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### MORE THAN A MONUMENT.

The City Councils, yesterday, passed the amended ordinance for the acceptance of Mr. Carnegie's gift, in accordance with the understanding reached while Mr. Carnegie was here. One dissenting voice was heard from a member who objects to the whole project on the ground that the city should not may \$40,000 a year for the maintenance of "a monument to Mr. Carnegie."

If the library buildings were to be no more than a monument to Mr. Carnegie, the objection would be a pertinent one. That it will be a monument to him-one that will make his memory honored by future generations-every friend of the project hopes. But Mr. Carnegie, as well as anyone else, realizes that the monument will not be worth having unless it is something more. For that purpose all the care that has been expended in laying the foundation, has directed itself to the end of securing its widest and most permanent public usefulness. If the libraries, art galleries and museums to be provided by this munificent gift do not furnish instruction, enlightenment and culture to the masses, all the expenditures will be wasted. But with every incentive for all connected with the project to aim solely at that end, with the only motive inspiring the work, that of the publie good, we can entertain no doubt as to the result. We believe that the Carnegie libraries will be a great monument to the man, woman and child in the community

But such objections are useful, because they must necessarily incite the gentlemen placed in charge of the building and organization of the libraries to their duty of giving them the widest usefulness, and putting them on such a basis as to bring their benefits home, not only to the educated and select few, but to the masses. The acceptance of the gift having placed the management of the institution in the hands of the Board of Trustees, the onus is on that body. It is its function to so perform the work entrusted to it, as to make its institution not only a monument to Mr. Carnegie, but an engine for the culture, instruction and enlightened pleasure of the people. It will be their duty to bring its benefits home to all the workers of the city so that they shall feel that it is their own property. The work that has been placed in their hands is a great one, and the necessity of making the gift a permanent public benefit is emphasized by this thought that its success lies in making the benefit felt by the greatest number of the people.

The gentlemen who have been selected to act on the Board of Trustees, both from the membership of Councils, and from the citisens, are fully aware of the importance of their work. They will so discharge it that after Mr. Carnegie's gift has assumed concrete form, not a single objector will be found to assert that the public expenditure for its support is wasted.

## ELECTRICAL CONSOLIDATIONS.

This seems to be the period for reports, at least, of electrical combinations. Following close upon the heels of the report that the Westinghouse and Pullman interests are to unite in the manufacture of electrical cars and motors comes the rumor of a consolidation of the Edison and Thomson-Houston systems with the avowed purpose scarcity. of "knocking out Westinghouse." The capital which is proposed for the new combination of electrical inventions is imposing enough, being set at the very neat figure of \$20,000,000. But it should be borne in mind that it is not always the biggest capital-on paper-that does the most effective knocking out. The concern that gets up the best electrical appliances and sells them at the price which places them within the reach of the largest number can count or doing the best business, without any foolish

### PITTSBURG AS A CENTER.

idea of knocking out business rivals.

The central situation of Pittsburg and its general accessibility are coming in for very practical recognition these days. There was a time when the railways carried crowds of delegates through Pittsburg to conventions East, West, North and South, and never a convention met here. Now we have a different tale to tell. Conventions are held here constantly, and this week, for instance no less than three national organizations will meet here. The meeting of the Scotch-Irish Congress here promises to be one of the most notable events in the history of the nation this year. Pittsburg has the position, the accommodations and hospitality unbounded, and it is not surprising that the nation should recognize these facts. The future of this city as a meeting place for the nation, nay more, for the nations of the earth, is remarkably promising. It may not be so very long before Pittsburg will be making her great competitors hustle in

other fields than the industrial. It is, moreover, comfortable to remember that Pittsburg is on the eve of greater im-

provements than she has yet seen. The says that the obnoxious questions in the census gifts of Mr. Carnegie are to be in the nature of institutions which will sid Pittsburg in entertaining her visitors. There are new hotels and theaters in sight, and in other ways this city will soon be metropolitan in its appointments. The inflow of conventions shows that Pittsburg's claims are appreciated properly by the world without.

### NOT THE RIGHT METHOD.

The advice is given by the Philadelphia Press with regard to those census inquiries that people should answer the questions with regard to debts and diseases, because: Progress is impossible without a knowledge of society, and this knowledge can only be obtained by asking the questions put in the census." This is a rather singular example of logic gone crazy. Some of these questions were never asked before; and according to the esteemed Press, the first reasonably accurate compilation of the statistics which it insists on as most necessary, was made in 1880. Consequently progress was impossible prior to 1880. What was impossible could not take place; and the demonstration is complete that there was no progress prior to 1880.

Without following any such absurd arguments as that, it can be conceded that statistical information at the points at issue would be valuable. If there was any hope that such an inquiry would result in reliable information it might be worth while to advise the people to answer the queries. But to put such an inquiry into the hands of the average census enumerator, to be asked of the average housekeeper, is the surest way of deciding that the information shall not be worth the paper it is written on. A special inquiry as to mortgages might be complete if addressed to the proper sources; and the same might be said of the vital statistics properly investigated. But' when such an investigation is put into the hands of the enumerators, to be asked from door to door, it is a foregone conclusion that a large percentage of the answers will be either deliberately deceptive or ignorantly

incorrect. While this will be the result, it will not be utterly fatal to society, although the esteemed Press seems to think so. Society can progress even though it does not exactly know how many idiots there are, outside of the Census Bureau.

### LIBERAL FOR EVERY GOOD CAUSE.

It is not merely in size and population that this city is growing, but also, which is even more gratifying still, in its capacity for undertaking earnestly and carrying out promptly benevolent works of every description. In this connection the success of the fund for the Newsboys' Home, which already exceeds \$20,000, calls for compliments and congratulations in several quarters. Chief among the actors has been our evening cotemporary, the Press, and Mr. C. L. Magee. The former by its vigorous organization of a popular subscription. and the latter by his splendid donation of \$10,000, show what energy and liberality can be exhibited here on short notice in promoting a worthy object. Not less notable has been the generous response of the

public on behalf of the same cause. While the great and dazzling gifts of Mr. Carnegie, of Mrs. Schenley and of the late Mr. Shoenberger spread abroad the fame of Pittsburg's philanthropists, these, lesser in dimensions, but not less worthy, undertakings in which the benevolence of this community memory of their donor, because long after as well as of individuals at large, is shown the present generation has passed away, but must exercise a most beneficial influence so handsomely, will not only be appreciated, at home. Pittsburg is no mean city. It people are liberal-handed for every good

> GAME AND INTER-STATE COMMERCE The basic idea of the original package decision crops out in another place, and that is with regard to the game laws of the State. These laws not only forbid the killing of game in certain seasons, but interdict the sale of it in that season regardless of when or where it is killed. A case of that sort in court vesterday, with regard to game killed in Missouri and shipped here, brought out an inevitable reference to the principle of the original package case. It also elicited a declaration from Judge Ewing that the Supreme Court would have to make that decision more complete before the principle could be applied in this case. Leaving the constitutional question to be settled between the two courts, it is pertipent to remark that a law which forbids the sale of game irrespective of the consideration whether it is killed at a legal date or not, is unreason ably and unjustly stringent.

THE granger element in the House has developed hostility to the new harbor bill. This must indicate a less proportion of the mill-dam and horse-pond appropriation than the measure usually contains.

THE proposition to give the hopeful Prince Collars and Cuffs the title of the Duke of Clarence is objected to on account of the tragic recollections connected with previous wearers of the title. The young man might also offer a pertinent objection on account of the suggestiveness of the fact that the early Duke of Clarence was drowned in a butt of malmsey, his favorite tipple. The warning to the young prince against coming to the same end may be pertinent, but it would be too savage.

THE fact that ice has not risen at Baltinore and in the South, while it has in the North, is strong evidence that the manufacture of artificial ice is the solution of the presen

THE proposal of an adaptation of the nickel-in-a-slot machine to weighing scales at the mines, so as to stop tampering with the honest return of weights, is a good one. But before it can be made practically successful, care will have to be taken that all machines made for the purpose of coal weighing, record the weight accurately. If that was necessary for the present uses of the machines a large share of them would have to be broken up for old iron.

BOULANGER'S announcement that he is going to Africa is a new development of the European idea that the African has no rights which a white man is bound to respect.

It is interesting to observe that, while Pittsburg is putting down miles of block pave-ment and paying good prices for it, the Eastern cities are deciding that block pavement is be-hind the times and are disputing whether vitrified brick or asphalt makes the best roadway for first-class streets. Is Pittsburg still behind the times or are the other cities jumping rashly and prematurely to the adoption of the pave ments of the next century?

JUST at present the Republican tide is setting against Delamater, and Pattison's exnectations of the Governorship are correspond

CONSIDERING Mr. Clarkson's complaint, why does he not return to the newspaper publishing business and work up a circulation for a Republican organ that will balance the pres ent one-sidedness which he dislikes so much! There are millions in it, for the man who can

TWENTY-ONE thousand dollars for a newsboys' home is a credit to Pittsburg and the people who participated in raising that sum. CENSUS SUPERINTENDENT PORTER or ending

papers have been copied from Europe. A great many objectionable things are copied from Europe, including fashionable silliness

and bureaucratic idiocy. ARE we to call that day lost in May, 1890 whose slow descending sun does not witness

thunderstorm or a juvenile cyclone? A CLAIM of damages against the city from obstructions on the sidewalks, such as was presented yesterday, may give a clearer idea of the importance of keeping the side walks clear of everything of that sort.

### PEOPLE IN GENERAL.

MISS MARY ANDERSON has arrived in Lon CARMENCITA, the famous dancer, can neither

read nor write, but possesses a pair of highly educated feet. REV. JOHN S. LINDSAY, of Boston, has been elected assistant bishop of the Episcopal dio-cese of Alabama.

MISS BESSIE BOLE, of San Francisco, is an expert horseshoer, and would open a shop were it not for the opposition of her family. HON. WILLIAM C. OATS, of Alabama, will be the crator on Confederate memorial day, the second Saturday of June, at Charleston,

W. Va. RUSSELL SAGE is 74 years old. He declares that he feels every bit as young as he did at 50. He is ahead of his friend Jay Gould in the natter of health, anyhow,

MR. AND MRS. HENRY VILLARD and family will sail on July 2 for Europe for a stay of a year or longer. They will go first to Berlin, which will be their headquarters. ADA CAVENDISH, who once made a tour of merica, has announced her intention of re-

turning to the stage. Miss Cavendish belongs o the old school. She is more prehistoric than Lotta or Maggie Mitchell HENRIETTA RAB, one of the best women ar tists in England, and a painter of lovely nude pictures, is married to an artist and they work in the same studio. The husband is Ernest

Normand, They are both under 30 and have BARONFERDINAND DEROTHSCHILD'S place Waddesdon Manor, where the Queen visited recently, is an Aladdin's palace. It is surrounded by beautiful terrace gardens and is crammed with pictures, old furniture, statuary

and priceless china. MRS. JOHN E. McEr.poy sister of the late President Arthur, is a quiet little home body and lives at Albany. Her love of domesticity, her charm of manner and her beauty are still

as notable as when she was the first lady of the land, presiding in the White House. ARCHDUCHESS MARIE VALERIE'S marriage with the Archduke Salvator will take place July 28 at Ischi in the parish church. It will be a comparatively quiet affair. Only 150 carriages will be used. The wedding break-fast will be given in the hotel dining room, the furniture, glass, plate, curtains and bangings for the occasion being sent from Vienna. The Austrian and Hungarian Governments and the Courts of Berlin and Munich will be represented at the wedding.

#### CLARKSON DISPELS A FALLACY. The Joys and Glories of Office Holding Not

What They are Pictured. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, May 26.-First Assistant Postmaster General James S. Clarkson returned this afternoon. He talked with a reporter about office holding. He said he intended to resign about July 1 and seek the enjoyment of unofficial life. He added: "Holding office is a wild delusion in many respects. We hear of honor and glory being attached, but somehow the incombents never appreciate them. It is a fallacy that exists in the minds of those who do not hold office. I get up early in the morning and have to see about 1,200 visitors daily, besides seeing that some 2,000 letters are answered. Then I have to look to the distribution of some \$26,000,000 annually, so my office holding is not a sinecure. I forget the glory of the office in the hard work and I believe many

others are similarly situated. "It has been charged by the Mugwumps that Mugwump editor called upon me the other day and I asked him if he would not accept a place as Commissioner on the United States Civil Service Board if it were tendered to him. He answered in the affirmativ.. Then I asked him if he would continue to print the list of subsidized editors in his paper, and if so, would he not put his own name among the rest. I think that point was well made. This is the way I am subsidized: I receive a salary of \$4,000 a year and pay \$5,600 for house rent, and \$300 for stable use, while I have a commodious house in Des Moines unoccupied. I said to my wife the other day that I didn't know what to do with the extra \$100. She said, put a telephone in the house and all the salary can be accounted for. This is the way editors are subsidized. The West is the great country, and Washington State especially. It has more coal than Pennsylvania, more pine than Maine and more fish than Massachusetts. I would advise young men to go there. I intend to make a trip there in a week. The State has room enough for 1,000,000 people."

## WHAT BANKERS THINK OF IT.

Some of Them Say Increased Taxatle Means Increased Interest. The report of the meeting of the State Revenue Commission in Philadelphia on Saturday, published in THE DISPATCH the following day, caused no little comment, yesterday, par-ticularly among the bankers of this city. The latter were somewhat agitated over the fourth section of the report of General McCamant This clause provides for the collection of taxe from national or State banks and as near as the Pittsburg men can get at it the report recomnends an increase in taxation.

Several bankers were seen yesterday but none of them thought the recommendation would become a law. At present the hanks can elect to pay 3 mills on the par value of the stock. The latter plan is generally adopted by the national banks. The par value may be \$100 per share, while the market value of the stock may be \$400. The difference will readily be seen. Some of the mon interviewed said if the taxation on bank stock was increased there would be a corresponding increase in the rate Several bankers were seen yesterday but would be a corresponding increase in the rate of interest, and in the end the poor man would be the loser by the change. Others did not take this yiew of the matter, and said that increased taxation did not necessarily mean in creased interest. The burden they state would fall on the stockholders of the banks.

## A TESTIMONIAL TO THE BISHOP.

Members of St. Peter's Pro-Cathedral Prepare Quite a Surprise.

A testimonial to Bishop Phelan is being prepared. The Bishop has on several occasi refused to accept any gifts at the hands of the members of his diocese, but on this occasion be was circumvented by the ingenuity of some members of St. Peter's Pro-Cathedral Allegheny. These gentlemen raised a hand-some sum of money without consulting Bishop Phelan, and intend to present it to him, whether against his will or not, on the eve of his sailing for Ireland. By a special favor, a Disparch reporter was last night permitted to glance over terms of an accompanying testimonial t

the Bishon.

The address characterizes Bishop Phelan as a "sturdy exponent of true Catholicism," and "a controller of diocesan finances and institutions never equaled in Pittsburg." It goes on the sineare good wishes of all the to convey the sincere good wishes of all the lishop and concludes with the departing lishop and concludes with Bishop and concludes with a hope that the suzerain of Rome will be told of the generous and enlightened Catholicity which pro

## LEE'S THOUGHTS.

Some Beautiful Gems Penned by the Hero in His Last Days.

General Lee, while living in Lexington, had the habit of writing on small slips of paper on his desk such reflections as occurred to The following were among the number

"Those who oppose our purposes are not always to be regarded as our enomies. We usually think and act from our immediate sursually think and act from our immediate sur-roundings. (See Macaulay on Machiavelli)."

"The better rule is to judge our adversaries from their standpoint, not from ours."

"God disposes. That eught to satisfy us."

"Fame which does not result from good ac-tions and achievements for the good of the whole people is not to be desired. Nero had fame—or, rather, notoriety. Who envises

"No man can be so important in the world 

## THE TOPICAL TALKER.

New Dodge to Get a Paper Free-Suspicions of Feminine Effort-Praudulent Wills-The Waltz in Fashion-A New Play.

"THAT old man," said a news-vender to me yesterday, pointing to a venerable gen-tleman with gray hair, "stops buying a paper when the summer begins—he's a sharp 'un!"
"Sharp? Why not slow?" I asked.

"Oh, he gets his paper just the same. He stops buying it, that's all. When the hot weather comes people begin to go out of town. and very often they neglect to tell me of their departure, and the consequence is that the paper is left outside their doors as usual. That old man has discovered that many papers are going to waste, and he slips around early in the norning and appropriates the paper he likes best. That's why he doesn't buy a paper."

SAID a wise as well as fair philosopher yestorday: "I haven't any sympathy for women who are everlastingly crying for independence and are afraid as death they'll strike a day's

THE latest thing in frauds, in the drug line, is the fictitious quinine pill. A good many of the so-called quinine pills are adulterated to them unadulterated frauds. A physician said to me yesterday: "So difficult is it to get quinine pills of anything like their alleged strength that I have deemed it best when prescribing quinia to put it in the form of capsules or powders. Some pills, nominally containing two grains of quinta, which a patient of mine bought the other day, showed not the slighest sign of dissolving after being soaked in warm water for two hours."

THE great audience which assembled last night in the Mechanical Hall of the Exposition showed extraordinary liveliness after the performance. Every one seemed to be moving in waltz time, and the inflection of Strauss' enchanting strains was evident everywhere.

A BUFFALO correspondent telegraphed last night: More successful plays have had their first performances in Buffalo than in other cities and many more have died here because the plays were wanting in some important par-ticular. The latest candidate for public favor s William C. Hudson's society comedy drama, "Jack Gordon, Knight Errant," which was produced to-night, with people turned away, by a company selected by Paul F. Nicholson, and in which Alice King Livingston played the pretty character of *Lucy Sherman*. The play is made from Mr. Hudson's novel, but is so much more striking in effect, interesting in its situations and dramatic in its climacs that only to-night's performance demonstrated the su-periority so strongly that the old Brooklyn Eagle correspondent, who dramatized his novel, was called before the curtain. The story is was called before the curtain. The sloty is ingenious, novel and strikingly dramatic, but Mr. Hudson has improved so much on the novel that the play far surpasses his literary effort. Miss Livingston was supported by an admirable company, including Adelaide Thorn-ton, Katherine Arnold, Ethel Chase Sprague, who was a wonderful Mollie Lowell, and Gladys Bird, in the leading feminine roles. Mr. White Whittlemy, as Jack Gordon, captured the audience and the whole performance was scored

### CURRENT TIMELY TOPICS.

RAINS have helped the logging outlook in

THE state of intoxication has not entered a protest against the Supreme Court decision in the riginal package case.

WHEN George Francis Train can complete the circuit of the globe in a little less than 66 days,

the cranks score a big victory. LONDON, ENGLAND, is fast adopting American fashious. A regular coupe for two persons can now be found among the cabs. All that is lacking in that great city to make American

ALLEGHENY ice men refuse to fill small orders, and many families complain of the scarcity play the freeze-outact.

tourists happy are a few compounders of gin fiz

THE Chicago Herald says it shows bad breeding in Iowa to use the expression "He's got a jag on." It has been replaced with "He's carrying

SAM JONES says Ingersoll is an infidel for the noney there is in it. As Sam only demands from 1,000 to \$2,000 per week, he probably preaches hristianity for the fun of the thing. A "gift of gab" is valuable.

BUT one of our clubs played yesterday. As a insequence but one club was defeated.

WHILE living in Lexington General Lee had the habit of writing on small slips of paper. Among the number found is the following: "Honesty in its widest sense is always admirable. The trite saying that 'Honesty is the best policy' has met with the just criticism that honesty is not policy. This seems to be true. The real hones man is honest from conviction of what is right not from policy."

### KNIGHTS PARADE AND DINE. Opening of the Grand Conclave of Knights

Templar at Lock Haven. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. LOCK HAVEN, May 26 .- The opening scenes of the Grand Conclave of the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, now in this city, was inaugurated this evening by the parade, busines meeting and banquet of Lu Lu Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of which the presiding officer, or Illustrious Potentate, is Joseph S. Wright, a gentleman eminent in Masonic circles. The paradrs formed on Water street, wearing evening dress suits with red fez, and marched over a designated route headed by the celebrated Arabic Band. The parade, after traversing the allotted ground, repaired to Smith's Hail, where the orders of nobility was conferred by Illustrious Potentate Wright, and other temple business attended to. After performing their duties they proceeded to the Grand Bazar of Colonel Mayer, where they indulged in the traditional banquet, which they indulged in the traditional banquet, which closed the proceedings of the first day.

There are only two temples in the State, Lu Lu Temple at Philadelphia, and Syria Temple, at Pittsburg. Of the latter, Thomas J. Hudson, Pittsourg. Of the latter, Taomas J. Humon, formerly Adams Express agent here, and who married Miss Reilly, is the present Illustrious Potentate, Only Knights Templar or thirty-third degree Masons can become members of these shrines. The decorations throughout the city are very handsome, or would be in case of goo weather. Just now, however, they are water soaked and looked wilted and heavy. The worl soaked and looked wilted and heavy. The work of preparation for holding the annual conclave of Knights Tempiar in this city has been performed in a very satisfactory manner by Hospitaller Commandery. The next annual conclave of the Knights Tempiar will in all probability be held at Harrisburg.

## PRESENTED WITH A PURSE.

Prof. McCollum Afforded au Opportunity fo n Trip to Europe. The arduous labors of Prof. J. P. McCollan lirector of the Mozart Society ever since its cessful career began, received a well-merite recognition at the last business meeting of the club, held last evening in its practice rooms. On behalf of the club Mr. McCollum was presented with a purse of \$600, with which he was requested to enjoy a trip across the briny and expend in "doing" Europe. He was so completely surprised as to be totally unable to express his thanks.

Another surprise was afforded when Dr. W. Eaglish, on behalf of the Masonic Association of Lodges, presented the club with a check of \$100 in recognition of the services rendered by the club at recent entertainments in Masonic Hall.

## Our Dish Upside Down.

From the Catawissa News-Item.] It may be remarked casually that the eight hour heaven that is about to open to a portion of the world's toilers will not include farmers newspaper men or the women who do the 19 hours a day.

## DEATHS OF A DAY.

W W. Knov. Jr.

W. W. Knox. Jr., died yesterday morning at orchard Place, Knoxvilie, in his 38th year. Mr. Knox was the neptiew of Jeremiah Knox, and the second cousin of the Countess Di Montercole, nee Knox. Deceased has for years been Secretary of the Borough of Knoxville, and the secretary of the school board. He has been a resident of that section all his life, and has always been held in the highest esteem. He occupied the first house built in Knoxville, and lived there up to the time of his death. He leaves a widow, but no children.

### A FUSTER CONCERT.

An Enjoyable Evening of Song, Instrumental Music and Whistling-Founding a Deaconess' Home-Fair for the Home for Aged Protestants.

Carnegie Hall, Allegheny, was filled last evening, gailery and all, by people interested in the Grand Army, and especially in the James M. Lysie Post, 128, under whose anspices the Foster concert was given. The programme opened with the "Suwanee River," rendered by a double quartet, consisting of Mrs. M. Henkler, Mrs. J. Jones, Mrs. L. Wright and Miss Irene Sample, with Messrs. A. H. Donaldson, E. H. Dermitt, James H. Horne and Harry Brocket, who substituted, both in chorus and in solos, for Mr. Harry Horner, who was unable to be present. That such a chorus rendered "Swanee River" with all the pathos possible, it is unnecessary to say. A whistling solo by Mrs. Leah Dickinson was next on the programme, and the lady's popularity was shown by the applause with which her appearance was greeted. At the conclusion of her selection she was presented with a magnificent basket of flowers, and in answer to the rapturous applause, gave "Listen to the opened with the "Suwanee River," rendered by

her appearance was greeted. At the conclusion of her selection she was presented with a magnificent basket of flowers, and in answer to the rapturous applause, gave "Listen to the Mocking Bird," one of her favorite pieces, "Nellie Was a Lady" was affirmed by Mr. Joseph H. Horne, and was reiterated by the remainder of the double quartet in the chorus, with very pleasing effect.

Mr. Harry Brocket, in a becomingly doleful manner, next told of the infirmities of "Old Uncle Ned," and the chorus sympathized with him. Mrs. M. Henkler rendered "Beautiful Dreamer" in her usual sweet voice, and received a burst of applause, as did also Miss Irene Sample, who sang "My Old Kentucky Home." "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," Mr. E. H. Dermitt rendered with the assistance of the chorus. "Ellen Bayne," with all her sweetness, was extolled by Mr. William Hamilton, with Leonard Wales at the organ and the quartet joining in the chorus, after which "John Brown's Body" was rendered by the chorus and Mr. Hamilton. The first part of the programme was to be concluded with a selection, "Midnight Alarm," by the Grand Army Band, but by the applause given them they were compelled to make it selections, and responded very gracefully to the encore. They presented an imposing appearance, in their great numbers and handsome uniforms, and they are certainly favorites, judging from their reception.

The programme's second part consisted of an "Organ Solo" by Prot. John Pritchard, who officiated as accompanist throughout the evening, with the exception of one number, and was thoroughly enjoyed: a "Cornet Solo" by George King, of the G. A. R. Band, was likewise. "Gentle Annie," by Irene Sample; "Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming." Saxaphone Quartet: "Hard Times, Come Again No More," Mr. Brocket; a "Whistling Solo," Mrs. Dickinson, and "Old Black Joe," by E. Dermitt, with national selections by the Grand Army Baud, closed the very successful performance for which the talent was voluntered, and consequently the entire proceeds, minus the rent of t

performance for which the talent was volunteered, and consequently the entire proceeds minus the rent of the hall, will be turned over

#### THE FIRST STEP TAKEN Toward the Establishment of a Dencoues

Home in Pittsburg. The first formal step toward the establ ing of a Deaconess' Home in this city was taken yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the Conference Board of the M. E. Church, in the Conference Board of the M. E. Church, in the minister's parlors. The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the conference presented to the Conference Board of Deaconesses their plan for the organization of a Home, which the board considered, and recommended that the organization be effected under the auspices of the Conference Home Missionary Society, and that it be managed by a board of 18 trustees, four of which shall be men of the conference, four laymen, and the remainder women, all members of the M. E. Church. The trustees are to be elected annually, by ballot, at a joint meeting of the Conference Board of Deaconesses and the following officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society: The conference president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary and treasurer, and the district presidents, of whom there are four.

the district presidents, of whom there are four.

The Board of Trustees will hold a meeting next Saturday, at 2:30 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing, and as soon as their application for a charter is granted, will look about for suitable property to purchase and begin the work at once. They are as appointed yesterday: Rev. W. F. Conner, Rev. C. E. Locke, Rev. J. H. Miller, Rev. C. Golden, Messra. Joseph Horne, Hudson Sampson, E. M. Hukill, H. F. Binger and Mrs. William Vankirk, Mrs. C. V. Wilson, Mrs. S. L. Wood, Mrs. W. D. Brickell and Mrs. C. W. Smith.

## ITS EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY.

of the article. The boot may be on the other foot this time next year, and then Alleghenians can to Have a Benefit The eighth anniversary of the founding of the Home for Aged Protestants at Wilkins burg is to be celebrated on Thursday next. until 4 P. M. They will be entirely social in of the features of the day. The ladies connected with the Home have made a quantity of fancy articles that will be placed on sale. Among these are hand-painted china, pic-tures in water and oil and crayon, and all sorts tures in water and oil and crayon, and all sorts of fine needlework. The last named especially is very beautiful, there being embroideries and other artistic manipulations of needle and thread that would do credit to the nuns of the Middle Ages, who so often showed that they possessed extraordinary skill in that direction. The proceeds, of course, will go to the Home. Visitors will be welcome all the afternoon, and will be shown over the institution by members of the Board of Managers. At 4 o'clock a lunch will be served, for which no charge will be made.

## QUITE A NEST EGG

For a New Organ, the Result of an Enjoyable Musicale.

A nest egg for a new organ was the result of an elocutionary and musical entertainment given under the auspices of the Organ Com-mittee of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church mittee of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church last evening. The church was filled with an appreciative audience, who listened to "Tyrolean Ducka," by Misses Clara Smith and Matida George and Messrs. H. Ramsey and C. Harris. Mrs. Lizzie Pershing Anderson, the elocutionist of the evening, racited "The Fate of Virginia," and Mr. Harry Brocket, before departing for Carnegie Hall to sing in the Foster concert, rendered "Across the Dee." "Knewledge is Power" was Mrs. Anderson's next recitation, and Miss Jennie Evans rendered a solo. "When the Heart is Young" was rendered by Miss Matilda George, and "Mr. Pickwick's Dilemma" was recited by Mrs. Anderson. "Tell Her I Love Her" was Miss Clara Smith's selection, and "The Diver" was sung by Mr. C. F. Harris. "Now Ever," rendered by Mrs. Hunter, and a "Farewell," sung by Misses Smith and George and Messrs. Ramsey and Harris, were the last numbers on the very interesting and entertaining programme.

Will be Strictly Private. The wedding of Miss Helen Beymer, of Fifth avenue, to Mr. Charles Minton Baker, of Chicago, will be celebrated at 6 o'clock, on the evening of June 4, at the Beymer residence. The wedding is to be very private. The relatives of the bride and groom and a very few intimate friends will witness the ceremony, after which the young couple will depart for an Eastern trip, and at the conclusion of their sight-seeing, will start for Los Angeles, their future home.

An Anniversary Event. Prince Albert Lodge 1485, Knights and Ladies of Honor, held an anniversary entertainment at Southside Turner Hall last night which was largely attended. The Entertain-ment Committee consisted of Mrs. Eilza Weber, Marguretta Baker, Mrs. Souder, and Messrs. Staip, Morganstern and Leichner.

Social Chatter.

THE opening of the Childrens' Hospital on Forbes street will be celebrated with a reention on the afternoon and evening of June 4, at which the lady managers will be the receiving committee and will serve refreshments A SOCIAL for the young members of the Wilsburg Presbyterian Church was given in the lecture room last night, at which Mr. W. S. Bell appeared with his stereopticon, MISS NELLIE NIXON, of Chambersburg, and Miss Florence Fracker, of Des Moines, Ia., are guests of the Misses Beymer, Fifth avenue, Bellefield,

THE wedding of Miss Burns, of 5506 Walnu street, and Dr. McClaren, of Fourth avenue will occur June 8, at the First Presbyterian MISS BESSIE WILLIAMSON, of Sharon, is a guest of the Misses Lare, on Washington

street, Allegheny. A PHYSICAL Culture Entertainment was given by the pupils of the Sterrett School las MISS DUNCAN, of Oil City, is visiting Miss

Maud Monro, of Sheffield street, Allegheny. World Editors on Trial. New York. May 26.—A plea of not guilty was entered by counsel in the Court of General Sessions, this afternoon, on behalf of Julius Chambers, Colonel John A. Cockrell and James F. Graham, of the World, who are indicted charged with criminal libel against ex-Judge Hilton.

## STRAUSS, THE WALTZ KING,

The Famous Orchestra Lender, With a Merry Band of Music-Makers, Takes Pittsburg by Storm-Three Thousand

People Delighted by the Great Concert. Br divine right of succession to the great talents of his father, who first won the merry crown, Johann Strauss (the younger), has long reigned as the "Waltz King" on the banks of the beautiful blue Danube, where Terpsichore, "Muse of the many twinkling feet," most loves to dwell. Of late years, how ever, his frequent incursions into the realm of comic opera, which he has now annexed per-manently to his original domains, have compelled him to entrust the scepter to the hands

pelled him to entrust the scepter to the hands of his younger brother.

It remained for Edouard Strauss, Prince-Regent of the Waltz, to lead his trusty band of followers out to conquer the Western Continent, which his royal brother had reconnoitered alone many years ago. Surely no chivalric citadel ever acknowledged its surrender more gracefully than did Pittsburg last night confess its conquest by this merry band of invaders. The very flower of its citizens in gala dress—3,000 of them, or more—entered into the ceremony of capitulation with such good will, without even a feint of resistance, that it seemed as though, in fact, they were conferring the freedom of the city upon honored guests.

Overture—From Die Fiedermaus. Johann Strauss Emperor Waltz (new). Johann Strauss Eveniug Prayer—From Majden Songs. ... Reinecke Polka Mazurka—On the Silesian Mountains.... Serenade (arranged by Edouard Strauss Moszkowsk Polka Schneil-In the Whirl..... Edouard Stra Polka Schneil—In the Whiri.....Edouard Strauss
But on entering and looking around the superfluously big hall into which the Mechanical
Hall of the Exposition had been temporarily
fashloned, Prince Regent Strauss, like the prudent commander he is, altered his plans a bit.
In place of the "Flying Dutchman" duet, he
gave a kind of a medley from the same opera,
preferring a skirmish-line at that point to the
brigade he had intended to be there. Reinecke's
"Evening Prayer" was also suppressed (did
the title seem out of place there?) and the
same composer's lovely prelude to "King Manfred" adopted in its stead.

C DOUARD STRAUSS follows family tradition in Conducting most of the time, with violin in hand, sometimes playing a few measures, but generally brandishing his bow like a fencing foil. When thus armed he faces the foe, or the audience, giving them a fine view of his tall, square form, long, wild arms, fiercely distingue countenance and—medals. When armed only with the modest baton he turns to the audience the reverse of his medals and himself. He does not do this in the waltzes, perhaps because the German waltz has no reverse, or possibly because his men know them well enough to get along without his looking at them. Under all this seeming indifference, however, the practiced eye can discern a watchfulness over every detail; how different must be his leading at rehearsal!

The orchestra numbers about 40 men—all but one, who is a woman. All the usual departments of instrumentation are represented, but the strings seem to have been the victims of a gerrymander, not having much more than half the number of representatives to which their relative importance would entitle them. conducting most of the time, with violin in

THIS being the case, so much the more credit attaches both to conductor and players for attaches both to conductor and players for the well proportioned body of tone heard in all but the loudest tutti passages. The string band deserves highest praise for the delicacy and precision with which they played Johann Strauss' familiar "Pizzicato Polka" and the pretty number from Gillet's ballroom suite (two of the many encores) and for the purity of tastle and feeling they showed in the "King Manfred" prelude.

But why talk of such matters. Even the very

sweeping advance notes led nobody into that hall last night for aught else than to hear the real, genuine Strauss music, to which the other members were merely folls. And that is just what everybody did hear, and at its very best. what everybood did near, and at its very best.

It is unnecessary to go at length into a critical discussion of the entire programme and of the encore numbers that nearly doubled it. By the way, is it Viennese form to be so quick on the trigger with an encore piece. Of course the stronghold of the Strauss orchestra lies within the realm of the Strauss dance music. Outside of that realm one could not several point to criticise—for instance, the stiff, "bang-away" style of the "Dutchman" piece; the overdous vitards and shadings of the "Camen" number or the sluggish, heavy motion of Moszkowski; familiar little "Serenata" and the trivial end

TAKE even the earlier, simpler dances. Fer among the thousands that have played them more or less well on the uncomplaining plane or of the hundreds of thousands that have heard them harnessed to the unyielding one-two-three of the ballroom, have ever one-two-three of the ballroom, have ever dreamed of the grace, finesse and swaying motion (or emotion) that belongs to these waitz-classics. Yet more so is it with the later concert waltzes, with their romantic introductions and ingenuously artistic codas. And these in turn are evolved naturally into such compositions as the overtures to Johann's operas. All possess the same fund of spontaneous melody, stirring rhythm and pleasing harmony easily apprehended by all—that is when interpreted as last night by one whose whole being, to the tips of his toes, evidently thrilled with the traditions of his hereditary muse.

C. W. S.

## CHIEF BROWN'S LAST ORDER.

Shutting Off Supplies From Belated Satur day Night Drinkers.

Chief Brown issued an order yesterday to Inspector McAleese, of the First district, to notify the keepers of disorderly houses that on every Saturday night hereafter they must close their places promptly at midnight, and allow no one to enter them until 6 A. M. Chief Brown says that since the speak-easies have een closed young men who have been drink been closed young men who have been drinking in saloons until midnight Saturday make a tour, in parties of 15 or 20, of the disorderly houses for the purpose of obtaining more liquor. This results in great disorder in the lower portion of the city.

The proprietors of these places will be notified to-day, and if they do not obey the order they will be promptly shut down. Several of the proprietors of disorderly houses were seen last night, and stated that they would be glad to obey the order, as they were subject to great annoyance every Saturday night from parties of noisy drunken men who wanted more liquor

LOWER TARIFF IN MEXICO. Reduction of Duty to be Made on a Number of Articles.

CITY OF MEXICO, May 26 .- The State of San

Luis Potosi has exempted from taxation for five years capital employed in cultivating fiber More rich petroleum discoveries have been made in Tabasco.

Manuel Dublan, Secretary of Finance, states that he is nearly ready to propose a new tar-reducing the import duties on many articles.

The Deadly Parallel. From the Chicago Mail. 1

It is announced that Carnegie will parallel the Fort Wayne Railroad. Will he, though? Perhaps the newspaper editors will have some-thing to say about that. Mr. Carnegie should be given to understand that the newspaper editors claim a patent on "the deadly parallel."

## ICHABOD.

Alas, for the lofty dreaming, The longed-for high emprise, For the man whose outer seeming His inner self belies! I looked on the life before me With purpose high and true, When the passions of youth surged o'er me And the world was strange and new.

Where the hero-soul rejoices
I would play the hero's part: My ears were attuned to the voices That speak to the poet's heart; I would conquer a place in story

With a soul unsmireted by sin;
My head should be crowned with glory,
My heart be pure within. But the hour that should have crowned m Cast all high hope adown, And the time of trial found me

A sinner, coward, clown. Ah! which was the false or the real (If the Powers above would speak!) The saint with his high ideal,

The hero who yearned for Duty, The coward whose sinews failed, The poet who worshiped Beauty,
Or the clown whose utterances failed?
William S. Waish, in Harper's Maguzine for

### TANKS AND FAIRIES.

Fastasma at the Opera House-One of the Finest and Other Plays.

Two very familiar attractions occupied the stages of the Bijon Theater and the Grand Opera House last night. At the latter house the Hanlons once more produced "Fantasma" with the scenery and cast which have already been praised in these columns earlier in the

"One of the Finest," Gus Williams' old play, was reproduced at the Bijou Theater with Edwin M. Ryan as Coptain Mishler. The play is not worth much, but Mr. Ryan as the German policeman was very amusing, and Ross D. O'Neil put a great deal of vigor into his work as Hugh Highman the heavy willing. But the O'Neil put a great deal of vigor into his work as Hugh Hickman, the heavy villain. But the tank really overshadowed the artists. It is a beautiful tank into which a score of lightelad boys plunge very realistically. In point of noise and effusive splashing this tank is better than its predecessors. But it will be surpassed next week at the Bijou when two tanks are billed to appear.

### Harris' Theater.

So often has that favorite drama of Boucicault's, "The Streets of New York," been given in Pittsburg, and by such a variety of companies, that little remains to be said of the present production at the above house. The present production at the above house. The leading role, that of Badger, is in the hands of Mr. Frederick Bock, an old favorite stock actor of this city, and is of course well interpreted. Of the remainder of the company, Miss Jennie Bowen, as Alida, displays considerable ability and has a striking figure; Miss Nellie Atherton is a modest Lucy Fairweather and the comedy elements of the drama are in good hands.

Harry Williams' Academy.

For the last week of the season of 1889-90 Manager Williams presents the Hyde Star Specialty Company, in whose ranks are a numper of favorites, Miss Annie Wilmuth, esspecially, has made many warm Pittaburg friends this season. Others worthy of mention are the Warshauer brothers, tiny comedians; Heider and Bowers, German songaters; Helenem Mora, the female baritone, and the Clipper Quartet. An extra matine is to be given Decoration Day. The next season at this popular house will open August 18.

#### DIVORCE ENDS A ROMANCE. Couple Who Were Married 10 Years and

Never Met But Once. CHICAGO, May 26.-One of the Vaidis sisters, ærial performers, was divorced by Judge Tuley to-day from a busband whom she married in Geelong, Austratia, ten years ago, under peculiar and romantic circumstances. To add to the romance, she did not see him after the marriage ceremony occurred until nine years afterward, when she accidentally met ifm in San Francisco. The sisters were performing in Geelong, Australia, in March, 1880, under the management of one Laney, who, when

about to lose his position, thought to make himself secure by marrying Louisa to John St. Dennis.
Louisa testified that she was only 16 years of
Louisa testified St. Dennis, whom she had Louisa testified that she was only 16 years of age, and married St. Dennis, whom she had never before seen, for the romance of it. Laney's scheme miscarried, as John Allen, who subsequently married the other Vaidis sister, appeared on the scene just as the last word of the ceremony was uttered by a magistrate, and made St. Dennis sign a paper acknowledging that he had perjured himself in swearing that he and his bride were not under 21, and that he was induced to marry the gymnast by the influence of Laney. The strange union was never consummated, and, being amenable to the British law for marrying without the consent of his parents or those of his bride, St. Dennis Bed.

Mrs. St. Dennis said that she never saw or heard of him until 12 months ago, when she was called out of a theatre by St. Dennis, who made himself known and demanded money. He is now a barkeeper in San Francisco, Louisa has grown wiser in ten years than she was at 16, and her whilom husband was sent about his business.

### THE FAST DAY CHANGED.

Breezy Discussions at the Synod of the R. P. Church. Rev. S. R. Kerr called the Reformed Presbyrian Synod to order yesterday morning. Prof. McCartney, of Geneva College, addressed he Synod on "Schools and Colleges." The report of Alex Kerr, Esq., treasurer of the Theological Seminary, reported that the endowment amounted to \$48,975 28. Rev. John Graham read a lengthy report on the "Signs of the Times." The committee proposed a change fast day from the first Thurs

in January, as it is in the holiday season. The second Thursday in February was finally settled second Thursday in February was finally settled as the day.

At the afternoon session the establishment of a Presbytery in Northwestern India, where two missionaries are now engaged, was discussed. The committee reported on the flourishing condition of northwest provinces of India, and of the baptizing of Brahmin noblemen. The matter of perfecting an organization was deferred for another year. A number of clergymen offered the following: That every student receiving aid from the Lamb fund be required to give his word of honor that he will attend the seminary of his own church, and to enter the ministry of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. Quite a commotion was raised when Rev. J. H. Leeper offered an amendment to the resolution, that aid be refused any student who uses tobacco. He said it was immoral and a dirty practice unbecoming a minister. As no other person concurred with the reverend gentleman, he withdrew his amendment.

## WANTS TO BE A REPORTER.

Seminole Comes From New Orleans

Pittsburg in a Canoc. A half-breed Seminole has rivaled venture ome Mr. Rapalye, of the New York Mail and Express. He has come from New Orleans to Pittsburg in a small paper cance. John Rye-grass is the English translation of this Indian's unpronouncable name. Mr. Ryegrass is tall and well formed, with the small hands and feet and well formed, which the small hands and feet which Lord Byron says are the sure exemplars of noble descent. Ryegrass was born at Talla-hatchie, Fla., but was taken by Father Burger, a Jesuit priest, to the New Orleans University at the age of 16 years. He seems to be fairly educated, and states that his ambition is to be-come a newspaper reporter.

# come a newspaper reporter. He will proceed up the Allegheny 2s far as it is navigable, and then return and transport his canoe to Lake Erle. John Ryegrass has written several articles for the New Orleans Picayune and other Southern papers. STATE POLITICAL NOTES.

SENATOR QUAY has expressed a desire that the delegates chosed in Washington county should be uninstructed. THE result is no longer in doubt in Butler ounty. Stone has carried the oleaginous

county by a majority of 2 to 1. THE Young Republican Club, of Meadville, will attend the State Convention in a body. A committee is busily engaged perfecting ar

THE Chester Times gravely remarks that "Wailace is not 'agin' Cleveland, but all the men who are opposed to Cleveland are for Wailace for Governor." SENATOR CAMERON writes to a gentleman n Philadelphia that he thinks some very radi

cal changes will be made in the provisions of

the McKinley bill, COLONEL JOHN B. COMPTON has withdrawn from the Congressional race in the Erie-Craw-ford district. His withdrawal, he says, is in the interest of harmony. MR. PLUMB, of Corry, believes he has a fight ing chance of winning the nomination in the Twenty-sixth district. His personal friend,

Mr. Payne, of Corry, does not exactly coincide REPRESENTATIVE REOSINS is visiting constituents. During an interview he expressed the opinion that the Senate would pass the McKinley bill without chasing it through a

thresing machine. MR. EMERY, of Bradford, will stump the State against Mr. Delamater if he should re-ceive the nomination. The McKean politician is not dead, physically speaking, but politically he is a dead cock in the pit.

JOHN CESSNA, the fighter from away back, will, if all signs do not fail, succeed the present member in Congress. The district is composed of the counties of Cambria, Biair, Somerset and Bedford, and is ably represented by

Edward Scull, of Somerset. WASHINGTON Post: Mr. William L. Scott has resorted to the bludgeon and sandong in his effort to make Pattison the Democratic nominee for Governor of Pennsylvania. Presidental campaigns in Gubernatorial years come high, but Mr. Scott seems determ

SAVANNAH News: The big Democratic politicians of Pennsylvania are gradually com-ing to think that ex-Governor Robert Pattison is the man who can knock out in the Guber natorial contest in that State any man Quay may nominate. Pattison is not a great man by a long way, but he is an honest one, and an honest Governor is more needed in Pennsyl-vania than a brilliant one.

### CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-A mulatto girl has charge of the Nashua, N. H., telegraph office. -A mailing clerk in the Orlando, Fla., estoffice found a live 'possum in the waste

-Mr. M. L. Durgin, of Milo, Me., is hale and hearty at four score, and for 63 years he has not tasted of tea or coffee.

-A man, his wife and ten children are living in Athens, Ga., on \$25 a month. Out of this they have to pay house rent. -A lady in Apoka, Fla., has used the same needle for seven years. She says she would sooner lose a dress than the needle.

-The stock inspector of Crook county, Ore., reports that cut of 100,000 sheep on hand at the beginning of winter 31,000 were lost. -An Astoria man is 73 years of age and a capitalist, and is willing to run a mile race with any man of his age for a purse of \$10,000. -Four weeks ago Samuel Johnson, of

South Lyon, Mich., died aged 75 years. Last week his widow followed, dying of a broken -Quill toothnicks, as a rule, are imported

from France. The largest factory in the world is near Paris, where 20,000,000 are annually produced. -A Jackson county, W. Va., school teacher of 30 the other day eloped with and was married to one of her pupils of the mature

age of 16 years. -The British Museum received one day last week a Chinese bank note issued from the Imperial mint 300 years before the first use of paper money in England.

-The influenza is raging in Australia, New Zealand and Tasmania. Two British war vessels that arrived at Melbourne in April had

-A fine ledge of tithographic stone has been discovered near City Creek, Salt Lake. It has been tested in New York, and pronounced -A Maine young woman who was asked the place of her nativity replied that she wasn't

born anywhere in particular, as she was the daughter of a Methodist minister, -A Western Massachusetts dentist is said to have a small boy sit in his office and yell at the top of his lungs occasionally. It lends an air of business to the establishment.

-Locusts are so numerous in some parts of South Australia that they cause a continual roar while flying, and the country is being stripped of everything green by the scourge. -A still-born calf at Pensacola had a head and face, including the nose and mouth, similar to those of a bull dog, and the legs were short and similar in shape to those of that species of dog.

-A Dayton, Me., man says his town doesn't owe a cent and has \$2,000 in the treas-ury and that neither a lawyer, doctor or minis-ter resides within its limits, neither is there any church in the town.

-A farmer at Ipswich, Mass., while plowing turned up an Indian idol of solid stone, in the shape of a serpent. It is 30 inches in length and of a dark color. It is to be deposited in the Essex Institute collection at Salem, Mass. -While intoxicated a Cusetta, Ga., man drove into and through a clump of bee gums.

He and his mule were stung nearly to death-grave fears being entertained as to their re-covery. It is estimated that the man received 2,000 stings. -An Ironwood minister married a couple and baptized a baby, all under the same roof, and during the same evening. Just as he left the house he was called to preach a funeral sermon, thus running the gamut of his pro-fessional duties.

-Among queer fads of collectors are those

of collecting circus posters and portraits of riders, coins, bindings, artists' proofs and all kinds of bric-a-brac. There is said to be an enthusiast who has begun to gather voices on ph nographic cylinders. -The coldest region in the United States

is the stretch of country on the northern border of the Minnesota lakes to the western line of Dakota. At Pembina the lowest tem-perature recorded was 56 degrees below zero, and this was reached in the winter of 1873. -At a children's party in New York the table was entirely strewn with cabbage leaves, on which were mechanical rabbits of every imaginable kind, some playing the drum, some tambourines, while some sprang from boxes and others wheeled perambulators. The little

-Experiments have been made near

Copenhagen with tree-felling with dynamite. Trees of three feet in diameter were brought down in some twenty to twenty-five minutes, whereas the time occupied by ordinary feiling would probably have been ten times as much. The experiments were made for military pur--The Prince of Wales wears bell-shaped silk hats. He pays 25 shillings each for them. He has a remarkably even-shaped head, the

hatters say, and his size is 71/6. Prince Albert

Victor only takes a 6%. The brims of his hata are enormously arched to take off the effect of are enormously arched to take off the effective long face. His brother, Prince Geo takes a 6%. The Emperor of Germany, has a very uneven head, takes 6%. So does the Duke of Teck. -The people of Bucksport gave a great reception to "Old Jed Prouty" and his com-pany. A committee, consisting of leading citizens, welcomed them on their arrival, and

nine gans, representing the nine letters in the word Bucksport, were fired from Fort Kn.x. Across Main street was stretched a banner of "Welcome to Old Jed," and Emery Hall was decorated with bunting. Many of the principal streets were illuminated. -A gentleman who has recently returned from extensive travels in India says that in one of their cities he delivered an address upon christianity to an audience of 300 Brahmins, who spoke English better than he did, and who afterward came in large numbers to his bunga-low, asking him to answer the arguments against christianity in a tract they handed him, which he found to be one of Colonel Ingersoll's speeches.

-Two Americus (Ga.) ice men visited the storeroom to ascertain the amount of ice on hand. They entered the room, and pulled the door shut behind them. The thermometer registered 38°. After the inspection they startregistered 30°. After the inspection they started to return, but to their dismay discovered that the hoop on the lock had fallen, and that it was impossible to get out. They called in vain for two hours for help. As the end of that time the attention of a passer-by was attracted by the hoise, and he released them. The two gentlemen were almost frozen stiff, being clad only in the lightest clothing.

lothing.

FUNNY MEN'S FANCIES. Farmer-Come out here to the bars, Miss eacon Street; I want to show you my new Jersey

ly little cow! Now, I suppose that is the kind that rives the condensed milk, lan't it?-So Minnie-I'm afraid I must be showing the signs of age. Manile-Why, dear? Minnie-Young Mr. Softheart was comp

tellectual face. - Washington Post, Smith-What! moving again, Jones? Jones (gloomily)—Yes. Smith—Had a fire in the house? Jones-No. a fire out of the house .- New York

ing me last night on having such a sorrowful, in-

more money spent for rum in one day than there is for bread in a week.

Mr. Jason-Yes; a little bread-especially such as you make-will go a long way. - Terre Baute "Charley Cashgo was in here to-day," said

Mrs. Jason-Just think, Jehiel, there is

the bookkeeper to the tailor.

"What did he want-another suit of clothes?"

"No; he asked what the amount of his bill was."

"Humph; that man's life curiosity makes me tired."- Washington Post. MUST STICK.

"Will you renounce," the minister said. As the editor gave him his hand,
"Theoreoid, the flesh and the devil,
And make for the promised landy"
But the editor's face grew thoughtful
As he dreamed of a printer's bill,
And he said, "No. I can't afford it—

-Atlanta Constitu "Did you ever hear of a baseball pitcher being filed with beer?" said Wishlets.
"No," replied Bishlets, "I once tried to fill one and I went broke before I had him filled half way up to the spout, which is the biggest part of a baseball pitcher, you know." New York

"No. I denounce flirting from the bottom of my heart," asserted the married-looking man.
"I think it calculated very often to lead to results
that a lifetime is too short to repent of."
"You are unusually energetic, Drinkoff; what's

the reason?"

" "Well, it was through a firstation that I got acquainted with my wife."—Paintelepain Times.