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[From the "Scottish American Juornal." THE HENS IN COUNCIL. BY E'N, LAMONT.

There's tumult in the h n-coop, There's clockin' on the rail; Is this a fowl proceedin', Or is't a ladies sale? Methinks I'll softly enter-What's this? Some scartin' here? "The Clockin' Hens' Convention-Nae rooster need appear."

Losh! what a fearfu' talkiu'; I'll stand here by the door-An ancient hen is clockin', And noe she has the floor. Her neck looks rather withered, Her feathers much decayed; That neb is slightly redder Than when she was a maid.

Out spoke this ancient layer-Her voice was thin and shrill-"My sisters, O my sisters, This row will make' me ill; Ye ken I'm no' a chicken, I'm twenty-one the day"-',Her twenty !- sic a lee-er''-I heard a wee hen say.

She cough-ed and she cough-ed-She couldna speak; pure thing-Oot can 's wee bit bottle Fracingderneath her wing. "Ma freens, T'll tak' my mixture Afore oor woes I tell." I heard a whisper, "Speerits, I ken it by the smell."

"The subject of my lecture Is on oor rights, ye ken-'Tis time that we were crowin', As sure as I'm a hen. Too long hae we been hatchin' For ither people's shelves— The time's arrived, my sisters, To hatch eggs for oorsels.

"Shall we gie a' oor scrapins To feed anither's maw, And hae him crawin' owre us A stoopin'o' oor jaw?! Let us be slaves noe longer, Far better let us die" ''I want to be a rooster, I heard a maiden cry. "I hate the stuck-up monsters, Wha strut, and fume, and fret, And think that we puir females Are only made to pet. Thank guidness I hae never

Yet listened to their crow"-"Because," remarked a chicken, "Ye never had a beau."

"The day is no' far distant, Instead of 'coascia mens,'" Oor motto shall be altered To conscia recti hense When we shall walk in freedom, And strut aroun' the street, Wi' kames upon oor noddles, And spurs upon oor feet.

'When we shall hae oor Senate, Composed o' females brains,

We'll has oor lawyers, doctors,

Oor commerce and oor trade.

And cut the horrid monsters"-

Altho' we cease their yoke;

We'll keep some bonnie roosters

We're finished for to-day-

"Ra ;-chick !-erick !-eray !'

Set an awfu' crow-

Ye've got yer wark te do-

A-cock-a-doodle-doo!"

Was never heard afore,

To help your fellow mortal,

the Army in India.

journey to India.

To bless him, not to crow.'

Each spinister and each granny

Made ae rush for the door.

And than I thought, "Oh woman,

God sent you here below

THE SUEZ CANAL.

Gang ham and mind the chickens-

Upon the spar below,

An ancient spyin' rooster

Wha neither drink nor smoke.

Three chicks for female suffrage"-

She ceased, and she hobbled

"Gang hame, ye clockin, grannies,

Oh, sie a a foarfu' clockin'

"Of course we can't ignore them,

Noo hand aroun' the saucer,

"Don't see it," said a maid.

To legislate on bonnets,

And regulate oor trains.

doing in congress.

Armstrong again. The people often wonder where all the money goes to, which is paid in the shape of taxes. We often attient readers of the RPEORTER a

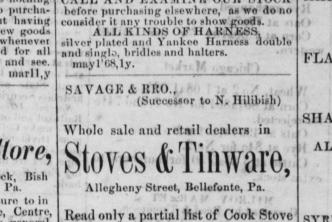
Quite a Sensation and Fuss has been caused at Millheim, as n as it became known that J. W. Snool was just receiving a new stock of Spring Goods!

fallen. His stock consists of

Dry Goods.

CHEAPER THAN EVER.

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Firt Class Drug Store,

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endeavors to make himself odious to his constituents, by presistently casting his votes with the corrupt rings, and in direct opposition to the wishes and interests of those whom he represents, and of the people at large. In the first place, duty compelled us to arraign him for voting in favor of giving away the public lands to plunderers and speculators, to the tune of some 80 million acres; then we were forced to expose his duplicity and double dealing upon the tariff question-by loudly talking tariff, then dodging when the test comes, thus playing the little thimble rigger, and appearing on either side the fence, and now we Passage of the British War Ship Jum have to present the ignominous record before the House, the odious tax-law, people of the United States so unanimously clamor. Armstrong's vote, in letting the bondholder go free of taxation, then for continuing the inquisatorial measure, and heaping unjust include U. S. Bonds moug those of corporations from which the tax is to be deducted, the yeas were 78, and the nays 110-among the nays Wm. H. How do you like that, citizens of the

na Through the Transit-A "Float he made for himself on last Friday, ing" English Castle for the Relief of when the Internal Revenue bill was The news of the safe passage of the Jum- which has been cursed by nearly one of the best testimonials yet paid to the the land-Armstrong taking sides ands of brave fellows in India to whom, if with the crew that is for continuing invalided, a voyage home round the cape that odious measure, the income has been a thing to dread. When the tax, and for the repeal of which the Great Eastern was lying in Bombay barbor in February last the Jumna was there too, and the native boatmen made it a point f honor to row the strangers they had the first instance was cast in favor of contracted to take to. "the big ship" alongside the latter. The Jumna was anchored a few hundred yards from the pier, that Great Eastern at two miles distance, and there had been, for obvious taxation upon the commoner classes. reasons, a wilful misunderstanding when "the big ship" was mentioned and the bargain struck. But H. M. S. Jumna was "the big ship" by the side of the five hun, dred fine vessels waiting for freshets at Bombay, with the solitary exception of the Great Eastern, and on her passage Armstrong, thus voting against makhled a floating castle by reason of her ini-mense height, her countless port holes and the burdens of the government, by her tiers of decks. WA assume her to have deducting the tax from the bonds. been lightened for the sake of c mvenience, and that the hundreds of soldiers she hou ses upon occasion were absent for the time. But the 'ogical sequence of a troop ship But see, not half an hour afterwards, going through the canal empty is that it on the proposition to lift the odious inshould go throug it full, and thus open out a great field of usefulness. The disem-Egypt, have long been a nuisance to the officers and men making the overland voting NO. Read, and land them, at Bombay without intermediate stoppage, would be a saving to the

come tax which the people all demand entire attention to his profession and his customers, rendering satisfaction alike tr country, and a boon to all concerned. The —the yeas were 59, and the nays 123 all patrons, operatives, his country, and

