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He sleeps, the hero of a noble fame! His worthy deeds won laurels that shall bloom While his frail clay doth moulder in the tomb. Hist'ry for him records a wondrous name— Enduring, that the nations may adore. Since the true heart of Benron beats no more.

Well may the nation weep its honored son, And fragrant incense to his memory burn Whose dust is gathered in the moldering urn; Yet, the his glorious race on earth is run,
There lingers still a deathless ray behind—
"The undying produce of immortal mind."

Ye friends of greatness, list the solemn knell! Ween for a loss that time cannot redeem ! ween for a loss that time cannot reacem!
The eye is closed where genius' fires did gleam,
The voice, which souls at will did rouse or quell
Is hushed for aye! That master hand is still,
Which list'ning senates once did sway at will.

O, Death! how awful is thy might! in vain We supplicate; the lowly and the great, The child of poverty, the head of State And all the nations by thee shall be slain ! All journey downward to a common grave, on proudest monarch to the meanest slave. Union, May, 1858. O. S. DANN.

A GHOST STORY.

stance of the facts.

their cotemporaries. r young woman, employed by the family in for its inefficiency and want of zeal in prosquestion, went up to the well, situate on the ecuting a work so immediately connected gradually rising slope, a few rods above the with both justice and humanity. This led dwelling, "to get a pail o' water." The bucket, suspended by the good old-fashioned instant operations recommenced they were sweep, was soon sent to near the bottom of again called "a pack of fools." Thus the the well, and then returned to the starting spirit went on, alternately urging them to point brim-full of that sparkling liquid, which proceed, and mocking them for doing so, was speedily discharged into the waiting pail, until no one felt inclined to strike another and that taken by the fair damsel, not exactly | blow. s Rebecca took her pitcher upon her shoulhe leat was not executed in the most grace- know that these strange noises, these distinct style. What young lady could avoid emphatic communications, must be referred n'nz under such a severe provocation? to some other agency. she did not actually faint, she did the next rlainly they should have had the gallantry do in the first instance. The bucket was on, the pail was filled, and the young braves e house, when the same sepulchral sounds, sionished ears. The fact could not be ques-The sounds, though doleful, were had casually ascertained this fact, and mis-They hurried back to the anxiously chievously concerted to perpetrate this trick reciant company, and confirmed all that upon the community. ad been told by the preceding witness. Nond the next morning all was silent there.

proached the well at that solemn hour "When spirits do mostly take shape." hey waited. All was soon dark and still. The communication became unistakably intelligible. Responsive to in-Fry from the anxious listeners, it said : "I nd buried near this place some years since. "Is that 'ar a rat?"

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WHILE THERE SHALL BE A WRONG UNRIGHTED, AND UNTIL "MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN" SHALL CEASE, AGITATION MUST CONTINUE.

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If you dig up the well you will find my bones, and then further revelations will be made with regard to the whole tragedy.-You will know who was the murderer and who the victim." This was the substance of the communication, though the colloquy between the visible and invisible was somewhat extended.

The facts thus confirmed by sensible evidence, and by more than "two or three with nesses," the recipients of this strange revelation deemed themselves bound in duty, not only to blaze the matter abroad, but to do what they could to bring the guilty to justice, and thus secure repose to the poor troubled

Sleeping as tranquilly that night as the excited state of their minds would permit, they arose early the next morning and went through the neighborhood, everywhere telling the thrilling story, and doing what they could to stir up the spirit of the people.— Little effort was, however, necessary. A simple history of the facts was abundantly sufficient to move the entire community. It was remembered distinctly by some of the older inhabitants, that a peddler had mysteri-NEARLY four years since, on a visit to my ously disappeared from the neighborhood friends in the town of Warren, Herkimer co., some years before, and this speaking ghost N. Y., I found the whole community in a was doubtless his. Startling reminiscences state of receding excitement on account of were interchanged, and the excitement therea most catraordinary occurrence which had by greatly intensified. Toward evening the just then transpired. As I have kept no people began to assemble at the house of the memoranda, I may not be able to state every widow! the men bringing the usual instrucircumstance precisely as it occurred. I am ments of excavation, iron-bars, pick-axes, quite sure, however, that I can give the sub- hoes, shovels, etc., with the fixed and conscientious purpose of finding the remains of the In a particular locality of the town named hapless victim, whose inconsolable spirit had above, there resided a widow A., who had been urging them to purge the community of been left, at the demise of her husband, in bloodguiltiness. At an early hour in the possession of a pretty large farm, from the evening appliances and workmen were on proceeds of which she was getting a comfort- hand in sufficient numbers and variety to do able livelihood for herself and family. But, almost anything the exigencies of the case to do this, she had to avail herself of con- might demand; and all were ready to comaderable hired help. At the period referred mence operation the very moment the spirit to, it being harvest time, she had more than of the well should give the requisite signal her usual number of employees, male and le- Thus matters stood until about nine o'clock,

male. And at that day it was deemed no when the sounds from the well startled the disparagement for the first young men and listening multitude. The tenor of the comwemen in the town to go out to service; yet mnnication was the same as before. After laziness was a crime "indictable at common a few minutes' pause, coats were thrown off, law"—at least that kind of common law then and many a brawny arm made bare. The generally recognized in the social habits of spirit directed them how and where to begin; the best country people. The persons in the but the very moment a blow was struck service of the widow were of this class, and of course, were as little likely to be led astray in their estimate of things as most of a dead stand, while the parties stood and gazed at each other in mute astonishment. Between sundown and dark on what proved, it must be confessed, an eventful evening, mingled with reproaches upon the company

There stood the unhappy company, in a ler, but in her hand, when, lo and behold, a perfect quandary. Perhaps the reader is ound came up from the depths of the well, ready to imagine that, had they been instructsembling much, as she thought, the human ed in the mysteries of ventriloquism, the once! She paused a moment to listen. The perplexing problem would have been instantly int was soon settled. There could be no solved. Not at all. Ventriloquism had him accurately—at Reading, where the train stake. She did hear words and groans; nothing whatever to do with the case. There nder the startling-conviction, a tempted were intelligent persons enough present to Household Words. get back to the house, and actually suc- use this key, had it been capable of unlockeded? It must be admitted, however, that ing the mystery. But they had reason to

Standing there in profound silence, the viced thing-fell to the ground, and rolled with time of doubt and uncertainty, the company er pail quite down the house, and might again heard the voice from the well; in silly have fainted, but for the hydropathic altered tones, however. With taunting aceatment of which she was unwilling and, cents it said: "What a company of fools!

Mucht be, the unconscious subject. She Can't you understand we are down here in wled into the house, and, as well as sighs the pasture?" In a moment or two the same and interjections would permit, told her story.

words with the same voice came to their ears through the subterranean atmosphere; thus as agreed, on all hands, that her credulity drawing attention to the real speakers, some ust have got the better of her senses. She twenty rods off, in a grazing field below. ad been prodigiously affrighted, and hence The mystery was solved in an instant. The ad imagined an improbable thing. But then voice from the well came to them through matter must be settled, especially as it empty "pump logs," from human lips! To had be very inconvenient to pass the whole supply the cattle with water when in a dry ght without water in the house. Accor- pasture below, the well had been tapped by ngly two young men agreed to do what cutting a trench and inserting bored logs at a point some four or six feet from the bottom. Whenever the water arose to this point, it gain made to perform its appropriate func- discharged itself through these logs into a trough placed in the pasture. But when it re on the point of returning in triumph to sunk below this point, as it usually did in ness." dry weather, the tube itself became dry, thus oming from the depths below, fell upon their forming a kind of speaking trumpet. Two shrewd young fellows of the neighborhood

It might seem strange that these pump logs bdy venured to the well again that night, were thought of by none of the company drawn together. It should be remembered, Disting the day the matter was carefully however, that they had been placed there a lked over among themselves, and cautiously long time before; so that probably, there indicated to a few confidential friends. The were very few persons in the place who ever sult was an agreement to meet on the com- had a knowledge of their existence, and as evening at the well, in sufficient num- the logs were entirely out of sight they were to place the phenomena, whatever they quite forgotten. Members of the widow's ight be found to be, beyond the reach of a family must of course have known that the rotable doubt. Accordingly, supporting logs were there, but they either had too little deacouraging each other, they tremblingly philosophy to be aware that they could be used for that purpose, or were too much excited to think of them at all. The young men themselves contrived to elude suspicion now, just as they expected, the mystebus sounds came up from the deep, dark between the lower end of the log tube and vern below. At first they only heard exessions of distress, "groans and solemn the other was at the mouth of the well, as nant, "Yah! yah! yah! —Cheapest nigger

What did the cat say when she looked out the spirit of a man who was murdered of the window when the ark came aground?

Adventure in a Railway Carriage.

Soon after I had taken my seat one morning at Paddington, in an empty carriage, I re-assure me. Our train was an express, the first station whereat we were advised to stop. I consulted my Cradshaw, and furnished him the desired information. It was half an hour between me, and, it may be, ruin. Excuse, therefore, my abruptness .-You have I perceive, a pair of scissors in your work box. Oblige me, if you please, by cutting off my hair." "Sir," said I, "it

is impossible." "Madam," he urged, and a look of severe determination crossed his features, "I am a desperate man. Beware how you refuse what I ask. Cut my hair off-short, close to the roots-immediately; and there is a newspaper to hold the ambrosial curls." I thought he was mad of course; and believing that it would be dangerous to thwart him, I cut off all his hair to the last lock. "Now, madam," said he, unlocking a small portmanteau, "you will further oblige me by looking out of the window, as I am about to change my clothes!" Of course I looked out of the window for a considerable time, and when he observed, "Madame, I need no longer put you to any inconvenience," I did not recognize the young man in the least.

Instead of his former gay costume, he was attired in black, and wore a grey wig and divine of the church of England of about sixty-four years of age; to complete that his hand-which-they appeared to absorb him-might have been his own. "I do not ern species, and weighed twenty pounds. wish to threaten you, young lady," he resumed, "and I think, besides I can trust your kind face. Will you promise me not to reveal this metamorphosis until your, journey's end?" "I will," said I "most certainly." At Reading the guard and a person in plain clothes looked into the carriage .-"You have the ticket," my love, said the young man, blandly, and looking at me as though he were my father.

"Never mind, sir; we don't want them, said the official, as he withdrew his companion. "I shall leave you, Madame," observed my fellow traveller, as soon as the coast was duct you have saved my life, and perhaps even your own." In another minute he was paper that the gentleman on whom I had she exclaimed: operated as hair cutter had committed a heavy forgery to an enormous amount in London a few hours before I met him, and sitting back in her seat again, "I'm glad on that he had been tracked into an express train it-it's always been "Mammy you'll get lest!" from Paddington, but that, although the tele- and now he's gone and got left, and I'm glad graph had been put in motion and described on't." was searched he was nowhere to be found.-

A Negro's Ingenuity.

An accident occurred at an auction sale the other day, which was so unutterably pro- | der and "gone and got lest." voking that it insists upon being recited. fine, robust negro man, one of those firstclass darkies who enjoy alike physical as well as an intellectual superiority over the race of common niggers, was offered for sale. Knowing that if his real good qualities were known, he would be the subject of some competion, which would perhaps terminate in his consignment to a cotton field, he determined to look cheap, and stand a chance of being refused by the lookers out for profitable bargains. He was put up on the block, the most complete metamorphosis, in appearance, of a good for nothing nigger outside of Pocahontas.

"What are you good for?" asked a keen eyed individual, with a twinkle that immediately put Sambo on his guard.

"Good for? nin't good for nuffin. I'se mitey weak and feeble; don't reckon I'se gwine to live much longer, bress de good-

"Anything the matter with you?" asked another.

"Yars, sir-knocked de knee pan of my leg one day, aint done nuffin but creep about eber since.'

"Do you drink?" "Kasionally, yars, sir; doesen't know -yars, mass, I does drink-I habs to do it." "I wouldn't give three cents for him," said | booty." somebod**v.**

The auctioneer cried out for a bid. Sambo gave an awful grown lengthened nis face a few inches and rubbed his lame

Somebody bid one hundred, which was slowly followed up by two hundred, three hundred, four, four fifty, five hundred !-

He was knocked down to the owner of his wife. His exultation may be imagined. He gave a leap of an athlete, with a most provoking grin—best appreciated by the slave speculators near-burst forth with a reso-Soon, however, the invisible agent profoundly mystified as any other person in de world. Sound as a dollar and wuff a thousand! Somebody's sole' sides meyah! yah! yah!" as he moved off. Sambo soon had the beafitification of being envel-sharpness. No cereal ever came to perfec-oped in the delicate arms of his angeliferous tion in a soil devoid of potash, silica, phos-Dinah.

DESPERATE FIGHT WITH A WILD CAT .-A Jamesville correspondent gives to the Chicago Times an account of a desperate fight between John Weber and a ferocious wild was joined just as the train was moving off, cat. Weber and a few other amaieur sports. by a strange looking young man, with remarkably long flowing hair. He was, of course, a little hurried, but he seemed beside supposing he had burrowed a rabbit on the to be disturbed and wild, so that I was quite top of the bluff, about one hundred feet above alarmed for fear of his not being right in his the water, procured a stick and undertook to mind, nor did his subsequent conduct at all dislodge the game by punching. His efforts were too successful, for, instead of a rabbit, and he inquired eagerly, at once, which was a formidable wild cat sprang out of the hole, and 'pitched in' for a fight. Weber, not knowing, the nature of his antagonist, was taken at a disadvantage. He had no knife, Reading. The young man looked at his and the varmin's teeth and claws were sharp watch. "Madam," said he, "I have but "Mein Gott! du peest der fader von all rab-"Mein Gott! du peest der fader von all rabbits!" he exclaimed, as the cat made a leap at his throat. Weber lost his footing, and hunter and wild cat rolled in a rough-and tumble fight, and the cat was most at home in that sort of a contest. The hunter gave the varmint a few well put "eye-openers," but his catship soon put a stop to that game by seizing Weber's hand with his teeth and holding it fast. With the other hand he then tried to throttle the monster, but soon found his claws were in the way. After rolling down the bank a distance of ninety feet from where the fight commenced, the hunter succeeded in getting uppermost of his antagonist, when he hastily halloed "murder." This brought one of his companions to the rescue, who crawling down the steep bank, placed his rifle to the varmint's head and made a hole through it. The wild cat then gave up

It was found Weber had been bit through the hand five times, besides numerous severe scratches upon his body. The wounded parts immediately commenced swelling in an alarming manner, and he was visited by dizsilver spectacles; he looked like a respectable ziness and faintness to such a degree that his companions were obliged to carry him home, and provide medical assistance. He was character, he had a volume of sermons in found to be severely but not fatally injured. The wild cat was one of the ordinary north-

> "Got Left."-A genuine touch of woman's nature, as well as human nature, pervades the following:

5'A comfortable old couple sat a seat or two in front of us on the railroad during one of the hostest days of last summer. journey was evidently one of the events of their lives, and their curiosity excited the attention of the passengers. At a way station, the old gentleman stepped out to get a drink, or to buy a doughnut, and heard the bell only in time to rush to the door of the eating house, to see the train moving off withclear; "by your kind and courageous con- out him. The old lady had been fidgeting in her seat, looking out of the window in anxiety for his return, and when she saw his gone and the train was in motion. Not till plight, his frantic gestures for the train to the next morning did I learn from the Times stop, as it swept farther and farther away,

> "There, my old man has got left! he has! -there see, he has! Wall, she continued,

Her candid reflection on the accident, and the evident satisfaction she felt in the fact hat it was the old man, and not hersell, that was left, was greeted by a round of laughing car were delighted that it was the old man and not the woman who had made the blun-

A Courageous Rar .- An English paper relates the following anecdote: "A gentleman, worthy of all credit, and who may be the more readily trusted as his story acknowledges his own defeat, was aroused one night by a heavy bumping noise on the stairs. Unable to account for it, he rose, donned his dressing gown, and with his candle in his hand proceeded to investigate the cause.-Half way down stairs he percived a large rat employed in facilitating the descent of a half-loaf by pushing it down from one step to another. Anxious to redeem his property, he owner descended after it. The rat at first continued his exertions, but as the enemy gained upon him, he changed his tactics, and turning his front upward, began to climb loward his opponent. This was just such an intruder as might with all justice have been kicked down stairs; but so stern was his air, and so menacing his aspect, that the gentleman hesitated, and hesitation ended his retreat. His feet being only armed with slippers, he lost heart and began slowly to ascend backward; while the rat deliberately mounted after him, and thus steadily drove him back to his bedroom, the door of which he shut in the face of his foe, and termiwhat I'd do 'doubt sperrits; Ise so feeble nated the adventure by retiring to bed, while the rat returned to his well-earned

THE USE OF POTASH AND SAND. -NO vines can produce truit without potash. Dyewoods and all color-given plants owe their vivid dyes to potash. Leguminous plants all require potash. Without it we cannot have a mess of peas. Where it exists in a natural state in the soil, there we find leguminous plants growing wild, and in such places only we find wild grapes. All the cereals require potash, phosphate of magnesia, and silica, which is dissolvable in a solution of potash. It is this dissolved sand that forms the hard coat of the stalks, and gives them strength to stand up against the blasts of wind and rain while ripening. It is this substance that gives bamboos their strength, or the beards of grain and blades of grass their cutting phate of lime, carbonic acid and nitrogen.

LIVE IN THE PRESENT.

"To look back is uscless; the Past can never be amended. To lean on the Future is the vanity of vanities.', For, to whom belongeth to morrow? He, then, that is wise liveth for Gon and the Pres-

."-OLD LETTER. Look not back, poor, wearied heart! Grieve not for the lov'd and dead! Sigh not, grieve not, though, alas!
Every joy from thee seems fled.
Bury in oblivion's stream
Cares and anguish of the past, Useless 't is to sigh and pine, For the days of "auld lang syne." Look not forward, heart, for bliss : Build no castles in the air;
Dream thou not of joys to come,
Though they promise wondrous fair.
Castles based on airy height—
Lovely though they be to sight— Fall!—alas! the pain and smart Bruise and break the hopeful heart In the present live, dear heart ; In its, varied duties, care; Wheresoe'er thy path on earth, Yield thee never to despair. Live to day—resolved to do For the many, not the few;

Communications.

Live to-day, in faith and love-Leave all else to God, above.

Atmospheric Electricity. -- No. 2.

If there be one time more than another, in which man feels that he is entirely in the hands of One mightier than himself, in which agement of points, however patented, washed all his personal pride sinks in the conviction bolts of heaven glare about him, and the pointing a rod with a magnetized needle, rests dread artillery of the skies stuns him with upon no scientific basis whatever. its deafening peals, shaking the very earth on which he treads. Then it is that his conscience tells him how entirely dependent he is, is so very essential, that without this, all othto him or his the instrument of death, without his having the slightest power to arrest his but it must penetrate it to some depth, in fact

In respect to the other great and irresistable powers of nature, man, in some sort, seeks them out. The lightning's flash seeks or, keep the rod from rusting, and at the same out him. It is true he may go to shores time to give the buried portion of the conwhere thunder storms are less violent, or to ductor every facility for dissipating its charge, others where they are much more violent than in his own land; but regarding it generally, lightning is no respecter of time and as to ourselves. It comes to us, so to speak, "in season and cut of season." Its geo-graphical distribution is less restricted than that of any other of nature's great phenomena—tempests, perhaps, excepted.

With this startling admonition before him and reflect what he has done to secure himthe thunderbolt. Perhaps his past escape through storms still lulls him into self-secu the only practicable and efficient mode of small per centage on the amount of life and property hazarded.

To those contemplating purchasing rods I off upon the public which are utterly worth-Pouillet makes the conducting power of cop-Priestly makes it 5 times as much, and Prof. ing power. Rods composed of iran and copto rust by the action of the weather; but a as the French emphatically call it. buudle or rope of copper wire has been found to be a very efficient protection against lightning, as has been fully tested on St. Peter's power. If made of copper they should be Church at Rome, all other methods having previously failed. Iron rods coated with silver, copper or tin, are good conductors. Secondly, in considering the form of the

of the cross section. The square figure with tance of about four inches from the walls, its edges may have some advantage over the supported by iron; staples horizontally incircular section; but I am not certain that as clined downward. much that as much is not lost by the facility afforded for a lateral discharge at a dangerous point, as is gained by relieving the rod of a part of its charge all along the four edges. These edges are also relied upon to tington would say) to a young lady for some discharge the cloud quietly, as the points at time, suddenly left her. We asked him the the top of the rod discharge it; and some- reason, and he told us in the following words: times for this purpose the rod is wisted, so "I had been with her, you know, a good that its edge may be presented to all points of while, and noticed that she was rather cool the horizon. Prof. Joseph Lovering of Harlin her remarks, and hinted that she would vard University, considers that the twisting rather go home alone than have me with her; slightly injures the conducting power of the but I didn't mind that, you know. Well one rod, and cannot be needed for the object in night when we got to the door, says she, view, as the lightning is not fied down to a geometrical straight line for its orbit. He any longer, and I'll thank you to keep in considers that it is immaterial whether rods your place, and away from me." That was be square, round, or flat; but it is to be remembered that in all cases, each conductor should be as entire and as straight as possible, avoiding the horizontal position and all sharp, angular curves, presenting to the clouds a single point.

The common impression among scientific in an old bachelor's bosom. and practical men, has been that electricity moves without any perceptible inertia; hence, at the present time, little care has been taken to them.

kinds of Jobbing done in country establishments, executed neatly and promptly. Justices', Constables' and other BLANKS, constantly on hand and printed to order.

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to avoid short curves and sharp angles in the longitudinal shape of the conductor; and in their erection the horizontal position has been maintained the whole length of the ridge of the building designed to be protected.

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cents for every subsequent insertion. All advertise-ments of less than fourteen lines considered as a square. The following rates will be charged for Quarterly, Half-Yearly and Yearly advertising:—

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But later experiments have exploded this theory, and it is now generally admitted by all scientific men that electricity does exhibit signs of inertia, to such a degree that in the erection of rods the upright position must be maintained. In all cases, rods should be elevated above every other point of attraction, at least four times the diameter of the area to be protected; say in a common sized house, from 10 to 12 feet above the top of the highest chimney, or other object extending above the roof. The efficiency of the rod depends to a great extent upon its height above surrounding objects. This is proved by experiment. Let several rods of unequal height be placed near each other, and it will be observed that the highest carries down the largest amount of electricity, this amount being measured from each tod by the number of sparks which can be counted in a given time. at a break made for that purpose in each rod. Under the same circumstances, the most elevated object will be chosen as the principal conductor by the lightning.

In regard to the points, the best probably known are those tipped with platinum, the most powerful of all conductors, and possessing great resistance to the effects of heat and the air. Too much cannot be said in disparwith silver or any metal whatever, made not of his utter helplesness, it is when the forked of platinum. The plan, adopted by some, of

Of all considerations, the most important is a good connection with the earth, which and how in a moment, the next flash may be er precautions will be in vain. It is not enough that the conductor enter the earth; until it reaches the subsoil, where it will be well impregnated with water. In order to reduce the destructive action of this moisture, it is better that the rod should terminate by several branches in a sunken bed of well burnt charcoal, wood ashes, or spent tan place. It was as well known to the ancients bark. Sometimes the rod can communicate with a well, or other reservoir of living water, and it is an old saying that the danger is over when the lightning reaches the well.

The question now presents itself; how are the rods to be affixed to the building—by conlet any one of the readers of this article pause ocal reply would be: by conducting staples ducting or insulating staples? The unequivself and his property from the futal effects of insulated by necks of glass bottles, as has -not those covered with copal varnish, nor often been recommended by writers on the subject; for, let it be remembered that the rity, and thus he puts off from year to year flash, which may have forced its way through many yards of air, would find no difficulty warding off the subtle fluid by securing a good in passing so slight obstacles as these, if such lightning rod, the expense of which is but a a direction formed part of the lightning's path previously prepared, or "felt out." It is a well established truth, that it a conductor pass near a mass of metal in tolerable wish to say a few words: In the first place, connexion with the earth, the flash will someget a good one, to do which, requires some times divide itself between the two channels, skill, as there are thousands of rods palmed one portion of it continuing its course down the rod, and the other portion leaving the rod less. There are many things to be consider- to pursue the side path. And the question is, applause. Not a few of the ladies in the ed in the purchase of a conductor. First, whether this division of the charge will be in respect to the material of the rod; which promoted by such insulation as is usual .-metal is the best? Iron is strong and can Because a glass knob of a few inches in diresist mechanical violence, but it rusts and ameter will insulate the telegraph wire, it is thus in a great measure its conducting powers supposed that a lightning conductor may be are destroyed. Brass grows brittle, and cop- insulated in the same way, no allowance beper, therefore, though expensive, being dura- ing made for the vast difference between the ble and a good conductor, is preserred. M. tension of voltaic electricity and that of friction electricity, or lightning. Nothing is per from 52 to 62 times that of iron. Dr. more preposterous! In order to alleviate the "lateral discharge," or deviation from the Faraday 6 2-5 times as much, so that after main channel, all suspected vicinal, electrihaving determined the sectional area of an fied bodies should be united to the conductor efficient copper rod, an iron one of about 61 itself, by means of metallic wires or bands; times that area will possess the same conduct- then if the building is predisposed, by the antecedent induction chain, to share with the per wire stranded together are worthless as rod in conveying away the fluid, let it be conductors in consequence of their liability done without an explosion-without a fracas,

Rods should neither be painted or varnished, as that diminishes their conducting erected at either or both ends of a building, (and as before intimated, the integrity and upright position of the rod should be maintained as far as practicable, avoiding also, rod, I do not lay much stress upon the shape all abrupt angles and short turns,) at a dis-

> "HE COULDN'T STAND THAT."-A young gentleman of our acquaintance, who had been "paying his devours" (as Mrs. Par-"Mr. - I do not wish your company a little too hard, and I wouldn't stand it. I sacked her that very night!"-- Lynn (Mass) News.

Cream may be frozen by simply putting it n a glass vessel, and then placing the whole

Observe when others are suffering, and in the past construction of lightning rods, and | drop a word of kindness and sympathy suited