# In the World of

Autumn Doings Among Prominent Leaders of the Season's Gayety.

#### PARTIES, WEDDINGS AND TEAS

The Gamut of the Week's Events Sounded in Short Paragraphs-Guests and Eutertainers-Personal Mention Reduced to a Compact Compass.

Society during the week past has been occupied principally with weddings, and the same condition will probably feature the doings of next week. Of parties, dinners or other social gayeties there have been none, nor will the frivolous world take on its wonted pleasantries until probably the middle of November.

What promises to be the most elaborate and one of the most prominent weddings of th season will be that of Miss Mary Geraldine Schroeder to Percival John Morris next Teusday even-ing in St. Peter's cathedral. The bridal party will number twenty persons. The church invitation list is large and the ceremony will be followed by a recep-tion and supper at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Schroeder, in Gren Ridge. Miss Cecilia Schroeder will be maid

of honor, and Frederick Tropp will attend the groom. The bridesmaids will be Misses Gertrude Morris, Phil-ippine Tropp, Mame O'Malley, Emma Koch, Lillian Hall Morris and Augusta Tropp. Beatrice and Trystine Mor-ris and Charlotta Schroeder, sisters of the groom and bride, will be the flower girls, and William Watkins, Peckville; william Avery, Charles Willams, Eugene Davis, George Rogers and Samuel Derman, ushers. The master of ceremonies will be \$dward Thayer.

It is justly said that love of flowers is an evidence of native refinement, whatever may be the result of final human vent. This fact need not be applied in its entirety to Scranton folk, but it is true that various social events in this city are prominently featured by lavish floral decorations and display. The propriety of this feature cannot be gainsaid, provided one has the financial means to employ it. This comment doesn't apply to funerals; people are unwilling to learn that in such events flowers from promiscu-ous givers and promiscuously given are bad form. A small bunch, and not a huge boquet, of roses is much more ap-propriate than the huge and out of place "gates ajar," and that sort of thing. It is an assumption to indicate by a gift what the disposition of the deceased's soul is to be, but a few cut flowers simply given convey more properly a sentiment than a set piece ountain high. Speaking of flowers, what could be

in better taste than the decorations de-scribed at a recent house wedding in this city. The lower floor of the house was exquisitely decorated by Clark. The front parlor contained paims, smilax and white roses, and the back par-lor was banked with palms and fin-ished with maidenhair, ferns and pink roses, tastefully arranged. The dining room table was decorated with white roses and maidenhair, ferns, and the hallways festooned with smilax

George M. Carpenter, of this city, and Miss Sadie Milham, of Wilkes-Barre, were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. J. Sturdevant, 99 Public vited guests. The ceremony was per-square, Wilkes-Barre, Wednesday evening in the presence of about forty in-formed by Rev. Benjamin Miller, the venerable grandfather of the groom, who is 86 years old ,assisted by Dr. Boyle, of the First Methodist Episcopal church. The bride was attired in a white silk with pearl trimmings and was attended by her neice, Miss Gertrude M. Butts. The happy couple left on a late train for New York city, whence they will sail on Saturday for Europe on an extended tour. On their return they will reside in this city, where Mr. Carpenter is manager of the Standard Dairy company. Among the out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Carpenter, parents of the groom, Waverly, Pa.; William Milham, father of the bride, and M. J. Milham, brother of the bride, Mehoopany, Pa.; James Milham, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Er-win Hess, Bethlehem; Misses May and Anna Bond, Meshoppen; Miss Katharine Tripp and Mrs. and Miss Pursel, Forby Fort. Dr and Mrs. Ward Miss Emma Butts and Miss Anna Stewart, Scran-

The week just closed witnessed two prominent weddings in that of Miss Kate Jay, daughter of Douglas Jay, to Rollo G. Jermyn, at the home of the bride's sister, 1021 Vine street, and that of Miss Leona Seeley to Richard Osland in St. Luke's church. Each was complete in attending details in their application to house or church, except that the Jay-Jermyn affair contained no bridesmaids.

Society people generally and particularly society women, are always in sweet charity. No late event has offered a greater opportunity for patronage and consequent encour-agement than the concert to be given Monday night at the Frothingham for the benefit of St. Luke's Free Kindergarten fund. Aside from the sentiment attached to the affair it merits a generous attendance on the strength of the aritsts engaged and the strictly classical numbers offered Mme. Lillian Blauvelt, of New York; John T. Watkins, George Carter, Miss Draeger and Mr. Wooler, need no introduction or comment in Scranton. They have made their reputations and with the commendable object in view will no doubt be accorded a welcome consplcuous for numbers and warm-hearted-

The theaters, the people and the result offer a good three-cornered example of the fickleness of human nature. The people have demanded first-class attractions at the playhouses, the demand was supplied during the week and the result is not satisfactory. "1492," Sidney Drew in "A Gilded Age," "Charley's Aunt" and "Men and Women," four of the greatest successes of metropolitan theaters, were the at-tractions of the week. With the possible exception of "1492" the companies played to houses composed partly of empty chairs and audience, and in each case the spectators had tender at least they refrained from searty applause. "Jane" is on at much hearty applause. the Frothingham this afternoon. It is impossible to anticipate what reception will be accorded this one of the most rollicking, purest and truest comedles

The first social of the season under the auspices of the Scranton Bicycle club will be held at their Washington avenue club house on Friday evening, Oco. 19. The affair will be in charge of a committee of eight members, of which E. A. Gilmore, is chairman. During the sea-son the dancing socials will be alternated with smokers, card parties, billiard tournaments, and other entertainments of an interesting character to society people and club men.

A merry party from this city will hunt for chestnuts at Lake Winola today, taking lunch at one of the cottages on the lake shore. The excursion party will include Miss Katharine Par-ker, Miss Jesle Torry, Miss Margaret Torry, Miss Bessle Rice and Messrs. Hubert Wightman, H. B. Cox, Ed-ward Hall and William Pierce.

Social Activity

son office, occured Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents, 726
Adams avenue. Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D. D., of the Second Presbyterian church, performed the ceremony.

Stimulates

A reception was given Tuesday even-ing at the residence of B. E. Leonard, of Platt place, to Miss Jennie Haslam, of Savannah, Ga. Miss Haslam returned home the day following.

The wedding of Miss Kate Decker, daughter of Mrs. C. M. Decker, 619 Jef-ferson avenue, to Attorney William Wright, of New York, will take place Thursday vening, Oct. 25, in the First Presbyterian church. A reception will follow at the home of Miss Decker's

Miss Hester A. Worthington, well known n this city as teacher of art and design, name recently been chosen instructor of those branches in the schools of the Lack-twanna, and the Young Women's Chris-ter association. ian association.

Will Kingsbury, of this city, who was one of the ushers at the Jay-Jermyn wed-ding, returned to his studies at the Uni-versity of Pennsylvania yesterday.

Miss Katharine Parker will leave on Monday for Philadelphia, where she will spend the next year studying elocution at Miss Boice's school of oratory.

Miss Carrie Russell, of Windsor, N. Y., and Miss Maggie Winter, of Jermyn, are visiting Mrs. A. W. Cooper at the Hampton street parsonage.

The Misses McCausland and Sidney Jenckes attended the Jay-Jermyn wed-ding Wednesday and returned to Mont-rose yesterday.

Mrs. Brown and daughter, Miss Carrie Brown, of Stroudsburg, are guests of Mrs. G. W. Bushnell, of Wyoming avenue. Mrs. Walter Beck, of Towanda, for-merly Miss Minnle Reese, is in the city visiting friends on the West Side.

Miss Bessie Dean, of Wilkes-Barre, has been the guest of Misses Torry, of Clin-ton place, during the past week. Mrs. Lillian Weed and Miss Jennie Stratton, of Adams avenue, visited Bing-hamton friends on Thursday.

Mrs. Julia Cruser and Mrs. John Wall, of Montrose, are guests of Mrs. John Chapman, of Green Ridge.

Vyoming avenue. Miss Jennie Kear, of Price & Roe's sta-donary store, has recovered from her reent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Broadbent and daughter. Miss Victoria, are in Washing-ton, D. C. Miss Ella Hess, of Wyoming avenue, has returned from a visit with relatives in

Miss Marion Hitchcock is visiting at the residence of George A. Jessup on Clay

Miss Euphrasia Keeler, of Binghamton, was the guest of Green Ridge friends yes-

terday. C. M. Price, of Price & Roe, will spend a portion of next week in New York city. Miss Hull, of Indiana, is the guest of Miss Jennie Smith, of Madison avenue. Joseph Van Nort, of Adams avenue, was a visitor to Binghamton this week.

J. N. Bulkley, of the traction company, has returned from a visit to Pittsburg. Editors Schubmehl and Kennedy, of Diyphant, were in the city yesterday. Edmund Hall, of Olive street, has re-turned from a visit to Phliadelphia.

Miss Julia Pettigrew, of Gibson street, s visiting Wilkes-Barre friends. Harry P. Simpson returned yesterday om a bussines trip to Buffalo. Ezra Connell returned to Yale yester-

ay to resume his studies. Talle Morgan returned yesterday from

S. W. Kellum was in Binghamton yes-

City Solicitor Torrey is in Cazenovia, N. Y. Police Officer Ridgeway is on his vaca

## IN LOCAL THEATERS.

That bright and sparkling comedy, "Jane." will be presented at the Froth-ingham this afternoon and evening under the management of Gustave Frohman. It the management of Gustave Frohman. It is one of the most successful and funnlest of the Frohman comedies. Of course, the incidents of "Jane" are not taken from real life, and several of its situations have ben utilized in other comedies, but never, it is clamed, to such mirrhful advantage. The character of Jane is that of a calculating and shrewd English bousement who resemble to be because of a calculating and shrewd English housemaid, who pretends to be her master's wife, so as to deceive the trustee of an estate conditionally paying money to the master in question. The cast is in every way a competent one, and includes among its members those who have made the play famous.

Tuesday night at the Academy of Music Elmer E. Vance's great railroad comedy drama. "The Limited Mail," will be given. The play abounds in comedy and dra-matic passages; is crowded with startling matic passages; is crowded with startling and thrilling scenes, and is a series of surprises from first to last—the story dealing with life on the railroads in the far west, in which many realistic and familiar scenes are depicted with a faithfulness recognizable by everybody. Pathos adds to humor, with just enough sensation to give spice and variety to the unravelling of the plot, and this play, by the way, has a plot, and a good one at that. The company this season is spoken of by the press as the best one yet brought together by the management. gether by the management,

Next Monday night the management of Next Monday night the management of the Academy of Music will present Augustus Pitou's grand scenic drama, "The Power of the Press." This is undoubtedly one of the best melodramas now traveling, it is a play that deals with life in New York and is given an unusually elaborate production, several of the scenes being as tine as anything ever before shown on the stage. The chief tableaux, showing the new Manhattan Athletic club house on Madison avenue, the lobby of the Imperial hotel on Upper Broadway, a ship-yard with a vessel on lobby of the Imperial hotel on Upper Broadway, a ship-yard with a vessel on the stocks and the men at work, a bank-ing office on Wall street, a wharf on the East river and a ship at anchor off the Battery, are all of them most realistic and effective. The incident on which the play is founded actually occurred and was fully reported by the press.

## WARMLY RECEIVED.

Professor Haydn Evans' Party Prolong

Their Tour of Wales. The Pont-y-Pridd Daily of recent date says: "The Haydn Evans' Concert company from America will give a concert at the New Town hall, Pontypridd, next Monday evening, Oct.

1 (Mabon's Day). A splendid programme has been arranged, and all
who attend the concert are assured of
has come to stay.

real musical treat. "Mr. Evens' company has been ap pearing throughout South Wales for the past two weeks with great success. In no town where they have appeared have the American singers failed to receive a warm and hearty reception, and the large audiences that have at-tended the concerts have been charmed and delighted by the fine programme that has been so well rendered. The soprano of Miss Sadle E. Kalser has excited the highest praise of the crit-ics, who are unanimous in the assertion that she is superior to any singer heard in South Wales for a long time. The wonderful violin playing of Miss Julia C. Allen has been of such a high degree of excellence that she has been compelled to respond to several en-cores each night. The chairman of the concert will be G. R. Jones (Caradog)." Other newspaper notices from the old Torry, Miss Bessle Rice and Messrs.
Hubert Wightman, H. B. Cox, Edward Hall and William Pierce.
The marriage of Miss Margaret McKay, daughter of William McKay, to E. P. Fuller, of the Delaware and Hud-

Renewed Activity Manifested Among the Welshmen of America.

Programme of the Fifty-Third Season of the Philharmonic Society of New York-What the Local Musicians

Miss Ethel Snyder and Horace Pease were married Wednesday evening by Rev. W. H. Pearce, D. D., in the Elm Park church parsonage. Following the ceremony they were tendered a reception by Mr. and Mrs Ira A. Ives, at 532 Wyoming avenue, where Mr. and Mrs. Pease will make their home.

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Miss Vandergrift, of Jamestown, the Miss Vandergrift, of Jamestown, th ican composer and planist, E. A. Mac-Dowell, and the favorite prima donna soprano, Mme. Lillian Blauvelt, will be the soloists at the second public re-hearsal and concert. At the third re-hearsal and concert the eminent violin virtuoso, Caesar Thomson, will make his debut at the Philharmonic society with the "Concerto-Pathetico" sharp minor, op. 23, by H. W. Ernst. Negotiations with other prominent soloists for their appearance at the re-maining concerts of the season are

Dr. Joseph Parry's visit to this coun-try, brief though it was, was nevertheless sufficient, in the opinion of the Wilkes-Barre Record, to stimulate renewed interest in music among the Welsh people. "His lecture in behalf Whiting Allen, advertising agent for the Forepaugh shows, is in the city for a popular chord," says the Record, "while the many suggestions offered of national music for Wales struck a looking to some substantial improve-ment in congregational singing certainly were very interesting and are bound to be productive of great good. Dr. Parry is easily the leading musician of the principality and has done more to place the divine art on a high plane and give it standing and prestige abroad than any other composer or conductor. He stands for profound music according to the strict rules of harmonic and contrapuntal writing and his tone pictures ever excite emotions that are noble and elevating. When he discusses music all should lis-Mrs. Melville Evans and son, Jack, of Dwego, are visiting at E. Merrifield's on and is bound to say something worth hearing. His plea for national music, that is, music which reflects vividly the life and social condition of his country, is timely and is fortified by the very best of argument. That kind of music which is inspired by racial aspirations and wants, which derives its vitality from its own soil and which is thus suggestive of the characteristics of the people, is bound to live and always be a source of education, hope, solace and joy to all who sing or listen to it. Wag-ner once said no man could write noble music who did not have a country and who was not proud of it. The compositions of the masters of Italy, Germany, France and Russia prove this proposition conclusively . In melody Italy stands pre-eminent, and are not the works of her composers as soft as her balmy skies, warm as her southern sun and as smooth and elastic as the characteristics of her people, who love so well sensuous ease and graceful, im-passioned sentiment? Is not Russian music suggestive of the flerce and icy winds that blow across her frozen plains, and that of Germany a faithful reflex of the thought, sincerity and high ideals of her people and ever glow-ing with a coloring and harmonious treatment at once poetic, dignified and purely classical? Yes, music is one of the distinguishing badges of nationality

and all countries rich in inspiring music and pastoral melodies are of necessity proud and patriotic. Within the bord-ers of little Wales dwells a people with the finest of racial attributes, sympathies and purposes, and the music of her composers should necessarily be deep, full of fire and grandly patriotic. Wagner went there for material for his love tragedy, "Tristan and Isolde," and indeed the country is full of legends and patriotic history, which ought to readily kindle the divine spark of her composers. Dr. Parry was fortunate when he took up his pen in behalf of national music and a national university with degrees for her graduates. His countrymen on this side of the Atlantic wish him all success, and sincerely hope he has lighted a torch which shall blaze the true way for all those who come af-ter him." The Wilkes-Barre Record's able mu-

sical critic writes as follows concern-ing the Symphony orchestra which has been recently organized by Professor Hemberger, of this city: "The organization of a large orchestra for the pur-pose of performing the symphonies of the masters and other classic compositions is one of the most important steps taken in behalf of the divine art in this section of the state. Many of the very large cities of this country are without orchestras capable of inter-preting the highest forms of instrumental music, and that so supreme an ac-quisition to our artistic life is about to be realized is only another reminder that this section of the country is, indeed, a musical center as important and progressive as any outside of New York, Boston and one or two of the western cities."

The orchestra, as previously announced, is to be made up mainly of the best players in both Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, and as most of them have been heard in solo work and in string quartets there is abundant assurance that when brought together and properly conducted the result will be eminently satisfactory. The lead-er, Mr. Hemberger, is a violinist of the first order, a musician of broad culture and a young man of standing and application. Of course the success of the orchestra will depend a great deal upon his conduct, his style of conducting and his executive abil-ity. A combination of rare talent is required for the work he is about to enter upon, not the least being a manhood that will inspire the respect and confidence of the players. In other words the artistic capacity to lead must be supplemented by a strong moral influence that will bring out the highest and best expression of all guid-ed by his baton. We understand Mr. Hemberger is not wanting in this respect, and hence the confidence expressed that his orchestra promises to be a very important factor in all musical matters henceforth, and that it

The Sacred Music society held its first meeting for the season this week over the Fair store at the foot of Wy-oming avenue, which will hereafter be known as Conservatory hall. There was a large attendance and the so-ciety entered upon the winter campaign with enthusiasm.

Rehearsals of the "Rose Maiden" are progressing finely under Mr. Lindsay's leadership at the regular meetings of the Scranton Oratorio society. The "Rose Maiden" was selected for first rehearsals upon account of its simplic-ity and beauty. Music of a more substantial order will be taken up as the class advances,

Organist George Noyes Rockwell, of the Second Presbyterian church, is en-joying a week's vacation visiting friends at Utica, N. Y. Mr. Rockwell will return in time to preside at the new organ which is being placed in the Sec-ond church, and it is expected will be ready for use in a few days.

one of the weekly visitors to the city where she is receiving instruction upon the plane from E. E. Southworth. Miss Stimulates Music Scott is one of the most promising young planists in Susquehanna county, and is rapidly progressing under her excellent instruction.

PLEA FOR NATIONAL MUSIC as the the armory of Battery B. It was not only the largest but much the finest music hall—in the English sense ever known in this country. All who were there will certainly remember the tremendous basso, Orme Darvall, who was apermanent attraction not only be-

first appearance in America at the first public rehearsal and concert, on Nov. 16 and 17. The highly successful American composer and pianist, E. A. Mac-Dondon and pianist, E. A. Mac-Don Beckett, .flute and picolo; Christine Alendorf, clarionet; Gertrude Packard, cornet; Mable Wilnot, trombone; Minnie Glover contra-bass; Alice White, drums, timpani, etc., and Miss Gertrude Holyoke French, solo harp.

Director Tallie Morgan has receive ed an urgent request to accompany Evangelist Schiveria and take sole charge of the musical exercises of the gospel meetings. Mr. Morgan's pres-ent engagements, however, are such as would prevent the acceptance of the most tempting offer.

The Epworth league chorus of the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal church will give Dudley Buck's cantata, Story of the Cross," in the near future in conjunction with the church choir under leadership of Mr. Carter, The chorus began rehearsals last evening under direction of Fred Whittemore.

Miss Susie Black, of Nicholson, gives promise of becoming one of the leading sopranos of this part of the state Miss Black comes to this city weekly to receive vocal instruction from Mrs. Kate Wilcox, who is highly elated at the progress her pupil has been recently making.

Mrs. C. R. Parke, an accomplished soprano well known in this vicinity, has joined the choir of the First Presbyterian church. John T. Watkins, the baritone, will

be one of the soloists at the Blauvelt concert at the Frothingham on Monday Charles F. Whitmore, musical direc-tor of the choir of the Green Ridge

sojourn at Atlantic City. A movement is on foot to organize a Lyric club, which, it is expected, will meet weekly in Conservatory hall.

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Dr. Dvorak has only promised to write a new choral work for England and to conduct it next summer, but has accepted an invitation to conduct the next eisteddfod festival in Cardiff, Wales,

As was to be expected, the rumor that Mascagni had been engaged to come to New York to conduct some of his operas has proved a mere fabrication. He has written to a friend in Berlin that he "never thought of such a thing."

Anton Bruckner is at work on his ninth symphony, of which he has already completed three movements. Bruckner's naive personal character was amusingly illustrated some time ago when the Austrian emperor asked if he could do him a favor. "Please, your majesty," replied the composer, "tell Dr. Hansilek not to criticise my music so severely." criticise my music so severely."

German composers have not been idle during the past year. According to an official announcement (communications of the Society of German Music-sellers) as many as 10,372 musical publications were issued in Germany in 1892. Of these 490 were for full orchestra, 195 for military band, 685 for string instruments, 3,242 for piano, and 3,976 vocal. This is only one of the musical countries, and one which, as we are often told, is going down hill!

It is now said by a Leipsic paper that the sole reason why Rubenstein refuses to come to America is his dread of seasickness, and that otherwise Mr. Abbey's offer to produce one of his sacred operas would have "fetched him." The famous violoncellist, Popper, also declines all offers to come to America solely because of his dread of the ocean. Rubenstein's refusal to come will be felt more keenly now that Paderewski's tour has been defered for a year on account of his ill health. German composers have not been idle

#### ll health. IS A FAMOUS JOKER.

How Tommy Kirow, of Great Bend, Cap tures Rural Delegates.

of the most unique and bes known public characters in the counties of Bradford, Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming, is Tommy Kilrow, of Great Bend. He is a Republican worker, a comparatively young man and is fam-ous for his store of the dryest kind of humor. He is also a wit but his mos prominent characteristic is an humor ous nature which cannot be withstood He has never been known as "Mr. Kilrow, the name Tommy being his title from the time he first voted. He is the son of a hotel-keeper, but, not withstanding the surroundings of early life, he neither drinks nor smokes. H never misses a political convention of any party in the four counties mentioned and to Tommy, on such occa-sions, is rejegated the task of influenc-ing the artful farmer delegate. He usu-ally performs his mission in such an original and daring way as would prove disastrous to any but one who pos essed the qualities peculiar to Tommy Kilrow.

A sample of his ability to rise to any occasion was overheard at a recen-Susquehanna county convention. An incredulous farmer disputed the ability of Hon. James T. Dubois, of Great Bend. Tommy with his hat over his brow. forehead wisely wrinkled and hands thrust into trouser's pockets, waited until his victim had finished, then took him aside and changed the wondering farmer's belief by this story: "Now, see here S—, you make your-self ridiculous; Jim Dubois is the smartest man in Pennsylvania today. Fact. I know what I'm talking about, and I'll

rove it. too "This world is 25,000 miles in circum ference, isn't it? It takes twenty-four hours for it to make one revolution and onsequently revolves over a thousand miles an hour, don't it? Now, Jim Du-bois claims that some kind of a machine suspended stationary for one hour in citedly from his chair, crying, "The mid-air and then lowered would land guards want powder, and by God they its passengers a thousand miles from shall have it!" and falls dead. Irving its passengers a thousand miles from home,in Chicago, for the sake of argu-Wall, I guess 'twould," said Farme

S—, "but how are ye goin' ter keep the durned thing in the air an' not be follerin' the ground along?"
"Oh," said the ever ready Tommy
"that's for the scientific men to decide

Dubols presented the idea originally but he's too busy to follow it up. Yes sir, Jim Dubois is a mighty smart man."
Farmer S— finally allowed he thought so too, and Tommy left him converted and started on a hunt for another tiller of the soil groping in politi

AT THE PISTOL'S POINT. Texas Robber Takes \$6,000 from Treas urer of Brewster County. By the United Press.

net, the treasurer of Brewster county, was robbed of \$6,000 at Alpine, the

El Paso, Tex., Oct. 12.-Edward Car-

## Joey Chamberlain Offers Us Taffy

Many Scranton people (will recail pleasantly the evenings spent at the mammoth music hall known as the Trocadero, but in ordinary times used

LORD ROSEBERY AS A SPORT

Novelties at the Theaters on the Other Side-Irving Does a Character Sketch. Queer Will of a Woman Who Was Very Fond of Cats.

London, Oct. 1.—The Earl of Rose-bery has been presented with another "burgh" freedom. The town to thrust this honor upon him was Dornock. Of course, the affable premier made a speech, a speech that treated more of golf than qolitics. He even went so far as to praise the golfing ability of the leader of the opposition—Mr. Bal-four to wit! He referred to the Scot-tish coal and mining strikes and as-sured his hearers that although the amount of misery produced by them was terrible, still he looked forward more to good than evil as a result. Lord more to good than evil as a result. Lord Rosebery is a very manly fellow and takes every opportunity of indulging in takes every opportunity of indulging in exercise, or, in fact, anything in the way of sport. After leaving Dornock he and the Duke of Sutherland rowed themselves over the ferry and then indulged in a drive to Tain, where both Lord Rosebery and the duke were presented with the freedom of the control of the sented with the freedom of yet another burgh! It is fortunate that "freedoms" are not heavy heads to carry!

Joseph Chamberlain, M. P., is an en-

ergetic man. He has been visiting Leeds, and in the course of one day gave two tremendous speeches. He directed the greater portion of his first speech to Ireland, and referred in scathing terms to the defeat of the two home rule bills. He ridiculed the Irish party generally, and said that since the home rule bill they had been chiefly engaged in blackening each other's characters. He is a clever speaker, is jolly, and catches up any chance remark in a manner which always goes down so well at a political meeting. In the evening, before an audience of over 3,000 people Mr. Chamberlain gave his other people Mr. Chamberlain gave his other peroration. He said that he had been subjected to "whirlwinds of abuse" and had been held up as a monster of all that was dangerous and wicked, "but," he added, "it is absolutely impossible that any human being can be as bad as Mr. Chamberlain is depicted. He was there before them [without horns and tail and could not, therefore, be as bad as he was painted!" Again be as bad as he was painted!" Again be as bad as he was painted!" Again the say "your father?" Why didn't he say "your father?" Why didn't he say "your father?" Why didn't he say "your father?" be as bad as he was painted!" Again he devoted a long time to Irish politics and also discussed the question of the abolition of the house of lords. He asked his hearers to bear in mind that ward took the message from his our constitution was unlike every other wife's hand, studied its meaning carecountry on the face of the earth, inasmuch as our constitution has very few checks upon the power of parliament. Is a countryman and has done as they denounce) the system as one fatal to It is my father who is dead."
the best interests of our country. He Mrs. Ward said something about the best interests of our country. He paid a tribute to the States when he that which is given to the senate of the United States—a power greater, perhaps, than is exercised by any other train time. Her husband, meanwhile, legislative assembly in the world like legislative assembly in the world last sentiment is really so pretty and complimentary that we will herewith his boyhood.

"But what on earth brings you out this time of the year?" exclaimed take leave of Mr. Chamberlain and his matchless orchid, for Mr. C. never apmatchless orchid, for Mr. C. never appears in public without one of those beautifully eccentric flowers in his but- an owl, too."

tonhole. The cheque of f100 sent by Mr. Glad-stone to the Irish party has been returned to him, owing to the amount of quarrelling that has taken place over it ing to retain it as a gift and Old Man to honestly one section wis given by the Gi help them, and the other section hold-ing that it reduces them to the form of beggars. They say that they should not allow themselves to be patronized or put themselves under any obligation to any English statesman.

Last year has been a very bad one or the railway companies, the receipts being seriously affected by the coal Until last year there had been no actual decrease in the gross receipts of the railway companies for seven years. The reduction last year, although it does not actually stand alone, is without precedent in regard to its amount. The falling off is due en-tirely to the decrease of the goods traffic. As regards rallways 1893 stands out as the worst year on record.

An old maid has just died and her will proves that she has not forgotten Lord Randolph Churchill or her pussy cats. She has left "Randy" an estate in Ox-fordshire in recognition of his "commanding political genius" and also in acknowledgment to the Marborough family for favors and benefits derived from the Marborough estates by her late father. She gives her pussies, Ti-tiens, Tabby Rolla, Tabby Jennefee and Ursula, to Ann Elizabeth Mathews, and directs her executors to pay her f12 a year for each cat as long as said pus-sies live. Other midnight choristers are bequeathed to other people with the f12 a year added to each. The balance s to go to Ann Mathews again (it does not say how many) and Ann get yet another fl50 yearly to look after them, besides a cottage, but it is interesting to note that "this does not extend to

New pieces are coming out at the theaters with wonderful rapidity. First and foremost is a new sketch produced by Henry Irving. It is called "A Story of Waterloo," and is a one act characof Waterloo," and is a one act charac-ter sketch of Dr. Conan Doyle. There is little in the fragment, the main object being to give Irving a chance of showing how much he can do with a character study. He represents an old soldier on the verge of the grave, whose remaining memories are centered on the famous battle in which he took part. New weapons of warfare puzzle him dreadfully, and he will believe no good of them. He dies as his niece-beauti-fully played by Annie Hughes-passes from girlhood to womanhood and be comes the affianced bride of a bright young soldier. The old man rises exreceived a tremendous reception for his fine rendering of the part.

Arthur Roberts has produced another variety piece of the "Galety Girl" order. The piece is just Arthur all through, albeit Arthur in a new disguise every time he comes on the stage. Mr. Beer-bohm Tree and company have been distinctly honored by her Majesty at Balmoral castle. The royal command was received on Friday evening whilst the company was at Edinburgh. Special scenery was painted on the Saturday, and the company gave two perform ances in beautiful Edinburgh on the Monday before they performed before the Queen, and left Ballater after a 10-mile drive at 1.45 a.m. Holyhead was reached at 2.55 and Dublin at 7.10. The entire company appeared at the thea-ter at 8.30 and were enthusiastically received. It was a smart performance. Mr. Tree will appear at Abbey's theater, New York, early next year.

## HIS FATHER'S SUMMONS.

BY A. T. R.

The Wards and the Gregorys of the little town of Weston, O., had been neighbors for years and the affiliations between the two families were of the closest and dearest kind. When the elder Ward was elected county judge there was great rejoicing in the house of the Gregorys. Just so great a pleasure was evinced by the Wards when the head of the Gregory family was chosen by the people to represent them in congress. The close bonds of friendship were never ruptured.

George, the only son of Judge Ward, went to New York, prospered, married and finally became the head of a flourishing trust company. Old Gregory's son, John, however, acquired a good law practice in Weston and always lived there. He annually 'visited his old chum,George Ward, at the latter's palatial New York home. A faithful cor-respondence was always maintained

between the two One day Ward learned of his father's death by a telegram from young Gregory. The sad news was not unexpected, as the old judge had had two paralytic attacks a short time previous. The telegram was received and read by the financier's amanuensis on Monday morn-ing. It said the funeral would occur Wednesday at 11 o'clock. Ward hastly thrust the message—unread—into his pocket and rushed uptown to inform his wife. They hurried to the depot in a cab, just catching the train for the west.

Aboard the cars this message was hurriedly scribbled off and sent from the first stop:

"John Gregory, Weston, O."
"Am coming: 11 o'clock train, Pennsylvania railroad, Draw on me any amount, George."

Then came time for sober reflection and thought. He wondered if in his earlier years he had caused his old father, now dead, any anxiety; he re-membered the kindly advice the judge had given him on going out into the world; in fact, a thousand and one things, which escaped him in the rush to catch the train, were thought of and gone over between the two.
"George, dear," finally the wife said,

where is the message? There was a moment's silence as Ward fished and poked his fingers

What the government proposed was all do in sending a wire. He used all that the commons should be absolute, the words possible in the ten-word that the majority should stand limit and to have added the extra 'your' alone and arbitrary, in fact, it should would have been a flagrant breach of have everything in its own hands. He country custom. No, there's no use denounced (and Joey Chamberlain can building false hopes on the wording.

"rather elastic meaning" and they set said "that he would view with favor any reasonable proposal that would add an elective element to the composition of the house of lords, which would give they retired at the hotel. A train left

"My father died Sunday night," sadly replied Ward. "I'm on for the "What! Well, that's too bad. Sun-

day night, eh? Queer I didn't hear of it. I left Weston Monday morning. The judge was a fine old man and I sympathize with you deeply. Ward was then espled by Mr. Raw-ler, postmaster at Weston, who came and shook his friend warmly by the hand. He was on his way home from

Lake O-.
"I suppose the judge will be tickled to death to see you. Taking him by surprise?" "Father died Sunday night, Treceived

word just in time to come on for the funeral." 'Judge Ward dead!" exclaimed the postmaster. "He must have died very suddenly, for when I left home Sunday

I had not heard of his illness. How did you learn of it?" "John Gregory wired me early Mon day morning. Father died suddenly-apoplexy. Here's the message," bringing forth the queerly worded telegram The postmaster took it and gave i

perceptible start as he grasped its peculiar construction. A perplexed frown wrinkled his forehead as he studied it a second time. "By jove," he finally exclaimed, em-phasizing the ejaculation by an ex-pressive slap on his knee. "Your father ain't dead. This means old man Greg-

ory,"
"W-w-hat---" commenced the as 'I know it. Dr. Scudder was hastily

called in to see him the morning I left. The men at the station had heard of it and were talking of it." Ward's expression was a study. His face turned pink and white alternately. Could it be true, he thought, after all, his father was alive and their old neighbor the subject of John's tele-gram? Then, too, he recalled the mis-

giving of Mrs. Ward aboard the train, and here come Dobson and the postmas-

ter recently from Weston in entire ignorance of his father's illness. Pshaw he had been a ninny. he had been a ninny.

"Upon my word, I believe you are right", he said to Rawler. "My wife called my attention to the telegram reading 'father'—not 'your father.' It shows there is something in a woman's intuitiveness— and I ridiculed the idea.

To say the least, I've been a fool." Ward rushed away, almost crazy in his excitement, to find his wife and stop the purchase of the bonnet. Her husband was usually so calm and imperturbable, Mrs Ward thought him gone draft, as, bursting into the little millinery, he exclaimed:

"Here, don't buy that bonnet! Father isn't dead! It's old man Gregory! "Why, George, w-what! How did it all happen?" she gasped. She was not quite sure of Mr. Ward's reason. "It's this way. You were right about the telegram. It is John's father who is dead." He then explained to her how he had received the information.

Well, I am-'Never mind now-pay your bill and let's get out. We must hurry for our train. I ought to come this far for old Gregory's funeral, anyhow."

When they reached Weston, John Gregory was awaiting them with a conveyance. After a change of greeting and some directions about the luggage, the carriage was driven from the Then came an opportunity for proffered sympathy and condolences said Ward, "it was very sad -the old man dying so suddenly,

He was apparently well on "Oh. no. retiring, but your mother was awak-"My mother was awakened?" stam mered and queried Ward.

"Why, yes—by his groaning, and be-fore the doctor could reach him your

father died."
So Mr. Ward attended his own father's funeral after all. He soon that the elder Gregory, also, ty, was robbed of \$6,000 at Alpine, the world is always interested in the soon father's funeral after all. He soon father's funeral after

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