-Long kid gloves are going out of fashion. The lace or silk gauntlet substitute has already appeared.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The largest county in the United States, it is said, as Custer county, in Montana, which contains \$5,000 square miles.

-A new way of serving raw dinners is in a good-sized china shell, in which the bivaives lie in their own juice,

-Half a dozen New York ladies earn a handsome living by holding conversation classe and giving private lessons in that art. -A law is about to be enacted compelling all aliens owning land in Russia to sell their property or become Russian subjects.

-About 500 veterinary surgeons in Great Britain signed a paper condemning overhead check reins as painful to horses and produc-tive of disease. -Two Havana journalists are in jail, one

for mentioning the formation of a new political party, and the other for advocating annexation to the United States. -Within 62 years Mexico has had 54

Presidents, 1 Regency and 1 Empire, and nearly every change of Government has been effected by violence. -In London town 1 woman in every 20 is pauper, I in every 13 is illiterate and I in every 60 in a gin drinker. So says a recent report of an English industrial society.

-A New York husband was so insanely

jealous that he would take his wife's shoes with him when he went to work so that she could not go out in his absence. -It is said that the city of Boston is compelled to pay on an average \$15,000 a year on ac-count of injuries sustained by neople who meet with accidents on the sidewalks.

-Farmer Meall, who lives near Cawker against the city for improvements, obtains compensation and then erects buildings upor City, in Mitchell county, Mo., cleaned his well out last week and found 39 big bull snakes and 25 bullfrogs. The reptiles were alive. A number of French manufacturers have warned the Government of their intention to remove their factories to places abroad if heavy import duties are imposed on raw material.

-A discussion upon the modern pronunciation of English leads to the observation that the letter R has ceased to be heard. There is now no difference between "law" and "lore."

-N. D. Rood, of Santa Barbara, Cal.,

while out sailing the other day with a party of ladies and gentlemen, shot and captured a spotted or leopard seal weighing 300 or 400 pounds. -The Academy of Sciences of Cracow has just published a poem of the sixteenth century which treats of the same subject as "King Lear." The copy has but lately been

-James A. Payton, of Posey township, Harrison county, Ind., undertook to wash his sweetheart's face with snow, and the young lady threw him down with such violence as to dislocate his knee.

-A San Francisco lawyer, and one of no particular emmence either, has been allowed for his services as attorney for the administrator of the Blythe estate the magnificent fee of \$95,000. His name is John A. Wright.

-India and Ceylon are increasing their production of tea to such an extent that it expected they will furnish 75 per cent of the amount consumed in Great Britain this year. China is a great sufferer from this change.

-The Douglass Company's steamer Namon, when about 45 miles from Hongkong, was boarded by about 40 pirates armed with revol-

vers, who, after killing and wounding a number of the crew, ransacked the ship from end to -The royal Saxon collection of china, the inest lot of Dresden china in the world, has

just been greatly increased by the addition to it of the 14,000 pieces of Dr. Gustav Spitzner. The museum now contains about 34,000 pieces from the Meissen factory. -A remarkable petition is on its way from India to Queen Victoria. It is more than

60 feet in length, and is signed by more than 10,000 women in India who are anxious to have the legal marriage age for girls raised from its present limit of 10 to 14 years. -The report of the Russian Imperial Commission intrusted with the daty of investigating the Hebrew question is decidedly in favor of

the Russian Hebrews, and proves that they -The most precious bit of dog flesh out side of a coursing grayhound is going to quit

England for America. The noble animal is the St. Bernard, Sir Hedivere, sold by T. H. Green to E. B. Sears, of Boston, for \$6,500. This dog hasn't as yet left a prize untaken. -The case of Governor Francis T. Nichols, of Louislana, shows that the anatomy of man might be much simplified without great

injury to his usefulness in the affairs of life. He has lost a leg and an arm and an eye, still he gets about in a lively way, strikes a sturdy blow and can see things as quickly as anybody.

-Washington is overrun at present with speculators from the South American States, Many of them are experienced promoters who have found London rather dull since the Barings failed, and have come to the United States as to fresh fields and pastures new. They are loaded down with concessions for mines, rail-roads, harbor privileges and other promotable

-A unique Maine school is that taught miles out from Green's Landing, Deer Isle.

Her school consisted of the lighthouse keeper's children, whom the keeper engaged her to instruct for a term of ten weeks, two sessions a day. The school was divided into classes like any other. For weeks at a time it is impossible to get off this rock-bound isle. -There are 28,000 names of pensioners on the books of the United States Pension Bureau

at the corner of Laight and Canal streets. New York. Regular times for the payment of claims are the fourth days of March, June, September and December. There is a horde of applicants on the days referred to, but the majority of the claims are paid by letter. The money is sent all over the world, including China, Japan, In-dia and the far North, in sums ranging from \$2 to \$72. Among the largest sums paid out are those received by Mrs. George B. McClellan and Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant. The former re-ceives \$2,000 annually and the latter \$5,000.

-Emperor William's attack on the classics in the German gymnasia has been followed in England by an attack which will carry even more weight with scholars and people in general than the German Emperor's pronun ciamento. At the recent conference of the head masters of the public schools at Oxford. Mr. Weldon, the Head master of Harrow, moved a resolution declaring that it would be a gain to education if Greek were not a "com-nulsory subject" in Cambridge and Oxford. The resolution was supported by the head mas-ters of Mariborough, Wellington, Eughy, Citt-ton and Shrewsbury, and though it failed of passage, it was rejected only by a vote of \$1 nays to 20 yeas.

WISPS OF WIT.

A Very Different Thing .- Mr. Gazzam (to his son)-Well, I hear that Brown's boy thrashed you soundly, and that you took your

partment. They have already done that them-selves. -- New Origans New Delta. After the Fight.-Not a sparrer falls to

Miss C. (a Bucksport Seminary girl)-

men gentle. Which accounts for some of the wild persons we meet every minute or two in the day. -- Washington Star.

The Maxim gun fires itself a second time by its own recoil, and so on ad infinitum. It does a man good sometimes to kick himself a little. — Minneapolis Journal.

Rode-What would you do in spring and

A LITERARY TREAT. A LIBERARY THEAT. ucated and practiced in the arts and strate-ANOTHER SPLENDID SERIAL gies of war. Like most military men, Gen-FOR DISPATCH READERS. eral Howard is for peace, so long as it can be maintained on an honorable basis, but he has no sympathy with the Tolstoi school of non-resistants, nor the much older Quaker belief that war is never necessary. He is of BY opinion that arbitrament of disputes is far less difficult to a government with a good

A NEW HYPNOTIC NOVEL. A NEW HYPNOTIC NOVEL ARE YOU READING RUDYARD KIPLING'S LETTERS? THE SECOND APPEARS TO MORROW. KIPLING ON AMERICA SHOULD NOT BE MISSED. OTHER SPLENDID MATTER WILL BE FOUND IN THE COLUMNS OF TO-MORROW'S DISPATCH. EVERY DEPARTMENT COMPLETE. SPECIAL CABLE NEWS, LATEST SPORTING NEWS, ALL THE HOME NEWS, NEWS FOR ALL CLASSES SECURED FROM EVERY SOURCE. battle of life. Some of the disrepute in ORDER THE DISPATCH BY MAIL, THROUGH NEWS AGENTS, OR

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UNDAY DISPATCH, One Year, ......

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000,000 in a foreign territory.

the means are obtained from bonds guaranteed

undertaking.

expenditure of every dollar.

First of all, however, when contemplat

country and to its safety in time of war that

would follow from ship canals cannecting

the lakes with the Ohio and Mississippi.

Two of these are now projected. One from

the Mississippi. At the highest estimates

the joint cost of both would be less than

half what is demanded for the Nicarauga

Canal. Not only that, but if the Govern-

ment were to divide a guarantee of even

vate capital would doubtless be quickly

BONOR IN ARMY LIFE.

In another column is a letter from General

Howard, giving some very interesting in-

formation regarding our regular army. He

found to furnish the remainder.

water-way.

DATEY DESPATCH, One Year ......

which the life of a soldier is held is due to GET IT FROM A CARRIER. this cause. YOU CANNOT GET KIPLING'S LETTERS ON AMERICA OR "THE WITCH OF PRAGUE" THROUGH ANY OTHER MEDIUM HERE THAN THE DISPATCH. The Dispatch

preparation at the military academy.

THE GRADES OF SOCIALISM.

sphere of socialism. The Cardinal very justly criticises the disposition to use the term of socialism as a bugbear by which to cry down all reforms that have a tendency in that direction. "In the first place," he says, "the society of man is not of human but of divine creation. It is founded upon the three great laws of authority, obedience and brotherhood. The whole of our legislation is essentially social THE DAILY DISPATCH is delivered by carriers at for the protection of poverty and labor." The Cardinal might have strengthened this point by saying directly, as he intimates elsewhere, that some forms of legislation universally accepted as just and proper are as clearly of the socialistic Those gentlemen in Congress who can see class as the measure proposed by perhaps half the avowed Socialists. Socialism in its their way to guaranteeing \$100,000,000 of bonds for the Nienragua Canal can hardly broadest sense means the interference of the refuse adequat, encouragement to the much State by taxation or otherwise to confer on more important work of connecting the the masses the advantages which would great lakes with the Ohio and Mississippi, The importance of a ship canal from Lake otherwise be confined to individuals. The poor laws are a distinct recognition of the Erie to the Ohio in connection with imprinciple of socialism. Free schools supprovement of the Hudson river and the ported by public taxation can only be justi-Eric Canal in New York State far tranfied by the socialist theory; and the exercise scends the more ostentatious scheme of eminent domain to tax away private which has been tavorably recommended to property for the establishmen of public

largely of that sort. necessity of the United States having con-Having made this just distinction, the trol the short-cut for international com-Cardinal proceeds to attack the sort of merce; and the particular importance of socialism which identifies social evils with this in time of war has been specially dwelt society itself, and would kill the patient in upon. But financial control is one thing. order to cure the disease. He takes the and the power to maintain actual possession and use for the water-way under war conright of private property. But he favors pretense that our navy can begin to comthe legislation necessary to cure existing pare with that of several of the great powers evils, "which is conservative of the of Europe. To build and keep up a navy life and health of society," and says able to hold the canal against all comers would cost infinitely more than the canal itself. In citing this point we do not wish to detract from the value of the Nicaragua Canal for purposes of commerce. But there should be no false pretenses in the matter: and so far as considerations of future war are involved an interior canal which will make possible a safe inland route from New York harbor to the Gulf of Mexico is of vastly more importance than the one for

which we are invited to guarantee \$100 .mining what socialism really does mean. There is another feature of the case which must be seriously weighed. A guarantee of bonds by the United States for such entercome out at the small end of the horn in our ownership, while the theory of individualism is to protect individual rights and such partnerships. So if Uncle Sam has to equality in the use of the railroads to the put up the cash he might better be single in greatest possible degree. But both recogthe undertaking. The system of construction companies inside of large corporations nize that the interference of the State i is well understood by the public. Where necessary, and to that extent both recognize

or paid for by outsiders, the insiders very often get their profits in the contracts for the work, while the stock ownership is a gamble upon the future possibilities of the So far from going the length of maintaining that Government guarantee under any circumstances is ill-advised, we believe there are occasions where foresight and a just regard to the promotion of trade amply warrant it. But one of the first essentials should be a thorough scrutiny of the plans. In every instance it should be seen that the private promoters put up a proportionate amount of their own cash, and that the work should not be left wholly in their hands, but that strict Government control and supervision should insure an honest may help to a clear understanding of the case to recognize the fact that the inequalities of the present day arise from the partial ing a project involving the enormous help and necessary adoption of socialistic method of \$100,000,000, Congress should ask itself in legislation, and the liability of all such how is the result to compare with the immense advantages to the business of the methods to the grossest abuses,

Erie to Beaver. The other from Chicago to tion of the Republican Committee of Indiann. In a discussion on the question in the interest of General Harrison or not. a member made the following interesting argument on choosing the right man for Chairman:

\$25,000,000 between these two projects pri-You all know that we carried the election b the use of boodle in 1888 and that we lost it in 1890 because it could not be used to advantag and because of the new Australian election We must have a Chairman who is smart

where the joke of such remarks comes in.

of it. He declares in a cardthat such frank speech violates the sanctities so to speak, of the political family. Men who have a sense of decency do not discuss matter of domestic privacy in public. A great many things are said and done in the daily ordering of a Christian household which are taken for granted without talking about them, even to our most intimate friends. So in politics there ters of management in a campaign. The "workers" can meet socially and grin at one another, as the Roman augurs used to do, but they should be very careful of their speech.

pecially if there is the slightest chance that their speeches will get into print. For a political humorist it must be said that Mr. Fishback is not to be lowered from his lofty

On the whole, a certain element of humor is to be recognized in this affair. The real humor is the expose which the politicians of Indiana have succeeded in making ot themselves, and which is most complete in their efforts to put themselves on what they

surrendered no blunderbusses it was because they could find none. But this is not the reason why they have given up no modern firearms. The Indian is nothing if not cun-

COLONIZATION, NOT DEPORTATION. The statement of Mr. Henry M. Stanley n reply to questions addressed to him by the President of a negro organization, that the torest tract of Central Africa would be an ideal region for negro colonization, arouse the dissent of the New York Sun, which says the colored people are here to stay. "They have learned here the advantages of civilization," says the Sun; "they have acquired here the habits of orderly industry; they enjoy freedom; they live on peacefu terms with their white fellow citizens; they are making good progress in prosperity, and

class of Socialists who, to cure the evil of that their industry and progress, for a race great fortunes, would destroy the natural that has spent only a generation out of still remains a very commendable thing to inquire whether there is not work for the

The advantages and honor of colonization pied portions of the world has been fully tricts have a climate which few white con physical qualities of the colored race enable them to settle in that land and turn the

take the work of building up civilization in Central Africa, they should be encouraged

HOAR DISAPPOINTED AGAIN. voted for consideration of the bill, are not in favor of it and will not assist in pushing it forward.

The review of the industrial situation, in this section, for the first two weeks of 1891. recognizes the fact 'that the iron and steel trade is affected by weakness of prices and slackness of demand. Neither of these features has developed to a degree which threatens serious complications. Prices to keep all our works tolerably active. But the situation is evidently such as to

call for careful consideration of all possible methods of economizing in production. This demonstration. We have no doubt their SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON.

The other matter of vital interest is referred to in the reports of the mills which are changing their furnaces to burn coal instead of gas. This is not a change in the direction of economy, but it is the best that can be done under present conditions. It remains that an important factor in the preservation of Pittsburg's manufacturing supremacy lies in the develop-ment of reliable results in artificial fuel gas. Both individual and general interests make this work imperative, and Pittsburg will be guilty of permitting great benefits to escape her if she does not push it to ultimate success. The Disston works, at a time when the natural gas supply was considered permanent, located outside the gas region, adopted by preference a gas process which was then asserted to be cheaper than the charges for natural gas then prevailing here. If any approximation to such a result could be made then, of what incalculable value it would be to Pittsburg now?

When these two questions are properly ettled, the industries of this region will continue to prosper and expand as they have done during the past five years. Until then it is pleasant to learn that the prospects are good for steady operations in the Pittsburg mills, under the conditions prevailing at the opening of the year.

WEEK'S COMMERCIAL MOVEMENTS. On the whole there is cause for encouragement in the trade reports for the week. Business in all lines has been quiet throughout the country, and without startling features. Exports continue greatly in exceas of imports, so far as merchandise and raw products are concerned, and this must eventually lead to a flow of money in this direction. The domestic money current is from West to East. This is accounted for in the fact that the bulk of last season's production of the great agricultural region has been sold, and the proceeds are going Eastward again for manufactured goods. This indicates natural and healthy trade. Unless the silver legislation interrupts present tendencies the indications are for recuperation and increasing activity all along the line.

SPEAKING of the removal of the agent at Pine Ridge Agency, a Republican organ tries to find the best excuse possible for his appointment by saying that he was "selected under the rule that appointments in the Western States and Territories should be made from the State and Territory in which they are to serve. The rule is sound." So far as the Indian agencies are concerned the rule is stupidly victous The Territories and States in the im vicinity of the reservations are interested in securing their ultimate extermination. To put them under such guardianship is the surest way to produce exactly the calamities that have resulted from this appointment,

LAST year the United States stepped into the lead in the production of iron, and the best authorities declare that after a few years of comparatively level production another leap will be made, eclipsing all former achieve-

THE public, or that portion of it which assertion that no more earthquakes need be "There may be a few shakes," says the Pro-fessor, "but I know of no great earthquakes to pass through Canada." As this is evidently based on the assumption that the earthquakes Wiggins does not know of are not worth know-ing, the prophecy would be decidedly com-fortable if it were not for one thing. Wiggins' prophecies of earthquakes that were coming failed of realization, and there is reason to fear that his prediction of a quiet period must also be interpreted by contraries, and we must look out for convulsions.

COMMANDER REITER receives another broadside from the Secretary of the Navy, along with a refusal to grant his request for a trial by court-martial. It would have been better to have given the man a new trial.

IT is one of the interesting phases of polities to observe that when Senator Ingalis bees convinced that the Decalogue and the Golden Rule ought to have a place in politics, and that corporations ought not to rule, he is frowned upon as a demagogue. The charge has elapsed since Ingalls was the prophet of the party, it is hardly discreet for the party to disown him quite so promptly after he has shown a capability to learn something from the course

SENATOR STANFORD'S re-election is not to be taken as an approval by the California Legislature of his plan for Government loans on long time. It is more clearly an approval of

THE eighth paper on river improvement, published elsewhere, devotes its attention to the scientific aspects of the reservoir capacity This particular branch of the subject is a decidedly abstruse one; but those who have folowed the course of the previous articles will recognize its vital bearing on the proposal to utilize this reservoir capacity, and will ap crate the scientific demonstration of its magni-

THE force bill and the Harrison Prest. iental boom rise like a couple of phonixes once more, and are likely to repeat their former act of going down together.

THIRTY Hoboken policemen made an attack upon the German steamer Elbe and clubbed the officers and the firemen. Consemently, the German Government wants to snow what it means. That effete monarchy hould be informed that a free and independent coliceman of the latitude of New York would club the Kaiser himself unless the latter apealed to the German vote.

THE continued silence of Speaker Reed speech of the silvery-tongued Ingalls.

rock on which Democracy was to split in 1892," says a cotemporary. Perhaps so. But a more immediate contingency seems to demand the attention of the Republican organ which makes this remark in the prospect that silver will be the rock on which the Republican party may

THERE is certainly a good opportunity hereabouts for investment in small houses for enting purposes.

"FALL RIVER print cloth manufacturer eem incapable of agreeing upon anything. They need a Jay Gould," remarks the Provi dence Telegram. That journal seems to think that the cure for the plight of the Fall River cople is the heroic one of being left without anything to agree upon.

WHAT IT MEANS.

Philadelphia Ledger.] Reduced to its simplest analysis, the "free

and if it shall be concurred in by the House of Representatives and approved by the President that will be its effect.

It is a bill to compel the people of the United States to pay to the silver operators nearly 25 per cent more for their commodity than they could get for it at the free sale in the honest

A GREAT NOVEL From the Pen of F. Marion Crawford Se-

happy people, who imagine they are heirs to misfortune—who parade their ill luck and re-fuse to be comforted. There's no sun in their sky, no moon in their night, nothing but dark days and black clouds—sorrows uneuding, fate unbending. Day in and day out they pour into your ears a tale of woe and the world's cruelty. They are on the outside of all that's good and cheerful and hopeful in this wouderful old world, and firmly believe that life is a failure and they are useless. Footballs of fate, they roll hither and thither, never stirring until they are kicked by the toes. until they are kicked by the of the trampers in whose pathway they lie. Of course they are believers in luck, and nothing but luck. The man who has fearlessly faced this field. life and ascended its scale by tireless effort and persistent endeavor is a lucky dog, nothing nore, nothing less, so far as they are con-cerned. They would stand on the same round of the ladder as he had they only his luck. Pluck isn't in it at all. The world owes them a living, of course but they won't make an effort to collect the debt, and shuffle and shamble along life's pathway, unhappy images of misfortune singing a sorrowful song day in and day out. To be sure there be unfortunate folk in this big cold orld. We are not all built on huge, strong lines or launched on calm waters. Sickness, the sins handed down by the fathers, the curses of heredity, find numerous victims, and they are pitted and helped. These are the suf-ferers, the ones who feel the cruel hand of fate, but not the complainers. They carry their lead in silence and shed their tears in secret. But the able, healthy and strong who snivel when they should strive, who drivel when they should delve, who grumble when fell into the Nile he would come out with a fish they should grasp, who are cursing their luck when they should be blazing a pathway, are the Advice to Rural Legislators.

THE players who stand pat usually win with

LIGHT-HEARTED people can carry the heav THE Philadelphia doctor who claims lymph priority over Koch probably belongs to the class that believes that a good thing should be

treasured as a secret. What is the use of a In billiards a scratch frequently follows

THE Oatmeal Trust is merely mush, but it nakes us feel mealy-mouthed.

THE crank who is gunning for Cleveland oubtless believes that death loves a shining

To see where they can find any Suitable houses to let. THE guns surrendered by the Indians should

THE practical joke often survives the practi-

EMMA ABBOTT'S will is a notable documen nd contains a score of bequests. THE man who is squeezed in a crowd by nick.

JAY GOULD regrets the close of the Sion

A GREAT many players in the drama of life rely too much on the prompter, and are in a bad box most of the time.

s frequently laid on the table. THE housekeeper who owes back rent and

THE other day a man who had a snake and owl story visited THE DISPATCH. He had it to sell. He located it in Freedom. Blair coun ty. No telegraph, no railroad, no postoffic No way in which it could be verified, except by hard task with the roads in their present con No such hamlet in Blair county. Fake of course. Still the man managed to dispose of his varn. It appeared vesterday afternoon

Cheaper Than War. If music has power to mesmerize
And soothe the savage breast,
Perhaps a brass band could hypnotize The Reds in the woolly West.

MILES is now the Chief of the Sioux, and

THE artist occasionally airs his views. THE new legislative ideas entertained by the

farmer statesmen are cropping out all over the land, and there's no telling what the harvest THE life of the baby is rather rocky.

LAWYERS are clever cite hunters ONE of the profitable stocks on the market is built on air, but too much water will break it,

A DRY nois-The local option town, EMMA ABBOTT'S chorus, which worked for starvation wages, is in want. The beneficiaries under her will should whack up. Deceased widently forgot that charity should begin at

THE tea expert is a man of taste. THE last decade of the nineteenth century promises to go down into history as the Silver

SOME of the dreary speeches in the Senate drive men to drink—after adjournment. WILLIE WINKLE.

Rewards and Punishments.

Philadelphia Times. 7

The nomination of Austin L. Taggart for Senator by Representative Magnin, of Dela-ware, and the adjournment of the House until Tuesday next coupled with the statement of Speaker Thompson that the committees would not be ready for announcement before that time, indicate that something besides routine work is to be done. While there are no surface indications that Candidate Taggart is making any inroads on Cameron's safe majority Speaker Thompson is not going to announce his committee's selections until the Senatorial vote has been taken and the faithful have stood up and been counted.

Philadelphia Inquirer. ] In view of the frequent changes of site for the Chicago Exposition, it would seem advisa-ble to put the buildings on wheels, with a motor ttachment. As nothing of this kind has ever seen attempted on anything like the requisite agnitude, the idea suggests a theme for marken invanture.

The rivermen have been a long white in get ting together to move against the incessant encroachment of manufacturers and railroads upon the three rivers, but it looks as if something serious in the way of opposition to the invaders may come of the suit against the B. & invaders may come of the suit against the B. & O. railway and General Merrill's activity. It good eyes to see samples of the encroachment from any of the bridges, but a better idea of the immense proportions of the new grounded to the rivers' banks can be had from the deck of a river boat. The other day, in the course of a veyage, which covered two-thirds of the harbor, I was enabled by the courtesy of one of the best posted rivermen in this city, to obtain a comprehensive view of the land which has been stolen from the rivers. In many places indeed the very process of appropriation could be seen in oper-ation. At one spot on the Allegheny bank of the Ohio several inches of iron mill refuse, slag and coal dust were added to the embankment while our boat was tied up for less than an hour. A stream of men with wheelbarrows kept steadily dumping the stuff into the river. Back of the embankment's present edge were several acres of made land which had at one time been the river bed. When the Pittsburg and Western Railroad was first built it ran over trestles almost all the way from the Unio bridge to Manchester, but now in many places the trestle work is buried under solid soil, and practically its roadbed is as much on dry land as the Fort Wayne a mile back from the river. But it is hardly fair to name one offender where there are so many. It is safe to say that there is not a manufacturer or other owner of property abutting upon the river that has not added more or less to his realty at the expense of the river. I have heard of one manufacturer, and there may be many like him, who has been systematically increa ing his property in this way, and whenever the new land amounts to anything he files a bill

the property and calls it his own. So general has the filching from the unprotected rivers be come that it is no longer concealed at all.

Dry Land Where He Swam. As an instance of how the Ohio river has been diverted and contracted by the filling-in process on its banks, a story told me by a river aptain the other day may be related here. "About ten years ago," said he, "when the Ohio river was pretty high and full of ice a boy fell into the river close to the foot of River avenue. Captain Rodgers, who saw the acciis an entirely new garment-a beautiful white dent, jumped to the rescue without a moment's delay, reached the boy and swam with him two or three bundred yards to about where the gas The investigation into the Congressional silver pool will probably show that this coin has a works tipple projects, and there both were pulled on board a skiff and taken ashore. The rescue will be remembered by lots of people in Allegheny who saw it done. I remember that Rodgers had an unlit eigar in his mouth when he jumped in, and by a queer chance he carried it in his mouth till he got ANNIE MILLET, the famous French painter ome, when his wife, as she was assisting his to remove his wet clothes, told him to take the cigar out of his mouth, and then for the first M. MEISSONIER, the famous painter, has tween his teeth. Stranger still, the cigar was been elected President of the French Academy still dry. But in a very little while not a word of this story will sound true, for the place over PAUL LINDAU, the well-known German which Rodgers swam is now nearly every bit of it dry land and some of it a good distance

from the bank." Plain Perils in Sight. And I have verified the above assertion wit my own eyes since. From abreast the Alle-gheny Gas Works you can obtain a very good view of some of the most formidable croachments. On the one side the nongahela's narrowed course and other the outward curve of the Allegheny caused by the erection of obstruc

Seventh Cavalry officer who recently lost his ife in a fight with the Sloux, is dangerously ill at Fort Riley. Kan. Mrs. Wallace is a daughter ions nearly a quarter of a mile wide from River avenue outward. Then the Point has PRESIDENT DIAZ began his political career while an officer in the army by heading an in surrection. He kept on in that line until he een elongated from where the Exposition building now stands to below the shutments of he Union and Point bridges. The Point enreached the Presidency, but is now the most conservative politician in Mexico. reachments do not appear to be of such ma erial injury to the rivers as the others. The MRS. FUJII, wife of Sabiro Fujii, the Japmost striking of them all is the territory occu-pled in part by railroad tracks and the Exposi-tion and the baseball grounds, and otherwise anese Consul at New York, died in New York on Monday of consumption. She had been in this country about six years, and was a great solidly built-up section of Allegheny. From below the Union bridge it is easy to see why rivermen predict for this made ground the fate of Johnstown should ever a very high stage of

ned flood is by no means imp

Truly the Raging Ohio.

the day this week that my observations were made, the making up of coal fleets becomes a

perilous and tedious proceeding. The river within its contracted limits rushes along with

the largest tows could be made up without

infliculty in the harbor, but now nobody at

empts it. Tows are made up in sections and

aken down the river by small boats twenty o

thirty miles, and then are united again and

turned over to the more powerful towboats Even the small tows seldom leave the harbon

without getting into difficulties in the currents

year, as the bed of the Obio is contracted.

good-sized boat belonging to W. H. Brown, I

Tuesday morning, found the current at the

Glass House Riffle too much for her and had

to call for assistance. Another towboat came over, and between the two the tow was swung

around and started on its journey, but no

without a vast amount of maneuvering beyond

ever there is a coal rise anyone who likes ex

citement with a spice of real danger may have

his fill on board a towboat on what is truly

Artificial Gas for Fuel.

nto general use as a fuel for domestic pur

poses?" was the question I put to an expert in

all sorts of gases yesterday.
"I think the chances are that Pittsburg will

not have to go back to coal when natural gas fails—which it has not done yet, by the way,"

was his reply. "I see no teason why artificia

gas should not be made for heating purpose

and supplied at such terms as would bring it

within reach of most of those who now use natural gas. The existence of a system of

ant factor, and my calculation includes the

utilization of the natural gas companie.' plant, There will remain to be established gasometers

for the manufacture and storage of gas a suitable intervals throughout the city. A num

ber of gasometers of moderate size is preferable for many reasons to an enormous one centrally

located. The supply will not be dependent upon one source, and by the distribution or gasometers the difficulty of maintaining a suffi-

ing and gas-saving burners are increasing in number and efficiency and decreasing in cost

nains and supply pipes is, of course, an

"What hope is there of artificial gas coming

a landsman's powers of description.

hen "the raging Ohio."

andle tracks with a tow of four barges

ligious violence. Rivermen remembe

Whenever the Onio is at all high, as it was on

MARY KYLE DALLAS thinks her say has made a grand stride toward perfect indepen-dence by dining at restaurants without male water in the Monongabela occur coincidently with a flood in the Allegheny. Happily as yet the Alleghany and Monongahela have chosen nsulted for attempting such a thing," says separate dates for their rampages, but a com-

Mrs. Dallas. ANDREW LANG has never been in robus valetudinarian. Within six months his lung have exhibited an alarming weakness, and frequent hemorrhages have occasioned his friends nost serious apprehensions. But his ill-healt loes not interfere with his inclination or ability

DR. KATE BUSHNELL has left Chicago of her great tour of the globe in the interest of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She represents 500,000 women, and wherever she goes she will "organize, instruct and encourtraveled extensively and is a physician, orator and author of acknowledged ability.

RICHARD HARDING DAVIS, who is to be as sociated with George William Curtis in the conduct of Harpers Weekly, is 26 years old. He is the son of L. Clarke Davis, editor of the Philadelphia Ledger, and Rebecca Harding cated at the Universities of Lehigh and Johns Hopkins and was three years in Philadelphia

The Most Ductile Substance

Chicago Times. ] Platinum is drawn into wire strands so fine that 27 of them twisted together might be in-serted in the hollow of a hair. Its only known superior in ductility is a politician's

Not the Only Ones, However New York Press. 1 Men who are blown up by the explosion of sticks of giant powder, which they stand on end before a biazing fire, are precisely the kind of

men who deserve that fate. t. Louis Globe-Democrat, Rep.] There was more interest in the Dempse; Fitzsimmons prize fight than in any co ince that which closed on the 4th of last No

vember, in which, we regret to say, we played he part of Dempsey.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Dr. Mary C. Nivisio PRECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. CANTON, Jan. 18. - Dr. Mary C. Nivision, a lady physician, well known among herschool through-out the State. died in this city to-day, aged 57 years. Her life was of strange interest. She graduated from the Electric College, of New York graduated from the Electric College, of New York City, in 1871, and immediately removed to this region, being the pioneer lady physician among the coal mines of Pennsylvania. Owing to the prejudice against women in the profession, she had to contend against great difficulties, but fin-ally made her way and effected an opening for other lady physicians. At one time she was Vice President of the Electric Society of the State.

Lewis Landers. NASHVILLE, TENN., Jan. 16.-Lewis Lander NASHVILLE, TENN.. Jan. 16.—Lewis Landers, the oldest citizen of Limestone county, died at the residence of his daughter in shosiford Beat, yesterday afternoon. He was almost reacy to celebrate his 99th birthday. He was a soldier in the war of 1812, and was with General Jackson at the battle of New Orleans. In many respects he was a most remarkable man, always enjoying fine health, and until last year has made a crop. doing all the work himself, but last summer he gave up all but a small tobacco patch, in the entireation of which he was an expert. He enjoyed fine health until the end, having died while sitting by the fire. Miss Lillian Owen, Soubrette.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18. - Miss Lillian Owen, of Se CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Miss Lillian Owen, of Sol Smith Russell's company, who was journeying eastward from San Francisco to wed Charles Kent, of Stuart Robson's company, died here today, after a short illness. Like Emma Abbott, she was taken ill with pneumonia at Sait Lake City, but had temporarily better fortune than the famous opera singer, and managed to continue traveling until she reached Chicago. Miss Owen had considerable reputation as a bright little sonbrette. She was 24 years old. Mrs. Mills.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 16.—Mrs. Mills, the mother-in-law of Hon. Clark E. Carr. the United States Minister to D. mark, died here to-day.

The Earl of Devon. win Courtensy, Earl of Devon, is announ

cient pressure will be overcome. Consumers will have to pay more attention to the problem of extracting a maximum of heat from a mini-mum of gas. Economy in the use of gas can alone bring the artificial fuel within the reach of the average consumer. There is no difficulty in this direction, however, as the heat-produc-

daily. You can rely upon it that enough mer of brains and capital are at work upon this problem to solve it satisfactorily if it can be solved. Already a company has been formed in Allegheny to supply artificial gas at 20 cents a thousand, and I am confident that King Coal will not be allowed to resume his sway in this mmunity without a very hard fight." Senator Teller's Voracious Appetite.

Chicago Times, 1 It is said of Senator Teller that he is a ma of such careless and indifferent appetite that he doesn't care whether he has a five-course and remove dinner or a free lunch of pickled tripe. The recent attempt of Teller to devour Uncle John Sherman, Granny Hoar, and Ben-jamin Harrison seems to confirm this state-

More Likely the Heavy Villair olaville Courier-Journal. If Mr. Ingalis is really writing a novel, the be an agriculturist.

This Puts Nothing in the Treasury. Albauf Argus.]

California has sent back \$50,000,000 to the United States Senate, in the person of Leland

young Gazzam-Took it, did 17 Not much! He gave it to me. -Druke's Magazine.

There is no need of the Government attempting to transfer the Indians to the War De-

the ground without being observed by all-seeing eyes. - New Orleans Picayune,

Oh, that I had the wings of a dove!

Mr. M.—What! That you might fly to me?

Miss C.—No-o-o-ol that I might fix over my last summer's bonnet.—Lewiston, Ms., Journal. At the National Capital.-Truth makes

Legislative safe-blowers are fairly active and State-stealers looking up. New York World. Accepting the philosopher's theory that money represents trouble it is surprising to see how many people are willing and anxious to bor-row trouble. - Washington Post.

Wood-It I had my choice I would spend my summers in Newport and my

Wood-Ob, I would be falling in New York

## READ THE OPENING CHAPTERS "THE WITCH OF PRAGUE," "THE WITCH OF PRAGUE," F. MARION CRAWFORD. PUBLICATION BEGINS TO-MORROW show of physical force at command than to one which is helpless.

Regarding the impression that to be a soldier is to be disgraced, the idea is strongly denied, and with good reasoning. The overt acts of one man in uniform no doubt brings his class into disrepute, while similar acts on the part of a civilian are not charged to the discredit of society at large. But one point the General does not touch upon, the question of pay. Young men with brains and ability can usually get much greater returns from their efforts in private life than from the life of a private in the ranks. As a result a majority of those who enlist are men who are not equipped for success in the

> However, the point is well made that it is no disgrace, inherently, to be a soldier. Many honorable men have served time in the ranks and many honorable men wear military titles. And there can be no doubt but that the practical life of the barracks is just as essential to the production of the competent military man as the teaching and

ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 8, 1846. Cardinal Manning, in reply to the charge that be is a Socialist, very justly refers to the difficulty of defining socialism. To the vast majority of disputants socialism is any Business Office-Corner Smithfield other than their especial ism; while to the more select few, who claim to be Socialists, News Rooms and Publishing House socialism means their peculiar method of reforming society. There is more difference EASTERN ADVERTISING OFFICE, ROOM 21, between the avowed socialism of Prof. R. T. TRIBUNE BUILDING, NEW YORK, where complete files of THE DISPATCH can always be Elv and that of Most than between the complete files of THE DISPATCH can allow found. Foreign advertisers appreciate the convenience. Home advertisers and friends of THE DISPATCH, while in New York, are also made former class and those who would reform evils by means which are opposed to the

general class of reforms assigned to the

Congress on behalf of the Nicaragua highways on which the poorest man shall A great deal has been said about the have rights equally with the richest, is

that "anyone calling such legislation socialistic does not know what socialism means." But in this, the Cardinal's logic, or perhaps the summary of it that has reached these shores, seems to go a little lame. The most extreme Socialists would be as ready as he to claim the desire to conserve whatever is necessary to the life and health of society, and as to the concluding assertion it is robbed of its force by his opening statement of the impossibility of deter-The discussion of socialism in its broadest sense is only to be carried on intelligently by recognizing that it includes a great deal of what is absolutely necessary in legislation. When we attempt to narrow the definition we must make an arbitrary division, in order to distinguish between the socialism

prises has heretofore meant that the Treasury practically assumes the cost of construction. Our experience with the Pacific railroads is full of instruction. While the of Ely and James, the socialism of Bellamy proceeds of the bonds go to perform these and Hale, the socialism of Guntor and works, the profits of the future rest with the stockholders of the private corporation Morgan, the socialism of Most and Krapotkin. In the broad sense the issue of which invests little, if anything, more than socialism and its opposing idea may be its talents as a company promotor. It is true, the present proposition contemplates stated to be the tendency to increase governmental control and the disposition to limit an absolute ownership by the United States it. Thus in regard to railroads the socialist of a large part of the stock. But it has idea will be to extend the Government conbeen the experience of city, State and trol of these highways even to the extent of National Government that they usually

> the basis of the social theory. It is hardly necessary to say that THE DISPATCH is opposed to the extension of the theories of socialism much beyond the limit already accepted by legislation. But there is one fact which may be of value to both sides. That is that the corporate legislation, from which arise the greater share of the abuses that stimulate socialism, were themselves based upon the socialistic theory. The legislation to permit the combination of capital in corporate enterprises, the grant of the right of eminent domain to enable railways to be built, and the extension of Government aid to railways, as to other depart ments of enterprise, are essentially socialistic. In the main it was a class of socialism which it was necessary to adopt; but it was not sufficiently guarded against abuses. It

THE POLITICAL HUMORISTS. .

A display of what has since been alleged as jocosity was made at the recent organizawhether the committee should be organized

and brainy enough to get around that law, and This remarkable avowal of the political is convinced of the necessity for maintaining | methods by which Indiana must be kept in | shutdown will afford convincing proof to the | open market.

a respectable armed force which shall be ed- the party ranks got into the newspapers." railroads, coke and ore companies that they Mr. Brush was shocked and surprised to find need living rates. his private remarks exposed to the rude sunlight of publicity, and while not denying that this remark was made, was prompt to explain that he did not mean it. The speech was made to be laughed at, and was intended "to put a little life into things." The latter purpose seems to have been attained all too perfectly to suit the wishes of the creator, but still the inquiring mind may be

pardoned for pushing the inquiry as to This is the view which that light of Indiana Republicanism, Mr. Fishback, takes

Let the proprieties be observed at all hazards. It must be said that Mr. Fishback brings out the humorous phase of the matter much more clearly than Mr. Brush. It is the frankness of such speech that "violates the sanctities of the political family," not the actual support and execution of boodle work. You may do such things in the "Christian household" of practical politisians, but they are not to be talked about. The workers can distribute the boodle and meet and grin at one another; but they must never make speeches about it, most es-

estate by an unjust comparison with Mr.

suppose to be a high moral level. GENERAL MILES MUSEUM COLLECTION. The ancient and peculiar weapons being delivered to General Miles by the surrendering Indians tell an eloquent tale of the reasons for the hostiles' delay. While the big chiefs were parleying with the military authorities, the uncultivated savages were carefully concealing the modern rifles in their possession, and preparing a collection of firearms for surrendering purposes that would surprise a dime museum. If they

they like the land of their nativity." We heartily agree with the Sun in declar ing that the colored people of this country must be considered an integral part of it; slavery, entitles them to respect; and could indorse a more hearty repudiation of the stupid idea that they must be deported. But when that position is fully accepted, it

civilized negro in Africa. and bringing under cultivation the unoccurecognized by the Anglo-Saxon race. It has not appeared either that because the Angle-Saxon has colonized America or Australasia he has expatriated himself from Europe. There is no reason why the proposition that the civilized colored people shall colonize Central Africa should not be viewed in the same light as the enterprise of New England, New York and Pennsylvania citizens in colonizing the trans-Mississippl region. The Congo and Central Africa disstitutions can endure; but if the inherited

forests into fertile plantations, why should they not have the honor and profit of doing so? Of course, there can be no deportation of the colored people from this country. That would be barbarous, stupid and execrable. But if any number of them wish to under

in that praiseworthy and honorable enter-Senator Hoar's scheme to force a vote on the force bill has fallen short of its aim. It lacks several essential things. In the first place the presiding officer is not willing to imitate the dictatorial methods of Speaker Reed so as to bring the bill to a vote. And then there are good grounds for the belief that several Republican Senators, who

THE INDUSTRIAL SITUATION.

have not gone far enough from the conserv ative basis to make any serious fall possible The review shows the demand is sufficient

to maintain the supremacy of the market which we have heretofore enjoyed. The review gives especial attention to two features. in which the need for economy in produc tion is manifest. One is the shut-down of the Mahoning and Shenango furnaces until they can get concessions in in rates on coke, freights and we presume on ore, that will enable them to continue in active operations on a lowered market. THE DISPATCH has heretofore given its reasons for regarding the demands of the furnacemen as deserving of the careful consideration of the interests from which they ask the reduction. The furnace owners have, however, taken the subject out of the realm of argument and into the sphere of

A GREAT many family trees bear forbidding cured by The Dispatch. THE DISPATCH has secured a splendid serial You know some one who is in hard luck, of ourse. The woods of the world are full of unwritten by F. Marion Crawford, author of "Mr. saacs," "A Roman Singer," etc., entitled "The Witch of Prague." Publication begins

The leading character of the story, Unorna, the Witch of Prague, is a young woman of ex traordinary beauty who possesses to a remarkable degree hypnotic powers. In fact, in this character Mr. Crawford has delineated a human being who in her own person is able to erform as great feats in hypnotism as any character in real life, and she may, in fact, be said to stand for the greatest achievement in It is distinctively a pure story The series of experiments made to prolong human life are

of themselves of extreme interest and would give distinction to the novel. The series of hypnotic experiments are also most extraor-dinary. The love story, which is intense and all-pervading, being the story of the love of two women for one man and of the man for one of the women, possesses in itself all the elements of a very striking romance.

The opening chapters of this remarkable story begin in THE DISPATCH to-morrow.

A Senatorial Figure of Speech New York Telegram.] United States Senator Welcott says of his colleague from Idaho that "McConnell could draw to a hairpin and get a lady." That is a figure of speech which will survive beside the Arab saying concerning a lucky man-"If he

A Fitting Garment

A Bullion Ring, as It Were,

PERSONAL MENTION.

novelist and essayist, will visit this country in a few weeks. He will remain here for three

JOHN FITZROY DE COURCEY, Lord Kineade

who recently died in England, was one of the

two British noblemen entitled by royal grant to

keep their hats on their heads in the presence

THE wife of Captain Wallace, the gallant

ton Herald.]

of royalty.

of Judge Otis, of Atchison.

San Antonio, Tex., Express.] ones who buzz about your ears and spread the story of man's inhumanity to man, who paint a black picture of life, who imagine that the As to-day will witness the biennial assembiage of the Texas Legislature, people should be especially careful about fooling with electric light wires. There is an old adage about

Quay has been patching up the force bill. But the patch is such an unsightly thing that even its friends are ashamed of it. The ragged force bill cannot be patched up. What it needs

thought if it is not expressed, or an invention if

THE next time the Indians want to dance Incle Sam should hire a hall. EMPRESS AUGUSTA will accompany peror William and his wife to England.

The Wanderers. This is the season when many Tramp through the snow and the wes

be handled with care. If they are fired off the soldiers behind them will suffer. THE granger Legislature of Kansas is loaded

war. It will reduce the W. U.'s receipts, as the correspondents will soon be called off.

BEFORE a legislative measure is disse

cannot pay it is unable to move.

er harmless lie going the rounds of news

SEALED proposals-Marriage engagement THE poultice will always bring matters to

Ir dirty linen is washed in public the river of they may christen him Son-of a-Gun,

WHEN you are lost in admiration you will be I right after you recover your senses.

ontains as much golden eloquence as the "IT looks as though 'silver' was to be the

split in 1891.

Free Coinage Will Compel the People Pay a Big Premlum.

coinage" bill passed by the Senate on Wednes-day is a bill to compel the people of the United States to pay silver owners \$1 29 for the ounce on silver which in the bullion markets of the world is worth no more than \$1 05. Reduced to its plain intent, that is the purpose of the bill; and if it shall be concurred in by the House of