THE TOMB OF JULIET.

The House in Which the Famous Hereine

to Rest.

Dwelt-The Meeting With Romeo-A

Suspiciously New Sarcophagus Where

the Bones of the Lovely Maiden Are Said

THE greater number of English-speaking

people who visit Verona associate the town with the tragic fate of the fair daughter

of the Capuletti. Surrounded by the vast and

rugged, battlements of the Alps, intersected by

the broad blue waters of the Adige rushing

under old Roman-arched bridges, its narrow, sun-baked streets overlooked by mediæval

buildings and houses with painted facades, its Cathedral with cloisters six centuries old, its

burches surmounted by quaint-shaped towers,

its gardens planted with stately and venerable

That the tale was founded on fact we learn

from Girulamo de la Corte's History of Vero-

na. The romance writers of Italy speedily laid hands on the tragedy as a fitting theme for

their pens; and a poetic version of the story by

gland in 1562, entitled "The Tragicall Historie

of Romeus and Juliet, Contayning in it a Rare

Example of True Constancie, with the Subtill Counsels and Practises of an Old Fryer and

printed William Shakespeare's play, which has fixed the fate of the Veronese lovers for ever

CUIDES are anxious to show strangers the

bonifazi, in which Juliet lived, and the balcony

which Romeo scaled close upon 500 years ago

delle Erbe, once the Forum of the Republic,

much as it was when it ran red with blood dur-

ing the flerce fights which took place between the Guelphs and the Ghibellines—families who for long "rendered Italy savage and unmanage-

able." To-day it is peaceful enough, and is full of light and color. Under the shade of

huge umbrellas-red, blue, green and orange-

are stalls piled high with melons and pomegran-

ates, fresh-gathered figs and apples; beneath the striped awnings of portable shops wearing apparel of gaudy hues fiames in the bright sun-light; here and there sacred pictures, crucifixes and statues are exposed for sale; the shrill

voice of a basket vendor stationed near the

Tribuna, the ancient seat of indement, rises

above the general hum: and close by the foun-

tain trickling over its marble font and adorned

composed of soldiers in blue uniforms, throug-ing round a young, comely woman, of the Gipsy type, standing on a chair, who, with many words

and much assurance, invites all interested in

their future to take a card from the pack she

holds, by which and for the trifling sum of a penny she will reveal the gifts fortune has in

DASSING the Roman amphitheater, still in

bitions of rope dancing and displays of fire-works, the visitor takes his way by yellow

walled streets, through which Dante may have

walked what time he sought refuge in Veron

on his banishment from Florence, until, passing

Franciscan monastery, surrounded by high

walls and a fair garden, is reached. Above the

entrance is a large signboard, bearing in crude

name. Ringing at the gate, it was speedily opened by a rough-looking laborer, who smiled

graciously at the prospect of receiving a fee. With an air of pride he pointed to the cab-

bages growing in his garden, saying his vege-tables were the finest in all Verona, for the

ground from which they sprang had been for

The church is closed, like so many others a

over Italy, waiting to be let or to be sold as a

cornstore, wine vault, stable or factory. But

one of its small chapels, bricked up and cut off from the larger building, is approached by a garden path, and here is a red marble sarco-

little larger than a recess, is chill and bare, the

visitors, being unable, because of the red stone

satisfy their vulgar vanity and foolish egotic

by leaving cards as records of their visits

Here you may read the names of Mr. and Mrs.

Smith, Bayswater; Mrs. J. William Johnson,

Chicago; Mr. B. Hercules Thompson, New

York City; Miss Jemima Browne, Putney, etc.

IT struck me the tomb, highly polished and

smooth, looked suspiciously new; and I then remembered that more than 50 years ago

Byron described it in a letter to Moore as "a

plain, open and partly decayed sarcophagus

with withered leaves in it, in a wild and deso late conventional garden." And, moreover

I had heard it was then the fashion to chip

away fragments of the stone which, having

been set as brooches and bracelets, were worr

inference was plain: the so-called tomb was a

Therefore, when the guide rolled out his

hackneyed sentences about this being the last resting place of the noble lady Juliet, I frankly

awful pause ensued, during which he looked at

me with an expression of horror and amaze-ment, as if his ears had been profuned. But,

quickly recovering himself, he replied: "Signor what I say is a fact, I assure you; the lady was

He shrugged his shoulders in pity, threw up

brows in wonder at my audacity. "Hundreds

strangle in its birth a doubt that if allowed to

flourish might seriously interfere with his in-come; "they come from England and from

America to see this tomb, and they have n

doubts, Signor: for it is really and truly, and

everyone in Verona will tell you, the resting

CONTENTED myself with shaking my head.

and be remained silent, until suddenly his face flashed with brightness, and I saw that a

is Juliet's tomb, for here," he added, turning

triumphantly to a picture of a monk, painted

at a comparatively recent period, which hung on a side wall, "is the portrait of Friar Laur

ence, who married the lady and her lover and gave her the poison."

He expected this remarkable example of

logic would surely silence me; nor was he disappointed. Without another word I left the

spot, and the proprietor of Juliet's tomb re-ceived my silver coin with the virtuous air of a

man who had overcome the darkness of doubt and let light shine u pon the benighted.

Michigan's Big Convention.

LANSING, July 30 .- There were more than 200

LANSING, July 30.—There were more than 200 delegates present when the Union Labor-Greenback Farmers' Alliance Convention was called to order this forenced by James Winney, of Grand Ledge. At his suggestion Dr. D. B. Deming, of Tu-cola, was made Chairman, and a list of standing committees selected wholly by Mr. Winney. The convention then adjourned until afternoon.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Inez H. Snuman.

Death visited the home of George W. Snaman, Jr., the well-known Allegheny merchant, yester-day, and took away his little daughter, Ines H.

A private interment will take place to-day. Funeral from the residence of the parents, 199 Ohio street, Allegheny, at 4 P. M.

Boulah Prie Gutellus.

William Bain.

place of the ill-fated Juliet."

placed after death in this very tomb."

deception and a snare.

full 500 years the burial place of monks.

outside one of the ancient gates, a suppress

excellent repair, now given over to exhi-

house, now known as the Palazzo Sam-

Their Ill Event." Some 35 years le

in the world's memory.

which mankind has heard.

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#### THE DISPATCH FOR THE SUMMER.

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RRADDOCK'S NARROW ESCAPE. Braddock escaped destruction by fire yes terday too narrowly for comfort. As it was, a block of houses covering two acres and affording homes to over four hundred persons, mostly Hungarians, was entirely consumed. The wind which, at the beginning, was very high and blowing toward the most pop ulous part of Braddock, fortunately died away, and saved the town. The loss of property to the extent of a hundred thousand dollars, though happily unaccompanied by loss of life, should impress upon the people of Braddock the necessity of providing more efficient water works. For all but fire purposes the water supply of Braddock may be sufficient, but the lack of pressure in the pipes which so dangerously hampered the firemen in their efforts yesterday points to the need for a reservoir.

#### MODERN GUNS NEEDED.

Several days ago THE DISPATCH called attention to the desirability of instructing the soldiers of the national guard in modern tactics, and accustoming them to the conditions of warfare with the improved small caliber magazine rifles, smokeless powder and machine gups. The Secretary of War is now reported to have decided to issue an order which will bring the militia into actual contact with some of these changed conditions. The order which Secretary Proctor is about to issue will lead to the abandonment of the Springfield rifle, and the substitution therefor of a gan having a caliber of 30 as compared with old weapons caliber of 45. The adoution of some form of smokeless powder will also be involved in this change. This will bring the equipment of our soldiers into line with that of the European armies, all of which are now armed with magazine guns of small caliber. There are several kinds of smokeless pow-

der manufactured. The officers of the Ordnance Bureau think that the Maxim powder, an American invention, is superior to any of the foreign brands. It has been found that none of the various kinds of smokeless explosives are perfect. They are very susceptible of atmospheric changes, and will particularly not retain all of their original elements of superiority on shipboard. Moisture reduces the powder to very fine grains, and when used the explosion is very loud, beside causing the powder to burn almost instantly. In its original consistency the powder is slow burning. thus giving to the projectile at first a slow motion, which is gradually increased until the marvelous initial velocity of 2,000 feet is attained. It is confidently expected that nome chemical ingredient will be discovered which will render the powder impervions to moisture, and will cause it to retain indefinitely all of its qualities.

There are now, according to the New York Sun, about a hundred thousand Springfield muskets in use in this country, including those in the armories of the various State militia. The cost to issue this whole number immediately would be enormous, but the policy of the department will be to rearm the regiments singly, and as convenience will permit. The militia fund annually appriopriated is \$4,000,000. Out of this sum the State troops will gradually pay for their new arms. It is estimated that there will be no need for an extra appropriation to enable the Secretary to carry out this project, except perhaps a small sum to secure muchinery to make the parts necessary for the magazine of the gun. The Springfield muskets will all be returned to the War Department, both from the regular army and the State troops. These may be sold to some other country, or be held in reserve in case the exigencies of affairs demand the arming of a large body of men.

Not only will the muskets be changed but the Gatling, Hotchkiss, and Maxim guns will have to be remodeled to conform to the standard caliber of 30. This will be necessary, because the ammunition used for the muskets is also used for the machine guns.

# THE FOES OF CANALS.

The revival of the canal as a public highway is one of the phenomena of this decade. The people in almost every section of the country are realizing that canals have as Jurge a commercial value to-day as ever they had. The ship canal to connect the Ohio river and the lakes is recognized as of great importance to Pittsburg, and the project though necessarily slow of movement is making progress. New York i also interested in a ship canal. It is proposed to convert the Harlem river into canal by which the city's wharfage roommay be increased. The scheme has been shown to be entirely feasible and very advantageous to the commerce of New York. The opposition to the canal, proceeding from the railroads, has been defeated by Governor Hill in one instance, but has been able to persuade the . Senate Commerce Committee to strike out of the river and harbor bill the appropriation for the Harlem river improvement. The New York World declares that the New York Central Railroad is behind a conspiracy to fill up and obliterate the Harlem river. The World shows pretty conclusively that President Depew is bringing his political influence to bear against the canal project, and an incident of the campaign, which our

cotemporary exhibits, indicates how imble it is for an organ to be consistent The New York Press has been a friend of the canal scheme until quite recently. This is what the Press said so late as July 14:

"There is really no proper or far-sighted middle plan between the conversion of the Harlem river into a splendid wide ship canal and the idea that it shall be filled up and Manhattan Island united once for all with the main land. The latter plan is, of course, out of the question, in view of the facts that New York's greatness always will depend largely on her commercial facilities, and that the age of canals is coming back again. We will need every foot of water front on either bank of the Harlem river in the next generation."

Now, however, under the pressure of railroad and political bosses, the Press advocates the filling up of the Harlem river. Wherever a canal is projected the railroads will be found insopposition, open and covert, and it will be well to remember this fact in reference to the canal projects in which Pittsburg is interested.

#### ARBITRATION AVAILS.

It is not surprising to find the leaders of labor in Pittsburg uniting in the praise of arbitration as a means for settling disputes between capital and labor. The interviews with these authorities, which will be found elsewhere, pay abundant testimony to the efficacy of arbitration. Since 1883 the principle has been given a very thorough trial in Pittsburg and its subsidiary territory. The best results have always been obtained. Now and then one side or the other has for a time conceived itself unfairly treated by the umpire, but in every case eventually the decision of arbitration has been found to be the best possible for both parties. Latterly in the threatened railroad strikes, in the National Tube Works case and in other important issues, arbitration, or measures akin to it, have poured oil upon the troubled waters and brought employers and employed to a fair agreement. The principle of arbitration etween nations, between capital and labor and between individuals, is in harmony with the spirit of our republican institutions,

## HARMONY AFTER ALL.

Those who do not approve of the McKin ley bill, who dislike Mr. Blaine and would not be displeased to see the Republican party split upon the reciprocity ideas advanced by the Secretary of State, are naturally inclined to represent the relations of the Republican leaders as very strained Harper's Weekly, for example, says this

"The question immediately suggested by the letter of Mr. Blame is of the Republican choice between his view and Mr. McKinley's. The House has pronounced for Mr. McKinley. Will the Senate join and the President approve? In that event shall we find Mr. Blaine asking Mr. Webster's famous question, Where shall I go! Is he to stand toward the Republican as Mr. Webster at last stood toward the Whig party? Or does his letter and its Republican support indicate the real Republican tendency? The opposition to it u strongly marked by Mr. Reed and Mr. Mc-Kinley, and by the passage in the House of the tariff and election bills. This conflict of views is now the most interesting point in the political situation."

But already it appears that the audaelou statesmen and editors who talked so glibly about reading Mr. Blaine out of the party a week or two ago have decided that such a proceeding is neither easy nor advisable. In fact the indications are that Mr. Blaine's advice will be given a respectful hearing by the Senate, and reciprocity may receive substantial recognition even in the tariff bill of Mr. McKinley. This will be a disappoint ment to a good many folks, including the Democrats, but if it results in the enlargement of our markets it will be a good thing for the nation.

# THE SENATORIAL ELEPHANT.

The Senate is a deliberate as well as a deliberative body. It will not move beyond a certain pace, no matter how important to the interests of the nation an increase in speed may be. The McKinley tariff bill is suffering under the Senate's dilatory consideration now. A Republican critic, Sen ator Blair, was moved yesterday to prophesy that at the present rate of progress the tariff bill debate in the Senate would be concluded on December 20. To reach a conclusion by this date would require a continuous session of Congress. Surely there is no need for such in tolerable slowness. Great preparations were made to accelerate the dabate vesterday, and as a result four pages of the chemical schedule were considered ! The Senate is getting more and more like an elephant that no goad can compel to quicker motion. At times the august body appears to be a white elephant as far as its masters, the people, are concerned.

THE Senate is willing to increase the duty on castor oil to please Kansas Republi cans who raise the romantic-looking plant with the unromantic product. If the sent the whole nation, old and young, rich and poor could be had upon the subject, the cultivation tor plant and the importation of the oil would be prohibited.

Snow fell in the Catakills two days ago. Contemplation of this fact at a distance of three or four hundred miles is very cold com fort with a thermometer over the way record

THERE is a good deal of talk in Repub lican organs about the dire damage the Farmers' Alliance movement is doing to the Demo cratic party in the South, but the truth is that the Farmers' Alliance is moving within the Southern Democratic party, but wherever it i ctive elsewhere it is taking its strength out of the Republican party.

TALKING of strictly bygienic secrets will somebody invent a seat to suit the un happy urchin who has interviewed the rod?

A CORRESPONDENT indorses THE DIS-PATCH's demand for improvement in school desks and puts in a plea for sensibly-shaped seats. The whole question is worthy of parents' and pedagogues' consideration,

In this weather the picnic flourishes exseedingly. It is about the only thing now that

A VERY large part of Pittsburg is out of town. Those who are not at the seashore or the mountains wish that their presence her was not absolutely necessary to the city's we fare. That's all that keeps them here.

THE Argentine Republic is exporting ine line of false reports these days.

A STRONG breeze, which blew all day, at tempted to persuade Pittsburgers yesterday cury climbed nearly up to the top notch of the season all the same.

By one of Mr. Edison's latest inventions man can sign a check for any amount at a dis-tance of hundreds of miles. The trouble is likely to come whon the holder tries to get !

# PROMINENT PEOPLE.

MRS. GLADSTONE always attends meetings of Parliament when either her husband or her son Herbert is to speak. BARON ROTHSCHILD is an ardent philat

eting and arranging stamps. THE ex-Empress Eugenie has given the ex-Empress Frederick a gold medallion, bearing her coat of arms, richly set with precious stones and containing a lock of her hair. Young Mr. Thurman, son of Allen G. Thur-man, is gray baired and has but one arm. He

ist, and devotes much time and money to col-

ost the other in an accident many years ago, He is a prominent attorney at Columbus, O, M. STAMBOULOFF, the Premier and prac tical ruler of Bulgaria, is about 46 years old. He is short and rather stout, and with his round face, black mustache and small gray yes somewhat resembles the Chinese. THE bust of Sidney Lanler, given by Mr. Charles Lanier, of New York, to the city of

Macon, Ga., will be unveiled on October & Judge Bleckley, of the Georgia Supreme MRS. HEARST will go to California this week with Mr. William Hearst, Senator Hearst who is recovering his health, will remain at Washington. Mrs. Hearst's parents will soon

celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Santa Clara county, Cal. CAPTAIN KANE, who successfully took the British war vessel Calliope to sea during the storm which drove several American men-ofwar on the reefs at Apia, Samoa, has been made commander of the inflexible, one of the nost powerful battle ships of the English

THE original manuscript of Burns' great battle song, "Scots Wa Hae," was picked up recently for a small sum by John S. Kennedy, of New York, while he was abroad. He offered it to the city of Edinburgh for the price he had paid, and it was gladly accepted, with a vote of thanks from the town Council. GENERAL F. E. SPINNER, the ex-United

States Treasurer who became so well known by the wonderful autograph he affixed to the Treasury notes issued during his term of office, is at Pablo Beach, Fla. He suffers greatly from a cancer, and when he writes has to keep his eye open with a bit of adhesive plaster.

# DEATH OF GEORGE L. SCHUYLER,

Oldest Member of the New York Yacht Club

and the Donor of the Cup. New London, Conn., July \$1 .- George L. huyler, who died in his cabin to-day, was the oidest member of the 'New York Yacht Club and one of its founders. He was the last of the donors of the America cup. Mr. Schuyler was 80 years old, tall and dignified in appearance. He was a native of New York and a direct descendant of the old Schuyler family of historic renown. In 1882 Mr. Schuyler was the only surviving owner of the cup, and he it was to whom the cup was returned by the New York Yacht Club, and who sent it back to the cub with the new deed of gift under which the

rize is now held.

There has been objection to certain clauses There has been objection to Certain competitors of the deed on the part of certain competitors for the America's Cup, and it has been urged by certain yachtamen that the prize should once more be returned to Mr. Schuyler, so that still another new deed of gift be drawn up which would satisfy every one. His death now makes this impossible, and if the English race makes this impossible, and if the English ra for the cup they will have to accept the pre

#### BUSINESS SUSPENDED.

The Merchants of Youngstown and S

rounding Towns Erjoy an Outing. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR. Youngstown, July 31,-The merchants o the city and surrounding towns held their an-nual picnic to-day at Woodland Beach. Business was entirely suspended, banks and stores all being closed, and employers and employes enjoying the annual outing.
Fully 5,000 people left here, heavily laden trains leaving here every 15 minutes during the early hours of the morning.

Patiently Awalting Returns.

From the Washington Post. ] When Mr. Porter gets his figures complet the country would like to know whether there has been an increase or decrease in the "Beautiful Snow" authors during the past decade The rate at which they have been dying off en courages the belief that the returns will show a falling off of this population.

# CURRENT TIMELY TOPICS.

A WYOMING postmaster has been requested to resign because he charged 5 cents for a 2-cent stamp. Pretty soon they will be removing postasters for opening other people's letters.

THE Pittsburg Democrats know how to make a picuic pass off pleasantly. The managere have not attended State conventions all their lives

THE postmaster at Newport said he did not recognize any "Mrs. Astor." Since his decapita-tion he probably is aware that "Mrs. Astor" is perous and stands pretty well with the

MR. BOWEN, of the Oil City Blizzard, visited Atlantic City a few days ago and was very much shocked to see so many ladies bathing. He then took a bath himself, and the shock compelled him o go to New York to recuperate. IF the Democratic plenie in Pittsburg of

Wednesday was the opening of the campaign this State, it must be conceded to have been howling success. The woods are full of Mississippi Democrats are not hogs. When the Republicans refused to nominate candidates for the Constitutional Convention, two promines

depublicans were placed on the ticket, and the trangest part of it is the fact that they were

NEW YORK is to have a religious daily with the modest sum of \$0,000,000 back of it. It will take about that much money to make a religious

A PENNSYLVANIA exchange, which has evidently not been keeping pace with dress reform, wants to know why Speaker Reed wears "that outlandish silk sash." Without consulting the Speaker the Washington Post ventures the suggestion that the gentleman from Maine wears the toresaid sash for the purpose of keeping his

CHARLES H. HAM is one of the appraisers recently appointed by President Harrison. He will probably be stationed in ham-raising Chicago.

THAT congregation in an Iowa church who were unable to arise when the sermon was dn-ished owing to the vast quantity of freshly ap-plied varnish, is said to be the only congregation in the world that were not stuck up. They were stuck down.

#### Fostered by the Public. From the Baltimore American.]

Public opinion all over the country is apparently against the Louisiana lottery, yet it is by the public all over the country that the windle is supported. While collectively the average citizen sees and deprecates the fraud and wrong of the system, individually the rece even of making a pile of money without the disagreeable necessity of earning it is too strong for his principles.

Good Crops in the Northwest MINNEAPOLIS, July 3L.—The best author ties estimate the wheat crop of the preser season in the Dakotas and Minnesota 000,000 bushels. The value of the crop Northwest is estimated at \$60,000.000.

# FREAKS OF FASHION.

IN Chicago beef will be dressed much the An odd effect in suspender buttons is pro fuced by a shoestring and a safety match. A NEAT tie much used by members of the theatrical profession is over three feet long and

IT is rumored in official circles that Benjamir Harrison is having some shirts made over from laby McKee's. It is whispered in the highest circles of Ho-boken that the old-fashioned hatband will be introduced again this season.

Beulah Pyle, the little daughter of William H. and Catharine B. Gutellus, of Bluff street, died yesterday morning at Jeanneite of diphtheria. Although only 4 years old, she was a wonderfully bright little girl and a general favorite. Mr. Gutellus is the managing editor of the Times. BRASILIAN bugs are worn by hotel clerks. Most of them are born on the premises and painted green for the occasion. NEVER place your scarfpin in the middle of your sears. Always put it on one side and give the nectie a chance to be heard.

William Bain, one of the oldest residents of Allegheny, died inst evening at the residence of his son-to-law, Cyrus Hutchinson, No. 90 Mc-Chure avenue. He was 72 years of age and had hundreds of friends, who will mourn his de-Time table trousers are now worn by su-burban residents. They give the arrival and departure of all trains and call out the names of the stations.

# EIGHT-HOUR DAYS AT THE EXPOSITION.

Labor Agitation Enters Into the Considers tion of the World's Fair.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., July 31.-The Chicago delegation, which has been working against the Lake Front-Jackson Park site for the World's Fair, and which was supposed last night to have a majority of the Judiciary Committee received another setback this morning when the sub-committee's report in favor of striking out the section providing for the issue of \$2,000,000 park bonds was rejected by a vote of \$2,000,000 park bonds was rejected by a vote of 12 to 13, and the minority report to add a clause to the section and provide that the question of issuing the bonds shall first be submitted to a vote of the neople of the park district was adopted. The section was also amended so as to provide that the amount of bonds should be \$1,000,000 instead of \$2,000,000. In the House the Judiciary Committee reported back the World's Fair bill, which was taken up and read the second time, and many of the amendments of the Judiciary Committee adopted. ts gardens planted with said a fitting scene for what is, in sooth, the saddest love-story of

of the amendments of the Judiciary Committee adopted.

The amendment providing for the enforcement of the eight-bour law among laborers on the buildings, and that none but citizens of the United States should be employed, was finally adopted, in spite of the warning of one of the members that the adoption of this clause meant the turning over of the World's Fair to the walking delegates, and that in this case—would be to pay." The vote was 114 to 22. As amended by Quinn, of Chicago, before its adoption, the bill provides that any violation of the eight-hour section by directors or officers of the Exposition, shall be deemed a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000. The section does not apply, however, to exhibitors at the World's Fair. Almost without exception the members of the Senate say they will fight the entire eight-hour amendment on the ground that it is special legislation and unconstitutional.

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During the afternoon session of the House Representative Crafts attacked Alderman Kerr, of Chicago, saying Kerr was here as a speculator who has haunted the Recorder's office in Chicago for months past, getting the names of the holders of real estate of every place within a mile of Jackson Park so he might get options upon it. The section was adopted after being amended to make the amount of park bonds \$500,000 instead of \$2,000,000, the question of issuing them to be submitted to a vote of the people. The bill was ordered to a third reading, and adjournment was taken till to-morrow. The building has nothing remarkable in its appearance; its walls are discolored by time, its stucco-work crumbling from age, no air of romance distinguishing it from its neighbors. To reach it one must pass through the Piazzi now the fruit and vegetable market.

The square, surrounded by palaces and houses decorated with fresco by Cavalli, is

### TWO BOYS CATCH AN ALLIGATOR.

He Made His Appearance in the Schnylkil and Was Landed With a Clab.

PHILADELPHIA, July 31.—The Schuylkill river has developed unexpected possibilities as a breeding ground or resort for the saurian alligator, a genuine specimen of the ugly tribe supposed to frequent only those waters where old Boreas doesn't get in his work in winter. If he is the first arrival he may not by any means be the last, unless he is a pilgrim and a stranger, otherwise a tramp without any following. Yesterday afternoon John following. Yesterday afternoon John Leary and Albert Abbott saw what they called "an ugly looking snont," sticking out of the water just off the Bainbridge street wharf. It wasn't ugly enough, bowever, to prevent them from making an attempt to capture its owner, and in a moment they were in the water prepared with a club apiece for an onslaught on their intended prey. One blow was enough. The alligator grabbed the club and held on, not letting go when the boys headed for the shore, nor even when they landed him on the wharf. Then several yards of string were wound around his body to keep him in a peaceable frame of mind, and then the boys started off to dispose of their prize to the Zoo. The alligator was 21% inches in length, and was apparently about 4 or 5 years old.

# ON TO THE PACIFIC.

The Great Northern Railroad to be Com pleted to Paget Sound. PAUL, July 31,-The Great Northern letters the words "Juliet's Tomb." I expected to find underneath "Admission half a france," says a correspondent to the London Illustrated World, but, instead, saw the proprietor's Railway line is now making active prepara-tions for completing its line to the Pacific coast. On the east end the route will start from a point within three miles of Fort Assinaboine, following the northern course, which has been located to the summit of the Rockies. The contractors are now figuring on this por tion of the work, which will be let at once It is the intention to commence at once to It is the intention to commence at once.

It is the intention to commence at once to move material forward in order that the work may be pushed as rapidly as possible. Seattle will be the principal terminus of the line on Puget Sound. Preparations are also being made for building south from Seattle toward Portland.

Portland.

It is estimated that it will require two years to build the extension, which will be about 800 niles in length, and the greater part of it brough Montrosa county.

# A COMFORTABLE CHECK

decorated by faded laurel wreaths, and half the Parchase of Its Line. covered by visiting cards nailed on its surface. The tomb is likewise half full of cards; for PHILADELPHIA, July 81.—The Pennsylvania ailroad Company to-day paid the last install ent on account of the purchase of the main to gratify the desire which so strangely stirs them on seeing famous shrines and historic places, of writing their names, have had to line of their road from the State of Per rania, The check was filled out for \$635,654 94,

which includes interest.

The main line of the road was purchased from the State in 1857 for something over \$7,000.000, and the railroad company stipulated to pay for it in yearly installments of \$460,000. The last installment falls due to-morrow, and by the payment of the balance the railroad company gains the clear title to the property.

# POST ENCAMPMENT.

An Immense Crowd in Attendance at Reunton at Scottdale.

PAPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 SCOTTDALE, PA., July 31 .- The third an SCOTTDALE, FA., July 31.—Ine inited annual encampment in Ellsworth Park, this place, under the auspices of Colonel Ellsworth Post, No. 209, Grand Army of the Republic, opened up to-day. There was a fair crowd in attendance. Several Grand Army posts will come to-morrow in a body. There is an impense growd to-night and several fine addresses. were made.

A sham battle is part of the programme for

Caught a Shark to Their Not. A party of fishermen at Deal Beach, N. J., yesterday caught a monster shark in their net. The men were taking out their fish when they saw the big fellow struggling in the net. After an hour's struggle they killed the shark by driving a spear into its body. The monster wa then towed to shore. The shark measures ten feet from nose to tail and weighs over pounds.

A Well Paid Dictator,

From the Philadelphia Ledger.] Mr. Sala, a London correspondent says, receives \$10,000 a year just for dictating four editorials a week for the London Telegraph. This is twice as much as Mr. Reed gets for die tating a whole session of Congress.

Republican Langue Clubs NEW YORK, July 31 .- The Executive Con new idea had dawned on him. "Signor," he said, gravely but firmly, "I will prove to you it York to-day issued a call for the annual contion at Saratoga Springs September 4. next.

# FIGS AND THISTLES.

THE Christian who never has any new mus in his heart is a man whom angels pity. Some people will never look up until the are thrown flat upon their backs by God's judg-

tions the impression that the devil quits in hot You can tell about how much religion a man has by the songs he sings, and the way he sings them.

A GOOD many preachers give their cor

IF a poor man can give God 10 cents out of every dollar he gets, how much ought a rich man to give. IT is only now and then that God calls people to preach His gospel, but he calls every con-vert to witness to it.

THERE isn't a page in the Bible that wasn't put there to teach something about Christ that nothing else can do. THE testimony of a man who hasn't heard the voice of God for 20 years is a terrible strain on any prayer meeting!

Ir the devil can keep you from having any thing to say about God's goodness to you, he will be very well satisfied. Too many of God's sheep are satisfied to re main at the rack eating dry fodder, when they might just as well be out in the pasture.

GIVE man a chance to follow the promptings of his own nature, and it will lead him straight to the devil every time, no matter who he is. THE church is full of people who live on spiritual chewing gum. They had a blessing 20 years ago, and have chewed the life all out

WHEN a soldier in the army had a chance to get his knapsack into a wagon he left it there until he get into camp. Every Christian ought to do likewise, —Indianapoits Ram's Horn,

# OUR MAIL POUCH.

School Desks and Their Reformation-Dangers Pointed Out.

o the Editor of The Dispatch: In your issue of the 26th I find three columns devoted to "Danger in the Desk," a matter not unworthy the prominence you have given it. Your reporters who "inspected and measured" the seats in many of the schoolrooms in your triple city to find the cause of "crooked legs and stooped shoulders" among the children of to-day are doing a laudable work for our suffertold. If the subject is still open for discussion have you room for a statement from one who has spent a lifetime in the schoolroom and knows whereof he speaks?

Any teacher of varied experience could give instances of mal-fittings and other blunders in the seating of pupils that would surpass any produced by your reporters. But let theirs suffice. It is too humiliating to think that our justy youth must be deformed, or otherwise injured, in order to gain either fitness for business. ness or cultured life: not because of any neces ity for such malpractice in our system of edu-cation, but because of sheer indifference on the part of the officials specially charged with the duty of providing suitable seats and healthful accommodations. When they build such expensive houses for the instruction of the children, why not look after the comfort and convenience of the publis as well? Every teacher knows those conditions are not usually provided. Let your reporters step into the me vacant rooms when filled with occupants and watch them at their work. More than that of the short boy reaching too high or the tall boy with his long limbs blocking up the aisle for lack of space beneath his desk will be seen

for lack of space beneath his desk will be seen
—the frequent rack-and-roll from side to side,
or hip to hip, in the vain endeavor to find an
easy place and posture, or a natural fit in
which to rest on an unnaturally shaped seat.
Who has not seen this painful performance in
school has not observed closely.
Faulty desks are too frequently found that
do much toward impairing the health of the
little ones confined for hours each day in uncomfortable positions, made so by those filly arranged desks. For all this torturing of the
body for the benefit of the mind there is not
the shadow of an excuse. The fault is in the
pattern; the flat seat is false from the bottom
up. The first principle of a strictly hygienic
seat is case and comfort through protracted
sittings. The essential condition of this is first
a seat spherically depressed in the center, giving a perfect fif upon which the muscles press
equally, and thus avoids all interference with
the circulation that gives the limbs that "tingling sleep sensation." Let your reporters try
it and be convinced of the luxury of the perfect
ease attained.

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To avoid the contracting of that "stooping
habit" at desk let the second principle of the
higienic seat be complied with, viz: adjust the
deaks to fit the pupils instead of cramping up
the pupils to fit the desks. "Graduating" the
furniture by Nos. from 1 to 6, according to
grades doesn't meet the necessities of varying
heights at all. Unequal Nos. in the same
room won't accommodate all according to
height. There will always be somebody in a
wrong desk, as your reporter found: "six foot
boys in three-foot boys' seats," and so it will
ever be until the only proper remedy is universally employed, viz: Use the adjustable hygicale
desk and seat. This alone meets this emergency; it is the only seat that solves that
problem; it is better than 6 or 16 "graduated"
sizes in the same room. Let the good
'mothers' coutinue their "indignation meetings" until the "furnishing committee" rectifles the evil of "little feet dangling in air,"
causing "crooked legs" and "distorted limbs."
"Room for improvement?" Yos, in respect to
height, until every sitting in our schools is a
hygienic adjustable seat.

But why did your observing reporters pars
by the more prolific source of mischief in
school life, that of myopy or of stigmatism,
caused mainly by the wrong angle at which the
desk lids are set. Did the pupils, when they
went to school, wear glasses as they do now?
How can we ignore this alarming defect in the
pupils' vision, increasing each decade? A
large share of the nervous headaches and nouralgia of the students of to-day is due to the
strain upon the eye when viewing the page at
too sharp an angle. The hygienic optical
desk that gives any angle desired is the only
natural corrective for this growing eyil; better
than glasses even, after the damage is done.
Here is the third principle of a perfect hygienic desk, viz. A lid easily set to any angle
to suit th nature, but at the same time has a circus feature that will completely colless the alleged white elephant. Just before the beginning of the afternoon show a large African lioness, Neilie, gave birth to three cubs. Two are of the usual tawny color of all lions, but the third is as white as the driven snow. Nor is there a spot or blemish to mar its immaculate color. The cubs are doing very well, and present indications are favorable for the raising of the frest. A white lion has never been heasted of

dications are favorable for the raising of the freak. A white ilon has never been boasted of, though Aiblines among men, women, birds and some animals are common enough. Robinson has received many telegrams of congratulation over his good fortune, and it is said to-day that: a Washington selentist has started for the West to examine the newcomer. bring comfort to many weary ones, make study a delight and school a place of unalloyed pleasure. I would bail it as the latest, best boon of all modern improvements for the advancement of learning.

J. M.

# COSHOCTON, O., July 30.

The True and the False. To the Editor of the Dispatch: "I don't see why people want to invest in building and loan association that is away off in Chicago when there are plenty of them at home that they know are safe. It is nearly all poor people who are caught." This is what In-spector McAleese said to a DISPATCH reporter. Of course every person has a right to vest in any corporation he or she may see fit. ones first inquire into their before investing. Reputable concerns at home or abroad court investigation, and the modern machinery for investigating all concerns is so perfect that only foolish and ignorant folks can

be swindled. I am a stockholder in one of the concerns In spector McAleese refers to, but not the concern which has placed agents who are alleged to a stockholder in three home building and loan associations. Before I went into either I ascertained the standing of the officers and their business standing and ability. It is only recently that I took stock in the foreign concern. Before so doing I looked up the men, their methods, standing, character, by-laws, etc. They satisfied my ideas of business and I took a neat block of stock, along with hundreds of other men, many of whom are considered shrewd and honest citizens. There are no desperately poor people in any honest building and loan association. On the other hand, the bulk of stockholders is made up from the ranks of the working and the saving classes, and who will ultimately become freeholders—splendid specimens of the prosperous artisans and toilers of pushing Pittsburg.

# Rich and Poor Treated Alike

To the Editor of The Dispatch: During the late war A and B enlisted and went to the front. Both came home with an honorable discharge. A worked and wasted as he went along. B worked and put his earnings in a home for himself and family. Both are now unable to do a full day's work. According to the late pension law, does A receive a pension because he has nothing and must B be depied because he owns real estate? Please

A New Oll Town. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Please inform me where there is a new of

SEWICKLEY, July 28.

own starting up in this State. HENRY B. EAST BRADY, July 31. [Launcelot, on the Pittsburg and Wester Railroad about 14 miles from Pittsburg, is just starting. It is the station to which supplies for the Wildwood oil field are shipped, and bids fair to become something of a town, though at present in its infancy. A store is being erected, and there is talk of establishing machine shops

#### SHOOTING FOR GLORY. Remarkable Scores Made by Members of

Uncle Sam's Cavalry. FORT WINGATE, N. M., July 31 .- The second day of the cavalry competition of the Division of the Pacific was cloudy and not a breath of wind was stirring. Some excellent scores were made in the day's shooting at 200 yards range. Captain J. B. Kerr, of the Sixth Cavalry, a distinguished marksman, and Corporal J. C. Thornton, of Troop A. Sixth Cavalry, made a score of 44 points out of a possible 50. Sergeant H. Heiser, of Troop G. Second Cavalry, came in second with a score of 43 points at 300 yards. A slight breeze sprung up at the 500-yard range, but that die not prevent Captalia Kern, Sixth Cavalry, from leading with a score of 45 points, with Lieutenant A. Gray, Sixth Cavalry, second, with a score of 44 points. At the 600-yard range there was quite a wind blowing, but under these unfavorable circumstances, Private Mitchell, Troop K. Sixth Cavalry, made the extraordinary score of 47 points out of a possible 50: Private Mitchell's score for the day was a total of 174 points; while A. C. Thornton was a good second with 171 points, falling short of Mitchell only 3 points.

The highest score for the day was made by Sixth Cavalry, a distinguished marksman, and

points.

The highest score for the day was made by Corporal Thornton, who has thus far held the lead for the two days, and Private Keifer, Troop H, Sixth Cavairy, comes in a good second with 895 points.

## USEFUL AND INGENIOUS.

Ohio and West Virginia inventors:

New Inventions on Which Pitteburgers and Others Have Secured Patents. O. D. Levis, patent attorney, 131 Fifth avenue, Pittsburg, sends the following list of new patents issued July 20, 1890, to Pennsylvania,

BUTLER'S RIG BLOWOUT.

Programme for the Firemen's Tournamen

on Wednesday Next.

BUTLER, July 31 .- Wednesday, August 6, will

be a red-letter day for the fire department here,

and for the county as well. The firemen's tournament, which is set for that date, will be

one of the grandest events that has ever oc-

There will be 16 fire companies, including one of Pittsburg's finest, and 11 brass bands will be

in line. The Great Western, with 25 pieces, will be among the number. There will be two

will be among the number. There will be two parades, one at 11 A. M. and the other at 9 P. M., and two contests between companies on a race course 300 yards long. The first will be a free for all at 2 P. M. for a prize of \$200. At 3 o'clock there will be a race between the home companies for a handsome silk banner presented by the ladies of Butler. A special prize of a gold and silver trumpet will be given to the company making the best appearance on

to the company making the best appearance on

The company making the best appearance on parade.

The companies from which acceptances have been received are as follows: The Citizens, of Bolivar, N. Y.; the Luthers, Olean, N. Y.; the Central and Whitneys, Bradford, Pa.; First Ward and Independents, Franklin, Pa.; L. E. Watsons, Warren, Pa.; S. R. Dick and L. E. Taylor, Meadville, Pa.; Packard, Greenville, Pa.; Duquesne, Pittsburg, and the Apollo companies. Beside these four local companies, the Good Will, First Ward, John L. Campbell and Springdale will participate in the tournament.

Springdale will participate in the tournament The houses along the line of march will be pro fusely decorated, and a half dozen arches wil

PREAK OF NATURE

Birth of an Albino or White Lies at Des

Lodge, Mont.

PRINCIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR .

DEER LODGE Mont, July 31 .- The birth of

during the recent performance of old Robin-son's circus. Robinson is in the seventh heaven of delight, and declares that he not only pos-

esses one of the most remarkable freaks of

nature, but at the same time has a circus feat

A Protest From Portland.

Pennsylvania's Great Achievement.

ALL THROUGH THE STATE.

from the Washington Post.]

ment in Pennsylvania military circles.

tions for divorce were made in this State.

ounty, farmer broke his neck while endeavor-

WILL J. MCCONNELL, the temperance

postle, is lecturing on the subject of "My Own

CHARLES SNYDER, of Reading, drank to

pitcher of ice water and then fell at once into a

Two weeks ago John Harst, of Londonderry

ownship, Lebanon county, scratched his hand

rith a wheat stubble and blood poisoning has

W. B. HASTINGS and Scott Furnee, of Kit-

anning, were out turtle fishing on Thursday

They caught nine turtles, the largest weighing

A PRISONER in the custody of Constabl

J. L. GRANDIN, of Tidioute, has posted

notices on every available post between Tiones-ta and Warren, offering \$25 for evidence that

will lead to the conviction of illicit fishermer or hunters. Mr. Grandin offers the money ou

THE DIEGE OF THE SEASIDE BELLE.

There are no young men at the beaches this sum-

The Atlantic Ocean is a tolerable ocean, Perhaps a desirable sea; And the waves on the beach are good enough

waves

But not good enough waves for me,
And the sky above is a pretty fair sky,
The surf there are many to laud;
But there's no man in sight from morning:

Without a young man are a bore to a girl.

But the sea without men is a dult kind of thing And it's no kind of ocean for me. They rave o'er the glow of the sunset sea

And the moon with its lane of light: But in the broad day or beneath the moon's ray

Without a young man are a bore to a maid,

A pretty well advertised sea; But without the young man and all that sort of

As soft silly poets will sing; But a bare stretch of beach and no man within

The Atlantic Ocean is a good enough ocean,

know that the roets have sung of the sea,

night.

And I think the whole thing is a fraud.

For the waves as they curl, With their swish and their swirl,

There's never a man in sight, And the sun and the shade, And the moon, I'm afraid,

thing It's no kind of ocean for me.

reach la a very lugubrious thing

And the surf and the swell

asm, during which his skin grew black in

ruggles With the Drink Demon."

gating the fever epidemic there.

ing to knock off the flies.

years.

set in.

over a mile.

of his own packetbook.

crowd is expected, all of the railring here having given special rates

-The aggregate membership of the Baptist churches in the United States is \$,-070,047. Alfred L. Barron, Tiffin, O., tubular lan-tern; Andrew G. Brant, Scranton, hod; Edgar R. Bullard, Wheeling, camera; Wesley Coulter, Pittsburg, sash fastener; George A. Ellsworth, -There are 797 daily and weekly German papers published in the United States and York, O., potato digger; Ephram A. Foster Port Clinton, O., napkin supporter; Frederick -A hundred laying hens produce in egg Gandy, Fern Bank, O., sand molding apparatus; shells about 137 pounds of chalk or limes Austin J. Hanks, Wilmington, O., vehicle wheel; Noah H. Judy, Circleville, W. Va., -Richard Carmichael, of Queen Anne ounty, Md., has kept a diary for 30 years, and shows that it has invariably rained on the ith of July during that time. saddle bags: Abraham Kline, Ma Pa., currycomb; John C. Kurtz, Canal Fulton, O., thill coupling; William J. Lohr, Johnstown, O., thill coupling; William J. Lohr, Johnstown, whiffletree attachment; Jared Maris, Lebanon, O., cap and lining for point bands and hubs; Joseph J. McCarthy, Doddsville, O., wrench; Philip C. Miller, Clayton, O., fence building machine; Thomas B. Minniss, Meadville, combined head rest and walking cane; Archibald W. Paul, Wheeling, lentern: John A. Price, Scrauton, cooking stove; Daniel G. Ritz, Berlin, Pa., middlings purifier; Jacob Shasber, Reading, car coupler; Abraham H. Shock, Lancaster, Pa., edgar bunching machine; Peter B. Sprenkie, York, Pa., scalping reel and flour bolt; John Stoli, Lancaster, Pa., device for bending wood; Charles F. Tauner, Painsville, O., weather strip; Emil F. Tabach, curtain fixture; James J. Turner, Pittsburg, shoe; Alexander Wurtz and O. H. Baldwin, assignors to Westinghouse Electric Company, Pittsburg, lightning arrester: William C. Winfield and J. F. McNutt, assignors to Winfield Manufacturing Company, Warren, O., lantern; Henry D. Woodbridge, Newark, O., bag holder; George M. Igwin, Pittsburg, surface ornamentation of glassware (design patent); John D. Scribner, Alleniown, Pa., Scribner's Tonic (label); George H. Ober, Chagrin Falls, O., lathe for turning wood. whiffletree attachment; Jared Maris, Lebanon

and a half long.

-An office has been opened in Paris where the impecunious nobility may consult a list of eligible American maids, widows and divorcees, with information as to the amount of their fortune. -The Pennsylvania Railroad has 115

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The tongue of the giraffe is nearly a foot

-A jaguar will rather attack a black man

from the Broad street station, Philadelphia, on Sundays, On week days 225 trains arrive and 226 depart from this station. -The greatest marvel in telegraphy is

-It is understood that the Departmental Committee appointed to consider the advisabil-ity of permitting adhesive stamps to be affixed to cards by the public for transmission through the post, on the same terms as postcards issued by the Government, have decided in favor of allowing the change to be made.

recently wandering about the Lahore bazaars carrying bones of their deceased relatives round their necks. They were pilgrims going to Hurdwar. Most of them left the train at Jhelum to wash the bones in the sacred waters of Hydnspes, and then repurchased lickets for their onward journey. -During a thunder storm Hal Martin, of

Broomtown Valley, Ga., sought shelter under a tree, to which was attached a barbed wire fence. During the storm lightning struck the wire some distance away, and following it, knocked Mr. Martin several feet away from the tree. He was considerably shocked and dazed, but fortunately escaped serious injury. -Seventy-nine persons in Great Britain pay tax on incomes exceeding £50,000 per an-

num. The total aggregate amount of incomes thus assessed exceeds £8,000,000 sterling. In Ireland there is only one taxpayer whose income exceeds £50,000. He is returned at the rate of £76,849, and he last year contributed to the Imperial revenues the sum of £1,908. -The newest thing in baby carriages is a entrivance that by means of various appliances may be transformed into a sled, a cradle and a go-cart. The cradle, instead of being pro-

-Mr. B. Dean, of Jonesboro, Ga., has a

-A lotus lily blooming in the rear garden at the Hotel Lanier at Macon, Ga., is attracting considerable attention. The flower, which is of about the same shape and size of s water lify, is remarkable for its aword-shaped petals, tinged at the tips with a light, rosy blush, and for its faint, sweet, cinnamon odor. This is the far-famed lotus of the Nile, the roots of which are eaten by the Egyptians.

nas a black color with regularly arranged rings of yellow and red, the texture and colors to-gether producing an effect much like than of a strip of freshly-cleansed olicioth. This snake is one of the most venomous, and its bright hues may be regarded as a warning of its dan-secons qualities.

-Mr. Nayemura Sakusaburo, a druggisi

silk when properly prepared. Cultivation on an extended scale would present no difficulties.

"I sav, Jack," shouted a Smithfield drover the other day to another, "these sheep your move in this weather-lend us a bark of your

Linn became separated from the officer at Lansdale several days ago and spent are hour searching for the constable again. any disturbance as stated by you. Indignant Witness (a night watchman)—But, Your Honor, If he didn't raise the biggest kind of disturbance, how did I come to wake up? A peddler with his cart, overtaking an-

other of his clan on the road, was thus address "Hailo, what do you carry?"
"Drugs and medicines," was the reply.
"Good," returned the other, "you may sheed I carry tom battones." ahead; I carry tombatones.

"That you are going to marry again?"

"But your first wife's only been dead a week,"
"Bure, she's as dead now as she liver will be, Manager (to young playwright)-I'm sorry, but we cannot accept your play. It doesn't Playwright-That's unfortunate, sir. Will you

kindly suggest wherein it may be improved?

"Sorry again, but 1'm just like you in that respect; I don't know a blessed thing about writing a good play." An Irish gentleman asked a city broker to discount a bill for him. The broker looked at the acceptance, and, as usual, started some difficul-

up before a magistrate on a charge of stealing chocolate, which he could not deny. Upon being

"Do did it! since you must know," he said, Returning from their wedding trip, Baid Fondle to his wife,
"What duties of our partnership
Will you conduct, my life?"

Her loving eyes she on him bent, And whispered softly, "Dear, You take the business management, And I will be cashler,"

-All from Spare Home

rains arrive at and the same number depart

said to be the synchronous multiplex, an in-strument by means of which six messages can be transmitted upon one wire, either all from one office or in opposite directions.

-Numbers of Hindoos were to be seen

vided with rockers, hangs from the ceiling by a spiral spring, and the spring itself plays an important part in the adjustment of the sun-shade that goes with the carriage when it is used in its normal character.

block from a garden gate post that was hewn out and placed in the ground in 1804. He made a visit to his sister in Baldwin county, and it was at her home he secured the block from the aged yet serviceable post. The post was been out of a light wood tree, and is perfectly sound to-day. Mr. Dean says it is good for another 8 years, and perhaps much longer.

-One of the most brilliantly colored snakes that exist has just been added to the reptile house at the Zoological Gardens. It has a black color with regularly arranged rings

-J. Price, of Savannah, has a curiosity in the shape of a young mocking bird entirely white, Price purchased the bird from a negro trapper on the Waters road, who brought it into town Tuesday. From the appearance of the bird's bill it cannot be over six weeks aid. There is no doubt of the bird being a mocking bird, as it has all the marks of the species except the culor, and has the peculiar chirp of the young mocking bird. A white mocking bird is a great rarity.

PORTLAND, ORE., July 31.-The people of Portland are indignant at the reports published in several Eastern newspapers that their city has only 81,000 inhabitants. It should be state 1 that the census shows in Portland and Esst Portland, which are, in fact, one city, a populaof Hikone, in Omi, Japan, has succeeded in converting wild hemp (yachyo) into a substance possessing all the essential qualities of stance possessing all the essential qualities of silk. Nothing is said about the process, but it is asserted that trial of the thread has been made at the first silk-weaving establishment in Kioto and at other factories, with excellent re-sults in every case. The plant in question grows on moors and hillsides. Its fiber is said to be strong and glossy, in no wise inferior to silk when properly prepared. Culifyation on The Pennsylvania Militia have managed to get through their annual encampment without

the loss of a single life. This is a great achieve ... There is a bird's home and hospital in Oxford street, where people can take their pets to be nursed and cared for, says a writer in the Pail Mall Bunget. The proprietor says birds THE Bethlehem Board of Health is investisuffer chiefly from consumption and asthmadiseases brought on by the birds being placed diseases brought on by the birds being placed in draughty windows. Consumption is helped on by the birds being indiscriminately fed on all serts of things that are unsuitable as food. Birds are very fond of luxuries, and the more you give them the more they will eat. When a bird is going off into a consumption it is always eating. He pointed to one and said: "He is in a consumption, and he will be like a ball of down to-morrow—all puffed out. Physic will sometimes arrest the disease." THE Ringing Rocks of Bucks county are much DURING the first half of the year 157 applica-REED birds have made their appearance in the marshes. This is the earliest for many \*A HORSE belonging to a Franklin, Chester

-John Whittaker, of near Oregon Bend, Ky., was driving home when a meteor finshed across the heavens, and the next instant a huge stone, measuring about eight feet in diameter, came through the air and with terrific force crashed into the bed of the wagon directly behind him, grazing the seat he occupied as it fill. The horses were wild with fright, but the heavy stone pinned the wagon to the earth, and as they could not break the heavy chain traces they were unable to run off. Mr. Whittaker says he heard the meteor whizzing through the air, but had no idea what it was until he was joited out of his seat by the crash. A number of sightseers visited the spot and inspected the wonderful rock.

# LIVE ENGLISH JOKES,

A BULLDOG at Towards dashed at a runaway horse and caught it by the desh of the nose, where the canine hung and was carried Judge-The witness denies having created

"Pat, is this true that I hear?"

"It has (he said) a great many days to run,

as you see, sir."
"That's very true," replied Pat; "but I beg
you to observe that they are the shortest days in
he year." The porter of a Dublin grocer was brought

asked to whom he sold it, the pride of Patrick was greatly wounded. "To whom did I sel; it!" says greatly wounded. "To whom did I sell it!" says Pat; "why, does he think I took it to sell?" "Then, sir," said the magistrate, "what did you do with it?"