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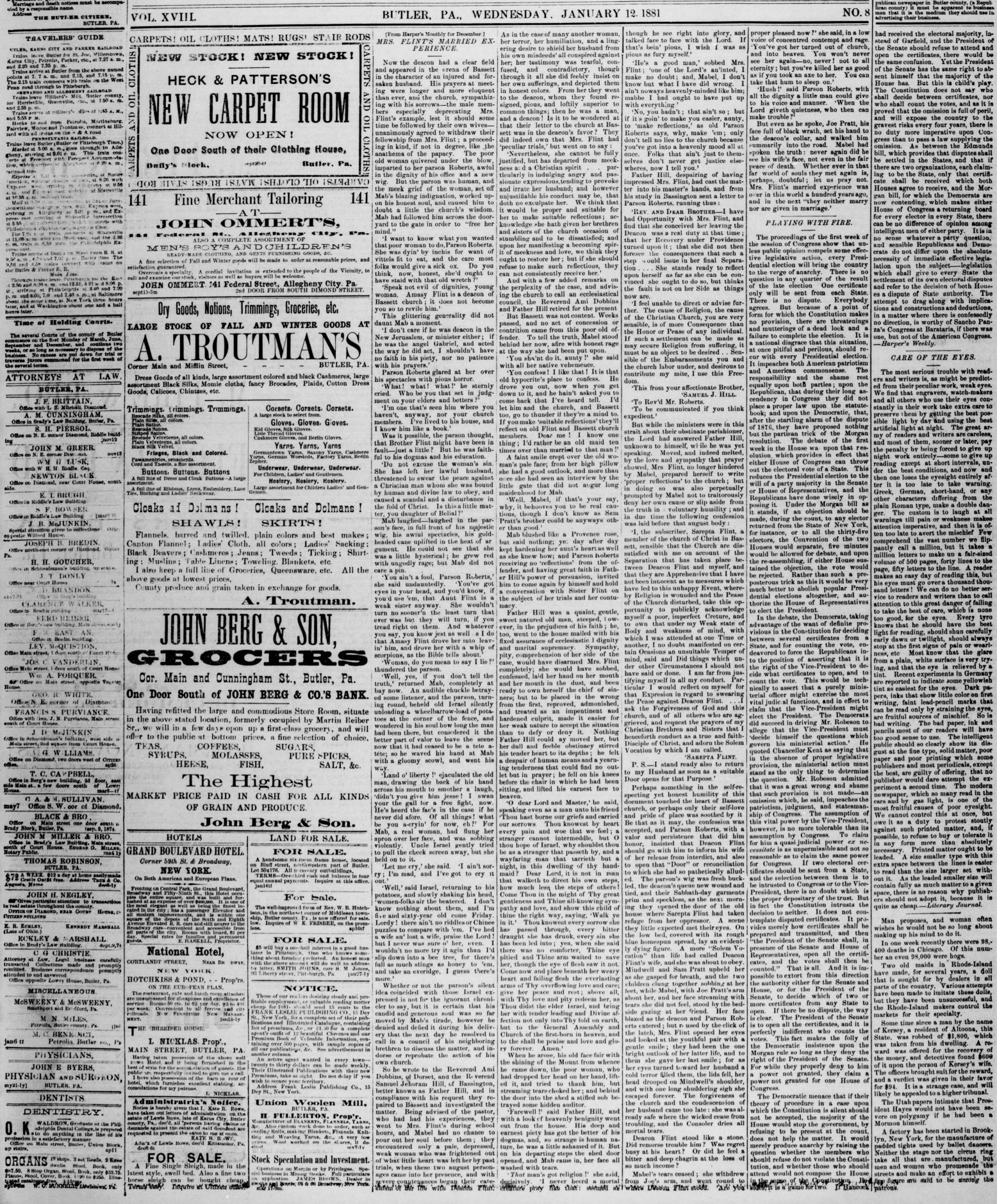
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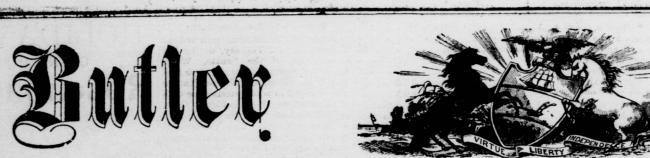
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## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12. 1881 BUTLER, PA.,

(From Harper's Monthly for December.] MRS. FLINT'S MARRIED EX- her terror, her humiliation, and a ling-PERIENCE.

Now the deacon had a clear field her; her testimony was tearful, coning with his sorrows\_the male mem- signed, pious, and loftily superior to with everything. time be followed by their own wives- that their letter to the church at Bas unanimously agreed to withdraw their sett was in the deacon's favor? They anathema of the papacy. The poor old woman quivered under the blow, imparted to her parson Roberts, awful ness a: d a Christian spirit . . . par in the dignity of his office and a new ticularly in indulging angry and pas wig. But the parson was human, and the meek grief of the woman, set off and irrate her husband; and however Mab's blazing indignation, worked up-on his honest soul, and caused him to doth no exculpate her. We think that doubt a little the church's wisdom. it would be proper and suitable for Mab had followed him across the door- her to make suitable reflections; ac

yard to the gate in order to "free her knowledge she hath given her brethren 'I want to know what you wanted stumbling and to be dissatisfied; and

She was dyin' by inchis for want of it of meekness and love, we think they vittels fit to est, and the area of the set. vittels fit to eat, and the care most ought to restore her; but if she should folks would give a sick ox. Do you refuse to make such reflections, they think, now, honest, she'd ought to have staid with that old wretch?'

woman. Amasy Flint is a deacon of ing the church to call an ecclesiastical Bassett church ; it does not become you so to revile him.' This glittering generality did not

daunt Mab a moment. 'I don't care if he was deacon in the New Jerusalem, or minister either; if fender. To tell the truth, Mabel stood be was the angel Gabriel, and acted behind her now, afire with honest rage the way he did act, I shouldn't have at the way she had been put upon. no faith in his piety, nor no patience

with his prayers.' Parson Roberts glared at her over his spectacles with pious horror. 'What! what! what!' be sternly

cried. Who be you that set in judg-ment on your elders and betters ?' 'I'm one that's seen him where you haven't, anyway, nor your church members. I've lived to his house, and I know him like a book.'

Was it possible, the parson thought, that Brother Flint might have been in fault-just a little? But he was faithful to his dogmas and his education. 'Do not excuse the woman's sin. She has left her lawful husband, she had a good outlook, and more than threatened to swear the peace against once she had seen an interview by the a Christian man whom she was bound little gate that did not augur long by human and divine law to obey, and maidenhood for Mab. caused a scandal and a disturbance in the fold of Christ. Is this a little matter, you daughter of Belial?' Mab laughed—laughed in the par-

son's face, in full front of his majestic er than good.' wig, his awiul spectacles, his gold-headed cane uplifted in the heat of ar gument. He could not see that she kept hardening her aunt's heart as well was a little hysterical; he grew red as she knew how; and Parson Koberts

As in the case of many another woman, talked face to face with the Lord. If that's bein' pious, I wish I was as 'You've got her turned out of church, pious as fury myself.' ering desire to shield her husband from his own misdeeds' all conspired against

'He's a good man,' sobbed Mrs. and appeared in the srena of Bassett in the character of an injured and for-through it all she did feebly insist on make no doubt; and, Mabel, I don't saken husband. His prayers at meet- her own sufferings, and depicted them know but what I have did wrong. I ing were longer and more eloquent in honest colors. From her they went ain't noways heavenly-minded like him; than ever, and the church, sympathiz- to the deacon, whom they found re- mabbe I had ought to have put up

Citizen.

make trouble ?

nor are given in marriage.'

PLAYING WITH FIRE.

bers especially deprecating Mrs. Flint's example, lest it should some and a deacon! Is it to be wondered at if it's goin' to make you easier, aanty, to 'make reflections,' as old Parson Roberts says, why, make 'em; only fellowship from Mrs. Flint; a proceed-ing in kind, if not in degree, like the 'peculiar trials,' but went on to say: you've got into a heavenly mood all a vou've got into a heavenly mood all at 'Nevertheless, she cannot be fully once. Folks that ain't just to themjustified, but has departed from meekselves don't never get justice else wheres, now I tell you.' par-Father Hill, despairing of having impressed Mrs. Flint, had cast the matsionate expressions, tending to provoke

ter into his master's hands, and from his study in Bassington sent a letter to Parson Roberts, running thus: 'REV. AND DEAR BROTHER-I have

had Opportunity with Mrs. Flint, and find that she conceived her leaving the and sisters of the church occasion of Deacon was a real duty at that time; that her Recovery under Providence turned upon it; that she did not then foresee the consequences that such a step would issue in her final Separation . . . . She stands ready to reflect upon herself as far as she can be convinced she ought to do so, but thinks

the fault is not on her Side as things now are. 'I feel unable to direct or advise further. The cause of Religion, the cause of the Christian Church, you are very sensible, is of more Consequence than the Honor or Pease of any individual. If such a settlement can be made as a national disgrace that this situation may secure Religion from suffering, it at once pitiful and perilous, should re-cur with every Presidential election. It impeaches both American patriotism must be an object to be desired . . Sen-sible of the Embarassments you and the church labor under, and desirous to

"This from your affectionate Brother. 'SAMUEL J. HILL.

'To be communicated if you think expedient,

If you make 'suitable reflections' they'll But while the ministers were in this reflect on old Flint and Bassett church strait about their obstinate parishioner, the Lord had answered Father Hill, members. Dear me ! I know one thing; 1'd rather be an old maid ten unknown to himself, while he was yet times over than married to that man !! speaking. Moved, and indeed melted A faint smile crept over the old wothe love and sympathy that prayer man's pale face; from her high pillow showed, Mrs Flint, no longer hindered by Mabel, prepared herself to write 'proper reflections' to the church; but doing so was also perpetually prompted by Mabel not to traitorously deny her own cause or slip aside from why, it behooves you to be real cau-tious, though I don't know as Sam the truth in voluntary humility ; and in due time the following confession Pratt's brother could be anyways othwas laid before that august body :

'I, the subscriber, Sarepta Flint, a Mab blushed like a Provence rose. for instance, or to all the thirty-five member of the church of Christ in Bas- electors, the Convention of the two sett, sensible that the Church are dis-Houses would separate, five minutes satisfied with me on account of the would be allowed for debate, and upon Separation that has taken place be- the re-assembling, if either House suswith ungodly rage; but Mab did not care a pin. 'You ain't a fool, Parson Roberts,' she said undauntedly. 'You've got eyes in your head, aud you'd know, if the orbits of her trials and hold synthesis and her trials and hold she said undauntedly. 'You've got eyes in your head, aud you'd know, if the orbits of her trials and hold the conversation with Sister Flint on the conversation that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the subscription that has taken place be-tween Deacon Flint and myself, and the rejected. Rather than such a pre-makes an easy day of reading the subscription that has taken place be-taken be

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though he see right into glory, and proper pleased now ?' she said, in a low had received the electoral majority, invoice of concentred contempt and rage stead of Garfield, and the President of the Senate should refuse to attend and open the certificates, there would be the same confusion. Yet the President see her again-no, never! not to all eternity; but you've killed her as good of the Senate has the same right to abas if you took an axe to her. You can take that hum to sleep on.' sent himself that the majority of the House has. But this is child's play.

'Hush!' said Parson Roberts, with The Constitution does not say who all the dignity a little man could give to his voice and manner. 'When the shall decide between certificates, nor who shall count the votes, and as it is Lord giveth quietness, who then can proved that the omission is full of peril. and will expose the country to the

But even as he spoke, Joe Pratt, his gravest risks every four years, there is face full of black wrath, set his hand to no duty more imperative upon Conthe deacon's collar, and walked him summarily into the road. Mabel had gress than to pass a law supplying the omission. As between the Edmunds bill, which provides that disputes shall be settled in the States, and that if poken the truth: never again did he see his wife's face, not even in the fair peace of death. Whether ever in that there are two organizations, each claim-ing to be the State, only that certififar world of souls they met again is, perhaps, doubtful; let us pray not. Mrs. Flint's married experience was cate shall be received which both Houses agree to receive, and the Mor-gan bill, for which the Democrats are over in this world a hundred years ago, and in the next "they neither marry now contending, which makes either

House of Congress a returning board for every elector in every State, there can be no difference of opinion among intelligent men of either party. It is in

no sense whatever a party question, and sensible Republicans and Demo-crats do not differ upon the absolute The proceedings of the first week of the session of Congress show that unless public opinion compels some effec tive legislative action, every Presi-dential election will bring the country necessity of immediate effective legis lation upon the subject-legislation which shall give to every State the settlement of its own electoral disputes to the verge of anarchy. There is no question in any quarter of the result of the late election One certificate only will be sent from each State. and refer to the decision of both Houses a dispute of State authority. The There is no dispute. Everybody agrees. But because of a point of attempt to drag along with implica-tions and constructions and deductions, form for which the Constitution makes in a matter where there is confessedly no provision, there are threatenings and mutterings of a dead lock and a no direction, is worthy of Sancho Pan za's Congress at Barataria, if there was failure to complete the election. It is one, but not of the American Congress. -Harper's Weekly.

CARE OF THE EYES.

and American commonsense. The responsibility and the shame rest The most serious trouble with readers and writers is, as might be predictresponsibility and the sname rest equally upon both parties; upon the Republican, that during their long as-cendency in Congress they did not place a proper law upon the statute-book; and upon the Democratic, that, ed from their peculiar work, weak eyes. We find that engravers, watch-makers and all others who use their eyes constantly in their work take extra care to preserve them by getting the best pos-sible light by day and using the best artificial light at night. The great ar-my of readers and writers are careless, and most of them, sooner or later, pay after the startling alarm of the dispute of 1876, they have proposed nothing but the partisan trick of the Morgan resolution. The debate of the first week in the House wa upon that resthe penalty by being forced to give up night work entirely-some to give up reading except at short intervals, unolution, which provides in effect that either House of Congress can throw out the electoral vote of a State. This der the best conditions, and now and then one loses the eyesight entirely afreduces the Presidential election to the ter it is too late to take warning. will of a party majority in the Senate or House of Representatives, and the Republicans have done wisely in op-posing it. Under the Morgan bill as Greek, German, short-hand, or any other characters differing from the plain Roman type, make a double dan-ger. The custom is to laugh at all t stands, if an objection should be warnings till pain or weakness makes attention imperative, and then it is of-ten too late to avert the mischief Few made, during the count, to any elector returned from the State of New York, comprehend the vast number we flippantly call a million, but it takes a million letters to make up a fair-sized volume of 500 pages, forty lines to the page, fifty letters to the line. A reader

can not consistently receive her. And with a few added remarks on 'Speak not evil of dignities, young the perplexity of the case, and adviscouncil, the Reverend Ami Dobbins and Father Hill retired for the present But Bassett was not content. Weeks passed, and no act of concession or contrition came from this poor old of 'You sha'nt do it. aunty !' she said with all her native vehemence. 'You confess! I like that! It is that contribute my mite, I use this Freeold hypocrite's place to confess. He

drove you out, now when you get down to it, and he hain't asked you to I'd let him and the church, and Bassett

'To Rev'd Mr. Roberts.

you'd use 'em, that Aunt Flint is a the subject of her trials and her contuweak sister anyway. She wouldn't macy. turn no sooner'n the least turn that Father Hill was a quaint, gentle,

come back that I've heard tell.

too, go to thunder if they're a mind to

Well, Mabel, if that's your say

ever was but they will turn, if you sweet natured old man, steeped, towtread right on them. And whatever ever, in the prejudices of his faith ; he, you say, you know jest as well s I do too, went to the house mailed with his in' him, and drove her with a whip of scorpions, as the Bible tells about.' hit comprehension of her side of the that Amasy Flint drove her into leav- fixed assurance of ecclesiastic. I dignity orpions, as the Bible tells about.' pity, comprehension of her side of the woman, do you mean to say I lie?' case, would have disarmed Mrs. Flint completely; she would have sobbed thundered the parson.

'Well, yes, if you don't tell the truth,' returned Mab, completely at bay now. An audible chuckle betrayed some listener, and the parson, turn- ners; but to be placed in the wrong ing round, beheld old Israel silently from the first, reproved, admonished, wondered in his soul how long the man her weak nature to accept the situation had been there, but considered it the than to defy or deny it. Nothing tête; so he waved his hand at Mab his tender heart to its depths; with a gloomy scowl, and went his a despair of human means and a yearn-

"Land o' liberty !' ejaculated the old man, drawing the back of his hand before the chair in which he had been across his mouth to smother a laugh, sitting, and lifted his earnest face to

your the gall for a free fight, now. 'O dear Lord and Master,' he said, He's heerd the fac's in the case if he speaking even as a man unto his friend

of the Church disturbed, take this op-portunity to publickly acknowledge myself a poor, imperfect Creture, and In the debate, the Democrats, taking

to own that under my Weak state of Body and weakness of mind, with which I was attended at one Time or between several certificates from a another, I no doubt manifested on cer- State, and for counting the vote, entain Ocasions an unsuitable Temper of deavored to force the Republicans inmind, said and Did things which un- to the position of asserting that it is der other Circumstances I should not have said or done. I am far from jus-tifying myself in all my conduct. Par-count the vote. This would be techticular I would reflect on myself for nically to assert that a purely ministhat Expression in regard to swearing the Pease against Deacon Flint. ...I ask the Forgiveness of God and this church, and of all others who are ag- elect the President. The Democrats grieved, and request the prayers of my did succeed in driving Mr. Robeson to Christian Brethren and Sisters that I allege that the Vice-President must benceforth conduct as a true and faith-Disciple of Christ, and adorn the Solem govern his ministerial action.' Ho Vocation by which I am called. quoted Chancellor Kent as saying that he felt

'SAREPTA FLINT. P. S.—I stand ready also to return my Husband as to return Provision, the ministerial action must to my Husband as soon as a suitable Door opens for that Purpose.'

Perhaps something in the self-rethat it was a great wrong and shame specting yet honest humility of this document touched the heart of Bassett omission which, he said, impeaches the church, or perhaps only their self-love patriotism, judgment, and statesmannever did afore. Of all things! what be you acryin' for now, eh?' For our sorrows. Thou knowest by heart Be that as it may, the confession was be this vital power by the Vice-President, Mab, a real woman, had flung her every pain and woe that we feel; a accepted, and Parson Roberts, with a however, is no more tolerable than its Mab, a real woman, had flung her apron over her face, and was sobbing violently. Uncle Israel gently tried to pull the check screen away, but she held on to it. 'Let me cry,' she said. 'I ain't sor-ry; I'm mad, and I've got to cry it out.' ' out.' 'Well,' said Israel, returning to his bow much less the steps of others! 'Well,' said Israel, returning to his bow much less the steps of others! 'Come Thou in the might of Thy great 'tied, and their Sabbath-day garments' President, there is no doubt which is

women-folks air the beatered. I don't gentleness and Thine all-knowing sym-know nothing about them, and I'm pathy and love, and show this child of five and sixty-year old come Friday. there the right way, saying, 'Walk ye Lordy! there ain't no riddles or Chinee puzzles to compare with 'em. I've hed has passed through, every bitter they little expected met their eyes. On vides merely how certificates shall be wife an' lost a wife, praise the Lord! draught she has drunk, every sin she the low bed, covered with its rough prepared and transmitted, and then but I never was sure o' her, even. I has been led into; yea, when she said blue homespun spread, lay an evident- ["the President of the Senate shall, in but I never was sure o' her, even. I has been led into; yea, when she said blue homespun spread, lay an evidentwouldn't no more try it agin than I'd there was no comforter, Thine eye ly dying figure. A more "Solem Vo- presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the certification" than life had called Deacon slip down into a bee tree, for there's pitied and Thine arm waited to save cation" than life had called Deacon full as much stings as honey to 'em. her, though the eye of flesh saw it not. Mindwall, and Saw Pratt, maked her cates, and the votes shall then be counted." That is all. And it is im-Mindwell and Sam Pratt upheld her as she gasped for breath, and the two possible to extort from this direction the subority either for the Senate and feet, while Mabel, with Joe Pratt's arm House, or for the President of the about her, and her face streaming with Senate, to decide which of two or tears she did not feel, stood by the bed- more certificates from any State to side gazing at her friend. Her face open. If there be no dispute, the way blazed as the deacon and Parson Rob-is clear. The President of the Senate

gentle smile; they had been the one bright outlook of her latter life, and to Morgan rule so long as they deny the

her eyes turned toward her husband a For while they properly deny to him cold terror filled them, the lids fell, her a power not granted, they claim a Samuel Jehoram Hill, of Bassington, ed it, and tried to thank him, but head drooped on Mindwell's shoulder, better known as Father Hill, and in streaming tears choked her; and behind and with one long shuddering sigh she

the church and the condescension of

Congress

by Religion is wounded and the Pease dential elections altogether, and au- vice to read ders and writers than to cal attention to this great danger of failing

to take the best of care, which is none too good, for the eyes. Every tyro knows that he should have the best light for reading, should shun carefully early dawn or twilight, should always stop at the first signs of pain or weari ness, etc Most know that the from a plain, white surface is very try-ing, and that the eye is relieved by a tint. Recent experiments in Germany are reported to indicate some yellowish tint as easiest for the eyes. Dark papers, inks that show little color on first writing, faint lead-pencil marks that can be read only by straining the eyes, are fruitful sources of mischief. So is bad writing. The bad paper, ink and pencils most of our readers will have too good sense to use. The intelligent public should so clearly show its dis-gust at the fine type, solid matter, poor paper and poor printing which publishers and most periodicals, except the best, are guilty of offering, that no stand as the only thing to determine publisher would dare attempt the exthe question. Mr. Robeson admitted periment a second time. The modern newspaper, which so many read in the cars and by gas light, is one of the most fruitful causes of poor eyesight. We cannot control this at once, but owe it as a duty to protest stoutly against such printed matter, and, it possible, to refuse to buy or tolerate it in any form more than absolutely necessary. Printed matter ought to be leaded. A size smaller type with this extra space between the lines is easier to read than the size larger set without it. As the leaded smaller size will contain fully as much matter to a given space, there is no reason why pu an it is ers should not adopt it, becau quite as cheap.-Literary Journal.

> Man proposes, and woman often wishes he would not be so long about making up his mind to do it.

In one week recently there were 98,-400 deaths in Chicago. Of this number an even 98,000 were hogs.

Two old maids in Rhode-Island have made, for several years, a doll that is sought for by dealers in all parts of the country. Various attempts have been made to imitate these dolla, but they have been unsuccessful, and the Rhode-Island makers control the markets for their specialty.

Some time since a man by the name of Kersey, a resident of Altoona, this State. was robbed of \$1,800, which was taken from his dwelling. A reward was offered for the recovery of the money, and detectives found \$609 Morgan rule so long as they deny the right of the President of the Senate. of it upon the person of Kersey's wife. The officers brought suit for the reward, and a verdict was given in their favo power not granted for one House of for \$94. It is a strange case, and will

likely be appealed to a higher tribunal. The Democratic menace that if their The Utah papers intimate that Prostheory of procedure in a case upon which the Constitution is silent should ident Hayes would not have been severe on polygamy if he had been a Mormon himself. not be accepted, the majority of the House would stop the government, by

A factory has been started in Brookrefusing to be present at the count, does not help the matter. It would lyn, New York, for the manufacture of padded tights used by ballet dancers. merely produce anarchy by raising the Neither the stage nor the circus ring take all that are. manufactured, but

and take an everidge, I guess there's Come now and place beneath her weary heart and failing flesh the everlasting Whether or not the parson's silent arms of Thy overflowing love and care: idea coincided with those Israel ex-pressed is not for the ignorant chroni- with Thy love and pity redeem her, as cler to say, but it is certain that his Thou didst the elder Israel, and bring candid and generous soul was so far her with tender leading and Divine af-

the shining of the Mount from whence them she gave her last smile; for as

compliance with his request they re- the door into the shed a stifled sob be- escaped forever. The forgiveness of paired to Bassett and investigated the trayed some hidden auditor.

Stock Speculation and Investment. weak woman who was frightened out on his departing steps the shed door busy at his heart? Or did he feel a question whether the members who of what little heart was left her by past opened, and Mab came in, her face all bitter and deep chagrin at the loss of should refuse do not violate the Consti-