Danville, Pa., Dec. 17, 1908.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE

A compromise verdict of murder in the second degree was brought in at Sunbury Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock by the jury which has been deliberating since last Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in the case of Angelo Morori, the foreigner, charged with the murder of a saloon keeper at Shamoking. The jury way out just 115 hours. n. The jury was out just 115 hours, and all of the twelve men showed clearly traces of the severe strain of

clearly traces of the severe strain of their five days' confinement. Immediately after the verdict was rendered, the court addressed the jury. He said that he would not excuse them on account of a disagreement because the prisoner could not be tried again, and so he intended to have kept them and so he intended to have kept them out until they had arrived at a verdict. The prisoner was not sentenced then, announcement was made that he will be brought into court and sentenced on Monday.

The man who betrayed the least in-

will be brought into court and sentenced on Monday.

The man who betrayed the least interest of all who heard the verdict was the prisoner himself. What may lie beneath the surface is not known, but never has the slightest expression crossed his face. He was absolutely unmoved when the slip of paper on which the verdict was written was handed to the court. He was unmoved a minute later when he knew that his life was spared and that imprisonment and not the gallows awaited him. The docile conduct which has marked his course during the whole trial was more apparent than ever. He has acted much as a dometsic animal, which is accustomed to obey the voice of its master. He held up his hands when told to do so.

It developed after the jury was discharged that Thomas E. Pursell, of Marshalltown, openly favored murder in the second degree from the start, and then he was the only one who ventured an opinion. The first ballot which was taken resulted, it is reported, in ten for first degree, and two for second. Those who held out are reported as being Pursell and Frank Halfpenny. After numerous secret ballots had been taken, the situation changed until it stood six for first and six for second degree. One by one the jurors were drawn over to second degree, but in the meantime several favored manslaughter. For the last twelve hours of their vigil they stood eleven for second degree and one for manslaughter. When the last man was won over to the way of thinking of the majority the verdict was brought into fame by his stand for second degree and one for manslaughter. When the last man was won over to the way of thinking of the majority the verdict was brought into fame by his stand for second degree in

in.

Thomas E. Pursel, the man who rose into fame by his stand for second degree in the race of odds, is aged about fifty years, and quiet in demensor. He was more worn by the vigil than any of the others.

The attorners in the case had little

The attorneys in the case had little to say. Those for the defense stated that they believed the verdict to be a The Commonwealth's torneys, who are regarded as having blundered in their selection of jurors, were non-committal.

DR. J. O. REED AGAIN ON DUTY

Veterinarian J. O. Reed after a eek's illness at his home in this city left for Sunbury yesterday to report for duty at the sub station of the State Stock Sanitary board at that

Dr. Reed since the outbreak of the Dr. Reed since the outbreak of the foot and month disease has been nearly continuously in the employ of the State. He stated yesterday that he did not know to what line of work he would be assigned, but expected to be absent for some days.

5-YEAR-OLD BOY KILLED SISTER

Harold Brouse, aged 5, killed his two-year-old sister Katherine at the home of his father, Percival N. Brouse of Penn township, Snyder county, yesterday morning. His father had been butchering and killed several pigs with a 32-calibre rifle. The children got the rifle and the little girl pretended to be an animal marked for slaughed to be an animal marked for slaugh-ter while her brother, imitating his father, was to be executioner. She crawled under the kitchen stove and he lay down and pointed the gun at her. He fired a bullet through her temple and death was instantaneous.

That on and after this date the sev eral Courts of Montour County will be held as follows: The Second Monday in January, in

each and every year. The Second Monday in March, in

each and every year.

The First Monday in June, in each

and every year. The Third Monday in October, in

each and every year. The Third Monday in December,

1908, the present term time for the Fourth Term of Court, to be a return day for all writs issued and made returnable thereto; said Third Monday not to be a return day after this year. CHARLES C. EVANS, P. J

Attest. THOS. G. VINCENT, Clerk.

December 7th, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that the following counts have been filed in the Prothonotary's Office in and for the County of Montour and that the same will be presented to the Court of said County for confirmation Ni. Si. on Monday, the 11th day of January A. D. 1909, at the meeting of the Court in the afternoon.

Account of Fidelity Trust Company Substituted Trustee under the Will of Charles C. Baldy, deceased.

First and Final Account of P. F. Brennan, Guardian of Elizabeth Mark ley, a person of weak mind and unable to take care of her property.

THOS. G. VINCENT, Prothonotary. Prothonotary's Office, Danville, Pa. Dec. 15th, A. D. 1908.

D17, 24, 31, J7.

KRINGLE JINGLES.

Verses That Can Be Sent With Christ mas Gifts.

mas Gifts.
CALENDARS.
May all the days
Throughout this year
"Red letters" be
To you, my dear.

May all the jeweled beads
Upon Time's rosary
Be gold without alloy—
This is my prayer for thee.

HANDKERCHIEFS.
Twelve bits of white fluff to my lady boudoir—
As many as months in the year.
Here's hoping that never a month
mouchoir
Will hold for that lady a tear.

A BOX OF CIGARS.

Many a film of fairy fancy
Goes up in smoke each year;
But, being a woman, of course I can't
What dream chrysalids are here. NECKLACE.

A slender, golden, jeweled chain For miladi's neck so white and warm Both throat and chain new beauties gai They but enhance each other's charm A PHOTOGRAPH.

My replica I send
As substitute for me.
Perhaps 'twill hang more gracefully
Than I could on the tree.

PIPE. PIPE.
The key to the gateway of dreams,
I'll be your boon companion
At smokers if that beseems
Or soothe you, set you sailing
Upon a sea of dreams,
In silence bear neglect—on my life
I'm almost better than a wife!

A POCKETBOOK OR PURSE.

A RING. As the circle is endless,
So it love typifies;
When broken 'tis mendless.
Whosoever is wise
Its fair jewel will hold
And cherish its gold.
—Delineator For December.

INDEPENDENCE DAY HONOR.

Danish Americans to Celebrate Next Fourth of July In Denmark.

Denmark will have a Fourth of July celebration next summer, given by thousands of Danish Americans who will go there for the occasion. This was recently announced by Dr. Max Henius of Chicago, who went to New York to make arrangements with the Danes in that city for the celebration, which will be in Aarhus, where there will be an exhibition of the resources of Denmark.

Dr. Henius is president of the Danish American society and has sent a ish American society and has sent a cable message to the president of the exhibition in Aarhus, asking that the Fourth of July be set aside as a Danish American day. The president has agreed and has turned the program for the day over to Dr. Henius. It is the intention of Dr. Henius, to arrange for intention of Dr. Henius to arrange for a number of speeches by prominent Danish Americans. Aarhus is one of the oldest towns in Denmark, and there lie the bones of departed Danish

Heavy Clothes For Automobilists. "One effect of the rise and growth of automobiling has been to cause the voolen mills to weave fabrics for men's apparel of a most extraordinary thick ness," recently remarked a Philadel-phia importer. "I can show you sam-ples of cloth of almost three times the weight of ordinary winter goods. They are made of such heaviness to give adequate protection to those who will not let the severest weather keep them from their loved diversion of motoring. For making up suits of such extra 'heft' the tailors of course have to charge a good deal more than for their customary output. Any fashionable builder of clothes will ask from \$110 to \$125 for a nobby automobile suit. One of this kind would last a man at least five

Crazy.

"We find the prisoner not guilty by reason of insanity."

"But the plea was not that of in"But the plea was not the plea was not that of in"But the plea was not the plea wa sanity." remarked the court.

"That's just the point we made," re-joined the foreman. "We decided that any man who didn't have sense enough any man who didn't have sense enough to know that an insanity plea was the proper caper must be crazy."

In fact, with quite exceptional cunning. Prisoner (deprecatingly)—No flattery, yer honor; no flattery, I begs on yer.—London Fun.

THE NORMAN "OYEZ."

A Legacy of William the Conqueror to the Courts.

Everybody who has ever been in a United States courtroom knows that when the judge walks out of his chambers and ascends the bench the court crier drones out: "Oyez, oyez, oyez, the honorable cour

there was nothing like sails. As soon

might maneuver better under sail. The

not be made large enough. A few years

later in a report to the department he actually claimed that the vessels were faster under steam with the mutilated

screws. The facts, of course, were just

least, not impaired by age. About twenty years later, when the Roach cruisers were being built, the dear old man, then over seventy, went before the naval committee and said that the

plans of these vessels were wrong be

cause they had only auxiliary sall power. In his judgment they should have been given full sall power with

steam as an auxiliary. He was still a sailor! The world had not moved for

One of the most interesting reptile of California's great desert is the des

ert tortoise. A writer in Suburban Life says: "I have found as many as twenty of these hard shelled fellows

that we usually associate in our mind

with the thought of water in the ver,

heart of the desert, where the water was exceedingly scarce. Yet when yo

had secured a good hold, then with what seemed to me extraordinary strength, he would lift himself up and

wiggle his body into a secure posi-

Everything in the Eskimo dress has a reason for its existence, writes Cap-

come accustomed to the Eskimo dress

and other arrangements had their dis

on again quickly they would soon have

Only a Letter Out.

my.
"Bean't it wonnerful!" said the

my?"
"Feminine," replied the erudite ju-

"Hear that agen!" cried the delighted father. "An', noo, Tommy," he proceeded, picking up the family tea-

pot, "what gender is this?"
"Neuter," sald Tommy,
Sam's face fell,
"Well, well," he exclaimed, "it's allus

the way. Still, not but what the little lad was far oot. He only said neuter 'stead of pewter, that's a'!"—London

what gender is thy fayther?"

looked like neckties.

the reverse, and when his influence be came less proper propellers were again fitted. This was when he was still in his prime and his judgment was, at

of the (whatever district it may be) is now in session."

Not many persons, however, realize that the crier says "oyez, oyez, oyez, instead of "harken, harken, harken,

because of a chance visit that William the Conqueror made to an English court almost 900 years ago. William had overrun England, seized the government and placed himself a its head. Happening to enter a court-room, he heard the crier call the as-semblage to order in English. William rebulked him and on the spot decreed that the business of all English courts

should be transacted in Norman French, his native tongue. Afterward the courts went back to English, but to this day "oyez, oyez, oyez," clings to court customs wherever the English language is spoken as a reminder of the great Norman who whipped King Harold in the battle of Hastings.—

Scrap Book.

One of Life's Tragedies

He had expected a tender embrace from his sweetheart, but her greeting of him was cold. He could not under "Darling," he exclaimed in agony,

"what is the matter?"

But she remained silent, her lips tightly closed, and motioned him from

He fell upon his knees "My love," he cried, "tell me what I have done to offend you? I swear I have done nothing wrong! I confess I

the party, but on my oath I—I thought she was you."

Her lips closed even tighter, but she uttered not a syllable, and, in despair these afford them their water supply.

Would you know, oh, reader, the reason of the conduct by which a woman blighted two young lives? "Twas simply this: She had left her false teeth in mountain. He could wriggle himself the bathroom.

Probably She Meant It.

Lucile, a carefully brought up little girl of five years, returned from her first party in great glee.

"I was a good girl, mamma," she announced and talked nice all the time."
"Did you remember to say something pleasant to Mrs. Townsend just

thing pleasant to Mrs. Townsend just before leaving?" her mother asked. "Oh, yes, I did," was the enthusi-astic reply. "I smiled and said: 'I en-joyed myself, Mrs. Townsend. I had a lot better dinner than I thought I'd

"Here you are," said the judge to the colored prisoner, "complaining that you can't get along with one wife, and yet Solomen had hundreds of 'em."
"Yes, yer honor," was the reply, "but

you must rickollect dat de last testimony he give in wuz dat dey wuz all vanity an' vexation of spirit!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Girls Learning to Carve Now. It seemed there were no more accom-plishments to be taught to the girl of fashion who is in the bud stage, but there is one left. It is the gentle art of carving. The girl who wishes to give dinners in family fashion must know diners in family fashion must know how to get the bird apart gracefully, says the New York Press. Such girls as Marjorie Gould and others equally highly placed in such intricacles. In these days, when the bachelor girl is one of the hosts to recken with, carving skill is needed. Every bachelor maid likes to get up a diner in her anartment. to get up a dinner in her apartment, and without a roast fowl or a joint what is a dinner? Ethel Poosevelt can preside at the head of her table almost

Magistrate (about to commit for trial)—You certainly effected the robbery in a remarkably ingenious way-

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

BULLETIN

THE STEEL COACH—A TRAVEL SAFEGUARD.

The Pennsylvania Railroad now has in operation on its lines east of Pittsburgh over two hundred passenger coaches, dining cars, baggage cars, and mail cars of the new all-steel

The solid steel framework of these cars, designed to resist shock and minimize the dangers of collison, is further strenghenedby the steel sheathing enclosing the body of the car. In fact, everything about the coach is steel, save the window frames, the cushions of the seats and the flooring. Such little woodwork as enters into the make-up of the coach, the plush with which the car seats are covered and the hair with which they are stuffed is treated to a fireproofing process, whilst the floors are cement, thus rendering the coach at once practically indestructible and thoroughly fireproof. It is built like a

The new coach is longer than the standard car generally in use on the railroads of this country, and has a comfortable seating capacity of sixty to ninety people according to the style of the coach.

The unusual weight of the coaches give to them a solidity that greatly increases the comfort of the passenger.

The seats are adjusted to a more convenient space and angle, the coaches are all lighted with electricity and amply ventilated in winter as well as summer by new and thoroughly tested methods.

The interior finish of the coach is plain though pleasing to the eye. The absence of ornamentation enhances the idea of strength and at the same time assures absolute cleanliness and thorough sanitation.

Steel cars are now in use on the principal trains between New York, Philadelphia, Washington, and on the Main Line between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. The number of cars is constantly being increased as the finished product comes from the shops.

The Pennsylvania Railroad's equipment is recognized as the Standard of America.

Sun Worshipers?

During Grant's first term his secretary of the navy, Borie, for a time turned the actual administration over to Admiral Porter. Admiral Porter was a sailor in the strict etymological sense of the term in that he believed these were problem like sails. As soon as he was in authority he caused the four bladed propellers of the vessels to be removed and replaced by two bladed ones in order that the ships from left to right," said a veteran. "We all turn from left to right. To turn from right to left seems wrong, seems like reversing. We wind watch from left to right, we turn We wind a inefficiency thereby brought about is, of course, apparent to any engineer, as the size of the propeller opening was fixed and the two bladed screw could screw so, and so we write, and so we

"It all comes down to us from prehistoric times, from the sun worship-ers. The sun moves from left to right, and its worshipers believed that all human actions must proceed accord-

A reversal, they say, would make the batter coarse and heavy. "Shut your eyes and turn thrice.

of the voyage is not from left to right.
"In a subconscious way, you see, sun worship is still the religion of

man."-Exchange.

How an Ovation by a Youthful De-

mosthenes Was Coolled.
While campalgning in his home state
Speaker Cannon was once inveigled
into visiting the public schools of a
town where he was billed to speak.

In one of the lower grades an ambi-tious teacher called upon a youthful Demosthenes to entertain the distinthem than the ordinary match, it would be practically impossible to set them on fire by accidental dropping.—
Scientific American.

Temporary match, it would be practically impossible to set them on fire by accidental dropping.—
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Scientific American.

youngster-"a deep sound strikes like a rising knell! Did ye hear it?" The visitors smiled, and a moment

up to a rock almost as high as he was long. Raising himself on his tail end, he would use his head as a hook, then claw with his right leg until it The visitors stated, and a moment later the second sneeze—which the speaker was vainly trying to hold back —came with increased violence. "But, hark!" (bawled the boy)—"that heavy sound breaks in once more, And nearer, clearer, deadlier than before! Arm! Arm! It is the cannon's opening

up your weapons, children. I won shoot any more."—Success Magazine.

tain Roald Amundsen in "The Northwest Passage." The members of Captain Amundsen's expeditions had become accustomed to the Eskino dress and had adopted it, but many of them thought it ridiculous for grown up men to go about wearing fringe to their clothes, so they cut it off. I had my scruples about this, says the author, as I had already learned that most things in the Eskimo's clothing and other arrangements had their disthet meaning and purpose, so I kept my fringe and put up with the ridi-cule. He laughs best who laughs last. One fine day the anovaks, a sort of tunic reaching below the knee, made of deerskin, from which the fringes had been cut off, commenced to curl up, and if the fringe had not been put "Talk about scholards," said the proud Sam Smith. "Listen to my lit-tle lad talk about grammar. Tommy,

Left Him In Doubt.

said janitor is a cynic or something of an art critic, or both.

"One day while doing a bit of repair work in the studio," says the painter. "Mike scrutinized a bit of my work with ominous solemnity. When I indicated a portrait of myself the blow fell. Said I:

"The paint on this is badly cracked which souls the likeness."

Resentment. An old toper, being very hard up, went into his favorite bar and asked

the publican for a glass "on tick."
"No," said the proprietor, "I won't give you whisky on credit, but there's a sixpence. Now, what do you want?"
"Nothing here," replied the tippler, lifting the coin and putting it in his pocket. "The man who refuses me credit won't get my ready cash,

QUEER DEFINITIONS.

An Early Eighteenth Century Inter-preter of Hard Words. Bailey's Universal Etymological Dictionary, with the subtitle, "An Interpreter of Hard Words," was first published in London in 1721. Most of its definitions are eccentric, and some of them incredibly so. Here are specimens plucked at random:

Man—A creature endowed with rea-

Thunder-A noise known by persons

Lightning—A meteor.
A Rainbow—A meteor of divers col-

which is said to cure a wound by be-ing applied to the sword or other weap-on that made the wound. Balloon—A football; also a great ball

with which noblemen and princes use to play.

Cow—A beast well known.

Milk—A food well known.

Peacock—A fine bird. Elephant—The biggest, strongest and nost intelligent of all four footed Medlar .- A fruit which is grateful to the stomach, but is not ripe till it be

Snow-A meteor well known in northerly and southerly climates, especially eyond the tropics.

Mouth—Part of the body of a living

Eye-An instrument of death.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT.

Is the Habit a Legacy From the Old

The halfback, about to be tackled, stopped, then darted in a long curve toward the right. He was soon down-"The other side knew he would turn

ingly. Well, they still do so.
"Churning is done as the sun moves, and there's a superstition that one reverse turn of the handle will spoil the butter.

"Cooks stir batter from left to right.

bon't you naturally instinctively turn from left to right? "Whalers put back again if the ship's first movement at the beginning

THE CANNON ROARED.

This was too much, and the laugh that broke from the party swelled to a roar when Uncle Joe chuckled: "Put

The division of time into hours was practiced among the Babylonians from remote antiquity, but it was Hipparchus, the philosopher, who introduced the Babylonian hour into Europe. The sexagesimal system of notation was chosen by that ancient people because there is no number having so many divisions as sixty. The Babylonians di-vided the daily journey of the sun, the ruler of the day, into twenty-four parasangs. Each parasang, or hour, was subdivided into sixty minutes, and that again into sixty seconds. They com-pared the progress made by the sun during one hour at the time of the equinox to the progress made by a good walker in the same period of time, both covering one parasang, and the course of the sun during the full equinoctial day was fixed at twenty-

A certain young artist in New York who is on terms of comparative intimacy with the janitor of the apartment house wherein he maintains his to accept you studio is in some doubt whether the said janitor is a cynic or something of don Sketch. ner, and if at the last be condescend:

Training Canaries.

In the canary breeding establishments of Germany only the male birds are valued, because the females never sing. The method of training the birds they all strive to imitate. The breeder listens to the efforts of the birds and picks out the most apt pupils, which manipulating the twine or reins he picks out the most apt pupils, which are then placed in another room for held in his hand. A rough pull would, further instruction. These are the best of course, have upset the chair singers and ultimately fetch high way, whereas the fact of not characteristics. singers and ultimately fetch high

If You Would Look Well-

all kinds. vagrant locks.

Cleanse your face with cream every night before going to bed. Wear immaculate neckwear, a clean shirt waist and gloves without holes. Don't allow the public glimpses of a soiled white skirt or a shredded silk

Kennedy's rs. Weapon Salve—A sort of ointment Laxative Cough Syrup

Relieves Colds by working them of the system through a copie Relieves coughs by cleansing Remucous membranes of the threat, classes and bronchial tubes.

"As pleasant to the tests as Plaple Sugar" Children Like R.

For BACKACHE—WEAK CHRISTS Toy Do Will's Kidney and Student Pillo—Store and Suin For Sale by Panies & Oo

An Exception to the Rule

"It is an invariable fact," said the professor at the club, "that the sense of sight travels more rapidly than the sense of sound. You will observe, sir, that when a bit of ordnance is fired from a fortress or a man-of-war you see the puff of smoke that comes coincidently with the explosion several moments before you hear the report thereof. Thus it is always"—

thereof. Thus it is always."—
"Not always," said little Todgers
from the corner. "I know of a case
where hearing antedates seeing by
really considerable lapses of time." "I know of no such thing in the

whole broad range of science." ed the professor pompously. "Perhaps you can enlighten us, sir." "Well," said Todgers, "it's the case of an Englishman and a joke. In almost every case the Englishman hears a joke about a week before he sees it.

But the professor had gone, and they say that nowadays when he sees Todgers he shies off like a frisky horse in the presence of a motor car.—Harper's

Waterproofing Matches.

Weekly.

Perhaps some of your readers would be interested to know that I have found a simple, inexpensive way to waterproof matches. Into some melted parafin, care being taken that it was as cool as possible, I dipped a few ordinary parlor matches. After withdrawing them and allowing them to cool it was found that they scratched almost as easily as before being coated with the wax. Several were held un-der water for six or seven hours, and all of them lighted as easily as fore immersion. When the match is scratched the paraffin is first rubbed off and the match lights in the usual way. Matches treated as above would be very useful on camping or canoeing trips, as they do not absorb moisture. Since more rubbing is required to light them than the ordinary match, it

"Some folks have a hard time to fin odd enough names for their children said a man in an uptown club the other evening. "They will search through all kinds of books on the sub-ject, consult all their friends and rela-tives and finally burden the youngster with something never heard of before.

"I know one man, however-he is : banker and lives on West End avenue—who, while he did not spend much time in search of names, adopted a scheme which is very novel. It took five years to carry out the scheme, now complete. The first boy he named Tom, the second Dick and the third Harry. This particular trio is about as much talked about in the neighborhood as the noted Tom, Dick and Har ry of whom nearly even heard."—New York Times.

"In vain, in vain," cried the young man distractedly. His hair fell in long wisps about his brows, and his countenance was deathly white.

The crowd pressed close.
"In vain, in vain!" he cried again, with wringing of hands and gnashing

"What?" cried the crowd. "What is in vain?"
"The letter 'v!' " cried the young

The English hotel waiter belongs to a race which is slowly but surely be coming extinct and carries about him the melancholy aura of the doomed Every head waiter at a British inn has in him at least the making of a duke butler. No glimpse of avarice may the perfection of his monumental may

to accept your vail it is with something of the air of a discrowned king.-Lon-

GOOD HORSEMANSHIP. An Old Hunter's Illustration of the Gift of "Hands."

Your heart and your head keep up.
Your hands and your knees keep down.
Your knees keep close to your horse's
sides
And your eibows to your own.
This old bit of advice for the would

"The paint on this is bad, which spoils the likeness."

With no more expression in his countenance than is to be seen in the face of a representative of Buddha Baily's Magazine and declared to be perennially sound.

We quotes another old hunter on the countenance than the premium of the perennial to the perenni subject of what he calls "the divine gift of hands" in riding. This old hunter, John Darby, used to attach two pieces of twine to the back of an

ordinary chair and draw the same tighter until the chair balanced on its fore or hind legs, according to his own it in its movements at all would have caused a total loss of control over it

f You Would Look Well-hairpins, visible, invisible and ids.

In the opposite direction.

"And that," when the exhibition was concluded he would add, "is hands,

gentlemen."

Jogging to the covert, continues the writer, you may notice one fine horse, the owner fully equipped, throwing its head up and down like a pump handle, another sweating profusely, although the pace has not exceeded five miles an hour since it left the stable, and a third snorting and prancing about all

wer the place.
Why is this so? Simply because the rider of neither of them is possessed with the divine gift of "hands."

Inside and Outside. The following report was sent by a subordinate inspector to his chief in the telephone service. It concerned a faulty house connection: "Found wire with no outside outside.
Put inside wire outside and outside inside. Need more outside for inside."

Learning.
Wear your learning like a watch, in a private pocket, and do not pull it out and display it merely to show that you have one. If you are asked what o'clock it is, tell it, but do not proclaim it hourly or unasked, like the watch

The wrongdoer is never without pretext.—Italian Proverb.

Getting an "Old Man."
"Speaking of new men," said the boss of the skyseraper builders, with a twinkle, "comical faings happen even up here, the same as in a theater. Sometimes in rush seasons there ain't speak the said of enough hands to go round, and we enough hands to go round, and we have to take 'em green a the hills. I had one once, a kid from Vermont, a whale of a kid, with bones like a horse and eyes awful anxious to please—eyes that made you like him. He's one of the best men I've got now, but then he was green as God made him." The foreman stopped to chuckle.
"Go up to the eighteenth floor.' I

"'Go up to the eighteenth floor,' I told him one day, 'and bring down an old man.' I was busy at the time, and when I saw the kid stare I said kind of sharp that if that old man wasn't here in five minutes the whole blamed building would probably go to smash. This was just my way of making him hustle, but he thought I meant it word for word. He went up on the run, and in a few minutes he came down with

a sputtering, clawing old feller held like a vise in his arms. "'He was the only old man on the floor,' said the kid, 'and he wanted to

noor, said the kid, and he wanted to stop and argue about it, but from what you said I knew what it meant, so I just grabbed him and came."
"You see," the foreman added kind-ly, noting my puzzled expression, "an old man happens to be the name of a tool we use."—Everybody's Magazine.

Making Caricatures.

The way in which some artists can distort features without making them unrecognizable is certainly very re markable. Thomas Nast possessed markable. Thomas Nast possessed this faculty to an extraordinary degree, and he had a very peculiar way of adding new faces to his mental photograph gallery. When a fresh subject would arise in politics, for instance, he would invent some pretext to call upon him at his office or house and hold him in conversation as long and hold him in conversation as long as possible, studying his features. When he took his departure he would purposely leave his cane. Once outside, Nast would make a hasty penci sketch on a card and would usually find that his memory was deficient as to some detail. He would then return. ostensibly for the cane, and another look at the victim would enable him to perfect his sketch. After that he had the man forever. When Joe Keppler was alive he used to make frequent trips to Washington for the purpose of seeing statesmen whom he wanted to draw. He was very clever at catching likenesses and scarcely ever referred to a photograph.

A Wonderful Bird.

One day a wonderful bird tapped at the window of Mrs. Nansen's (wife of the famous arctic explorer) Christiania. Instantly the window was Christiania. Instantly the window was opened, and in another moment she covered the little messenger with kisses and caresses. The carrier pigeon had been away from the cottage thirty long months, but it had not forgotten the way home. It brought a note from Nansen, stating that all was reported with with him and bis expeditions. going well with him and his expedition in the polar region. Nansen had fastened a message to the bird and turned it The frail courier darted out into the blizzardly air. It flew like an other thousand miles of ocean and plains and forests and one morning entered the window of the waiting mistress and delivered the message

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