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## THE CRITIC'S REVIEW

Mr. E. H. Stoddard and Rudyard Kipling Dally With the Muses.

THE DEVIL'S OLD PICTURE BOOK.

A Choice Specimen of the Literature of the English Turf.

ATTRACTIVE BOOKS IN PAPER COVERS

There is so much poetry in Mr. R. H. Stoddard's little book of verse-"The Lion's Cub" (Charles Scribner's Sons; J. R. Weldin & Co., \$1 25)-that one knows not where to begin quoting. The poetry begins with the roses and sunbeams of the cover, and never flags to the last word of "The Lion's Cub;" the name-piece of the book being, in this instance, set for epilogue. Perhaps this little couplet of verses will illustrate as well as any other the Oriental meditativeness which marks the book on almost every page. The title is "The Door:"

One knocked at the Beloved's door. "Who is there?" The loud reply To the Voice within was, "L' Go thy way and come no more, This house holds not Me and Thee; Who himself loves, loves not Me." Closed was the Beloved's door.

Back to the Beloved's door, After twelve months' prayer and fast,

In the desert lone and wast,
The lover came and knocked once more.
"Who is there?" The answer now
Was no longer "!," but "Thou."
Opened was the Heavenly Door.

The wise men from the East speak in the book. Mehammedan sages and Persian poets and Brahman priests have sagacious and pleasant utterance here. Perhaps the best of the book, however, is its company of lovers. Mr. Stoddard's venerable head, with beard of patriarchal cut and color, does ot prepare the reader who looks first at his picture for all these tripping, graceful, winning, cheery and tender love songs. "Silver Amoris" begins the book and makes a good

name for a good part of it.
Itudyard Kipling's "Departmental Ditties and Barrack Room Ballads" (United States Book Company) is a book of rather newspapery poetry, and probably owes its sight of the light mainly to Mr. Kipling's andden popularity. Most of these verses are capital "catches" to be said or sung at soldiers' messes or in the glimmer of campfires or to the time of drum and fife. English politics, especially as they have headquarters at the Foreign Office; and military life in India, with its pranks and promotions, make up the themes of the majority of these slap-dash rhymes. And as glimpses into that side of life-set in frames which probably go better with the pictures than Mr. Stoddard's gracefully finished settings would-these pages are worth while. You can't "loots" and "pink dominoes," and the story of the rise of "Potiphar Gubbins, C. E.," and the woes of 2 per cent reductions in "our incomes," in the style of Hafiz, or with the gravity of Marcus When the 'arf-made recruity goes out to the

"E acts like a babe an' 'e drinks like a beast, An' 'e wonders because 'e is frequent de Ere 'e's fit for to serve as a soldier. Serve, serve, serve as a soldier So-oldier hot the Queen!

That is how it goes, rollicking verse and shouting chorus, ballads of the barrack

There are no shouts and no choruses in "Songs from an Attie." (Brentano's: J. R. Weldin & Co.) A sad book for the most part; telling stories of discouragement in rather indifferent meter, and not very sucrather indifferent meter, and not very sue-cess ul endeavers after poetry. Here, for really should have been to keep consistent

I look at you, my brothers in the swim, While I wade in the lower depths of art, How each of you, from youth up, played your part.

Well, I had pearls, too, in this soul of mine: I would and won, and lost, too, in my day. I got in sadness what I tossed to swine— And now my soul is going far away.

Prettily bound, with a green spider climbing up a white wall into a green net.

It was in the days when the stage of the theater was the chancel of the church that those nious pilgrims, the Crusaders, came back out of the East with pockets full of playing cards. What a motley company of inventious and discoveries, of arts and sciences, of things good and things bad, of religion and arithmetic, came back with the Crusaders! "The Devil's Picture Books," Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer calls these packs of painted pasteboard, borrowing a name from their enemies. And here is a fine, handsome book, taste ully bound, beautifully printed, published by Dodd, Mend & Co., sold by J. R. Weldin & Co., price \$5; all about playing cards, beginning as far back as the days when swords, cups sticks and money were the "pips" distin guishing the suits, and extending into all lands and times. A book full of curious information, capitally stated and set out with pages of colored repqueer cards. Printing m movable blocks began, it seems, with cards, and thence extended into other varieties of literature. Cards of ivory and mother of pearl; cards of parchment, of od, of paper; big leaves for eards in Malayland, canvas for cards in Hindostan; even gold and silver are among the materials out of which the "devil's picture books" have been manufactured. Chinese cards are bright crimson, and of the shape and size of a finger. Hindon cards are made in seven suits. At the time of the Revolution, Kings were expelled from the court circle of the cards of France. Some people, it appears, have desired, out of intense patriotism, to banish them from the eards of America and to put Presidents and Generals in the place of them! Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, for example, and Mr. and Mrs. Morton, but who shall stand for knave?

Cards and horse racing are believed to be of like feather. Mrs. Van Rensselaer's book may have Mr. Curzon's book for company: "The Blue Ribbon of the Turt." Gebbie & Co.; J. R. Weldin & Co., §1 75), ing a chronicle of the race for the Derby. The history begins with victory of Initials, embroidered, hemstitched, 10c to 'Diomed' in 1780, and is brought up to the \$3; silk flandkerchiefs, 25c to \$1 50, in greatrictory of "Sainfoin" in 1890. It was in 1847 that "Derby Day," was first formally recognized as a national holiday, Parliament, by resolution, adjourning to attend the horse race. For now more than a century the contest on Epson Heath has been the 1sthmian game of England. Here you may learn everything about it. Touts and jockeys, winners and losers, jockeys and betters, the social and financial features of the race are here recited, with "Sainfoin's" graceful figure for fitting frontispiece.

Dodd, Mead & Co. publish George Sand's "Gallant Lords of Bois-Dore" in two handsome volumes and in Stephen Clovis' translation. Also two novels by Charles Reade, his "Peg Woffington" and his "Christie Johnstone," in charming covers, and in print which is perfection. These form inact volumes of a series which these publish. | gheny. ers promise, called the Guinta (joonta) series, named after the great Itulian printers of the early 16th century. The series will contain reproductions of the classics but not of the "hack classics," not the common run or immertals. The type was made in France. \$1 25 a volume. (J. R. Weldin &

People who are interested in politics or in puddings, in statesmen or dishes, will find 401 Smithfield Street, Cor. Fourth Avenue. matter of interest in "Statesmen's Dishes. and How to Cook Them." (Brentano's., J. Deposits of \$1 and upward r B. Weldin & Co., \$1 25.) Mrs. Benjamin interest allowed at-4 per cent.

Harrison is author of some considerable number of these culinary endeavors, begin-ning with an autograph recipe for clear scup, and including a minute and graphic prophecy of the dinner which the President of the United States will be partaker of upon the 25th day of this month of Decem

Other people, such is the wide variety of human likings, will take a deeper interest in Don Passos' on "The Law of Collateral Inheritance, Legacy and Succession Taxes"
(L. K. Strouse & Co., J. R. Weldin & Co.) From Dion Cassius to Don Passos many have been the expositors of that singular provision of things, in virtue of which, after a man is dead, the State comes in and takes a good handful of his gold and silver before delivering his goods to his widow and children. Mr. Don Passos applauds this law, wants it applied, without even except-ing charitable institutions, and would have it made heavier than ever.

Statesmen's dinners and statesmen's taxes may alike be evaded by escaping to Alaska. Thither, this very summer, jumped Mrs.
Septima M. Collis, and already behold a
book, illustrated with "kodak" photographs, and itself a good illustration of instantaneous composition, "A Woman's Trip to Alaska" (Cassell Publishing Com-pany, J. R. Weidin & Co.), General Sherman writes a commendatory preface. But the book approves itself. It is sprightly, en-tertaining, never learned, never statistical, tertaining, never learned, never statistical, always observant of men, and women, and things. It has at the start a brisk picture of the energetic lady who made the trip, and at the finish a red-lined map of the pleasant journey. A big totem-pole adorns the cover. Several little, unexpected colored prints enliven the text. The book is written in the form of a journal letter-t good letter to get.

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Finally, these books, of one sort and an-

other: First, some paper-covered ones; "Le Beau Labreur," by Annie Thomas (United States Book Company), dedicated to a Major and a buildog; a soldier book, with a foolish soldier for a hero. "The Shadow of Roger Laroque" (Cassell), translated from the French, a detective story. "A Laggard in Love," by Jeanie Gwynne Bethany (United States Book Company). "It was then that Victoria arose, and, stretching out her hand across that grave, placed it on the bowed head." -oh, so tenderly-on the bowed head. Hand in hand they wended their way Hand in hand they wended their way through the churchyard, an everlasting peace filling their hearts." "Basil and Annette," by B. L. Farjeon (United States Book Company), Australia, performing bears, mines, misfortunes and good love, beautifully told. "Three Millions," by Oliver Optic (Lee & Shepard) an old story in new type. "The Dominion of Darkness" Charles H. Sergel, and "Work While Ye Have the Light," (United States Book Company), both by Tolstoi. The first, a play, the second, a parable. The playais coarse, with characters who are The players coarse, with characters who are as uncivilized and as unpleasant as their names. The parable is fine. It reminds the reader of "Where there is love, there is God also," and others of Tolstoi's simplest and best. Here are the two sides of Tolstoi; one side Russian, and best kept in Russia, where some people with sturdy palates may relish it; the other side cosmopolitan, worthy of the writer's fame, and worth

everybody's reading.
Then, these two or three in good bindings: "The Art of Authorship," by George Bainton (D. Appleton & Co., J. R. Weldin & Co.) Interviews with nearly all the eminent writers of the day, who here set down in their own words their lessons of experience for the aspiring author. The result is a unique and valuable book.

Methods, reading, simplicity and obscurity,
and "truthfulness to one's seli" make headings of chapters. "The Old Meeting
House," by Rev. A. M. Colton (Worthington Company) with an old-fashioned ecclesiactical part on the cover, and a variety of astical parn on the cover, and a variety of pleasant reminiscences within. Mr. Colton is a Presbyterian divine, now past 80, who can remember the time when everybody be-lieved in the Westminster Confession of Faith. And he would persuade us that peo-ple in those days were not long-faced and

"Earth's crammed with heaven: And every common bush aftre with God; But only he who sees takes off his shoes:

The rest sit round it, and pluck blackberries. "The age we live in, like the natural world around us, if full of wonders. Let us be wakeful, observant, reflective, reverent, not disobedient to the heavenly vision." That is the spirit of the book. And with that excellent sentiment, this week's allotment ends THE CRITIC. of the labors of

CARPENTER'S Washington Gossip is found only in THE DISPATCH. His letter for to-morrow treats of Senator Ingalls and other interesting men. Best paper in the State. All the news, 192 columns.

DON'T allow yourself to trifle with a cold, and so encourage the development of some latent pulmonary or bronchial disease, which often ends fatally. You had better cure your cough or cold by promptly resorting to Dr D. Jane's Expectorant, an old-time remedy for all coughs, lung and throat affections.

PRINTED India silk, choice designs and colorings were \$1 25 and \$1 50, now 75c and \$1 a vard. HUGUS & HACKE. TTSSu

For Christmas.

Pendants being shown by Hardy & Hayes, Jewelers: A most beautiful crescent.

A very unique chrysoberyl pearl and liamond one—odd design. Very dainty and tasty painted portraits. An exquisite emerald and diamond star. Rarely beautiful fretwork in gold and enamel

A sun mounted in platinum and diamonds; very brilliant.
Pansy and double violets, with diamonds. Pearl necklaces, large and lustrous. Brilliant diamond necklaces. And many others, at Hardy & Hayes,, Jewelers, 529 Smithfield street.

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ings, \$2 75 and \$3 25. 28-inch extra grade silk covers in extra fine handles, walrus, horn, hammered metals. Make your selection early to get choice BIBER & EASTON.

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wedding presents.

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PORTIERES, a great bargain, choice assortments—Chenille, Turcoman and silk valour, were \$25, \$30 and \$45, reduced to \$15 and \$20 per pair to close.

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CAISSA'S CHRISTMAS CAROL. QUEEN'S GAMBIT. Chess Brilliant No. 2. THE BATTLE OF THE KNIGHTS.

CHESS

"Of checkered wars I sing, nor wars alone, But self-devotion on the Queenly throns, What time the Oracles their stern reply Pronounced—"The host prevails whose Queen

shall die.'

No chief more nobly than La Bourdonnais.

A rival's prowess owned—'twas his delight.'

To meet an equal champion in the fight;

And ever that fair field he prized the most,

Won from him by McDonnell's Queenl

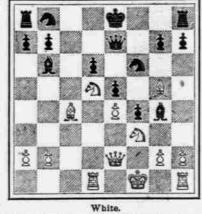
host." La Bourdonnais. White,



White.

8. B to K Kt 5 bieftains from the ranks of France Boldly within the British lines advance; First comes the war-like Bishop of Toulouse, Down the siant files the adverse Queen he views, Defended well on that side of the field, By the King's Knight, with interposing shield."

B to Kt 8 P to K B 5 B to K Kt 5 PxP x x x Black.



rault,
From that commanding post, no human might
Can drive the invader but the regal Knight,
And him the Bishop pins. By all is seen
The deadly peril of the undaunted Queen,
Who stands unmoved; her faithful guards

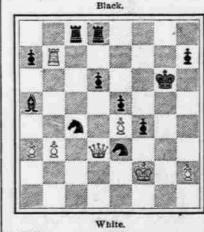
Implore
She would retire, till the flerce brunt were o'er.
Her own good Bishop, kneeling at her feet,
Urges her royal safety in retreat;
Vain are their prayers and tears—'Hear me,' vain are their prayers and tears—'Hear me,'
she cries,
'My faithful vassals, and my brave allies,
Your Queen must perish, as the fates decree,
But in my death they give you victory.
Sir Reginald, I charge thee by thy troth, I
Thy stainless honor, thine unbroken oath,
Leave me with this mitred chief to deal,
And give you Knight good measure of thy
steel!"

'Alaa, my Queen!' was all that he might say,
For, thus adjured, he durst not disobey.
Spurring his gallant steed, with lance at rest,"
la. x x KtxRt.
"Fierce he drove it through the French
Knight's breast." 14. BxQ.
"Dire consternation for a moment falls
On all the host of Albion; and the Gauls XXX

The cry for vengeance from their Queenless foes. O'er the doomed Bishon, see the Monarch stand. Granting brief respite as he gives command:
"On to my sixth, Sir Knight, and from that
bound Charge Bishop, King and Castle, all around? 14. XXX Kt to K 6 ch KxB K H to Q 1 Q Kt to B 3 K B to H 4 Q R to Q B 1 X X



P to Q Kt 4 BxKt Kt to Q 5 "Let the Queen's own to his assistance speed, Sword in each hand, and spur in every steed: Snow the slow infantry your lightning play— By cavalry the field is won to-day." KtxBP ch KtxQR K to B3 K to K13 Kt (Q7) xB







	White.	1
33. RxB 34. K to R 4 35. Q to K 2 36. Q to K R 5	PxR K to H3 H to K Kt3 Kt to K 6	
"La Bourdonnais And yields to the	in vain contends with Fate, irremediable checkmate."	1 2

THE GUNSBERG-STEINITZ MATCH. SECOND GAME. Wile. Steintz.
White. Elack.
L. P. K. P. E. 4
2. Kt. K. B. B. K. Q. B. 3
2. B. Kt. S. P. Q. S. (a)
4. P. Q. B. B. Kt. S. P. Q. S. (a)
4. P. Q. B. B. Kt. S. P. Q. S. (a)
4. P. Q. B. B. K. S. B. S. B. C. S. B. P. R. B. S. B. C. S. XVI.-Ruy Lopes

NOTES BY W. STEINITZ. (a) A defense that has been little thoughtof, though occasionally tried by old masters. Re-cently I gave it as the best in my "Modern Chess Instructor," but there is still some oppo-(b) A sort of Giucco Piano attack which holds good in many variations in this opening.

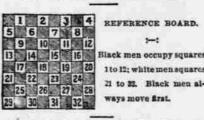
(c) 4—P—K B 4 is the answer given in the "Modern Chess Instructor," but I consider the

text move equally good.

(d) This is the decisive move that breaks the pawos and gains entrance for black's rocks in the adverse camp. THIRD GAME. XVII.-Queen's Gambit. 

SOLUTIONS. The key to problem No. 15 is K to R6; to problem No. 1d, B to Q 8. If KxKt, B B 6 cb. If K B 4, Q B I ch. If K B 6, QxP cb. If K K 6, Q K I ch. If PxKt, B Kt 6 ch, with other variations, variations, End Game No. 9—1 R Kt7 ch, K B I; 2 R Kt 5, P B 8 (Q); 3 R B 5 ch, QxR stalemate. End Game No. 10—1 BxR. PxB; 2 R Q I, Q B 2 (or a); 3 B R 5, QxB; 4 Q Kt 4 and wins. (a) 2xx, Q B I; 3 Q Kt 6 and wins. If 2xx, Q K 2; 3 Q Kt 4, Q K I; 4 Q Q 4 and wins. Prize for end game No. 10 awarded to Xenio Xena.

THE GAME OF DRAUGHTS. CONDUCTED BY J. B. FERGUSON.



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burg, Pa. W. H. TYSON-Yours to band. Accept out thanks. Brother Maize will have a hard W. H. TYSON—Yours to hand. Accept our thanks. Brother Maize will have a hard nut to crack. We deemed it worthy of diagram.

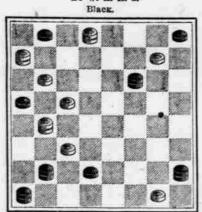
J. L. RAE—Your letter received. I think W. H. Tyson's communication will clear up some of your difficulties as to problem No. 9.

J. MAIZE—We feel anxious as to problem No. 9. Wasting to hear from you.

ALEX MITCHELL—Your solution of problem No. 15 was correct.

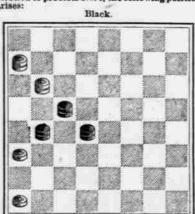
S. A. KAGY, Rock Creek—Yours received. Come again.

PROBLEM NO. 19. BY W. H. H. S.



White White to move and win. Contributed to THE DISPATCH by Mr. R. W. Patterson, "One of the nest stroke problems I have ever seen."—R. W. P.

To the Checker Editor of The Dispatch. In game No. 20—Center—by Maize, at one hundred and first move, or sixty-ninth move of solution to problem No. 9, the following position



White, White to move and win. 9-13 is given, and black draws; but won't 9-25 | 9-13\* | 13-17\* | 17-14 | 21-14 | 5-14 | 17-22.1 | 22-29 | 14-10 | 10-17 | 18-9 | Wwin VARIATION 1. 17-13 | 13-6 | 2-8 a | 14-21 | 21-25 | 25-30 | 25-22 | 22-15 | 21-17\* | 15-10 | 5-9 | Wwins

(a) If 1-6, 15-11 W. wins. BIG RUN, PA., Dec. 13. GAME NO. 21-LAIRD AND LADY. As this opening seems to be a favorite with the players at the Home Hotel, we herewith beg leave to present for their consideration a variation that is characteristic of the best days of that Morphy of the game, the late Dr. R. D. Yates and Mr. Pierce, and registered as game 1699.—Turf. Pierce s moye.

GAME NO. 22-OLD FOURTEENTH. SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 13.

White to move and draw. 32-28 10-15 | 20-10 | 12-19 | 27-24 | 15-22 draws # SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 14.

Black-2, 4, 14, 25, Kings-26, 29, White-10, 11, 20, 21, 24, Kings-27, White to move and win, 11-17 | 11-8 | 29-16 | 27-52 | 29-27 | 32-30 | white wins

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 15. Black-21, 28, Kings- 2, 29, White-30, 32, Kings- 1, 10.

White to move and win. 

We consider any move at this point a loss for white, but Zl-17, and we recollect when W. C. Brown, of Altoona, was visiting Plitaburg some time ago, Mr. Patterson invited a few players to his house to meet Mr. Brown, Among those present was Champion Reed, and this very game came up and Mr. Patterson allowed Mr. Brown to draw the game after refusing the 2 for L. Reed pointed out the play at the time that would enable blacks to win. If Mr. Patterson can furnish the game with Mr. Brown we would be glad to have it, also the play shown by the champion. We invite criticism on this game. Will be glad to hear from Messrs, Lindsay, Maize, Tyson, Boyle, Armstrong and all of our correspondents. Solution in Rhyme of Problem No. 15,

BY W. LEGGETT, LONDON.

If to solve this you contrive,
White must push from 1 to 5,
Dusky Monarch move in line,
White comes out from 5 to 9,
Black has nothing more to do
But hurry out to 22,
White on 13 quickly pops
King on 18 there he stops,
Black is in a dreadful fix,
When 30 glides to 26,
21 then onward travels,
White on 9 the plot unravels,
Man to 30 then we drive,
Siyly dropping into 5.
Private then is nicely captured.
Black contingent are enraptured. BY W. LEGGETT, LONDON. Black contingent are euraptured But their rapture soon they rue

Mr. H., my doggrel's done, Fairly you the "cake" have won, In neatness and artistic touch .
You have pleased us very much. SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 16.

Black- \_\_ Kings - 1, 3. White- 9, 31. \_\_ Black to move and win. This fine gem we took from H. Lindsay's scrap book. Its author we have since learned is Dr. J. J. Brown, Limerick, Ireland. It first appeared in the Bristol Draught Board. The following fine solution is by our young analyst, W. T. English:

VARIATION 1.

VARIATION 2.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 17. Black- 9, 11, 12, 16, 23. King-5. White-10, 18, 20 28, 31. King-7. Black to move and draw:

16-19 | 19-24 | 23-27 | 9-14 | 18-9 | 5-7 7-16 | 28-19 | 31-24 | | 9-14 | 18-9 | Grawn SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 18. Black-11, 18, 19, 26, \_\_\_\_\_ White-20, 25, 28, \_\_\_ King-27.

White to move and win. 25-22 | 18-25 | 27-24 | 26-31 | 27-7 | Wwin

Checker Topics. In THE DISPATCH of October 25 we stated on good authority that W. H. Tyson was about to challenge W. C. Brown, of Altoona. That challenge has gone torth, and includes any resident player in the State. We are confident Mr. Brown will at once accept the defi, which will make a very interesting match. Mr. Brown is at present champion of Central Pennsylvania, having defeated Mr. Tyson in their last match for the honor.

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There are a few in Pittsburg, who think Mr. Tyson has covered too much ground in his challenge. They are confident we have material in this Western part that can defeat either of the two Central experts—the old veteran, H. Lindsay, J. Maize and Thomas Boyle. If a team match could be arranged (which in no way would interfere with the championship match)—Maize and Boyle for Western; Brown and Tyson for Ceutral, it would create a greater interest and give more satisfaction than any match that could be played outside of the world's championship.

The great wonder of to-day is who will be the future champion of England? Mother Skipton says Willie Gardner.—Northern Leader.

Negotiations are in progress for a match of a novel kind between Mr. Martins and Mr. W. Campbell, of Glasgow, the bilindfold champion. It is proposed that a match of 20 games be played, in which the ex-champion is to give the odds of the draws—that is, drawn games are to count as wins to Campbell, but the latter is to play without sight of board or men. Great interest will no doubt be taken in this unique match, which is spoken of as likely to come off in Glasgow during the approaching holidays.—

Glasgow Herald.

A splendid portrait of Mr. James Moir, the

Glasgow Herald.

A splendid portrait of Mr. James Moir, the celebrated expert of Scotland, recently appeared in the excellent department of the PITTSBURG DISPATCH.—Derry News.

"I hereby challenge Mr. William Bryden, of "I hereby challenge Mr. William Bryden, of Glasgow, to play me a restricted match at draughts of 20 to 30 games from standard openings for a stake of £25 to £50 a side, play to commence, if possible, on Friday, January 2, 1891."—J. Ferrie, 27 Gartsherrie road, Coatbridge.—Glasgow Herald.

A PRESENT which will be apprecia subscription to THE DISPATCH, Tonorrow's 24-Page issue will be a Christmas

AUCTION.

Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry and Silverware, Etc., AT NO. 533 SMITHFIELD STREET. Positively this stock will be sold to the

highest bidder without reserve, as I am de-termined to close out this stock. Come and buy your Christmas presents at your own price. Sales every morning, afternoon and evening until all is sold. Store for rent and fixtures for sale. Trunks Filled With Silver. What a noble gift for Xmas. This is car-

rying out an old English idea to fit the ouse well with Sterling silver for the table. This would make a gift that would be an heirloom in the family for generations. It you think of the above, call on Hardy & Hayes and see the notable collection they show, from \$20 to \$500. A beautiful trunk can be fitted up for \$150, making a moderate priced and very handsome gift, at HARDY & HAYES',

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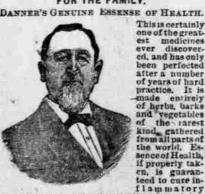
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Heid, Elizabeth, Administrator.
Wilson, John H., Administrator.
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4- Brazell, Florence.

5- Calliban, Mrs. Saily.

5- Campbell, John H.

7- Smith, Georg: W.

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3- Scott, Benjamin.

6- Wormaid, Joseph.

11- Crafft, Sarah.

2- Berger, Adrian.

3- Mackin, Kate.

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Berger, Magdalena, Executrix.

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Shoup, Philip, Administrator

Taylor, John H., Executor

O'Donnell, C., Guardian

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67-Merriman Samuel
65-Myers, John.
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71-Bloomer, Caroline.
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