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about one hundred miles. Many small towns

are said to be completely swept out of exis-

tence, and at last accounts the woods about

Glencoe, Fankato, and New Ulm were bla-

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will make rapid headway toward the Missis-

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is a lumber region extending for upwards of a

hundred miles on the west side of Green Bay.

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five or six hundred inhabitants who perished

in the flames. The whole shore of Green Bay

south to near Fort Howard is said to be on

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A path on which no shadows fail,
A door-step where long dock-leaves sleep,
A broken rafter in the grass,
A sunken hearth-stone, stained and cold,
Naught left but these, fair home alas i
And the dear memories of old.

Around this hearth, this sacred place,
All humble household virtues grow—
The grandelre's love, the malden's grace,
The matron's inslucts deep and true,
Here first sweet words were lisped; here broke
Life's morning dream, and yet more dear,
The love that life's best impulse woke,
Grow warmer, gentler, year by year.

How cheerful, while the storm without Muffled the earth and leed the night, The ruddy glow gushed laughing out On merry groups and faces bright; How chimed the crackling, freakish tlame, With rosy mirth or thoughtful case, Or, may be, syllabled the name Of one rocked o'er the shivering seas.

What fairer scenes, what golden lands.
What pageants, of romantic pride,
In the weird deep of glowing brands
Saw the fair boy, the dreamy-cyed,
Till, musing here, his spirit drew
Strong inspiration, and his years,
By Beauty's subtle nurture, knew
The paths of Nature's inner sphere.

Here as the swooning embers sent
A faint flush through the quiet gloom,
In the warm hush have the lovers blent
The fragrance of their heart's fresh bloom;
And, veiling in soft drooping eyes
Her tremulous joys, here blushed the bride;
Here, o'er the pale forms in funeral guise,
Farewells from broken hearts were sighed. This spot the pilgrim, 'neath strange skies,
Saw in his way-skie dream; here stood
Old friends with gladness in their eyes;
Here grow the beautiful and good—
Sweet friendships—faith serene and sure—
Manhood's strong purposes, warm and bold—
Courage to labor and ondure
And household feelings never cold.

Here, leaning in the twilight dim, All around me seems a haunted air; I hear the old familiar hymn, My heart goes upward in the prayer That made the night so full of peace; hat made the night so full of peace; Kind lips are on my brow—my cac, ums with sweet sounds—they faint—they cease And night o'er all broods calm and clear.

A SPECK OF WAR.

The Schooner Horton Case—British Cutters Inc wading American Waters in Chase of the Fish-ing Vessel—Action of the United States Au-thorities—Gimbouts Desputches to Product the Yankee Junateory—Particulars of the Apinr.

General Butler's despatch from the collector of the port of Gloucester, Massachusetts, was the first news of the schooner Horton affair, The facts of the case, as revealed by later news, have created considerable excitement all over the country, from the fact that serious trouble may perhans result between Great Britain and the United States. From our late Eastern exchanges we glean the particulars at which the telegraphic reports have only hinted. The first scene of the last act of the drama was enacted on Monday last, when the inhabitants of the ancient town of Gloucester, Massachusetts, were thrown into a fever of excitement on Monday upon a rumor, which hourly gained credence, that an English man-of-war was hovering off Cape Ann for the purpose of Intercenting the arrival of the fishing schooner E. A. Horton, of Gloucester, for an alleged violation of the fighery law.

PARTICULARS OF THE CASE. The particulars of the case appear to be as follows: About the first of September the E. A. Horton, while on a fishing cruise, was eized by the British authorities for an alleged inlation of the fishery law as ratifled between the United States and England. The vessel was taken into the port of Guysborough, Nova cotia, and with her officers and crew detained for several weeks awaiting the decision of the Vice Admiralty Court. The investigation of the case was delayed from day to day, and from week to week, which was a great source of aggravation to the captain and crew of the Horton, and as there did not appear to be any novement on the part of the Dominion, to bring the case to frial, the Horton and her officers were found to be missing one morning from her berth in Guysborough, outwitting

The discovery of her sudden disappearance reated an intense excitement in that port and the neighboring one of Halifax, N. S., and therefore it was at once determined to send a man-of-war in pursuit of the audaclous little Yankee schooner, and teach her that it was langerous to thus trifle with English laws. But the little scheoner did adroitly manage to escape and by this time has found a safe haroor in some of the nooks or crannics of either Cape Cod or Cape Ann, and so bids defiance to "milords" of the Halifax Admiralty. HOW THE YANKEE SCHOONER ESCAPED.

The ctory concerning herescape, asit comes from the Guysborough authorities, is that on a dark and stormy night of last week, when the elements were raging, and at a time when it was thought to be madness to attempt to put to sea, particularly from the dangerous and rockbound coast of Nova Scotia, Captain Tory, master of the E. A. Horton, aided by some daring American seamen from the Straits of Canso, succeeded in getting the vessel out and starting her on a homeward voyage. When the morning dawned, and the Yankee fishing schooner was discovered to be "gone," the chagrin of the Liritishers was beyond imagination. Notice of the affair was telegraphed to Halifax, and that old Rip Van Winkle town from the Citadel down to the dock-yard, fairly trembled with rage and mortification to think that a few Yankee sailors should or could have the impudence to steal a little fishing smack of a few tons right out from under the muzzles of her Majesty's guns.

A BRITISH CUTTER IN PURSUIT. No time was lost by the authorities of Halifax in arriving at a conclusion in the premises, and in less than twelve hours after the Horto had departed from her moorings in Guyaborough a British steam-cutter was ploughing her way up the coast in the hopes of heading off the runaway. Yesterday the report that one of her Majesty's vessels was off Cape Ann was confirmed by the arrival of several fishing vessels at Gloucester, the officers and crew all stating that they were closely watched by the British ship, which was said to be running across the Bay, and between the Capes.

THE HARBOR TO BE DEFENDED. Boston, Oct. 17 .- A special to the Travel ler from Gloucester this morning says Collector Pitz, of Babson, has telegraphed for the revenue cutter Hugh McCulloch, of Portland. which will reach this port to-day. The Maho ning has already come and gone outside. These will make a fleet of four vessels in these waters, and any attempt to seize the Horton by English vessels will meet with successful resistance. The Mohoning in said to have strict orders not to let the Horton be taken. Vessels that arrived this morning report being spoken by the Horton last night, but did not see anything of the Sweepstakes or the Dominion gunboat.

A UNITED STATES GUNBOAT TO THE RESCUE GLOUCESTER, Mass., Oct 27 .- About the treets is posted the following notice:

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Oct. 16.

In reply to a dispatch sent this morning by B. S. Smith, surveyor of customs, to the commandant of the Charlestown navy yard asking him to sent a gunboat for the protection of the schooner E. A. Horton in American waters, the following was received at 9 P. M.:

CHARLESTOWN. Oct. 16

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B. H. Smith, Surveyor of Oustons, Gloucester.

A gunboat will be sent to your assistance.

A. R. Hughs, for the Commandant. A. R. Hughs, for the Commandant.

LATER—A boat has just left here. Look out for her arrival. Give all necessary information that may be required. By order of the commandant.

ROBERT TARR. THE HORTON NOT YET ARRIVED.

Fortune has just returned here, and reports not having seen anything of the English gunboats or the schooner Horton.

The Lehigh Register.

GLOUCESTER, Oct. 17 .- The United States steamer Fortune cruised in the bay last night and spoke about twenty-five fishing vessels, but heard nothing of the British cruisers or the schooner Horton. The report of the presence of a Canadian cutter in our waters is not confirmed by any vessel arriving from the fishing grounds, and the only foundation for the description of a blockade runner was seen

from the shore. The excitement here is subsiding, although the arrival of the Horton is anxiously looked for. The general sentiment is that no British armed vessel has been seen off the Capes, althrough the revenue officers are confident that the rumors were well founded. If such a vessel was here, she has retired, as no one pretends to have seen her since Monday.

Many believe the reported cruiser to have been a United States steamer with a supply of oil for light stations, which would account for her being in localities where such a craft was reported to have been seen. Three or four armed tugs are cruising to find the Horton.

Boston, Oct. 18.—Schooner E. A. Horton arrived at Gloucester this evening, and a grand reception was given to her crew by the citizens of the town.

A MELTING STORY.

shelf, and conceal it in his hat

found the Green Mountain storekeeper at once indulging his appetite for fun to the fullest extent, and paying off the thier with a facetious Exchange, the Custom House, Guildhall, Sion, Canada and the Cape Ann Fishermen sort of torture, for which he would have gained a premium from the old Inquisition.

"I say, Seth," sald the storekeeper, coming in and closing the door after him, slapping his hand over his shoulders and stamping the snow off his feet.

Seth had his hand on the door, his hat on his head, and the roll of butter in his hat the event. His first entry isanxious to make his exit as soon as possible. I say, Seth, sit down; I reckon now on such a cold night as this a little something warm would not hurt a fellow."

Seth felt very uncertain; he had the butter and was exceedingly anxious to be off, but temptation of something warm sadly interfered with his resolution to go. This hesitation however, was soon settled by the right owner | sleep. of the butter taking Seth by the shoulder and planting him in a scat close to the stove, house, in Pudding lane. Pepys mentions on where he was in such a manner cornered in that day meeting the Lord Mayor, to whom shall have grown again, and the West, already by the boxes and barrels that, while the grover he gave an order from the King, Charles II, stood before him, there was no possibility of to arrest the fire by pulling down houses. To getting out, and right in this very place sure this message his Lordship "cried like a fainteaough the storckeeper sat down.

"Seth, we'll have a little warm Santa Cruz," said the Green Mountain grocer; so he opened the stove-door, and stuffed in as many sticks as the place would admit; "without it you'd freeze going home such a night as this." Seth already felt the butter settling down closer to his hair, and he jumped up declaring

" Not till you have comething warm, Seth Seth, come, I've got a story to tell you," and Seth was again rushed into his seat by his cunning termenter. "Oh! it's so hot here," said the petty thief,

"Sit down-don't be in such a hurry," retorted the grocer, pushing him back into his " But I've got the cows to fodder, and the

persecuted chap. "But you mustin't tear yourself away, Seth, in this manner. Sit down, let the cows take

care of themselves, 'and keep yourself cool," said the roguish grocer with a wicked leer. The next thing was the production of two smoking glasses of hot toddy, the very sight of which, in Seth's present situation, would have made the hair stand erect upon his head had it not been well oiled and kept down

by the butter. "Seth, I will give you a toast, now, and ou can butter it yourself," said the grocer, with an air of much consumate simplicity, that poor Seth believed himself unsuspected. "Seth, here's—here's a Christmas goose, well roasted, eh? I tell you it's the greatest eating in creation. And Seth, don't you never use hog's fat, or common cooking butter, to baste it with ; come take your butter, I mean Seth,

take your toddy.

Poor Seth now began to smoke, as well as melt, and his mouth was hermitically scaled up, as though he had been born dumb. Streak after streak of the butter came pouring from under his hat, and his handkerchief was already soaked with the greasy overflow. Talking away, as if nothing was the matter, the fun loving grocer kept stuffling wood into the stove, while poor Seth sat upright, with his back against the counter, and his knees touching the red-hot furnace before.

"Cold night, this," said the grocer. "Why Seth, you seem to perspire if you were warm? Why don't you take your hat off? Here, let me put, your hat away." "No," exclaimed poor Seth, at last. "No,

must go, let me out, I ain't well; let me

the poor man's face and neck, and soaking into his clothes, and trickling down his body into his boots, so that he was literally in a perfect bath of oil. "Well, good night, Seth," said the hu-

orous Vermonter, "if you will go;" and adding, as he darted out of the door, Seth, I reckon the fun I have had out of you is worth nine-pence, so I shan't charge you for that pound of butter in your hat."

A New Rendering of an Old Text.

Spending a winter as invalids at Aiken, Mr. Thomas C. Acton while away one Sabbath afternoon attending a negro church, and were accompanied by Mr. John A. Kennedy, who was on a visit of a few days to Mr. Acton. When they entered the primitive temple the preacher who was a pure African, was grappling with all the fervor of his race with the old, old subject of the fall of man. Sketching that day in the garden with its terrible results, he excoriated Mr. Adam in this fashion:

"Now, bredren, when de Lord calls Adar to 'count did he stan' up like a man, confess his sin and ask forgiveness? He didn't do noffin of de sort, brederen, but he say ; "Lard, de woman dat Dou gubest me gub me for to cat.' "

" De woman dat Dou gubest me gub me for to eat.' " " De woman dat Dov gubest me gub me for to eat.' '

"Dar, brederen, you see dat mean, skulkin' Adam was a tryin' to sneak out of it by frowin' all de blame on de Lord bisself!"

This new idea of an old question was too nuch for the distinguished "white trash," door, and they retired into the fields to in-GLOUCESTER, Mass., Oct. 17.—The gunboat dulge in irreverent laughter.—Galaxy.

CITIES BURNT.

The appalling calamity by which the fair Struction of nuchinery for extinguishing and the report is the fact that a vessel answering so extensive and ruinous, had been rendered sometimes hostily assumed that a conflagration still as it has always been the most dreadful enemy of cities. It is remarkable that the perils of its hostility are commonly so little aken into practical account; that as an ever present element which may at any moment get the upper hand and cause general desolaion, it does not more stendily occupy the thoughts and command the vigilance of men

Dr. Jourson said that "the conflagration of a city with all its tumult of concomitant distress, is one of the most dreadful spectacles which the world can offer to human eyes." SHE ARRIVED AT GLOUCESTER—ENTHUSIASTIC the remark seems strictly just, and it will, doubtless, be fully verified by details of the of an actual horse thief. No wonder the ras-Chicago calamity yet to be received. No cal was scared when the young men called conflagration of equalextent has ever occurred upon the Western Continent, and in view of the splender of many of the edifices destroyed, of the sad reverses of fortune and of the aggregate misery, which are among its conse-One winter evening a country storekeeper quences, the burning of Chicago will rank in the Green Mountain State was about closing with the most memorable events of the kind in up for the night, and while standing in the history. By the New York fire of December 16, snow outside, putting up the window shutters | 1835, only six hundred and forty-eight houses, saw through the glass a lounging, worthless and property worth only twenty millions of fellow within, grab a pound of butter from the dollars, were destroyed, while very few human lives were lost. To find a historical parallel The act was no sooner detected than the of the Chicago fire we must go back to the 2d revenge was hit upon, and a very few minutes to the 6th of September, inclusive, 1666. Its ruins covered 436 acres. Eighty-nine churches (including St. Paul's) the city gates, the Royal

exposed to its possible ravages.

College, and about thirteen thousand two hundred private houses were consumed. In consequence of the destruction of their dwellings two hundred thousand persons were compelled to encamp in the fields near the city. In Pepys's Memoirs under the year the reader will find many interesting details concerning

September 9d, Lord's Day. Some of our maids sitting up late last night to get things ready against our feast to-day, Jane called us up about three in the morning, to tell us of a great fire they saw'in the city. So I arose and slipped on my night gown and went to a win-day, and thought to be not be keek side of the wood for railread they force he whole West was to draw they are the keek side of the wood for railread they force he was both as a source wheave the whole West was to draw they are the keek side of the second process he was to see the second process and source wheave the whole West was to draw they were the second process to the second process they are the second process the second process and so the second process that the second process the second process the second process that the second proc dow; and thought it to be on the back side of Marke-Lane, at the farthest; but being unused to such fires as followed, I thought it far enough off; and so went to bed again, and to permanently change the climate and all the The fire originated in the King's baker's

ing woman: 'Lord | what can I do ? I am spent; people will not obey me. I have been pulling down houses; but the fire overtakes us faster than we can do it.' " Pepys claewhere writes of the fire as "a most horrid, malicious, bloody flame, not like the fine flame of an ordinary fire."

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WISCONSIN.

The accounts of the appalling calamity

which has fallen upon the east and westshores

of Green Bay, Wisconsin, have not been ex-

agerated. The burned district comprises the

bridge, but the bridge, like all else, was re-

ceiving its baptism of fire. Hundreds crowded

into the river, cattle plunged in with them,

and being huddled together in the general

confusion of the moment, many who had

taken to the water to avoid the flames were

drowned. A great many were on the blaz

ing bridge when it fell. The debris from the

burning town was hurled over and on the

heads of those who were in the water, killing

many and maining others, so that they gave

"In less than an hour from the time the

tornado struck the town, the village of Pesh-

and all the property was wiped out of exis-

was even greater in proportion to the number

of inhabitants than in the village. Whole

settled region in the heavy hard wood timber,

consisting of two or three townships, there is

nourns for the loss of some of its loved ones.

The Great Eires of October, 1871.

gan and Indiana-causing altogether, the de-

struction of property to an estimated amount

The burning of the city of Chicago, which

commenced Saturday evening, October 6, and

raged for two days, stands out as the greatest

calamity, having destroyed property amount-

ting to about two hundred and fifty million

dollars, besides a great loss of life. The heart-

rending details of this great conflagation are

took fire. The flames ran faster than the fleet-

M. J. Disturnell, who is thoroughly in

scarcely a family but is now left destitute, and

up in despair and sank to a watery grave.

To find another conflagration of equal counties of Oconto, Brown, Door, and Kemagnitude (not an incident of war) we must wannee, and parts of Manitowoc and Outaga go back to the year sixty six of the Christian mie. The great loss of life and property has era, when a considerable portion of Rome resulted from the whirlwind of fire which was laid in ashes, including the Imperial swept over the country, making the roads and palace and the gardens of Macaenas. The avenues of escape impassable with fallen timtime somewhere ber and burned bridges. The previous long between 1,200,000 and 2,000,000. Of the drought had prepared everything for the fourteen regions into which the city was flames. The loss of life has been very great. divided, four only remained uninjured; three The first estimates were entirely inadequate, were utterly destroyed, and of the soven others and even now it is feared that it is much all that was left were some half-consumed greater than present accounts place it. It is wood to split, and I must be going," gaid the houses. Tactus, who, in the 15th book of known that at least one thousand persons have his Annals, gives a full account of the disaster, been either burned, smothered or drowned. says that it was uncertain whether the fire The scene at Peshtego is thus described :originated in accident or in the malice of the Sunday evening, after church, for about half Emperor, Nero. When it began he was at an hour, a deathlike stillness hung over the Antium, and did not return to the city until doomed town. The smoke from the fires in his palace began to be in peril. He showed the region around was so thick as to stiffing himself very kind in providing accommoda. and hung like a funeral pall over everything, tions for the vast multitudes rendered home- and all was enveloped in Egyptian darkness. less throwing open for their use the Campua Soon light puffs of air were felt; the horizon Martins the palace of Agrippa and his own at the southeast, south, and southwest, began gardens, caused great numbers of sheds to be to be faintly illuminated; a perceptible tremrun up as temporary shelters, and had house- bling of the earth was felt, and a distant roar hold furniture brought from Ostia and from broke the awful silence. People began to fear the villus around Rome. He also reduced that some awful calamity was impending but the price of grain. These acts of kindness, as yet no one even dreamed of the danger.

"The illumination soon became intensified he wever, did not help him with the people, who fully believed the current report that, into a fierce lurid glare; the roar deepened inwhile the city was burning his majesty amus- to a howl, as if all the demons from the infered himself in his domestic theater exhibiting | nal pit had been let loose, when the advance the destruction of Troy. In fact, it was well gusts of wind from the main body of the tor. known that he wanted the city destroyed that nado struck. Chimneys were blown down, he might rebuild it in his own way, and at. houses were unroofed, and, amid the confu tach to it his own name. Among the details sion, terror, and terrible apprehension of the of the scene mentioned by Tacitus were the moment, the fiery element, in tremendous inrolling billows and masses of sheeted flame, amentations of women, children and help'ess old persons; the vain attempts of the people enveloped the devoted village. The frenzy of despair seized on all hearts, strong men to save their prperty, and a despair from fail. bowed like reeds before the flery blast; woman ure or from the loss of friends, which prompted many to abundon all efforts and to fall and children, like frightened spectres flitting voluntary victims to the flames. First on through the awful gloom, were swept away like autumn leaves. Crowds rushed for the

the sixth day, says Tacitus, the conflagration was arrested, after the houses far and wide around had been torn down, so that the sea of flame encountered nothing but empty space. After a short interval, however, the conflagra. tion burst forth in another place. But this place was less crowded with human dwellings, few lives were destroyed and the chief ruin fell upon certain temples of the gods and upon houses devoted to amusement. As in the instance of Chicago, so in Rome, incendiaries were busy spreading the fire, even in the presence of the people.

An incident of the disaster, an incident comparatively insignificant at the time but memorable since and forever, was the fact, that tigo was annihilated. Full one hundred Nero, to divert auspicion and odium from perished either in the flames or in the water, himself, caused the Christians of the city to be charged with the crime of having set it on fire. | tence. In the 'Sugar Bush' the loss of life The few sentences in which the great historian records the fact now form the most intensely interesting passage in all Roman literature. families are destroyed, and over a thickly Of course no evidence sustained the Empo-South Carolina, the Hon. Thurlow Weed and rer's charge, but abhorred by the Pagans and ignorantly regarded as "enemies of the human race," a great multitude of them, under pretext of the effense alleged, were put to death amidst cries of derision and insult. Some were enveloped in the skins of wild beasts and devoured by the dogs, others were follows: During the past few weeks the crucified, while others covered with pitch, great and destructive fires that have been ra were set up and burnt as candles to lighten the ging in Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michistreets.

It is interesting to know that Rome was rebuilt, not only in much finer style, but upon a of five hundred million dollars, and at least plan much more favorable to the health of the one thousand lives - far exceed all other simiinhabitants. This was the fact of the case of lar calamities that have befallen this or any London also the mean houses and the narrow other country from a like catastrophe. streets were got rid of, and the city was so reconstructed that the plague has never pre-valled there since. Doubtless Chicago also, redivious, will be not only a more beautiful and imposing, but a more salubrious city than ever before. And especially, it may be confidently expected that it will-be so rebuilt, in the material and arrangement of the houses, as well known to the public. About the same to be exempt from the chances of such a dis- time, the prairie south of Breckinridge, Minn. aster as the one by which it has perished.

Grace Darling and Ida Lewishave a rivalin an Irish lady, who, when men refused to face from north to south. There the fire seized left on the sinking hulk.

HOW A JOKE ENDED.

Some two weeks ago a party of Carrol town city of Chicago has been overwhelmed and ship boys started home about midnight, going heard for a great distance. In its course this turned into desolation, can hardly fail to be up the pike on horseback. At the Valley Inn wisely intercerted to the advantage of other school-house they halted, to have a moment's ty—the grain and hay of the settlers, their cities and towns. i. if chang on the perfection talk before separating. Whilst there a man live stock and farm houses were burned in an at length attained in the contrivance and con- rode semewhat hastily down the pike. The boys determined to find out who he was and escaped with their lives. This fire extended arresting fire, and on the completeness of the where he had been. So they called out in through several large counties, reaching from arrangements for its application, people have sport, "Stop thief! Halt!" The rider, instead of stopping, spurred on his horse, and, arriving at Hamilton's store, started up the simply impossible. The truth is that fire is Brownsville roud. One of the boys followed, crying out, "Halt! Stop!" The stranger, finding himself in danger of being overtaken, wheeled his horse into a fence corner, dismounted and took to the woods. Somewhat dismayed at the serious turn the joke was taking, the unknown was told to come back. No attention was paid to this, however, and the mysterious stranger fled through the woods whose persons and property are constantly out of sight. The horse was taken back to the pike, and put in a stable at Valley Inn. Now comes the queer part of the story. The next morning a man came down the pike with word that a horse had been stolen the night before. He was told about the strange horse, and on going to the stable found the lost animal. So the intended joke turned out to be the pursuit

A CARNIVAL OF FIRE. The Northwest in Flames—Dakota, Minnesote Wisconsin and Michigan's Fearful Experience —Thousands of Lives Lost.

out, "Stop thief !"-Monongahela Republican.

being unable to escape, were roasted alive. In abandoned camps in the woods, boots and The light of the great conflagration at Chicharred bodies have been found, and great cago has outshone the still greater and, if posnumbers of wild animals have perished. sible, more appalling fires which for three The great fires raging in Michigan on the weeks have wrapped the vast forrests of Minshores of Lake Huron are of the most fatal nesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan in one sheet character. To the north of the Saginaw river, of flame. The telegraphic reports, too, of on both the eastern and western shores of Sagthese last have been confused and indefinite. inaw Bay, the woods are on fire, threatening Now that our mails are resuming their wonted the destruction of the surrounding villages regularity some idea can be had of the extent and towns. Terrible fires are reported in the of the devastating flames that have swept the woods back of the shore, near An Sable and shores of the upper lakes, enveloping in com-Tawas City-this whole section of country is mon ruin wood, village, and hamlet, and hudevastated by fire. man beings alike. The loss of life has been All that part of Michigan east of Saginaw triple that of Chicago, the sufferings entailed Bay and north of a point thirty miles above more poignant, the effect upon the future of Port Huron, extending to the lake shore, has the country and the great Northwest imcombeen completely swept by fire. Huron City, parably more important. There are a dozen Sandbeach, Elm Creek, White Rock, and Forcities to take the place of Chicago. Milwaurestville are utterly destroyed, and it is im kee, St. Louis, Detroit, St. Paul, and even Duprobable that Port Austin and Port Credit have escaped. Heart-sickening accounts of

women and children burned to death come to us from all sections of Huron and Sanilac counties. Fires are also said to be raging in its wood for railroad ties, fences, house-buildthe woods near Saginaw City. Saw mills have been destroyed, and other property mounting to \$500,000. A destructive fire broke out in the village of physical aspects of the country through which it ranges. Necessarily, the rainfall will herenearly a whole day, destroying upwards of shall have grown again, and the West, already cubject to terrible droughts—in one of which sel at the dock. Estimated loss, \$1,300,000.

must be sought the source of the disaster which direction around Lansing, the capital of the State. The town of Grand Junction has been entirely destroyed. News has been received that the towns of Wayland, Mattewan, Vicksburg, and Holland

are almost wholly destroyed, lying in Ottaws, Allogan, and Van Buren counties, bordering on Lake Michigan. A late despatch says that in Holland, a German settlement, 3,000 peoole are homeless. In Ohio a conflagration has been raging

west of Toledo, and the whole country is wrapped in smoke. several days in the vicinity of Fort Wayne,

THE FOREST PIRES. The papers of to-day (Oct. 16) say "the whole West is on fire," from Green Bay to Menomonee, some sixty or seventy miles. Depere, Fort Howard, and Wrighttown are threatened with destruction. Advices from Fond du Lac, Wis., say that reports from the northern districts grow hourly worse. The accounts of suffering are unparalleled. Food, clothes, and money are greatly wanted.

AN INQUIRING MIND. - Professor Gunning was interesting the primary scholars of one of our city schools by showing, with blackboard and chalk, how the bee was made. He had just finished it by putting in the sting, when a little fellow who had been watching the process most closely, spoke up-

"Mr. Dunnen? " What, my boy ?" "Didn't Dod make the bee ?"

"Yes, certainly. God made the bec." The little fellow was silent a minute, when e spoke up again — "Mr. Dunnen'?" "Well, what now, my son?"

"I was tinking," said the young philosopher, "how Dod could put the stings into the bee without ditting his fingers stung before he let it do." That child ought to be encouraged.

A NICE BREAKFAST DISH,-Grate some cold tongue or beef, put it into a stewpan, with a little pepper and salt, and four tablespoonfuls of cream and milk; when hot put in four well beaten eggs; stir all the time till the mixture is quite think; have ready some nicely toasted bread, well buttered, and spread the tongue or beef over it, send to the table

Sorrow comes soon enough without de spondency; it does a man no good to carry around a lightning-rod to attract trouble.

GLEANINGS AND GOSSIP.

One death every other day is the rule among Weddings at church in the evening are now the fashionable idea. In seven years Nashville, Tenn:, had two

undred and thirty-six fires. It takes just one dozen Griffln (Ga.) potatoes to fill a bushel measure. The subscriptions for the Chicago Fund are

believed to now aggregate \$4,500,000. Two girls, ten and twelve years old, got into a fight at Charleston, and one was killed. The announcement comes from Germany of the marriage of a couple after forty years

formed on the Northwest country, writes as courtship. The Signal Office, at 1 A. M. on Saturday orning, reported a heavy snow storm prevailing west of Omaha.

The Episcopalians have had the chaplaincy of West Point for thirty-five years, and the Presbyterians for thirteen. An Indiana groom kissed the bride so

loudly as to extort a round of applause from the assembled audience at the wedding. A Memphis paper announces that the young ladies of that city are preparing for married life by practicing in gymnuslums.

It is asserted that more people are killed by treading on orange peel thrown on the pavements than by riding on the English railroads. Dutch Heinrich was not hanged at Chicago He was walking in Broadway Friday afternoon. Barney Aaron, at last accounts, was safely sojourning in Albany. So say the sports.

est animals, and soon reached the Big Woods, "Oldest inhabitants" are so numerous in extending for more than one hundred miles Washington that there is an association of who had fortunately taken seats near the the storm, rowed out to a wrecked brig near upon the underbrush, which was as dry as them who meet once a month, with spectacles the mouth of the Boyne and rescued a man | tinder, and presently the forest was burning | and ear trumpets, to talk about the way things in all directions, and a clean sweep of the used to be.