingly the following doctrine as laid down in the original license cases by Chief Justice Taney over 40 years ago.
"But although a State is bound to receive

and to permit the sale by the importer of any article of merchandise which Congress authorizes to be imported, it is not bound to furnish a market for it, nor to abstain from the passage of any law which it may deem necessary or advisable to guard the health or morals of its citizens, although such law may discourage in-portation, or diminish the profits of the im-porter, or lessen the revenue of the General Government. And if any State deems the re-tail and internal traffic in ardent spirits injurious to its citizens and calculated to produce idleness, vice, or debauchery, I see nothing in the Constitution of the United States to preent it from regulating and restraining the

tion to the effect that while the commerce clause of the Constitution requires a State to receive imported articles it may nevertheless regulate and restrict the use or sale of the

These decisions rest upon the undoubted right of the States of the Union to control their purely internal affairs, in doing which they exercise powers not surrendered to the National Government; but whenever the law of the State amounts essentially to a regulation of a commerce with foreign nations or among the States, as it does when it inhibits directly or indirectly the receipt of an imported commodity, or its disposition before it has ceased to become an article of trade between one State and another or another country than this, it comes in conflict with a power which in this particular has been exclusively vested in the General Government, and is therefore

This ought to be explicit enough, especially when taken in connection with the declaration which secures the privilege of sale only to "the foreign or non-resident importer." Persons so described are guaranteed the right to send lawful articles of commerce into any State and the State cannot prevent the receipt thereof, but it may control the sale or any disposition after the original package is broken. It cannot pre-vent its citizens from receiving liquor from other States, but may prohibit any sale of the same at retail or to be drank on the premises. Anything done with the liquor after the breakng of the original package comes under local aw exclusively.—Chicago Tribune.

The Temperance Question in No Danger. Tun "original package" deciaton, as it is called, of the Supreme Court will not hin-der the progress of the temperance reformation; it will rather help it. The difficulty growing out f it, which at the present looks formidable, will be overcome, and new care will be given to the legislation of the future. If the decision be a right one, it ought to have been made, and telligently and carnestly, the emergency that grows out of it. This can be done, and will be.

Pittaburg United Presbyterian.

#### All Quiet in Maine. BY THE way, we do not hear that any of those palatial bar rooms, to neddle drinks in the "original package," have been opened in Staine. Evidently the trade does not consider the Federal Court's decision so much of an Ægis as certain of the newspapers have repre-

sented it.—Lewision (Me.) Journal.

Congress Should Take a Hand. THE National Government cannot afford to become a party to violations of wholesome State laws. Therefore the inter-State com-merce regulations should be so amended by Congress at its present session as to prevent the carrying of liquer into prohibition States. Failure to do this would be a very disgraceful omission of duty, and would also add greatly to the strength of the national Prohibition party.

-Chicago Daily News. The Government the Real Saloon Keeper. prohibition movement, instead of being out of place in national politics, can never be ef-fective without Federal co-operation. Ever ince the war the general Government has been the real saloon keeper. It has been the great dispenser of liquor licenses, and has continued to issue them even in States that have enacted

#### rohibition laws .- Chicago Herald. CLOSED WITH A BANQUET.

Officers Elected for the Junior Order American Mechanica.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR. CANTON, May 14.—The annual convention of the State Council Junior Order of American Mechanics closed to-night with a banquet to the visiting delegates by the local councils, at Hurford. The next convention will be held at Findlay.

The officers for the ensuing year are as fel-

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: State Councilor, Hungerford B. Corning; Junior Past State Councilor, J. A. Soulters, of Steubenville; Senior Vice Councilor, J. G. A. Richter, of Canton; State Councilor, J. G. A. Richter, of Canton; State Council Secretary, J. W. Hoagiand, of Staubenville; State Treasurer, W. A. Gerdon, of Cleveland; State Chaplain, L. V. Stone, of Conneaut; Warden, A. Proudfoot, of Cleveland; Inside Sentinel, H. Hollman, of North Industry; representatives to the Grand National Council, G. O. Roberts, of Columbia, and C. E. Tinkier, of Massilion. Difficult Job for Pittaburg Lawyers, From the Harrisburg Independent. ) Pittaburg lawyers are engaged in an effort to set rid of the elaborate text in the composition of legal documents, the outcome of many con-

turies of verbose utterances in such connections, and substitute the plainer common sense way of expressing the same thing of the present, Colored Men With Stretched Nocks. The following item from the colored men's gran, the Richmond Planel, explains itself: More colored men with stretched necks, per forated bodies and amputated limbs have as-cended the stairway to heaven during the last

#### O years than has ever been known in the history of any civilized country."

MAY BLOSSOMS. THE MUSEALONGE ARE BITING. The muskalonge are biting in the damp and chilly lakes And the fishermen are writing Home some gorgeous "fakes.

The Waltons all are hieing

In a way to curl one's hair. For real solid information We would simply like to ask Is the "muskie's" approbation Won by "bait" worn in a flask?

NOW IS THE CHERRY IN BLOSSOM. ow is the cherry in blossom, love, Love of my heart, with the apple to follow; over the village at nightfall now Merrily veers and darts the swallow.

t nightfall now in the dark marsh grass Awakes the chorus that sings old be evening star is dim for the dew, The honeysuckle is red on the rock! The willow floats over the brook like a feather; n every shadow some love lies hid— And you and I in the world together.

-Mary E. Wilkins in Harper's Magazine.

THE POET IS PRACTICAL.

My Genie's fair beyond compare, With lovely, rippling chestnut hair; A form that might a saint ensuare, My Genie's clear blue melting eyes Are like a glimpse of Paradisc, And I can't help but idolize

But though my Genie's very fair, And has such lovely rippling hair, She can't cook a steak and have it rare, Can't Gente.

So, as of "rocks" I haven's got Enough to hire an Irish pot-Wrestier I'll not to share my lot Ask Ger

### OUR MAIL POUCH.

The Goose Henx-A Reminiscence of Almos a Half Century.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Solomon has given advice how to answer person under certain circumstances-but the person under certain circumstances—but the proper way to reply to your correspondent "Anser" (Latin, poore), is not so easily determined, as he does not appear to know anything about the subject of his own knowledge. The main features of the "Goose Fly," as given by L. M. on Monday, are no doubt correct; but I do not believe it will ever be satisfactorily determined who were the actual originators and perpetrators of the hoax—the most stupendous ever played upon the people of the Iron City.

The writer was a compositor at the time on
THE DISPATCH, then located in a building
which had been erected after the fire of 1845, on the spot new occupied by the Iron City Na-tional Bank, Fourth avenue, then the center of business. Commencing several weeks before the event took place, a small item appeared in the local column announcing that an ingenious mechanic, who lived in Birmingham, now the Southside, was engaged on a machine with which he believed he would be able to navigate the air. This was supplemented from time to time by other items telling of the progress made in the work, and culminating in the final announcement that a public trial of the machine would be made from the riand (now Ninth) street bridge, on a certain day. (August 31, 1846). Although I was not personally aware at the totage at the time who was at the bottom of the affair, it was generally believed that, in connection possibly with those mentioned by L. M., (with all of whom I was closely acquainted and some of whom were known to be great jokers) a bookbinder named James Duwal, who did business on the third floor of The Disparcial building, was the prime mover. I distinctly remember the printing of the handbills for the purpose, which was done on the second floor, then Whitney & Dumars' job office.

Public curiosity being thus aroused, it was no wonder that on the appointed day the banks of both sides of the Allegheny river were crowded with persons—males and females—rich and made in the work, and culminating in the final with persons—males and females—rich and poor—in carriages and on foot—all auxious to see what had never before been witnessed, a coccessful attempt to float in the ambient at one's own will. Prompted by the same curi-osity, I was also there, helping to swell the im-

only own will. Prompted by the same curiosity, I was also there, helping to swell the immense concourse.

After a delay of a considerable time, the affair took place in the afternoon of a warm sommer day. Two or three individuals were observed on the roof of the bridge making their way from the Pittsburg side (there was then a promenade on the top of the bridge, and everybody was on tip-toe to winess the unqual sight so long promised. One of the persons appeared to be enveloped in what was probably a Spanish cloak, frequently worn at that period (and this may have given rise to the story that it was Harvey Bollman, who wore a garment of that description). To those at a distance, this made him appear as if the large wings with which it was supposed the attempt to fly was to be made, were folded at his side, as is frequently seen in pictures representing angels. Without any warning to the assembled multitude, the apparent wings were suddenly expanded, and instead of the inventor floating out bnoyansiy away from the bridge, out into the ether, and far away over the fulls which surround our beautiful city, from finder the folds of the cloak slowly flew a large-sized goose, which, after vainly striving to keep thesif affoat in the air, finally dropped into the river, where it was quickly rescued by one of the many heats of every description with which the bosom of the Allegheny was literally covered.

one of the many boats of every description with which the bosom of the Allegheny was literally covered.

It did not take nearly so long for the vast crowd to clear away as it did for it to gather; and although the writer saw thousands whom he personally knew, it was a difficult matter the next day to find even one who would admit that he was a witness of the event, except as by the river bank was the nearest or most convenient way by which he could reach the business point started for.

Without disparaging any other writer's account, the above, I believe, is as accurate as can be given, except by an actual participant, which will probably now never be done, after a lapse of nearly 44 years. This hoax occurred not long after a terrible riot on the public streets'among the volunteer fremen, and as THE DISPATCH seemed to show partially for one of the offending parties, and was also blamed for its participation in the flying-machine hoax, its circulation materially diminished, many of its subscribers showing their feeling in the matter by thus exercising the right of what in these latter days is called boycotting. Rome was saved by a goose, THE DISPATCH was a loser by the same fow.

PITTEBURG, May 14.

### Looking for a Lost Brother, To the Editor of The Dispatch:

We have a brother and we have not heard from him directly for over a year, but lately we have heard he was in Johnstown the day hefore the flood. Not knowing any better way to learn whether he left Johnstown or not on that day we come to you for help, hoping through | England to test the merit of electric welding, your columns you will find out where he stayed at Johnstown on that day. If his landlord ea-caped he sught to be able to give the informa-tion, if not some one else might.

This brother used to be in Westmoreland

This brother used to be in Westmoreland county and on the Menongahela river. He was a cripple and drove around with a dog and wages. Any one that can give any information that will help us to learn whether he got out of Johnstown, or his present whereabours, will confer a favor on his father and brother. Thomas and Robert Forsyth, New Castle, Lawrence county. Pa. rence county, Pa.

He was called Frank Forsyth and his name
was painted on the wagon. He was a peddler was painted on the wagon. He was a peddler and repairer of clocks and watches. Greensburg, Irwin and Johnstown papers

# will oblige by reprinting this letter. THOMAS AND ROBERT FORSYTH. NEW CASTLE, May 14.

Amborably of a Political Letter. the Editor of The Dispatch: In THE DESPATCH of Tuesday, May 6, there appeared a letter from Morcor making some comments on the political situation, and offer-ing a few predictions as to who would be winners in the convention. Among other things it was stated that Hon, J. S. Fruit and Hon. Henry Hall would be two of the three nomi-ness for Assembly. We understand it is eir-

ness for Assembly. We understand it is circulated in different parts of the county that Mr. Hall wrote the letter in order to help himself, and it is also runnored that a circular will be scattered ever the county stating that in is the author of the communication.

I desire that my work should not be imputed to another; and wish to say, as briefly and plainly as possible, that Mr. Hall did not write any part of the letter, nor did be, either directly or indirectly, suggest that the written, or angegest anything it contained; nor did he have any kniewicky or the contained; and may way, directly or indirectly, or removely. I along an responsible for the communications.

Mercen, Pa., May 14.

# HE LOST HIS LIBEL SUIT.

A Newspaper Has Rights Which Men Are

Bound to Respect. PAUL, MINN., May 14.-The libel suit for \$10,000, brought by Attorney Albert Krettle, of Minneapolis, against the Pionser-Press, was thrown out of court by Judge Hicks in Minneapolis this morning. The point in quespublish a statement or a question when that statement is libelous in itself, even though the rublication of it be actuated by no malice.

Judge Hicks decides that it has such right, and
that the fact of the matter being privileged exempts the newspaper from suit, or that the
paper cannot be compelled to rest its case on
the truth of the privileged publication.

# STATE POLITICS.

PHILADELPHIA Times: If there had been a Republican Emery in every county in Penn sylvania, Republican bossism would have died before it was born. WASHINGTON Post: The Hon, William I.

Scott should hasten to try buttermilk on the warring Democrats of the Third Pennsylvania Congressional district. ALTOONA Tribune: Among the "dark horses" that are being groomed for the Demo-cratic gubernatorial nomination is Hon. George A. Jenks, of Jefferson county, whose friends

think he would make an admirable compromise

GREENSBURG Tribuner If ex-Senator Wallace is nominated by the Democracy he will be beaten by 75,000 majority; if ex-Governor Pattison is nominated he will be beaten by 50,000 majority, and if Chauncey Forward Black is ominated he will be beaten by 100,000 majority. LATROBE Advance: There is a pretty

strong sentiment being developed both in this and the other counties of the district in favor of Mr. John Kuhns, of Greensburg, for the Democratic nomination for Congress. Whether or not Mr. Kuhns would accept the nomination in the face of 3,500 Republican majority is not known, but it is thought by his friends that he will accept. Du Bors Courier: Montooth's stock is

away up in Jefferson county, and enthusiasm for the old soldiers is being aroused that a few weeks ago would not have been thought poss ble. Two months ago had the vote been taken for delegate to the State convention, Dela-mater would have probably captured the county with little opposition. But since Major Montooth's sour through this section last month his following is daily increasing.

# CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-A North Carolina farmer has on his farm a healthy colt with five legs.

-At Marshall a 25-cent piece of ice, when melted, will make a wet spot two inches wide and four feet long.

-Two Russian climbers of Mount Ararat found in perfect preservation a minimum ther-mometer which was left there last year. -A Brooklyn physician is authority for

the statement that the grip is almost as preva-lent there now as it was during the past winter. -There is still four or five feet of snow on the summit road between Ellensburg and Wenatchee, Wash. Teams are obliged to cross early in the morning, while the crust is hard. -Albert Haynes, a Union county, Wash.,

of the lower arm were forced from their sockets and out through a frightful gash a few inches above the elbow. -In Twiggs county a day or two ago a beardless boy of 21 was married to a lady of 87 years old, having seven children. This young man is the lady's third husband. She is said to

rancher, being thrown from a horse, the bones

-The piece of crown glass, 40 inches in diameter and 1½ inches thick, made in Paris for the object glass of a telescope for the Uni-versity of Southern California, will require two years' labor to turn into a finished lens.

-The first Bowdoin University crew that has ever sat in an eight-oar boat will row as Boston, on the Charles river, on Memorial Day. The opposing oarsmen will be represent-atives of the Boston Athletic Association.

ored man, earned \$5 by butting a 3-year-old bull to death. After the animal had been butted five times it fell to the ground and in five min-utes was dead. The negro was not injured. -A colored boy 11 years of age, living in New Orleans, is a musical prodigy. Technically the boy knows no difficulties, and there seems no effect, no combination, too intricate or complicated for him to overcome with perfect case.

-"Big Six," a Birmingham, Ala., col-

-A wealthy merchant of Berlin recently celebrated his birthday by inviting a number of friends to play ninepins. When they arrived he negan to throw the balls and pins at their heads, inflicting severe injuries. He had

-Mrs. Catharine Brown, an old lady of Port Providence, Montgomery county, died from blood poisoning. Seven weeks ago, while in the cellar, she was hitten in the hand by an insect. The hand and arm at once swelled to double their natural size, and from this the blood poisoning originated.

-The latest experiments made with car-

rier pigeons in connection with various Euro-pean armies shows that the normal velocity of the carrier in calm weather and for a short dis-tance is about 1,210 yards a minute. With a very strong wind in the direction of the flight a bird has reached 1,280 yards a minute. -Practical co-operation among working men is on trial in Los Angeles, Cal. Fifty laborers have formed a company, and have taken a large sewer contract from the city. The men work for 15 cents per hour, for eight hours a day. After all expenses are paid the profits of the contract will be equally divided,

-The Emperor of Germany has his cards like other mortals. They are very simple, al though those of the German nobility are generally very highly decorated with crosss and crowns. The royal cards have absolutely no ornamentation. In plain gothle letters they read: Wilhelm, German Emperor and King of Prussia." -A farmer in Foster township, Pa., was arrested for an alleged assault, but was acquitted. Since the trial he has posted the fol-

lowing notice in a conspicuous place: "I do herby noticy all parents of children that the child or children are strictly torbidden to come outo my premises or into my hous unless in company with the Father or Mother." -George W. Keiler, of Page county, Virginia, 13 years ago plunged into the sea at Atlantic City after dancing himself into a perspiration. He was seized with ossifying rheumatism and has lain ever since in bed, drawn out of shape. Until 1887 he suffered torturing pains continually, and since then half of his body has apparently turned to stone.

-A curious medical case was shown at a meeting of the Alumni of Bellevue Hospital, New York, last week. The patient was a 5year-old boy, whose lower jaw was locked in a way that made eating in the ordinary fashion out of the question. In fact, the youngater kept himself alive and apparently fairly confortable by poking food into his mouth through a hole caused by the loss of two teeth.

-In some experiments lately made in of electricity and by hand. The former stood a strain of 91.9 per cent of the strength of the metal itself, and the latter 80.5 per cent. The electric weld, however, showed cracks when bent cold at an angle of 66 degrees, whereas the hand-made joint stood 128 degrees of bend. -In the town of Mayfield, Cal., Jose Ignacio Aureque has been confined to his bed for 35 years. He was injured by an accident in

a mine, and has not been able to put his feet to the ground since. His only attendant is an attopted son, who has devoted his time and means to the support of the aged invalid, A good woman of Menio Park has contributed 36 a menth from her private purse for the past 20 -The following is the Chrosse remedy for eroup: "Collect from old walls several nests of large-sized spiders, two of which, at least, bould contain live spiders. Make them into a

pasts with 30 grains of alum previously dis-solved. Then, after it is well mixed, reduce the pasts to ashes, and applyth hot to the throat." This, it is said, will effect an instanta-neous ours of the disease however severs the attack. -While a jury was out on a street in Pickens, Ga., exercising in company with an officer, they were approached by a minister. who whispered: "Ptick to him boys, stick to him: you know I am your preacher, and you must do as I tell you." On their return to the court house they told the Judge what had happened. The minister was summoned and sentenced to jait for a month and to pay a fine of come

of #200, -Within sight of each other in Lubeck district, W. Va., live five members of one family, whose combined ages is 800 years. They are the Beckwiths. The family consists of tiarnes linekwith, aged 72; Q. A. Beckwith, aged 74; Mrs. L. A. Bookwith, who was a licekwith before marriage, aged 74; Mrss Jane Beckwith, aged 80, and Unde Tom Breckwith, aged 00. All the members of this remarkable family are yet hale and hearty.

-A lady while seated in her carriage saw a stir in the road, and looking over the wheels saw hopping in all directions across and around toads aiming for the electric light. She got out and aired for the lamp, too, There was a ring of tones underneath it already, waiting for the fall of moths and the inaccts of night that drop from the life destroying dame. It was a curious sight—those creatures squatted in a circle, with upturned heads, waiting for the victims to drop into their mouths.

# AMONG THE HUMORISTS.

A Parent's Growl .- How's your family? Pretty well, thank you."
"Any of your daughters married yet?" 'No, and I can't understand why they don't go off; they use powder enough, goodness knows.

"We had a monkey at our house for a pet, but pa gave him away, an' I'm awfully sorry!"
said Jimmy to his new friend,
"I'ld you love the monkey?" asked his com-'Nah, " said Jimmy; "but the monkey used to get blamed for everything that went worng, and new I do. "-tigrper's Young People.

e black. I see it has turned to a chestnut. How do you account for that?
Clara-l believe she has been using the funny papers to do her hair up in. - Youkers Statesman, Out of Labels.-I've brought you a box of

Cora-Miss Fussanfeather's hair used to

eigars, George, dear.

'thank you, love. Are they Havanas?'

'No, dear. I asked for Havanas, but the maint had hadn't any Havana labels on hand." loston Courier. "In times of peace," tsaid the Major, "I

frequently go to military balls. "

"And in times of war?" "The military balls come to me. That's how I not my leg."-New York Herald. "Your references are very satisfactory, "May I inquire why not, madam?" asked the would-be butter. Your hair is red and my dining room is deco

rated in robin's egg bine. "-Life. "Do you believe in paying as you go?" "Yes, if you want to take your luggage along with you.

"How much are your oranges, my little manuri

"Ten cents, sir,"
"What—aplece?"
"No, sir; a whole un, "—Hurper's Weekly,