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THE WELCOME OF KINDRED.

At the assembling of the Scotch-Irish Convention to-day the welcome to the visitors on behalf of the city will be appropriately and elequently made, in set form; but THE DISPATCH can be permitted to precede that welcome by another expression of the pleasure which Pittsburg has in the reception of her visitors, and the ties of relationship which will make such a gathering here, very nearly a family re-

Pittsburg was not only a Scotch-Irish town in its early inception, but it is more peculiarly the center of a Scotch-Irish region. The foundations of the industries, and the beginning of institutions of Western Pennsylvania are to be credited to the enterprise and foresight of that sturdy race. A locality where the predominance of the here, can freely offer a family welcome to the gathering of that race.

To such an assemblage, as to kindred, Pittsburg extends the welcome of warm and appreciative relationship.

THE MARCH OF IMPROVEMENT.

shown by the action of the Pittsburg, Allegheny and Manchester Company yester- Leechburg as the agent of a Cincinnati firm. day, in deciding upon the construction of | The indication is that there will be a harvest an electric line, and the immediate reduc- of such cases. Yet the ease with which tion of its six-cent fares to five cents, With this change and that already decided on for the Birmingham line, every leading street principle laid down by the Supreme Court, ear line in Pittsburg will be converted into may have the tendency to decrease the freeither electric or cable roads. This practically doubtes the area of the two cities available for residences, and allows an indefinite increase of population and business. The change was made, necessary for all the leading lines, when the first improvement completion, we can see what an immense addition it gives to our city life.

THE HOUSE BAR CLOSED.

Charitable persons having expletives and objurgatory adjectives at their command should send them to their representatives in Congress. A crisis is approaching in the House of Representatives; the ominous mutterings of the storm are already drowning the piercing vocals of the capital guides. The shadow of Speaker Reed. gigantic and strongly sulphurous, falls lights in the lobbies are burning blue. Yesterday Speaker Reed closed the House bar-room.

"This is the hend!" as Miss Fanny Squeers said after the catastrophe. Not content with abridging their liberties, with making fun of their fire-eating proclivities, with counting them against their wills, and refusing to get angry at their insults, Speaker Reed has aimed a cowardly blow at the personal comfort of our representative statesmen. Yesterday he closed the bar-room of the House. Without a word of warning he shut off the supply of whisky. The blow has no parallel. It is unprecedented, revolutionary. Some years ago, it is true there was an attempt made to deprive the Senate of similar privileges, an attempt that resulted in the tremendous reform of calling whisky "cold tea" and serving it in the Senate restaurant in china cups instead of glasses. But no Speaker before, we venture to say, has dared to think of shutting up the House bar. Such a proceeding shows the desperation of the Speaker. He must realize that he cannot much longer cope with the mighty orators of the Democratic side. Does he calculate to silence his adversaries by depriving them o: the source of their inspiration? For it is a good long walk from the House to the Senate restaurant, and everybody knows that the form of courage known as Dutch evaporates rapidly.

We trust that the tyrannical abridgement of the rights of the minority will be properly rescated. Perhaps the aid of the Supreme Court might be invoked. Otherwise a nice de in original packages will spring up he lobbies.

At last it seems as if one court has decided to make its decrees effective against trusts which suspend competition. That is the indication from the action of the Chicago court which vesterday enjoined the transfer of the assets of the Chicago Gas Trust and decided upon the appointment of a receiver. For a long time the courts and trusts have presented a modern example of the fable of the old mar who tried throwing grass before he resorted to stones. The courts have been deciding that the trusts are illegal and the trusts have kept up their operations without intermission. Now that the legal missiles have taken a solid and effective form, we may have the satisfactory demonstration that the law is more powerful than illegal combinations of capital.

THE SYNDICATE'S STUMBLING BLOCK. A report comes from Kansas City that Mr. Pillsbury, who recently sold his system of flour mills in Minneapolis to an English

syndicate, is going to build a new set of dahltas were fondly expected. When the Namills in Kansas, and that he has already tional seed shop comes so close to the impossible commenced the work by the construction of an elevator with a storage capacity of 1,an elevator with a storage capacity of 1,500,000 bushels. The report is valuable as gives itself over to wrath. Secretary Rusk illustrating what THE DISPATCH has sev- should reform his department or he may find it eral times before said, that unless there is cut down to a mere bureau again. some extraneous means of preventing new Business Office--Corner Smithfield and competition this syndicate business contains little danger of monopolies, and involves more danger to the confiding British investor on whom these properties are unloaded at profits which enrich the promoters.

It is noticeable that the force of the illustration does not necessarily depend on the correctness of the report. There is nothing to prevent Mr. Pillsbury from putting up new flouring mills, either at Kansas City or wherever else he may find an eligible loca-Strand, London, Eng., where anyone who has been disappointed at a hotel news stand lish an excessive profit, it is almost equally clear that either he or someone else would surely do so, and as the stock on the syndicate properties has been notoriously watered and requires large profits to pay dividends, while the new mills would represent a solid eash investment, it takes neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet to tell that in the competition the watered concerns would be greatly at a disadvantage.

The same argument applies to the past or prospective purchases of breweries, glass works, iron mills or salt works. If the British promoter wants any of these properties at more than it will cost the present owners to replace them, he must take them at his own proper peril.

JOHNSTOWN'S GOOD WORK.

The power of recuperation which can be shown by a ruined city has been displayed by Johnstown to a marked degree, as is shown by a special article elsewhere, on the progress that has been made in rebuilding that city in the year that has elapsed since its great disaster.

Some of the facts disclosed with regard to the work that has been done are of a surprising character. The first six months were necessarily spent in clearing up the debris which occupied the site of what had been the city. That made the work of rebuilding really commence with this year, and the consequence is that the present is the busiest time that Johnstown has ever experienced. One thousand buildings have been erected, largely frame, although some substantial blocks have taken the place of the former structures. Two or three thousand houses are still to be constructed to replace the total of those destroyed. Money is plenty, and there is very little borrowing considering the amount of business done. The surprising fact is also revealed that there are ninety more stores in actual operation than in the year before the flood.

It is an honorable record for the people of Johnstown which they have made in their effort to recuperate from the disaster of last Scotch-Irish qualities is so marked as it is year. The world at large will be glad to learn how the aid which it extended to the ruined town has encouraged and helped the brave attempt to repair that terrible destruc-

MORE ORIGINAL PACKAGE TROUBLE. Another practical test of the constitutional question involved in the original package The imperative progress of the work of case is to be furnished by the application for improving Pittsburg's transit lines, is a writ of habeas corpus on behalf of Silverman, who was arrested for selling beer at such a case can be removed to the United States and the prisoner discharged on the

quency of such arrests. test case made up, in which the full effects of the original package case are shown, and to give the Supreme Court an opportunity to revise or modify its position. But it was begun, and now that it is nearing hardly seems as if the Silverman case would present the issue that is wanted. A case from Pittsburg, in which the claim must be clearly made that the right of the State to license or regulate is set aside, would be very likely to evoke a shift of position on the part of the Supreme Court. But the Leechburg case, coming from a prohibition borough is almost identical with the Iowa case that formed the subject of the famous decision.

Under those circumstances it is difficult to see what other termination there can be of this case than the discharge of the prisoner athwart the halls of Congress, and the under the ruling of the ultimate Court. But what will follow is a question of interest and importance. Will arrest under the State law and discharge by the United States Court continue to infinity, until Congress or the Supreme Court introduces new elements? There would be a public importance in having at least another test case in which the extreme application of the Iowa decision is shown; but beyond that the warning should be given that there may be considerable hazard in the persistent arrest and imprisonment of people for the exercise of rights belonging to them under the Constitution as

construed by the highest judicial authority. Whatever course is taken, it is clear that a succession of complication is inevitable unless Congress cuts the knot by enacting that whatever regulations a State may establish shall govern inter-State commerce t and from that State.

NATIONAL CATTLE INSPECTION.

Senator Farwell, of Illinois, has proposed an amendment to the pending bill providing for cattle inspection. 'The Illinois Senator's measure provides for inspection under the direction of the Secretary of the Agriculture whenever he may deem it expedient. The original measure is understood to provide a system of general and permanent inspection; and the opposition to the Chicago press and legislators to such a standing precaution against the shipment of diseased cattle or meat places the meat trade of that city under suspicion.

The Supreme Court having correctly put a quietus on the attempts of certain States to prohibit the trade in Chicago beef, it is plainly the duty of Congress to provide thorough and permanent safeguards against the shipment of either diseased cattle or meat. An occasional and sporadic system of inspection, which will be enforced only after the necessity has been proved by the harm being done, will not do that. If the meat trade is to be controlled by the railway policy which concentrates it at a few points, it will be easy to provide such an inspection at the central markets; and the fact that the vast majority of the traffic must be brought together at those places, renders the strictest sanitary precautions all the more necessary. It is to be hoped that Congress will be able to take sufficient time from the tariff and silver to pass an inspection law which will place the meat trade beyond all suspicion of disease.

THERE is beginning to be a doubt whether the Department of Agriculture was not wholly demoralized by being made a Cabinet department. Ever since it reached that exalted standing there are complaints that the seeds sent out by it produce pumpkins where they should be pansies, and turnips come up where task of producing figs from thistles, the agricultural and horticultural mind does not rec

CONGRESSMAN LODGE'S intimation that Clarkson must have been joking when he made certain statements about the civil service examinations, has a broader meaning than that of a courteous intimation that the statements were not true. It is a pertinent warning to Clarkson that he must not commit the error of taking himself seriously.

COLONEL ELLIOTT F. SHEPARD moved by the ribaldry of Richmond folk to declare a new war against the South. But he loes not appear to be ready yet to join in the povement on to Richmond

THE Chicago Herald, speaking of a gen tleman, of whom some other paper spoke as Paris, says: "Mr. A. Bailly Blanchard was not in charge of the American exhibit at Paris," and then proceeds to some remarks of a dis. couraging tone with reference to the idea of giving Mr. Blanchard charge of the Chicago World's Fair. 11 Mr. Blanchard had been in charge of the American exhibit at Paris that would have been the best argument against letting him run the Chicago show. Since he was not, the statement very nearly amounts to a vindication.

THE truly good New York Mail and Express continues its work of publishing texts at the head of its editorial columns: but it has so far omitted the obvious duty of publishing the Ten Commandments there and informing Sen-ator Ingalis that they should be respected by cians as well as anyone eise.

IF the Mayor of Philadelphia, after sup pressing the street organs of Philadelphia, will now suppress the newspaper organs, the peac and quiet of that staid city will be safe beyond the shadow of doubt.

PROF. TODD, of Amberst, lays the blame of the failure of that expedition to Africa, upor certain young men who left the expedition when they found there was work to do. This is severe on the young men: but considering that the expedition was for the purpose of observing an eclipse, and the eclipse was invisible on a count of the clouds, would it not be more charitable for Prof. Todd to put the blame or the misbehavior of the elements? If the young men were expected to clear away the clouds it is no wonder that they failed to do the work.

THE movement to raise additional funds to meet the necessities of the West Penn Hoscital should be met with a generous response from the public. The hospital is one of Pito burg's oldest and most useful institutions, and it should not be hampered in its good work for the lack of any necessary funds.

THE Pittsburg baseball teams are improving their record. Heretofore they have only been able to lose two games per day, but yesterday they made a burst of speed and man-

SUCCEEDING the narrow escape which the Government had of putting the wrong Soles into the McKeesport postoffice, comes a declaration from General Bonnafon, of Philadelphia, that the wrong Smith has been sent to St. Petersburg. This doubt caused by the simflarity of names is distressing; but if all the Smiths who are left out in the cold resent the insult there will be no doubt about the name for the administration. It will be Dennis

THE report that Senator Aldrich has said that the tariff bill will be indefinitely post the enemy The Republican Senators are not yet ready to assume the responsibility of any such fiasco as that,

THE original package matter is likely to cause nearly as much trouble for the tim being, as its first, or perhaps second cousin, original sin.

the coinage issue is that: "Gold is aristocracy: silver is democracy." If that is true the coun tries which use silver the most ought to be examples of the purest democracy; but when we come to apply the rule to those great silverusing countries, India and China, we find that it does not work. The makers of epigrams should try to bring them into some accordance with the facts.

FIVE-CENT fares on the Pittsburg, Alle gheny and Manchester road shows that the competition of rapid transit lines has at last ecomplished what other influences have failed to perform for many years.

NINE building permits vesterday for buildings running from \$3,000 to \$50,000 each is a sign that the building boom is still in

"ANY serious attempt to create an Amer ican navy would have to be preceded by the reopening of the League Island Navy Yard," says the esteemed Philadelphia Record. This us open to the distressing conclus that the attempt of the late Democratic administration in that line must be regarded purely as a humorous effort.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Ex-PRESIDENT HAYES is said to be worth

SENATOR and Mrs. Stanford will go to Kissingen next month. RICHARD CHOKER, Tammany's chief, is on his way home from Europe. MRS. WAITE, widow of the late Chief Justice, and her daughter will sail for Europe to-

THE family of Vice President Morton left Washington yesterday morning for their country home at Ellerslie, Rhinecliff-op-the-Hud-

COMMANDER MCCALLA is announced to spend his three years of retirement at Newport, his penance beginning there with the coming gay season.

M. B. BAILEY, Bernard McDivitt, Julius Jones, John Kelley and P. C. Harbourg are the ncorporators of the Chicago Tower and Construction Company, with a capital of \$2,000,000. THE late Fletcher Harper was a sailor to the Chinese seas in his youth. There is another Fletcher Harper, the third of his name, and a great-grandson of the founder of the Harper MRS. PHILIP H. WELCH, widow of the late

humorist, whose death occurred about a year ago, has taken charge of a children's departent in the Saturday issue of the Brooklyn MR. WALT WHITMAN, who will be 71 years old on Saturday, is said to be failing rapidly in health. He is no more seen on the streets of Camden in his wheel chair, but is confined to

his modest home. SENATOR MANDERSON, of Nebraska, bas been confined to his house in Washington several days by an attack of quinsy. He is recovering, but it will be a week or ten da, before he can venture out.

THE Duke of Northumberland is no doubt the greatest landowner in England. He owns more than 200,000 acres and has a rent roll of 8875,000 a year. He is 81 years of age and all his life has been a great reader.

THE President will leave Washington in a special train this evening at 8 o'clock for Cleveland to take part in the Garfield monument celebration on Decoration Day. He will be accompanied by Vice President Morton, Secretaries Blaine, Windom and Rusk and Atorney General Miller.

THE popular subscription for erecting a mor ment to the newly made Duke of Lauenburg. Prince Bismarck, is very successful. At Ber lin and Hamburg alone no less than \$37,500 has already been gathered. The late speech of Mr. Von Hehenthal, in the Chamber of Nobility, at Berlin, praising the ex-Chanceller, has produced a great sensation in Germany.

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

ome Fish Stories-The Rock Bass and the Two-Gallon Jug-A Ghost of a Trout. THIS is the season for fish stories.

The conversation started upon the original package question, from that went on to jugs, and then a man with a gray mustache, who knows more about fishing and shooting than any other man in the county, said: "Talking of jugs, the queerest thing I ever caught out fishing was a two-gallon jug. It was just about sunset, and I was getting ready to go home. But as I drew up my line for the last time some-thing gave a heavy tug. It was the sort of a tug an old carp would give, stupid and sullen in the mud. But there were no carp in the pond, and I didn't know what it was.

Anyhow I reefed in my line and pulled up finally a two-gallon jug. The book had got en-tangled in a branch of a tree which was twisted through the jug handle. It was a good-looking jug, and I made up my mind to take it home."

WHEN I had emptied the water from it I was surprised to hear something rattling inside the jug. The rattling kept up and I got nervous. At last I took a rock and smashed the jug in pieces. There, sure as I'm a living man, lay a good-sized rock bass—a goggle-eye, as we used to call 'em!" "Had the jug an ordinary mouth?" someone

"Yes," said the old fisherman, "and how the bass got in I don't exactly know, but I reckon -it was a 'minny' when it first got in, and the whisky inside the jug-for it was a whisky jug sure-swelled its head, and it wasn't able to

sked

THAT bass was a sort of geni of the bottle, said a younger member of the party: bottles are always suggestive of spirits, anyhow." "Spirits?" said the old fisherman, taking a

sip as he spoke. "Did you ever see the ghost

Nobody had, "Well, neither have I-but I've heard tell of a man who did. He was an Englishman, and one of his favorite expressions was, 'I'd scorn to tell a lie,' and you know men who say that always speak the truth. He said that near his birthplace in the South of England there was a small trout stream, which also served to turn the water wheel of an old mill. In the mill pool, which was deep and always black in the shadow of the mill and the great willows on the bank, several big trout were said to lurk. And the story ran that when the full moon shone upon the pool a phantom fish of imm proportions was to be seen there."

"DID anyone try to catch the trout

ghost?"
"Many did, and several fishermen claimed to have made him rise, and even to have hooked and played him for a while, always losing him at last. The man who told me the story insists that he was among these favored ones. The trout pulled as if it weighed seven or eight pounds, and the bait that snared it was a white noth. It broke away finally and disappeared." "But why did they think it was a ghost of a

"Because the moon shope through it when it amped, as it always did, in rising clear out of he water, and because when the miller's men setted the pool and drew out every fish in not one weighed more than eight ounces. "And nobody had a ghost of a chance to catch t," commented an unbeliever.

CURRENT TIMELY TOPICS.

CHICAGO is having as much trouble in seuring a site for the fair as she had in wresting it rom her competitors. As California has asked or 10 acres of space, it looks as though Chicago would be compelled to borrow space from her uburban villages. MRS. McCLOSKY, of Logansport, Ind., has

ned Willard Harvey for \$10,000 damages for killing her husband. The deceased must have been an exemplary good man, or else model husbands nust be a scarce article when that amount i A PROFESSOR at Washington is teaching

people how to smile. Pittsburgers can smile without the aid of a professor. A wink from a friend is generally sufficient here. BEN BUTTERWORTH says he belongs to the Republican party. When the Ohio Statesman

made his famous speech it was generally believed he owned himself, but when his vote was recorded it was too transparent that somebody had a very large mortgage on him. THE national inquisition will start on rounds next week. Long headed men will lose no time in settling with their tailors. Ladies should also bear in mind that they must give the

enumerator their exact ages. It is publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. ABOUT 3,500,000 quarts of champagne were onsumed in this country last year. This is ex-

those 3,500,000 quarts caused? BEFORE General Sir Frederick Middlete steps down and out from the Canadian militia, he oposes to make the furfly. Sir John A. Macdo aid and the majority of Parliament have found him guilty of seizing fure and appropriating them to his own use, but as he divided the spoils with many government officials, nobody appears plucky enough to bounce him, as the General is liable to tread on their corns. He still holds the

Nor even a cyclone or an earthquake visite Khode Island this week, nothwithstanding the fact that the Democrats are holding the relus government.

OF all the impertinent questions to be pr pounded by the census enumerators, we fail to liscover the important one, "Do you wear pants?" Some one has blundered and the vot should remember him at the next election.

OUR baseball clubs relieved the every-da nonotony of affairs, and, instead of getting icked twice, they got it in the neck three times.

A UNIVERSITY ASSURED.

The Sum of \$600,000 Raised to Found Baptist Institution.

CHICAGO, May 28 .- One of the most enthus astic meetings ever held in this city was that of the American Baptist Education Society mee ing to-day, held in the Immanuel Baptist Church. The report of the board of manager, submitted by Rev. F. T. Gaies, shows that the contributions to the cause of academic and collegiate education have been many times larger this year than during any previous year The great work of the society for the year has been the raising of \$400,000 to meet the cor ditions of Mr. J. D. Rockefeller's pledge of should be found a university in this city. Not only has the \$425,000 been raised, more than meeting Mr. Rockefeller's conditions, but in addition, Marshall Field has pledged \$125,000 to-ward the cost of the site. The total amount pledged to the new institution amounts to \$1,200,000. The great audience broke into wild cheers as this announcement was made, and for a time the chairman was overwhelmed with pledges from all parts of the audience, representing different States and foreign lands. The announcement that the Hebrew citizens of Chicago had raised \$27,000 toward the enterprise called down enthusiastic appliause.

The new institution will be called the University of Chicago, and the alumn of the old university are raising a fund of \$30,000 to endow a professorship as a memorial to the lamented President, Edward Olsen, who perished in the Minnespolis Tribune fire. Hon, George A. Pillsbury, of Minneapolis, was re-elected President and Rev. F. T. Gales, Corresponding Secretary. \$600,000 to found a university in this city. No

Plays to Come. HANLON'S "Fantasma," which has not out worn its welcome yet, will continue to be the

attraction at the Grand Opera House next THE regular season at the Bijou will close a the termination of next week. Duncan B. Harrison, in the realistic military drama, "The Paymaster," will be the closing attraction. has been seen here before, and was favorably received. During the fourth act John L. Sullivan and Joe Lannon will give a scientific exhibition of boxing. Mr. John Barnett will b master of ceremonies. These interesting bouts

will be given in full-aress suits. The sale of seats commences this morning. DEATHS OF A DAY.

John Collins, formerly steward of the Press Clab of this city, died Tuesday at his residence at the head of the Twenty-second street incline. For the past four of five months he had been auffering with pneumonia, which finally caused his death. Ho was 20 years of ane, and was well known about the city as a steward and cateror. The funeral will take place at 9 o'clock this morning from St. Paul's Cathedral.

Herr Nessler. BERLIN, May 28 .- Herr Nessler, the Germa

A GENUINE SURPRISE PARTY.

Proud Day for a Workingwoman Over SO Years of Age.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., May 28.—For several days past the employes of Birdseye's corset factory have been in a state of much excite-ment, and this afternoon the matter came to a head. Among the employes of the factory is Mrs, Anna M. Booth. She is over 80 years of age, yet is employed in the stitching department of the factory. She has worked there for several years, and every morning is among the first to begin work, and she continues steadily until 6 o'clock in the evening.

She is a great favorite among the hundreds of girls employed there, and recently they planned to give her a surprise. There was little work among the operatives yesterday. In the afternoon about 300 of them assembled in a portion of the factory which had been cleared out for the festivities, and the old lady was called from her work and Miss Lottie Nichols, a young lady employe stepped forward and called from her work and Miss Lottie Nichols a voung lady employe, stepped forward and told her the celebration had been planned in honor of her. The festivities were continued during the evening and Mrs. Booth entered into the fun as heartily as any present. She received many handsome presents and was congratulated by hundreds of people outside the factory who know and respect her. To a reporter she said: "This is the happiest moment of my life. I never had a surprise party before in all my life."

A FEW FISH YARNS.

A HUGE conger eel five feet long was caught near Port Blakeley, Wash., last Friday by an Italian fisherman. It is a dangerous fish and is always in trouble with the devil fish. ANDY REES and Henry Rudolph, of Punx sutawney, were fishing for trout a couple of days last week in the rocky and precipitous streams of the Allegheny Mountains. Rees caught over 400 and Rudolph about 200 very fine trout. They brought 18 pounds of the speckled beauties home with them.

DURING the high water in the Feather river Colorado, the bottom lands of the Briggs orchard were submerged. It is said that it is a fact that the fish have eaten the young pear trees in the water. Along the tules where the water covered the ground the fish have eaten the grass in many places to such an DURING the recent high rising, plunging and

backing of the waters a number of fish found their way through the sewers into the base ments of several stores in Oil City. They were defeated in the encounter which followed their discovery and placed in custody, from which they have not yet been released. The catch was not a large one, but was varied for its size, neluding a pike, a rock bass and two suckers ABOUT five years ago Bowman's creek, in the eastern part of this State, was stocked from the State hatcheries with California trout, but there has been no report made as to any of them being caught up to this spring. On Mon-day E. V. Lott, while fishing up that creek caught one which measured 16 inches in length. and after being carried a half day in his fish basket, tipped the scales at two pounds. It is described as a beautiful fish, with a well-marked streak of red down each side, and potted or speckled with dark specks all over

its body.

VETERANS OF THE LATE WAR.

They Will Recognize and Appreciate the Value of This Special Consus. Superintendent Porter says: The important of accurate statements concerning the military record of each participant in the late war should not be underestimated. It should be the duty moreover, of every veteran soldier and sailor to see that the enumerator is placed in possession of the necessary information concerning his own service. If he cannot be at home when the enumerator calls he should leave a proper member of his household, so that the work of the census may not be delayed, and also that there may be no doubt as to the accuracy of the

there may be no doubt as to the accuracy of the statements concerning his service which may be given to the census enumerator.

That there may be no question as to the points to be covered by this memorandum, it may be well to state that the special inquiries to be made concerning veterans of the Civil War include the name, the company and the regiment or vessel in which they served, their late rank, the dates of enlistment and discharge, the length of service in years, months and days, and their present postoffice address. Where a soldier or sailor re-enlisted or served in more than one organization or vessel, he should be very careful to give the term of service in each instance, and to cover each service in each instance, and to cover each enlistment. In giving the organization care hould be taken to distin service, as infantry, cavalry, artillery, etc., and if a person served under an assumed name, his statement should be made to cover both the name under which he served and the true name by which he is now known.

BRILLIANT WEDDING

farringe of Mr. George Herwick and Mis-Alice Garfield at McKeesport.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 MCKEESPORT, May 28.—The wedding of George Herwick, City Clerk, and Miss Alice G., eldest daughter of Daniel Garfield, took place at the Garfield homestead this evening at o'clock, and was witnessed by a large number of friends, embracing people from Pittsburg, Allegheny, Connellsville and other places. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. N. Ter-hurst, of the First M. E. Church. The groom wore a very appropriate wedding suit and the bride a charming costume, costly and beautiful. They were unattended. The wedding supper and reception followed. The young couple were the recipients of a roomful of presents.

TO BE A JUNE BRIDE.

Cards are Out for the Wedding of Miss Sadie Freyvogel and Joseph P. Dunn. Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Sadie Freyvogel, of No. 284 Fifth avenue, to Joseph P. Dunn, a well-known commercial agent of this city. The ceremony will take place in St. Paul's Cathedral, Wednesday afternoon, June 11, at 4:30 o'clock. A reception will be held at the home of the bride at 5 o'clock, and the young couple will leave on an extended East-ern trip.

Tableaux Vivants in Church. On Thursday evening, May 29, an entertainnent will be given in the Fourth Avenue Bap tist Church. Recitations, songs, instrumental music and tableaux vivants will be given. The

entertainment is for the purchase of a new organ, and will be directed by the young ladies of the church. The tableaux vivants will be very fine. An orchestra of over ten pieces will play during the performance. Preparing for Graduation. The closing exercises of Mrs. Lizzie Pershing Anderson's school of elecution, music and literature will be held in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church on Monday, June 9. Miss Jeanne Edith Eggers and Miss Frances E. Graham will graduate in elecution, and the Misses Graham, Clara B. Hays and Emma C. Voegtley in the English course.

Social Chatter.

THE Southside Turners last evening held an tertainment and supper in their hall on South Fourteenth street. The occasion was a farewell to Messrs. Fred Bush and Albert farewell to Messrs. Free Bush and Diemer, who leave to-day for a three months' trip through Europe. Mr. Bush goes on a tour trip through Europe. While Mr. Diemer goes in search of health. MISS BESSIE THOMPSON, of Philadelphia, is risiting Mrs. E. Shuster, of Penn avenue, in

three weeks. MISS ANNIE BOLE and Miss Mary Re ingleside, Pa., are visiting Miss Amy Moffitt, of North Wilkinsburg, this week. MRS. ELLA CONN, of New York, is the guest of Mrs. John Lawton, of Swissvale avenue Wilkinsburg, this week.

wilkinsburg. Miss Thompson intends to stay

Resembles Its Namesake. From the Baltimore American. 1 The new city of Blaine, in the new State of Washington, is described as one of the most vigorous and successful places in the far West. It is thus emulating the character of the great

And He's Got It Every Time. From the Philadelphia Times.] No matter where they may be, since the original package decision the Governor of North Carolina merely asks the Governor of South Carolina if he's got a corkscrew.

They Conduit, You Know. From the Washington Post. The effort to defeat Congressman Bayne for SOME STRANGE PLANTS.

arprising Discoveries Made at the National Botanical Garden-Whisky Shope and Lager Beer Saloons in the Vegetable World.

THE Government has been going quite extensively of late into the propagation of nisky shops and lager beer saloons. Its laboratory employed for this purpose is the Na-tional Botanical Garden in Washington, for the lager beer saloons and whisky shops referred to are purely of a vegetable nature. They are, in fact, nothing more or less than plants of a very extraordinary description, which devote their attention exclusively to the manufacture nd sale of intoxicants. A reporter learned that attention is being given to an investiga-tion of their manner of doing business and to analyses of the liquor they dispense, which is analyses of the liquor they dispense, which is expected to have very important and useful results, opening up a line of inquiry in an altogether new direction. The vegetable whisky shop is perhaps the most astonishing plant in existence. A number of members of its family are represented in the greenhouses of the botanical garden. Each one does business on its own hook, and most of them sell differing brands of liquor, that supplied to customers at one shop being unlike what is offered at another. This does not appear surprising when it is considered that every vegetable whisky shop does its own distilling.

You would be struck at once with the curious appearance of one of these vegetable whisky

appearance of one of these vegetable whisky shops if you saw it standing in a big flower pot, carrying on the end of each of its long green leaves a pitcher-shaped receptacle. If the plant is open for business you can look into the pitchers and find them to contain quite a quantity of watery-looking liquor. This is the intoxicant which is offered to customers, each one being recruited to be bisself to as much intoxicant which is offered to customers, each one being permitted to help himself to as much as he likes for the stipulated and invariable price. May be you will find the pitchers all shut up, for each pitcher has a cover that shut down whenever any rain or dow is falling to prevent the liquor from becoming diluted.

All Have a Weakness for Liquor.

Now, the customers spoken of are insects of guitoes, cockroaches, red ants and so on. There is not a bug of any sort, apparently, that has not a weakness for the liquor supplied by the vegetable whisky shop. The insect walks out on one of the long leaves until he comes to the end of it, and finding here a quantity of delicious drink in the pitcher he crawls in and swips and swips at it until he dies, as is supposed, of alcoholism. At all events he pays for his drink with his life, and leaves his corpse in the pitcher to sustain by, its absorption the healthful existence of the plant. And it heaithful existence of the plant. And it is just for this object—to entrap customers for food—that the plant prepares and places on sale its liquor. What the said liquor is composed of, chemically speaking, attempts are now being made to find out by analyses. So far it is only known that it is a powerful and palatable intoxicant. How much the insects enjoy it you can perceive by looking into the pitchers, where you will often find in each receptacle hundreds of bugs of all descriptions. Another form of vegetable whisky shop has long perpendicular trumpetshaped receptacles for the liquor, with the wide end of the trumpets at the top, where the bugs are expected to crawl in. And when you tear open one of the trumpets—it may be a loot or more in length—after it has survived its usefulness and dried up you will usually find it filled from one end to the other with flies and ants and such things.

Variety of Drinks and Patrons.

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T has recently been discovered-and herein lies the expected usefulness of the investiation now going on regarding these plants that different vegetable whisky shops, like their prototypes on the city streets, have different classes of customers. One kind of these shops is frequented almost exclusively by cockroaches, for whose reception unusually large pitchers are provided—the plant carrying them looking as if it had suspended from the ends of its strong leaves a lot of small bath tubs. An-other kind, with pitchers that resemble in ap-pearance great big beans, is frequented only by red ants; and still another kind is patronized by sluces and has the rims of its nitchers armed red ants; and still another kind is patronized by slugs, and has the rims of lis pitchers armed with teeth to delay guests who might wish to depart. So it would appear that these whisky shops could be propogated for use in destroying such enemies of the household and the garden, and it is proposed to find out how far such a thing may be practicable. There is no difficulty, certainly, in rearing and maintaining the plants, which are not tropical exotics but matives of this very region about Washington, and readily to be cultivated in any temperate climate.

The Lager Beer Saloon. OUITE as interesting in its way as the whisky shop is the vegetable lager beer saloon re-ferred to at the beginning of this article. In shop strongly, but its pitchers are wider at the mouths and have no tops to them. Thus the liquor dispensed by the lager beer saloon is diluted more or less by the dews and rains, so that it is not very intoxicating. However, the drink is intended to attract the insect custom-ers and not to poison them. Patrons, crawling into the pitchers, take a drink, and, without feeling it go to their heads very much, start to walk out again. But, unfortunately, the whole inside of the pitcher is lined with strong, hairy projections, all pointing downward toward the linear and away from the brim. It was eave liquor and away from the brim. It was easy victim attempts to go upward and out again the hairs obstruct his progress so effectually that he finally tumbles back into the drink and is miserably drowned. That is the way the vegetable lager beer saloon captures its customers—by drowning.

The Butcher Plant. A NOTHER fascinating plant now being propa-

gated at the botanical garden is the "butcher," which kills the insects and such things that it feeds upon by crushing them alive, afterward consuming them at its leisure. This is considered, to be of all vegetables the one exhibiting an intelligence most nearly approaching that which animals possess. Its appearance is not impressive save for its pe culiarity. Growing along the ground, it has for leaves little green things shaped like open clam shells, the biggest of them half an inch long, with a row of little spikes around each edge. As you observe the plant most of the clam shells will be open, waiting for food, each of them a greedy mouth ready to devour anything that may crawl in. Here comes an ant. Perhaps he will walk into one of these pairs of yawning jaws. Yes, there he goes into the big one, attracted by the sugary excretion on the inside of the miniture clam shell, which serves for a bait. The victim reaches the middle point between the jaws and comes in contact with six ong, with a row of little spikes around each tween the jaws and comes in contact with six microscopic hairs that grow inside the clam-shell leaf and serve the plant as feelers. Imshell leaf and serve the plant as feelers. Immediately the jaws close with a snap, the two rows of spikes folding over the shut edge of the clam shell, so as so give the prey no chance of escape. If the insect were much bigger and stronger than an ant he would be quickly crushed to death. It may be some hours before the jaws will open again, clam-shell leaf being occupied meanwhile in digesting the food captured. All the leaves of the plant being engaged continually in waiting for prey, catching it and digesting it, it makes a very good living indeed where bugs are plentiful. In the greenhouses there are comparatively few insects, however, and so the head gardener feeds his butcher plant from day to day with such delicaces as finely chopped or scraped beefsteak and earth worms cut up, which are devoured with relish. The butcher plant is found in North Carolina, and nowhere else in the world.

REFORMED CHURCH SYNOD.

Two Hundred and Fifty Delegates in Attendance at Lebanon. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

LEBANON, May 28.—The General Synod of the Reformed Church of the United States convened in triennial session at 7 o'clock this evening in the First Reformed Church, of this city, of which Rev. David E. Klopp is pastor. A general women's missionary meeting will be held in conjunction with the General Synod, with the special object of arousing more interest in missionary work. There are about 250 est in missionary work. There are about 250 ministers and elders in attendance, and they are all being royally cared for by the members of the congregation. The Home Mission Board and the Sunday School Board met last evening and transacted all necessary business preliminary to making their reports to the Synod.

Owing to lill health, the venerable President, Rev. Dr. Walker, of North Carolina, was unable to attend and open the preparatory service. Rev. Dr. Bomberger, of Ursinis College, delivered an eloquent sermon in place of President Walker. The Synod will remain in session about ten days, and promises to be quite interesting. The Missionary Board has arranged the following programme for Thursday; Morning, devotional services and reports: afternoon, adoption of constitution and election of officers of the conferences.

They Are Rapidly Disappearing. From the Altoona Times.

elated over the authorities closing up the large number of "speak-easies" in that city, and say that last Sunday was one of the most quiet, orderly Sabbath days there has been in that city for a long time. With this evil abated there will be fewer occupants for "murderers' row" in their county jail. All such demoralizrenomination has proved a failure. In the row" in their county jail. All such demoraliz-parliamentary language of Mr. Bynum, they ing institutions as this should be downed in Pittsburg, and other places as well.

The newspapers of Pittsburg are very

TO A FAMOUS BATTLEFIELD.

Congressional Excursion From Washington

to Gettysburg To-Morrow. WASHINGTON, May 28 .- The Congres excursion from this city on Memorial Day, May 30, to Gettysburg, Pa., promises to be well patronized. It will leave the Baltimore and Potomac depot, Sixth and B streets, at 9 A. M., taking the West Maryland road to Baltimore, arriving at Gettysburg about noon, the train going directly out to the famous railroad cut near which the battle opened July 1, 1863, and a description of the engagement, together with the location of the troops, will be given. After the visit to Railroad Cut is finished the train will return to town and go out on the Gettys burg and Harrisburg road to the base of Oak burg and Harrisburg road to the base of Oak Hill, where the afternoon battle of the first day will be described. The distance between the two points is half a mile, completely filled in with a line of monuments, and the cars will move slowly while points of interest are being designated. Little Round Top, the scene of the second day's fight, will be next visited, and then the train will go to Hancock station. The excursionists will here be given a walk of about 100 rods to the cupse where Longstreet's assault was repulsed on the third day, a description of which will be given.

was repulsed on the third day, a description of which will be given. The cars will then return to town, but those The cars will then return to town, but those willing to walk will have an opportunity of seeing East Cemetery Hill, where the attack was made on Johnson and Early's divisions, and where the enragement between Greeg's and Stewart's cavalry took place. When the party, on their return, shall reach the Maryland Railroad station, they will enjoy the hospitality of the Blue Mountain House Company, and enjoy an hour's ride through the wild and picturesque Blue Ridge. On Saturday morning a drive will be taken to the High Rock on the summit of the Blue Ridge, and after dinner the excursionists will start for Hagerstown, en route to this city, via the Baltimore and Ohio road, passing the Antictam battlefield on the way, and which will be visited should time permit.

SHERMAN TO GO TO PORTLAND.

The General's Characteristic Letter in Accepting the Invitation. PORTLAND, ME., May 28.-Mayor Melcher

has received the following very characteristic letter from General Sherman: NEW YORK, May 23, 1800. The Hon, H. S. Melcher, Mayor, Portland, Me. DEAR SIM-I wrote you some days ago that I could not come to Portland on the 4th of July next. I have to-day concluded arrangements to go to Cleveland to witness the unveiling of the Garfield monument May 30, Decoration Day. I will then go to West Point June 12 for the graduation. ating exercises, and the next positive engagement is for Boston, August 12, the National Encampment, and Chicago in September, the unveiling of Grant's equestrian statue. As I am thus robbed of all chances for a summer's holiday, I might as well take in Portland, Me., for the Fourth of July, and the everlasting Army of the Fourth of July, and the everlasting Army of the Fourth of July, and the everlasting Army of the Fourth of July, and the everlasting Army of the Fourth of July, and the everlasting Army of the Fourth of July, and the everlasting Army of the somehow. Therefore, if you will permit me to come to Portland in my own way, and secure me a room at a fair hotel, I will come, attend their exercises, share their banquets and get back to New York. I prefer to be independent, not the guest of any private family, or even of your hospitable city, but to take it easy in "mine own inn.," where old friends will call who would not intrude on the privacy of a family. This is not a whim of mine, but a conclusion reached by Grant, Sheridan and myself more than ten years ago at Cincinnati, O. Kemember, also, that I have six children and eight grandchildren, who expect me to give them some of my thought and attention. With profound respect, your friend.

W. T. Sherman. ment, and Chicago in September, the unveiling

A Proud Day for America. From the Illustrated American.

Every time that a thermometer is used on oard of a ship to determine whether she is in the Gulf Stream or not, an American may reflect with pride that though our flag is driven from the high seas through the operation of our navigation laws, it was an American who taught the world how to navigate these seas, and that no nation has in modern times done more to dignify the sailor's craft than ours,

STATE POLITICAL NOTES.

BEAVER COUNTY will hold her primaries today. Delamater delegates will, in all probabiltv. be elected. A. D. Lowing, of Center Road, Crawford

county, is a candidate for Congress in the Crawford-Erie district. The back districts are low being heard from, WEDNESDAY'S Du Bois Courier contained a wo-column cut of Major Montooth. The above paper is putting in some pretty big licks

for Pittsburg's favorite candidate for Gov-

onvention on Tuesday, June 24, at Altoona, It's anybody's race in that county up to date. As yet no cry of fraud has been heard in the FIVE candidates for the Assembly and about as many more for the Senate have announced

BLAIR COUNTY Republicans will hold their

themselves as ready and willing to serve their constituents and their country from Crawford county. THE Westmoreland Tribune-Herald says that the primaries held in Indiana county will not be conducive to harmony, and would like to have some man not mentioned yet get the nomination. It seems to think that there are

HANNIBAL K. SLOAN, of Indiana, is in the race to the finish for the Lieutenant Governorship on the Democratic side. He was a gallant soldier during the war, is a resident of an agricultural district, and enjoys the confidence and

knows the wants of farmers. ALL the principal candidates for State of fices have already secured quarters in Harris-burg. The Lochiel Hotel will be in the hands of the politicians during the convention, Rooms have been reserved for Senator Quay, but it is stated he will not be in attendance. COLLECTOR COOPER desires to see a clean compaign on the Congressional question in the Sixth district; that he wants it understood that he shall give no orders to his Custom House

employes as to his preference in the matter,

but that he and they are free to exercise their

pice as they deem best. As for himself, he

is in favor of Captain Johnson. MEADVILLE, notwithstanding her extreme bashfulness, is not lacking in furnishing a full quota of men willing to suffer for their contituents. One of her citizens wants the Governorship, another the Congressional nomina ion and still another the State Senatorship. So far no Presidental bee has been heard humming there, but the campaign is still young. DEPARTMENT COMMANDER JOSEPH 3 DENNISTON has issued a general order relative to politics in the Grand Army of the Republic. Among other things the Commander says: "If any desire to assist in the way of po litical preferment any ex-soldier, it can be done as citizens, but not as members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Posts must not

indulge in resolutions of indorsement of can-aidates, whether such candidates be comrades FRANKLIN, the county seat of Venango county, the home of all classes of politicians, from a County Commissioner to United States Treasurer, is not making much noise during the present campaign. A gentleman from that city, now on business here, gives as a reason that all the shining lights have been provided for, and hence the younger men have got to bide their time. It is the first time on record that Franklin men have expressed themselves

as being satisfied. ALL DIFFERENCES ADJUSTED.

Western Passenger Agents Sign an Agree ment and Restore Prices.

NEW YORK, May 28.-The difference gard to passenger rates in the Northwest were all adjusted to-day, and an agreement was signed by all the roads to restore passenger rates to the tariff in effect on December 3L. The agreement goes into effect on June 10, and will continue for 60 days. No road can withdraw, except on 30 days' notice. It was signed in Chicago by the officers of all the roads whose executive officers could be reached there, and then Vice President Goddard, of the Atchison road, brought it to this city. He presented it to-day to President Oakes, who signed it for the Northern Pacific and Wisconsin Central roads, and then after the St. Paul directors voted in favor of it, President Miller, of that road, added his signature.

The situation in the Southwest continues unchanged. The parties having charge of the movement to adjust rates in that section state.

movement to adjust rates in that section state that the matter rests entirely with Jay Gould. If he orders his subordinates to restore rates, the other roads will follow at once. A Doctor to be Married. INPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. 1 GREENSBURG, May 28.-Dr. C. C. Porter,

prominent young physician of this place, will be married to-morrow morning at 6 o'clock to Miss Minnie L., the accomplished daughter of A. W. Jones, a leading coal dealer of this vicinity. After the wedding the couple will leave for an extended four of the Western cities.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The Chicago police gathered in 206 lost

children on a recent Sunday. -A lively Maine young woman has developed much skill in snaring Maine song birds and does quite a business at caging and selling

-A German scientist has discovered that trees the trunks of which are covered with moss or lichen are the most liable to lightning

-The water supply in Tokio, instead of being taken directly into the house, is led into wells, which, as a rule, are only on one side of

-There is a Baptist church at Mendon, Mich., but no society, and a Baptist preacher occupied the pulpit last Sunday for the first time in more than 20 years. -The thickest octave volume in the

world known is the latest edition of Whitaker's Reference Catalogue of English Literature. This book weighs 12 pounds and is 11 inches in thickness. -Mr. E. G. P. Smith, the Government keeper at Little Diamond, has uncarthed what appears to be an old Indian idel, weighing half a ton, and the Maine Historical Society will

-An old man, going into a liquor saloon in New York the other night, boasted he could give those present "some pointers on dancing" and started in to do so. He danced five ninutes and fell under a table dead from heart

-Jane Simmons a little mutatto woman ving in Milledgeville, Ga., is said to be the

-The remains of Ann Rutledge, the early love of Abraham Lancoln, were removed the other day from the obscure country graveyard ord, where they had lain for nearly of

boat in which she and two lady friends were rowing, escaped drowning by clinging to her dog, which swam with her to the shore. Her friends were drowned. -In Bangor there is a one-armed man,

-A Western paper says the German anguage is fast giving way to English in parts

some brick and from block on the site, to be surmounted by a tower. In that fower he will place a \$4,000 clock, and upon the top of the tower a life-size bronze statue of himself.

-An exhibition illustrating in 230 pictures the costumes of the French army from 1789 up to now will shortly be opened in the

-George Sheldon, second engineer of the steamer City of Milwaukee, died of rheu-matism at Mr. Clemens Sunday night. Four years ago Sheldon was on the ice-bound steamer Michigan, in Lake Michigan. He walked ashore 30 miles and then returned and piloted the crew ashore, after which he re-turned to the steamer and remained with her until she went down.

Taylor county. She was a save in an old vir-ginia family when the Revolution began, and re-membered distinctly circumstances of that war. Friends who know her history estimate her age at 130 years. She lives alone, caring for herself with the aid of neighbors, who erected a small house for her, the whole community contributing to her support.

-Count Punonrostro, a prominent Spanish nobleman, has just died in Madrid. He was called "Count Fist-in-the-Face," and got the

the-Face)." -While exercising a horse at Fort Col-—While exercising a horse at Fort Col-lins, Col., the animal became enraged and at-tempted to bite its leader. The trainer suc-ceeded in preventing the furious beast from injuring him until the halter broke, when the animal picked him up by the shoulder and threw him to the ground with great violence; then burying his teeth in the flesh of the pros-trate man, the brute trampled upon him. The trainer's chest was crushed, three ribs were broken and the flesh on all parts of his body was bruised and crushed.

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thoughts about her June essay, and the dress-makers will soon be called in to take measurenents for the same .- Rochester Post-Express.

"Here's a question," said the information

to the editor in chief for \$1. - New York Herald. Juniter (over the Olympian telephone)-Hello, General Greely! General Greely-Hello!

order for thunderstorms. General Greely-What is the matter?
Jupiter-The Cyclops have gone on a strike for an eight-hour day, and I'm running short of thunterbolts. - Lift.

contrition his did.

"Ah, I am glad, my friend, that you have seen the error of your ways. And what saving power of grace has worked upon you?"

"Your daughter. I asked for some cold victuals the baked.

ontrition his did.

Aunt Mary-Poor Budgel Does your tooth sche yet? If 'twere mine, dear, I'd have it

Mamma—Robbie, does your ear ache?"

Robbie—No, mamma.

Mamma—Then why have you put cotton in it?
Robbie—Well, mamma, you know you keen on telling me that I learn so little, because what goes in at one car comes out at the other. So I've plugged the other up. - Young People.

"It was your own doing, then, and you have no right to feel offended. No woman knows how dear a cigar is to a man,"

"Ah, had he had a reason like that it would have been different. But you must remember he

smoked nothing but cigarettes."-Philadelphia

EXCITING. He rushed downstairs with his hair uncombed, His breeches all out of gear,

And a general look of a hasty man When he gets up on his ear, His breath came short, his cychalis blased, His cheeks were the hue of gore

first woman in the South to become a butcher by profession. She can kill, clean and cut up more hogs in a day than any man in the

vears, and reinterred at Oakland Cemetery, in Portland, Ill. -Mrs. Huling, a Rhode Island woman; being thrown into the water by the filling of a

the right one having been taken off at the shoulder in the Gettysburg fight, who has spuded up a quarter of an acre of land, earried dressing to it and planted a garden. He whistles and sings, too, as he works.

of the West largely settled by Germans, be-cause the baseball reports cannot be under-stood in the German language, which has no equivalents for the technical terms used in de-scribing the games. -Little Jake Seligman has bought a flat fron block in Saginaw and he is going to make it a feature of the city. He will erect a hand-

-There is no country like France for starting journals. During 1889 no less than 960 new newpapers were brought out, of which not one remains in life. On the other hand, the Pettl Journal now claims a circulation of 1,095,000 copies daily. During the same period there were printed in France over 15,000 new books, including 5,000 new musical pieces.

Palais des Beaux Arts of the Champ de Mars, Paris, M. Jacques Wachenheimer is the or-ganizer of the exhibition, and after its close he proposes to sell is to the French Government. -As a man was walking along the Hammersmith road, near London, carrying a tame fox under his arm, a mastiff approached from from the man's arm, a mastin approached from behind and so startled the fox that it sprang from the man's arm and darted along the road at full speed with the mastiff in pursuit. A dozen other dogs joined in the chase and the fox eventually was run to earth in a drain

-According to a Virginia paper the oldest person in that State, if not in the nation, is Sarah Gaddess, a colored woman, of Oreide, Taylor county. She was a slave in an old

-"When you are ready to put away furs and woolens and want to guard against the de-predations of moths, pack them securely in predations of moths, pack them securely in paper flour sacks and tie the latter up well. This is better than camphor or tobacco or snuff scattered among them in chests or drawers. Before putting your muffs away for the sum-mer twirl them by the cords at the ends, so that every hair will be straight. Put them in their boxes and paste a strip of paper where the lid fits ou."

called "Count Fist-in-the-Face," and got the name oddly. He was once a game-keeper, and being called a Har by Charles V. for having claimed to have killed a certain bird, he singed his Majesty in the face. The king doomed him to death, but afterward finding he was correct and admiring his pluck, said: "I not only pardon you, but I attach you to my person and make you Count of Punonrostro (Fist-in-the-Face)."

A FEW SIDE SPLITTERS. The sweet girl graduate is now busy with

editor, "that I can't answer. The man wants to know 'how long girls should be courted." " "Just the same as short girls," returned the And the staff humorist stole the joke and sold it

Juniter-1 am very sorry, but I must cancel you "Sir," said the tramp, "I want to join church." And if ever a man's face expressed

"Your daughter. I asked for some cold victuals and she game me a piece of pie she said she baked herself. I just ate it an hour ago, and if I keep on feeling this way I don't want to let no chances slip, you bet."—Philiadelphia Times.

out at once.

Budge-If 'twere yours! Well, auntle, so would I.- Young People.

Mamma-Robbie, does your ear ache?"

"Practically I refused him, yes. I told him he must choose between me and smoking, and he said he would give up me,"

As he snatched the morning paper up

And read the baseball score.

—Philadelphia Tie