THE Senate has actually passed the bill to prohibit the killing of seals.

Tims ought to be the busiest, brightest and happiest week of the whole

Thy the experiment of making somebody besides yourself happy this week, and you will enjoy your Christmas all

Hoke Smith comes to the surface

of old, when no man felt safe in keeping a ten dollar bill over Sunday. A BILL has been introduced in the

Virginia legislature cutting down all salaries of State officials. This is the kind of a bill that never becomes a law. THE anti-Quay reformers of this State

are rapidly becoming enthusiastic admirers of David Martin. David is not a politician or boss; oh, no! he's a reformer and a statesman.

IF THE revenue from the Dingley law goes on increasing, the time will come when its enemies will be silenced, They are firing all their ammunition now for fear that will happen,

THE California murderer, Durrant, has been sentenced to death for the fourth time. Continuous capital senteness are not likely to improve popuhar respect for the majesty of the law.

This may not be a very metry Christmas season for the Cubans, but they can have the satisfaction of knowing that the year has brought them very close to their goal of absolute independence of Spain.

MR. PETER SIPE, of Sipesville, will find an appointment as County Auditor in his Christmas stocking, and exly reflect that it is only good Democrats that Santa remembers.

AND now the Mugwumps are circu- of paraphernalia. lating the report that Platt and Quay Judge White's Definition of an Intemperare engaged in trying to defeat Hanna for United States Senator, and making opposition to the administration. No falsehood is too absurd for these people

went to the Klondike and are now in be helped, but there can be no denial of the fact that they were all warned before they started for the Klondike.

MAJOR NESSIT, of Allegheny, who succeeds Captain Skinner as Pension Agent at Pittsburg, is a staunch Republican, an old soldier, a man exceedan old soldier, made a most excellent partment.

CHICAGO business men have formed a vigilance committee on account of the numerous robberies, and have determined to kill footpads on sight. This is a fine showing for municipal government in one of the largest cities of this great nation, but it is only the natural result of a predominance of politics over business methods in arranging

IT HAS been decided by the Ways and Means Committee of Congress that no changes whatever will be made in the Dingley tariff bill during the present session of Congress. That is right. No more tariff tinkering. Let the present law rest a while, and then we can see whether any changes are necessary. If it shall be found that changes are needed to further protect American industries, then the changes should be made; but just at present give the law a fair chance, and see how it will work.

THE Republican State Committee will meet in Philadelphia to-day for the purpose of fixing a time for holding the State Convention, and transacting such other business as may be brought before the meeting. The probabilities are that the date for the Convention will be fixed for some time in the month of May. If this is done, the regular Republican primary for this county will probably be called for or early in May.

ON THE basis of the Government's revised estimate the United States' wheat yield in 1897 was 530,000,000 bushels, which is an advance of about 67,-000,000 bushels on its previous figures. Private authorities on whom speculators have been in the habit of placing great reliance put the crop at figures ranging from 550,000,000 to 580,000,000 bushels. The Government's estimate The pension is still being paid, but George is usually below that of private experts. Probably it is under rather than over the true mark this year. In any case, the wheat yield of 1897 has very seldom been exceeded in this country.

THE President sent in the following. among other nominations, to the Senate on Thursday:

Justice-Joseph McKenna, of California, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Treasury-Charles G. Dawes, of Illinois, to be Comptroller of the Currency. Interior-John W. Nesbit, of Penn-

sylvania, to be Pension Agent at Pitts-

Court of Private Land Claims-Joseph R. Reed, of Iowa, to be Chief Justice; William W. Murray, of Tennessee; Thomas C. Fuller, of North Caro-

widows, those who have been married p'ea of self-defense," to old soldiers subsequent to the war. Senator Gallinger, chairman of the Persons attending court or visiting his lip. He took two bottles of Burdock in the trial of Frank Simpson and A. C.

regular widow's pension. This legislation is necessary to suppress a great and growing evil, and is obviously right and proper. There are pensions without stint for all who have a just and legal claim upon the bounty of the government, but this effort on the part of a number of unprincipled women to boodwink both the pension authorities and the men they marry is so clearly a swindle that steps should have been taken long ago to end the practice by the most stringent regulations. How-

Chairman Elkin's Call.

It is necessary to have the exact date letermined because many of the counties are already arranging for the Republican primary elections. This is especially true of chiladelphia, where the date for holding primaries for the election of delegates again to favor the wildest State banks to the convention has been fixed for January 11th. A full attendance of the comnittee is expected.

Dr. Schaeffer's Report. The annual report of Dr. Nathan C. struction, for the year ended June 1, 1897, hows 2482 school districts in the state. with an enrollment of 1,109,872 pupils. The average monthly cost of tuition per

distributing the State appropriation, by accompany the report the engineer's estirural districts. The cities, however, will have their recompense, Dr. Schaeffer says, in the hope that they may consider his the holiday recess. in the fact that if those who flock to the suggestions and unite in insisting upon entres of population as soon as their a more careful survey on the part of the school-days are ended, are well educated, viewers of roads than has heretofore been they become not only better citizens, but required. also better consumers and better produ-

Annual institutes are commended as an nercial and industrial education in our ity high schools.

The report suggests a more judicious Commissioners' Clerk Werner will sad- the purchase of maps, globes, charts and locks, at extravagant prices. Dr Schaefsums that may be expended for this sort islation.

ate man.

d an intemperate man. The definition, White said:

the habit that he very frequently goes to of the traveling public. the bar for a drink, occasionally gets under the influence, yields to the temptation for getting liquor when offered, or accepts a treat whenever invited, leaves his employment frequently in working hours to universality, for almost every communiget a drink, spends his earnings for it ty in the Commonwealth can point to ingly popular, and no better appoint- while other responsibilities are neglected, sections in its own locality where a slight ment could have been made. The re- feeds a growing appetite for liquor with- change in the location of the road would tiring agent, Captain Skinner, himself out any effort for its control, is a person of have avoided a deep ravine, or an impasintemperate habits; and when those hab. sable hill, or a devious course, and have official, gaining the praise of all the its become known to the community in secured a direct route and an easy grade. veterans who had business at his de- general or in the neighborhood where he | So manifest are some of these errors that lives, or among the people with whom he | a child 10 years old, if shown the location, has intercourse and who see him from time | would, without hesitation, point out the to time in the indulgence of those habits, he is under the ban of the liquor law as a person of known intemperate habits."

If this test were applied in all the drinkng places of the State the reduction of their receipts would be enormous, and yet man who "feeds a growing appetite for liquor without any effort for its control" nust soon become an intemperate man for the safeguarding of so large a com- if he is not such already. There are many who become such in spite of fre-

quent effort. A Romance of the War. A bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Penrose unveils a romance of the war. A brother's desire to save the bonor

keep silence for years. Death has opened his lips at last and the story is told. The bill is a simple one. It directs that the military record of Harman Francis shall be changed so that the name shall read George Francis and that an honorable discharge shall be granted to George

Harman and George Francis were prothers. When the war broke out Harman enlisted in company K, Ninetyseventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Volun- that takes the place of coffee. The chilhis family by walking into the home and GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of telling them that he had grown tired of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure lighting and was not going back to his grains, and the most delicate stomach reeserter. Harman was determined. At grocers. some he was going to remain. It was then that George made up his mind to some time in the latter part of April, save the family name from dishonor. The esemblance between the two brothers was great and George went to the front as

George served all through the war. In he tattles of the Wilderness ne was ounded. The wound was a serious one and the name of Hartman Francis was placed on the pension list. Since the war the pension has been regularly drawn by arrangement between the two rothers. This worked all right until lately. A few months ago Hartman died. wants to appear right before his neighors. He thinks the honor of knowing hat their father fought in the rebellion is due to his children. Harman left no family and George feels that he has kept quiet long enough. So he asks that the

ecord may be changed. Carnival for a Murderer.

Parsons, W. Va., Dec. 17.-The saloons order of the Mayor through fear that the nto trouble over the verdict of involuntary manslanghter. The Colonei's friends tarted to celebrate and the friends of the dead man's family were very outspoken in their disapproval of the verdict. Judge Holt to day sentenced Colonel

Eastham to imprisonment in the county jail for two years. A large crowd was i a; Henry C. Sluss, of Kansas, and the court house to hear the sentence pro- That he can both read and write any sec- knowledge of the knocking out of the Wilbur F. Stone, of Colorado, to be As-nounced. In passing sentence the Judge tion of this constitution submitted to him "reds" by the hunter Forbes. The site

THERE has been considerable discus- flict a punishment of the lowest order. tible during the previous year on propersion of late concerning the pensions of They decided that you had no right to the ty in this state assessed at \$310 or more.

Committee on Pensions, has introduced Somerset at other times are often at a loss Blood Bitters and it disappeared. He is Giberson, for cock fighting. The testia bill declaring that heren'ter "no pento know where to go for a good square completely well," Mrs. Wm. Kirby, many showed that they were present at of the United States, to the widow of ing house, at a reasonable price. All such any soldier or sailor whose marriage to are invited to call at Saylor's old reliable the passage of this net." Says the North American: "The plain intent of the passage of this for present county women women the life to present county women that he distributed in the plain intent of the life to present county women the plain intent of the life to present county women the plain intent of the life to present county women the plain intent of the plai said soldier or sailor was subsequent to restaurant, opposite Hotel Vanear, where this bill is to prevent young women from marrying old soldiers merely for the nurness of heroming their widows the necessary "trimmins," ere made ready in necessary "trimmins," ere made ready in the nurness of heroming their widows. It removes at once the vertical or going without marrying cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits; only after the Court gave then five min-

FOR GOOD ROADS.

The Author of the Law Passed by the Last Legislature Lays Blame-Upon Viewers

FOR SENSELESS ROUTES OF PUBLIC

Inasmuch as all reports of road viewers a most of the districts of the State must be submitted to the courts for inspection and approval, Deputy-Secretary of Agriever, it is better late than never, and culture John Hamilton has address-Congress ought to pass this bill with- ed a personal letter to every Common Pleas Judge in the State, requesting that extreme care by taken in the selection of the Board of Viewers, so that the mis-Chairman John P. Eikin has issued a takes of the past may no longer be posall for a meeting of the Republican State sible. He also suggests that none but entral Committee to be held at the head- liberal-minded, intelligent, public-spiritsarters in Philadelphia on Wednesday, ed citizens be placed upon these boards, ecember 22nd, at il o'clock a. m. The and that the engineer be thoroughly ommittee at this meeting will fix the competent, not only to run lines upon tate of the State convention to be held the ground, but also to take the levels and give estimates of cuts and fills, with probable cost of construction.

DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF VIEWERS. Mr. Hamilton recommends that in their report to the Court the Board of Viewers should first of all state their conviction as to whether public necessity demands such a road; that they should present with their report a map showing the courses and distances, and also a profile | preaching. I hope to work in the minis map showing the contour of the ground, with the cuts and fills marked and the be at least 32 feet wide; that all streams pupil was \$2.25 in Philadelphia, \$1.22 for properly marked on the map, together without pay. the state outside of Philadelphia. The to- with the location of crossroads, nearby tal expenditure was \$19,618,187,09, of bouses and property lines, through which which 83.686.694.35 was disbursed for the proposed road is to run, and there milding purposes, and \$10,049,812.45 for shall also be marked on the draft the character of the soil over which the road The report reviews recent school legis- is to be built; that all of the drawings lation and commends the new method of shall be to a scale, and that there shall which more money will be paid to the mate of the probable cost of construction.

ASK ADVICE FROM THE JUDGES. No report should be approved or conirmed until it is entirely clear to the aportant factor in creating and mould- Court that the road is a public necessity, ing public opinion, and, the report says, and that its location is the best possible nore should be done to establish high to secure. He states that he will be giad schools in rural districts, and to give com- to hear from the Judges and receive such criticism and advice as their experience and thought upon this subject may prompt them to offer, particularly as to expenditure of the school funds, and lays | whether his suggestions are such as ought | a warm dinner. special stress on the waste of money in | to be put into force; whether additional legislation would be needed in order to carry them into effect, and, if so, what

"The loss and inconvenience that is caused by the improper location of many of our public highways are evident to all," Mr. Hamilton said. "In many instances roads are hild out, not on the most Perhaps no decision of a Pennaylvania suitable ground, nor upon the shortest or ouri has been more widely quoted by the most practicable routs, but upon ground state newspapers than that in which wholly unsuitable and following a course Judge Harry White, of Indiana county, both indirect and meaningless. Fre-Congress has voted a large sum of defined what, in his judgment, constitut- quently the viewers have been induced it appears, was invited by the nature of erties, and thus have diverted the road distress. Of course these men ought to the case, and it was fairly met. Judge from its proper and natural location in order to gratify the desire of some indi-"To our mind, then, a man so given to vidual regardless of the rights and needs

VIEWERS TO BLAME FOR BAD BOUTES. "Instanc s of this practice are so com mon that it is unnecessary to go into detail or cite examples in order to prove its right position which the road should occupy, and yet this road was laid out by three selected persons, one of whom was resumably a civil engineer.

"The error in all such cases originated with the Board of Viewers and was aftert is not a bad test after all. Certainly the | ward fixed upon the community, throughout all future time, by order of the Court; so that for 100 years tens of thousands of our citizens have been compelled to suffer direct loss and much personal inconvenience from improper locating of a single road, to say nothing of the millions of others who have had like experience on the 100,000 miles of other roads in Pennsylvania, many of them equally defective. It is, therefore, of the first importmoe that the work of original survey of the family name has forced him to and location shall be correctly and wisely done, for experience shows that after a read has once been opened it is next to impossible to have its location changed. no matter how much the public may be inconvenienced or how impracticable it

may be to keep it in even tolerable re

TRY GRAIN-O! TRY GRAIN-O! Ask your Grocer to-day to show you package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink eers. His experiences the first few dren may drink it without injury as well nouths were so severe that he surprised as the adult. All who try it, like it. mpany. In vain the home folks argued reives it without distress. . 1 the price of

Negroes Disfranchised.

A despatch from Columbia, South Carlina, of December 14 says : South Carolina has just succeeded in effectually disfranchising 128,000 negroes, and with last week erminated all hopes of having the suffrage clause, under which it was done, declared unconstitutional by the Federal

In 1866 a constitutional convention was alled for the avowed purpose of removing some of the Indians had only been knockthe negro in this state from politics. The ed senseless and on coming to had dragidas, Orders and remittances should ollowing was made a part of that consti-

"Up to January 1, 1898, all male persons of voting age applying for registration who can read any section in this constitution, or understand and explain

"In their mercy, the jury decided to in that he owns and has paid all taxes collected relies of it are extant. Ligonier Echo.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

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Gave Up a \$6,000 Job.

Rev. Dr. James Farrar, paster of the First Reformed church in Brooklyn, N. Y., receiving a salary of \$6,000 a year, beloved by his people, assured of that salary as long as he cared to draw it, has given up that charge and chosen to surrender the salary, leave his comfortable parsonage and admiring congregation, and return to his old home near Ligonier, where he will support himself on a private income of \$500, and give his services free.

The Rev. Dr. Farrar gave this decision surch and the assembled congregation. It was the annual meeting. Nothing of the kind was expected. His hearers looked bewildered. It is a prosperous church, always filled when Dr. Farrar preaches. After announcing his proposed withdrawal from the church in the near future, Dr. Farrar gave these reasons to the istening people;

"I have spent seven years of my life uilding up a church which has grown strong and useful. I now desire to give the remainder of my life to building up souls without money and without price. I have fully consecrated my life to the cause, and I am convinced that the step I shall take, as soon as the way is completely open, is in the right direction. "I hope to enter a field where no one can impugu the motives of a minister

because of the money he receives for his

try entirely without salary." He has chosen the field for his new degree of elevation; that no road except | ministry among the scenes of his boy-Schaeffer, Superintendent of Public In- in extreme cases, shall have over five de- bood. That community does not believe grees grade, and, if possible, not over in a paid ministry. There he will work three degrees; that the right of way shall on the principle of the Keswick movement in England, that a minister should and ravines requiring bridges shall be devote part of his life to saving souls

News Items.

Pardee Hall, the pride of Lafayette College, was destroyed by fire on Friday. Pittsburg will try to secure the national Grand Army Encamement tor 1900. Mr. Hamilton has written to the Judges | Florida, where he will remain until after | was recovered by the police after he had

> John Hutton, a Brooklyn architect, says that one of his wife's front teeth is oose and that it was loosened by the ar- Both of the men who were caught confessdent and effusive kissing of Harry Don- ed their guilt and were sentenced to imecker. Hutton is suing for a divorce and prisonment for 14 years. has named Donecker as co-respondent. The best place in the county to get a X mas present is at

SNYDER'S ART STORE. Thousands of school children are reported to be starving in the city of Chicago. In cases where the children come to school hungry they are provided with

If you want a picture framed cheap and well, go to Snyder's Art Store, fer favors legislation fixing the maximum | points ought to be covered by such leg- | Lamps, Pictures, Fine China Ware, &c. Down at Lebanon, Pa., motormen and

> street car conductors have been forbidden to eat sauer krant. They say the cars were so saturated with the odor of kraut that many persons refused to ride on Disappointed in a love affair thirty

> hat far-off state, leaving an estate valued at \$100,000. He lived the life of a hermit. A commission appointed to revise the nstitution of Rhode Island proposes to disfranchise all voters who do not own nincumbered real estate or personal property to the value of \$300. A big sen-

sation has been created by the commis-Young Joseph Leiter, who has cornered the Chicago wheat market, on Friday gave Philip Armour a check for \$850,000 for a delivery of 1,000,000 bushels of wheat. Saturday Armour bobbed up with 1,250,000 bushels more, and received another check for \$1,002,5000. As every bushel of wheat Armor has delivered has been a loss of from 10 to 20 cents, Leiter stands to win \$1,250,000 on the deal.

Six murderers died on the scaffold throughout the South Friday. In view of the period of lynching that has seemen to hold sway, this is a record that some Southerners may feel proud of. Two men to a scaffold in a field, then clad in white garments and hanged in the presence of three brothers of their victim. Another man tied a great stone to his 3 year-old daughter by his first wife and, thinking into a river. He died like a cringing coward. The youngest victim was a 14 yearold negro boy who assaulted a white girl. At one hanging, the lynching of the mur-

ings throughout the South this month.

Indian Days. On the hillside near the home of W. H. hristman, one mile west of Laughlinstown, there was once a rock on and around which a bloody battle was fought between a white man, one Arthur Forbes and a bunch of Indians. Forbes had ome out from Fort Ligonier on a hunt This ended the poting and a hand-to- very wide attention and be eagerly acceptwith him, and pointed out the fate of a coffee. 25 cts. per package. Sold by all short time, the white man coming out on Independent for a year, the Century Magounded at not finding any bodies. The rock and ground all around showed plengod away their comrades. They were not be made to ursued as the miraculous escape of Forbes was considered gain and glory enough. The aforesaid rock was in later days broken up and now forms part of the foundation wall of the barn of when read to them by the registration Joseph Moore near by. Coming east half officer, shall be entitled to register and be a mile is a little valley running north from the pike on the present farm of That this clause has been effectual in John Johnston. Here another tragedy complishing what was intended by it was enacted, which was of all too frenone will gainsay. Under its operations quent occurrence in those early days. only 12,000 of South Carolina's 140,000 ne- The Indians had captured somewhere, n this town were closed this evening by gross of voting age have become qualified presumably in the valley, a man and his ectors. At the same time, its operation | wife and three children and going north espective friends of Colonel Eastham and in favor of the whites has been equally with them and coming near the head of Frank Thompson, of Philadelphia, the effectual, for 90,000 have been duly regis- little valley they tomahawked the motheffectual, for 90,000 have been duly registered. This state's electorate is thus composed of 90,000 white and 12,000 negro voters.

After January 1 the qualifications for registration are educational and property. The Constitution provides:

"Any person who shall apply for registration after January 1, 1898, if otherwise of the constitution after January 1, 1898, man he killed in a railroad car, might get | tered. This state's electorate is thus com- | er and dashed to death against a tree the

the fight. Counsel on both sides argued that a verdict of guilty should be renderthe purpose of becoming their widows short order. Saylor's is the best place in 55 cents. Sold at Benford's Drug Store, utes to do so or he would know the reason that they found both multre. that they found both guilty.

The State Finances.

The annual statement of the State trea ury for the fiscal year ended Nov. 30 807, was issued on Friday by State Treasurer Haywood. The receipts of the gen eral fund for the year were \$12,475,070,17;

payments, \$12,768,515,84. The receipts include the whole amount received as state personal tax, threefourths of which is returned to the counties; personal fees, paid by and returned to state officers: fertilizer licenses and m Friday night before the officers of the fines received from the department of ag- | cian and tried his medicine, and in a week building and contents, and one per cent. of the tax on foreign fire insurance comcanies distributed among the cities and unties of the state under act of 1805.

which was available for the payment of sane institutions for the quarter ended The balance in the general fund at the ton, Delaware. close of the year was \$4,500,000. Kidnapper Chief Caught.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15.-Lawyer Albert S. War, er, the leader of the kidnapers' gang who last August abducted little John Conway in this city, and held

terior of Kansas. By his capture the last of the bold conspirators who planned to engage in the wholesale stealing of children has been and Joseph M. Hardy he had concocted a scheme to kidnap the children of wealthy parents in nearly every city in the coun-

growth of more than a third of a century As in the past, the coming new year will be ushered in by the appearance of a fresh

murder of Blanch Lamont. January 7 was fixed as the day of execution by Judge Bahar, of the Superior Court.

Durrant has not yet given up hope. His attorneys intend to lay the foundation for another appeal to the Sopreme Court of the United States. In all probability the lawyers for the defense wil proceed to Washington to make the final technical fight based on the questions Federal and State law.

A Physician's Personal Experience With Discharge from the

While discussing the subject of specialtes in medicine, and the growing confidence in Specialists, Dr. A. B. Travis, Bellevue, Pa., a graduate of the Cleveland who siew a man for his money were taken | Medical College, related a personal experience. He said: "When I was ten years old I had searlet fever. As usualvery common-I had a purulent discharge from one ear. This continued without relief. I expected, when I came to attend please his second wife, tossed the girl | Medical Lectures, to obtain relief through some of the professors. After consulting with several, and a course of treatment by the Professor of Surgery, I was told a pernanent cure was impossible. In 1880 derer was feared and troops guarded the thirty-five years after the beginning, I scaffold. There have been but six lynchconsulted Dr. Sadier, 804 Penn avenue Pittsburgh, and, to my delight, in four months he had me cured. I have never had a particle of the trouble since. Now you can see why I believe in specialties in medicine, and never hesitate to recommend such specialists as Dr. Sadler."

A Wonderful Offer.

There will be found in this issue of our paper the advertisement of The Independent, of New York, which is known for game and while standing on this rock, throughout the length and breadth of the which commanded a fine view of the land as possibly the ablest and greatest narrow valley, was advanced upon and religious literary and family newspaper surrounded by the savages. Forbes saw not only in the United States but in the his danger and at once laid low one of world. The Independent in this adverthe Indians with a ball from his rifle. tisement makes an offer which will attract hand "scrimmage" ensued lasting but a ed by a great many people. It offers The top, all the reds, some ten in number, on azine for a year, and the "Century Gallery the ground, either dead or stunned into of one hundred portraits"—the regular nsensibility from blows from the hunt- price of the three being \$14.50-for only er's clubbed rifle. Fearing that other \$7.50, a saving of \$7.00. The "Century red skins were about and would soon be Gallery of One Hundred Portraits" inon the trail, Forbes cut loose for the fort, cludes the best likeness of one hundred of two miles distant. The next morning a the most prominent people of the world party came out from the fort to take in whose pictures have appeared in the Cenhe scalps and bury the dead, but were tury Magazine. The size of these pictures is Sixi3j inches; they are put up in a handsome box and are delivered free by ifully of gore and of the big tuesle of the express. Every one is valuable for fram brave Forbes. It was presumed that ing and would decorate the walls of any THE INDEPENDENT,

> SOME POTENT FACTS. That the Reader Will do Well to Carefully Ponder Over.

It was kept a secret for years in a good, old Quaker family. The neighbors all knew about it, and many a time had reason to be thankful for its existence. Its fame spread, and strangers who heard about it, wrote for information concerning it, sometimes tried its virtues, and sometimes put off a trial for a more convenient among To all how it was degree of the property of the second trial to the second trial trial to the second trial t the next days as the terrible and ghasttration after January 1, 1898, if otherwise
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That he can both read and write any section of this constitution submitted to him
by the registration officer or can show
that he owns and has paid all taxes collectible during the previous year on properiy in this state assessed at \$210 or more.

"My hasband had two cancers taken
from his face, and another was coming on
the took two bottles of Bardock
Blood Bitters and it disappeared. He is
completely well," Mrs. Wm. Kirby,
Akron, Erie Co., N. Y.

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BABY'S SMOOTH, FAIR SKIN

A Grateful Mother Writes this Letter-

riculture, the insurance on the old capitol | the sore was gone. But to my surprise in The aggregate of these items is \$2,155,- | Hood's Sarsaparilla. I also took Hood's 118,44, which is deducted from the gross Sareaparilla, and before the first bottle amount received, leaves the net amount was finished, the sores were well and have appropriations \$10,319,951.73. There is but he has never had any sign of those still due to the common schools, training scrofulous sores since he was cured by schools, reformatory, charitable and in- Hood's Sarsaparilla, for which I feel very November 30, to counties on state taxes and smooth, fair skin to this great medand on sundry other items about \$1,100,000. icine." MRS. S. S. WHOTEN, Farming-

him for \$3000 ransom, was arrested yesterday at Riley Centre, a village in the in-

wholesale stealing of children has been put in safe keeping. With H. G. Blake Making it pay you

try.
Among their intended victims, it is said, was a child of John D. Rockefeller. The manner in which they designed to operate was a reminder of the famous Charlie Congress adjourned Friday and Senstor Ross case, of Philadelphia, Fortunately, Quay left Washington on Sunday for the first boy they abducted, John Conroy, been held by the gang for four days. Blake and Hardy were then arrested, but Warner, their chief, managed to escape.

A New Year's Gift Heralded. The measureless popularity of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been the Goods to buy.

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THE STORY OF THE REVOLUTION by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, to run throughout the year. (For the first time all the modern art forces and resources will be brought to bear upon the Revolution. Howard Pyle and a corps of artists are making over 106 paintings and drawings expressly for

this great work.) CAPTAIN A. T. MAHAN'S "The American Navy in the Revolution," to be illustrated by Carlton T. Chapman, the marine artist; Harry Fenn, and others.

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flections of a Married Man" and "The

Opinions of a Philosopher." "THE WORKERS" in a new field-Walter, A. Wyckoff, the college man who became a laborer, will tell about his experience with sweat-shop laborers and anarchists in Chicago, (Illustrated from life by W. R. Leigh.) THE THEATRE, THE MINE, etc., will

be treated in "The Conduct of Great

Business" series (as were "The Wheat

Farm," "The Newspaper," etc., in '97), with numerous illustrations. LIFE AT GIRLS' COLLEGES-like the articles on "Undergraduate Life at Harvard, Princeton and Yale," and as

richly illustrated.

POLITICAL REMINISCENCES Senator Hoar, who has been in publi life for forty-five years. C. D. GIBSON will contribute two serial sets of drawings during "18, "A New York Day," and "The Seven Ages of

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