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THE Ohio man who has a doublebarreled shot gan ready for the White Cape, and lets them have the contents practical solution of the White Cap problem. If the law cannot defend citizens against midnight marauders, the citizens must be prepared to defend themselves.

THE Tariff League Bulletin, that did such effective work for the cause of protection during the recent campaign, is about to broaden its scope by enlargement, under the name of the American Economist. The publishers contemplate making it a valuable journal on all economic subjects. To those who desire to keep themselves informed on the American side of the tariff question, we would commend this publication. Address American Protective Tariff League, No. 23 West Twenty-third street, New York.

Good Roads and Civilization.

Governor Beaver is about as famillar as anybody with rural Pennsylvania, and he informs the Legislature that "no expenditure of public money yields so little in return as the road taxes of Pennsylvania." He keeps far within the mark when he says that "Pennsylvania can not claim to rank highest in civilization if the civilization of a country is marked by its roade," He informs the Legislature that our entire system of road laws should be thoroughly revised and codified.

The Legislature no doubt can improve our road laws and a code of road laws will be received with satisfaction if it at the same time gives assurance of the radical improvement of our roads. The latter need the service of the road-makers much more than the law-makers. Our roads are constructed on the single principle of making their first cost as small as possible, while the cost of maintenance is limited usually to a sum necessary to keep them passable in good weather. The system by which this money is applied is the crudest possible and the results obtained are almost as bad as possible. The best roads in the State, as a rule, are not public highways, but are the property of private corporations which levy a tax on all who use them and that in the aggregate is a very heavy burden on those who must use these toll roads constantly. Pennsylvania needs a system of

well-graded, well-ballasted free roadwrys extending all over the State. They should be smooth and of easy grade, and should support without yielding the heaviest loads after a week of rain, or in that trying season when the warmth of Spring is bringing the frost out of the ground and turnrt roads into morasses. Our .ds are exceedingly primitive. Except in the case of a favored road here and there we have made no improvement in our public highways since the days of our grandfathers. It is time that the Legislature was giving Said the Master: "No better than this its serious attention to a scheme to give the State public roads which shall be free to every citizen and worthy the civilization of the State, of which they will be at the same time the incontestable evidence.-Phila. Press.

lege, Danville Library and now builda \$150,000 memorial church for the poor and good Methodists of Lewisburg. Once, and only once, was I glad that the Methodists of Lewisburg were poor. He is now building the Methodists of Lewisburg the best church in this State of any denomina tion. Long may he live! Wishing of both barrels when they make their you all a Merry Christmas and a Hap midnight attacks, hits upon a very py New Year with happy homes on corner lots in the new city on the hill, I remain your old friend, J. W. SHRINER."

-A Beautiful Poem.

Bellefonte Republican.]

The following lines are the composition of Mrs. Rynder, wife of Hon. Theo. P. Rynder, of Milesburg, the late candidate for congress in this district. They were written especially for the Christmas celebration held last Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Methodist Sunday School of Milesburg, and were read on that occasion : "CROWN JEWELS,"

'O Lord, my crown is a starless one, No jewels shine out from its gold ; No sheaves have I gathered in life's ripe field.

> No lambs have I led to the fold." Grant me, Father I pray, one dazzling

gem,' Breathed the maiden on bended knee, 'That will shine in the radiance of Heaven's light.

It's brilliancy, Lord, all for Thee." Then she sought the heart of a little child.

As pure as the snow from above, And into it's warm, gleaming depths she poured The news of a Saviour's love.

Till the little life grasped in loving clasp

The hand of the Saviour outheld, And up from the depths of the pure young life

A joyous devotion welled.

guiled.

I bring Thee, O Father," the maiden cried, In ecstacy almost wild, The purest of all earth's glittering gems,

The love of a sinless child." "I will seek among men of fame," she

mused, "Of men who have won renown-

I will win from among them a diamond That will grace a Heavenly crown." Her message of mercy she lovingly

brought, To one on whom fame had smiled.

And won for the Lord a place in the hear Which before the vain world had be-

'I bring for Thy glory," the worker said, "O Father, the wealth of the earth-Endowment of brain and soul so rich, Must a shining light give forth.'

"The wretched and shivering wreck, dear Lord. Who twice this day asked me for bread,

Watch over his wandering steps, dear Lord: Cover thou his defenseless head."

'I had but a crust to bestow, Thou knowest, But I gave it with blossing and prayer That the wanderer lonely and sin crushed here.

Might find a blest home 'Over There.' ' The hours of the worker had numbered

life's noon When Death's messenger bade her to rest, And receive from her Master the welcome

"Well done" As she entered the realm of the blest.





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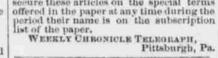
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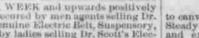
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