

out the epidemic, and the precautions tion of party. "And the next day it snowed." The weather man is trying his best to keep up traditions. Tuesday was election. It was not much of a snow squall, it is true, but yesterday brought snow.a gentle little flarry that promised for a while to powder the ground white. It was the first successful attempt to mow that has occurred this season.

fully acknowledges himself indebted

"I was," I promptly rejoined from evant jargon into the main sense: co-operation of the people with the beth," she sighed, "but the postmaster my obscure corner, and I never knew to his fellow citizens without distinc- health boards that helped in stamping seemed slow in giving up the key and a man relapse so quickly into silence wouldn't promise us the house sure." before or since .- Fox Russell in Pall "We'll stay all right, mother; don't clean should not be discontinued there and the here the house was to rent Mall Magazine. Autograph Fans. or in any of the towns along the North for prospective tenants. What if the of "Bang went saxpence." It was in China that the first autoid write to him shout an old came very fashionable there long years so inherently probable as another graph fans were seen, and they be maid who was looking after a place for some young friends and that he ago. Some carefully preserved speciago. Some careruly preserved speci-mens have belonged to the emperors and their wives, while others have been for silver plate, prize cups, etc.—arti-cles which, as the result of gadding in would have her come down and see mens have belonged to the emperors and their wives, while others have been given as diplomatic presents. A fan of this description, for instance, was presented by the Chinese ambassador ance yet, nor her young friends, and we were the first real applicants. Beto Mme, de Clauzel at the coronation of Napoleon I. In India the very first sides, we are in actual possession, and I was shrewd enough to force an advance rent into the postmaster's of Napoleon I. In India the very first of Napoleon I. In India the very first fans were supplied by nature in the may have been, the song went round hands. Now help me swing this hammock on the plazza here and then you spreading leaves of the lotus and palm, the world, and many a boy in faroff but screen fans soon became emblems Brazil or Ceylon received his first idea lie down in it for an hour's rest.' Two days later they were settled and of power there also, for they are not only mentioned in the great Hindoo the City road.-London Globe. the furniture was all arranged. Mrs. Brown was lying in the hammock bepoems "Mahabharata" and "Ramayahind the screen of vines, gazing penna," but Brahma and India are represented in the ancient sculptures at Elephanta followed by slaves bearing the fly fan and parasol, which latter was also considered as an emblem of suon its axis and keeping the aperture preme power. constantly facing the wind by mean Sea Birds' Thirst. of a rudder or fantail similar to that How do sea birds quench their thirst? used on an American windmill. The Sea birds are believed to satiate their mer's outing had been pleasant, but music from this harp on a windy day thirst partly from falling rains and there had been companionship to make is most pleasing, the notes from the partly from the fat and oil which they larger holes giving a deep organ tone devour ravenously when opportunity unapproached by any other instruputs them in their way. The keen eyement. sight of birds is well known, and sea birds have been observed flocking toward the storm cloud about to burst from all points of the compass and apparently drinking in the water as it descends from the skies. They scent a rain squall, says an old skipper, 100 miles or even farther off and scud for it with almost incredible swiftness. Sea birds obtain fat and oil from the fish which they catch and on which they subsist, and they have also been known to follow ships for considerable distances, picking up scraps of fat which may be thrown overboard. These birds are believed to be able to remain for several days and even weeks withnearts out being compelled to seek for water, though at the same time their marvelous speed of flight would soon enable them to cover when necessary the distance between them and fresh water But the woman stopped short, turned on the nearest land. and started back toward the gate. Why Prison Doorkeepers Are Surly. "Willers in front." she repeated ag-"Why are the doorkeepers of prisons gressively. "Them's the last words always surly? I guess it is because Della said. It's no use, Mr. Graham. they have to answer so many foolish questions," said a prison doorkeeper. Graham watched her through the "Only this morning a ring comes at gate and up the sidewalk toward the the bell. I halt in the middle of my station and then turned again to the breakfast. I tramp down the long cor-

noise, in the rear. Plenty of cider is taken and some pieces of toast. When the orchard is reached a ring

Up and down the city road, In and out the Eagle; That's the way the money goes-Pop goes the weasel. is formed, and the master, in the cen-The "popping" or snapping of the ter, seizes a branch and sings a verse purse is declared to be the equivalent

beginning, "Oh, apple tree, I wassail thee, in hopes that thou wilt blow. But this explanation is not, perhaps. Then all shout in chorus;

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## Will There Be a Coal Strike?

The question uppermost in the an- The young men are especially invittharoite region is," Will there be strike ed; as Mr. Johnson wishes to meet or lockout at the termination of the them all as soon as possible. Owing present agreement between mine owners and mine workers on April 1 nasium class this evening. next?"

The recent demonstration in honor of John Mitchell Day had added to the anxiety of business men, at least in the upper region, according to a Scranton dispatch, and caused them to regard the outlook with grave misgivings.

Meantime, all President Mitchell's utterances breath peace. In his speeches he has expressed himself as hopeful of a harmonicus adjustment, and there can be no doubt that he sincerely desires such a result, but it will depend entirely on two things, to wit, the determination of the men in their demand for an eight hour day and recognition of the union and the attitude of the mine owners toward this proposition.

Should the men insist upon the exercise of this strength for the enforcerates. ment of their demand, and should

President Baer, of the Reading Company, and his associates refuse to grant Conditions Improving in Russia. that demand, what then? The question is one of even greater and more far reaching interest than that which precipitated the strike of 1902, for the reason that it will be raised at a time when the exciting contract will expire three days. Count Witte is conpleting in the anthracite and bituminous regions, and nearly 500,000 men engaged of chaos. Polish revolutionaries, well in the production of coal will be ready to make common cause.

This sense of power will be to get confidence and make it a difficult mat for Mitchell to recede even in case

he should desire to do so for the purpose of averting a strike. The president of the Mine Workers enjoys the couffdence of his supporters, but should created quite a chase for a number of they feel that the time is ripe for insistence on their demands, there will killed by hunters near Bloomsburg be nothing left for him but to carry last week. The cub was hard chased forward the banner they place in their hands.

In view of the serious nature of the outlook and the grave consequences that are not at all unlikely in case of a conflict, a great many persons are of the opinion that an understanding ought to be reached between the companies and the miner before the ex- afternoon. Rev. M. L. Shindel per piration of the existing contracts. formed the ceremony.

Branch **TONIGHT'S RECEP-**TION IS PUBLIC this. She hasn't put in an appear-

The reception to Mr. and Mrs. Johnson at the Y. M. C. A., at 8 o'clock this evening is to be a public affair and it is desired that the public in general be present. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are desirous of meeting every body, and they want to get acquainted with as many as possible at this reception. There will be a short entertainment

sively at Elizabeth, who had stopped by local talent consisting of instrureading and was now contemplating mental and vocal music and elocution. the closed book in her lap with unsee ing eyes. There were solitary walks about this village, many of them, and the young girl was facing the fact that to the reception there will be no gymthe walks represented the social condition of the place. The previous sum-

## Great Football Event.

it so. The gate latch clicked, and Mrs. One of the greatest football events Brown was aroused by a stifled exof the season will be the game between clamation from Elizabeth. \_Coming up State College and Dickinson College the walk was James Graham, and beat Williamsport, November 18. Asside him was an angular, middle aged surances have been given to the Willwoman who was apparently refusing iamsport Merchants' Association, who to be convinced.

are interested in having the game a "'Tain't the kind of house I want, success, that it will positively be play- Mr. Graham," she was saying shrilly, "not in any way. There must be a bay ed to a finish. The State College boys winder in the end for Della's plants are well known to be strong players, an' willers in front for her an' Tommy and the merits of the Dickinson team to set under. She said I needn't even are well established. The game is to look at a place without the willers." be called at 2:30 p. m. Excursion rates "But let me show you through the of one fare for round trip have been house, Miss Brown," urged Graham. granted on the several roads, within a "I am sure you will like the arrangeradius of 100 miles. Williamsport will ment, and there is a fine willow in the be the center of attraction on Novemback yard which the young people can sit under. There wasn't time to go to ber 18, and thousands of visitors will my agent after the key, but I can get take advantage of the low excursion in one of the windows and open the back door from the inside. I'm sure".

Conditions throughout Russia have improved. At Odessa four hundred victims of the massacre were buried I don't want it.' in trenches on Tuesday. At the same rate the funerals will continue for his Cabinet and is bringing order out house supplied with money, are inaugurating a movement to re-establish Poland as an independent State.

# Shot Small Cub Bear.

Harry Nuss, living near Mainville This is luck." shot one of the hear cubs that have hanters. The mother of the cub was by dogs and when it found the dogs coming too close fled towards the

hunter, sat upon its haunches as though begging for protection.

## Stonge--Cromley.

Albert B. Stonge and Miss Anna Viola Cromley were married Sunday dream it was yours."

months ago, and you are my first ter

Played by the Wind.

ridor. I unlock my fifty ton door with "Might as well run through it while my twenty pound key. Outside stands I'm here," they heard him say, then: a tough young man, his hat on the side "Why, hello! Looks as if somebody of his head, who says:

lived in the house-curtains at the win-"'Boss, when'll Joe Mace get out? dows, and," as he came a few steps Me and another feller's got a bet on it.' nearer, "hammocks swung on the plazza, and- Great Scott! Elizabeth "People come here and ask me when this prisoner's trial and that prisoner's -Miss Brown. You here! Well, well! trial take place. They come here without permits and demand to see a pris-Elizabeth was at the head of the oner with the same air as you'd go to a steps now, an odd light in her face. friend's house and demand to see your "Who was that woman, Mr. Grafriend. They bring presents to prisonham?" she demanded. ers-boxes of cigars, bottles of rum, "Belle Brown, a queer stick, who is scarfpins and poker dice. It is the con-

looking after a house. A friend recomstant rebuffing of all these foolish persons that makes the doorkeeper of a abcautiful brown or rich black? Use mended her to me as a joke and I deprison surly."- Phile

termined to retaliate by actually renting her the house. You have noticed how I failed. But is it really possible that you have rented my house from

the postmaster?' "We really have," Elizabeth answered smilingly, "though we did not

"An uncle gave it to me several

uls, three bushel bagfuls, Hatfuls, capf Barn oorfuls, tullet holefuls, And a little heap under the stairs. pieces of toast, soaked in cider, among same without delay to the branches for the robins .- London

Misfortunes Sometimes a Blessing. However others may think of it, yet EDWARD SAYRE GEARHART. I take it as a mercy that now and then of London's streets in its reference to some clouds come between me and my sun, and many times some troubles do conceal my comforts, for I perceive if

The natives of North Borneo conve a long bamboo into an Æolian harp b cutting slots in the bamboo above of heritage.-Dr. Lucas. joint, setting it up so as to easily turn

### A Divine Joy.

Suffering is doubtless as divinely ap-pointed as joy, while it is much more Influential as a discipline of character. It chastens and sweetens the nature, teaches patience and resignation and promotes the deepest as well as the most exalted thought .- Samuel Smiles.

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Willing to Chance It.

Little Walter was eating lunch when "The man who marries my daughter," he gave his arm a sudden shove, and, said her proud father after telling the splash, down went his glass of milk! young man that there was no hope for "I knew you were going to spill "must have strength of characte He must have fortitude, he must have that!" said mamma angrily. "Well, if you knew," queried Walter, courage, he must be able to bear mis-"why didn't you tell me?"

"I know it." the boy replied. "I kne it before you said so, but even at I'd be willing to take a chance on he



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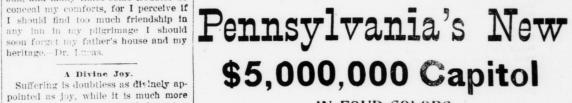
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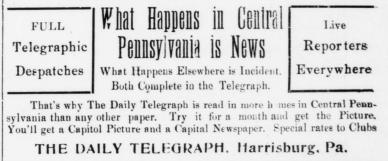


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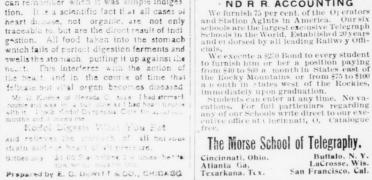
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