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#### THE LIBRARY AWARD.

The selection of the design for the Carfinal realization of that great gift. Notbeen taken in reaching this conclusion, bilities and accommodations of nearly one hundred different designs, will recognize Blue Law can conquer in this instance that the delay has not been due to inatten- they should be able to make short work tion, but to careful, thorough and ex- of the other details of Sunday labor which haustive work.

The selection of the Longfellow, Alden & Harlow design promises for the public architecture of Pittsburg a variety of type Richardson's genius as illustrated in would dictate. There will be carping the Court House has been bene- critics to declare that stern conviction ficial, but there would be little gain to the architectural character of the city's, for all the various infractions of the public edifices, if all the buildings were of statute; that the prosecution of the the Allegheny Library. Doubtless public and telegraph service, greenhouses and the differences in individual taste; but full study of the design-a sketch of which appears elsewhere in this issue-will reveal of tactics. There is no reason why the promise a permanent embellishment and eralship if it promise advantage. To atattraction to the city.

was less the external attractiveness than offences against the Blue Law the more the convenience and adequacy of its for granting the temporary immunity. the real criterion the Commission acted It is very like the famous one of Captain wisely, not only because the utility of the Bohadii for annihilating the French army building is more important than its beauty, but because by that course the highest single-handed, to challenge and kill the sesthetic principle is observed. The true enemy one by one, until the whole, horse, foundation of architectural beauty is in its | foot and dragoons, were put hors du comfitness for the purposes to which the bat. We think the Society will be quite building is to be put. In selecting as successful as the Captain was. the design which gives the best arrangement for library, music hall, art galleries and museum, the Commission secure the highest degree of permanent fitness and

as on the principle of selection adopted to settle a conflict of opinion as to the the decision was otherwise, it is still a rights of citizens under the law. ication that Pittsburg talent is so well represented in the list of premiums for the six next best designs.

## WAR RUMORS AND PATRIOTISM.

One thing rumors of war have done during the last year for which we may be thankful is the production of very potent proofs of the common patriotism of all the United States. When Italy snarled last spring, from every corner of men ready to fight for the Stars and Stripes. It is true, it never came very near fighting, but the disposition of all sections of the country to resent a national insult was shown in unmistakable shape. Similarly, since Chile's attitude has raised another war cloud our patriots inve made themselves heard.

he feature of this demonstration re-'he latent power of this nation upon d with offers from yachtsmen oners tendering their ships

and services to the United States in case of war. Commodore Watt, of the American Yacht Club, for instance, has offered his fleet steam yacht Golden Rod to the Government to be used as a torpedo boat. Other equally available craft have been tendered for use as torpedo ernisers, transports, colliers and dispatch boats in the sort of support our Government should receive, and is far better than blustering talk. If the war scare produces nothing worse than an exhibition of widespread patriotism in our beloved land we may indeed be thankful.

The firm grip that David B. Hill bas upon his party in New York State is being Illustrated every day. The New York Legislature is the latest to pay tribute to his commanding genlus. A canvass of the Democratic side of the Legislature reveals the preference of two-thirds of the members for Hill as a Presidental candidate. Of the Democrats who stated their preferences fifty-three are for Hill, while but four had the courage to stick to Cleveland openly. Twenty-six Democratic members would not indicate their choice, but a protest from President Harrison in this majority it is commonly believed are inclining toward the Elmira wonder.

According to the usual interpretation of this portends a solid, or nearly solid delegation for Hill next summer. At the same time it is worth noting that Hill's rabid deliverances upon the Democratic policy are meeting with sharp hostile criticism in many Democratic papers, including some that are reckoned tavorable to the new Senator's Presidental aspirations. The could there be than the spectacle of fifty

he trusted as representative of party equipped afresh from head to foot. Whentendency, the drift on the one hand is for Blaine and on the other against Cleveland.

THE INTERESTING RIPE LAW SUITS. ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY S, 1846 The public will feel almost delighted to learn that the four or five centlemen who compose the Law and Order Society have at last carried their admiration of the act of 1794 from the domain of speech into that of positive and radical action. Believing, as they profess, that no species of worldly work should be performed on Sunday; that the trains and street cars should not run, mill fires be lighted, newspapers either printed, delivered or read, or for that matter greenhouses or libraries be opened-all of which and much more they regard as prohibited by the ancient statµte-they have quit the hitherto unsuccessful task of getting the rest of the community to agree with them, and now begin a test of the law. Like the old man in the fable, they are tired of throwing pellets of grass at the boy up the tree. Now they will try what virtue there is in

There is not the slightest likelihood that the movement will accomplish what the society desires. But THE DISPATCH, nevertheless, believes it is far more creditable to the advocates of the Blue Law to 123 bring the matter to the courts than to con-THE DAMA DISPATCH to delivered by carriers at | tinue the intemperate and inconsequential vaporing which some of them have hitherto indulged on the subject. It is also courageous on their part to begin with the newspapers; for of all the several forms of work which have become necessary on Sunday, none is encouraged, patronized negie Library and Art Gallery building at and demanded in a greater degree by the the Schenley Park entrance marks another | public than that in which the press is constep in what seems to be the slow but cerned. The newspapers, also, are powernevertheless steady progress toward the ful to create opinion. They are able to defend themselves as fully as may be. withstanding jests at the time which has Not only that, but as they are published in every town of importance in the State, anyone who has visited the exhibition of and as the rule for one section will quickly plans, and considered the work implied in | be applied to all, their interests will comthe full consideration of the cost, capa- pel the forming of so strong a league for resistance, that if the supporters of the

vex and agitate them. It may be objected, of course, to the proceedings before Alderman Robe, that they are not so broad and comprehensive and character. The effect of Mr. as the highest type of reform courage should have impelled suits simultaneously the type illustrated by the Courl House or employes of the trains, mills, electric light opinion on this choice will be as varied as library attendants and messenger boys should have gone on at the same time with the newspapers. But that is a mere matter constantly increasing virtues, and will Society's agent should not resort to gentack all at one time would be too arduous The controlling factor in the selection | The Society does not love the other internal accommodations. In making this | The plan is to obliterate each in detail. An expert swordsman, he proposed

The progress of the suits will be watched with interest. Though THE DISPATCH is, of course, one of the parties in immediate and adverse interest, it is It would have been gratifying to local at last made up its mind to take just the pride if one of the designs by Pittsburg step which has been steadily recomarchitects could have been selected. But mended in these columns as the only way

-Since the above was put in type re porters bring the latest and somewhat disappointing intelligence that while Alderman Rohe says informations have been filed before him, the names are not yet to be given out, nor the warrants to be served-in short, that the actual execution of the law is held "under further advisement." This is really depressing. We do not, however, feel inclined to withdraw any of the commendation of the Society this country came the response of loval given as above when the impression prevailed that, at last, under an impulse of courage, it had actually got into effective action. If the warrants are not to be served immediately, that, too, is probably tactics. Announcing the informations as having been made while deferring the warrants is, doubtless, a shrewd move to draw the enemy's fire. But the Society should now take heart and proceed. The mere swearing of informations while per-The naval department has been haps soothing to the angry mind of the detectives, will merely be scoffed at unless

## NO MONEY FOR RUSSIA.

the action proceeds.

Congress has no business to appropriate money for the relief of Russia or any other country, and the House did perfectly right to squelch the attempt to obtain a \$100,000 appropriation for such purposes. The matter of helping Russia's the event of a war with Chile. This is starving peasants is praiseworthy enough, and the Western flour men and others who have created a fund of provisions deserve credit, of course. But Congress is not authorized to divert the revenues of the nation to foreign charity. The precedent of providing \$100,000, or any other sum, would be dangerous. Moreover, Russia's representives here still persist in the declaration that the Czar's Government is abundantly able to succor the famine-stricken. To offer national aid would be almost an

affront under the circumstances. It is not surprising that Mr. Chipman, of Michigan, in the debate upon this Russian appropriation, raised the question of Russia's right to be considered a participant in the comity of civilized nations. The inhuman persecution of the Hebrews by the Russian Government has evoked a nation's name, and a great number of citizens individually and collectively have memorialized the Czar upon the same sublegislative canvass in New York State | ject. Under the circumstances a vote of our public money for the people who undoubtedly uphold the Russian Government in its cruel policy toward the Hebrews would be in doubtful taste, to put it mildly.

SOLDIERS, NOT SCARECROWS, NEEDED Massachusetts has set a good example evidence of as bitter a contest as ever be- by equipping her naval battalion with a ween the Hill and Cleveland factions is modern repeating rifle. This is the first affording Republican journals great joy, inflitia corps in this country to be so as it well may, for with New York State armed. Pennsylvania's soldiers think by reason of Democratic quarrels once | themselves rather lucky to have so modmore in the doubtful list a Republican | ern a weapon as the single loading Springvictory next fall comes clearly into view. | field. This State's treatment of her mili-Before dismissing the incident there is tia is little short of disgraceful. Their another significant development of the equipment is mostly thirteen years old at canvass of New York's Legislature to be least; the arms are antiquated and in the noted. Of the Republican members no case of the artillery absolutely worthless, ess than three-quarters prefer Secretary excepting a few gatting guns. The scant Blaine, and what more elequent contrast appropriations are only sufficient to keep the uniforms and munitions from positive members throwing up their hats for Blaine | detay, and if the services of our militia while a paltry six declare for President | we've required for anything more serious Harrison. If these figures as a whole may then police duty, they would have to be

ever a riot or other emergency calls them from home our National Guardsmen have to skirmish for brogans before they can take the field. If the National Guard is worth keeping up, Pennsylvania ought to follow Massa chusetts' example and open

ENGLAND has apparently learnt nothing from her troubles in Egypt, and seems likely to embroil herself with France over

Ir would be interesting to have expert opinions as to the amount of harm caused by the poisonous atmosphere in many rooms due to the desire to save gas. The flue opening is often too small to permit the escape of all the vitiated air, and the result is a chamber filled with hot air, the end sought, but such as is unsuited for the support-of

It is said that for acres around Columbus none can now be found willing to confess that he supported any candidate but Sher-

ELECTRICAL executions in New York will be public hereafter, if the Legislature follows Governor Flower's sound counsel to repeal the idiotic section of the statute prescribing secrecy. Newspaper readers will not have to read such lengthy accounts of the executions when they are free to all,

It is really surprising that certain people sport is practically unknown in England.

THE society formed in London to illuminate and explore the dark continent of Browning has given up the ghost. It is not the first time the poet's obscurity has tired people to death.

THE cold weather that furnishes sleighing for the young, warmly-clad and healthy is slaying the aged, poor and infirm.

THE politician who seeks to make capital from the economy of a refusal to succor real distress should be classed with the man who murders his father to obtain pocket

County wars are a peculiarly American institution, and, despite all excuse, they are a national disgrace.

THE Czar's attitude with regard to the

Russian famine is perhaps attributable to the belief of his ministers, that "Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise," THE wisdom of the Pope is unquestion-

able in refusing to interfere in French mat-SALISBURY'S statement that he will not vield a jot of the British rights in the Bering

Sea dispute probably means that he hasn't got a tittle of right to part with. RED ink throwing by a jealous woman is

an improvement on the vitriol of the past. SICKNESS is often measured by the sufferer's public prominence. A Secretary of State would be reported seriously ill if he

#### HIGH ON THE LADDER.

MOST. REV. ROBERT KNOX, D. D., LL D., Protestant Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, is seriously ill with

suffered from a chilblain.

influenza at Dublin. PROF. JOHN K. PAINE, of Harvard, who is easily the first among American compos-ers, is to write the instrumental music for the opening of the Columbian Exhibition buildings next October.

LADY SALISBURY, wife of the British Premier, has become a member of the Women's Committee formed to look after theexhibits of English women at the World's Fair to be held at Chicago. THE venerable Dr. Noah Porter, ex-

President of Yale, is confined to his bed with an attack of grip. Yesterday he was some-what better, but owing to his advanced age the worst results are feared. EMPEROR WILLIAM has addressed a letter of congratulation to Herr von Korn, the proprietor of the Schlelische Zeitung, in Lon-don, on the occasion of the one hundred and

fiftieth anniversary of the founding of that MAJOR GENERAL SNOWDEN has nomi nated Major Austin Curtin, Commissary of Subsistence of the Second Brigade, to be Division Commissary of Subsistence, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, vice Paton,

resigned. ALARMING rumors have been circulated concerning the health of the King of Spain. It was stated that he had been attacked by grip, but it has been learned that he is only suffering from a cold. No anxiety is felt as

THE Duke of Marlborough predicts that in a not distant future America will revel in the possession of a "representative class of lauded merchant nobles who will vie in luxury and in wealth with anything that the Old World ever produced."

# AN HEROIC MOTHER

Gives a Large Portion of Her Cuticle to Cover the Burned Body of Her Child.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 .- [Special.]-Ten-year-old Hyman Muench set fire to his clothing while playing with matches, October 28, and was burned so hadly on the top of his head and on his chest and stomach that the skin and on his chest and stomach that the skin refused to grow. About a fortnight ago the surreons of Bellevue Hospital, in which the little rellow is a patient, agreed that the only way of covering the exposed surface was by gratting upon it the skin of some healthy person. Hyman's mother volun-teered to provide the necessary cuticle, and the initial operation was performed this

Both mother and child were put under the Both mother and child were put under the influence of ether, and the laborious process of transplanting skin from the thighs and legs of the mother to the body of the child in tiny portions was gone through with. An area of exposed flesh more than a foot long and and nearly ten inches wide was covered with the mother's skin. A space was left uncovered in the middle to allow the skin to expand smoothly. Neither Mrs. Muench nor Hyman seemed the worse for the operation, and it is thought that the rest of the body and the exposed portion of the skull can be covered in a second operation.

## IS IT A POLITICAL MOVE!

The Postal People Not Pushing the Lotter

New ORLEANS, Jan.7.—[Special.]—Mr. Paul Conrad, President of the Louisiana State Lottery Company, and the other officers and directors of that company, were arrested yesterday for alleged violation of the anti-lottery postal law found against the:a at Martinsburg, W. Va. They had already been indicted at Boston, St. Louis, Sioux Falls, Pittsburg, San Antonio and other cities under this law.

When they were brought before the United States Court to-day United States District Attorney Grant dismissed them, saying he had been ordered to suspend all proceedings against the lottery officials until further orders. Mr. Grant would not say from whom these orders came.

## An Undertaker Beaten Out of a Job.

Canton, Jan. 7.—[Special.]—Mrs. Emmet Cable, wife of a prominent farmer near Sparta, was fil with dropsy for some time Sparta, was ill with dropsy for some time Growing worse day by day she finally sunk into a comatose condition, it was thought she was dead. Before the undertaker ar-rived watchers noticed a slight motion in the bed and in an instant the supposed corpse sat upright, threw the sheet aside and leisurely stroked back her hair. A little later and the poisonous embalming fluid would have been introduced.

## Campbell Told All He Knew.

Boston News.] Governor Campbell's message to the Legis-lature will be six lines in length. It doesn't eem to take him long to tell all he knows.

bats now. It is more dangerous than bricks.

More Dangerous Than Bricks. loston Herald.? The cranks are carrying dynamite in their

#### LIVE WASHINGTON WAIFS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7-In view of the provision in the reciprocity section of the tariff law of October 1, 1890, making it the duty of the President after January 1, 1892, to suspend by proclamation the free admis-sion of sugars, molasses, coffee, tea and hides against such countries producin these articles as, after that date, maintai tariff duties upon American agricultural and other products which he may deem unequal and unreasonable, the President submitted to the Attorney General the ques-tion whether the law authorized him to issue a proclamation fixing a future day when the duties imposed by virtue of the proclamation would take effect. The Attorney General has given an opinion that the duties must attach and be collected on and after the date of the proclamation, and that a future day cannot be named by the President. Owing to this decision, and to the fact that

justice to importers of the articles named in section 3 of the tariff law requires that reasonable notice should be given of the section 3 of the tarilf law requires that reasonable notice should be given of the President's intended action, Secretary Blaine to-day sent notes to the diplomatic representatives, in this city, of Austria-Hungary, Columbia, Hayti, Nicaragua, Hondurus, Spain (for the Philippine Islands and Venezuela), informing them that on March 15 next the President would issue his proclamation, unless in the meantime some satisfactory reciprocity arrangement should be made with the countries named declaring that in view of the free admission of the articles named in section 3 of the tariff, the product of those countries, he deemed their tariffs on the agricultural and other products of the United States to be reciprocally unequal and unreasonable, and that as against the countries named he would issue his proclamation March 15 next, suspending the provisions of the tariff law relating to the introduction into the United States of sugars, molasses, coffee, tea and hides, the product of or exported from such countries, and on and after that date the duties fixed in section 3 would be imposed on those articles. The notice to Spain, however, only applies to the Philippine Islands.

Negotiations with France and some other countries have reached such a stage as, in the opinion of the President, to warrant the

countries have reached such a stage as, in the opinion of the President, to warrant the Secretary of State in withholding notice to Secretary of State in withholding notice to them of a proctamation affecting their prod-ucts. The notes referred to were considered and signed by Mr. Blaine at his residence this afternoon. General J. W. Foster spent some time in consultation with him on the

SENATOR HILL, of New York, remained in his seat for an hour after the adjournnent of the Senate to-day. He was an object of interest to the people, which then had entrance to the hall, and was much discussed and pointed at by little knots of spectators who gathered in the rear of the desks. He occupied the seat formerly filled by Senator Hampton, of South Carolina, in the last row on the Democratic side of the chamber. The new Senator received a meascliamber. The new Senator received a measure of welcome not usually accorded to new comers in the conservative Senate, for not only was he personally greeted by nearly all of his Democratic colleagues, but by many of the Republican Senators, and he must have been surprised to find out how many persons in Washington had known him for years, to judge by their provues declarations. He watched the short proceedings to-day with much interest, and when Captain Bassett's four bells signaled adjournment he remarked jocularly that the session had been too short to admit of his distinguishing himself.

THERE are now ten Senators who have notified the Caucus Committee of their abil-ity and willingness to serve on the Appropriations Committee in the place formerly held by Mr. Plumb. Although Senator Perkins, in view of his Congressional experience, is likely to fare much better than is usually the case with new Senators in assignment to committees, it is not probable that he can succeed to this much coveted place, so that the Caucus Committee, unable to fall back upon the rule of succession, is in a dilemma. One of its members to-day said that the membership of the Appropriations Committee would probably be increased, notwithstanding the understanding reached notwithstanding the understanding reached at the beginning of the present session that it would be allowed to shrink to its former membership of fine when a vacancy ensued in the natural course of events. If some such measure of relief is not afforded it is feared that the Senators who favored a division of the general appropriations bills among the leading committees of the Senate will in the end carry their point through the aid of certain of the Senators from the older States who are disappointed in their desire to get places on the all-powerful Appropriations Committee.

THERE was to-day laid before the House point in St. Louis bay, to Fond Du Lac, or point in St. Louis bay, to Fond Du Lac, on the State line between Minnesota and Wis-consin. The improvement proposed con-templates forming a channel by dredging, where necessary, 100 feet wide at the bottom and 16 feet deep, up to Fond Du Lac, at an estimated cost of \$113,000.

THE questions asked in the progress of argument by Justices of the Court to-day give good ground for the presumption that the United States Supreme Court will decide against the Church of the Holy Trinity of New York, in the suit between it and the United States growing out of the church's bringing Rev. E. Walpole Watren, of England, to this country under contract, as its rector

REPRESENTATIVE WASHINGTON, of Tennessee, the Chairman of the Committee on Territories, says the committee will un-doubtedly prepare bills containing enabling acts by which Territories of Arizona and New Mexico can hold conventions to form con stitutions that may be voted on by the peo ple at the coming election in November The pills will be says; in all probability be on framed that the Territories may after the constitutions are adopted by the people be admitted by the proclamation of the President, so that further action by Congress will not be necessary. It is not likely, he says, that any new territory will be admitted in time to participate in the next Presidental election.

THE Treasury Department has approved the action of the Collector of Customs at Cleveland, O., in requiring bond for the pro duction of consular invoices covering goods arriving at that port from New York under immediate transportation bond, in cases where the consignees do not produce a con-sular invoice at the time of making entry of such goods.

Two important committees of the House effected an organization to-day. The Appropriations Committee authorized the ap pointment of sub-committees, and deferred action on the census deficiency requested by Superintendent Porter until they can begin work. It is practically settled that there will be no assemblage of all the gen-eral appropriation bills in the Appropria-tion Committee, and the distribution of the appropriation bills among several commitappropriation bills among several committees will remain as in the two previous Congresses. The Wavs and Means Committee did a little routine business preliminary to beginning work on tariff legislation. Reuter Springer, son of the Chairman, succeeds John M. Carson as principal clerk. Alex. Jones, a Chicago newspaper man, was appointed assistant clerk, and J. D. Darneille, of Sprinfield, Ill.. messenger. Only eight members—a bare quorum—were present. The House Committee on Foreign and Inter-State Commerce Commission, of which Representative Mills is Chairman, will be called to order Saturday by Representative G. D. Wise, of Virginia, who will act as Chairman for the present. for the present. .

## EGYPT'S MONARCH DEAD.

Camo, Jan. 7 .- Tewfik Pasha (Mohamn

His 18-Year-Old Son, Prince Abbas Pashs

Tewfik), Khedive of Egypt, died this after-noon from influenza at the age of 40 years. The death of the Khedive was entirely unexpected. It was stated this evening that he was in no apparent danger from the attack of influenza, when suddenly the co plications set in and developed with startling rapidity.

When it became generally known that the

ruler of Egypt was dangerously ill, groups of people gathered at the gates of Heiorian palace, where the Knedive was lying. At 6 o'clock this evening a bulletin was issued stating that the Khedive was in a critical condition. It is believed that at that time he must have been dead. At 7 o'clock his

death was announced.

He will be succeeded by Prince Abbas Pasha, his eldest son, who was born July 14. 1874. The funeral of the Khedive will take place to-morrow. The Khedive's sons have

#### COTTON NO LONGER KING.

eduction Sends the Price Lower Than Ever Before Quoted at New York. New York, Jan. 7 .- [Special.]-The cotton speculation to-day ran up to 214,000 bales, the argest in a long time. The early figures for March, the favorite speculative option were fully one-half cent a pound below the closing figures of Wednesday. There were proportionate declines in the other options. At the close there was a partial recovery

and possibly a steadier tone. The decline for 48 hours amounted to \$1.35 a bale.

Cotton has dropped to the lowest price in its history. For months, it is said, current prices have been below the cost of production. The crop estimates have been pushed up to between \$600,600 and \$500,000 bales, the largest on record. The receipts at Southern up to between 8,000,000 and 8,000,000 bales, the largest on record. The receipts at Southern scabord cities have been unusually heavy for a long time. The speculation at the South has been extensive, and, to some extent, reckless, and many of the speculators have left their brokers to bear the losses. The banks have found it necessary to call in their loans. The total decline for a week is \$2.50 a bale. The lower figures, though, have stimulated largest avorters. stimulated larger export orders

#### BARNUM'S BODY WAS BURIED.

The Story That a Dummy Was Used Is De

nied by Rev. Dr. Collyer. New York, Jan. 7.-[Special.]-A story which has found some believers was circulated in Bridgeport, Conn., to the effect that at the funeral of the late Phineas T. Barnum a "dummy" did service instead of the remains of the late showman. Rev. Dr. Robert Collver delivered the funeral oration at the bsequies. He was seen to-day in relation to the story. He said: "I put my hand on his forehead, then I closed the coffin lid," said the Rev. Dr. Robert Collyer this morn-

said the Rev. Dr. Robert Collyer this morning, thus disposing of the statement that a dummy of straw was buried in the place of the body of the late Mr. Barnum.

The alleged story was told with circumstances and detail. It was said that the body was concealed in the bouse in Bridgeport for four days after the burial of the similarrum and then interred in secret in a spot known only to Mrs. Barnum and a few triends. After ghouls had lost hope of getting the body it was to be reinterred beneath the granite slab. Hawley, Reynolds & Wilmot, the undertakers, declare that the story is false, and Dr. Collyer's statement disposes of the matter for once and all.

#### ON LUPER'S LITTLE LIST.

Twenty-Six Insurance Companies Unde Suspicion, Half in This State. HARRISBURG, Jan. 7 .- [Special.] -State In surance Commissioner Luper has received from Auditor Henderson, of Indiana, a list of fire insurance companies he considers unworthy of confidence. Of the 28 named just one-half are in this State, and are among those against which Commissioner Luper is directing his present crusade. The list fol-

directing his present crusade. The list follows:
Alliance, Reading: Merchant, Altoona; Montgomery, Montgomery county: Stetson, Stetson; Farmers and Mechanics', Millersburg; Fairmount, Dauntless and Quaker City, Philadelphia; Aurora, Capital City and Susquebanna, Harrisburg; Dauphin, Dauphin; Reserve and Washington Union, Cleveland, O.; Sandusky and Steadman, Toledo, O.; Northern, Sioux City, Is.; Dakota F. and M., Mitchell, Dak.; Wyteville, Wyteville, Va.; Columbia, New Jersey; Delta, Greenville, Miss.; Industrial Fire Inusurance Association and Buckeye State Mutual Fire, location unknown; Delaware River F. and M., Camden, N. J.

#### THE BULKELEY DECISION

Puts an End, Also, to the Suit for Salary of the Governor's Secretary.

HARTFORD, Jan. 7 .- Governor Bulkeley bas been informed that the Controller has reconsidered his ruling last March, so far as the same applies to the Governor's claim to the payment of a proportional amount of the salary attached to the office of Executthe salary attached to the office of Executive Secretary for services from January 20, 1991, and has, accordingly, adjusted the claim and allowed the amounts found due.

This action is attributed to the decision of the Supreme Court establishing Governor Bulkeley's title. It ends the Brainard-Staubinit

Two Well-Known Families United. NEWARK, O., Jan. 7 .- At St. Frances de Sales' Church this morning, was solemnized the marriage of Miss Frances Bernham Woods, only daughter of Mrs. Cecilia 1. Woods and the late Major General Charles Woods and the late Major General Charles R. Woods, U. S. A., and niece of Justice William R. Woods, of the United States Surveme Court, to Eugene F. Arnold, of Washington. The ceremony was performed by Right Rev. John A. Watterson, of Columbus. The bride is a strikingly beautiful brunette and comes of an old and distinguished family. The couple will reside in Washington.

## The Sick at the Capital,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—Rear Admiral C. R. P. Rogers, U. S. N., retired, is dangerously ill with heart trouble. It is said at the Navy Department that there is no chance of Navy Department that there is no chance of recovery. The condition of Speaker Crisp showed considerable improvement to-day. He ate a good breakfast and later on read a morning paner. Representative John C. Tarsney, of Illinois, has been ill for several days with a bad attack of grip. He is reported a little better to-day, but is still confined to his room.

## DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

General John Irvin Gregg. General John Irvin Gregg, a distinguished

General John Irvin Gregg, a distinguished soldier of the war with Mexico and the late war, died at his residence in Washington, Wednesday, in his 65th year. He was born in Bellefonte, Pa., in 1826, and served in the Second Pennsylvania Volunteers in the Mexican War, rising to the rank of captain. At the beginning of the late war he volunteered with the Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves, but he was soon transferred to the regular service. and afterward became Colonel of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavairy. In the fight at Deep Bot-tom he was wounded in the wrist, and he was again wounded at Amelia Springs in 1855. At the again wounded at Amelia Springs in 1855. At the close of the war, he was breveted Major General. This made his fourth promotion for gailant services between 1851 and 1855. After the war, he had command of the troops in Southwestern Virginia, and was afterward sent to Louisiana as, inspector of Freedmen. In July, 1858, he was appointed Cotonel of the Eighth United States Cavalry, and served as such until 1878, when he was retired as a result of a severe affliction of the knee joint, received two years previous.

Hon, David Putuam, Abolitionist.

Hon, David Putman, one of the oldes Hon. David Putman, one of the oldest native citizens of Marietta, O., died yesterday morning, aged 84 years. The deceased was the fifth son of the late David Putmam, one of the original settlers of Marietta, and grandson of General Israel Putnam, of revolutionary fame. Mr. Putmam was a famous figure in political life during the few years immediately preceeding the late war, having been an Abolitionist and one of the managers of the "underground railroad," of which his house was one of the stations.

# The Earl of Litchfield.

The Earl of Lichfield died in London yesterday. Thomas George Anson, second Earl of Lichfield, Viscount Anson and Baron Soberton, Lichneid, Viscount Anson and Baron Soberion, was born Angust 15, 1825, and succeeded to the tities upon the death of his father, March 18, 1834. On April 10, 1835, the Earl married Lady Harriet Hamilton, eidest daugnter of the Duke of Abercorn. By this marriage there were three sons and five daughters. The Earl will be succeeded by his eldest son, Thomas Francis Anson, who was born January 21, 1836.

## William A. Shaw.

William A. Shaw died at his late residence in Bellevue yesterday morning of pneu-monia. Mr. Shaw was the oldest resident of Bellevue, having been born in Versailles township in 1800. He leaves a widow and three children. They are Drs. W. C. and Preston Shaw and Mrs. J. C. Doty.

## Obituary Notes.

GEORGE M. MANLEY, formerly a law partner of ex-Senator Ingalls, died in Summit, N. J., Tues-day in his sist year. He owned much real estate in Kansas. GENERAL ALBEST CAMBRIELS, a French sol-dier who fought in the Italian campaign and was wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Sedan, is dead in Paris.

EDWARD NICHOLS, President of the Brooks Locomotive Works at Dunkirk, N. Y., died yesterday morning of pneumonia, aged 41 years. He was prominent in local polities. HON. LEWIS PUGH, ex-member of the Legis-isture and member of the Constitutional Conven-tion in 1872, died suddenly vesterday afternoon from an attack of grip, at Wilkesbarre, aged 71.

COLONEL JACOB W. STARK, of Laucaster, died Tuesday in his Sad year. During the war he was commander of the Seventy-ninth Regiment, Penn-sylvania Volunteers. He was a preminent Mason and Knight of Pythias. GENERAL JAMES V. BONFORD, late of the GENERAL JAMES V. BOMFORD, into of the United States army, died suddenly at his home in Elizabeth, N. J., Wednesday. He served in the Black Hawk, Seminole. Mexican and Civil Wars. When the late war broke out he was surrendered by General Twiggs on the Texas frontier, but, refusing to give his parole not to fight the Connederacy, he was held prisoner for over a year. After his release he was promoted auccessively to colone and brevet brigadier general.

#### LIKE A BUD BALL

Was the Initiatory German Given in Honor of Miss Margaret Brown-A Wedding and Other Functions Mark Time's Flight in the Polite World.

Again the Pittsburg Club was the scene of the triumph, if not the debut, of one of the season's buds. This was the fashionable german given last night by Miss Howe in honor of her niece, Miss Margaret Brown, and which drew to the Club Theater the usual exclusive set, and filled that cozy place pretty nearly beyond comfort point The house had been decked with flowers in the afternoon against the young lady's coming, and looked its very prettiest. Out In the foyer groups of plants were ranged about. The only flowers here were long stemmed American Beauties arranged in a tall Japanese vase and standing at the apex of the two comfortable seats which run along an equal number of sides of the foyer. The orchestra on the stage was concealed from light by an embankment of paims and other tropical products, behind which was a screen of tarlatan hung with English luy. The dining room across in the house had only decorations on the mantel pieces, consisting of tiny palms, American Beauties, ferns and similar funcy plants. Refreshments were served on small tables, but they were unadorned in flowers. The dressing room mantel was left unbanked on account of its convenience in holding the toilet accessories of the ladies.

Miss Brown who were a dainty gown a la ingenue was sunported socially by her aunt, in the foyer groups of plants were ranged

Miss Brown who wore a dainty gown a la ingenue was supported socially by her aunt, who was her hostess, and her parents. Her bouquets were said to be among the most beautiful received by any young lady this season. It might be said that the ball at which Miss Brown did not come out was brilliant enough to serve as an introduction for a whole bunch of debutantes. THE casts of the two plays which the Dramatic Club of the Western University of Pennsylvania are preparing for presentation at the Pittsburg Club Friday evening, January 15, have been completed and are as fol-

"EARLY VOWS"-A COMEDY IN TWO ACTS. Miriam Curtice Miss Daisy Miler Susan, a maid Miss Anna Scott Hoo. Mr. Curtice Mr. E. B. Gochring Captain Winthrop Mr. C. W. Davis Ned Wilder Mr. D. S. Liggett Sampson Mr. W. Riddle

"CHUMS" -ONE-ACT FARCE.

The patronesses are: Mrs. J. B. Scott, Mrs. C. L. Magee, Mrs. W. J. Holland, Mrs. John Walker, Mrs. W. Hilliam Thaw, Sr., Mrs. Reuben Miller, Mrs. M. B. Riddle, Mrs. Cori-landt Whitehead. This is the second of the Dramatic Club's entertainments.

THE ceremony transforming Miss Jane Lewis into Mrs. Joseph J. Marshall was per-formed last night in the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, before a host of friends and by the pastor of the church, the Rev. H. A. Applegarth. The usual floral decorations prevailed at the altar and bands of smilax replaced the white ribbon generally used. The ushers were Mr. Jared Marshall, Mr. Leon M. Vardy, of Wheeling: Colonel Harry Sherrard, of Steubenville: Mr. W. J. Lewis, Jr., Mr. J. Scott White, Mr. Harry Mosley, Mr. Florence Miller and Mr. Alexander Jenkinson. During the ceremony, the organ in the skilled hands of Mr. Samuel Brown in the skilled hands of Mr. Samuel Brown played numerous selections, among them being Schubert's "Serande" and Mendelssohn's "Wedding March." The wedding gown was of white moire antique with orange blossoms. A veil was worn, and the bonquet carried was formed solely of Roman hyacinths. The bride is an extremely attractive looking girl. Miss Gertude Lewis, the maid of honor, wore yellow crepe made in a simple fashion.

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A reception following the eeremony, which took place at 8 o'clock, was given at Mr. Thomas L. Lewis' house, in Bellefield. When the customary greetings and congratulations, incident to such an occasion, were extended, the happy bridegroom bore his wife off on the wedding tour.

Social Chatter. In answer to the 200 invitations sent out by

Mrs. Alan Wood, the "minor element" of Pittsburg and Allegheny came on Wednes-day afternoon to pay their respects to little Misses Roland, Anita and Helen Wood. Mrs. Misses Roland, Anita and Helen Wood. Mrs. Wood was assisted in receiving the little folks by Mrs. Thomas McKee, Miss Detwiller, of Philadelphia. Mrs. Wood's cousin, and Mrs. Joseph R. Dilworth. Miss Detwiller, who is spending the winter with Mrs. Wood, is quite young, and gives promise of being a beautiful girl. Besides her pretty face, she has a naturalness and rare graciousness of manner which make her a favorite with everyone.

FLORISTS say debutantes' boquets are somewhat less than former years. Though roses are as little lasting as ever, they continue to be in favor, as, undoubtedly, there is no flower so handas, undoubtedly, there is no hower so hand-some nor so satisfactory when used in large quantities. This winter orchids also are being much used. Unfortunately they look rather out of their element in a bailroom, for to be seen in their full attraction the concomitants of South America, decayed trunks of trees, moss and stones, are re-

Mr. Hower Moore, the musical literarian and tutor, will probably give some recitals in the city prior to leaving in June for Europe, with the expectation of joining the German stage. The triumph which Mr. Moore gained at the Symphony Orchestra concert on Wednesday ovening was another of the well-carned recognitions contributed to that gentleman's talents since his arrival a short time since.

MR. AND MRS. H. CLOUD, of the West End gave a reception on Saturday evening, at which formal announcement was made of the engagement of the hostess' charming sister, Miss Margaret Thomas, to Mr. Evan Floyd, of Wilmerding. Miss Thomas has just returned from a sojourn in Florida. Miss Saha Spano will make her formal entree into the social world next Tuesday evening under the chaperonage of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Spang, who will give a dance for her at the Kenmawr Hotel.

THINTY-RIGHT big bouquets were the floral trophies laid at Miss Watson's feet on the event of her coming out ball, and last night there could be traced at least 22 equally pleasant perpetrations for Miss Margaret Brown.

Miss CHILES, one of the most popular of the season's debutantes, gives a luncheon to-day in honor of Miss Zaidle Fulton, of New York. Miss Fulton is said to be the most opular visitor Pittsburg has seen this win

Sr. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, of Lawrence ville, entertained its parishioners with musical and literary entertainment in St Augustine's Hall, given by the Young Peo-ple's Literary and Dramatic Society. Miss Annie Shith, whose engagement to Mr. Scaife was announced officially by The Disparch some time ago, will be the guest 'of honor this afternoon at a reception given by her sister, Mrs. Horton Singer.

Mrs. Charles Culp is spending this week in Philadelphia. Shortly after Mrs. Culp's return she and Mr. Culp will set un their dainty establishment in a pretty house in the Baum plan in East Liberty. Mrs. Harry Rea gave a small dinner on Tuesday. Other equally exclusive affairs were Mrs. Joseph R. Dilworth's pink tea on Wednesday and Mrs. Ross J. Martin's dinner

MR. AND MRS. EDWIN GRAHAM FERGUSON, now away on their wedding journey, will be at home January 28 and February 4 at the home of Mr. Ferguson's mother, Mrs. J. MR. AND MRS. J. M. AIKKN have issued in

on the same afternoon.

MRS. A. E. W. PAINTER'S guests, who almost brought Pittsburg's social world to their feet, have gone their several ways, leaving behind them a train of regrets. Social engagements for next week are being made with a due regard for the Kendal repertoire. It will be the theater party week of the season so far.

A prw friends of Mrs. W. A. Duning, nec Stevenson, of Robinson street, were enter-tained at a pink and white dinner last night. MES. B. F. RAPPERTY, of Flith avenue and hidwell street, gave a dinner last night to i people. The table was decorated in yellow Miss Gillespiz, of Thomas street, The Bouleyard, gave an entertainment of a ren sical nature to her friends last night.

Mns, Jounson gave a theater party to see "Alabama" last night, in honor of Miss Pettit, Miss Child's guest. THE Misses Price, of the East End, give a card party on next Wednesday evening at their Fifth avenue bome. DR. T. J. GALLAHER, of Collins avenue ast End, is home from a visit in Pinia York Tribune.

Man's Position May Become Hopeless. New York Commercial Advertiser.]
When the other sex go in for dynamiting

#### SPRINGER'S FREE WOOL SILL

Full Text of One of the Most Important o

This Session's Measures.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—The following washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—The following is the text of the free wool bill drafted by Chairman Springer, of the Ways and Means Committee, but not yet introduced in the House by him nor approved by the majority of the Ways and Means Committee. Mr. Springer was at first rejuctant to give it out for publication in advance of its introduction, but finally said that in view of the tion, but finally said that in view of the many conflicting statements which had gone out in regard to the bill, he thought it might be best, in order to avoid criticism, to make its provisions as at present drafted public

A bill to admit all wools free of duty and to re-

It is as follows:

A bill to admit all wools free of duty and to repeal the duti- per pound and per square yard upon woolen goods. Be it enacted, etc.

Section 1—That on and after the first day of January, 1863, the following articles, when imported, shall be exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the exempt from duty, namely, all wools, hair of the earnet, goat, all passes, and all wools on the skin, all Nolls, top waste, subhing waste, roving waste, ring waste, yarn waste and woolen rags, musage and flocks.

Section 2—That on and affer the lat day of January 1863, the duties per nonad imposed in paragraphs 20, 322, 323, 324, 335, 326, 337, and 385 of an act to reduce the revenue and equalize duties of an innorts and for other purposes, approved October 1, 1800, and the duties per sonare yard imposed in paragraphs 390, 300, 401, 402, 413, 301, 495, 485 and 47 of said act he and the same are hereby repealed, and only the advalorem duties imposed in all said paragraphs. The criticles mentioned in said paragraph and this section shall thereafter be levied, collected and paid upon the articles mentioned in said paragraph 300 of said act shall be subject to the rate of the duty imposed by this act on carpets og carpeting of like character or description. The articles mentioned in paragraph 300 of said act shall be subject to the rate of the duty imposed by this act on carpets og carpeting of like character or description. The articles mentioned in paragraph 300 of said act shall thereafter be subjected to a duty of 30 per cent ad valorem.

The effect of section 2 is to wipe out all except the advalorem duties on woolen and worsted yarns, cioths, shawls, knit fabrics, and children's dress goods, coat linings, Italian cloths and goods of similar character, reday-made clo and all wool and hair advanced in any manner beyond the washed or scoured condition
not specially provided for in addition to
compensatory duties, shall be subject to the
same duties, ranging from 40 to 50 per cent,
as are imposed upon manufacturers' wool
not specially provided for. This is equivalen to a production (besides compensatory
duties) of from 10 to 20 per cent on roping,
roving and top wool and wools partly advanced in manufacture and not specially
provided for.

#### INDIANS WATCHING CONGRESS. Delegation of Creeks on the Alert to

Head Off Harmful Laws. Sr. Louis, Jan. 7 .- A party of eight Creek Indians are in the city on their way to Washington "to watch the doings of Congress," as Chief L. Perryman, who is in charge of the party, says. "We deem it best to keep up this custom," said Chief Perryman. "We spend from \$7,000 to \$10,000 a year in watch-ing the movements of Congress. "Congress, you know, is composed of men representing all kinds of interests, and they may spring measures that would be harm-

ay spring measures that would be harm-il to our interests and have them passed ful to our interests and have them passed before their purpose is fully understood if we do not keep an eye on them. Measures are sometimes advanced that would interfere with our welfare, though they may not be intended for that purpose. Our people have fine farms and raise a large amount of stock. We spend large sums of money each year on our schools, and our people are intelligent." The delegates will leave to-night for Washington.

#### WOULD-BE CONGRESSMEN.

Each County in the New Castle District Pre sents Its Candidates,

New Castle, Jan. 7.—[Special.]—Now that it has been settled that Congressmen will be nominated by the delegate system hereafter, the different counties are getting into line. Lawrence county will present the names of Colonel Oscar H. Jackson, who has served two terms in Congress, and Thomas W. Phillips, the oil king, will also ask for the nomination. Butler county will present the names of Newton Black, who was a caudi-

tion.

Mercer county's candidate will be a new man—Hon. S. C. Koonce, a substantial farmer, at Clarksville village. Beaver county's candidate will, more than likely, be Hon. Charles C. Townsend, who also was before convention. He has served on

## ELKINS MUNIFICENT OFFER.

and and a Fortune in Cash for an Academy in His Home Town.

PARKERSBURG, Jan. 7.-[Special.]—Rev. W. S. Powell returned this morning from New York where he had an interview with Hon. retary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and President Harper, of the University of Chicago.

Secretary of War Elkins made a tion to give 25 acres of land and \$25,000 in money to build a first-class academy at El-kins, W. Va. This would involve the re-movel of Broaddus College from Clarksburg to Elkins. If Clarksburg holds out better inducements the college will remain there. A meeting will be held next week.

Gotham's Latest Swell Wedding. NEW YORK, Jan. 7 .- The marriage of Colonel Ralph Vivian, of England, to Mrs. Marshall O. Roberts was celebrated this afternoon in Calvary Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Henry Y. Satterlee. assisted by Rev. Dr. Endicott Peabody. The church was handsomely decorated, flowers abounding everywhere. Three arches were placed across the front of the church, and it was beneath the center one of these flower-laden bowers that the bridal party passed to the ultra.

# An Educator Passing Away.

New Haven, Jan. 7.—[Special.]—Ex-President Porter, of Yale University, who has been ill for a long time, was reported to be in a critical condition by his physician last night. He is gradually sinking and the end s thought to be near.

# SHERMAN'S NOMINATION.

THE Republicans of the Ohio Legislature have done themselves an honor and the country a service by returning John Sher-This is as good news as has come over the wires in many a day and will gratify the friends of good government and honorable politics in all parties and all over the country .- New York Times.

Hox. John Sherman has been elected to succeed himself as United States Senator from Ohio without the shadow of a shade of doubt. We propose three cheers for John Sherman and the lionest Republicans who helped elect him.—Cincinnati Commercial Ga-Omo will continue to be represented in the United States Senate by a man whose emi-

nent public service, long experience, great ability and incorruptible integrity have been an honor to his State, his country and his party for the past 30 years.-New York Onto and the entire nation are to gratulated, not only that the most capable and experienced Senator in the upper

branch of Congress is to be allowed to round out his life in the public service, but that Foraker will vanish from public view at least for a season.—Philadelphia Times. The nation is not so rich in statesmen of original genius that it can afford to be deprived of the services of its most eminent financier, Senator Sherman. His nomination by the Republican cancus at Columbus after a spirited cancus offers ground for profound sfaction throughout the country .- New

MEN of the caliber of Mr. Sherman belong in a way to the whole country, and when they are sacrificed to local jeulousies and en-mities and rivairies, as they too often are, the whole country sustains a loss. Mr. Sher-man's assured re-election is matter for pub-lic congratulation,—Philadelphia North Amer-

#### CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Ten days per year is the average sick-

-A railway to Jerusalem will be completed in next April.

-The smallest shoe shop in New York is 3 feet 3 inches square. -More fruit is-probably imported into

London than any other city in the world. -In Colorado the Southern Pacific Railroad is ballasted for some distance with rock salt.

-Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina each has two species of lizard provided with three eyes. -A stick of timber 20x20x91 feet was re-

ently cut in Oregon and shipped to Sau -A Georgia convict cannot get out, although his term has expired. The prison records say he is dead, and there is no pro-vision for releasing a dead man.

-There are now 2 colored women lawrers, 24 doctors, 6 civil engineers, 19 proographers and 32 artists. There are also 112 olored women pursuing studies abroad. -I nTexas there is a stone about 20 feet in diameter that has wonderful magnetic power. It is said that it will draw a ham-

er or an ax to its surface even when placed to 15 feet away on the ground. -There are some curious things in Yellowstone Park, among which is a hole which has no bottom that has yet been reached. A line has been dropped down nearly 3,000 feet and yet it did not touch bottom.

-The civil service records of the past three years show that out of the number of men applicants examined for Government offices only a little over one-half passed while four-fifths of the women applicants -Soda water is an American drink. It is

as essentially American as porter, Rhine wine and claret are distinctively English, German and French. The most interesting act in the manufacture of soda water is that t contains no soda.

-A firm in San Francisco recently received from a life prisoner in the San Quen-tin, Cal., prison, a check for \$80. It was in payment for goods that he bought from the house 24 years ago—just prior to committing the deed for which he is imprisoned. -In Northern Africa date stones are

roasted and used as a substitute for coffee. All kinds of basket and wicker work are made from the leaf stalks, while the leaves themselves are made into mats, bags, etc.; the wood is used for fences and buildings, -A 13-year-old Maine girl, who is lumpering at Moro, with the assistance of her

father, loaded on a team 324 logs and hauled them to the landing, some distance away, where she unloaded them and returned for more. She was just 26 days hanling the -"While at her cooking the other day," relates the Fernandina, Fla., News, "Phillis Kelly, colored, broke an egg open, when another distinct egg about the size of a marble and with a hard shell, was found in the yolk. It was sent to the News office for in-

-The reed swamps of the Guadiana river, in Southern Spain, are all alive with migra-tory birds in November, and the water fowl of Northern Eussia winter on the shores of the Caspian, where snow storms may occur now and then, but where water birds are, on the whole, much better off than on the desert coasts further south. -In old times rhinoceros horns were em

ployed for drinking cups by royal person-

ages, the notion being that poison put into them would show itself by bubbling. There may have been some truth in the idea, inasmuch as many of the ancient poisons were acids and they would decompose the horny material very quickly. -Doubtless the first dogs which were trained to serve mankind were the jackals of Asia, which are to this day very intelli-

gent and docile when tamed. There was a kind of dog kept by the ancient Egyptians which was evidently obtained by breeding from a slenderly built species that is wild in Africa at the present time. -Much speculation has been indulged in as to the nature of the glow-worm's light, which is not put out by water nor seemingly canable of giving forth any heat. It has been asserted that the light diffusing substance contains phosphorus, but this has never been proved. Certainly it is incapable of communicating ignition to any-

-During the early part of this century and previously the official tax gatherers on the Island of Hawaii, in the Sandwich group, did all their accounts on a rope 2,400 feet long, which was divided into lengths, each corresponding to a district. Loops, knots and feather trits along the rope served as memoranda for the hogs, pigs, and pieces of sandal wood collected from taxpayers.

-The single tribe of the Betsi Fangs, in the Kongo counsry, according to De Brazzs, numbers over 2,000,000 souls. Their most important villages are from three to ten miles back from the rivers. Father Lejeune esti-mates that along the Ogowe river from Lam-barene to Ndyole there are 200,000 Fangs. But all the rivers forming a network through country are in the possession of this -"A live manatee or sea cow was caught

in Biscayne Baya few days ago," reports the
Eustia Lake, Fia., Region. "It gave its captors a lively time and some hard work to get
it across the bay. Sometimes it came along
as quiet as a lamb after being exhausted by
its efforts to escape. Then, when somewhat
rested, it would break away, and, to prevent
swamping their little boat, they would have
to give it rope and let it run awhile.

In 1827 when the Egylish storted in Riseavne Baya few days ago," reports the -In 1887, when the English started on

—In 1887, when the English started on their expedition to Abyssinia, they carried with them a goodly supply of bright, new Maria Theresa dollars coined for them in Vienna, but this coin met a well-defined mistrust on the part of the natives, since it looked so surprisingly new. Yet the Maria Theresa dollar is the only available one in all this part of the Dark Continent. The conquering tour of this coin was achieved with remarkable rapidity. -Six intimate friends, three young men —Six intimate friends, three young men and three young women, in Louisville, two years ago, agreed among themselves that one should not marry unless the other did. A year later, one of the young men and one of the young women became engaged to each other, but as the others were yet apparently heart free they could not marry. Six mouths later another couple agreed to join their lots for life, but then came trouble. The third young man was willing to marry, but the third young man was willing to marry, but the third young woman was not. This drove the other two couples nearly wild, and they frantically reproached the refluctant maiden for keeping them out of happy matrimony. Finally, a few weeks ago, she yielded, and on New Year's Eve the three couples were married.

## three couples were married.

Old Lady (excitedly)-When is the train to New York due? Ticket Agent—in two hours and 40 minutes. Old Lady (with a sigh of relief)—I am so glad I

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I am going to sneeze, kind sir," she said.
"Whom are you sneezing at, my pretty maid?"
"I'm going to sneeze—a-chew;—" she said.

am not too late.

"Tell me what you read and I'll tell you what you are, " said the Philosopher, "Well," said the Boston girl, "I read lisen, "Then, " sai I the Philosopher, "you are a curl-

Bonder-Don't see you on 'Change nowa-Winedont-No: I've left you fellows and gone

Bonder-Great Scott! I didn't know there was He leaned upon the upper rail

And, with the courage given to men, Slowly and firmly told his take. While the goor gird was wondering when Her wearled ears he'd cease to bore. "And now," said the Gotham host, as he ose from the dining table; "will you step into the drawing from and Join the bulles?"
"With pleasure." responded the guest from New
Orleans; "I always attend the drawings with great

regularity. Bleecker-The Philadelphia Biddles are listant relatives of yours, I believe.

Biddle (of Scolarier-Yes, very distant. They won't even acknowledge the relationship. She sent him a kiss in her letter

Two thousand miles away: And the dead-letter clerk paused to take at his That kiss that went astray! "Wonder why they call 'em 'custom fail-

"I reckon it's because custom doth breed a haoit

PICKINGS FROM PUCK.