

DRAMA IN THE TRENCHES.

I picture her there in the quiet old room, When the falling night starts and falls; Alone in the twilight, her face pale...

CUTS JUDGMENT.

Dear old grandma Wellington looked over her gold-rimmed glasses at Jack with a world of loving anxiety...

able, sensible dresses, old fashioned and pretty—that I wore fifteen years ago. "They can be remade, and although not in the fashion of to-day, no girl with...

Retta's Morris, tall, aristocratic-looking arranged her hair, massive braids more to her notion before the sitting-room...

I shall leave Jack and Viva fifteen hundred dollars just because that pretty little brown-eyed girl has displayed such good sense...

The table in the State dining-room in the White House will seat, by close crowding, thirty-six people. This, then, is the number invited, and usually there are not less than thirty on these occasions...

Mr. Arthur E. Miller, the well-known theatrical agent, was in the city last night, and as he was in the ill-fated Newhall House, and intimately acquainted with Gilbert, the actor, a reporter had a talk with him about the tragedy...

As soon as the curtain fell on the act, Jack walked behind the scenes and saw Gilbert standing near the entrance. As soon as the curtain rose he took me around to the second wing and said: "I want to show you something..."

Two Italian brothers, with red scarfs round their necks, encamped one night, recently, in a boarding house on their nationality on Spofford street, Philadelphia. The names of the men were...

A disease, like the individual in whom it is localized, has a genealogy. It has an ancestry of "morbid conditions" all commingled, and transmitted from sufferer to sufferer...

Some time since, a beautiful young girl made her first appearance on the stage in one of the minor theaters of Paris. Her graceful loveliness attracted admiration, which her rising talent...

The cashier entered with a visage woefully elongated. The affairs of the theater were in a critical state; the receipts had diminished; and the payroll at the end of the month approached...

Plants will not grow without light, and will not thrive without fresh and pure air. But some plants require less light than others, and some will do perfectly well without any sunshine...

He is a character. He is usually a colored gentleman, and he supplies families with single dinners with meals at so much per month. Twenty dollars a month per person is the average price, and for that sum he will bring to you...

NEWS IN BRIEF.

—There are no services at the grave in Scotland. —Denver, Col., is to have an art exhibition in the spring. —An International Exposition is being arranged for Rome. —British statistics lately compiled prove that the danger of travel by sea is increasing. —Atlanta claims to have a young lady with the finest and prettiest hair in the United States. —"Less choir music and more congregational singing" cries a Western religious newspaper. —Several high-ranking Harvard students have provided themselves with ropes for a case of life. —The population of Syria and Palestine is estimated at 2,075,921. Of these only 6900 are Protestants. —Miss Mary Dickens, eldest grandchild of Charles Dickens, aged nineteen is about to become an actress. —The new regulation mare drum adopted for the use of the United States Army is to be 16 inches in diameter and 8 inches long. —The total exports of breadstuffs from the United States during the year 1882 amounted in value to \$182,682,734, against \$224,124,832 during 1881. —From observations made in the Zoological Gardens, London, it seems probable that for every 1000 years of life of the hippopotamus, its body loses 1000 pounds of weight. —Silk production is said to be in the following proportions: Italy, 34 per cent; China, 36 per cent; East India (Benegal), 7 per cent; Persia and the Levant, 4. —Factory operatives in New England are mutually agreeing to voluntarily reduce their wages, while their employers are as unanimously in favor of the monthly system. —The rag business in New York amounts to \$30,000,000 per annum. There are 5,000 rag-pickers in the city. Last year there was over \$10,000 worth of rags imported. —Of the 11,000 grain mills in Holland, 10,000 are driven by wind. The bulk of wheat meal is consumed by the public without passing through any flour-milling machine. —Beef cows are now selling at \$28 and three-year-olds at \$35 to \$45 at Austin, Texas. Stock raisers are happy and consumers of beef correspondingly miserable. —The sugar crop of Louisiana proves to be much larger than had been anticipated. It is alleged that of the portion of the crop that is ready for export, two-thirds of it go to Texas. —The English Postmaster-General is totally blind, and Mr. George Richardson, who has just been appointed Receiver and Accountant-General to the post office, is totally deaf. —The old mansion built by Gen. Philip Schuyler in 1759, upon Chatham street, Albany, is offered for sale in the expectation that it will be replaced by a building for business purposes. —The American Peace Society has not only failed to raise the amount of \$60,000, but is saving late for the possession of a legacy of \$40,000, the late Rev. Dr. George C. Beckwith. —Recent tests of yarn made from different hems gave the following relative average strengths: Manila, 245; Italian, 221; New Zealand, 143; Russian, 128. Manila is evidently the yarn to be hanged with. —Near Pictou, Ontario, is an remarkable freak of nature. Two elm trees stand about twenty feet apart, and one, at the height of twenty-five feet, bends over and joins the other, forming a perfect and unusual archway. It is then perfectly round, and extends upward about twenty-five feet. —During the past year 1471 new companies were registered in London under the limited liability act, with an aggregate capital of £216,561,926; in 1881 the number was 1385, with a capital of £167,892,941. —England pays Lord Lyons, her Ambassador to France, \$50,000 a year, and makes no fuss about it. If the salary of the President of the United States were fixed according to English notions, it would be \$100,000 a year, at least. —An Australian Tom Thumb has been exhibited in England. His real name is David John Armstrong. He was born in 1851. He is 3 feet 2 inches in height, and weighs 70 pounds. His limbs are in perfect proportion. He is very intelligent. —The annual report of the Supervising Inspector General of U. S. steamships that the number of accidents to steam vessels during the year past was forty-one, involving a loss of 255 lives, being an average of one life lost to each 1,727,172 passengers carried. —Humboldt Lake, near Lako City, Fla., a stretch of water about fifty acres, is being drained by an underground outlet. The water rises again in a stream six miles from the lake. Another lake near Dry Lake in 1852, but has since filled up again. —A Japanese newspaper states that according to a recent census there are in the Empire of Japan 113 newspapers, one of which has a circulation of 19,000 daily. The laws require that the publisher of a Japanese newspaper, and that the editor be held peculiarly responsible for slanderous publications. —The ice bridge at Niagara Falls is commonly supposed, by those who have not seen it, to add much to the beauty of the winter scene there. But it does not. Instead of a great arch of glittering crystal spanning the stream above the falls, it is an expanse of rough ice across the river at its foot. —All the Prussian Barons, on or before the last day of April next, will be required, says a German newspaper, to vindicate their right to their titles, for the reason that within the past two centuries many abuses have grown up. It is said to have been proved that, in a number of cases, second, and even younger sons and daughters of baronial titles have assumed the titles when it belonged only to a father or a brother. —Herman F. Stans, the brave Milwaukee fireman who rescued several lives at the burning of the Newhall House, was presented with a gold watch by the Governor of Commerce of that city, and recently was married to Miss Amelia Schneider, of Milwaukee. He has declined a proposed testimonial from admiring citizens of Dubuque, magnanimously writing: "If you do anything, do it for the poor unfortunate—especially the servant girls—who lost their all in that fire."