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Charlevoix County Probate Court.

(By Judge of Probate J. M. Harris.)

During the campaign just passed the following criticisms of the Probate Judge's office were made by the East Jordan Enterprise and extensively circulated throughout the county, and it may be that individuals other than the editor of the paper are curious to know the facts relative to the administration of this important office. The criticisms were as follows:

1. During Judge Stroud's administration the salary of the office was Six Hundred dollars, and that now it is Five Hundred.

2. That I drew One Hundred dollars a month from the County for four days work.

3. That Judge Stroud never had any allowance for clerk hire, while the present administration had drawn in one year something like Fifty dollars for clerk hire.

I did not reply to these criticisms in any public way during the campaign for the reason that I felt that anything that might be said would be taken as coming from me at that time with a purpose of placing myself in as favorable a light as possible for my own advantage in the campaign.

The affairs of the Probate office are too important, and so little is known of the details by the taxpayers generally of the county and the public at large, and often by the practicing attorneys that it is easy, in my opinion, to create a more erroneous impression in the public mind relative to the administration of this office than now exists.

I also believe it to be true that there is no public office in the county which the correct administration of its affairs means so much to so many people as does the administration of the affairs in Probate Court. The Probate Court differs from all other Courts in our system of jurisprudence in this, that the great bulk of the matters are decided without the aid and assistance of discussions by legal counsel. In fact, most of the legal papers are drafted by the Court itself and passed upon by him, and the individuals with any kind of interests at stake in Probate Court nearly always leave the entire disposition of these interests to the Court itself. And so little of Probate Court business has been done by practicing attorneys in the newer counties of Michigan that the attorneys themselves have not kept posted in Probate practice; and no matter how genial and accommodating the Probate Judge may be it is quite possible for him to make an error in the administration of any estate, which for the time being, will not be known to himself or to others whom it affects until long years after when the error may show up affecting valuable rights, and oftentimes does this occur after it is too late to correct the error. I make this statement because I have in mind, coming under my own knowledge, divers cases of this character as well as many others where the errors have had to be corrected by proceedings taken later.

In the newer counties there have been times in the earlier history of the county when the pioneer has died and has been buried that has been all that there has been of it. So we find that in the earlier history of this county the Probate office has been regarded first as a nominal affair, the duties of which anyone could perform as well as another, and carrying with it merely a nominal compensation. Later as the county grew the business of the Probate office has increased; the residents of the county have cleared up farms, and have succeeded in a business, industrial and professional way in accumulating a little property, which in nine cases out of ten, upon their death must be administered and distributed through the Probate Court. This has continued until in Charlevoix County at present it has become, as is above stated, a very important part of the judicial system of the County, peculiar in itself, and carrying with it a great responsibility in many ways to the man who administers its affairs.

My reply to the several criticisms of the Enterprise is made not that I, any more than any other citizen, may be particularly benefited by it, but that the actual conditions may be understood and appreciated by the public who support the office.

To the first criticism the answer is; The criticism was, no doubt, aimed at the Board of Supervisors for paying so high a salary, but the Board of Supervisors have no control over the salary within certain limits; the salary is fixed by state law, and a minimum

amount is fixed, based upon the population of the different counties. From 1892 to 1894 the population of this county was less than Ten Thousand and the salary was then Six Hundred dollars. The census of 1894 showed an increase in population to between 11,000 and 12,000, and the salary from that time on was \$750.00 per year, and an amendment was made to the state law by a recent act of the legislature changing the basis of fixing the salaries, and the effect of the change of the law was to fix the nominal amount of the salary for this county at \$900.00.

The census of 1900 showed the population of the county to be 14,000 but this did not affect the salary. The census taken in June, 1904, showed the population of the county to be approximately 16,500, which made the minimum amount of salary \$1200.00. The Board of Supervisors of this county have never given the Probate Judge more than the minimum salary allowed by law.

To the second criticism my reply is that evidently the author of this criticism knows as little about the affairs of the Probate Court as any other man, woman or child in the County, or he would not have made this criticism, assuming that the criticisms are all honestly made. During my term of office I have appointed each Monday a regular day of holding Probate Court, and no other Probate Judge had, up to that time, found it necessary to regularly hold a term of Court every Monday, but the regular terms were fixed at the first Monday in the month. The reason for this, no doubt, is the increased business in the Probate office. Aside from holding Court at Charlevoix on these regular days, my office at Boyne City is always open for the transaction of Probate business, and there have been but few days in any week in my present term in which Probate business has not been transacted at my office. In fact, all of the territory contiguous to Boyne City and east of here do their probate work in the office at Boyne City on other days than Monday, and much of this work relating to the filing of petitions, making out accounts, and other things is done by competent help in my office, paid by me individually, and whether I am present or not. And further, when the \$600.00 salary was paid the assessed valuation of the county did not exceed Two Millions, while now the assessed valuation is Five and a half Millions, nearly. This means not only that we have more estates to administer, but that the estates are larger and much more responsibility is attached to the business now than at that time. And also the duties of the Probate Court have been increased materially since then. The Probate Judge is given more work

under the Draft Law, The Inheritance Tax Law, and the Board of Election Commissioners that I now recall. To the third criticism my reply is this: That it is necessary that the Probate Judge have a clerk present in the Probate office on regular court days at least to secure the proper filing of papers and the proper recording of the same. This is a very important matter, and I believe I can fearlessly say that this matter has been properly attended to during my term of office, and that any inquiry addressed to the Probate office for information that is on file there can be promptly found, and if it relates to any proceedings during my administration that full and complete information can be given promptly from the records of the office. My experience is that this can only be done, in the present volume of business, with the assistance of a Probate Clerk to properly care for the papers and record the same. But my critic seems to think that if this were true that I should bear that expense. It should be borne in mind that the Probate Judge is serving at a minimum salary and that he ought not to be required to employ such additional help as is necessary with his own efforts to the proper conduct of the office, and if this were not a justification then I would add that at my own expense in my Boyne City office that I have a competent assistant as well as stenographer which enables me to do promptly and correctly much more business than can be done by any individual himself. This also is paid by me. In addition to that, certain fees allowed by law for copies of papers are rightfully the perquisites of the office, and when these perquisites are chargeable to the county, as is true in all insane cases as well as in many other matters, I have never secured these fees from the county, and about the time the criticism was made, in two cases then pending in my Court, I figured up these fees and found that they amounted to Eleven dollars in the

two cases, under a strict interpretation of the statute. I have always felt that I ought not to charge these because in a sense I was employed and paid by the people of the county on a salary basis. Other Judges of Probate in other counties charge these fees lawfully and receive them from the county, so I am informed by the Judges themselves. In addition to that, since being elected to this office I have tried to equip myself for the performance of the duties as well as possible, taking advantage of all means to properly inform myself, and one very efficient source of valuable information which ought to at least reflect itself in the work of the Probate office, and I believe does, is the State Association of Probate Judges. I have never failed to attend a meeting of the Association since assuming the duties of this office, spending my own time and paying my own expenses, while in several counties of the state the counties think it worth their while to pay the necessary expense of their Probate Judge while attending these meetings. In connection with my law practice it often happens that I incur expenses for clients amounting to several hundred dollars upon my own judgment. I have tried to treat the county in the same way; I believe that the expense of clerk hire is a legitimate charge against the county, that it is equitable, and that it is the duty of the county to pay it, and in presenting the bill to the Board of Supervisors I have made the same representation to the Board of Supervisors that I make here, and the Board have thought that it was right and politic to do it.

I still believe it is a righteous charge, and will continue to present the matter to the Board from time to time, and while I cannot in an article of this character explain all of the things that I would like to explain, anyone who is interested enough to go into a further discussion of the affairs of the Probate office with me I shall be glad at any time to give them my time and attention, and show them anything and everything pertaining to the office, whether they may know about it or not.

And I might add that the same critic also says that I had held office in the county for eight years, and that I am not willing to retire, and that it is time to retire me. I have only this thought in reply to that, and that is, that in many of the older counties where the business of the Probate office becomes important as the wealth and population of the county increases they are retaining competent Probate Judges in office from term to term; several Judges of my acquaintance are now serving from their fourth term up. I believe that every man is entitled to fill an office just as long as his conduct with the office make it profitable for the people to keep him there, and I do not now know whether it may be to my interest to fill out the succeeding term that I have been elected to, or whether I shall ever consider it profitable to be a candidate for this or any other office in the future, but whether I do or not, I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office along the lines that I think are lawful and right, and in the future to accept this or any other office to which the people may see fit to elect me, and in my judgment is to my advantage to accept.

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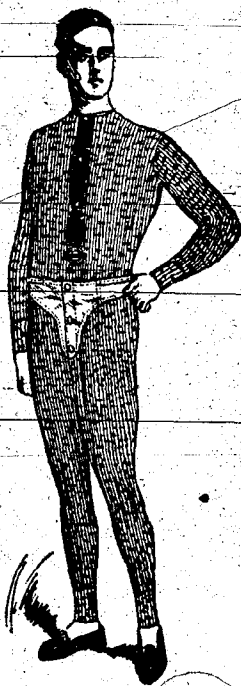
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A New York policeman inadvertently arrested his wife for drunkenness. Trouble brewing.

Andrew Carnegie is a sufferer from lumbago. Has he ever tried a poor man's plaster for it?

The standing army of the Panama republic has been reduced to twenty-five men—all generals, of course.

Those Turkish troops that are demanding their pay must seem to the sultan to be sadly lacking in patriotism.

Cupid, after seeing the average married couple safely through the honeymoon, goes off on a long vacation.

The minister who thought he would be "more useful" if he fasted forty days has now no utility at all. He is dead.

Mme. Emma Eames is said to be as "coldly lovely" as ever. The description somehow reminds one of ice cream.

That American heiress who refused to pay \$70,000 for a count may have reasoned that this was an overcharge of \$69,999.70.

Paul Kruger left a fortune of nearly \$4,000,000. John Bull must admit now that the war in South Africa was in a sense a failure.

When a child with one twisted foot is thankful the other is straight, the grouch pessimist should try to escape from himself.

A slim attendance is reported for the New York horse show. The women couldn't have been a very attractive lot this time.

The French sardine crop is a failure this year. No matter. It will cost no more to put a French label on the Maine sardines.

The football season is ended for this year. Now if they will please quit raising the price of meat good cheer may be expected to prevail.

That Pennsylvania man who married a widow after a platonic friendship of twenty-five years must now admit that the elder Weller was right.

This sudden thrusting of the zemstvos into public notice is causing a great many busy people to drop everything and run to their cyclopedias.

"Every mail brings Nan Patterson offers of marriage." And still there are people who affected not to believe in Max Nordau's theory of degeneration.

From the revelations in the matter of the failure of a "women's broker" it would seem that the sucker that is born every minute has a dear little twin sister.

The people of New York might pay off their public debt by holding court in Madison Square Garden and charging admission the next time a chorus girl is tried for murder.

A scientist says that pumpkin pie is filled with microbes. That is better than having the microbes filled with pumpkin pie, for there wouldn't be any left for the rest of us.

John W. Gates was in an automobile accident in New York the other day. The car upset and the chauffeur was seriously hurt. Nothing happened to Gates. Nothing ever does.

A Philadelphia society girl actress has gone to work as a cook. There are a battalion of other society girl actresses who, if they can't cook at all, can at least cook as well as they can act.

The letters of Queen Victoria are to be published, after being edited by friends of the royal family. We have no doubt that it will be quite safe to place the book in the hands of young girls.

Bulletin No. 1 of the National Mosquito Extermination Society has just been issued. Evidently the society believes it will be necessary to work overtime if the mosquitoes are ever to be exterminated.

The beauty editor of the Chicago Record-Herald says a mother should always encourage her daughter to consult the mirror frequently. Most mothers will not find that this duty makes life unduly strenuous.

A run on a Cleveland bank was stopped the other day by the arrival of an automobile at the bank loaded with money for the depositors. Under such circumstances the driver might be excused for violating the speed limit.

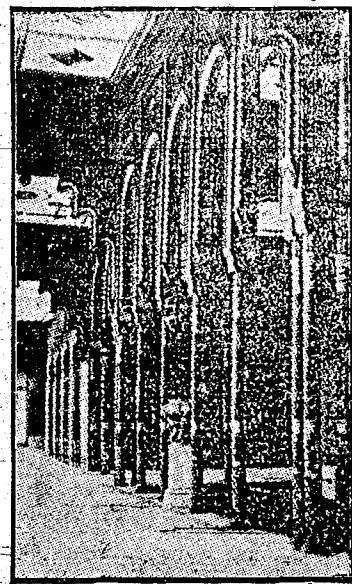
A Pennsylvania cow licked up the contents of a two gallon can of green paint the other day and to the delight of her owner lived. She was probably trying to color her interior in accordance with the modern freak idea of animal painting.

Tombs of Egypt's Kings

(Special Correspondence.)

Making an early start, we left the little town of Luxor and its majestic old ruined temples which are all that is left to mark the place where ancient Thebes with its hundred gates flourished in the height of its glory 2,000 years before the Christian era. Crossing the grand old Nile in native boats, we found our donkeys and attendant Arabs in waiting on the banks to take us to that place of mysteries, the graves of the kings that ruled Egypt when the world's civilization was young. After the bickering, scolding and stronger language that is the rule with the donkey boys was satisfactorily concluded, we finally mounted our little beasts and started on our way over the hot sands to the Libyan mountains. After a jaunt of perhaps three-quarters of an hour, during which our sober donkey ride of the beginning resolved itself into an exciting race, we made our first stop at the Temple of Koonch. This is an old ruin consisting of three rooms, with walls covered with Egyptian hieroglyphics and the whole fronted by a row of eight fluted columns. It is in a fair state of preservation, and said to be a Ptolemaic structure. Forty minutes more through the Valley of Bab-el-Malook brought us to the desolate, verdureless mountains in which the tombs are situated. We visited those of Rameses, third, fourth, sixth and ninth, section 1, with its long approach of stone steps beautifully hewn from the rock, and, to crown all, that of Amenaphis the Great, discovered only about four years since. All of these burial chambers are magnificent specimens of the grandeur of the final resting places of those mighty kings, but that of Amenaphis is by far the finest of them, and I will try to give a faint idea of its awe-inspiring dignity and magnificence.

number of pieces. It is more than sixty feet in length, made of red granite, and weighs 900 tons. It was brought from the quarries of Syene, but how no one knows. It was beyond doubt the finest statue of this king found in Egypt. The few columns still standing, with their capitals representing the papyrus flower, speak much of the beauty that prevailed in those long-forgotten years. Other scenes on the walls show the capture of a town by use of ladders. The Memnon looks rather dilapidated, but its mate is in a fine state of preservation, and sits there looking over the splendid reach of fertile country between it and the noble river, just as in the long ago. An hour's ride took us back to the Nile, where backsheesh was demanded and paid, and, recrossing the river,



Palace of Gezeenah.

we slept again under the shadow of the columns of the fine temple of Luxor.

Independence for Norway.

The family and friends of Ibsen having decided to publish Ibsen's correspondence with the leading literary men of his time, we get in the French reviews two interesting series of these unpublished letters, says the Review of Reviews. Among the most important are those to Bjornstjerne Bjornson, now published in La Revue. They cover the years 1865-67, when Ibsen was in Rome, and the years 1884-85. In the first letter from Rome, dated Jan. 25, 1865, Ibsen is concerned about the independence of Norway. He says: "When you write, give me your opinion of home affairs. What course ought to be followed in Norway? What can the leaders do with the present generation? You will reassure me. I do not forget that you are full of hope, but I should be happy to know on what your confidence is based. It often seems unlikely to me that we shall disappear. I state may be destroyed, but not a nation. ... But even if we do lose our independence and have our territories taken from us, we shall still exist as a nation. The Jews were a state and a nation. The state is destroyed, but there still remains a Jewish nation. I believe that all that is best in us will continue to be provided that the national soul is strong enough to grow under misfortune. Ah! if I only had faith, confidence!"

Phonograph Takes 'Phone Calls.

A man up town whose business takes him much from home, but whose business communications come to the house, has made an odd combination of the telephone and phonograph. His wife speaks little or no English, but can manage to answer the 'phone calls in his absence. As soon as she has learned the name of the speaker at the other end of the wire she starts a phonograph and, requesting the caller to leave a message, thrusts the receiver close into the bell of the phonograph horn. The record is faint but intelligible, and obviates the necessity of having a small boy who speaks English in attendance at the house.

That same phonograph probably registers more odd tongues than any similar instrument in New York. The owner has a polyglot acquaintance and a fan of having his friends talk into the machine. In a single evening it has registered French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Russian, Spanish, Japanese and Italian speeches and songs, and he has a collection of more than fifty tongues and patois.—New York Press.

Kimberley "Siege" Babies.

During Lord Roberts' tour in South Africa he chanced to be in Kimberley on his 72d birthday and the people of that city presented him with a pair of diamonds. One of the "siege babies," a boy of 4 years, made the presentation speech. During the siege of Kimberley by the Boers about fifty babies were born. Lord Roberts had his photograph taken in the midst of the "siege babies" on the steps of the town hall. Most of the "siege babies" bear names recalling the war. Thus, while "French," "Buller," "Methuen," "Bobs" and "Kekewich" occur, "Rhodes" is even more frequently used and "Siege" seems most popular of all.

Forty Peculiar Words.

There are forty words in the English language which are spelled the same forwards and backwards.

Took Burden of King's Sins.

In an ante-room near to the resting place of the king are three other mummies, a woman and two men, who, according to the writings on the wall, had the honor of being sacrificed just



Statue of Rameses.

previous to the king's demise, that they might precede him into the other world and take upon themselves the punishment for the sins he had committed while on earth. Leaving the tombs, we next visited the great temple of Rameses II, but a short distance away. A splendid Propylon, about 300 feet wide, forms the front of this building, and from it we entered a large court at least 150 square. Its columns and walls are mostly destroyed, but on those that remain are scenes representing the king in battle, with the enemy in full flight. Here lies a colossal statue of Rameses broken to a

CATCH THE POPULAR FANCY.

Queer Methods Indulged In at English Elections.

A general election in England is not a great national campaign in the sense that it is here, but a congeries of local fights. The candidate is chosen by the general committee of the local party, usually called the "Four Hundred." A well-known and popular local man is preferred even to a statesman of national eminence. The candidate who is a good sports-



man has a tremendous pull. One man was recently elected in a sport-loving city of Yorkshire simply because he was one of the best amateur football players in England. The Hon. Philip Stanhope, who used to be called the "Prince Rupert of the Liberals," won a forlorn hope in a rural constituency by the skill and daring with which he drove a coach and eight white horses. He didn't trouble about speech-making or canvassing the electors; he simply sat on the box of the coach, a fine figure of a man, and drove his eight white horses round the sharpest corners he could find, laughing gayly as he faced death and gallantly saluting all the girls he passed along the road.

Fed by Machinery.

An American farmer owns a small tract of land which he has stocked with a few dozen chickens. As he is compelled to be away from his home during the day he studied out a scheme for caring for his chickens during his absence. In each pen he has erected troughs to hold food for the hens, and these troughs are connected by wire with his house. Within the house he has connected the wire with an alarm clock. When he leaves home in the morning he sets the alarm clock at the hour for feeding the chickens, and by an ingenious arrangement when the time arrives the alarm goes off, the connecting wire releases the troughs, and the chickens make a rush for their food, which is spread before them as if their owner did the work in person.—London Tit-Bits.

Street Shaving in China.

The topsy-turvy methods of China are curiously illustrated in the case of the Pekin barber, who, instead of waiting for customers, goes out to seek them. He carries his shaving apparatus and a stool with him, and rings a bell to attract the attention of likely customers. The man who wishes to be shaved hails the barber, who places his stool on the ground for the customer's use, puts a bowl of water on the little stove he carries, and having lathered his brush sets to work. The charge is not high. For a sum equivalent to a cent he shaves the customer's head and smooths out his eyebrows.

The Yankee Flyer.



"Giddup!" the Simian jockey said, And gave his steed another stripe, The zebra to the finish led And won the contest by a stripe.

The stars he saw were numerous, And that is why, though filled with gripes, He murmured, being humorous, "They ought to call me Stars and Stripes."

Three Brothers in Congress.

Examination of the roll of the Thirty-seventh congress reveals the fact that William Pitt Fessenden, Samuel C. Fessenden and Thomas A. D. Fessenden, three brothers, were all members of that body, the first named being in the senate and the last two in the house. All three were graduates of Bowdoin college.

Record of Missouri Church.

Antioch Presbyterian church, Callaway county, east of Mexico, Mo., has a remarkable record. During the eighty-five years of its existence it has never been without a pastor more than a month at a time, and in all that time it has had only three pastors.—Boston Globe.

Cigars for Russian Soldiers.

A Prussian firm has received an order from the Russian government for 4,000,000 cigars for the army in Manchuria. They are to cost \$1.20 per 100.

Chapel Built by Nature

President Cleveland, during his sojourn in New Hampshire the last summer, attended divine service in a chapel unique on an island in picturesque Lake Asquam.

Eighteen or twenty years ago Ernest Balch, who was then a student at Harvard college, conceived the idea of a summer athletic school for boys, and chose the island mentioned as the location. "Camp Chocorus" was there established, and had a very successful existence for a decade, being the pioneer of the large number of such schools now in existence.

There was provided a chapel, original in conception with Mr. Balch. Its walls were the evergreen trees of the forest. Its ceiling was the ever-changing sky. Rustic seats were built for choir and congregation. The most prominent feature was a massive stone altar, surmounted by a heavy stone cross.

This chapel was at the eastern end of the island, and there the members of the camp, numbering half a hundred, would gather regularly every Sunday, whenever the weather permitted, for divine services.

Ten years of disuse now has wrought sad havoc with the once trim structures of the camp. The forest chapel alone remains intact, with very little change, and is still put to the use for which it was designed by its builders.

A custom has sprung up among the summer residents of the central portion of Lake Asquam region of gathering every pleasant Sunday morning at this open-air auditorium for divine worship. From cottage, camp and hotel about the shores boats put out with their freights of worshippers, all bound for one common goal—the natural sanctuary.

It was in one of these rustic seats that ex-President Cleveland sat as one of the band of worshippers on a certain charming Sabbath morning last August. Mr. Cleveland was at the time the guest over Sunday of Col. J. H. Coit of Concord, N. H., at the camp of the latter on an island in Lake Asquam, and accepted an invitation to rejoin the members of the camp in their novel church attendance.

How the Pigeons Mate

On a south Jersey farm, which was the home of a thousand pigeons and which was conducted by a woman who had formerly been a bookkeeper in Philadelphia, was found one particular fly and coop which was the abiding place of young doves that had reached the mating season, says the Era Magazine. These young birds were associated together so that they might select their life companions.

The interior of the walls of the coop was filled with boxes and those pigeons which had mated would select one of those boxes for their home and nest.

This period of courtship is one filled with excitement for the birds. Two young pigeon cocks, having selected the same hen for a mate, have been known to fight to the death in their rivalry. The method of combat is peculiar. The beak and wings alone are used, the combatants catching each other with their beaks by the skin of the head and beating each other with their strong wings.

Having once chosen his mate, the dove, with an occasional exception,

remains constant to her through life. The occasional instances of infidelity cause discord in the coop, for when one pigeon tires of his mate and seeks another he meets a vigorous protest from the companion of the bird which he covets. When they have agreed to spend their lives together Mr. and Mrs. Dove select a box and the laying begins. The parent birds may then be less than eight months old.

The pigeon's worst enemy is the rat. In the absence of the mother or the father bird, the rat will crawl into a nest, steal a young squab, drag it bodily away and devour it. So a good cat is a necessity in a pigeon coop—a cat that is taught not to disturb the pigeons, but to be death to rats. Mice are a pest among the pigeons, too, but they eat only the grain; not disturbing the eggs or the young.

Frequently, however, the most daring mice will creep under the very nests of the pigeons, even while the birds are on their eggs, and the presumptuous rodents will make their own nests there, rearing their young in the genial warmth of the sitting pigeon.

Had Suitors in Plenty

There is a childlike simplicity about the peasant folk of Montenegro. A woman who has traveled among them says that both men and women, on her arrival, asked her, with perfect frankness, the most personal questions. When she explained that she had come by train and steamboat, the inference was that she had great wealth.

"And you have come so far to see us? Bravo! Are you married?"

"No," said the traveler.

There was great excitement and much whispering.

"Wait! wait!" cried a woman. Then, at the top of her voice, she shouted, "Milosh! Milosh!"

A tall, bronzed boy about 18 years old gazed his way through the crowd. His mother stood on tiptoe and whispered in his ear. He looked coy and twiddled his fingers.

"Ask her! ask her!" cried men and women, encouragedly.

Milosh plucked up courage, thumped his chest and blurted out:

"Will thou have me?"

"No, thank you," said the traveler, laughing, and Milosh, much relieved, retired, amidst the jeers of his friends.

"Milosh, thou are not beautiful enough," said the men.

Then they suggested Gavro as being more likely to please. Gavro made his offer and was smilingly rejected.

"The crowd was enjoying itself vastly, and took much pains to provide a lady with a really handsome suitor. She, on her part, looked about, and chanced to catch the eye of a goodly youth.

"No! no!" cried a woman seizing his arm. "He's mine! he's mine!"

"And he is good and beautiful," his friends hastened to add.

But he, in his turn, was rejected, and the enthusiastic crowd pushed forward another candidate. Five suitors in twenty minutes made, the traveler thought, a noble record.—Youth's Companion.

Cantor in Great Demand

Jews on the upper East Side have gone wild with enthusiasm over the voice of a Russian cantor who sang the services in the New York Star theater Saturday morning. The theater has been turned into a temporary temple. His name is A. L. Schlossberg, and those who have heard him declare he has the most remarkable voice a human being ever possessed.

The cantor could be a rabbi, it is said, if he wanted to; but, knowing the quality of his voice, he prefers to remain a singer. He has had dozens of offers to go into grand opera or to sing in concert. But the bent of his mind is religious, and he has no intention of changing his vocation.

The demand for him by the Jews of this country is so great that he finds it impossible to accept all calls. Saturday he was at the New Star theater; this week he goes up to Bronxville, and then comes down to a temple in

Broome street. Before he leaves this country he will sing in many temples in New York and throughout the country.

He has won a considerable fortune through his voice. He gets at least \$500 every time he sings the services. A moderate price of admission is charged, the seats at the New Star having ranged from 25 to 75 cents.

Mr. Schlossberg is 46 years old. He was born in a small town in Russia. It was not until several years after he became famous there that the Jews in America heard of him. Then he was induced to come to the United States, and arrived here in September, just in time for the great Jewish holidays.

In appearance the cantor is very striking. He has a big beard and piercing black eyes. His musical voice and easy manners make him an attractive person with whom to talk.—Look News.

Butterfly a Rare Find

John Haviland, whose home is in Springfield, O., arrived in New York from Equador some days ago with a butterfly which was never seen before here—so beautiful and so rare that it is worth \$5,000. It has been sent to Lord Nathaniel Rothschild in London, who has for years collected remarkable fleas and strange butterflies.

Mr. Haviland was private secretary to Major John Herman, manager of the Guayaquil and Quito railroad, now being built between these two South American cities, thereby opening up the Andes.

During his spare moments Mr. Haviland amused himself by catching and mounting the many beautiful butterfly, and dragon flies which flitted about the orchard-trees of his Ecuadorian home. One specimen was of such beauty that fearing his mount-

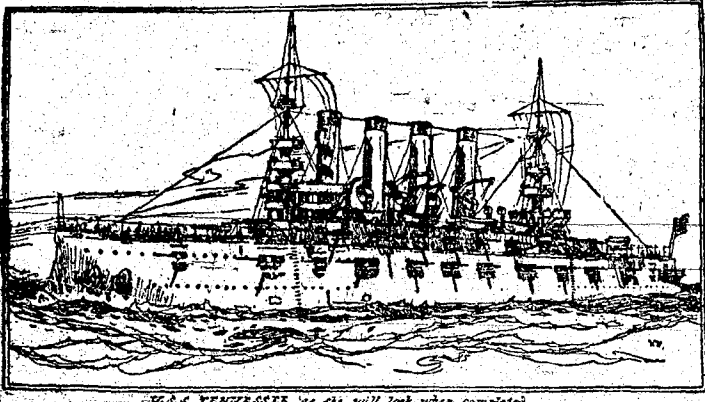
ing might be too crude for perfect preservation, he brought it to a professional fly New York city to have the beautiful fly more carefully preserved.

Immediately the old collector went into ecstasies.

"You have," he said, "the only butterfly of this kind I have ever seen. I am the American agent for Lord Rothschild, who is collecting fleas and fleas, and has the rarest collection and the most valuable in the world. He has just paid \$250,000 for a pair of fleas. You must send this butterfly to England. If Lord Rothschild has none like it he will pay you good for it, and it shall be known as the Haviland fly."

The amateur butterfly catcher was more than surprised. He had not dreamed that his little insect was worth so much money. But he left it with the old collector, to be shipped to London.—New York Globe.

ARMORED CRUISER TENNESSEE LAUNCHED AT PHILADELPHIA



The armored cruiser Tennessee was launched Dec. 3, at the yards of William Cramp & Sons, Philadelphia. The christening party included Gov. Frazier of Tennessee, and his staff, Mrs. Frazier and their daughter, Annie Keith Frazier, who was sponsor for the ship.

Up to almost the moment when the warship started down the ways, a drizzle of sleet and rain fell continuously, but during the actual launching the sun shone through the clouds, the sky again becoming overcast shortly after the ship took the water.

Miss Frazier carried a huge bouquet of American Beauty roses to which was attached a bottle of champagne, and as the vessel was about to take its initial dip she struck the prow two resounding blows, at the same time pronouncing the baptismal words in a clear voice.

Immediately after the launch luncheon was served in the mould loft. The Tennessee was completed five months ahead of the contract time.

Gov. Frazier's party included Mrs. Frazier, Senator and Mrs. E. W. Car-



Miss Annie K. Frazier, who christened the battleship Tennessee, is the daughter of the governor of Tennessee and is noted for her beauty.

Gen. H. H. Hanna, Gen. J. B. Pound, Gen. L. D. Tyson, Gen. J. H. Hardwick and Gen. R. E. Fort.

Science Aiding Agriculture.

The achievements of college professors in showing an industry of modest standing but fundamental importance how to enhance its production have reached monumental results. An Iowa professor, by inducing the farmers to make a scientific selection of seed and teaching them a more careful preparation of the ground, enlarged the corn crop of that state by about 100,000,000 bushels. A Maine professor is showing how, by selection in breeding, hens can be induced to lay twice as many eggs as the ordinary fowls. Cornell professors are enlarging the old lesson on the increase of milk from cows. A Minnesota teacher has developed a handy and improved breed of wheat. A Nebraskan in the same line has outlined a plan of cultivation that will secure crops on semiarid land without irrigation.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Celluloid a Menace.

The unrestricted sale of articles made of celluloid, which is practically gun cotton, for any purpose whereby such article is liable to come into contact with fire, should on no account be allowed, says the Lancet. We believe there are other dangerous substances related to gun cotton which go under other names and which are also used for similar purposes and should be likewise banned. It may be that the inflammability of celluloid is sometimes somewhat counteracted by admixture with substances with an opposite tendency, but the difficulty is to distinguish the combustible from the incombustible. At all events some warning should be inscribed on the articles made therewith, and they should be marked "highly inflammable" or with some other equally premonitory and protecting device.

University Men in Legislature.

The Wisconsin legislature that convenes next January will have among its members ten men who hold degrees from the University of Wisconsin. Graduates of the university, while not preponderating in membership in the legislature, will have considerable influence in formulating laws. Of the ten members the senate has five and the assembly the same number. This means that 5 per cent of the senate and 5 per cent of the assembly are graduates of the University of Wisconsin.

DOES AWAY WITH SPECTACLES.

English Physician Has New Treatment for Failing Sight.

Optimists believe that Dr. Stephen Smith, surgeon of the eye department of Battersea Park hospital, Nottingham, England, has discovered a new treatment of the eye which will practically abolish spectacles. It is styled "manipulation of the eye" and is gentle and gradual, occupying a few minutes daily, causing no pain and having no injurious effect of any sort. Some cases are cured in a week, and in all cases improvement is rapid.

Thirty patients who had been obliged to wear spectacles for a long time have so far been treated by Dr. Smith and, with a single exception, all have discarded glasses and can now read, at either long or short distances, as well as people who have never needed assistance.

The cures of myopia, hypermetropia and astigmatism are said to be permanent.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Value of New Ideas.

The recognition of the value of a new idea, in regard to a business point, is leading employers to encourage criticisms and suggestions from employees in respect to the details of the business, thus utilizing their microscopic view rather than depending solely on the bird's-eye view which is taken by the manager, says Success. A friendly feeling results from this attitude, and the employe takes a deeper interest in his work, developing his own capacity and helping the business. To see his idea carried out by his superiors puts new life into him and adds new enthusiasm to his efforts. He will work harder to develop another point, and so win this appreciation, than he would for any other compensation.

To Learn American Methods.

Following the custom of the house of Rothschild of sending its young men abroad to familiarize themselves with business methods of foreign countries, two scions of the Vienna branch of the family of financiers have arrived in this country. They are Baron Alphonse and Baron Louis De Rothschild, son of Baron Albert De Rothschild of Vienna. Baron Alphonse has come to study American banking methods, and during his stay he will complete his education in finance under the direction of August Belmont in the New York banking house of August Belmont & Co. This is said to be the first time that a member of the Rothschild family has been sent to this country to perfect himself in financing.

Governor's Head Not Swelled.

E. B. Brooks, just elected governor of Wyoming, is a big ranch owner and a great lover of outdoor sports. In reply to a letter of congratulations from a friend he says: "If I could hire some decent fellow to take this governorship job off my hands for a couple of years I would do it. Confidently, I don't think I ever wanted the job, but some people thought I couldn't get it and I thought I could. When the frills and didos get too thick I will telegraph you and we will sneak off to the ranch and go back into the mountains, put up a tent and I will smoke a corn-cob pipe again, fry the grouse and make the biscuit and we will lazy around and laugh at the world as we used to do."

Master of "Hot Air."

Frank Russell, secretary of the St. Joseph and Grand Island railroad, with headquarters at St. Joseph, Mo., received a letter recently from a young man who wanted a pass. Before requesting the pass, however, the young man wrote about a page of "hot air" about Mr. Russell, "his good work" and "his bright future." In answering the note the railroad man said: "Dear Sir: I wish you would give me the address of the man who built your furnace. We have been thinking of heating our right-of-way between St. Joseph and Kansas City this winter and I believe the man who furnished your hot air machine could do the work nicely. Inclosed find the pass. You earned it."

Morgan Protects His Photos.

Following the lead of John D. Rockefeller, J. P. Morgan has had a photo of his most recent portrait in oil copyrighted so that the newspapers throughout the country will not be able to print it. So far as is known Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Morgan are the only two Americans of the sterner sex who object to having their pictures reproduced in the papers. There are any number of society women who forbid the photographers to give pictures for publication and some of them have had their photos copyrighted.

ND DAY BANK.

Oakleigh Thorne, President of New Day Bank, is president of the new "night and day bank," at New York, is president of the North American Trust company, and an of-



Oakleigh Thorne, who is president of the new "night and day bank," at New York, is president of the North American Trust company, and an officer in nearly a dozen other large financial concerns. He is prominent in social and club life.

WHY SO FEW PRISONERS?

Proof of Savagery in the Present War in the East.

That the war now going on in the East is fierce beyond the precedent of any modern war is suggested by the small number of prisoners taken. In many engagements apparently no quarter is asked or given. The combatants fight to kill as well as to conquer. We hear of no prison camps nor of any great concourse of prisoners anywhere. Out of all the hundreds of thousands of men engaged on both sides we do not know that there are 5,000 anywhere taken from either side. We have no evidence that wounded men are killed on the field of battle, but that the number of killed far surpasses the usual ratio between killed, wounded and prisoners seems evident. It may be that the policy of thoroughgoing slaughter is in the end quite as merciful as more humane methods would be, the object being to put out of action as quickly as possible the greatest number of fighting men. It may be also that the savagery of this conflict will cause a reaction against all war.—Boston Christian Register.

Divorce and Occupation.

There has always been a lower percentage of divorces among men engaged in agricultural pursuits than in any other calling, not excepting the clergy, says the Baltimore American. Soldiers, sailors and marines, on the other extreme, show the highest average of marriage infelicity. Next among the high averages comes the hostlers, the actors, agricultural laborers, bartenders, servants and waiters, musicians and teachers of music, photographers, paper-hangers, barbers, lumbermen, and so on, diminishing in ratio until the slowest average is reached, as before stated, among the farmers.

Prosperity in Wall Street.

Prosperity among Wall street brokers has caused a general movement for larger offices. It is estimated that the leases signed within the past month by bankers and brokers intending to move into new offices will aggregate an annual rental of over \$2,000,000. Not for a long time, if ever before, has there been such a general moving into larger quarters, for, in the present market boom, financial firms can barely get men enough to handle their business, and in almost every active house the clerks are kept until 10 and 11 at night in order to keep up with the work.

Pay of Various Armies.

It may still be said of the soldiers of the army of the United States that they are the best fed, the best clothed, the best sheltered and the best paid troops in the world. The Slav soldier, who is fighting to maintain the prestige of the Czar in Manchuria, receives only 12 cents a month. The little Jap, who is opposing him, receives only 50 cents a month. France pays her soldiers \$1.74 a month, Germany pays her soldiers \$2.50 a month and England pays hers \$7.14. But the American soldier gets \$13 a month in time of peace, with a 20 per cent increase in time of war.

Millionaire Lover of Horses.

C. K. G. Billings, for years a resident of Chicago, but now one of New York's millionaires, has no peer in this country as a gentleman horse owner. He now has about \$350,000 invested in high-class horseflesh, and the cost of maintaining his stables is over \$175,000 a year. Mr. Billings never bets a dollar on his trotters, he shuns the limelight and the animals he owns are never made conspicuous save by their speed and quality. It takes three score coachmen, harness cleaners, carriage washers and stablemen to keep up the Billings equine establishment.

Skin Culture.

Skin culture is not one of the modern arts. It was practiced in ancient Egypt and in storied Greece, for cosmetics used in the toilet for the nourishing and brightening of the skin are as old as history. In our day massage and baths, as well as the general care of the health, are recognized as essential to the glow that means a beautiful complexion. Is it not that unceasing desire for health as indicated through and by the skin which lies back of this universal demand for a beautiful complexion?

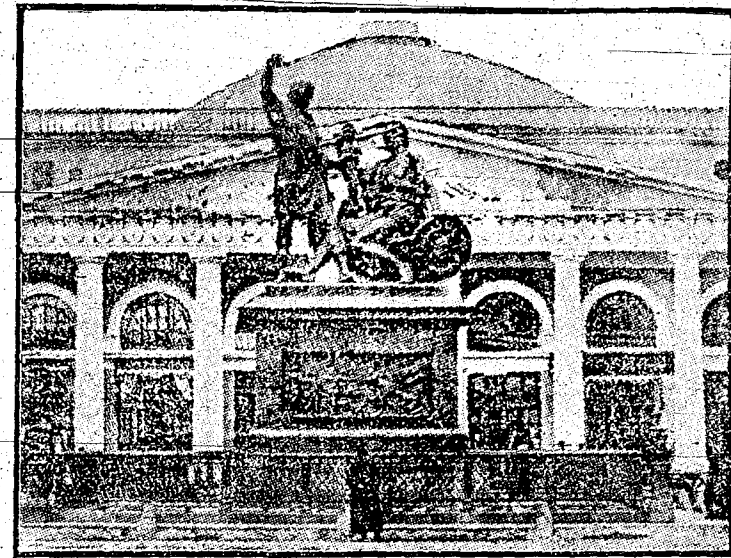
Moscow a Busy City

(Special Correspondence.)

It is said in Russia that one makes the money in Moscow and spends it in St. Petersburg. One almost feels inclined, therefore, to compare the two cities, as one does London with Paris, though this is hardly fair on Moscow; or, although it is, admittedly, the commercial center of the country, and he abode of many of its merchant princes, there is ample opportunity for spending both money and time pleasantly in the ancient capital of the northern empire. Yet there is no galsaying it, Moscow is, without doubt, the city of the business man rather than the flaneur; and one is not long here before realizing that here is not even a small counterpart of the Nevski Prospekt of St. Petersburg, that wonderful thoroughfare which at all hours of the day is thronged with officers in uniform and people who apparently have nothing more serious to do than stroll about and chat and look at the shops.

Of the war less is heard or seen here than in St. Petersburg—where, at any rate, one had the government telegrams posted up at street corners to keep one au courant with the official version of events in the Far East. That the majority of the officers of all ranks and the upper classes generally know by now the real position of affairs is evident; and after a few minutes' conversation is sufficient to convince one that they at least begin to recognize how black the future in the Far East looks for Russia.

What has brought about this change of thought; it is difficult to guess, unless it be that the papers have been given greater freedom, and so allowed to disseminate more news. The lower orders, however, ignorant as they all are, and most of them unable to read or write, are still probably as much in the dark as to what is going on as they have always been; and it will not be until the reserves are mobilized in their own particular districts that they will realize what the war means to them.



Statue of Minin and Pojarski.

The military element is not nearly so much in evidence in Moscow as in St. Petersburg, probably because this is not a military center in the same sense as the capital; in fact, what strikes one principally on a first stroll through the principal streets is the comparative absence of uniforms. Not that there is any dearth of soldiers round about, for the garrison of Moscow itself and its suburbs consists of no less than 20,000 men (that of St. Petersburg in ordinary times being about 50,000), but this large body of men is so distributed, and the barracks are at such distances, that the men are kept out of the city's center.

Visit to the Barracks.

After reading so much about the Russian soldier at the front, it was



In the Red Square.

but natural that one should desire to see something of the gallant fellow at home. To obtain permission to visit the barracks in this time of war is not an easy matter, but in Russia patience and determination are cardinal virtues, and they must be com-

plains for a very short stay in the country is sufficient to convince one that nothing is gained over here by trying to "rush" matters. The resolution not to allow oneself to be put out by any little thing comes as a natural sequence.

After, therefore, considerable delay, which the unimportance of the subject scarcely warranted, I was granted a "permit," signed by the Grand Duke Serge himself, to visit certain barracks near the city, where a regiment of Cossacks is stationed. A drive of little less than an hour brought me to the vast open space, which will be forever associated in one's memory with the most awful catastrophe, or, rather, holocaust, of modern times; for it was here that on Coronation day nearly 10,000 people were crushed or suffocated to death while waiting in a dense and uncontrollable mob, for the distribution of the Emperor's gifts. This ill-omened ground is known as the Petroyevsk Park, and is principally used now as a review ground for the troops of the garrison, whose barracks adjoin the park.

Soldiers Not Impressive.

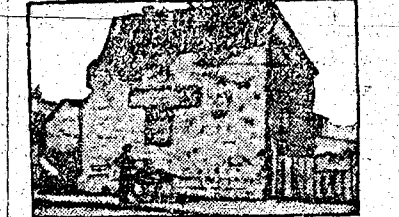
The Russian soldier at the best of times is not what one can call a "trim" looking man, but in his barracks when he is off duty he is, if possible, worse. One is somewhat surprised at this, considering how smart his officers always look. It would be difficult to imagine a more dirty-looking, disheveled, and down-at-the-heel crowd of youngsters than one saw here—and none of them of particularly good physique, either. They evidently are not taught to take any pride in their appearance, and slouch about in most unsoldierlike fashion. It was dinner time, and in the halls the men were seated at long tables, on which were placed large wooden bowls, some containing stch or vegetable soup, and others kasha a sort of boiled maize, and of course the inevitable black bread. Each man

NEARLY FOUR CENTURIES OLD.

St. Augustine, Fla., Has Oldest House in America.

The oldest house in America is in St. Augustine, Fla. This building, by comparison with the winter resort hotels in that town, is not a pretentious structure, but when it was built it was undoubtedly one of the principal structures of the town.

It is built of coquina rock, a mixture of sand and shell, which is the same material used in the building of the Ponce de Leon hotel and the Alcazar. It is not known in what year this building was put up, but it was short-



Oldest House in America.

ly after the landing of the Spanish, which was on the 8th of September, 1565.

The building is in a fairly good state of preservation. The interior is beautifully finished in highly polished wood.

It was occupied by the Spanish officials during the time Florida was a Spanish colony, and was later the home of the attorney general during the English possession. It is not now inhabited.

The Magic Mirror of Japan.

The "magic mirror" of Japan is a disk of bronze, usually from six to eight inches in diameter. It is silvered on the front, which is a little convex, and there is a raised pattern on the back which is rather concave. The polished pattern is generally a landscape, flowers, animals, or Chinese characters. It is not visible in the front of the mirror; but when strong sunlight is reflected from the front of the mirror to a wall or screen the pattern of the back is visible on the screen in bright lines on a black ground. Prof. W. E. Ayrtton, F. R. S., with Prof. John Perry, F. R. S., was the first to give the true scientific explanation of this magical effect. It seems that the design on the back alters the convexity of the front, making it flat, in fact, along the lines of the pattern. Consequently the light reflects from the front is not dispersed at these points of the design, and they appear brighter on the screen.

Cravats of Wood Pulp.

A syndicate of English capitalists is engaged in an endeavor to promote a market in this country for tie silks made chiefly from wood pulp. This product is principally obtained in South America, Paraguay furnishing a large supply. The vegetable silk has its origin in trees and is readily adaptable to native looms. The woven threads are supercalendered, which process presents a silky finish resembling mercerized goods. For several years past this glossy material has been sold in piece lengths to the upholstery trade, by which it is utilized for filling purposes. The selling test of artificial silk for cravats is anxiously awaited by local manufacturers.

A Thanksgiving Serenade.



Collecting Bird Statistics.

The bird club at Bellows Falls, Vt., had been divided into two sides with the object before them of seeing which side should see and name the largest number of birds during the season of 1904. One side saw 38 different varieties and the other 53. Six varieties not seen by the winning side but seen by the others makes the total number of birds named by the club 95.

Cotton Business in 1841.

The first shipment of cotton from the port of Galveston to Boston was made by the firm of Ennis & Kimball, in 1841, on the schooner Brazos, Capt. Hardy commander. This was a new departure in business and was noted with much interest as promising many benefits.

King's Valuable Art Treasures.

The value of the art treasures at Windsor castle, which have been discovered and rearranged by King Edward, is estimated at about \$60,000,000. So great is their value that the king has been unable to get them insured so far.

Letter Carrier's Faithful Service.

Nat Cummings, a rural delivery carrier at Lancaster, N. H., has made a record of which he well feels proud. Last Wednesday he missed his first trip since entering the service, Jan. 1, 1902, or a period of about thirty-four months.

East Jordan Lumber Company

HOLIDAY TIME

Is generally counted by young and old the most joyous season of the year. The ties of love and friendship that bind us to kindred and associates then seem stronger and brighter, and we seem by some mystic force impelled to express in some tangible way as by some nice Gift, our regards to the ones we love. But what shall it be?

Our Store is Now Ready

to supply you not with anything one might think of—but really a large and elegant stock from which splendidly appropriate gifts can be selected.

For Grandpa:

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|------------|-------------|----------|
| Fur Coat | Fur Mittens | Necktie |
| A Nice Cap | Muffler | Slippers |
| A Pipe. | | |

For Grandma:

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| A Shawl | Dress Pattern | Handkerchiefs |
| Lace Collar | China Berry Set | Gloves |
| Hand Bag | Silver Thimble | Hood |
| Nickle Tea and Coffee Set. | | |

For Father:

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| Fur Coat | Fur Mittens | Muffler |
| Reading Lamp | Necktie | Slippers |
| Sarving Set | Book, | |

For Mother:

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| Ready Made Waists | Ready Made Skirts |
| Pair Tapestry Curtains | Nice Cloak |
| Pair of Slippers | Kid Gloves |
| Pair of Blankets | Napkins |
| Set of Dishes | Crumb Set |
| Hand Bag | Meat Chopper |
| | Nice Rug |

For Big Brother:

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|------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Dress Suit Case | Mocha Gloves | Scarf Pin |
| Fancy Suspenders | Sweater | Watch Fob |
| Toilet Set | Shaving Set | Perfume |
| Fur Robe | Pocket Knife | Pocket Book |
| A Book | An Umbrella | Box of Stationery |

For Big Sister:

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| Velvet Waist Pattern | Fancy Clock | Hat Pin |
| Silk Waist Pattern | Box stationery | Brooch |
| Kid Gloves | A Book | Set of Furs |
| Toilet Set | Perfume | Pocket Book |
| Lace collar | Watch chain | Chocolate Set |
| Water Set | | Umbrella. |

For Little Sister:

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| Picture Book | Doll Cradle | A Doll |
| Velvet Slippers | Silver Thimble | Ring |
| Rocking chair | Set of Dishes | Stoves |
| Set of Furs | Box of Stationery | |

For Little Brother:

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| Suit of Clothes | Overcoat | Necktie |
| Train of Cars | Pocket Knife | Sweater |
| Velvet Slippers | Steam Engine | Gloves |
| Tool Chest | A Book | |

For the Baby:

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| Rubber Rattle | Felt Slippers | Ring |
| Doll | Cashmere Hose | Ball |
| Building Blocks | | |

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ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR

Entered at the postoffice at East Jordan, Michigan, as second class mail matter.

Herald Notes.

C. C. Mack, the Jeweler.
S. A. Bush was here from the South for the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Eber Burdick were holiday visitors at Charlevoix, guests of the lady's sister, Mrs. Lapeer.

Miss Jessie McKay is spending the Holidays with her parents here. She is teaching school at Springvale.

Miss Harriet Hoyt is among the college students home for vacation. She is attending at Syracuse, N. Y.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. James Sufferin Friday afternoon Jan'y 6th at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Sheldon and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Sheldon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. MacDonald, at Ironton.

The Board of Supervisors meet next week to accept the bonds of the new county officers and transact any other business that may come before that body.

The S. E. Landrum Furniture store was this week moved down into the building formerly occupied by E. E. Shelters. This gives Mr. Landrum a nice place to display his nice line of furniture.

Treasurer of South Arm Township Dan E. Goodman will be at his store every Friday from now on, to receive the township taxes. Those paying before Jan'y 10th will be charged one per cent, while after that three per cent will be added.

Mrs. Douglass C. Loveday gave a surprise party in honor of Miss Louisa Loveday, Tuesday evening. Dancing and games were the pleasure part. Ice cream and other dainties were served. And the shadows of the night were kissed by the rays of the new moon on the jolly crowd separated.

The case of The People vs. C. L. Lorraine, charged with criminal libel, was heard in justice court at Charlevoix, Tuesday. The jury found verdict for the plaintiff and the justice fined Mr. Lorraine \$50 with costs amounting altogether to some \$95. Mr. Lorraine will appeal same to Circuit.

Mrs. A. L. Coulter died at Charlevoix, Monday, after a lingering illness of over four years. She ceased was formerly an East Jordan girl, daughter of Mrs. Alonzo Heston. Mrs. Coulter has been a great sufferer, only her undaunted courage has kept her alive to this time. Her death brings sorrow to a host of friends.

Raymond, little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Squires, was badly shaken up in a coasting accident, Tuesday noon. In turning a corner the sled slued out of its course and struck the Warne Building, throwing the youngsters out with a bang. Mrs. Squires and children are here from South Haven visiting her husband who is employed in the D. & C. General Offices.

When you feel like sighing—sing, Sighing will never pleasure bring, Learn to laugh, you can laugh and laugh right.
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night.

At F. C. Warne's
What's wrong anyway? A short time ago the Torch contained an account of some young men enjoying a sleigh ride to Bellaire, and this week is an account of some young ladies doing the same thing. Now, when we were young the young men and young ladies went together, and we never expected the fashion to change, but it seems that it has in Central Lake at least. We asked one bright young lady about it and she said: "oh! the boys are too stingy here. They are stingiest lot I ever saw."—Central Lake Torch.

The handiest piece of road in Michigan is situated between Boyne Falls and Clarion. About half-way between these places is a piece of swamp a mile and a half wide. The road leads up to edge of the swamp and then, instead of going across it, a loop of twelve miles takes one around by wallon Lake and brings one back to just a mile and a half from the starting point. If a situation ever warrants a few cuss words, standing on the edge of that swamp and looking across to the road which can be seen plainly, then thinking of the twelve-mile drive when one ought to cross the swamp in ten minutes, is just the time. No wonder these two towns, eight miles apart, are not on speaking terms.—Petoskey Record.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. P. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

PILES absolutely cured by using "Hermit's" Salve. Price 25 and 50c. All druggists. Book free. Hermit Remedy Co., Chicago, Ill.

Pointed Pans

He who does not give does not live.
A joy unshared is always short lived.
Happiness is the harvest of helpfulness.
Worry never made anything—but wrinkles.
Making a life is greater than making a living.
Peace on earth waits for the peace from heaven.
There will be good will in all when God's will is over all.
You cannot touch men as long as you think of them as masses.
The man who suspects everybody is surely a suspicious character.
Running in old ruts may be more risky than blazing new trails.
The man who sows nothing always reaps something a good deal worse.
You can't expect a nickel's worth of religion to last you over Monday.
It is easy to preach on the benefits of walking when you are in the band wagon.
They who really pray for the poor find themselves saying Amen at their door.
There's something wrong about a man's piety when it provokes others to profanity.
When a man thinks he has a cinch on sin he is apt to find that the halter is on him.
It will take a lot of nerve for some Christians to stand up and look over their lives at last and hear the judge say: "Well done, good and faithful servant!"
You never know how much religion you have until some one treads on your best corn.
When you need a pill it is always best to buy the best. Dade's Little Liver Pills are the best. Try them. They have a way of their own. Sold by Warne's Pharmacy.
Pineules is the name of a new discovery put up in a new way. A certain cure for all Kidney, Blood and Bladder diseases, and every form of Rheumatism. Pineules relieves Backache and Kidney pains permanently. If you need such a remedy let us show you the wonderful Pineules. Sold by Warne's Pharmacy.
Our big-st, blackest troubles are often only the locomotive drawing our richest treasure-train.
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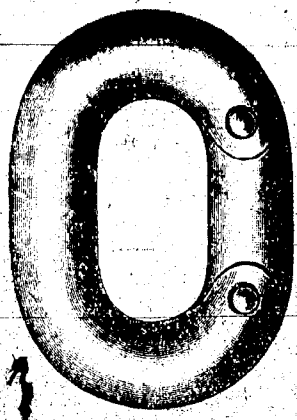
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Briefs of the Week

1905.
Inventory. Make it 1905.
Masquerade. Pay your snb.
Better mail service. C. C. Mack, the Jeweler.
Amsbury Jan'y 13th. Everybody got a calendar.
Sleighbing is excellent. Lots of Christmas dinners.
Did you get a present? Pros. Att'y A. B. Nicholas was a
Wallace Bruce Amsbury. Charlevoix visitor first of the week.
Change of time on D. & C. Mrs. E. C. Plank is confined to the
Mrs. Chadwick goes from sell to cell. house with inflammatory rheumatism.
CHEER-UP. The winter is just beginning. Mrs. Wm. Harrington spent the
Att'y Bert Perkins of Lapeer is among the holiday visitors to East Jordan this week. Holidays with her daughter, Mrs. John
Lost. Somewhere between my dwelling and store, a cloth sack containing a quantity of small change. Finder will be rewarded if they return same.—WILL RICHARDSON.
The Amsbury Lecture will be given Friday evening, Jan'y 13th, instead of the date schedule. The Lecture Bureau, through which our Lecture Course Committee secured Mr. Amsbury requested the change.
At Traverse City this week an Indian agent was distributing government money to Indians of Pottawatomie descent. Thirty-seven will receive \$287.98 each. Among them are two sons of old Chief Agosa, of Northport. There are only 270 members of the tribe living, among which \$78,000 are being distributed. The Indians here claim they belong to the Ottawas, thinking Pottawatomie blood a disgrace, but government money removed this idea.
It is only occasionally that Love-day Opera House is converted into a "ball room" and when those events occur there are a great many people who realize that this is the finest of the kind in this part of the State. It is safe to say that the "Character Masquerade" advertised for next Monday night will draw a large party of masked dancers as well as a large audience of spectators.
Dancing is from 8 p. m. until 1 a. m. and the price of evening ticket is 75 cents. All spectators are charged 10 cents admission as usual.

Best Wishes for 1905.

WE wish to thank the citizens of East Jordan and vicinity for their liberal patronage during the months we have been here and especially for their liberal Christmas trade, which was far greater than we anticipated. During the coming year we shall endeavor to more fully merit your patronage than in the one now drawing to a close. Again thanking you for your patronage and wishing you a Happy and Prosperous New Year, we remain,

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until tomorrow those whom I see today.

Horace and wife, and daughter, spent the Holidays with Cadillac friends.

Bert Lorraine of the Wolverine Express, spent Christmas with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kenny and daughters have returned from their holiday trip to Chicago.

Mrs. John Williams and children have returned from their holiday visit with Manistee friends.

Archie Pringle is home for the holidays from Bay Shore. He is teaching school at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crothers who removed from here recently to Marlette are now located at Clifford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ströbel are holiday visitors to Saginaw, Beaverton and other places the past week.

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John and Mary Porter are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. They are attending Oberlin college.

U. of M. students, Burton Nicholas and Fred Whittington are home for the holidays. They return week from next Monday.

One of the most tastefully decorated Christmas trees seen in our city this week was that at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pfender.

Atty J. Finest Converse has a nice lot of dwellings and building lots for sale. Anyone contemplating a purchase will do well to see him.

A nice Christmas entertainment was given at the Knop School House last Sunday evening. Miss Nellie Slope was there to play the organ.

Fred Nachazel of East Jordan was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Nachazel, on Christmas, returning this morning.—Traverse City Record.

Jack McArthur returned home last Saturday for the winter. He was accompanied by his brother Archie who was sailing with him during the summer.

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We are in receipt of the president's report to the Board of Regents of the University of Michigan for the academic year ending September 22, 1904, and the financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904.

Mrs. Fred E. Boosinger entertained with a delicious dinner at her home last Wednesday afternoon in honor of Miss Luella Boosinger of Lansing. Plates were laid for eighteen. The decorations were carnations. A delightful time was had.

The Christmas entertainments at both the Methodist and Presbyterian churches were well rendered, and the trees and decorations very pretty. The children young and old enjoyed the festivities of the season. The weather king gave us a beautiful sunny day for the greatest day of all the year and the song of Joy and Peace reigned in East Jordan.

East Jordan kept pace with Christmas tide with many pleasant events. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Crossman a goodly number of friends gathered on Christmas eve. After a social hour with games the guests were invited into the dining room where had been prepared a Christmas tree laden with gifts with Santa presiding. Books were among the useful presents and after the tree was stripped of its load a school session was held. Refreshments yum yum were served.

The worth and the beauty of the homely phases of life, until in very recent years, were left "unwritten and unsung." Then Eggleston and Cable and Riley and Field came to teach the world that poetry and romance might be found among simpler folk, living plain, honest lives away from the "madding crowd," which hitherto had furnished in pirations for song and story. It is in the interpretation of this class of literature that Mr. Amsbury has created for himself a place where he stands absolutely alone and unapproachable. No more forcible piece of dramatic work has ever been offered to lyceum audiences than Ople Read's simple story, "He was a Bronson," as presented by this clever and versatile entertainer. Mr. Amsbury sets aside the aphorism, "There is nothing new under the sun" for his programs are made up of selections entirely novel, and drawn from sources hitherto neglected; merit, and what is suitable, being alone considered. Mr. Amsbury's success has been phenomenal, even greater than his most sanguine friends predicted, and we now present him with an unequalled quantity of his worth and work. At Love-day Opera House Jan'y 13th under auspices of East Jordan High School Lecture Course.

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MOUNTING BOARD.—For the convenience of a number of our patrons who wish to use mounting board for Kodak work we have put in a supply to retail at 10c per sheet, size of sheet 22 by 28 inches.—The Herald.

Word was received here Thursday that Mrs. R. L. Lorraine (at Wolverine) was not expected to live. The lady has a host of friends in East Jordan who are very solicitous in regard to her welfare.

Mrs. E. J. Crossman, president of the East Jordan Literary Club entertained the members at her home Thursday afternoon. Music, recitations and literary games formed the program. The dining-room was prettily decorated with evergreens and holly. Ices and wafers were daintily served by Misses LaVerne Crossman and Bessie Warne. Out of town guests were Miss Weberhous of Bay City, Miss L. Boosinger of Lansing, Miss Grace Barrett of Gould City, and Mrs. John Roy of Sutton's Bay. Prizes were awarded Mrs. George Frost and Miss Anna Haire.

Sup' of Eveline Township Daniel S. Payton has resigned that office to assume the duties of County Treasurer next Monday. Mr. Payton has represented Eveline on the Supervisor Board for over a dozen years and has for a long time been considered one of the most efficient members of that body. This will necessitate the election of Chairman of the B'd of Supervisors at their meeting next week to fill out r. Payton's unexpired term. James H. Nichol, highway Com'r of Eveline, resigned that office and was appointed supervisor by the township board and Fred Heller was appointed highway commissioner.

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NOTARY PUBLIC—WITH SEAL.

LAFFITTE OF LOUISIANA

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CHAPTER X.

A night had passed, and the island of Martinique lay drowsing in the sleepiness of midday. In Fort Royal bay, before the sleepy town, lay three ships at anchor. The one nearest shore was a brigantine, beautiful in model and French in build; she carried a long eighteen-pounder amidships, and her bulwarks were pierced for lighter guns. This was the "Black Petrel," and she displayed the American ensign, now hanging limp in the motionless air, as were the like colors shown by the "Condor," rocking nearby in the lazy tide.

Down in the luxuriously furnished cabin of the brigantine, Laro and Lafitte, seated, and in earnest conversation, paused occasionally to scrutinize this craft.

"Perhaps she means no mischief," muttered the former; "but your flag she flies, and the red showing on her decks are enough to set my teeth on edge."

"You say you heard ashore, last evening, as did I, that she stopped only to fill her water butts, and is bound farther south?"

Lafitte laid down the glass, and laughed a little bitterly; but he made neither reply nor comment.

"Did old De Cazeneuve seem inclined to treat his granddaughter with kindness?" Laro inquired, after a short silence, and as if considering it wise to change the subject.

"Yes, for all I could see; and he is likely to do so while she makes no demand upon his gold."

Laro uttered an oath and drained his glass.

"That man has been growing more and more miserly ever since his pretty daughter ran away with that cursed Englishman, and I have often thought it might have been money in my pocket if I had let Stanley's blood out of his veins the night of the gover-

count has formally adopted her, and she is now known as Roselle de Cazeneuve."

Lafitte said this with a dignified coldness, and as if wishing, by a full explanation, to dismiss the subject.

Laro did not answer, and Lafitte continued:

"I am reminded to ask you again if you will take my advice as to this present cargo of slaves. I tell you that the governor's recent proclamation will cause trouble, if you attempt to bring them to New Orleans at present. Pierre told me, only the day before I sailed, of some talk he overheard from Governor Claiborne himself and two gentlemen with him, when one of their coach horses cast a shoe, and they were delayed at the smithy while our men remedied the accident."

"Oh, I say, as seems to me I am always saying nowadays, that your idea is the right one," was the surly answer. "We'll up sail at midnight, when we can reckon upon slipping away from under the nose of that infernal Britisher out there, and make for our own snuggerly where Lazalle has, no doubt, been wondering at my being so long away. Once in the channel that brings us to the Barra de Hierro, and anchored before it, all the craft England can send would have hard work to get at us. We will take the niggers there for awhile, and turn them out on the island, to work our crops, until Claiborne takes another nap and forgets all about the recent agitation."

He had, while speaking, again picked up the spyglass, and focussed it upon the man-of-war, where nothing was changed among the red-coated loungers.

"Have you anything more to say to Jude?" inquired Lafitte, after a few moments' silence upon his part, while Laro was swearing at the enemy he was scanning.

devils in his heart; and these will, sooner or later, make a merry hell for you, and perhaps for all of us."

Garonne, whose look of scowling anger had changed to one of sneering scorn, uttered a burst of vile profanity, and striking the taffrail with a broad fist, brown as mahogany, exclaimed roughly, "Let me hear no more such talk from you, Lopez; old messmates as we are, you are going a bit too far. You prate like some old housewife in her dotage."

Lopez, with an angry snarl, straightened himself, and turning away, saw Lafitte coming toward him. Garonne also saw the latter, and, advancing said, "No sign yet, captain, of a visiting boat from over there," indicating with his thumb the man-of-war.

Lafitte nodded a careless recognition of the mate's remark and passed on to Lopez.

"I had thought that when the cool came the Englishman might have tried to board us for an interview," the young man remarked in the kindly tone his men knew as well as they did the coldly imperious one that never failed to hold in check the most lawless amongst them.

"Much better they keep away," said Lopez slowly, in the English tongue—one he spoke but imperfectly. "Much better, sir; but to me it the surer shows that we are watched."

"Well," said Lafitte, still looking at the vessel, "let them watch their fill, while the daylight gives them the chance. At midnight the wind will be of a sort the 'Black Petrel' needs, and we will give them a cleared patch of the sea to watch when the light comes again."

Then he asked, "What were you and Garonne quarrelling over, as I came up?"

Lopez glanced about and saw that Garonne and the Indian had disappeared. Then, turning his eyes to Lafitte, he answered in a lowered voice, "Do not think I am becoming soft-hearted, my captain, that I have to say I fear Garonne make harm for all, by bastinadoing a Myucas like white man sailor. This I was telling him."

The "Black Petrel" had—as Lafitte knew already from Laro—some three weeks before encountered a richly laden Spanish brig, bound for a West Indian port. A fierce fight had ended in victory for the brigantine, after which the prize was burned, and the survivors of its crew set adrift in open boats.

There were twenty slaves aboard, together with a rich cargo, and in the latter were found a number of uncut gems, from which the Indian had been suspected of stealing a large ruby, awarded to Garonne as part of his share of the plunder. Ehwah, upon being accused, refused to admit or deny the theft, and Laro, contrary to his usual custom, had left the Indian to be dealt with as his accuser saw fit.

Garonne, whose natural brutality had been increased by generous imbibings of spirits taken from the despoiled vessel, was not content with inflicting ordinary punishment for such an offense, but had for several days in succession, caused the Indian to be stripped, tied to the mast and flogged unmercifully, after which he was treated with unsparring severity by the mate.

"Ehwah's back bears scars that only revenge will heal," declared Lopez in conclusion, and now speaking in his own tongue. "He has been changed ever since. No man ever had a kinder care or softer touch for a mate who was sick or hurt, as I have to remember from the time, two years ago, when I was laid up with a cracked head, at Tobago. But now he glares like a wild cat when one of us crosses his way, and he's not spoken ten words since he was bastinadoed."

Lafitte's only comment was to bid Lopez keep silence upon the subject, and to have a watchful eye upon Ehwah.

(To be continued.)

EARLY CARRYING OF MAILS.

In 1747, Newspaper Changed Day of Issue to Suit the Carrier.

The New York postoffice is the largest supporter of the postal department, to which it returns \$6,000,000, or more clear profit. This is some advance on the good old times, as may be seen from Bradford's New York Gazette of Dec. 6, 1747: "Cornelius van Denburgh as Albany Post designs to set out for the first time this winter on Thursday next. All letters to go by him are desired to be sent to the postoffice or to his house near the Spring Garden."

During the Hudson river navigation the Albany mail was transmitted by sloops; but in the winter a messenger, as above mentioned was required, and it is probable that he traveled on foot. The winter average of the eastern and southern mails is given in the same paper and same date as follows:

"On Tuesday the Tenth Instant at 9 o'clock in the Forenoon the Boston and Philadelphia Posts set out from New York to perform their stages once a Fortnight during the Winter months and are to set out at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. Gentlemen and Merchants are desired to bring their Letters in time. N. B. This Gazette will also come forth on Tuesday Mornings during that time."

It is evident that the Gazette, which was a weekly published on Wednesday, changed its day to accommodate the mails.—Troy Times.

An Oriental Answer.

It was in a Maine Sunday school, says Lippincott's Magazine, that a teacher recently asked a Chinese pupil if he understood the meaning of the words "an old cow." "Been cow a long time," was the prompt answer.

Drinks Not Well Known

Violet cordial, a liquor beloved of Yorkshiresmen, is one of the best of the home-brewed drinks. Made from freshly-plucked sweet violets, it is often kept for years by farmers, who drink it sparingly in tiny glasses, yet it retains all the delicious aroma of the fragrant flower from which it takes its name.

Home-made sloe wine is a drink which takes a lot of beating as a thirst-quencher. It is especially popular in Durham.

Cowslip wine is another prime favorite unknown to the inhabitants of cities. So, too, are a host of "teas," famous in rural parts not only for their refreshing, but also for their curative powers.

Years ago, before the tea from India and China could be bought cheaply, beverages brewed from mint, pennyroyal, dandelion, wild thyme, marjoram, camomille, balm, calamint and similar herbs, were almost universal.

Even to-day their fame is not dead, and they are frequently resorted to by housewives in hot weather, and when any small ailment shows itself in their families.

Leaves plucked from strawberry

plants and currant bushes make a fragrant beverage, as do ribwort and thoroughwort, the latter both as a refresher and a curative, being found in very many households.

Strange as it may seem, a drink can be made from sawdust. Here is the recipe:

Two tons of sawdust are boiled with sulphuric acid for three hours, the liquid matter then extracted by pressure, neutralized, left for eighteen hours to cool and clarify, and then fermented for four or five days.

The resulting alcohol is afterward distilled and rectified, but a yield of about nine and one-half quarts of spirit to every hundred-weight of sawdust is obtained. Quantities of this are consumed in France.

Palm wine is made from the sap oozing from the cut-off blossom stems of the oily palm tree, and of the cocoa tree. It is a pleasant, refreshing beverage, and not sufficiently known.

Ishtimiyana is the weird name given to a deadly intoxicant made from molasses by the natives of Natal. An analysis of this drink made some time ago by an eminent doctor showed that it was 50 per cent stronger than any known alcohol.—Straw Stories.

Habits of the Flounder

The expression "as flat as a flounder" has become proverbial, but it does not apply to very young flounders, which differ so much from the adult ones that they can hardly be recognized as belonging to the same family as their parents. Most boys and girls are familiar with full-grown flounders, but very few of them, and few older people, know anything about the appearance of young flounders and the wonderful transformations they undergo.

The flounders begin life as do ordinary fishes. When they first emerge from the egg they swim vertically, with the head turned upward.

Their bodies are symmetrical and their eyes are on opposite sides of the head. Gradually the position of the body changes from vertical to horizontal, and the fish remains thus for some time, swimming like ordinary fishes; but while still very small there is foreshadowing of the bottom life they are destined for, and they enter upon a series of remarkable changes.

The most striking of these changes

is in the position of the eye. In some flounders the eye moves around the front of the head; in others it moves directly through the head. This shifting of the eye's position is accompanied by a change in the position of the body, which ceases to be upright and becomes more and more oblique. The side of the body from which the eye is moving gradually becomes inferior to the other, until by the time the change of the eye is complete the fish swims with its blind side underneath, and this position is ever after maintained. The flounder then ceases its free swimming habit and sinks to the bottom.

Some species of flounders are right-sided and others are left-sided. In the right-sided forms the left eye moves to the right side, and the left side becomes undermost. In the left-sided species the opposite conditions prevail. It rarely happens that right-sided species have left-sided individuals, and vice versa. In a few species both right-sided and left-sided fish occur in about equal numbers.—St. Nicolas.

Danger in "Big" Shooting

The disturbing element in hunting elephant or seladang or rhino has been always, to me at least, the feeling of uncertainty as to whether or not I could stop the animal if I wounded it and it charged me, as it did on an average of once in three times.

Based on my experience, therefore, I should place the elephant first and the rhino third after the seladang, which is fully as formidable as the Cape buffalo, and is miscalled the lion all over India. Each of these animals is dangerous on different and individual grounds; the elephant, though less likely to charge than any of the others, is terrifying because of his enormous strength, which stops at no obstacle, and the extreme difficulty of reaching a vital spot, especially if, with trunk tightly coiled, he is coming your way.

I know of no sensation more awesome than standing ankle deep in clinging mud in dense cover, with the jungle crashing around you as though the entire forest was toppling, as the

elephant you have wounded comes smashing his way in your direction.

The seladang is dangerous, partly because of the thick jungle he seeks when wounded, but more especially because of his tremendous vitality and his usual, though not invariable, habit of awaiting the hunter on his tracks and charging suddenly, swiftly and viciously. It requires close and hard shooting to bring down one of these six-foot specimens of Oriental cattle.

The danger of the tiger and of the lion is in their lightning activity and ferocious strength; but you have the shoulder in addition to the head shot if broadside; or if coming on, the chest, all sure to stop if well placed. The reason the rhino is so formidable is because its vulnerable spots are so hard to reach.

Its brain is as small in proportion as that of the elephant, and may be reached through the eye, if head on, or about three inches below and just in front of or just behind the base of the ear, according to your position for a shot.—Outing.

The Old Pirate's Dreams

As a man I write of the boyish dreams Of westerning by the coast-guard's blaze. When the sea-scarred sailor's war-plowed keel Seams Suggesting tales of his lawless days— Lightly glowed in the log-jire gleams. As he sang this lay of lays:

The flag was as red as blood, With a hairy spot o' black. An' the Spider bared her deadly fangs As she crawled on the windward tack!

He warned to his story and clove the air With his long clay pipe as he led his men Into the heart of the battle's glare; And he yelled his "Yo-ho!" once again. Till he broke his "sword" on the arm of With a stifled sob; and then—

The flag was as red as blood, With a hairy spot o' black. An' the Spider bared her deadly fangs As she crawled on the windward tack!

"Why do your eyes shine, boy?" said he,

As he drained his mug and his lips he smacked. Or westerning by the coast-guard's blaze. Then he told me of Morgan and Kidd And rattled their deeds, their chains, and bones; While the wind came moaning up from the sea.

And the tune rose, faint and cracked:

The flag was as red as blood, With a hairy spot o' black. An' the Spider bared her deadly fangs As she crawled on the windward tack!

He would chuckle a bit, then sort of choke. "Ah, boy! I could turn 'e sick an' pale W' 'fright an' fire an' boom an' blood In the tropic calm an' the reef-born sand. For I ha' trodden the red-stained oak Under many an' many a queer, queer 'sail—"

And then he would hum and croak:

The flag was as red as blood, With a hairy spot o' black. An' the Spider bared her deadly fangs As she crawled on the windward— Crawled on the windward— Crawled on the windward tack! Stephen Chalmers in New York Times.

Bottled Sea Water Good

"I have never understood," said a doctor, "why somebody didn't bottle the Atlantic ocean and sell the water under a fine name as a mineral water."

"The water of the Atlantic contains some of the most wholesome mineral salts and has a decided value medicinally. Some of my patients keep it on hand much of the time, and profess to find it vastly beneficial."

"One of these men gets the sea water several miles off shore and at high tide so as to be reasonably sure that it is free from pollution. He bottles it in good-sized demijohns, and lets it ripen much as the famous juniper water of the Dismal Swamp is ripened for carrying to sea on board vessels making long voyages."

"When you take out the cork the whole household knows it. After a while the sea water loses its offensive smell, and then it is ready for use."

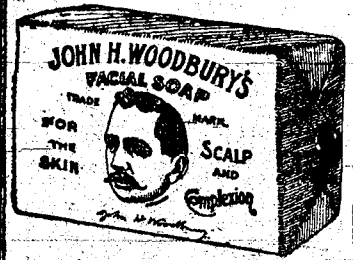
"I thoroughly like it, and if I were in the habit of doing things that lead men to drink mineral waters before breakfast I think I'd prefer plain Atlantic water to a good many that I could name which sell at pretty high prices."

"I don't know whether my patients have ever calculated the cost of bottled Atlantic, but if the bottling was done wholesale instead of retail it ought not to come very high, and it is certainly one thing that no trust could ever monopolize. I've a notion that the fellow who first puts up sea water in an attractive form and gets the attention of the public will make a handsome little fortune before his competitors can cut in and undersell or outadvertise him."—New York Sun.

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Dress the face in the best and most becoming colors nature offers, by faithfully using—



WOODBURY'S FACIAL SOAP.

It weeds out all facial impurities and nourishes the skin surface thus cleaned.

25 cts. a cake.

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POWER OF TRUE SYMPATHY.

Given Must Have Clear, High Standard of His Own.

From the top of a mountain you can see into the valley around about—your horizon is very broad, and you can distinguish the details that it encompasses; but, from the valley, you cannot see the top of the mountain, and your horizon is limited, says Annie Payson Call in Leslie's Monthly.

This illustrates truly the breadth and power of wholesome human sympathy. With a real love for human nature—if a man has a clear, high standard of his own—a standard which he does not attribute to his own intelligence—his understanding of the lower standards of other men will also be very clear, and he will take all sorts and conditions of men into the region within the horizon of his mind. Not only that, but he will recognize the fact when the standard of another man is higher than his own, and will be ready to ascend at once when he becomes aware of a higher point of view. On the other hand, when selfishness is sympathizing with selfishness, there is no ascent possible, but only the one little low place limited by the personal selfish interests of those concerned.

Reads Like a Miracle.

Moravia, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1902. (Special)—Bordering on the miraculous is the case of Mrs. Benj. Wilson of this place. Suffering from Sugar Diabetes, she wasted away till from weighing 200 lbs. she barely tipped the scales at 130 lbs. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure her husband says:—

"My wife suffered everything from Sugar Diabetes. She was sick four years and doctored with two doctors, but received no benefit. She had so much pain all over her that she could not rest day or night. The doctor said that she could not live."

"Then an advertisement led me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and they helped her right from the first. Five boxes of them cured her. Dodd's Kidney Pills were a God-Sent remedy to us and we recommend them to all suffering from Kidney Disease."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure all Kidney Diseases, including Bright's Disease, and all kidney aches, including Rheumatism.

Oath According to the Koran.

All Achmet, an Arab, was a witness in the New York court of special sessions recently. He refused to take the Christian oath, saying he would swear as becomes a member of his race and faith. He was allowed to do so, and this was the oath he took: "I swear by the beard of the prophet, by the kasha, by the black stone and by my harem to tell the truth, and by the truth, and only the truth!"

Nothing

Is so sensitive to cold as a nerve and this is the cause of

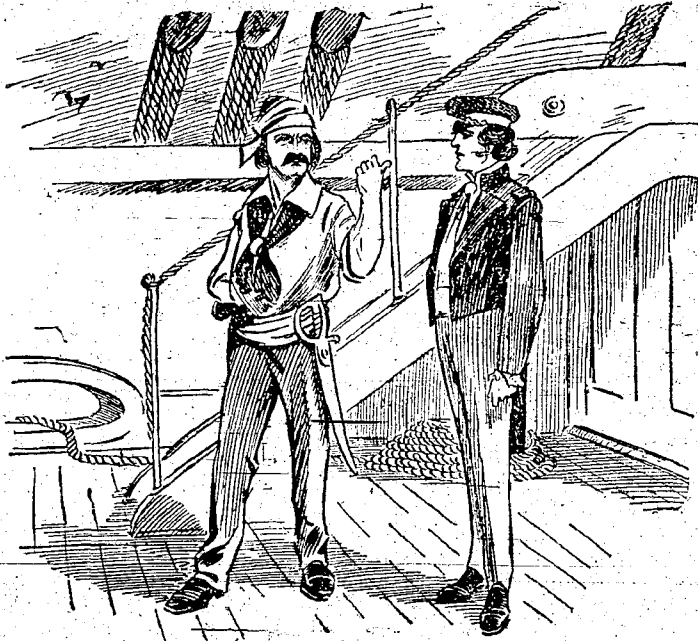
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"I fear Garonne make harm for all."

nor's ball before he levanted with the girl."

Jean let this pass without remark; but, as Laro replenished his glass, the young man said, "If you are not careful you will get your brains as befogged as they were when I tried to talk with you this morning."

"Befogged, was I, my son? Yet not so much but that I recall every word you told me of what has happened since you left Lazalle and me on the Barra de Hierro, and went to play gentleman while in New Orleans. By the way, Jean," he added, as from an after thought, "that was an odd thing for you to do—go off on a wild goose chase to the Florida wilds to bring De Cazeneuve's brat away from the Choctaws."

There was a smouldering anger in Lafitte's eyes as he turned them upon Laro's mocking face.

"I told you that the Indian runner, Bird-Wing, came from his tribe to Count de Cazeneuve, bringing a letter from Mrs. Stanley, imploring his forgiveness, as she was dying, and beseeching his protection for the daughter she must leave among the Indians. He asked for my services, and I gave them gladly, for his daughter's sake."

Lafitte looked steadily at Laro, who, in a mocking tone, asked, "Did you find her still such a charming demure? I dare swear you did not, for there be truth in the reports that the Englishman left her long ago—left her to wear out her life among their red neighbors."

Lafitte rose and went over to the port-hole, turning his back as he answered. "I found her dead, with the Indians mourning for her as for one well loved. Her child, with her maid, Barbe, a French woman, I brought to the count."

"What is the child called, and how old said you she was?" Laro inquired, now in a more serious tone.

"She is fourteen, but such a pale little slip that she neither looks nor seems her age. She bears the same given name as her mother—Roselle; but the Indians called her 'Island Rose.' Their cabin was on a small island, and, in spite of their rude surroundings, the mother seems to have reared the child most carefully. The

THE OLD FOLKS AT HOME

Are Never Without Pe-ru-na in the Home for Catarrhal Diseases.



MR and MRS. SCHWANDT
Sanborn, Minn.

MR and MRS. ATKINSON
Independence, Mo.

Remarkable Cures Effected by Pe-ru-na.

Under date of January 10, 1897, Dr. Hartman received the following letter:

"My wife has been a sufferer from a complication of diseases for the past twenty-five years. Her case has baffled the skill of some of the most noted physicians. One of her worst troubles was chronic constipation of several years' standing. She was also passing through that most critical period in the life of a woman—change of life.

"In June, 1895, I wrote to you about her case. You advised a course of Peruna and Mananin, which we at once commenced, and have to say it completely cured her.

"About the same time I wrote you about my own case of catarrh, which had been of twenty-five years' standing. At times I was almost past going. I commenced to use Peruna according to your instructions and continued its use for about a year, and it has completely cured me. Your remedies do all that you claim for them, and even more."—John O. Atkinson.

In a letter dated January 1, 1900, Mr. Atkinson says, after five years' experience with Peruna:

"I will ever continue to speak a good word for Peruna. I am still cured of catarrh."—John O. Atkinson, Independence, Mo., Box 272.

Ask your Druggist for a free Peruna Almanac for 1905.

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KEMP'S BALSAM
It Cures Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Croup, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis and Asthma. A certain cure for Consumption in its first stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once. You will see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Sent by druggists everywhere. Large bottles 25 cents and 50 cents.

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for breakfast makes the work of the morning easier.

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is a positive cure for Piles.

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CURES WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Restores Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

Mrs. Alla Schwandt, Sanborn, Minn., writes:
"I have been troubled with rheumatism and catarrh for twenty-five years. Could not sleep day or night. After having used Peruna I can sleep and nothing bothers me now. I never am affected with any kind of sickness. Peruna will be the medicine I shall use. My son was cured of catarrh of the larynx by Peruna."—Mrs. Alla Schwandt.

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When old age comes on, catarrhal diseases comes also. Systemic catarrh is almost universal in old people. This explains why Peruna has become so indispensable to old people. Peruna is their safeguard. Peruna is the only remedy yet devised that entirely meets these cases. Nothing but an effective systemic remedy can cure them.

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FLOCKING INTO CANADA.

Immigration From Dakota and Adjoining States—Major Edwards, United States Consul General, at Montreal, Describes the Movement as Due to Scarcity of Land.

Montreal, Nov. 15.—Major Allison Edwards, United States Consul General, who returned to-day from a visit to his home at Fargo, North Dakota, said in an interview: "The proper way to describe the manner in which the 'flock' people you are getting are the ing over into Western Canada is to say they are coming over in droves. Among the people there did not seem to be any thought of there being a boundary line at all. It is simply not being any more land in North Dakota and the surrounding States, and the people are flocking to Canada to get good farms. Naturally the number that will come over will increase all the time, and I may say the people of North Dakota are the best people in the west. They are well-supplied with money and are well-acquainted with the conditions under which they will have to work." The agents of the Canadian Government are prepared to give the fullest information regarding homestead and other lands.

Earthquake Source of Profit. Earthquakes occasionally profit mankind, as in the case of Onzoun-Ada, a town on the Caspian. The port of the town was visited by an earthquake last year, and since then it has been found open to steamers, which could not enter it before, owing to the shallow water.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, results in curing catarrh. Sold by druggists, price 75c. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Laid By for a Rainy Day. Among the belongings of an aged pauper who died at Breslau were found more than two hundredweight of stale bread and biscuits, 300 bottles of medicine from the workhouse dispensary, \$300 in cash and \$250 in securities.

Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease. "I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently, and have just bought another supply. It has cured my corns, and the hot, burning and itching sensation in my feet which was almost unbearable, and I would not be without it now."—Mrs. W. J. Walker, Camden, N. J." Sold by all Druggists, 25c.

Baths in All Dwellings. The city of Reading, England, has passed an ordinance that baths shall be placed in all dwelling houses constructed within the borough in future.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Allen's Foot-Ease. The money it saves you. W. Groves' signature is on each box, 25c.

The pictures we admire make our own portraits.

DEVIL GUARDED THE GOLD.

His Satanic Majesty's Portrait Indicated Treasurer House.

In this instance, as often, His Satanic Majesty proved a good guide to riches. Recently workmen were repairing a wall in an old house at Perpignan, in the south of France. On the wall was fixed, as a curious ornament, a very ancient sculptured chair. The workman found it necessary to remove this, and discovered that the back of the chair had hidden a mural painting of the devil, horns, tail, cloven foot, diabolic grin—all.

Sounding the wall with their hammers the workmen easily found there was a hollow space behind it, into which they broke. There lay a big pile of tarnished gold pieces, some French, most of them Spanish.

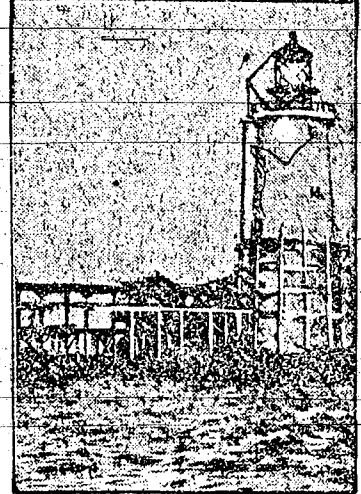
Of course this wealth amounting to some thousands of francs, reverted to the owner of the house. He rewarded handsomely those who found it, and does not concern himself whether it was accumulated by the aid of the sulphurous personage whose portrait indicated its hiding place.

Newest Style of Lighthouse.

The Ram Island ledge (Maine) lighthouse, now practically finished, will, it is claimed, be the best in the world of its class. The appropriation was \$166,000.

The tower is of hewn stone, and the exterior is nearly as smooth as marble. It is lined with white enamel tiling, and the interior is finished in quartered oak of the finest quality. The glass is diamond-shaped. The lantern is of bronze, cost \$10,000, and the salt air will have no effect upon it. The \$7,000 lens for the lamp was made in Paris.

The photograph shows the tower as



Ram Island Ledge Lighthouse. It looked just before the staging was removed.

Seven men are at work on the interior.

The light will be of the third order and will be a flash. The lighthouse is as firm as the great rock on which it stands. It will be of the greatest possible advantage to all masters of vessels entering or leaving Portland.

Music-Charmed Water.

Interesting experiments showing the influence of a tuning-fork on jets of water have recently been made at the Royal College of Science in Dublin. A jet of falling water consists ordinarily of two parts—a clear column and a troubled portion. When the troubled part is photographed, with the aid of the electric spark, it is seen to be composed of a succession of drops following one another too rapidly to be separately perceived by the eye. These drops are irregular in size and shape and distance from one another. But if a vibrating tuning-fork is placed in contact with the stand from which the jet starts, the drops fall into order with beautiful precision, a drop being cast off with each vibration. Many remarkable effects may be produced. A continuous jet may be thrown into a form like that of a vibrating string.

Memorial to a Robber.

In the little town of Forlimpopoli near Bologna, a memorial tablet is about to be unveiled in the Municipal theater to the memory of a famous robber chieftain named Passatore. The reason why the theater is chosen for the home of his memorial is that in it was performed his most famous exploit. In September, 1854, while one of Rossini's operas was being performed in the presence of all the local beauty and fashion, Passatore and his band "held up" the audience and robbed them of all their valuables to the last penny.

Palace of a King.

The palace of Alexander the Great was an imposing structure in its time, and the wonder is that any vestige of it stands to-day. It was built in a manner much more substantial than



that of to-day, though advocates of steel construction claim that the modern structure will defy time as long as any of those built by the ancients. Time alone will determine how much truth there is in this contention. On the Asiatic plain are the massive remnants of an ancient gateway fringed with weeds, and, vaguely knowing who he was, the natives tell that this is all that is left of the palace of Alexander

RAPID SPREAD OF PLANTS.

Seize Wide Stretches of Land in Glorious Profusion.

It is marvelous how rapidly some plants will spread themselves over wide stretches of land, says Longman's Magazine. The writer was struck with the way in which the yellow charlock took possession of the line when the Meon Valley railway was being made a few years ago. The very next spring after the embankments were thrown up their sides were clothed with this rampant and conspicuous crucifer. A line of yellow across the country marked in many places the course of the railway. Poppies, too, for some unknown reason, will occasionally appear in strange and wonderful profusion. The striking instance related by Lord Macaulay may be quoted by way of illustration. After the battle of Landen the ground, he tells us, "during many months was strewn with skulls and bones of men and horses, and with fragments of hats and shoes, saddles and hoisters. The next summer, the soil, fertilized by twenty thousand corpses, broke forth into millions of poppies."

Photography Foreshadowed.

La Fontaine, who died long before Scheele was born, gives in one of his fables a method of picture-making which may be regarded as foreshadowing the beautiful art which is now of service to mankind in so many different ways. It occurs under the title "Voyage Suppose," and a description runs as follows: "There was no painter in that country; but if anybody wished to have the portrait of a friend, or of a picture, a beautiful landscape, or of any other object, water was placed in great basins of gold or silver, and then the object desired to be painted was placed in front of that water. After a while the water froze and became a glass mirror, on which an ineffaceable image remained."—T. I. Hopeworth in Chambers' Journal.

Memories of Lady Tennyson.

Shortly after Lady Tennyson's marriage one of her women friends wrote the following: "We would find Mrs. Tennyson alone in the large drawing room—always writing—arrayed in a dress of soft gray merino trimmed with velvet or fur, and with a long train, a piece of rich old lace, worn instead of a cap, drooping over her hair behind and coming to a point in front. She was extremely kind in lending us books; among these I particularly remember Fichte's philosophical works, which she admired greatly. Her manner was always most gracious and dignified—perhaps rather languid, but this arose chiefly from lack of vitality or physical strength."

Games and Brains.

I have spent twelve years at the University of Cambridge and nine years of this period I have spent in teaching. I have always found that the fool at sports is the fool at books. Conversely, the good athlete is also a good student. The explanation is perfectly simple. A man or woman without brains cannot learn anything. They will be as great fools at games as they are fools at study.—Letter in London Mail.

Singing Insects of Japan.

Among the natural curiosities of Japan are its singing insects. The most prized of these tiny musicians is a black beetle named "suzumushi," which means "insect bell." The sound that it emits resembles that of a little silver bell of the sweetest and most delicate tone.

Franklin's Wise Advice.

Let all your things have their places; let each part of your business have its time. Resolve to perform what you ought; perform, without fail, what you resolve. Lose no time, be always employed in something useful.—Benjamin Franklin.

COMPLETELY RESTORED.

Mrs. P. Brunzel, wife of P. Brunzel, stock dealer, residence 3111 Grand avenue, Everett, Wash., says: "For fifteen years I suffered with terrible pain in my back. I did not know what it was to enjoy a night's rest and arose in the morning feeling tired and unrefreshed. My suffering sometimes was simply insupportable. When I finished the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills I felt like a different woman. I continued until I had taken five boxes. Doan's Kidney Pills act very effectively, very promptly, relieve the aching pains and all other annoying difficulties."

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Trying Spring Weather.

One of the odd observations of the medical profession is that of the deaths in all parts of the country, the number is larger in March and April of each year and smaller in October and November.

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List of Advertisers Letters.
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Cargill, Mrs. Ella
Pabst, Agnes
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Johnson, Mr. James.
Hunt, Miss Mary
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