The Pittsburgh Gazette.

Asylum for Useless Young Men.

[From the Watertown (N. Y.) Reformer.]

In every community there is a certain percentage of useless young men, whose ultimate condition must excite the sympathy and consideration of every philanthropist. What wi l become of them? We do not put the question as to their future state, but how will they round off their earthly existence? They have no visible means of support; still they hang on, they vegetate, they keep above ground. in a certain literal sense; they may be said to live, move ,and have a being. They lounge in offices, promenade the streets, appear at social amusements, play the gallant to good-natured ladies, and attend to the necessities of lap-dogs, Their more quiet and demonstrative life may be described as an intermittent torpor in which meats, cigars, drinks, and sleep mark the changes. Their existenee would be a mystery but for their bearing relations to other substantial people known as "pa," "ma," "or better half," who are able to make provision for the waste and protection of their bodies in the way of clothing and food. Still, ought these young men to be left to the chances of parental or domestic affection? All are not equally fortunate. What shall we do with those whose dependence is precarious? They do not admit of any utilitarian disposition. In cannibal countries they could be eaten as a substitute for veal; the bodies would also make excellent fertilizers for sterile lands; but the prejudices of a Christian people would revolt at this solution of the problem. A certain number could be employed as lay figures in shop windows to exhibit clothes on, but the tailors might have no confidence in them. Most of them could color meerschaums, but this business would produce little revenue. What, then, shall be done? The tax now falls upon a few, and it ought to be distributed. We propose, therefore, a State Asylum for useless young men. An institution of this kind could be easily filled with those between the ages of eighteen and thirty, who should be grouped and associated together, so that the rude jostling and friction of the working world would not disturb their delicate nerves.

Here they could cultivate their mustaches, part their hair behind, and practice attitudes. In this resort, with a little enforced exercise to keep their circulation in a healthy state, with dolls to play with as a compensation for the absence of ladies' society. these useless young men could be supported with ease and comfort, and all industrious people would be willing to pay the expense of this institution, rather than bear the painful solicitude in regard to the welfare of these superfluous members of society. When provision has been made by the State for idiots, for the insane, poor, aged and crippled, is it not astonishing that asylums have never been erected for a still more helpless class? Let this philanthropic enterprise be started at once.

The Steam Man.

We have been to see the Newark Steam-man, and find a decided predominance of steam over man. We should be loth, in justiee to our foreign friends, to accept him as a sample of Newark style. Physically, he is grand, gloomy, and peculiar to the last degree. The iron cast of his cast-iron features imparts a look of singular determination to a face which might otherwise leave an impressiou of slight deficiency in mobility. It bears, moreover, the marks of a hard morning's work in the shape of four streaks, of a strange grimy hue, down its broad brow, which realize our conception of Pittsburgh perspiration. His steam washbasin and steam towel are probably at Newark for repairs. The chest is wonderfully full and deep, as a steam chest ought to be, and covered with a stylish robe of superior ferruginous cassimere, which our patriotism forbids us to call an English shooting jacket, and which we suppose must be an American steaming jacket, The rear collar button of the shirt band, we noticed, was very high in the neck, and by a very ingenious combination acts as a steam guage. But by far his most remarkable article of apparel is his hat. It is a stove-pipe hat, as no one of any style need be told. On the street it is worn quite plain, with only the usual ventilator, like other good hats. But our friend has a queer habit of smoking through this hat, as other gentlemen of accomplishments one degree lower do through their noses, in which he takes great pleasure, and which, to be candid, is known to his selecter friends to have become an inveterate and chronic affection, like opium-eating or impecuniosity. Some old-maidish insurance company or other, which has an interest in the premises No. 538 Broadway, or, for all we know lets his lodgings—why should not a steam lodger have an incorporated landlady? objected to this smoking in the house. So our friend, after oscillating his engines over the question awhile, decided to conform, and has had a very curious attachment fitted to his hat which makes certainly the greatest stove pipe in the world, and shows singular method in the madness of his steam batter. As now constructed, the stove-pipe-hat, or hat-stove-pipe, runs about thirty feet along the ceiling, comes down, and connects with a hoary stove at the other side of the room, disappearing finally through a hole in the wall. It will be observed that we have not mentioned a certain integument peculiar to gentlemen, those blessed with superior spouses excepted. We might plead that the article in question is by nature unmentionable; but candor compels the whole truth. To own up, then, the gentleman from Newark gave us audience in a peculiarly graceful dishabille that dispensed with this one garment. His attendant slave—termed in Newark, by some strange freak, his inventor—assures us, however, that this fatigue uniform is the garb only of his intimate privacy, and that he would on no account appear abroad without his sheet-iron neither garment.—*Round Table.*

Petroleum for Fuel.

A Boston letter of the 17th reports another highly successful trial of petroleum as fuel for generating steam under marine boilers:

The long-promised trial of the liquid-fuel burning steamer Island City took place down our harbor on Saturday last, and was, according to the published accounts in the newspapers, a complete success. The most favorable experiment shown with oil for fuel on the Government steamer Palos last summer was eclipsed by the demonstration made on the Island City. But the published reports of the last experiment fail to state that it was made under some disadvantages. The engines, machinery and fuel apparatus were all fresh from the shop, and had not been used; consequently everything was stiff, and Col. Foos did not feel justified in crowding on either his steam or flame. He also used only one of his immense air pumps employed in completing the combustion of the general elements in the retorts. Had all this been otherwise, a still greater triumph would have been achieved. But the inventor, perhaps, is willing to rest on the laurels he has already earned. The trip fairly demonstrated that a maximum amount of steam could be maintained with oil, at a saving of about 75 per cent. over the use of coal. The safety of the use of oil for fuel in ocean navigation was also shown most satisfactorily, and confirmed the opinion of those who have faith in liquid fuel for steamers in ocean navigation. The Island City will probably make another experimental trip, and will then sail for New York.

Dynamite or Giant Powder.

The discovery of nitro-glycerine furnished to us a new explosive substance far more powerful than gunpowder, and available for engineering purposes under many conditions where the latter could not be used. Its use is, however, attended with the greatest danger, some of the most terrible accidents on record having been caused by it. Among these may be mentioned the destruction at Aspinwall, the explosion in the office of Wells, Fargo & Co., at San Francisco, at Bergen Point, in the Hoosac tunnel, in front of a hotel in New York, &c. In a recent article we announced the discovery of a new explosive by Prof. Nobel, of Hamburg, (the same chemist who brought nitro-glycerine to our notice), called Dynamite or Giant powder. This, instead of being an oily liquid, liable to leak from the vessel in which it is confined, and produce a spontaneously inflammable mixture with rags, shavings and other packing material, is a dry flacculent, reddish-brown powder, like snuff or cayenne pepper, compressible into flakes between the fingers and moist to the touch. In a loose, non-empressed condition, it does not explode, but burns slowly, with but little smoke and no smell. For blasting rocks it is much superior to gun powder, much less drilling being necessary, and it is especially adapted for working in closed mines or tunnels, as it leaves no smoke, and does not discolor the rock. It is claimed that there is much less danger in transporting and handling it than is the case with gun powder. A detonating cap is required to explode it,

Late California papers contain the results of recent experiments in dynamite, in that State, that would seem to justify the claims made in its behalf. A hole, three inches deep, and three-quarters of an inch in diameter, was drilled in a forty-two pound shot; a fuse inserted to the bottom, resting upon the detonating cap, and the cavity then filled with the powder. On igniting the fuse, the shot was blown to atoms, A quarter ounce of the powder was laid on the middle of a piece of plank, six feet long and three inches thick, and another board placed upon it. The explosion shivered the upper board to fragments and split the plank. Some powder laid on the surface of a boulder of sandstone weighing half a ton broke it into fragments.

For a thousand other applications the dynamite is said to be extremely available, as not only is it vastly more powerful than gunpowder, and at least not more dangerous to handle, but it requires so much less drilling or preparation of the rock for use. In such works as the Hoosac tunnel, it would seem especially applicable.

How to Communicate Evil Tidings.

When you are the messenger of very painful tidings, what is the best method? After much reflection, I must conclude that the shortest and simplest way of communicating the facts is the best. Here nature and philosophy meet; here our last experience confirms our first practice. You have to impart to an affectionate mother the death of her son who was drowned at sea. How shall it be done? Nature teaches; art can add nothing more: "O lady, I have sad news to impart; your son, on such a day, fell from the yard and was drowned. He has left us." This is the way in which they communicated things of old. So Homer (Iliad, xviii; 20, 21), when the tidings are brought to Achilles of Patroclus' death: "Patroclus is down; they are fighting around his naked corpse, and his armor is held by the plume-waving Hector." A striking instance is found in British history. When Gen. Burgoyne surrendered at Saratoga, the rumor (very indefinite) one morning had reached the House of Commons. Every one was alert to hear, when Lord North arose slowly in his place, and with a solemn voice said: "General Burgoyne and his whole army are prisoners to the Americans;" and a dead silence of several minutes followed. How different is this from the shuffling and equivocations in which, in modern times, we disguise our defeats! The same method is sanctioned in the Bible. When Eli sat trembling for the ark of God, he heard the dreadful news: "And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines; and there hath been a great slaughter among the people; and thy two sons, Hophni and Phinehas are dead; and the ark of God is taken." (Sam. iv. 17.) What condensed language; and every word laden with sorrow. No wonder that the effect followed: "And it came to pass when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died; for he was an old man and heavy; and he had judged Israel forty years."—*Dr. Withington.*

Anecdote of Sherman.

When General Sherman was at Atlanta preparing fnr his famous "march to the sea" an order was promulgated directing all citizens to leave Atlanta (North or South) within twelve days. The day of its issue a gentleman entered Sherman's headquarters and inquired for the General. The latter answered very promptly, "I am General Sherman." The colloquy was very nearly as follow:

Citizen—General, I am a Northern man, from the State of Connecticut; have been living at Atlanta nearly six yeas; have accumulated considerable property here, and as I see you have ordered all citizens to leave within twelve days, I came to see if you would make an exception in my case. I fear, if I leave, my property will be destroyed.

General Sherman—What kind of property do you own, sir? Perhaps I will make an exception in your case.

Citizen—I own a block of stores, three dwellings, a plantation two miles out of town, and a foundry.

General Sherman—Foundry, eh! What have you been doing with your foundry?

Citizen—Have been making castings.

General Sherman—What kind of castings—shot and shell, and all that kind of thing?

Citizen—Yes, sir, I have made some shot and shell.

General Sherman—You have been making shot and shell to destroy your country, have you? And you still claim favor on account of being a Northern man! Yes, sir, I will make an exception in your your case; you shall go South to-morrow at sunrise. Adjutant, see that this order is carried out. Orderly, show this man the door,

Citizen—But, General, can't I go North?

General Sherman—No, sir, too many of your class there already, sir.

—Prof. Gamjee, of London, in an address to the Agricultural Committee of Congress, recently stated that $1,000,000,000 worth of cattle are lost by contagious diseases, and that $50,000,000 of this might be saved by a proper precaution: This may be so; but, as Mr. Bonner recently exposed the ignorance of the professor regarding diseases of horses, we think it rather unsafe to trust much to his knowledge of cattle.

—They have queer punishments in Chili. A woman murdered her husband in a peculiarly aggravated manner,—aggravating too, to the husband, no doubt—and she has been senentced to fifteen years imprisonment, during which time she is to receive eighteen hundred lashes, or one hundred per month.

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IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF THE

Union Building and Loan Association,

Of the City of Pittsburgh, for a Charter. No. 992, March Term, 1868.

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made to the Court of Common Pleas, of Allegheny County, by the Union Building and Loan Association, of Pittsburgh, for a Charter; that an instrument in writing, specifying the objects, articles, conditions, and name, style or title, under which they have been associated, has been presented to the Court and filed in the Prothonotary's office, and if no sufficient reason is shown to the contrary, said Charter will be granted at the next term of this Court. BY THE COURT.

E. A. MONTOOTH,
Attorney for Petitioners. fe21:165

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION of the

Lower St. Clair Building and Loan Association, for a Charter.

Notice is hereby given that an application has been filed in the Prothonotary's Office, at No. 20 June Term, 1868, by the Building and Loan Association of Lower St. Clair Township for a Charter, which will be granted at next term of Court, unless exceptions are filed.

JACOB H. WALTER,
mh16:m73 Prothonotary.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.—Letters Testementary upon the last Will and Testament of EMANUEL STOTTLER, Sr., late of Penn Township, Allegheny county, Pa., deceased, having been issued to the undersigned, all persons having claims against the said estate will present them, duly authenticated for settlement, and those indebted are notified to pay the undersigned, in Penn township, Allegheny county, Pa.

H. B. STOTTTER,
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mh7:m51 Executors.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.—Letters Testementary upon the last Will and Testament of SAMUEL WOODS, late of Snowden Tp., Allegheny county, Pa., deceased, having been issued to the undersigned, all persons having claims against said estate will present them, duly authenticated for settlement, and those indebted are notified to pay the undersigned, in Snowden township, Allegheny county, Pa.

JAMES MEANS,
WILLIAM WOODS, Sr.,
fe5:k90 Executors.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of administration on the estate of ADAM AESCHELMAN, deceased, late of Allegheny county, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate will make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same will present them for settlement.

CHAS. H. HARTMAN,
H. S. FLEMING,
fe27:m7:7TH Administrators, McClure Tp.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Governor for the pardon of CHARLES H. STEIN, convicted at No. 367, Sept. 1867, Sessions, on Oct. 25, 1867, of manslaughter. Sentenced November 3, 1867.
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