LIFE AND DEATH What's for the babe?
Why, mother's eyes, That beamed on him in Paradise. What's for the child?

With fays to skip
To taste the honeysuckles' lip—
The butterfly's companionship.

What's for the boy?

The haunted wold,
The squirrel's nest in leafy hold,
The rainbow's fabled pot of gold To dream of fame.

In shifting sand to write his name.
With sighs to fan a passion's flame.

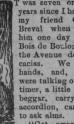
Whath for the sight to fine a passion of flame.

What's for the man?
Courage to beat
The load of wisdom and of care,
And some true heart its weight to share

And what's for age?

Pain's prison bars,
Comfort that every trifle mars,
Dimness and fear—and then the stars!
—George Horton, in Harper's Weekly.

A SPOT OF INK



"Oon't do that, replied Andre. You know nothing about this little vagabond. You will only be the dupe of your own charity."

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"He was not sympathetic; but he had good sense. However, I took no heed of his observations, but led the girl upstairs, warmed her by a good fire, and gave her some tea and biscuits. I let her sleep in my own bed, and I slept mayself on an old lounge in my-little ante-chamber."

"You did well, George!"

"He kady and the Big Gray Cat.

"Kindly assist me with this basket—careful, please!"

The speaker, a large, handsome womand, had just entered the depot. Diamonds bobbed playfully in her ears, and twisted a corner of her hideous hanker, when f rose, I found the child up and dressed. She bid me good-by, thanking me prettily, and I sens her away with a your room, don't you remember? Take

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"Could you?"

"Nothing easier. Our families are very intimate. Ghirolandi's friends are our friends."

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"Then I shall be delighted—to de-lighted—to accept. But what's the use, since I love without hope?"

"Who knows? Princess Olga is rather eccentric. She is, perhaps, capable of taking a fancy to you."

"Thanks—much obliged."

"Don't be vexed. Will you go with

"Yes, I will go."
Olga and her maternal grandfather, the immensely rich Orlando Ghirolandi, lived at Paris insa fine house on Rue de la Boetie. They moved in the most select circles and entertained with mag-

A SPOT OF INK

T was seven or eight years since I had seem my friend George Breval when I met him one day at the Bois de Botlogue, in the Avenue des Accacias. We shook hands, and, as we were talking over old times, a little Italian beggar, carrying an accordion, came up to ask alms.

"Get away with you?" cried George, with a brutality that shocked me me.

"Why, old fellow," I said, as the little girl ran oft confused and frightened, "You were not always so hard on the poor. It seems to me that we even thought you soft-bearted!"

"I said, as the little station have even thought you soft-bearted!"

"I had not seen life in those days," he answered, with a sardonic smile. "If know now that existence is a struggle for all classes. Besides, kindness is weakness, a morbid condition, a beginning of brain-softening. That is a scientific fact, a recognized fact, and for my part, I believe that kindness leads—"Leads to its 5-30 m reward?"

"Ob, nonsense!"

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She treated all remonstrances with membrances and such a strange object, and she had answered very thing to her grand-lather was reginning to turn yellow. One or two of her most intimate friends had wentured to ask her why she carried such a strange object, and she had answered very gravely: "Hush1 it has a history!"

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when frose, I found the child up and dressed. She bid me good-by, thanking me prettly, and I sent her away with a gold piece in her hand. But, after her departure, I found my room in bortille disorder. She had rummaged through everything. Worse that that, she had stolen one of my handkerchiefs."

"A handkerchief."

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"A hand loss, then. No! What of it? The theft had dreadful cesuits for me. My aunt came to Paris. She asked why I never used the handkerchief cox my for the handkerchief and property and refused to be pacified. She had embroidered for me. I grew embarrassed, hesitated, tried to explain and contradicted myself. She nissted that I had given it away. She grew angry and refused to be pacified. She died and disinherited me!"

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bottle and stained the handkerchief. Imagine my terror! I dressed myself hurriedly, hid the ink-stained object in my pocket, and, as soon as I heard you to let me go. Some months passed. My parents died, one of grief at having look me, the other by assassination from a political section. My grandfather was searching everywhere to find me, and he succeedad. Now, do you understand me?"

"Nes; but—"
But it remains for me to thank you for having saved my life, and to return your handkerchief, unless you will give it to me as a souvenir."
"Princess"." "Yes; but-

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"You may call me Olgn!"
But he did not avail himself of this permission. "I will give you the handkerchief," he said, as if he had not noticed her interruption. "I am happy to be able to gratify even a whim of one who has, 'all the gifts from all the heights,' When you marry you may send it buck to me."
"Have you not heard," she said impatiently, "that I shall marry no one, since the only man I would accept will never ask me?"
"Why will he not?" asked George, looking troubled.
"He thinks me too rich, I suppose. You know I am to have a dower of many millions."
"Then the offer ought to come from

"Maybe so."

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and a coin for the little Italian beggars.

And he has ceased to be a pessimist.—

From the French in the Voice.

Amusing Experience With a Squirrel.

"In Memphis," said Charles F. Elmire, of Union City, Tenn., "there is a little park called Court Square, situated in the center of the city. The parkkeeper told me that there were over 500 squirrels that made their nests in the big shady trees. They afford boundless amusement to the children and to the weary foot travelers who stop in the park to rest. One day last week I bought a bag of peanuls, and while I sat down on one of the seats eating them, the squirrels gathered around me like Amusing Experience With a Sanirrel.

"No, to a insatic aylum, or the poor house."

"Would you like a page from my own experience? Ten years ago, while was I atill in my teens, I was studying law, and lodged as you know on Rue Racine. One winter evening, when it was snowing, I was about to enter my home in company with Andre Filsac—do you remember him?"

"Perfectly. He used to carry tales at school, and he died of jaundled, didn't he, when one of his brothers fell hair to a fortune?"

"That's the man. Well, we were at the front door, when I saw a child jurging across the threshold, a little Italian like the one who begged just now with an accordion slung around her neck. She had fallen asleep on the snow, and the saw in duage of freezing to death. With the greatest difficulty we awoke her, and then she beggan to cry and said she was afraid to go back to her master. For as she had not the fifty sous her equired her to bring daily, she was sure he would beat her. There was no usely in word your own conting about taking the child up to my rooms."

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FOUR NEGROES LYNCHED.

They Had Murdered Two White Merchants on the Highway.

Defails of a quadruple lynching at Tazewell Court House, Va., are received. Two white men. A Ratcliff and Ben Shortridge, were waylaid Monday night and murdered. They were common merchants who had came to the town for goods, and were supposed to have money.

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Suspicion pointed to four negroes as being the murderers. Searching parties were
sent out. The first arrested was Jerry Brown
and after satisfactory evidence to his guilt
had been obtained a rope was placed about
his neck and he was scon dangling from a
tree. Later the other three, Spencer Branch,
John Johnston and Sam Ellerson, were arrested by the county officials and started for
the court house.

he court house.

News of the murder had reached Buchanand swung them up in short order.

BEYOND OUR BORDERS.

The striking bakers in Marseilles attacked the bread carts and bakeries, throwing the bread into the streets. A settlement of the strike followed.

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There was riot yesterday among the starving poor on the Thames embankment, London, because the police prevented them
from marching to the parliament buildings to display their poverty.

By an explosion of fire-damp in a mine at

Recklinghausen, Westphalia, 18 miners were killed and 17 injured.

Big Vote For Canada's Annexation. Big Vote For Canada's Annexation.

A big political meeting was held at Essex near Windsor, Ont., the other night to discuss the future of Canada. At the close of several speeches a vote was taken and resulted as follows: To remain in statu quo, 21; independence 12; imperial federation 3; political union with the United States 413.

-THE American ship Robert L. Belknap

from Hioga bound for New York, sank near the Na'unas Islands, but all hands reached shore in open boats. Pennsylvania Legislature.

Twelfith Day.—In the Senate among the bills introduced were: Mr. Markley—Tolischen mi k producers and venders and appoint milk and diary inspectors in cities of first and second classes. Mr. Ross—Giving the superintendent of the banking department additional powers, authorizing him to move promptly against delinquent banks, and ask for the appointment of a receiver, and prohibiting any foreign corporation to receive any deposit or transact any banking business until it shall have filed in the office of the superintendent of banking a certified copy of the statement required to be filed in the office of the secretary of the common-wealth. Mr. Woods—To prevent deception or fraud by owners or agents having control of any stallion kept for service by prelaming or publishing or fraudulent specialism of the house was not in session.

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The fraue proportion of the senate a resolution offered by Penrose for the appointment of three senators and six members of the house to consider majority and minority reports of the quarantine commission appointed to select a site for the establishment of a quarantine station on the relevant submitted a communication in connection with three reports in which he urged speedy action to prevent the cholera from obtaining a foothold in this state. Losch's concurrent pension resolution passed the proposition of the state in cases of those of two years and the during vidence of testacy made in orphans' courts prior to act of May, 1839. Further defining evidence of testacy made in orphans' courts prior t

In the House, Lytle, Mates, Fuller, skinner and Thornton were announced as the committee by Speaker Thompson to investigate the charges against State Printer Meyers.

Bills were introduced: Seyfert, Lancaster, amending the marriage license act so as to give notaties public the same right as justices of the peace relative to the taking of coths. Boyer, Philadelphia, increasing the compensation of electors to 8x a day and proyability of the county or municipal efficients.

FORTHERTH DAY.—In the Senate to-day bills were reported as follows: Making Lawrence and Jefferson counties separate judicial distriets; appropriating \$185,000 for the re-equipment of the National Guard and \$800,000 each for the next two years for its maintenance, providing for the exection of \$8500 each for the next two years for its maintenance, providing for the exection of \$8500 each for the next two years for its maintenance, providing for the exection of \$8500 each for the next two years for its maintenance, providing for the exection of \$8500 each for the next two years for its maintenance, providing for the exection of \$8500 each for the next two years for its maintenance, providing for appointment of game commissioners, and authorizing these officers to appoint game wardens.

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A communication was received from the Governor, announcing that he had signed the Ohio River-Lake Erie ship canal resolution. The House devoted most of the session to the discussion of an amendment and signed the Ohio River-Lake Erie ship canal resolution. The house devoted most of the session to the discussion of an amendment and season that the self-and providing for the lecensing of lying in-hospitals. The amendment and self-and the same right in the wife selate, as the wife has in the husband's estate, in case of contested wills. Mr. Cotton, Allegheny—To give women the right of suffrage. Mr. Talbot.

DUKAN

FIFTERTH DAY.—In the Senate to-day the following bills were reported favorably: Providing for printing 2500 copies of the revised, corrected proceedings of the late extra session of the Senate to members of Legislature, to authorize issuing of certificates of authority to insurfance associations, known as Lloyds; appropriating \$55,000 for the improvement and repair of the banks and channel of 0fl Creek, damaged by the flood of 1802; providing for a State Board of Undertakers.

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The following bills were introduced: Baker. Delaware—Preparing a large number of amendments to the Ballot Reform law, to better effect the purpose of the act; providing further regulations for safety of persons employed in mercantile and manufacturing establishments. Herring, Columbia—Providing and Pennsylvan et al. Herring, Columbia—Providing expenses of directors and county commissioners; conferring on purchasers of property of manufacturing corporations the rights and franchises of the latter; providing that liquor license fees may be paid into the proper local treasuries; empowering boroughs and cities to establish a police pension fund. Two of Senator Neeb's bills passed the Senate on second reading. The first prohibits members of the Senate of Control in cities of the second class from holding any office of emolument or being employed by said boards. The other provides for physical culture in the public schools of the cities of the first and second class. Mr. Neeb's bill establishing a police pension fund passed finally. Tuesday evening was fixed for delivery of enlogies on James G. Blaine. The Senate then adjourned until 9 p. m. Monday.

A bill was introduced in the House to-day by Representative Marshall, of Aliepheny, providing for the health, safety an i comfort of the state. The bill provides that the operator or superintendent of every bituminous coal mine, of a scroll of not less than 100 feet climinates the liability clause and limits the number of men in a shaft to a hundred. The Gorman bill accept that it reports the minimum amount of air to 100 feet

The most remarkable labor strike of which there is any account in the annals of labor disturbances is that in Manchester, the principal cotton manufacturing center in England. It is not a contest regarding wages nor the hours of labor. It is not a contest for the recognition of the labor unions. From the best accounts it appears to be a mere holday season for the capitalists owning the factories and for the employes whose savings enable them to lay off for a while without suffering for want of food and other comforts of life. It is said in a report from the scene of the strike in Lancashire that a five minute's conference between the employers and the employers might settle the whole affair. But neither side wants to settle it. Neither side makes any complaint, has specified any wrong nor demands any redress. The employes will not make any demand which the employers are not ready to grant. The demands and concessions would correspond with each other.

Early in the present year there was a great demand for content year in the



A MINE EXPLOSION.

TWO MEN FATALLY INJURED AND SEVEN OTHERS SEVERELY BURNED.

WILKESBARRE,—An explosion occurred in Conygham shaft Friday. Nine men were veverely burned and two of them will die. The injured are: Thomas Dolan, married; Edward Ward, single; M. Ramsey, single: Samuel Fausett, married; P. Mohan, married; Thomas Keenan, driver boy; William Johnson, married.
Two others, John Morgan and James Hopkins, are fatally burned and cannot recover. It is said that the accident was due to leaving one of the main doors open in a gangway road. This caused an accumulation of gas, which became ignited from the naked lamps in the hats of the miners.

AN AWFUL FATE.

A LAMP EXPLODES AND TWO LITTLE GIBLS ARE BURNED TO DEATH.

A LAW EXPLODES AND TWO LITTLE GIBLE ARE BUNNED TO DEATH.

HOLIDAY, SIGNE.—A horrible accident occurred in Woodbury township, this county, Saturday evening by which two little children were cremated. Albert Glass and his wife had gone to call on a neighbors's family about a mile distant, leaving their two children, aged about 10 and 7 years, respectively, alone in the house. A short time after the parents bad caparted a glass coalcillamp which was sitting upon the kitchen table was pulled over by the little girls and it exploded, throwing the burning oil over their clothing and setting fire to the house. The children were burned to death before help could reach them from the next farm and the house was reduced to a pile of ashes.

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E. F. ACHESON ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE STATE ASSOCIATION.

HARRISBURG.—At the twenty-fifth annual meeting of the State Editorial Association here, E. F. Acheson, of Wasnington, was elected president; H. L. Taggart, of Philadelphia, Lucius Rodgers, of McKean and J. W. Malory, of Carbon, vice-presidents; R. H. Thomas, of Cumberland, secretary and treasurer and Mrs. J. W. Staffer, of Lancaster, corresponding secretary. The Executive Committee Committee

SMOTHERED BY WRAPS.

A CARFUL MOTHER PROTECTS HER BABE TOO
WELL PROM THE WINTHY WINDS.
BRAVER FALLS.—Mrs. Allmeyer, a German
woman, and her 4 months-oid baby, with a
Mrs. Snyder, left here in a sleigh to return
to their home near Elwood. The baby was
wrapped warmly to protect it from the cold,
and as they were passing through Eastvale,
Mrs. Altmyer remarked that the child was
unusually quiet. Unwrapping it she found
the infant dead smothered by its wraps.

RELICS OF THE COLD SNAT.

QUALL in many parts of the State were so weakened by the cold and the lack of food that they were caught by hand.

For the first time in more than 20 years the swift water of the Shenango at New Castle were completely frozen up.

Ar some places in the Susquehanna the ice is said to be packed and trozen to a depth of 40 feet.

A DEER, driven from the mountains by the deep snow, was killed by a locomotive on the Pennsylvania Railroad near New Florence.

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Ssow has now covered the ground for 39 days and the farmers are predicting a big crop of wheat.

Brockwarville, in Jefferson county, reports the thermometer down to 22° below zero. This is about the lowest in Western Pennsylvania.

STUDENTS TAKE A TOWN.

Bellefonte.—Last Saturday night about two dozen students from the State College went on a racket to Pine Grove Mills. Aftes terrorizing half the town, they invaded the Methodist Church, broke up a religious meeting and sent the people home paniostricken. A suffocating powder was thrown around, and some of the worshipers had to be carried home because of the loss of consciousness. None of the students were recognized, The trustees will endeavor to bunt down and punish the perpetrators.

GOT ONE-FIFTH OF HIS CLAIM, GOT ONE-FIFTH OF HIS CLAIM,
HOLIDAYSBURG.—In the case of J. H. Wallace vs. the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, a jury awarded plaintiff \$4,000 damages, The Fennsylvania while straightening
its main line below Tyrone in 1891, removed
a limestone mountain. Plaintiff had been
selling the ore on this mountain to Carnegie
& Co., of Pittsburg. In his suit he asked for
\$20,000 damages.

A BIG FIRE IN ALTOONA. A RIG FIRE IN ALTOONA.

ALTOONA.—Woodcock's Arcade, a fourstory brick building on Eleventh avenue, was damaged \$40,000 by fire of an incendiary origin, insured for about one-third.

Among the other losers are Frederick Hesser, dry goods; J. Kramer, wall paper and
dry goods; Lewine and Stuger, wholesale
dry goods; the World's Museum and six private families. The goods of these were
worth about \$75,000 and were badly damaged by water.

KILLED ON HIS WEDDING DAY.

At Shamokin, a huge icicle fell 600 feet and struck George Betz, who was at the bot-tom of Nelson shaft, inflicting fatal injuries.

A FARMERS' institute will be held at Cannsburg, February 3.

New Castlé has had 32 fires in two weeks, all believed to be incendiary.

The eleven Western Union Telegraph line-men tried last week for breaking the Sab-bath by repairing the line on that day, were convicted Monday and sentenced to pay a fine of \$4 and costs. The Justice's decision states that the work in regard to the wires was necessary, but that other work, such as digging trenches, was done, that might have been done at another time.

By the discharge of his gun while he was climbing a fence, Simon Browse, a farmer of selin's Grove, lost his life.

Bersy McCunpy, living near Greensburg, supposed to be poor, died the other day, and in her home a tin can containing \$1,200 was found, with other valuables.

JAMES WILLIAMS, aged 12 years, a son of Jsaac Williams, was kicked on the head by a vicious horse near Ohio Pyle and had his skull fractured. It is feared he will die.

A MINER named Joseph Pilgrim, of Clairidge had his neck broken by a fall of slate. His recovery is out of the question.

Boy (on a bridge)—Say, mister, if you don't look out you'll be fined. Teamster—Why will I? Boy—That sign says "walk your horses," don't it? Teamster—Jesso. Boy—Well, yours are standing still.—Street &