## The Nittsburgh Gazette.

[From "The Risg and the Book," Robert Browning's how Poem.] THE BEST DREAMER OF THEM

A LEGEND OF PETER, JOHN AND JUDAS. The three, held greatest, best and worst of men, Peter and John and Judas, spent a day In toil and travel through the country-side; Foot-sore and hungry, uropping with fatigue. They reached by nightfall a poor lonely grange, Hostel or inn: 30, knocked and entered there. "Your plessure, great once?"—shelter, rest and food!?"—

For a state of the Meat tor one mouth, but moohery for three,
"1 ou have my utmost." How should supper
serve?

Peter probabilities: "To the unit with fow!" Peter proke silence. "To the spit with fow!!"
And while 'tis cooking, sieep!—since beds there

And, so far, satisfaction of a want. Sleep we an hour, awake at supper-time. Then each of us narrate the dream he had. And he whose dream shall prove the happle

And he whose dream shall prove the happlest.

Doint.

The stearliest out the dreamer as ordained
Bevond his fellows to receive the fowl.

His the entire meal, may it do him good!"

Who could dispute so plain a consequence?

So as d, so done; each harried to his straw.

Elep. his hour's sleep and dreamed his dream.

And weke.

"I," commenced John, "dreamed that I gained the prize

We all aspire to: the proud place was mine.

Throughout the earth and to the end of time.

I was the Loved Disciple: mine the meal."

"Butkit? groceeded Feber, "dreamed, a word Gave me the headship of oar company.

Made me the Vicar and Vice-regent, gave.

The keys of Heaven and Hell into my hand."

And o'et the earth, dominion: mine the meal."

The keys of Heaven and Helt into my hand,
And o'er the earth, dominion; mine the meal."
While I," subinited in toft undertone
The iscarlot-sense of his unworthiness
Tarming each eye up to the inmost whiteWith itong-drawa' sigh, 'jet 'letting' both lips
"I have had just the pittifullest dream
That ever proved man the meanest of his mates,
And born foot-washer and foot-wiper, may
Foot-kisser to each comrade of you al. !
I dreamed I dreamed; and in that mimic dream
(inpainpute to dream as dream to fact)
Methought in manly those to sleap no wink
But wais until I heard my brethren breathe;
Then stole from couch, slipped nolseless to the Slid down stairs, furtively approached the hearth,

Found the fowl duly brown, both back and

breast, the low duly brown, both back a breast, and the cricket's chirp, filled to a point; said no grace but fell to, wor finished till the skeleton lay bare. In penit nee for which ignoble dream, Lo. I reheatles my portion cheerfully? Fis 40; has desh—be mine the chies eat gust, and yours the ablunary sustenance. See, that whateler be left, ye give to the poor Downthae two scattled, one out other a heel, Bung by a fell surmise; and found, alack, A goodly sayor, both the drum-stick bones, and that which henceforth took the approprise name.

O' the merry-thought, in memory of the fact That to keep wide awake is our best dream.

### EPHEMERIS.

-Lynchburg has a madstone. -Gold has been discovered in Texas. -Richmond is to have colored police-

-Eight-day watches are the present -Alaska is now said to have 50,000 in-

-Fast day in New England comes the 8th of April. -200,000 toy drums are made every year in Paris. The new Postoffice in Boston will

cost \$1,879,000. -Wisconsin rivers are, many of them, clear of ice. Can Francisco expects Tostee and

Irms out there. -Philadelphia's crop of soldier organ grinders is smaller. -New Orleans is to have a new 10,000

spindle cotton factory. ee thinks of paying off State debt by a lottery. -Susan Galton plays at several places

in Wisconsin this week. -A patent-medicine man has the largest income in Louisville.

-Petroleum V. Nasby thinks he is not to be Postmaster at Toledo. Delmonico pays \$27,500 a year rent

for his Fifth avenue establishment -The Hoosac tunnel is not bored twofifths of the whole way through yet. -In Georgia alone, there are more than sixteen thousand Free Masons.

-Rat soup is one of the delicacies of the Chinese restaurants in San Francisco. Four hundred and fifty-two students are in attendance at the University of Virginia

-The snow in the White Mountains is

a concert for the benefit of the Cuban in-

-P.T. Barnum is lecturing on the Velocipede that is, the bicycle is the subject of his lecture.

-A lot of treight cars now being built in Illinois bear the legend "From Ocean tremely moderate in size, and made en to Ocean-no transfer." -A Massachusetts State Senator is re-

ported to have said "our forefathers were gifted with striking aboriginality. Toledo, tired of waiting for the future when she is to be the metropolis of the world, wants a boulevard at once.

-In the item of clothes Maine is extravagant. Every convict in the States prison receives seven dollars worth every

blasphemous, observes that the has white skirts or pertitions clinging to their the personal freedom and pleasant out door Kigdom of Heiren, die Atolf and Agency

A Southern preacher has found out that the "lorbidden fruit" which brought All kinds of flounces are permitted, Eve and her spouse to grief, was tobacco. wide, narrow, broad, hemmed, pleated and gathered. For woolen or mixed We would suggest tye.

—A considerate thief in San Francisco the best, and also for heavy silks, but for

ersonal value, and returns the tickets to his victims with a polite not -We hear from New England that wooden eggs are a Per esylvania product. This is evidently. Connecticut trying to

get a parallel for her wooden nutmegs. -An exthar ge gives a curious account f a fight bet ween a mastiff and a cow. It terminated in the cowardly retreat of the dog before the dogged advance of the

-Bismarck's vest is said to be bulletproof. This is probably a malicious rumor circulated by his enemies in the hope that the next assassin will shoot him in the

-Two thousand young men of Frankfort-on-the Main have taken out natural-

Kentucky paper thinks Mrs. Thumb may find consolation in the fact that he can't hold as much as other men. -Billiardists in New York announce radical change in the system of counting the game. All carom shots are to count three, whether upon the two reds,

or upon a red and white ball. -Mrs. Cady Stanton's paper says its mission is to turn everything maide out. upside down and wrongside before, Such being the case, the Revolution can scarcely be congratulated on its success. -lows has gone into the cashmere business. A drove of Cashmere goats recently arrived in Taylor county. New

York hasn't many Cashmere goats, but

-The present English War Minister dissents from the hitherto universally held opinion that veterans, or old sol. diers; are more desirable than new recruits, and no inducements are to be held out for them to re-enlist. Raw recruits will be preferred.

-The Louisville Courier-Journal is exceedingly dissatisfied with the appointnent of Miss Van Lew to the Richmond Postoffice, on the ground that she is decidedly unpopular with the people of Richmond, because of her notorious symps. thy with the Federal cause. Well, we're sorry, but-which side won in the late unpleasantness .- Chicago Republican.

#### APRIL MODES. (From the Boston Point)

NEW EPRING BONNETS.

Last season gave us the small, high and stylish bonnets which are reproduced his season, and find universal favor. There is no increase in size, and little variation in shape—all the efforts of the artistes are directed to giving it an appearance of height by puffs, by the ele-vation of the small brim by a coroneted arrangement of the trimming and by the ornaments, which invariably form a kind of floral aigrette on one side. To form these coquettish little head-dresses, a more flexible material is required than straw, and therefore straw is very little

The new round hats are more varied in form than the bonnets. The high "Cavalier" hats have turned up in a still higher, more conical and brigandish form and are now called the "Brigand," The bouquets are more modest, more generally becoming and more popular. The "Mu-sard" and the "Vauban" are the latest of these and are very pretty. The coquettish "Jardiniere" has changed its form somewhat and is bent on three sides only, the back being left straight. These hats are very becoming to young girls.

SKIRTS. As the spring advance there is a general revival of hoop skirts. Short thick dresses and even long trailed dresses made in solid materials can be worn without hoops, though the former flaps about said to be 1,000 feet deep in Tuckerman's the heels, and both are uncomfortable.

The spring style of hooped skirts has for-—Clara Louise Kellogg is about to give favor; they are adapted more nearly than ever before to the exact want of the regents.

—The Boston Post finds it singular front, except at the bottom of the skirt that Lotta's break-downs are her greatest and is only seventy-two to seventy-five inches round. It is found most admirable to wear with short walking dresses, the increase in the size being hardly per-ceptible, and the action perfectly natural and easy in sitting down; in fact there is all the comfort of the hoop skirt withthe heavens for the past two days have been moved to tears.

There are several other new skirts, some arranged with a moderate bustle, others tirely without the spring or trail at the back, which, in wearing was found so impractical and even dangerous. White skirts are made in two different

ways; one is narrow at the top with a deep flounce attached; the other is gored front and sides, made full in the back like a dress akirt, and tucked or trimmed with fluted frills around the bottom. White skirts for short dresses are hemmed, or tucked and embroidered, or braided, the braiding or embroidery always above the hem. Covers for the lower part of the hoop skirts are convenient, sensible and economical with the manufacture of the sensible and economical with the manufacture of the sensible and economical with the manufacture of the sensible and economical with the sensible of the sensibl

exercise.

PLOUNCES. woolen materials the plaited flounces are Dawns such of his plunder as possesses a thin goods and for summer silks and successful

fonlards, narrow flounces, pinked out and calbered, are the pretiest. It is fashionable this season again to flounce the dresses to the waist. Gray English barege is neatly edged with black ribon velvet, but there are fine striped and light chene silks which may be pinked out on the edge, and require neither hinding non trimand require neither hinding nor trim-ming. For this class of silk, Marie Antoinette scarfs will be employed to com-plete suits and frimmed to match the skirt. OVEG-DRESSES.

These are found so useful that they are not likely to be very quickly relinquished; they dress up an old silk, or a plain white or black sult wonderfully, and furnish changes which are found exceedinly use ful in these days of perpetual dressing and parties. There are several ways of making over-dresses, one of which is the "Pompadour!" or high dress style; another fort-on-the Main have taken out naturalist the "Natsile," or peasant style; another is the "Natsile," or peasant style; and the third, and most useful, the "Patti," or simple skirt looped up at the sides, with wide bow behind and bretelles crossing the shoulders. The "Patti" is prettiest made of silk and trimmed with ruffles. The "Natsile," or peasant style; another is the "Natsile," or peasant style; another is the "Natsile," or peasant style; another than be subject to the Prussian military or night dress style; another is the "Natsile," or peasant style; another is the "Natsile," or p much for his health and reputation. A The "Natalie" may be made of white muslin and trimmed with lace or ruffles, or of satin and trimmed with satin quil ing reversed, or with lace and satin folds

rpiping. a manage new release. The Pompadour over-dress is made high, but is cut out square, back and front, and filled in with lace. The sleeves may be of puffed lace, or cut to the elbow and trimmed with lace. Another dress, of blue silk, may be worn with a white dress or black silk dress, or pearl gray, in thick or thin material. An over-dress of black silk may be worn with dress of black silk may be worn with a black skirt, with a colored silk skirt of almost any kind, with a white dress with gray poplins, and utilized for a checked Japanese walking dress, or a short black silk suit, POWDER.

There is a rage for powder on the hair which must soon wear itself out. All has instead plenty of mere cash bulls and kinds of powder are used." The yellow owder and the diamond powder are the most fashionable. Powdered isingless is used for diamond powder, and is not only as brilliant but less dangerous than the genuine article. It can be bought by the ten cent's worth at a 'paint shop, but is put up in small boxes for twenty-five and fifty cents by fashionable hair dressers.

The extent to which the wearing of false hair has been carried almost exceeds belief. The puffed chignon is much larger than ever, and has half-a-dozen curls attached which fall over the centre. In addition, long side curls are worn and heavy braids crossing the head like a coronet. The greatest evil of the false hair business is that it perpetuates itself. Constant crimping and heat occasioned by wearing a mass of stuff upon the head, destroys the natural hair, and will make women prematurely bald, and false hair a necessity, instead of an appendage.

OBNAMENTS FOR THE HAIR. Few ornaments are worn in the hair and these altogether flowers. Bands beads, made head-dresses and the like have disappeared, and instead broad plain bands of shell are worn like a coronet with a pink crushed rose or a wreath o light cordon of leaves intermixed with small flowers. Fancy combs have gone out entirely. The quantity of hair is considered a sufficient ornament and as little addition is used as possible. MOURNING PASHIONS.

beverat remarkable changes have taken place within the past few years, which has exercised a great influence upon the fashions for mourning, and upon the demand for mourning goods. In the first place, black has become so fashionable for general wear, and in the second place a public opinion has been created which discourages the use of black as mourning. The consequence is that while black is more worn than ever, mourning is much less worn than formerly, and it is in so depressed a state that the mourning stores have suffered from it, and no longer exhibit the activity and enterprise in devis-ing novelties and varying the dullness of crape and bombazine or crape and mer-ino. The distinctive feature of very deep-mourning formerly was the long, thick crape veil. This is an impossible adjunct to the fashionable little bonnet; and has therefore almost disappeared, only occa-sionally is it seen attached to a solid bonnet covering the back hair and worn by some old-fashioned widow from the Pro-vinces. Mourning, minus the long crape veil and plus the general air of coquetry which belongs to the styles of the period, becomes a very mild affair, and no won-der it has fallen into discredit.

JENNIE JUNE. CUBAN AFFAIRS AND STATISTICS Dispatches from the Consul General at Cuba, represent the condition of affairs as ged. Considerable vigilance is required to protect American citizens and their property from the interference of the Spanish authorities. It is by no means certain yet how the insurrection will terminate. The Spanish authorities seem to be confident, sustained as they are by troops and supplies from Spain; while the Insurgents are receiving large accessions from native Cubans, and from outside parties landing at points where they can readily communicate with them.

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The census of Cuba is taken every ten years, the last being taken in 1862, the population that year numbering 1,500,000. Of these 600,000 were negroes, and 900,000 white. Of the white, population but 150,000, including the army and the women and children, were Spaniards, the remaining 750,000 being natives of the isle. Of there latter 326,000 were women, 115,000 children and aged persons, and 210,000 able bodied men, capa-ble of bearing arms. Of the 600,000 ne-groes, it is confidently expected that 50,000 at least are able to fight with the insurgent army. In 1862, the production of the island amounted to \$866,000,000 or the island amounted to \$500,000,000; the taxes to \$57,750,000; the exports to \$57,400,000; imports to \$48,400,000; making a total of exports and imports of \$100,000,000. The present trade amounts to over \$70,000,000 per annum. The value of the rural wealth, 1852, was \$281,000,000; wealth of towns and cities, \$129,000,000; and the wealth of industry and commerce \$274,000,000. The same \$129,000,000; and the wealth of industry and commerce, \$374,000,000. The same year the sugar production was valued at \$63,000,000; tobacco or op at \$15,000,000; other productions at \$52,000,000. From these few statistics may be had some idea of the great importance of Cubs and the tenacity with which the Spaniards have held to it, and the determination they are evincing in the midst of their dissensions at home, to yet cling to the faithful isle.

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