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FREE LAND, PA., APRIL 5, 1894.

The spring trade will soon be opening up and the merchant who advertises will undoubtedly get the most of it.

Elder Ephraim Wilcox is digging a cave near Black River Falls, Wis., in which he hopes to be saved when his neighbors shall be destroyed by an overwhelming disaster, which he thinks is about due.

According to the New Orleans Picayune, alien companies and individuals own 2,200,000 acres of unimproved lands in Louisiana. Some individuals own as much as 100,000 acres, while tracts of from 20,000 to 90,000 acres are not uncommon.

There are forty British warships lying idle in home harbors for want of men to man them. There is a dearth of both artificers and seamen and the scarcity of competent engineers is considered alarming.

By declining the appointment of United States senator from Georgia, Speaker Crisp has done a signal service not merely to the Democratic party but to the country.

If the Democratic senators will do less talking and more voting on the Wilson bill they will receive the unanimous thanks of the country and especially those of its Democratic citizens.

The Tribune is sorry to give disappointment at any time to any of its readers, but we have no excuse to offer the correspondent who writes to know why we do not publish the proceedings of a certain famous trial now before the courts.

When extreme nervous tension has given you an excruciating headache, take a dose or two of Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills, and you will soon be well.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Drifton, Pa., April 3, 1894. At this season, when the air is full of the smell of burning brush and fires are blackening our hillsides, already grown so bare, it is well to call attention to the fact that the firing of our wild lands, thereby destroying the young timber, is a crime punishable by law.

It is hereby enacted, etc., That any person or persons who shall intentionally set fire to said lands shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding \$500 nor less than \$50, or shall be confined in the county prison for a term not exceeding one year nor less than thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the court, on conviction at any of the courts of this commonwealth.

In section 1, page 1316 of laws of 1870: It is hereby enacted, etc., That it shall be the duty of the commissioners of the several counties of this commonwealth to appoint persons under oath, whose duty it shall be to ferret out and bring to punishment all persons, who either willful or otherwise cause the burning of timber lands, to take measures to have such fires extinguished where it can be done; and the expenses thereof to be paid out of the county treasury, the unseated land tax to be the first to be applied to such expense.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted, etc., That any person or persons who shall wantonly and willfully kindle any fire on the lands of another, so as to set on fire any wood lands, barren or moors, within the limits of this commonwealth, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding \$300, and unless imprisonment not exceeding twelve months, or either or both, at the discretion of the court; and prosecution for such offenses may be commenced at any time within two years from the commission thereof.

Every one mindful of the true interest of our country must regard with displeasure the great and irreparable injury that year by year is caused by the carelessness and love of mischief of thoughtless and ignorant men and boys. The poor covering that is still left on the hills of our neighborhood is yet most useful in hindering the ground from becoming entirely dry.

From the Wilkes-Barre Newsdealer. From the way matters are shaping, the contest for the Republican congressional nomination is going to be warmer and more interesting than for many years past. Morgan Williams is very earnest in his desire to represent this district, and in many respects he will be a strong competitor.

With this situation before us, it would appear that Williams' chances are by far the best. He represents a nationality whose claims cannot be ignored. He will, too, be the only Welshman looking for any of the important places and as they must be placated, this alone is sufficiently potent to secure his nomination.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment.

Writers of comic plays are said to have, as a rule, a very good conceit of themselves. But one of them objected, nevertheless, when an ardent admirer compared him with Shakespeare. "You mustn't do that!" said the dramatist.

Great Progress. Auntie—Are you learning to skate, May? May—Yes'm; and I'm doing very well. I've got along far enough not to cry any more when I fall down.—Harper's Young People.

LAWS OF GRAVITATION.

The Professor Tells a Story Showing That They Can't Be Trifled With. "No, young gentlemen," said the professor, fondly toying as he spoke with the strings of the Atwood's machine, "no man cannot trifle with the laws of gravitation. I once had this brought very forcibly to my notice; yes, very forcibly. The story of the occurrence may be of value to the class as an illustration. I was camping one summer at the mouth of a trout stream on Lake Superior. One day I went up the trail with my rod, but meeting with no success, started back down stream. I should say that the trail ran parallel to the stream for several miles, crossing it once about half a mile from the mouth by a log bridge.

It is very interesting to see the little tots with their aprons full of brightly colored eggs. There is another pretty way. Have the colored eggs just the same, but make a nest and have Biddie sitting on it. To do this, take a round box, cover with white-faircloth tissue paper, line neatly, have a cover just to fit, make a white tissue paper hen and stuff with a little cotton wadding. Glue her to the top and fill in all around her with fringed tissue paper. Paint her comb red, her bill yellow. On Easter morning set her on the breakfast table, and hear what shouts the children will give when told to lift Biddie off and see if she has laid them an egg.

In a number of Sunday-schools last year colored eggs were given to each child in the infant department, and they pleased wonderfully. These eggs should be hard boiled, so that if by accident one should be broken no harm will be done to clothing or furniture.

AN ALPHABET PARTY. Unique Entertainment in Honor of a Child's First Steps in Learning. A children's party that will be given for the first time in this country is being arranged by the wife of one of the Central American ministers to the United States.

As soon as a little boy or girl has mastered the alphabet thoroughly the party occurs to celebrate the child's accomplishment. The table is decorated with pretty boxes and souvenirs for the little guests which are always made at home. The little cakes have letters in frosting or are made in the shape of A B C's, and the alphabet figures in all sorts of devices.

The little hero or heroine has to convince the guests that he is master of the letters, and then comes the interesting event of the occasion. There is a little balloon at hand waiting. The little alphabet book out of which the tiny senior or seniorita has learned the letters is shut up in the balloon or tied to it, and the balloon is then set a-flying, and if the alphabet is thoroughly mastered the balloon will bear the book far away, and that's the last the little son or daughter is supposed to need of it.

The children themselves are in a hurry for their alphabet parties, and the mothers, of course, delight to get ahead of other mothers even by a few weeks.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Engle Caught by a Dog. An Oregon farmer was returning from meeting one Sunday morning when his dog started in pursuit of something on the other side of a wire fence inclosing a pear orchard. The farmer jumped over the fence and, to his surprise, saw an eagle just spreading its wings to fly. The dog immediately fastened on to the bird's leg and the farmer seized it around the neck. For a few minutes there was a tremendous scuffle, but the bird was finally scented or choked into submission and its legs and wings tied with a section of the wire fence. Then the farmer carried his capture home, put it in a cage and now proudly exhibits it.

Too Much of an Invitation. Mrs. S. was extremely busy one morning when her little boy appeared in the kitchen and asked for something to eat. He seemed content with her "Yes, in a minute," and went back to his play. About ten minutes later she hurriedly hunted up one of his favorite cold cakes, and calling him, said: "Here, take this and go to Mrs. B's and tell her that I would like to have her take tea with us at six o'clock to-night." The child trotted off obediently, and, though it was some distance up the street, he soon came back, and, gravely returning the cold griddle cake to his horrified mother, said: "She didn't want this, but she says she'll come."

A Particular Doll. Kittle—My new doll has been very naughty. Louie—What's the matter? Kittle—Well, I don't think she likes to be called Mary Ann Jane, after the cook and nurse.—Harper's Young People.

EASTER CUSTOMS.

Some That Will Please the Little Ones of Every Family. Among the customs observed at Easter by some families, a very pretty one, where there are a number of children, is the "Egg hunt." For this purpose mamma or aunt colors two or three dozen eggs—pink, green, yellow, blue, etc.—and the night before Easter hides five or six for each child, anywhere, everywhere, in all sorts of places. In the morning the children start out on their hunt. When each child has found its number, it stops, while the others still hunt on. This gives the children a great deal of pleasure, and



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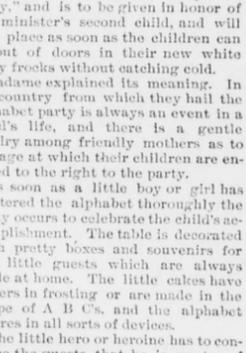
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THE SUGAR PALM. A South American Tree Which Produces Lots of Sap. The sugar maple of New England has a rival.

It grows in the Andes of Chili at a height of from 3,000 to 4,500 feet above the sea. It is a curious variety of that most useful, wonderful tree, the palm, whose varieties also give us dates, and coconuts, and fan palms.

This palm is not slim and graceful like most kinds we see in tropical pictures. It is about fifty feet tall, with a very thick trunk, enlarging in diameter from the ground up to about half its height, and then tapering again to the top, where its long leaves spread out.

These sugar palms produce great quantities of sweet sap, which, when boiled down, makes both molasses and sugar of a peculiar but delicious flavor. On one estate the trees grew in such numbers that once it was determined



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A good tree will yield nearly 100 gallons of sap. A very queer thing is the fact that the sap will not run if the tree lies with its head downwards. It will only run upwards.—St. Louis Republic.

Little Nelly Was Obedient. Little Nelly, while at the sea-shore with her mother, was very fond of making calls upon some ladies in a neighboring cottage, and the frequency with which she would bring home little presents of cards and pictures, etc., led her mother to fear that she might be in the habit of asking for these things. She therefore gave the child strict orders never to do such a thing. The next day Nelly returned from her visit laden down with pretty odds and ends of various sorts, and when her mother called her and asked her severely if she had asked for these things, she replied, with conscious virtue:

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COLD BOILING WATER.

At High Altitudes It Is Not Hot Enough to Cook Potatoes. "Cold boiling water, indeed! Boiling water is the hottest kind of thing. Don't I know? Haven't I scalded my fingers more than once with water from the teakettle?" James is right, and yet he is wrong. Boiling water is not always very hot water, in spite of his painful experience.

This is the way it happens. When water boils ordinarily it is because great heat has separated the tiny particles of the water, forcing upward and outward in lively bubbles the air which is contained in them. This is done in spite of the downward pressure of the atmosphere. After the water has become hot enough to boil it can get no hotter, because the air escapes as fast as it is sufficiently heated to do so.

There are places on the earth where the pressure of the atmosphere upon the water is so slight that it requires but little heat to push apart the particles and set free the air bubbles, which are confined in the water, so it begins to boil before it becomes very hot. It ought hardly to be called cold water, perhaps, but it is certainly far from being as hot as ordinary boiling water. This state of things is found on all high mountain tops, as the atmosphere grows weaker and its pressure less as one ascends.

A gentleman traveling at a great elevation in the Andes mountains put some potatoes in a pot of water over a hot fire, according to the New Orleans Times-Democrat. The water began to boil almost immediately, but the potatoes did not cook. All the afternoon and all night the water bubbled and boiled, but still the potatoes were not cooked. The boiling water was not hot enough.

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JOHN C. BERNER'S SPRING ANNOUNCEMENT!

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We add daily to our now immense stock. Best apron gingham, 5c; dress gingham, 6c; Outing flannels, 7c; dark dress calicoes, 5c; best blue calicoes, 6c. Blankets reduced; a \$9 all-wool blanket for \$7; an \$8 all-wool blanket for \$6; a \$7 all-wool blanket for \$5; blankets as low as 79c. Comfortables and quilts reduced \$1.45 to \$1; quilts as low as 45c. Our dress goods department is full of valuable goods, all shades and prices. All woolen cloths at and below cost. Chenille curtains, \$3.99, worth \$5; lace curtains, 70c to \$9 per pair. Ladies' muslin underwear, the finest assortment ever shown in this town.

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