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NEWS IN BRIEF.

-Thirty thousand Grangers reside

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#### IN THE WOODS.

Here on the soft, brown leaves I lie, Deep in the wordland shade ; No bit of landscape meets my eye, Nor one blue gleam from sea or sky, Nor glimpse of sunlit glade ; Bough tree trunks, towering everywhere, Hold this broad canopy in air.

From branches stread rare pencilings, Ece ing themselves sloof ; And esci small leaf that lightly swings, Its own bright bit of beanty brings To form the daupty roof ; And look whichever side I may, The silent arches stretch away.

No birds ! no wind ! Uncertain sounds come faintly from afar . I fancy when we leave earth's bounds,

To wa'k no more its well known rounds, That thus, without a jar, The murmurs from this old, loved land Will echo on his heavenly strand.

How near God is ! I seem to lie Within His courts to-day ; No great white throne, exalted high. No glitter ug pageant passing by, To fil me with dismay ; He walks in quiet through the land, Touching His works with loving hand.

This tiny vine. close at my feet ; These modest tufts of moss, Are monlided into forms as neat, Finished in texuty as complete, As the tall trees that toss

Their branches in the summer gale And stretch long sha lows o'er the vale. 0, spirit of the woodland shade. You give me Joy to-day!

Your beautics a I my soul invade ; Your quiet on my heart is laid ; Ob, live with me, I pray ! Let me still feel your soothings when I tread the jarring walks of men.

Ruth's Sacrifice.

fornia, after six years' absence. "Lil." Frank said, trying to speak indif- tray my sorrowful secret, Frank?"

ferently, and failing almost lamentably, "I missed one face I fully expected to see last sacred, itute," he answered gravely, awei evening-Ruth Wellford's." "Ruth Weliford's !" cried Mrs. Hale in

accents of surprise. "Ruth at a party! But I forgot you have been away for six years. Why, Frank, she must have been s mere child then.

"Sixteen, and the sweetest, fairest girl 1 We were always good friends, ever knew. Lily, though we did not correspond, and 1 have carried her face and voice in my heart in many a weary hour." "I am son y.

"Why? You speak as if something dreadful had occurred to her. She is not dead, and i have not heard of her marriage. Lotue. dead, and i have not heard of her matriage. What is it then, that makes you cry out with successful the reaction of her with anazement at the suggestion of her presence at your party ?"

"It is a long story, Frank." of her "You have all the morning to tell it." "You have all the morning to tell H." Whan, jou went away, Ruth's uncle duch was poverty. Her father retused to own her, and her brother, many years her senior, was stern and bitter in his resent "Centrialy." "ise dieu in that same year. You say

see a slatternly woman in a squalid house, but Ruth Mayburn, the child of a detected and by the time he reached the cottage to forger, who died in state's prison. For answer he took her into his arms which Lily directed him, he would scarcely have been surprised if he had met folding her close, and looking into her Ruth in rags, selling matches or begging earnest eyes with very loving, tender

But the little cottage before which he "You are Ruth," he said, "truly not the paused, at last, though a sufficiently strong careless child I left, but a woman to be contrast to the Weilford place where he honored for the noble sacrifice of six long had last seen Ruth, looked cosy and home- years. You are the Ruth whom I love, like. The garden was neatly kept, and and whose love I hold to be the crowning well filled with late fall flowers. An old blessing of my life. Take all other names woman answered the knock, and ushered out of your poor bruised heart, love, and him into a tany parlor, where the plain let me print one there in their place, callturniture, cheap carpets, and inexpensive ing you Ruth my wife." ornaments were in exquisite order, and ornaments were in exquisite order, and where a fittle cottage phase stood open in one corner. Betore he had waited a mo-but before Christenas there was a wedding,

ment, a intle ngure in a print dress and a and in the Weilford place old frieads once linen collar, with short, glossy curis, and a more gathered around the bride. Never fair, sweet face came into the room. could she entirely forget the long years of He lorgot his sister, the painful story, sorrow, but in her husband's love she finds

everything but the fact that Ruth was her compensation for her sacrifice. there. A graver, paler Ruth than the one

Summer Tours of 1881

Already the notes of preparation for the

mmer, se being heard on every side.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company will,

during the coming season, present greater

facilities than ever for visitors to the many

nountain and seaside resorts reached by it.

sons in the way of excursion tickets, fast

and frequent trains, Palace coaches, and

spiendid passengers equipment will be con-

tioued and many improvements will be added which will insure to passengers still

greater comforts and conveniences. With

its leaved and controlled lines, it reaches

direct to all the popular watering places on

the New Jer ey coast; and all the famous

All the advantages offered in previous sea-

he had kit, but the one woman in the world who could stir his heart to the core. "Ruth," he cned, springing forward, and then drawing back, for there was no welcome in the tace he loved, only a loos of suppressed pain. "Ruch, are you not glad to see me?" he

cried. "Glad," she murmured, and then the forced calmness broke down, and the tears rained down her cheeks. "Glad," she

cried again: "O, Frank, I have lost every friend, and you will go too, when you know all.

"I have heard-" he began. "You have heard of my stinginess, my miserly habits-yes, I see you have, and yet you are heref"

"necause 1 am sure you have some good reason for your conduct. Tell me you are not changed, Ruth ?"

"1-1 scarcely know." "Ween we parted," he said, "you know the hope in my heart, Ruth. Tell me now, if the love you promised me is intie

"It is all yours, Frank, but-" and she drew back from the embrace he would Frank Gordon was tazily stretched upon have given- "you may throw it away a sofa in his sister's luxurious sitting room, when you hear my secret. I have hidden and the two were discussing a party given at ir.m every one but you, but to-day I am by Mrs. Hale the previous evening, in hon- freed from a bondage of six long years, of her trother's recent arrival from Cali- and you have a right to hear what I small connoe to no one else. You will not be-

> Whatever trust you put in me shall be by a solemnity upon her face and in her Voice.

There was suence in the little parlor for some moments before the low, sweet voice was heard again. Then steady, without faltering, Ru h told her story :

"When you left me, Frank, a careless happy child, the shadow of what I must tell you now had not failen across my life. I knew that I was an orphan, and that my mother died away from her home an triends. But I was still a mere Laby when Uncie Weilford came for me and took me They called n.e Ruth Weilford,

"Poor child! What a life!"

bed he told me the story of my mother's life. She was married against the wishes A Telephone Exchange.

Curlosity prompted me to step into a Telephone Exchange one night recently,

teen or twenty years old. A slight mous-tache adorned his upper lip; his hair was combed down over his fore. head in a bang style, and he held head in a bang style, and he held a cigar between his teeth in away a cigar between his teeth in away that is peculiar to all telephone boys. I did not answer the salute at first, thinking, probably, he was talking to a customer. But he smuled a telephone is used as stringent of der against values from the fields and gardens of the pessants in the Loire Valley. A few days afterward a couple of Zouaves stole out of camp by night and But h smiled a telephonic smile, and

said : "Walk in, sir. Don't be afraid." I walked up to the board, and said: "I just thought I would drop in and see

were brave fellows, much liked by their colonel; but this only made their offense how you manage this business, and I hope you will not think me too inquisitive if I ask a few questions." "Ob, no, sir. Our business is to talk at

disobedience, how can we expect the young the lady. all times, and to all sorts of persons, and shot. we are only too glad when we can accom-On an other occasion three young sol-

modate any one in any way. Now, sir, diers took it into their heads to go out of anything you wish to know about this diers took it into their heads to go out of camp without leave on a Sunday, in order to dine with some friends who used in the to dine with some friends who lived in the known to you.

neighborhood. They returned in time for I feit somewhat reheved by the mantattoo, thinking, probably, they had comner in which he spoke, and immediately began a tour of inspection of the switch shot the next morning. One more exammitted only a venial offence. They were coards, transmitters, call bells, etc., When ple will show what stern justice has to be I got back to where he was seated, he meted out where flogging is not available. pointed to a chair and bade me sit down. General Clinchant had issued orders that "Can you explain the principals by

tipline in the French Army.

two soldiers happened to be veterans who asked:

had served in the Italian war, and they

worse in the general's eyes; "for," said

he, "if old soldiers set the example of

on the march no soldier was to climb into the ambulance-vans or store-wagons unless which the telephone conveys sound?" ulance-vans or store-wagous unless

much to be enlightened."

mountain resorts of Pennsylvania, and no attached. expense is spared to provide speed, safety, "This," he said, pointing to transmitter, and luxurious accomodations for its pa-"is what we speak through. It is simply an electro magnet, on which we place an trons. Fast express trains will be run to Long Branch, Ocean Grove, Asbury Park, iron disc, which is left free to vibrations of

Ocean Beach, Spring Lake, Elberon, Deal this disc. Beach, Point Pleasant, Beach Haven, "What is a disc ?" I asked.

asked.

"Yes sir."

Long Beach, etc. A new branch now in "The disc is the flat circular plate you for the double offense of disobedience and key as follows : course of construction will be finished to e over the electric magnet." Sea Side I a k, adding another delightful I saw that the young man evidently un-

ocean resort to the already large number derstood his business, and my inquiries of his life by calling upon him to confess touched by the lines of this great corporatook another direction. ion. On the West Jersey Railroad, "What is your opinion in regard to the

(which is also controlled by the Pennsylfuture of the telephone ?" I asked. vania Railroad Company) which reaches "Well, sir, 1 regard it as one one of the to Atlantic City and Cape May; many im-

provements have been made, most promipression is that the telephone is yet in its nent of which are frequent long sidings, tolancy."

giving all the advantages of a double "Do you think it possible that the tele track; the running of the trains by the phone may in time take the place now system so successful on the Pennsylvania heid by the Morse telegraphic system?" Railroad-and the placing of water tanks "No, sir," Le said, alter a pause, "but be ween the tracks enabling engines to take I think the telephone will become a prac up water while in motion, thus allowing L.cal means of inter-communication at rains to run through without stoppage. greater distances than at present. I have A marked feature of all these lines is the an inea that some day we will have tele-and again they have been known to go thorough construction of the roadbed, the phonic communication with Europe.

smooth running of the trains, and the en "Do you, indeed ?" "Now," said he, "I will relate to you a are freedom from dust being particularly a jaunt in the country, a sojourn in the saioon, in the west part of the town. The about gentle spring. sually valleys, or on the mountain tops, customer, from all appearances, was under

ing to his method the expenses of operating

"What is the preposition ?" I asked.

Live Oak

tion is accepted.

as at Tallahassee !

friend is mixed yet.

you was hauled right back again.

The Hand serehlef

"Parrols."

will find every convenience for quick and the influence of inquor. His voice was "Only when separated by several blocks enjoyable transit to Kane, Renovo, Dela ware Water Gap, Altoona and Cressor una to find out what he wanted. Atter "Do they

"Do they of en have fearful co A Child's Call.

name -my rame is Hallie-. I saw you

"What time do you dine ?"

stairs into the dining room.

pie," meckly replied Katie. "What kind of pie?"

"Cranberry."

are you going to have for dinner?"

"Five o'clock," said the lady.

but I guess ! can wait. Can I stay ?"

Once he issued a stringent order against over to mamma's house the other day, and

gathered a basketful of potatoes. These and after she gazed round for swhile she

General Clinchant, the present military governor of Paris, was terribly strict dur. Lafayette and Second streets. Detroit, re-Bears have been far more plentiful this year than for many seasons past. There and as I entered I was greeted with the usual "hello," by a young man seated at one of the boards. He was not over eight-teen or twenty years old. A slight mouslands of laurel, hemlock and tamarack

"How do you do, Mrs.-l forget your Despite the fact that these forests are pene trated by the Erie Railroad, the black bea makes in them his breeding and feeding haunts almost as freely as scores of years these great swamps is a wide strip of soft mud. These swamps are almost inaccessi ble to man and the bears make them their places of refuge. When the tears are

Bears, Rees, and Bugs.

mais' tracks. In many places the mud i "We always have dinner at two o'clock, found hollowed out in spots eight or te feet long, three or four feet wice and two "Oh, certainly-glad to have you," said feet ceep. Should large patches of scrub oaks be found besten down to the ground Then the little one removed her pretty it is a sure sign that the tears have been wrappings, and her dainty hat and gloves. "working" there and fee ling on the acorus. Hearing the lady of the house call her ser They rise on their haunches among the

vant Katie, she took advantage of the misscrub oaks and test the bushes violently tress's absence for a moment to run down with their fore paws. Bears are very fond of bugs and insects of "Katie, come here !" she cried. "What

"Soup, beefsteak, sweet potatoes and them every time and know that their favorite insects make their homes under the stones during the winter months. The brutes consequently select spots where the

"Well, put plenty of sugar in the pie ground is covered with stones and with and lots of gravy on the steak, sure." Then the little caller skipped up-stairs Yellow jackets and hornets are lavorite

The reason of this order was that a number lady of the house. She was very serious a yellow jacket or hornet in the woods he 6,393,395. "Well, sir," said I, "I should like very of lazy soldiers used always to swarm on in her conversation, and asked why young is wild until he finds the insect's home. He to the wagons in order to get a lift instead ladies had to wait so long to be married. tears madly through the woods until his He motioned me to come to the board, to which a large humber of wires were was in perfect health clambered inside a that she had already received a proposal, he setties down to business. When a bear van, and was discovered there by a ser- bnt had not yet concluded to say yes. The geant, who ordered him to get out. The lady was considerably struck with the pro-soldier alighted, but, determined to have digy, and drew her out upon all sorts of wrong side out. A vellow jackets' nest is -A city of London off ind his drive, he siit open his boot and inflicted subjects. Finally the child went to the generally built in the ground, just under a slight cut on his foot to make believe piano and offered to sing an original song.

"I always make up my song," she said, that he had gone lame. A corporal saw hum, and by and by the lad was reported and then she began in a monrnful minor When I sm dead and in my coffin

My man ma, st e = on't care for nothin' Our fotks will cry,

And take me to the sweet by and-by,

Old Jerry Greening, the hunter, says that on one occasion he shot a bear and was cession to the "burryin" ground," where discovered the bear had just been robbing

spirit of the song so much that the tears hed only been wounded 1'd a waltzed right colled down her face at the recital and the ady buried her face in her handkerchiefo cover her smiles. Just as the hostess o' them cussed little hot-thiled critices sage of the refunding pill. had promised to have her husband "put came arter me an' 1 skipped, an' 1 didn't dare go arter thet b'ar'n two days.' plenty of gravy" on the little girl's steak, a lady, flushed and excited, rang the bell. branches of trees or fasten them to the it was the little caller's mother, and she had been scouring the neighborhood for some hours with horrible thoughts of kidnapping discovers a homet's nest far out on a limb

running through her brain. The steak with "plenty of gravy" is waiting the little one yet.

## Hickory nuts and Music.

-Philadelphia consumes 1,000,000 ons of ice annually. -The retail price of ice has been reluced 40 per cent. in Boston -England imports \$20,000,000 worth of iertilizers annually. -The yield of corn in France for 1879 was 234,165,820 bushels. plenty this border of mud is full of the ani -Cincinnati has \$ 000 Jews, -in Atlanta, Ga., a coffee house arned ten per cent. the first year. -The estimate of fire losses in the United States last year is \$100,000,000. -The nall mills of the Uanted States produce yearly about \$1,000.000 kegs. -At Napa-City, Cal., a single firm

last fall made 180,000 gallons of wine--Thiers was 65 when he completed his "Consulate and Empire."

-Rafus Hatch has sold his seat in the New York Stock Exchange for \$25 000.

-Denver City is to be fighted by electric light, at a cost or \$14,000 per annum.

- the organized and unorgiaized certified lame or iil by the army surgeons. and soon became jolly triends with the morsels with the black bear. If bruin sees militia in the United States number

-in one fortnight last August nearly 230 children in various parts of unerring scent leads him to the spoi. Then | England were sent to jail.

-George Eliot left a personal estate finds a yellow jackets' nest it takes but a valued at \$200,000, exclusive of the

-A city of London official estimates the gross annual income of that city's the surface. As soon as their nest is charities at \$22,500,000. touched the bees swarm about in clouds

-Chicago has 5,429 factories of and cover the bear until he is as yellow as a sunflower. He pays no attention to their different kinds, employing 125,00) perassaults, though an attack of yellow jackets sons, of whom 17,000 are femates.

on any other animal would result in death. -Paris, in the course of its history. The bear merely shuts his eyes and grins has been besieged ten times. The first as he devours nest and all. He attacks time in 50 B. C. and the last in 1870.

-The gross income derived from honey bees the same way, and scoops the honey out with his paws and licks them off obacco by the farm irs of the United States Is about \$22,000,000.

-There is talk of resurveying the boundary line between New York and going to drag the carcass home, when he Pennsylvania.

-At a recent pourtry exhibition at a yellow jackets' nest and was still covered the Crystal Palace, in England, there with the nery little insects. "'F that b'ar were 800 exhibitors, snowing 3555 pens. The sum of \$3,600,000 has been within an' fixed 'im," said Jerry, "but a couple draws from the banks since the pas-

-The valuation of the United States is \$32,000,000.000, the country standing Hornets build their nests high up in the chird on the list of all the great n ations -Mrs. M. G. Kearney, of Eganville, rocks. But as cute as these insects are the Outario, Canada, has just given bir.h bear is more than their match. A bear wher twentieth child.

-The H spers have sold \$0,000 copies beyond his reach. He climbs the tree, of the Franklin Square edition breaks the longest branch he can get and, "Endymion." holding it in his fore paws, hits the nest un-

-Fifty-nine national banks were ortil it drops to the ground. Sometimes he dances or stamps on the lumb til the nest voluntary liqui fation, and three failed. til it drops to the ground. Sometimes he

he had gone lame by stepping on a flint. greatest boons to mankind, and my im- He was accordingly handed over to the provost-marshal and shot. Edhors. "What feroclous looking animal is this?" "This is an editor."

"Indeed ! are they very dangerous ?" "Sometimes. When cornered up, they have been known to be quite combative, through a convenient back window. Gen-

malingering. When he had been court-

mart aled the general gave him a chance

that the injury to his foot was self-inflicted;

but the footish fellow, thinking to save

himself by a he, maintained stoutly that

erally they are mild and pas ive. "When are they most dangerous ?" net caable. For travel to the mountains, there will be found the usual high stand-ard of accomodation, and those preferring uoys answered a call from a prominent five cent book, or by a poet with verses "Are editors cross to each other ?"

Mamma will eigh; The ucases will come, And the band, with a drum. Continuing this sort of rhyme, she deuntil the nest is despoiled completely.

scribed her funeral, the mourners, the pro-A deep, dark cave Shall be my grave.

And so she sang on affected by the

"They were proud of their name, their you remember Ruth? Then you remember that she was not only pretty, modest position, and their wealth, and they never and reined, but one of the most generous lorgave their only daughter and sister that guis in our whole circle of friends? She she sett them for a man of obscure parentlad a Landson e allowance from her uncle age and without means to support her as and she spent at freely, dressing exquisite- they had done. My father at that time, ly, and giving in charity or friendly gifts was clerk in a dry goods house in New York, with a small salary. "Wen?" said Frank, impatiently, as his

"I would not wrong my mother: but my sister paused. uncle said she grew peevish and soured by "het uncle died, and left her the house the contact with poverty, and constantly he had lived in for years, and a clear in- tretted for the luxuries she had voluntarily come of three thousand dollars. resigned. My father worshipped her. In

Again Mrs. Hale paused, and then said ity her, or a sudden greed for wealth, 1 Sudgeniv : "Weil, Frank, since she became rich in her own right, fuith has become the slave check for twenty thousand dollars. My of money, a thorough miser.

ness to question the sudden influx of mon-"impussible !" "It is true the first thing she did was to ey; but the crane was detected, my father hid away a lithographic stone in my bedrent the old house, furnature and all, to the arrested, tried and convicted, and sent to room. I am as innocent as an unborn Whitings, who were glad enough to get it, the state's prison for a term of years. He for stylinsh Louses, with such grounds as died there in six months; but my mother that each has, are scance here. The moved and aircady preceded him to the grave. hered to that miserable little cottage "Her last wish, her last appeal, was to where old likercer lived so long, and there my grandfather and uncle, begging them to looking gypsy, whom he beckoned forshe lives with one servant, an old woman, pay the money and clear my laber's name. who was with her mother from girihood, | they refused. After she died they took they say. You know Mr. Weilford was me nome, and I never knew a want; bat voy attent about Ruth, and there is little they ignored and repudiated my father is all fair and square as far as I am con-known of her me before she came here, a though my uncle believed he died a truly cerned. I stole a pony from a tradesman." china of five years old. But she lives with pennent man.

Martha, the old servant, in that tiny cottage, lumished in m the old house, with found the papers relating to the forgeties, e poorest of the turniture. She wears and my poor mother's passionate appeal to the chespest, planest clothing, and does every such of her own sewing. She sel She took all the blane upon herself, redon's goes cut, but invariably walks, the penting, when too late, her repining dis carriage and horses being rented with the content, and her extravagant expenditure house. Living on the meanest tare, she of the stolen money. actually rells the extra vegetables from her

garden, eggs and pountry." "But way, Lil? What is the explanation of such a change?"

What can it be but nore avarice? She has not a living relative in the world, and she must be hourding up the money some-Where,"

"It is very strange! I suppose I may

"I cannot tell you that. Since she prefers to live and dress like a pauper, her old friends have ceased to call upon her or to invice her to their receptions. She will be a catch some day for a fortune hunter in she continues to live a miser's life, but 1 in sgine you would prefer a less sordid soul even if its possessor had not one dollar to call her own."

"You are right. I am rich enough t care nothing for a wife's dower, but I can- and was far more friend than servant, and not realize little Ruth sordid, miserly and my mother and was comforted." "But you say you are free, Ruth?" grasping. 1 must call once, Lily. Perhaps the dream of six long years may be elastered by the reality of such a change but it will be a bitter walking." "Did you love her so much, Frank?"

have received and destroyed the check, the inst proof of my father's crime. The gen-"to much that I asked her uncle to let ne hope to win her love in return. He told tleman wrote me such a letter, Frank, that n e she was such a mere child he did not I am sure they will always respect my se wish her studies interrupted, or her mind cret." disturbed then, but that if I loved her on "Oh, if I had only been here Ruth, to my return he would not oppose my woo ing. I was not a rich man ticen, only pos-tessing what was an easy income for a single man, so I acquiesced in his decision. pose. "It could not have been, Frank. But the fortune 1 made was for her, and would have never burdened your har with the hope of six years has been that of com I ghome to had her free, and my little, my duty to the dead." wing Kuth. She cid love me, Lity, "But now, Ruth? You are free no hough she scarcely knew what love meant, and you will be mine! Mine to cherish Well," and he sighed heavily, "I had bet- and protec .! Mine to guard from all want ter have stayed here. I kept my secret, and all sorrow in the future.

"Frank! Frank! You forget!" Ruth thinking she would be here last night to give me a welcome nome ; but you know cried, her face deathly pale, her large dark now why my heart was not at your party, eyes dilated with pain. Lit, though I was glad to meet "Forget ! Inends."

"I am not the happy child you left. Mirs. Hale had no words to express her deep sympathy. She pressed her hps soft man, woose sordid souls looks for nothing y upon the handsome tace, shadowed by beyond money. I am thrust out of society er story, and Frank, returning the mute for my mean dress, and my old friends careas, rose and left the room. It was pass me by." agony to wait now. Better to have the "A good reason for one to final wrench and go on his way again with fast." out the sort hope. He nerved himself to "I "I am not even Ruth Wellford, Frank,

An Emperor's Jake

The Czar Nicholas, of Russis, having een engaged in inspecting a State penientiary in one of the provincial seats of terre and listen." Sovernment, and took it into his head to juestion some of the convicts respecting hiccougus came clear and distinct.

e nature of the offences for which they were suffering punishment. "What are you here for?" he asked of one. "I am irom a ceal and dumb man recently, innocent, Imperial Majesty," replied the prisoner, failing on his knees, "a victum of a false witness! A church was robbed and in plain unadulterated English expressed has gratitude for the glorious re-

-a beadie knocked on the head-the peasants caught hold of me, and I knew noth-ing about it." Turning to another, the Czar asked, "And you?" "False witness again, Imperial Majesty. A peddler was naght have been his loving desire to gratity her, or a sudden greed for wealth, i done for cose to my house. I never even cannot tell; but he forged his employer's dreamed of such a thing." "And you?" said Nichola - to the third. "Sheer malice, sire. One of my neighbors conveyed a mother was too nttle acquainted with busi-

tot of forged notes into my pockets, and babe." The Emperor, obviously bored by these successive protes ations of guilteness cast his eye mong the line of prisoners until his eye tell upon a ragged, wretchedwara with the words, "Of course, you, too, are here on a faise charge?" "Not a bit of it, your Majesty," replied the Tsigan; "it

much talk of Jacksonville, he left for that place. Being quite tired and sleepy, he "Stole a pony, did you?" said the Czar, with a laugh, and then addressing the Gov-

"In my uncle's desk, after his death ennor of the prison with weil-assumed ternness, "Turn that good-for-nothing ascal instantly out of doors. 1 cannot aifamiliar. ow him to remain a minute longer in such nonorable and virtuous company, lest he pervert all these good, innocent people!' content, and her extravagant expenditure

#### Why bees work in the Dark,

"My first impulse was to yield to her prayer, even for so many years, and pay at once the amount of the forged check still Every body knows what fresh honey is -a clear, yellow syrup, without any trace of solid sugar in it. After straining, it in the hands of the firm who employed my rather, but my uncle probably knew what radually assumes a crystal appearance-it I would desire, for he so willed his money cancies, as the saying 15, and ultimately becomes a solid mass of sugar. It has been to me that I can never touch the principal Frank, with my nother's letter before me uspected that this change has been due to I vowed never to spend a dollar in luxury, photographic sctin, the same agent which one cent more than the merest necessitie iters the mosecular arranged of the iodine of lite required, until the debt was pair of silver on the excited collodion plates, that haunted Ler death bed. For six years and determines the formation of camphon I have saved all my income, adding to it a and iodine crystals in a bottle, causing portion of the rent of the house my uncle boney to assume a crystalline form. Mr. Scheiber inclosed honey in well corked flasks, some of which kept in perfect dark-Oak T left me. 1 have fared poorly, dressed plainly, and added httle by little to my ness, while the others were exposed to the light. The result has been that the porhoard by closest economy and care.

"I was not unhappy. Martha knew al tion exposed to the light soon crystallizes. whue that kept in the dark remains unhanged. Hence, we see why the bees are when my friends gave me up I thought so careful to obscure the glass windows which are sometimes placed in their hives.

"I am free. I sent the money to the firm last week, and to-day, only to-day, I Until the reign of the Empress Jasephin The existence of the young depends on inquidity of the saccharine food presented handkerchtet was thought in France s ad it light to them, were allowed access to this, in all probability it would prove fatal to the inmates of the hive.

### Recent Points in tiquette

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"Say "good morning" to the hostess, on most teartul moments of the play, would eaving the room. "So long, old girl" has have been most unmercifully hissed. one out in the best society. time later, a translation of one of Shaks-

pear's plays having been acted, the word If there are seventy-live or one "nandkerchiel" was used for the first time persons in the company, it is not necessary for you to shake hands all around. on the slage, amid cries of indiguation

Do not be in , aste to go down to dinner from the audience. It is questionable if rithout waiting for a tardy guest, give French elegantes would car y handkerto get down on your hands and knees and crawl around and ieel for s lost collar but-ton yourself, sometime. Upon an introduction to s young lady, the was in the habit of carrying small hand-ummentiately ask ber are and the size of her. num at least thirty minutes. You may have chiefs to-day if the wife of Napoleon 1.

immediately ask her age and the size of her kerchiefs adorned with cosily isce, which stance that a hard rail had been worn him, and jumping from his chair he rushed thoes. This will put you on an easy con- she continually raised gracefully to her away one-sixteenth of an inch by traffic to the head of the stairs, and yelled after

versational plane. In society, a note requires as prompt an answer as a spoken question. And in the tank it requires a great deal prompter one. Do not thank aty one who waits on you at the table. Lock wan and hungry, as

though you wanted more. To tilt back in your chair and drum idly in your Lead with your fork a con feet, and it meas ures around 64 feet. in good society.

the lapse of, say filteen mit utes, the boy with each other I' reeled from the instrument in a drund Occasionally, when they go out in op-

s.upor. Yes, sir, and he was a strictly posite directions and come upon each othe temperate boy, too, and strange as it may accident." appear, that ine cannot be used yet. Coust "Are editors over cowhuled?"

"Sometimes the small ones are, but the I put my ear to the receiver, and the big ones are very rarely motested." "Do editors cat ?"

"They do. It was formerly supposed they ate at long intervals and upon rare wn for a nap." ceasions, but it is now a well authenticated fact that they eat a great deal when any defense ?"

they can get it." suit. But," said he, with a sigh, "the company is beginning to consider the "What kind of feed do they like most?" "They are not very particular. While problem of reducing expenses. They have they won't refuse quail on toast, fried crab or roast turkey about Christians time, they me up." eccived a letter from a prominent scientist in Calcuita, who has made a proposition, have been known to make a hearty repast which, if accepted, will throw us operators off a dish of cold turnips and consumptive "With an apple. out of employment. He states that accord-

herring. "Have you got it?"

gained this erroneous impression from faise teaching in early life, but no authen-licated instance of the shock the apple out of my gullet, and I put it in my pocket to bring and show pick it up an' tuck it under her arm an' you." the lines will be reduced fifty per cent. It will be a bad day for us if his proposi ticated instance of such a thing is scord.

"Good day, sir," and I bowed myself "Do editors go free into shows?" "They do when they give a dol'ar and hali local for a twenty-five cent ticket." "Are all editors baid like this one?"

A young man, prospecting for a South-"No; only the matried ones are bald ern home, was in Tallahassee, and was de- But iet us pass on ; the editor does not if the officer hadn't given me a shake I lighted with our little city, but hearing so like to be stared at."

### How Officials were once Pald.

curled himself up in a corner and was soon in a sound sleep from which he did not It is not a generally known historical awaken until next morning. Opening a fact that from 1777 to 1784 the territory window, he was soon enjoying the morunow known as Tennessee formed a part of ing scenery, which, strange to say, looked North Carolina, and that in 1785 the Ten-Soon they come in sight of a nesseeans becoming dissatisfied with their of triomph. town, and, looking cut, he saw a house government, organized a State government which looked like the Capitol, so turning inder the name of "Franklin," which was long silence.

to a teliow-passenger he asked: "Are you acquainted with this town Territorial Tennessee was again annexed to

"Yes, sir ; this is my home." North Carolina. The following is among the laws passed by the Legislature of the "Will you tell me what building that State of Franklin. We copy it as found in a speech by Daniel Webster on the curthrough the trees yonder ?" "That is our Capitol."

"Capitol! Why, I thought the Capito rency in 1830. "Be it enacted by the General Assembly "And so it is; this is Tallahassee of the State of Franklin, and it is hereby "What i Impossib e! I could not have enacted by the authority of the same : That raveled around the world in twelve hours. from the first day of January, 1789, the

lett Tallahassee for Jacksonville last salaries of the officials of this Commo night, and have been traveling all night wealth be as follows to wit : "His Excellency the Governor, per "Say, Cap, did you change cars at Live um, 1,000 deer skins.

"His Honor the Chief Justice, 500 dee "No, I haven't changed at all." "Well then, you went down as far "The Secretary to His Excellency

Live Oak, and, as you did not change cars overnor, 500 raccoon skins. "The i reasurer of the State, 450 rac This is the fact of the case, bu oom skins.

"Each county clerk, three hundre eaver skins. "Clerk of the House of Commons 200

ecoon skins. "Member of the Assembly, per diem. ee raccoon skins.

shocking an object that a lady would never dare to use it before any one. The word was even carefully avoided in refined con-"Justices' fee for signing a warrant, one nuskrat skin. "To the constable for serving a warrant versation. An actor who would have used

ne mink skin "Enacted into a law the 28th day of October, 1789, under the great seal

Steel Rails.

That the hardest steel is not the most ter ? durable for railroads appears from an examination of the wear of some of the

tips. Of course all the ladies of the Court amounting to 5,251,000 tons, while a soft Johnny, "Hi there, Johnny, come back. tollowed her example, and handkerchiels rail for the same amount of wear had with-back. You needn't go. Why, do you

-The weight of the bell of Moscow. the wear being the same-one-sixteenth of that before; very strange, I didn't think to be 355,772 pounds, its height is 19 feet, and it means the same one sixteenth of that before; very strange." In a few moments afterwards, when the consist of 90,475 per cent. of iron and min- colonel left, he was overheard asking the rim ute quantities of carbon, phospherus, Johnny for a loan of five cents until next , mangapese, suphur and copper.

"John Hall, you were very drunk night," said his henor as a sead-off. "I think not, sir," "Well, you have a right to differ. Officer was this pan drunk ? "He was, sir."

"How drunk ?" "Weil, he fell down four times in cross jog the road, and the last time he settled

"A hornet sting," says Jerry Greening, "That's our case, Mr. Hall. Have you "is 'bout 's strong 's a whack from a sledge-"I have, sir. I had not tasted

liquor of any sort all day long. Just be-fore I met the officer I got choked, and jest as ef he were a boxin' with somebody. me up." "Choked ? What with ?"

Then he'll lay down an' roil over 'em jest ez if he dida't keer a cent fer 'em. Once't

Stlence a Fout Long.

never whistle in the cars again."

is head down upon it and slumbered.

He thereanon nulled from his cost tail her cubs."

pocket a frozen greening, larger than a coffee cup, and laid it on the desk. "Do you mean to tell me that you had

that apple in your mouth?' "And they always hunt in droves," said "Yes, str. 1 was going to take a bite the sad passenger. "If one man begins whistling in the railroad car long before he when it supped down into my gullet, and gets to his first breathing spell one man and

might have suffocated. another and another and then another and "You can't get that apple more after that one again take it up, until mouth. No such a story will go down

"See here, Judge," and he opened mouth big enough to take in a quart bowl, 111158.

tossed in the apple, rattled it around, and "Do you suppose," said Endymion, the dropped it into his hand again with a smile "You may go," said his Honor, after a ong silence. "With such a mouth as that whistles ever listens to the warblings of the maintained for some years. The State organization afterward disbanded, and prison. Take your frozen apple and go prison. Take your frozen apple and go

your way." "Thank you. I'd like to brother in some day, and let you see his mouth. He can hold a pint of hickory nuts and sing a song at the same time.

here.

## Colonel Solon's Charity.

we ought to kill him." "No," said the prisoner, "no bloodshee The colonel came into the sanctum re Let us just fall upon him and plane the ently, and after remarking that this was floor with him. the greatest flood Oil City ever saw, picked "Suppose," said the tall, thin passenger,

up an exchange, and was soon weeping we take hits out on the platform, where tears of sympathy over the sufferrings of a poor family in New York. taere will be room to swing our legs, and kick him?" "Just to think of it," said he, "they

"We might wait until the train was didn't have a thing to eat from Monday to unning a nulle slower," and the cross pas-Wednesday, and only one little chunk of coal picket up on the railroad to keep them warm. Such suffering in this rich senger, "and chuck him out of the dow.

"I've a good mind," said the fat passen country is terrible. I wonder if they would ger, "just to step up and shap his mouth accept a little donation. Say a hundred while ne's whistling." "We might throw him down and pu dollars.

racks.

"seems to me," he said, "that you

ducks ain't overly fond of my whistiin'. \$212,000,000; gold and silver, produc

seems like I heard ye didn't want me to of 1880, \$50,000,000; tobacco and its

whistle no more when you was around." There as an embarrassing silent about pervicena, exported, \$18,422,273; a foot long, and the whistling continued. \$38,208,625.

"Certainly they would, colonel," said out his teetn with a monkey-wrench," said the editor, "and be glad to get it." "Y u think it wouldn't hurt their feelthe sad passenger, "so that he couldn't whistle any more.

ings to offer it to them ?" "or we might punch a hole in his "It wouldn't hurt their feeling so much lungs," said the man on the wood-box, as starvation and cold hurt their bodies.' winn a brad-awi, and that would let out "That's so, that's so," said the colonel. his wind faster than he could whistle it "I-1 believe I'll send them a check for a up.

of the hundred doilars." "It would be a kind act." "Yes; you could spare Johnny, here, b

him and give him a little whirl anyhow, just for luck." run up to the house and get the money Just then the man who had been whist and then you can send it away in a let ling stood in the aisle beside them. He had ceased whisting. He had only one eye and his hair was white and very short. was not a kind-looking man, now that he

"Yes." "Johnny, go up to my house and tell

His neck was about the same breadth as his shoulders and be had an unpleasant Mackinge, Mich., is to be made by railway, when he was not whisthng, of holding his chin pretty well forward, and his nose was all wrinkled. He was taking off his coat, although the car was quite cool, hicker ice, tracks will be haid on the and he had just thrown his hat upon the trozen surface. Why, do you floor, although there were pleaty of empty

the total was 14,531,000 tons for the hard got a hundred dollars in the house, no, nor rail and 83,061,000 tons for the soft rail, firty cents, either. Strange, 1 didn't think

-There are 1,000 people in Chicago rock the bear goes up to the top of the ledge above it, where he gathers stones and who wear glass eyes, on sticks and rolls them down the side of the number being women. rock till one hits the nest and sends it -The wheat crop of Ohio 13 worth tumbling to the ground below. The \$51,000,000, the corn crop \$42,000,000, rock till ope hits the nest and sends it

hornets appear to know what has caused and the hay crop \$21,000,000. Cologne water was first so called in their ruin and all remain in the falling nest

till the bear appears when they attack 1709, when an Italian citiz m of Cologne named Johann Maria Farina prepared

-South Carolina will put about \$25,hammer, an' one hornet'll knock a bull 000,000 worth of cotton and \$3,000,000 down, but their bite wou't raise a lump worth of rice into the market this bigger'n a buckshot on a b'ar, an'the shaggy year.

critter thinks its fun. He'll stan' on his hin' legs an' square off with his fore paws of which 205 are graded. In these schools 220,735 pupils are instructed by only he's dura keerfui t' keep his eyer shet. 4.873 teachers. -During the year 1880 there were

deceased in the city of B islon 3.16 persons who had attained the age of ighty years or more.

-A company of Philadelphia capita. ists has been formed to buy the everglades of Florida and drain them for agricultural purposes.

-The statistics of Missachusetta show a marriage rate of 16 0S per 1,000 of population; a birth rate of 317 per 1,600, and a death rate of 1852.

-American glassware to the amount of \$1,805 worth was exported to New South Wales in 1877; in 1873 to the amount of \$3,735 worth.

the car is a perfect cyclone of chirps -Cardinal Antonelli was very fond and toots, and not so much of a tragment of a tune in the whole unrecognizable more than 200 of then, which had been presented to him.

-An address to Queen Victoria by sleepy passenger, who only got on a few the women of Canada, to be presented stations back and had been sound asleep to her next birthday, is being very ever since, "Do you suppose the man who generally signed at Montreal.

other whistlers in the carl Because if he icebergs have been seen in Like -This is the first season that actual did, and could hear how meaningless and Michigan. They have been formed vacant the music was, I think he would with a base below the water of fifteen feet in depth. And then having pounded his overcost

-Taglioni, the famous ballet dancer into a comfortable knot, Endymion put is living in London, giving lessons in dancing, and has had the children of "Weil," the fat passenger said, "what shall we do with hun? I don't really think Fanny Ellsler is living in Austria.

-lowa's total losses by fire in 1880 are reported at \$1,186,100 against \$2,-282,900 in 1879. The total losses to in--urance companies were \$633,300 in 1880, against \$1,058,700 in 1879.

-It is computed that Great Britain derives an income of \$290,000,00) a year from the private investments of aer people in foreign countries, which she has \$550,000,000 in American rallroads

-The value of exports of provisions. allow and dairy products in January was \$15,219,00J; January last year, \$9,547,000. Value of exports of dairy products for nine months ended January 31st, \$21,108 000; : a ne time the previous year \$14,656,000

-An old farmer estimates the pro ceeds of the 4 000 head of game which eli when last month the Prince of Wales visited Lord Aveland at \$2,250, "Well," they all said, "lets get hold of cearing and feeding is at \$50,000.

-The movement of grain from the

westward has been unusually large this year thus far. During the five

weeks ending February 5th, the ship-

ments from the Western ports amount-

road trains on a powerful iron steamer,

capable of carrying eighteen cars at

once, and crushing its way through ice

-In 1889 Corn and wheat exported.

\$288,037,000; beef and pork, exported,

\$127,543,242; cotton in bales, exported.