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THE INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT.

The movement of the outside petroleun producers to organize competition against the Standard is steadily crystallizing in the direction of definite organization. Interviews with the operators show the opinion to be universal that the oil interests outside of the Standard must organize to secure competing pipe-line facilities, the only differences of opinion being as to the form of organization required.

With that object steadily held in view and with the producers fully determined that the Standard emissaries shall not swerve them from their purpose, the solution of the difficulty is certain. Every one who studies the oil situation knows that competition in pipe-line transportation is the key of the situation. Any plan which provides that fully, will release the producers from the Standard's supremacy. To provide pipeline competition reaching to all parts of the field, will require combined action on the part of the producers, although different companies might be organized for different districts.

With pipe-line transportation provided, outside of the Standard, individual enterprise would doubtless engage in the independent interest, refining 20 per cent;of the control of pipe-line transportation, what lines, the independent interest would very producers would doubtless strengthen their position by owning refineries that cannot be sold out without their consent; but they may also be certain that with equal chances provided for the transportation of petroleum, the independent refineries will spring up as if by magie.

Pittsburg's interest in such projects is clear and definite. When the city was not by any means such a center of oil production as at present, it was the third refining city of the country. If competing pipe lines should center the production of the southern districts here, the refining industry, which has been twice crushed out by the Standard, would be revived into a new activity and give a fresh impetus to our

population and prosperity.

failed to deliver the goods and appointed a Democrat instead of Platt's man. "Thereupon," says the approving representative of professed piety in politics, "Mr. Platt justly vowed vengeance against Mayor Grant, and the appointment and work of the Fassett Investigating Committee was the result of

his just wrath." This sketch of the leader of the Republican party, through which, Col. Shepard informs us, municipal reform can only be obtained in New York, making a bargain with the Democracy for the creation of useless

offices, is an instructive one. To learn in addition that the Fassett investigation was brought about, not for reform or the punishment of dishonesty, but for vengeance because the Republican leader was cheated out of his share of the political swag is an object-lesson as to the necessity of cutting loose from all political cliques in order to secure any reform.

For the detailing of these political bargains, in an approving tone, by the savory Shepard, the public must thank the inevitable decree which created him for the display of that variety of foolishness so epigrammatically described by the primary Vanderbilt.

GENERAL HASTINGS' ARGUMENT. The declaration attributed to General

Hastings that, "even if it was true that the Republican leader had stolen money from the State Treasury he would still consider him better than the best Democrat," has been denied by him and is corrected by the papers which published the erroneous quotation, to what is given in the official

stenograph report as follows: "If the Republican party or its represents tive had taken from the Treasury every dollar, as he (Pattison) untruthfully alleges, I say to you that it would not amount in dollars and ents to one-half as much money as he (Pattison) cost the people of this State by an extra session of the Legislature."

The false quotation put in General Hastings' mouth was doubtless produced by a its right to existence by its contributions to our confusion of what he did say with Senator Ingalls' declaration, at the same meeting, that "the worst Republican that eyer lived is better by far than the best Democrat that ever lived." Senator Ingalls' sentiment sufficiently characterizes itself. Since General Hastings is rightfully acquitted of the brutal recklessness of the same assertion as applied to State politics, it is pertinent to point that what he did say carries with it implications that he would not deliberately make except under the misleading inspira-

tion of partisan oratory. In the first place it implies that to steal the public money for private advantage is no worse than to commit an error in public administration that costs something. pendent refining interest. If an inde- One man may steal \$50,000; another, as a public official, may perform an act within product, can exist with the Standard in | the range of his duty, out of which he does not get a cent of pecuniary advandoubt is there that with competing pipe | tage, but which costs the public treasury \$100,000. Of course General Hastings would soon refine 50 per cent of the output? The not say at any other time that they are on a of "always looking after the boys;" and the par; but if the sentence quoted from his speech has any bearing on the campaign, it means that the honest official is worse than the thief because his act cost the people \$100,000, while the thief only stole \$50,000. In the next place, it implies that when

the Executive who summons the Legislature to perform a public duty which that hody refuses to perform, the Executive, and not the Legislature, is responsible for the waste of time and money. This is exactly the statement of that extra session trouble. The Constitution called for the redistricting of the State. The Legislature

re'used to perform the work because the districts could not be gerrymandered to suit the views of party leaders. The history of that period is full of the efforts of Governor to get the Legislature to

Tribune that the Mormons in Wyoming voted THE HOME OF INDOLENCE. the Republican ticket on account of a bargain with Republican leaders who promised to sup-port the Mormon interests in Congress. If the

REV. GEORGE HODGES DESCRIBES THE CITY OF GONDOLAS.

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PROMINENT PEOPLE.

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Features Which Are Most Striking to the Eye of the Wandering American-St. Marka With Its Magnificent Music and

Stately Ceremonials. WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

devoted by the Republicans in the House, to making the Democrats leave their seats in-THERE are no cabs in Venice. You get out of the train into a gondola. There is no other cluntarily, is it not rather unreasonable to place like Venice anywhere, and Venice begins even at the door of the railway station, Down omplain when the minority leaves the House you go a marble step or two, and you are at the water, and a gondola is waiting. It is like crossing the threshold of a dream. We spent a week in Vence, and when we came away and n a bod y? Some people cannot be suited, any

that he has submitted the question of his eligi-bility to office, on account of those State deleft the palaces and canals behind us, it seemed as if we had been out of the world somewhere, and were just getting back again into the aineteenth century. All visits to Venice begin and end in a gon-

posits in his bank, to a dozen eminent lawyers, and has their assurance that he is eligible. It does not occur to him that the question whether a candidate who ignores constitutional require-ments is a very eligible one for the votes of the dola. You take a gondola to your hotel; and when you are ready to depart, and the land-

when you are ready to depart, and the land-lord, and the portier, and the head waiter come out to bid you an affectionate farewell (and to receive your parting fees), you look your last upon them from the cushioned bench of a gon-dola. The best thing in Venice is the gondola. From a rowboat, Venice would lose half its charm. But to sit softly in this genily swaying wells. A MAN out in Ohio has a house with a metal deposit under it, which has caused it to be struck by lightning eight times in three years. This news causes the Hon. Russell A. to pursue his Presidental boom with recradle, and be propelled by the silent oar of the gondolier, and look up at the marble palaces on

either side, is to enjoy a sensation worth a trip COLONEL ELLIOT F. SHEPARD CON across the ocean. tinues to vehemently assert that the Repub-licans of New York must take the straight way

A Description of the Craft.

of nominating a Republican city ticket instead of giving their support to the independent GONDOLA is a long and rather large boat, of the color of a pirate's flag. Every gonreform movement. The good colonel also points out that a truly eligible candidate for dola in Venice is as black as a black hat, Some centuries ago it seems the rulers of the state e Republicans is named Elhot F. Shepard. noticed, with concern, that there was great emulation among the citizens, each trying to make THE Pittsburgers who are going to the his gondola fairer than his neighbor's, and to meeting of the Republican League propose to that end spending no little ill-considered money upon gay paints and trappings of metal and embroidery, wherenpon a law was passed that all gondolas should be henceforth of sober black, and black they have continued to this secure the indorsement of that organization for the Erie canal project. They will do well

The station is left behind, the voices of the THE opening of a new railroad which will legion of idlers on the bank beside the station door grow pleasantly dim in the distance, the add to Pittsburg's mineral supply is an event of general interest. The branch of the West gondolier stands in the stern and rows in his miraculous fashion with a single oar. On Penn road running up Buffalo creek will prove goes the long boat between the great old manufacturing materials, to say nothing of a palaces, whose glory is now long departed; possible addition to the list of manufacturing

palaces, whose glory is now long departed; beneath the Rialto, interesting for its associa-tion with a certain Merchant, who bartered for a pound of flesh once here in Venice, and got deservedly defeated; around the sharp corners and sudden turns of the tangle of lesser canals which intersect the city in every direction; under the Bridge of Sighs at last, between the palace and the prison, and so out into the open water where the lagoons meet the Adriatic, and up to the steps of the hotel. There is no journey equal to this in any itinerary. The Rhine is nothing to it. The Grand Canal is the finest river in the world. THE meeting of the survivors of the au senal explosion, yesterday, shows that there are many people still living who were involved in THE high and mighty Mayor of Philaelphia traveled to Washington last week to nest river in the world. protest against the removal of duty from bind

A Festal Occasion.

the Mayor's particular trust, the municipal powers of Philadelphia must rally to the de-WAS very fortunate in the time of my visit to Venice. The Sunday of my stay there was the Festa of the Redentore. There was a great plague here in those old unsanitary days

when plagues were common visitations. And when at last the plague ceased without destroying quite all the inhabitants, the rem-nant put their money together and built a fine church as a thankoffering for their preserva-tion and aver chose upon a cartain THERE is good reason to hope that Mr. alfour will in a short time realize the bad policy of throwing stones at a hornet's nest and remaining in the vicinity of the hornets. church as a thankoffering for their preserva-tion, and ever since upon a certain day they have held a high festival in solemn commemoration of that deliverance. All night on Saturday the streets were full of people walking up and down. On Sunday morning there were multitudes at the island called the Lido watching to see the sun rise. There was a bridge of boats built across the Grand Canal connecting the commemorative church with the Cathedral of St. Mark. And at the time for morning service there was a great procession out of the church and across the wide square and over the bridge of boats. It was such a slight as one sees in Gentile Bellini's pictures. There was the beautiful church—the most beautiful church in Europe —with its uplitude domes, and its recessed fa-cade gleaming with golden frescoes, and beside it the place of the doges with its pillared por-tico, and near by the great solitary campanile rising un tail and strate into the nerfective ALL the wards of the Third district in Philadelphia but one have instructed for Mc-Aleer instead of Vaux. Vaux is a creditable Congressman; but McAleer has the reputation interests of "the boys" are always supreme in GENERAL E. KIEBY SMITH, President of the Sewanee College, Tennessee, is in New Or-leans undergoing treatment for cancer. GENERAL W. T. SHERMAN and General It the palace of the doges with its pillared por-tico, and near by the great solitary campanile rising up tall and stately into the perfectly blue sky, and great flags—the flags of Italy— were flying from the buge flagstaffs before the church, and across the pizza moved this gor-geous procession of ecclesiastics in splendid vestments, with singing men and singing boys, and banners and candles, chanting a litary. On Sunday evening a military band played in the Square of St. Mark's. The music was ex-cellent. One hears good music on all sides over here, even from the hand organs. The selec-tions made no pretense of being "sacred." It was frankly an instrumental concert. After-ward there were fireworks from the Grand Canal before the doges' palace, the most elabo-rate and gorgeous pyrotechnics I ever saw. One falls naturally into superlatives in think-ing or writing about Venice. No other expres-Horace Porter have been elected honorary members of the Actors' Fund of America. ROBERT P. PORTER. Superintendent of the ensus, has been quite ill, as a result of overwork. His physician in Washington, Dr. Stanton, enjoins absolute rest and quiet. MISS HARRET HOSMER has been com ned to execute a life-size statue of Queen Isabella of Castile, for which a special pavilion ill be crected in the Woman's Department of

BOTH General Merwin and Judge Morris, the

ago, left a large bequest to found a home for

old women and old men, and having thus dis-charged his duty toward his neighbor, provided

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stand in the doors like spiders waiting to entrap the unwary flics. Here is Naya's, where the fine colored risws are to be had, and Floran's, where everybody goes at noon to get an ice. All Venice saunters about the pinzas, seeking shady places, during the day; and all Venice come s back again after dimore and listens to the music of the military band in the evening. In Europe, and in Venice especially, people Hwe out of doors. There are canals in Venice, it is true, where we would have streets, but there are plenty of streets. There is no place in the whole town which cannot be reached on toot, And as you wander through these narrow streets, which turn at all sorts of angles, and in all directions, you see the whole population of the city in the streets. The buying and the sell-ing, the cating and the drinking, go on under the sky. The Venetians are not beautiful people.

the city in the streets. The buying and the sell-ing, the eating and the drinking, go on under the sky. The Venetians are not beautiful people. Some of the upliest faces which we have seen in Europe we saw in Venice. In the Ghetto, which we visited in memory of Shylock weasw the raggedest, and dirtiest and homilest of manking and womankind. One morning in the Church of the Frari, where Titian's fine "Holy Family" is and one of Bellini's charming Madonnas, they were making ready for some kind of function, and the men who were to take part were pub-licly doming their red gows. The gowns were dirty enough, but they were not half so dirty as the suspicions-looking pirates who were putting them on. Venice, with all its incomparable and indescribable loveliness, is the sadest city in the world. Everything is of the past here. All the glory, as in the Mosaics at San Marco, is in the background. The palaces are descreted of their noble and courtly inhabitants. Many of them are let for lodgings. Some are converted into shops and ware-houses. They are still surpassingly beautiful; the colors still glow as reds and blues and yellows glow in Venice. The pictures tell the truth; and the interest of history and romance gathers about the stately buildings; but lall their glory is of yesterday. The beauty is the palaces of the fine old doges of the past. Venice has played her part, and nothing seems to remain for her now but gradually to streets day in and day out : change is what you vant, and you must have it." That's all very well, Doctor, but unless have it. Insta all very well, Doctor, but unless we seek a new field we almost always stick to the well-known streets, meet the familiar faces, gaze upon the same rows of houses and business blocks. It's queer, isn't it? What draws our feet over the worn

toepaths week in and week out is a mystery which, possibly, few have tried or cared to probe. Is this the Sixth Sense referred to by Mind-reader Johnstone-Gravitation? Per-haps it is. Who knows? IF YOU want to see greased lightning watch the fellow who swabs off the trolley wire on a sleety day.

THE SUN put on an overcoat Saturday. I did the folk who keep such articles in stock. A MARYLAND woman has a goose which was

places of the fine old doges of the past. Venice has played her part, and nothing seems to remain for her now but gradually to die of ignoble poverty. At any rate, the town is poor, and beggars are many. Men by the score saunter aboat with their hands in their idle pockets. There seems to be nothing now for anybody to do. Even the priests have but a pittance a day, and their cassocks are thread-bare and their big black hats are rusty. given her when she married 21 years ago. Lots of women still have the goose they got on their weading day.

SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON.

DID Mr. Delamater kiss the Blarney Stone?

PASTEUR is treating a woman for cat hite Catnip tea will not be prescribed. THE Conger lard bill slipped through a

A Paradise for Idlers. easily as a conger cel. VENICE is the city of indolence. It is the

Capital and metropolis of the land of the lotus eaters. One cannot well be so ignorant UNDRESSED kid is not as popular on the reet as in the nursery. of Italian as not to be able to translate here in Venice the meaning of "dolce far nients." Even the American tourist who has been THE college boys are talking more about football than the course of studies. If they ex-pect to follow statesmanship this is probably the best course to study. The coming Congress-"doing" the continent at a double quick rate, seeing a town or two a day and never sleeping man must be well up in rough-and-tumble

"doing" the continent at a double quick rate, seeing a town or two a day and never sleeping two nights in the same place, falls under the spell of Venice and makes experiment of "sweet doing nothing." Nobody walks fart in Venice. Everybody saunters, idles, lingers, looks into shop windows, sits down in shady places and falls into dreams and doxings. The very doves which congregate in the Piazza are lay, and move reluctantly to make room for the passerby. The gondola is the fitting symbol of Venice. It is the cradle of absolute rest, Jt is the throne of indolence. On you glide, softly, silently, between the rows of glowing places into Nirvana. Day by day the spirit of enervation, of aimlessness, of perfect content, of absolutely serene idleness, more and more steals into the soul, till one departs in wholesome dread, lest the power of effort becard in the date of Saunters where the Armenian monks live in their quiet monas-ters. We spend an afterboon at the Lido, where we see the red and yellow salls of the fabring boats on the blue surface of the dating c. And then along the Grand Canal, past the stranded palaces. We take our way yoward the door which opens into he common world again. We board the train and leave the most beautiful and the most pathetic city in the world behind us. G. H. tactics. WANTED-A quorum. Apply to Thomas Brackett Reed, House end of Capitol, Wash

ington, D. C. No kickers need apply. THE fellow haunted by a smill may have thost of a chance after all.

IT's not the cigarette, but the thing at the and of it that causes the anxiety.

THE chief product of Mary Anderson's ranche now is coyotes and jack rabbits. Our Mary can handle a stock company more sucssfully than a stock farm.

THE Czar must be preparing for a big hunting expedition. He has placed an order for 500,000 guns in France. Perhaps the beautiful blue Danube will be reddened after all.

to the Editor of The Dispatch: IT costs less to buy a title of nobility Pouch," doesn't seem to know what he wants to know, you know. By what process the Europe than to buy a title to real estate in Pittsburg.

THE hair and whisker crops are the only mes up to the average this year.

THE ballot is the lottery ticket of the poli-

THE model housewife does not need to count her fruit jars and calculate how much jam she will put up this winter. She can take a rest and feed the visitors on gelatine and cake.

press their views thereon pro and con. This

THE New York Herald illustrated a rain storm the other day. This is carrying the thing too far. How do they expect to get good results from a dry plate on a wet day, anyhow?

lots and make such remarks as they see fit on JAY GOULD says the country is all right. In

> AN actress in one of New York's society in a studio scene. She appeared in pink fleshings, stripped of all superfluities. Even the actors were staggered at the life-like model which unexpectedly appeared. Mr. Comstock will doubtless draw the drapery around this

OUR MAIL POUCH.

THE routine of life is exacting. Do you ever eave your office, house, room or workshop with a determination to go ont of the beaten paths ant subject of public roads with much interest during several months past. I believe that a careful investigation of Shady avenue, East End, from Fifth avenue to Forbes strest, will furnish a solution of the difficulty that may be of great value to the people of the United to or from your place of business? Of course you do. After a few minutes don't you and yourself on the old track? To be sure you do. Have you ever given a thought to this habit of urning up in the same spots about the same

ours every day, accidents or ongagemen road. I have used it 40 years, had have seen it in various conditions. Have used it when it was almost impossible to move a load of thirty barred; or, do you mentally say, "Pshaw, here I am again; but what's the odds so long hundred with six fine horses; have seen then numered with six fine horses; have seen them pulling in mud up to their bodies, the axles dragging and the mud running into the wheel boxes. Some folk call that impassable. Have also seen it with dust several inches deep, which is also unpleasant. These several conditions existed under alleged Supervision and the streat

-A curious prize at a progressive eachre party in a New York town was a 50-pound

-There are seven or eight negroes in Texas, most of them ex-slaves, who are worth about \$100,000 each.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Oysters live to the age of from 12 to 15

-An average reader gets through 400

-One of Mr. Gladstone's most recen

who playso n the piano with an open window.

lain: those of Japan are made principally of

-The coins of Siam are made of porce-

-Fans were used by the ancients, and

vords a minute.

-The prison population of England has failen off of late years. Out of 113 prisons, 57 have been altogether closed.

and attends to it properly. My careful observa-tion assures me that he spends less time and less money on it than the others did. For sev-eral years past it has almost levariably been in fine condition, so much so that I believe that the wear of horses, harness and wagons saved on three-quarters of a mile of it is aunually worth all of my city taxes, as compared with former condition. He keeps the water ditches about two and a half or three feet lower than the creat of the roadway, and smoothes it up into a neat arc or curve. Light rains some times make it soft on top for a short time, but heavy rains appear to wash it off clean, and it usually dries up in an hour or so after a storm. A few hours' work with two road scrapers put it in shape when the frost breaks it up in the spring. A few touches a short time afterward, to finish it up nice, and there is the road for all summer. -In Buenos Ayres the police alone have the right of whistling in the streets. Any other person whistling is at once arrested.

-In the reign of Queen Elizabeth a clergyman whose benefice did not exceed £20 per annum was allowed to follow a trade.

-Russell Sage keeps an old \$1 bill-the first dollar he ever earned-in a glass box in his office. Mr. Sage thinks a great deal of it,

-In 1606 any one absent from church on Sunday was fined 1 shilling. An act for restraining amusements on Sunday was passed in

to miss it up nice, and there is the road for all summer. I believe that all clay roads can be main-tained in good passable condition by the same rules he works under. Our farmers have not got the means to macadamize or paye the thou-sands of miles of country roads, but they have horses and time. Thus with plows to cut the ditches down, and road scrapers to move the material up on the middle of the road and to trim it up again after wagon travel has rolled it down, they can make the best roadway possible—a roadway which I regard as a better average for either hard pulling or nice driving, summer and winter, than Forbes or Highland vulcanite payements, which are slippery and treacherous in ram or winter and very difficult to haul a heavy load on in a hot day. I believe -At the National Library of Paris a MS. of the Bible has been discovered. It was written in 1259 in a suburb of Perpignan, and is richly illuminated.

-The longest day of the year has 19 hours at St. Petersburg, 17 hours at Hamburg, 16% hours at London, 15 hours at New York, and 3% months at Spitzbergen

-Italy has ordered the study of English to be added to the curriculum of all Italian universities, and has endowed the necessary professorships for the purpose.

-A law recently passed in Denmark provides that all drunken persons shall be taken home in carriages at the expense of the land-lord who sold them the last glass.

treacherous in ram or winter and very difficult to haul a heavy load on in a hot day. I believe that if Commissioner P. were appointed a chief State officer of highways for three years, with power to select his assistants in each county, that even if he had but little funds in addition to the general road tax, he would in that time put every clay road in the State in as good condition as there is any necessity for, and farmers and others interested would find life worth living. The important facts seem to be that a road-way with three feet of drainage on each side keeps dry as a natural result; that a proper curve allows the rain to run off immediately; that such a body of clay has just about the -A young woman who has a dress making establishment in New York makes her rent by storing furs, wraps and winter dresses for her customers during the warm weather.

-The military authorities of St. Petersburg have decreed that in future foreigners shall not be allowed to serve in the army un-less they are willing to become Russian citithat such a body of clay has just about the and such a body of clay has just about the proper amount of moisture to become more and more compact under travel, and that as a result it sheds the water and that all things work together to produce the desired result, This at least seems to be the case on Shady avenue, East End. Very truly, Deny M. BRUCE, zens.

-His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales is a direct descendant of King Alfred, being the thirty-third great-grandion. Thus the English throne has remained in the same family for over 1,000 years.

-The Shah became a father at the sge of 16. His eldest daughter is nearly 45 years old, and is called the Glory of the Kings. She mar-ried the son of the master of the mint, one of the richest men in Persia.

"Wants to Know, You Know," in your "Mail -Prof. Day, of the Geological Survey, says: "All attempts at making coke on an extensive scale in Iilinois have thus far been without favorable results. The chief diffic is the impurity of the coal." horses' tails become docked in England, or any other country for that matter, is simple enough. A joint or two is taken off with a

-The heir apparent of the Japanese interpire became of legal age (11 years) on November 3, 1889. He was appointed to some honorary office and given a sword that has been kept in the imperial family since 701.

-The number of wealthy Americans who rent moors and fishings in Scotland is greatly on the increase. A financially gifted man of New York reckons the sum total expended by his countrymon at no less than $\pm 600,000$ a year— this for rent alone.

-An ingenious photographer possesses a amera which he boasts cost him but \$1 20, 35 cents of which went for a broken-down opera glass, from which he got his lens. His onfit of working tools comprised saws for 25 cents, hammers for 15, auger stocks for 25, bits for 10 and jackplanes for 35.

-For four years Mary Ryan, of Ashland, Wis., aged 22 years, had suffered with supposed consumption, and the case was considered hopeless. Last Thursday night Miss Ryan coughed up a shingle nail, much corroled

SOME LIVE TOPICS To be Voted on at the Exposition-An Im portant Prize Essay Contest. The Exposition enters upon its fourth week to-day. Since opening day, visitors have had an opportunity to vote upon a variety of popular topics, and thousands have taken ad-

JOHNNY seems to be getting his gun all over

other words, it's not a jay. MONDAY'S TOPICAL BALLOT. Should the Legislature Amend the Blue Laws

to fit the Present Day ! Open to Lady and theaters shocked the audience the other

How to Improve the Roads.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: I have read your publications on the import

ntences numbered 214 words. -There are said to be 13,000 different kinds of postage stamps in the world. -In Yokohama, with a population of 70,-States, Shady avenue is but little else than a clay 000, the number of electors is under 300. -At Carlsruhe the police fine any one

as we're happy, old boy!" Perhaps you have, perhaps you have not. However this may be, the fact remains that something draws us over the beaten paths. Your doctor says: "Seek new scenes: don't look at the same faces, the same buildings or tramp the same

are distinctly mentioned as being used in 160 Supervisors, and also under aingen Supervisors, and also under city Street Commissioners of about the same ability. These things exist no longer. The same material (minus water) is there, but our present Street Commissioner understands his business and attends to it properly. My careful observa-tion astures me that he month loss time and

RESCUING THE CANAL.

The efforts to stop the surrender of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to the railway interest is gaining so much force that there is rood hope for the preservation of the canal as a water highway. The hearing at Hagerstown, Md., Saturday, brought out the himself to the proposition that because one strongest expressions of opposition to the hargain yet heard. Leading lawyers, rep- other do his duty, therefore the first is reresenting important interests, presented propositions for the preservation of the to do what he should do. If the General, canal which would put it in running order by April next. With the matter put in that dered a body of the State militia to perform shape, it is difficult to see how the courts can refuse to preserve the canal for the original and defiantly refused to do the work, he purpose of its charter. But the railroad influences are mighty, and we cannot be sure that the canal is safe until it is in operation once more.

A STRING TO IT.

The educational qualification adopted by the Mississippi Constitutional Convention provides that after January 1, 1896, no person shall be qualified to vote in that State unless he can read a passage in the constitution of the State. This very commendable provision is modified by the following rider: "Or be able to understand it intelligently when read to him." This provision puts the convention in the attitude of prescribing an eda loop hole by which it can be nullified in favor of those to whom the party in power the positions have been filled. THE DISdesires to give the right to vote. A passage from almost any State constitution can be selected which would tax the powers of an intelligent man to understand when read to him at random and without the context; and on the other hand, one could be selected of which the most ignorant man might profess plans think that this provision of the constitution cannot be understood intelligently by the majority of the people. It is to be hoped that the spirit of civilization will have force enough in Mississippi to require an impartial educational qualification.

INVOLUNTARY USEFULNESS.

Some people may have 'been inclined to regard Col. Elliot F. Shepard as presenting charged for their prominence in labor a puzzle, like that of the flea or mosquito, as organizations, contrary to the profesto the purpose of a wise Providence in sions of Mr. Depew; but they are formances indicate that his function in publie affairs is to blurt out pieces of information which are more instructive than attractive. The old adage that "children and fools tell the truth" is a familiar one. The pions owner of the New York Mail and Express is not a child; but he has proved that he reasonable prospect that it will succeed. comes within the purview of the proverb by letting out some choice statements of facts, which the public would have lost had they been in the custody of a stronger brain. even more hurtful. The men who went on Col. Shepard's famous declaration after the strike have lost wages, and the majority of election of 1888, that \$150,000 was expended them have suffered the more irretrievable to purchase votes in New York which really loss of employment. Nothing was gained did not pay for the investment gave a rather by the strike to offset these losses. startling picture of the practice of polities ever construction may be placed on Mr. among the ultra-Pharisaical plutocracy. He has just added a companion picture to this apropos of the divisions of New York politics and the necessity of keeping clear of alliances with reform Democrats.

The very religious editor frankly tells how the leader of New York Republicanism made a bargain, with Mayor Grant by which the number of police justices was to have one of the new justiceships for a follower. On this agreement, Platt secured the passage of the bill, but the unscrupulous Grant

and the state of the

its work decently and economically, and of the reckless refusal of that body to do so, and its determination to grab all the salary its members could obtain. If it were not | sul to San Francisco, and said to be the only for the campaign search after partisan arguments General Hastings would not commit man uses his legal authority to make ansponsible for the second's refusal or failure while in command at Johnstown, had orcertain duties, and the regiment had boldly would have had no difficulty in perceiving the injustice of charging him with the loss of money spent in maintaining the useless

and insubordinate bodies. Yet the exigencies of the State campaign lead him to make exactly that charge against Governor Pattison, for the wanton refusal of the State Leg-

islature to do its work. The mildest commentary that is possible upon such arguments, is that the Republicans must be very hard up for campaign material when they are resorted to.

A STRIKE'S FAILURE.

The last echo of the New York Centra strike was heard last week in the statement ucational qualification, and then providing that the late strikers were flocking back to seek their former places; but that most of PATCH gave full attention to the refusal of the New York Central management to arbitrate, and to its violation of the principle professed by Mr. Depew, that employes should not be discharged for belonging to labor organizations. It is pertinent, in view of the fact that the strke has lost some an understanding. Perhaps the Mississip- 3,300 men their positions, to point out the illustration of the principle often stated in these columns, that a strike without good assurance of success, is an offense against the interests of labor.

The New York papers are teeming with the moral lessons of the strike and the folly of striking. They carefully conceal the

fact brought out by the inquiry of the State Arbitration Board, that men were discreating him. His most characteristic per- not the less correct in saying that the sequel shows the strike to have been wrong. Labor leaders should understand the responsibility that rests upon them, not alone to be sure that a strike is founded in justice; but, beyond that, to refrain from that species of industrial war unless there is at least a In this case, while the aggression on the

part of the corporate management has been pretty well established, the strike has been What Powderly's letters in other respects, he was right in the view that if the Knights of Labor were obliged to fight the New York Central, they should wait until they could

make the fight to the best advantage. The failure of the New York Central strike is a new illustration of the rule often demonstrated before, that in the interests of labor a strike should be not resorted to till be increased to fiteen, and Mr. Platt was to every other means fails, and then only when there is a fighting chance of success.

THE news comes from the Salt Lake

baldheaded. As the New Haven Palladium rate and gorgeous pyrotechnics I ever saw One falls naturally into superlatives in think ing or writing about Venice. No other expres poetically puts it, "Time has worked like ray, ages on" both their "talented pates." on seems quite adequate. COLONEL FREDERICK A. BEE. Chinese Con

Lovely Music and Stately Co-emonial, American, with the exception of Anson Bur-ON Monday, in St. Mark's, I heard the most lingame, who held a diplomatic office lovely music of voice and orchestra and hat Government, is on a vacation visit to Bar organ, and saw the most glorious and stately Harbor. monial which the Roman Church can offer THE Republicans of the Ninth Virginia (Mr out of Rome. Giovanni Battiste Soldini, a entleman of Verona, dying a good many years

Buchanan's) district have nominated George T. Mills, of Pulaski City, for Congress. He is Pennsylvanian, but for the last 11 years has been largely interested in Virginia land develent and mineral industries. THE decoration of Officer of Public Instrucon has been conferred by France, through the French Legation at Washington, on Dr. Persifor Frazer, of Philadelphia, who was

Vice President of the fourth session of the International Geological Congress at Philadelphis. JOHN WHISTLER, the wealthy Pottawotte nie, who died about a week ago, was the rich-

est man in Indian Territory. He was born in 1836, at Fort Dearborn, now Chicago, but had lived in Indian Territory for 22 years. He aves an immense estate. His wife is a Sac

and Fox of considerable celebrity. Two of the seven ladies in waiting of Ones. largaret of Italy are New York girls-the Princess Vicovaro, who was Miss Eleanor Lor illard Spencer, and the Princess Brancaccio,

who was Miss Hickson Field. The Prince Vicovaro is a Cenci, and still owns the stately palace which belonged to Lucrezia Petroni, the stepmother of Beatrice Cenci, together with many memorials of the ill-fated beauty.

DEATH OF A GOVERNOR

Charles Clark Stevenson, of Nevado, Carried Away by Typhoid Fever.

CARSON, Nev., September 21.-Charles Clark Stevenson, Governor of Nevada, died of typhoid fever at his residence in this city to-day. His attending physicians had entertained of his recovery for the past ten days. Fings over Government and State buildings are at half mast, capitol is draped in mourning. Funeral services will take place in Carson City, Tuesday, with military honors, and the body will be taken to Oakland, Cal., for interment. Governor Stevenson was 64 years of age and was born in Ontario county, New York. Lien-tenant Governor H. C. Davis died a little over

a year ago.

SISTERS REUNITED. The Peculiar Manner in Which They Met for the First Time in 35 Years.

INPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. PIQUA, O., September 21.-The widow of Rev Snyder, of Oklahoma, with three children, arrived here a few days ago on their way to Lima, where Mrs. Snyder was going to look for a sis-ter whom she had not heard of for 30 years. Money and health gave out here. John Weave ave the desolate family shelter. Yesterday Mrs. Suyder started away, but sent

s child back after a forgotien article. An acci-dental question discovered that Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. Snyder were the separated sisters.

A Beltimore Lawyer Disbarred. BALTIMORE, MD., September 21.—John H. Handy was yesterday disbarred by the Supreme Bench for squandering trust funds. He ad mit-ted his guilt, but declared that he never in-tended to do wrong. He entered a pies for mercy, saying that if permitted to devote his efforts to his profession he huped to save his bondsmen and the creditors of the trust from loss.

A Sailor's Death From Lockjaw

MILFORD, DEL., September 21.-Fred Ross died to-day from lockjaw. While working on a vessel coming into the Mispillion river on August 25 he had his leg badly twisted between the hawser and windlass, causing injuries which superinduced the fatal discase.

Hog Cholern in Ohlo. DAYTON, O., September 21.-Farmers in the ricinity of Spring Valley are losing all their

hogs by cholera and the presence of the disease is reported west of there toward the Big Miami river. If open weather continues the epidemic will become general for there is no known cure for hog cholera. TUESDAY'S TOPICAL BALLOT.

the following topics:

Should the President of the United States b Chosen by Direct Vote of the People? Open to Gentlemen Voters Only. pink of perfection and lower the box office re-WEDNESDAY'S TOPICAL BALLOT.

vantage of THE DISPATCH Poll Book to ex-

popular mode, of gauging public opinion will

be pursued by THE DISPATCH until the close

of the big show. For the opening days this

week visitors are requested to cast their bal-

Should the Granting of Liquor Licenses be Placed in the Hands of a Commission? Open to Lady and Gentlemen Voters. Vote Ave or Nay on the foregoing at DIS

PATCH Headquarters, Brunswick-Balke-Colleuder Billiard Company's Space, Exhibition Building. On account of the bulk and variety of the

charged his duty toward his neighbor, provided for his own eternal welfare by a provision that every year upon a certain day or series of days masses should be said for the repose of his soul, adding that in case the masses should ever be noglected or intermitted the sum bequeathed for them should go to a cer-tain musical association in Milan. The masses have never yet failed of celebration, and the Milanese musicings have never seen a peoper or competitions for the Prizes offered by THE DISPATCH for the best essay on the measures to be taken to promote the growth and prosper Milanese musicians have never seen a penny or a centime of the 6,000 annual francs. One of ity of Pittsburg, THE DISPATCH has decided not to detract from their importance by another essay contest until after the pending awards have been made and the competitions pul lished. The topic is of vital importance, and he public must be given opportunity to diges the views of the writers without being turned

in other and lesser channels.

CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE.

ployer's Daughter.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

John Hostings.

John Hastings, a keeper at the Western Peni-tentiary for 26 years, and who burled his wife about a month ago, died yeaterday at his home on Terrace avenue, Allegheny. He was a brother of Samuel-Hastings, the well-known Allegheny

Last Day of the Allegheny Conference of the U. B. Church. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.

Milanese musicians have never seen a penny or a centime of the 6,000 annual francs. One of the terms of the bequest was that new music should be composed for the masses every year, so that the singing of the Soldini masses is the supreme musical event of the year in Venice. The church was full of priests in magnificent vestments; the great pillars of the nave were draped in black velvet edged with gold; in the middle of the church stood a monumental bier. It was like a cheerful funeral. The mass was sung with wonderful tenor ef-fects and fine orchestral harmonies. The stately ceremonies were performed with digni-ty and solemnity and a noticeable absence of tawdry and tinsel. Mr. Howells in his "Vene-tian Life" notes how the conductor of the mu-sic at the Soldini masses pounds with his haton on the stone rail before him. He pounds as vigorously and as distractingly as ever. Rat-tat-tat goes the aggravating beating of the unmusical stick till one wishes that it were astout rod cudgeling the obtrusive conductor. But there is no other discord. Outside at the gates of the choir kneel the old men and the old women who have good reason to bless Signor Soldmi's memory. The old men wear blue coats and caps, and the old women wear white aprons and white linen capes over their heads, and each old woman extres a red plaid handkeroline and a SCOTTDALE, September 21 .- The fifty-secon annual convention of the Allegheny Conference of the United Brethren Church, wound up to day after a four days' session. The ministers and delegates will leave for their respective homes in the morning. Last night's sea devoted to the reading of the list of appoint ments as made out by the Standing Cor Considerable of a surprise was created resignation of Rev. G. B. McKee, who white linen capes over their heads, and each old resignation of Rev. G. B. McKee, who was ap-pointed to the pastorate of the church at Hunt-ingdon, in the Altoona district. The only reason assigned was his dissatiafaction with the ap-pointment, Rev. A. Day was appointed to fill the vacancy. Memorial services were held in honor of the late Rev. De Long, who, during his connection with the conference was pastor woman carries a red plaid handkerohief and a green fan. Inside the chancel, candles are lighted and blown out, and incense rises in fragrant clouds. St. Mark's is full of people, coming and going, some with prayer books, some with guide books.

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Apparently a Devout Feaple.

ST. MARK'S is always full of people. I used to spend hours there, and all the time cople were kneeling at their prayers. Brownskinned gondoliers would come in and cross themselves and say a prayer or two, and look about a little while and go out again. Even the beggars, to whom the grand church is as free and open as it is to the wealthiest and noblest of the Venetians, say their paternosters and their aves, and pray perhaps that good Ameri-cans will be generous of Soldi, and go back to their begging. It ought to do even a Venetian beggar good to get under that gorgeous roof, and kneel on that floor of billowy marble. St. Mark's glows with gold and color. The roof, as you look up into its arches, is peopled with great figures of saints arahist a background which shines like the yellow sun. The walls gleam with alabaster. The floor lies in great heaving, waves of colored marble. Up and down; no two inches alike anywhere. Saints and aposties stand upon the great screen be-tween the nave and the choir. The reredos is of fair gold brought in old days from Constanti-nople. themselves and say a prayer or two, and look ensuing year.

And yet St. Mark's does not impress one over-colored, or as too much ornamented. All blends together into marvelous harmony. One never tires of it. Hour after hour, in sunshine never tires of it. Hour after hour, in sanshine and in shadow, where the crowds are greatest, or array in some silent corner-as beside the stone which came from the gate of Tyre in the old crusading times, and by which, they say, the Savior rest-ed-everywhere St. Mark's is full of revelations and surprises. It is never twice the same. Probably it is pever the same precisely to any two beholders. Certain it is that I could not find 'anywhere in Venice that St. Mark's which Ruskin pictured in that magnificent paragraph of his which everybody reads. No doubt he saw it, bearing its Easter message. But here, as everywhere, "as we are, we see."

The Beart of the City.

THE heart of Venice is the Square of St. Mark's. Here is that fine group of Cathedral and palace and campanile which is unri-valed anywhere. Here beside the water stand the two great pillars, one surmounted by the winged hon of St. Mark, the other by the figure of St. Theodore with his foot upon the croco-dile. Here are the finest shops in Venice, the queer shops where the whole stock in trade is in the windows and where the shopkeepers ceipts. THERE be scruples in drachms, but many man takes his dram without any scruples

In this age of misplaced switches, loose rail way ties, Flobert rifles, canned fruit, unloaded guns, misfit prescriptions, cyclones, dynamite cans, new explosives, cable cars and dead wires, it behooves every man, woman and child to have names and addresses tattooed on their bodies and stitched into their clothing, so as their friends can be notified and decent burns

assured. A DAMN will not stop the current of events

PERHAPS Mind Reader Johnstone can tel an anxious world who struck Billy Patterson

Twe elephant has a roaming nose To the Editor of The Dispatch:

Please state in your paper whether Richard Mansfield ever played "Dr. Jeykl and Mr. Hyde" in Harris' Theater? BROTHER SHEPARD, of the Mail and Er. press, is advertising an article in "Gay Paris" by Rev. Dr. John Hall. What Brother John A CONSTANT READER OF YOUR PAPER. PITTSBURG, Septem does not know about the high jinks of the gay city would fill a book. Or has he been Not in Pittsburg or Vicinity.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: JUDGING from the vote cast Friday at DIS Have the enumerators of census received PATCH Exposition headquarters on the ques-tion whether funerals should have right of heir pay yet? If not, Why? Also, the enumer-tors in the country districts? ONE OF THE ENUMERATORS, LATROBE, PA., September 17. way over street cars, a good many peo the hearse should be turned into a hurry-up

TALK is cheap, but it takes money to build An entertainment is to be given in Wilkins-burg this evening by the Missionary Society of the Trinity Reformed Church. Music, recita-tions and ice cream are to be the principal feat-ment of the operation and the proceeds are to go a pipe line. Collect the cash, Mesers. Pro-ducers. Pittsburg will furnish the pipe if you pay the pipers. tors of the occasion and the proceeds are to go toward the primary object of the society, the spreading of the gospel in foreign lands. Wilkinsburg always enjoys itself at functions of this sort and there is sure to be a large at-

RECIPROCITY in the voting line seems to t quite popular in Pennsylvania this year.

IF Eve had known as much about the world as Sarah Bernhardt she could have handled a snake with impunity, too.

IF the tariff bill could be so fixed as to keep the sand out of the sugar the consumer might stand tax without grumbling.

honor of the late Rev. De Long, who, during his connection with the conference, was pastor at Braddock and Johnstown. The memorial sermons were delivered by Bishop Dickson, Dr. Funkhousrer and Rev. Mr. Lesher. Today the missionary anniversary and chil-dren's jubilee were observed. Revs. Lichleiter, Stewart, Burgess, McCulloch and Cooke were ordained to-day by Bishop Dickson, assisted by Revs. D. Shearar and J. B. Resher. Dr. I. U. Kephart, of Dayten, preached the sermon this erening. This has been the largest annual meeting ever known in the history of the con-ference. Rev. Mr. McCloy is Chairman and H. T. Shupe, Secretary, oi the Conference for the ensuing year. AND now the Delamater organs are publish ing, "at the request of Democrate," the eulogy pronounced by Senator Quay over the late lamented Samuel J. Randall. Of course, the orders to print came from headquarters. Don't drag dead men or dead issues into it, managers. The people are wide awake thi time, and they want live questions to digest.

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CAPTURED AN IRON PRINCESS. THE widow who enters a cometery afte dark and places a wreath on the grass growing Swedish Carpenter Weds His Rich Em over the remains of another person instead of her husband's, makes a grave mistake,

KANSAS CITY, Mo., September 21.—It be-came known here yesterday for the first time that the daughter of 5. J. Shoon, the iron man-mfacturer, formerly of Dauphin and Harris-burg, Pa., and who made the cars on which the Manhattan Beach Hotel was moved, had se-cretly married, nearly two months ago, a Swed-ish carpenter employed about her father's shops. The girl is very handsome and highly educated, while the man is barely able to speak English, and is not even a first-class me-chanic. The father of the girl, it is under-stood, disowned her. KANSAS CITY, Mo., September 21 .- It be WHEN the treasury is full money canno help being tight.

WRONGS can be burled in the heart and car ried to the grave.

In the plain language of the street, Kilgor got there with both feet.

DROP all this talk about "gilded opium dens in Pittsburg. The meanest hovel in the slums is cleaner and sweeter than the best of them. The gitter is all in the eye-or the imagina-

THAMONDS will go up as soon as Jack Fros and the plumber commence operations.

Mrs. Philomean Buss. The funeral of Mrs. Philomean Buss, who died on Friday, at the residence of her son-in-law, John Kessier, in Edgewood, took place yesterday Anternoon. The ceremonies were conducted by Rev. F. Ruoff, of the Smithfield Street United Evangelleal Frotestant Church. in the presence of a large number of friends of the decessed. The remains were interred in Homewood Cemetery, Mrs. Buss was 80 years of age. She was very well known and respected in Plitsburg. She had been confined to her bed for nine months previous to her death. Ir the calamity which overtook Lot's wife should befall a Nineteenth century woman those who are to come after would have a fin Itime finding out what is concealed in the pil ar.

PITTSBURGERS smile when they read about the smoke nuisance worry in Chicago, New York and other clues. We have solved the problem, sisters. Natural gas suits us, but ion't soot us, you know.

As a jailer, Speaker Reed is not a glitterin WILLIE WINKLE

knife in a surgical way, as the horses tail is too big for a joint or two to be chewed off as is done by brutal dog fanciers on the tails of dogs, or cut off with scissors, as some brutal dog fanciers who think they can im-prove on God's handiwork, cut off a large por-tion of dogs' ears to make them look smart, don't you know. Well, in most instances the tails of horses, especially draught horses, are not docked, but the hair platted and tied up as tight as the tail will allow of, because England, Scotland and Ireland is such a damp country, so much rain, drizzle and fog; the roads, both in town and country, get so dirty and muddy the teamster's or groom's time would be almost constantly employed washing the horses' tails and taking off the mud accumulated on their bodies by the swishing thereof. In very few instances in big cities like Liver-pool, where the finest draught horses in the world are to be seen, are the tails docked, but the hair simply platted and dressed by the teamsters in the most wonderful fashion, and with the same cars and taste exhibited by a first-class hair dresser on the nead of a young lady going to a ball, and on the lat of May of each year in procession trimmed with ribbons, roactice and artificial flowers calore. Hunting each year in proc a trimmed with each year in procession trimmed with ribbons, rosettes and artificial flowers galore. Hunting, racing and sporting men in the Old Country do actually dock or take a joint or two of the tails and trim the hair accordingly, thinking about the time she was first afflic -For some years a record of storms, magnetic disturbances, etc., has been kent at the tails and trim the hair accordingly, thinking their horses look smarter and their appearance improved. MUD. Berlin postoffice. The results show that under-ground wires are much less disturbed by mag-netic storms than overhead wires, while, on the other hand, accidents from rightning are much less serious in towns where the overhead sys-

mproved. PITTSBURG, September 18.

PITTSBURG, September 21.

Short Tails Defended.

knife in a surgical way, as the horses' tail is

Because It is Not a Legal Tender. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Why is it many stores refuse to accent Cana

License in Canada; None in New Jersey,

Will you please inform me whether you mus

have a license to get married in Canada? Where else can you marry without a license?

A CONSTANT READER. PITTSBURG, September 18.

He Did Not.

Sure to be Weil Attended.

Times Have Changed.

Ohio would lose a Congressman by the Dunnell apportionment, and is almost the only State which would thus suffer. The Ohio man has lost the pull which he had with Providence a few years ago.

CANDIDATE AND CATTLE SHOW.

O the Cattle Show's a God-send

Just to see what execution

Mark how eloquent he waxes

To the man who goes a-gunning For an office! O it's funny. When a caudidate is cunning,

He can do-in what short order

He can bag his votes by dozens-And with nothing but "soft-sawder!"

O'er the beauties of prize pumpking

How he kisses all the bables, And hobnobs with all the bumpkins;

How he praises up the bed-quiits

And the cabbages and onions,

While he asks with accents tende

With what rapture be enlarges

On the transcendental heifers! How he hangs in joy ecstatie

That is anything but fragrant!

How he raves o'er rutabagas.

With what reverence he gazes On big squashes and potatoes O he's reckless with his taffy!

To the "agricult'ral int'rest"

O, Indeed, 'tis truly touching To see what a fond affection

Folks develop for the farmer Just before the fall election. -Bo

His devotion it is atter. Hear him blow about his battles In the past for "honest butter!"

But the biggest hit that's made is-And he spreads it on the thickest-

When he compliments the ladies!

All about the farmer's buntons;

O'er the hog-pens, while the zephyrs Blow unchilden thro' his whiskers, Laden, ev'ty breezy vagrant, With an off ring for his nostrils

takes on o'er tomatoes

From the Globe-Demscrat.]

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

only generate and perfect only since in the world. The interesting relic is about 3400 years old, and was used in King Solomon's Temple. Mr. Gotachalk is on his way to San Francisco to fulfill a promise and show the shekel to a friend who is a celebrated numis-matist and has the largest collection in this dian coin, especially quarters, except at 20 per cent discount? Is there not as much silver in Canadian quarter as in an American quarter Z. L. HAY. PITTSBURG, September 19, country.

tem prevails,

-The two sides of the human face are not exactly alike, and a German biologist as-serts that the lack of symmetry, as a rule, 19 confined to the upper part of the face. In two cases out of five the eyes are out of line, and seven persons out of every ten have stronger sight in one eye than in the other. Another singular fact is that the right ear is almost in-variably higher than the left.

-Mr. Gotschalk, of New York, owns the

only genuine and perfect holy shekel in the

-The Berlin fire department has lately received a novel fire engine, which has excited received a nover his engine. The carriage is con-structed entirely of papier mache, all the dif-ferent parts, the body, wheels, boles and the rest, being finished in the best possible manner. While the durability and powers of resistance possessed by this material are fully as great as those of wood, the weight is of course much less.

-In England and other parts of Europe, horse shoes are now in use, made of cowhide instead of iron. The shoe is composed of three thicknesses of the hide, which is pressed into a steel mold and afterward treated by a chemical preparation. The shoe is guite smooth on the outside surface, no calks being needed, as the shoe adheres firmily on polished ceded, as the shoe adheres firmly on polis avements. It is claimed this shoe is much ighter than the iron one, lasts longer, and that he hoofs of horses wearing them never split.

FUNNY MEN'S FANCIES.

"So your intended is really a beauty,

"A beanty? Yes, indeed, Why, she even looks handsome in an amateur photograph." polis Journal

Little Johnny-Say, dad, when I grow

ap I want you to make a minister out of me. Brown-Wintindees you to make that choice, my hoy? Little Johnny-I want to go to Europe every

ummer.-Harper's Bazar. "No, Charles," said Emma, "I'll not go

driving: I don't want any ice cream; and you must not send me any candy." "Why not, Emma?" asked her flance, "Because, Charles, Christmas iscoming, and-

ab-1 think you had better save your money for on."-Harper's Bazar the holiday sea

"Theoretically that is a typographical error. In reality it is not."

"This one which makes an item say that 'everal well-known society women have retarned to gown, 'instead of 'to town.' "-Harper's Basar. Dramatist-Well, I'm glad you decided to put on my comedy, "Life at Harvard," and I hope you told the scene painter to give his work

plenty of local color. Manager-Oh, that'll be all right; he's ordered two barreis of red paint to work 'em up with.-The Jester.

"Then you have made up your mind, "Yes, sir. I'll die an old maid."

"But if some young man were to propose \$

"Ah, that would be a different thing altogether,

"Well, that young poet certainly writes an agreeable letter," said the editor of an ob-scure weekly, laying down the note that accom-

valied the poem. "What does he say?" asked the assistant, as he

barrowed the editor's sciences, "He makes the request that his manuscript be not consigned to the waste-basket. Hepschaif imagines this paper is rich enough to own a wast-basket, "-Harper's Basar.

Minnie-Even though it was my last chance. I never would marry a man who was devoted to a fad.

Mamie-Nors Yet that is just what I expect to do shortly. Minute-And what is his particular hobby

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Mamie-Me,-Indianapolis News,