sometimes see in the country, a dead

"Get thy spindle and distaff ready,

suggests a better idea. The Lord who

turned back that day from going to-

wards sundown and started it towards

sunrise is willing to do the same thing

for all of us. The theologians who

clasp of evil habits and who keeps all

the sins of the past and the present

frightening him and ignores the one

the road to night. All the watches that

shadows that move on all the

sun-dials indicate the approach of

wards sunrise instead of sunset. He

turns the other way. The Captain of

Salvation gives him the military com-

mand, "Attention! Right about face!"

marching towards prayerlessness,

marching towards sin, marching to-

wards gloom, marching towards death.

Now he turns and marches towards

peace, marches towards light and

marches towards comfort and marches

towards high hope and marches towards

a triumph stupendous and everlasting,

towards hosannas that ever hoist and

hallelujahs that ever roll. Now, if that

sundown to going towards sunrise,

I have seen the day break over Mount

Blanc and the Matterhorn, over the

heights of Lebanon, over Mount Wash-

ington, over the Sierra Nevadas, and

parted storm when the billows were

liquid Alps and liquid Sierra Nevadas,

but the sunrise of the soul is more ef-

fulgent and more transporting.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The movement in favor of introducing the metric system of weights and measures in the United Kingdom has of late acquired great impetus, and has secured the qualified approval of Mr. Balfour, the leading representative of the Salisbury Government in the House of Commons. Certain legislative steps in that direction are, therefore, likely to be taken during the coming session of Parliament. Even now in Russia and the United States this system is employed grees backward by which it had gone for pharmaceutical and medical purposes, and in the new edition of the Bri- 20, 11. tish Pharmacopaea, the metrical weights

and measures are to be adopted.

the effect that the adoption of the deci- may have been indicated. mal system of weights and measures is The clepsydra or water-clock follow- the glow of a bright morning and we bankment that he might see how they highly desirable in the interests of the ed the sun-dial, and the sand grass say in our feelings, if not with so would look when tumbled into the working classes and of the general followed the clepsydra. Then came the many words, "This life is from God, snow. And that man who has so little clared its adhesion to the system.

process.

subject has been modified. In the reference to the birth of Christ, and, shadow. The set-backs are sometimes Parliamentary report of a committee chronologist, declared that the world great German author Schiller could which sat thirty-three years ago, two was made five thousand four hundred not work unless he had in his room men of science no less distinguished than and eleven years before Christ, and the the scent of rotten apples, and the de-Sir John Herschel and the late Astrono- dred and fifty-five years before Christ, may become an inspiration instead of mer Royal, Sir George Airy, opposed the and all the illustrious events of the a depression. Robert Chambers' lame adoption of the metric system. On the last nineteen centuries and all the feet shut him up from other work, and other hand, before the select committee great events of all time to come have he became the world-renowned pubwhich recently examined the question, of Christ. These things I say that you literature of the age. The painful disone of the witnesses, Lord Kelvin, being may know what a watch is, what a order like that of Ezekiah called a carasked how far in his opinion the views clock is, what an almanac is, and learn buncle is spelled exactly the same as of Herschel and Airy were applicable hardships and what perplexities the and the pang of suffering may become to the present time, testified: "I be- world came to its present conveniences | the jewel of immortal value. Your setlieve these two great men would see and comforts, and to help you to more back like that of Ahaza's sun-dial things very differently now; their dial of Ahaz planted in my text. minds had not been opened to the great. We are told that Hezekiah, the king, a set-forward. You never would have advantages of the metric system." Lord was dying of a boil. It must have become Christian if you had not had Kelvin added that since those unfavorable opinions were expressed the system sore, and sometimes deathful. A fig the shadow of the sun-dial of this nahad been adopted by almost every country in Europe. This was an understatement of the facts; for a compul- yet been born, and Hezekiah's death and still further in 1865, but there is sory change from old and complicated to would have been the death of the na- not an intelligent and well-balanced new and simple methods of weighing and measuring has been accomplished some miraculous sign to make sure of sun-rise. in Turkey, in Japan, and even among it. He has the choice of having the But I promised to show you how the and whelms all the faculties, all the to a point in Canada. the black populations of the French dependencies in Africa. There is one be so wonderful to have the sun go ple. In most family circles there are not efface or death extinguish, or eternmore point worth considering, namely, down, for it always does go down grandchildren. By this divine ar- ity, or anything but augment and that when England adopts the metric system, France, in all probability, will adopt Greenwich time, and thus there and go toward sunrise. I see the sunrise adopt the metric adopt the metric system. France, in all probability, will adopt the metric backward. In other words, let the day in playing the game for money stakes. I look at that retrograde movement of the shadow on Ahaz's dial, I remember the shadow on will be but one time system in the

In No Danger.

Little Dick-Mamma, mayn't I have some of that black coffee? Mamma-Mercy! No; it will make Oh, no, mamma; my boots is awful

chronometer or time piece of which the stars are not very big things to Him. your sleepless nights, will be a large Day. world has any knowledge. But it was and He can with His finger turn back dose of youthful companionship. It has often been alleged in England a watch that did not tick and a clock that the agitation for the adoption of that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike. It was a sun dial, that did not strike that did not strike. It was a sun dial, the tall with his linger that the dock of human life. Set back the clock of human life. Make the shadow of the sun-dial of that did not strike. It was a sun dial, the tall with his linger that the dock of human life. the metric system is maintained by Ahaz, the King, invented it. Between At the opening of a new year peo- themselves old by always talking in view of the composition of the delega- column reached one point it was 9 a.m., weeks ago. In this delegation were rewas 3 o'clock p.m., and all the hours it go backward. You think I have a now be hard to get young people up presented no fewer than forty-six Cham- and half hours were so measured. Or bers of Commerce, which, moreover, it may have been a flight of stairs such be done if the same Lord who reversed grandparents had always to be pulled were supported in their advocacy of the as may now be found, in Hindustan the shadow to Hezekiah's courtyard out of bed. It is wrong now to play metric system by resolutions of the and other old countries, and when the moves upon us. While looking at the mischievous tricks on the unsuspecttrade unions passed in two successive shadow reached one step it was 10 Congresses. Equivalent resolutions, to o'clock a.m., and likewise other hours that God controls the shadows. We are crooked pin, not accidentally put there,

trade of the country, have been passed candle-clock of Alfred the Great and this warmth is from God." Or we have patience with childish exuberance was by a multitude of trade societies, includ- the candle was marked into three parts, "These successes are from God. What of which, if practised by the eighting the Dockers' Union, the General and while the first part was burning a providential thing it was I bought year-old of to-day, would set grand-Railway Workers' Union, the National he gave himself to religion, and while that lot just before the rise of real father and grandmother crazy. Revive estate! How grateful to God I am your remembrance of what you were Union of Gas Workers, the Boot and the second part was burning he gave that I made that investment! Why, between five and ten years of age, Shoe Union of Leicester, and the United himself to politics, and while the third they have declared ten per cent. divi- and with patience capable of every-Bargemen and Watermen's Protection part was burning he gave himself to dend! What a mercy it was that I sold thing join with the young. Put back Society. In a word, almost every rest. After a while came the wheel Oh, yes; we acknowledge God in the but fifty and sixty and seventy debranch of labor in Great Britain has de- and weight clock, and Pope Sylvester sunshine of a bright day or the sun- grees. the second was its most important in- shine of a great prosperity. But sup- Let me say to those in the afternoon ventor. And the skill of centuries of pose the day is dark? You have to of life-Don't be put off the harness: The recommendations made by the exquisite mechanism toiled at the time-show himself all day long. There is off. Don't be frightened out of life by nothing but shadow. How slow we are the grip as many are. At the first First, that the metric system of weights clock of the fourteenth century and to realize that the storm is from God sneeze of an influenza many give up all and measures should be at once legalized Huyghens, the inventor, swung the chill from God. Or, we buy the day earth. The microbes as the cause of for all purposes. Secondly, that it first pendulum, and Dr. Book contrived before the market's retreat; or we make disease were described in the Talmud should be the only legal system allowed the recoil escapement. And the "end- an investment that never pays; or we seventeen hundred years ago, as inviin the United Kingdom after two years. less chain " followed, and the "rachet purchase goods that we cannot dispose sible legions of dangerous ones." Don't Thirdly, that every effort should be and pinion lever" took its place; and ed by draught or freshet; or when we about heart failure. That trouble has made to teach the system in the public the compensation balance and the stem elementary schools. With the first winder followed, and now we have the January we found ourselves thousands all the people that have passed out of and third proposals Mr. Balfour declared buzz and clang of the great clock and himself in entire agreement. He ac- watch factories of Switzerland and "This loss is from God, I must have had it or will have it. Do not be sixty-four years of age. knowledged it to be the business of the Germany and England and America, been allowed to go into that unfor- watching for symptoms of everything Government to do everything in its turning out what seems to be the per- tunate enterprise for some good rea- Some of you will die of symptoms. power to smooth the transition from the fection of time-pieces. It took the old to the new system, and that cer- world six thousand years to make the My friends, r cannot look for one owl nailed on a barn door to save livtainly the first step thereto should be present chronometer. So with the moment on that retrograde shadow on ing owls. Put your trust in God, go to to make legal that which is thought de- measurement of longer spaces than Ahaz's dial without learning that God bed at ten o'clock, have the window sirable, and may ultimately be thought minutes and hours. Time was calcu- controls the shadows and that lesson open six inches to let in fresh air, necessary. Mr. Balfour expressed re- lated from new moon to new moon; the sunshine is not so necessary a les- ing. The maxim was right: luctance, however, to compel every class then from harvest to harvest. Then son, for anybody can be happy when in the community suddenly to abandon the year was pronounced to be three things go right. When you sleep eight and God will send thee flax." its traditional and habitual methods of hundred and fifty-four days, and then tite that cannot easily wait for break- Ahaz, and I see the shadow of it move, It is rumored that the Japanese Gov- four captains and two lieutenants this year than during October, Novemmeasuring and weighing. He suggested three hundred and sixty days, and, not fast and you go over to the store and I notice that it went back towards the ernment has entered into arrangements died of the disease. In the military ber and December of last year. So far that the Chambers of Commerce, and until a long while after, three hundred open your mail to open more orders even the Trade Union Congresses, were and sixty-five days. Then events were than you can fill, and in the next let- the sunset-towards the morning in- the great English firm of shipbuilders scarcely adequate representatives of the calculated from the foundation of you have been promised and your kind of feeling that would probably Rome, afterward from the Olympic neighbor comes in to tell you some many cases has done. There have a animate the great body of small retail games. Then the Babylonians had flattering thing he has just heard said great many things been written and their measurement of the year and the about you, and you find that all the spoken about the sunset of life. I have dealers, and of those who buy from such Romans theirs and the Armenians styles of goods in which you deal have said some of them myself. But my text dealers, when they found all their theirs and the Hindoos. theirs. Chrono- advanced fifteen per cent. in value, familiar landmarks swept away and un- logy was busy for centuries studying and on your way home you meet your familiar things put in their places. He monuments, inscriptions, coins, mum-children in full romp, and there are mies and astronomy, trying to lay a roses of health in cheeks all round the believed, therefore, that the Government plan by which all questions of dates table, what more do you want of conshould confine itself to legalizing and might be settled and events put in solation? I don't pity you a bit. You teaching the metric system, and should their right place in the procession of feel as if you could boss the world. But for those in just opposite circumtary the ages. But the chronologists only bear to all it anything but conversation. I call it anything but conversation. I call it a change from going towards suntantially be settled and events put in solation? I don't pity you a bit. You there world. But for those in just opposite circumtary the ages. But the chronologists only stances my text comes in with an omits had become practically known to all bewilderment, until the sixth century nipotence of meaning. The shadow ! down to going towards sunrise. The classes of the community. This charac- Dionysius Exiguns, a Roman abbot, Oh, the shadow! Shadow of bereave- man who never tries to unbuckle the teristically English decision is pronounc- said. "Let everything date from the ment! Shadow of sickness! Shadow of birth of Bethlehem of the Lord Jesus bankruptcy! Shadow of mental depresed satisfactory by the well-known scien- Christ, the Saviour of the world." The sion! Shadow of persecution! Shadow tific journal, Nature, which admits that abbot proposed to have things dated of death! Speak out. O. sun-dial of a gradual transition from the old sys-backward and forward from that great Ahaz, and tell all the people that God event. What a splendid thought for manages the shadow! As Hezekiah sat tem of weights and measures to the new the world! It would have been most in his palace window wrapped in inwould be preferable to a sharp and vio- natural to date everything from the validism and surrounded by anondynes on the way to sundown. His day is on England. lent change brought about by legal creation of the world. But I am glad and cataplasms and looked out upon the chronologists could not so easily the black hand of the only clock guess how old the world was in order known at that time and saw it move to get the nations in the habit of dat- back ten degrees, he learned a lesson Those persons whose memories go ing from that occurrence in its docu- that a majority of the human race back for a generation will appreciate ments and histories. Forever fixed is need this hour to learn-that the best how much British public opinion on this it that all history is to be dated with friend a man ever had controls the

> buncles, a boil without any central heaven are for teh set-backs. In 1861 was put upon it as a poultice. Heze- tion was set back, and all things seemwho was to take the kingdom had not heaven are for the set-backs. In 1861

Hezekiah got well. Now I expect you will come on with your higher criticism and try to explain this away and say it was an optional delusion of Hezekiah, and the shadow only seemed to go back, or a cloud came over, and it was uncertain which way the shadow considered to go back or a cloud came over, and it was uncertain which way the shadow only seemed to go back, or a cloud came over, and it was uncertain which way the shadow only seemed to go back, or a cloud came over, and it was uncertain which way the shadow on successary, putting on number tens when eighteens will do as well. Don't walk with a cane unless you have to, or only as defence in a city afflicted with too many can necessary, putting on number tens when eighteens will do as well. Don't was uncertain which way the shadow on the company of those who are considered to cry to the old keep young. Bon't walk with a cane unless you have to, or only as defence in a city afflicted with too many can necessary, putting on number tens when eighteens will do as well. Don't was uncertain which way the shadow on all the go back he took the action of his own mind for the retrograde movement. No; the shadow went back on all the prophet, cried unto the Lord:

Washington, Dec. 22.—And Isaiah, the prophet, cried unto the Lord:

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Turn to II. Chron. 32, 31, and find that away off in Babylon the mighty men of the palace noticed the same phenomenon. And if you do not like Bible author ity, turn over your copy of Heredottus and find that away off in Egypt the head of the palace noticed that there was some thing the matter with the sun't he shadow and here lands always been here, and from present prospects he is always going to stay. Remain young. Hang up your stockings in Christmas time. Help the boys fly the kite. Teach the girls how to dress their dolls. Better than arnical for your sleepless nights, will be a large of the pound of the palace noticed the same phenomenon of the palace noticed the same ph

scientific men unfamiliar with the prac- the hours given to statecraft and the ple are moralizing on the flight of time. about being old and wishing for the tical difficulties that would be encoun- cares of office he invented something You all feel that you are moving on good old days. From all I can hear December 21 of \$86,000 over the cortowards a sundown and many of you the grandchildren are not half as bad responding week of 1894. tered in the application of new modes by which he could tell the time of day. are under a consequent depression. I as the grandparents were. Matters of weighing and measuring to ordinary The sun-dial may have been a great propose this morning to set the hands have been hushed up, but if you have Metford rifles and 600,000 rounds of life. The assertion can be made no longer column, and when the shadows of that on your watches and clocks to going ever been in a room adjoining a room ammunition to the volunteer forces the other way. I propose to show you where some very old people a little has been completed at Kingston. how you may make the shadow of your deaf were talking over old times you tion which waited on Mr. Balfour three and when it reached another point it dial like the shadow on the dial of will find that this age does not mono-

> big undertaking on hand, but it can early enough in the morning, but their sun-dial of Hezekiah and we find the ing, but eighty years ago at school shadow retreating we ought to learn that now venerable man sat down on a all ready to acknowledge His manage- and purposely drove the sleigh-riding ment of the sunshine. We stand in party too near the edge of the ema rush of prosperity and we say, in olden times up to pranks, one-half son; God controls the east wind as well Symptoms are often only what we

as the west wind?"

we need all to learn. That He controls sleep on your right side and fear nothhours a night and rise with an appe- But while looking at the sun-dial of ceived £500 for his services. this matter settled. Hales, the chief the best things that can happen. The deluge came three thousand one hun- cay of the fruits of earthly prosperity been or shall be dated from the birth lisher, and helped fashion the best to appreciate through what toils and the precious stone called the carbuncle. respectful consideration of the sun- may be recovery and triumph. I never had a set-back but it turned out to be been one of the worst kind of car- a set-back. The highest thrones in kiah did not want to die then. His son ed going to ruin, and it was set back mid-Atlantic, the morning after a de-

tion. So he prays for recovery, and man, North or South, East or West is told he will get well. But he wants but feels it was set back towards the shadow on the sundial of Ahaz advance shadows might be turned back. First, aspirations, all the ambitions, all the or retreat. He replied it would not by going much among the young peoturn and go toward sunrise. I see the invalid king, bolstered up and wrapped in blankets, looking out of the window upon the sun-dial in the courtyard. While he watches the shadow on king of the ward night to ascend toward night to ascend to the toward While he watches the shadow on the the eighty-years-old grandfather join cline toward night to ascend toward navy. dial the shadow begins to retreat. In-stead of going on toward 6 o'clock in granddaughter. My father and mother well, well of all your sins, well of all the evening it goes back toward 6 lived to see over eighty children and your sorrows, well of all your erthly distresses Sunrise! o'clock in the morning. The fig poul- grandchildren and great-grandchildren tice had been drawing for some time. and a more boisterous crew were never some of the French railroads and, sure enough, the boil broke, and turned out of this sublunary sphere, port wine in bulk in tank cars.

A farmer named Piche blew out the

ed Mary Price swallowed an ounce of laudanum with suicidal intent after a

number of the employees, who are alleged to have discussed with outsiders the dismissal of three of the guards.

Bay and the whole crew of seventeen ing contrast to his "Life of Pitt."

wrecks, accompanied by loss of life, in the University of Moscow, who re-London is to have another Oriental of a piece of glass from a broken bottle dug through soft soil and soapstone and visitor, the Nizam of Hyderabad. He containing bacteria, was one of the most rules 15,000,000 subjects and 100,000 eminent of Russian scientists. square miles of territory.

A Presbyterian church in Notting-

cial service, which attracted much at-Mr. Robert Barr, the author, who has recently bought a piece of ground on Surrey Hills, England, also owns houses in Florida and on the Canadian shore over this insurgent success.

Sir Henry Harland, M.P., in the Conservative interest for North Belfast and of dollars worse off than we expected, this life have died of-heart failure, head of the famous ship-building firm Who under such circumstances says, Adam had it and all his descendants of Harland & Wolff, is dead. He was allowed to occupy the territory, and a horses. Indeed, he broke several colta

> The Queen is greatly interested in the Ashanti expedition, and also in Barney Barnato's Kaffir booms. She has ordered the Colonial Office to keep her informed of the latest developments in

> A leading London musical serial says: "It is enough to make the mouths o British organists water when they read that the organist of the Marlborough-Vanderbilt wedding at New York re-

> Sergius Stepniak, the Russian author, who was in exile from Russia and has been residing in London, was killed the other day by a passing train while walking over a level railway crossing at Chiswick. He was fifty-

The marriage of Miss Maple, of London, to Baron Eckhardstein is likely to Through the affidavits of prominent

sand glasses that empty themselves, ders have been given at the Woolwich from the dining-room table and stabbed tick, all the clocks that strike, all the and Devonport arsenals for a large his aged father to death. The enraged quantity of ammunition, together with young man then attempted to kill him- bossed plush. The sorrowing mistress a great number of magazine rifles, self, but only succeeded in inflicting was a Mrs. Garbonetti, who 19 years darkness. But now, in answer to pray- Martini-Henry rifles, and other guns some slight wounds, as the cries of the ago was a star horse performer in Barer, as in my text the change was in for shipment to Canada in January. father had brought the other members num's circus. Since leaving the sawanswer to prayer, the pardoning Lord The Courier also learns that the de- of the family on the scene, who disarmreverses things and the man starts to- fences of Canada are to be gradually ed the lunatic and prevented a suicide.

UNITED STATES.

marching towards hardness of heart, mastide By the burning of the saw mill of the Sutherland Lumber Company at Ashland, Wis., three men lost their lives. Joseph L. Ingalls, of Bridgton, Me., never was in a barber's chair for a shave till last week, although he is a

tucky, in which both the principals were is not the turning of the shadow on killed. They were named Mitchell and the dial of Ahaz from going towards Johnston. A lift span four hundred and twentyone feet long is proposed for the new Kansas City bridge. The thing works

on weights, like a window shaft.

Poker playing for money is not gambhopes with a light that sickness can- ling, according to Chief Justice Beatty, of the California Supreme Court, or at least there is no criminal act committed officers who had held commissions in exhausted, thus giving the farmer a in the drawing room?

Some of the French railroads trans-

marine.

hauling big loads on ordinary farm

waggons. The estimate for the tram-

and remained so until her death

discovered the microbe of measles.

Schloss on January 18.

men are missing.

Dr. Joseph Czajkowski, a foreign bac-

Prince Bismarck has informed Emper-

The cruiser Kwan Ping, captured by

demned by the State inspectors.

have foundered with all on board.

M. Weitoff, professor of bacteriology

The longest Egyptian railroad now ex-

tends to Girgeh, 326 miles from Cairo.

cataract, 710 miles from the coast. This

means, of course, an ultimate railroad

the flank of the Spanish army, and

is now marching direct on Havana.

KILLED BY HIS MANIAC SON.

Millionaire Aschoff Stabbed to Death With

Another frightful tragedy has just

been enacted in Wiesbaden, Germany,

ing so-called harmless lunatics unre-

the well-known millionaire, Herr As-

strained in private families. For years

ceration of his son in an insane asylum.

Another scandal is reported from the

Rhine provinces, where, in a suburb of

Cologne, Superintendent Czaplewski, of

for inflicting punishment of medieval

The Perils of Pig Killing.

Peter Hofminister, a German farmer

residing in North Sewickley Township,

Penn., undertook to butcher one of his

with a rifle. His aim was poor and

the ball, instead of striking the animal

between the eyes, missed the head en-

and round the kitchen went the wound-

ed pig and excited German. The lat-

ter kept yelling to his wife, who had

gained her feet and snatched up a roll-

brutality on the inmates.

a Carving Knife.

international trade.

die every day.

cently died from the poison of a scratch the wood was very plain. The well was

or William that if his health permits he

The convicts at Kingston enjoyed a ill and on Monday became unconscious \$75,000 on the past season

gas in his room at Montreal and died

teriological expert, is reported to have Traffic receipts on the C. P. R. show an increase for the week ending will attend the State banquet at the

The distribution of 3,200 Martini-A London West young woman nam-

quarrel with her intended. Her life An inquiry is being made at Kingston penitentiary into the conduct of a

GREAT BRITAIN. A lifeboat was capsized in Dublin puerperal fever.

The heavy gales continue around the ants fled to the mountains. coasts of Great Britain, and many

M. Emile Zola will visit England again in the spring. He wishes to It is soon to be extended to the first study the industrial and social life in such cities as Manchester and Shef-

ham, England, recently celebrated the installation of electric light by a spe-

of the Detroit river.

these matters.

Indian Survey, is 23,800 feet high.

ter you find a dividend far larger than stead of towards the night. That thing and gun-makers, for the establishment the world is willing now to do, and in of a dockyard and gun factory in many cases has done. There have a Japan.

> Professor Archibald Geikie directorgeneral of the geological surveys of the United Kingdom, and author of many important works on geology and kindred subjects, intends visiting the United States very shortly on a lecturing

redemption made by the only One who be one of the events of next season, for physicians he managed to evade the could redeem, if that man could ex- the daughter of Sir John Blundell Maple law which forbids the keeping of luna- and was interred with honours worthy amine the sun-dial he will find that is not only a beautiful and accomplished ties and imbeciles outside the state or of a human being. Poor Victoria was the shadow is going forward and he is girl, but one of the greatest heiresses in private institutions.

strengthened.

There were six suicides and one ac- the house of correction, had been sen-He was marching towards indifference, cidental death in New York at Christ- tenced to a long term of imprisonment

A duel was fought in Berea, Ken-

At Boston one day recently Mrs.Bal- the hog had failed to upset in his wild lington Booth made three addresses, re- race around the room, the farmer, in viewed the local Salvation Army, and his excitement, smashed with the ax attended a reception in the evening. while slashing at the fleeing pig. She was at work again next day before | Several times his wife narrowly escaped his plunges. ten o'clock.

Archie Turpie, a pier watchman in New York, has rescued his twenty-first individual from drowning. He keeps a coil of rope handy to throw to those who jump or walk off the pier. The last man saved was a drunken

ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT THE John O'Donnell, of Lowville, formerly a railroad commissioner of New York BUSY YANKEE. State, has devised a cheap form of tramway for rural roads, to facilitate

Neighborly Interest in His Doings-Matters of Moment and Mirth Gathered from His Daily Record.

alone is \$2,500 a mile.

Florence Mack, aged seventeen years,
of Detroit, ran a small splinter under Woman suffrage is being pushed vigthe thumb nail. A physician removed the bit of wood and told her to poultice the thumb. She disregarded the instructions. On Sunday she was taken instructions. On Sunday she was taken ill and on Monday became proposed to the county.

James Dowing, a patrolman of the New York police force, can speak the Chinese language. He learned it while

doing duty in the Chinatown of the metropolis. Miss Alice Ireland, of New York, has graduated as a dentist. She claims to be the first woman to practice dentistry in Gotham, although there are others in

various parts of the country. the Japanese from China, has been Discoveries of valuable onyx, which wrecked. A number of officers and 60 promise to develop into very large miles, A herd of Jersey cattle at Deposit have been made near Healdsburg, Cal. northern New York, has been found The stone is beautifully marked, and a

infected with tuberculosis and con- blast of the face of the ledge has exposed Report comes from Newfoundland Needle threading socials are the latest that there were in all 22 persons on the kind of money raising church entertainill-fated schooner Victory, believed to ments. The outlay is small and the fun is said to be of the \$10 variety. An Austrian named Dr. Marmbrick, A Camden, N.J., lady holds the record after four years' study at the Pasteur for threading fourteen needles in three Institute in Paris, claims to have discov- minutes, while the best record for men

ered a serum cure for erysipelas and is seven. A pencil sharpening match is one of the by-plays, to give the poor Advices from Aleppo say that the men a show. town of Zeitoun, which has been held. An almost perfect cedar tree was dis-Lord Resebery is said to be engaged by the insurgent Armenians for some covered buried at a depth of 170 feet on a new book which will be a strik- time past, has been captured by the below the surface of the earth near Eu-Turkish troops, and that the inhabit- reka Junction, Wash., by well-diggers last week. Large pieces of the trunk and branches were taken out, and so well preserved was the tree that the grain of

> a little basaltic rock near the surface. A fierce but somewhat funny war is waging in Pontica, Mich., where the Salvation Army has its headquarters in the same building with a saloon, the former upstairs and the latter on the ground floor. Every man who wants a connection with the British possessions drink has to run the gauntlet of a line of pickets set out by the Salvationists, and the incidents of the skirmishes and

> It is reported that Gen Gomez, at the hand-to-hand conflicts are highly interhead of the Cuban insurgent army,numesting to onlookers. bering twelve thousand men, has turned After seventy years of married life together, Mr. Snowden Files and his wife Eliza, of Sheperdstown, W. Va., There is great excitement in the city died on the same day within a few hours of each other, last week. Mr. Files was Among the conditions imposed upon 91 years old and his wife was 88. Up China by Japan in evacuating the Liao to within a year the old man was in Tung peninsula was one that neither full possession of all his faculties, and Russia, France nor Germany should be rode about the country on spirited

> number of ports are to be opened to when he was nearly 90 years old. For some little time a law and order The highest mountain ascents are league at Davenport, Wash., has been those credited to W. H. Johnson, of trying to enforce the Sunday closing the Indian Survey, between 1860 and 1865, law, but with no success. Last week in Cashmere. In 1865 he climbed three a number of citizens of the town called peaks of the Kuen Lun, one of which on all the saloon keepers and business according to the measurement of the men and asked that they close their places on Sunday as a matter of courtesy Advices from Santiago de Cuba state to oblige the citizens that the committee that yellow fever is raging there fear- represented. There was a prompt and fully in spite of the winter season. The general compliance with the request.

> death rate among the officers is very More big game was killed in the Maine heavy. In four days a commander, forests during October and November hospital there are more than 1,000 sick as shown by the records kept by the soldiers, of whom from ten to fifteen railroads which carry the game killed by the hunters, 1,170 deer, 74 moose, and 68 caribou were killed during October and November this year, while during the three hunting months of last year only 1,001 deer, 45 moose and 50 caribou were killed.

> It would doubtless surprise many folk to know the number of furs that are taken annually in Connecticut and Massachusetts. William Clarke, of Vernon, Conn., makes a tour of Tolland which illustrates the danger of harbor- county, Conn., and Hampden county, Mass., every fall collecting furs from the farmers. Last year he collected some 1,500 skins, mostly skunk but many of them mink. These animals are probchoff, has refused to permit the incar- ably not more plentiful in these two countries than in some other parts of the two States.

Victoria, the smallest dog in America. died a few days ago at Rahway, N.J., only six inches long, and her head was In a sudden fit of anger young As- but four inches from the ground. When The Manchester Courier says that or- choff grabbed a large carving-knife real plump she weighed 18 ounces. Her coffin was nine inches long, five wide and four high, and was covered with emdust she has made her home in Rahway.

Fatal Fall Down Stairs.

A despatch from Midland, Ont., says: -H. F. Switzer, clerk of the council of this town and prominent in several social orders, died on Wednesday morning twelve hours after having his left arm amoutated near the shoulder. He was a pioneer citizen, and was clerk for about 13 years, and was one of the foremost business men in Midland. On Saturday evening he made a false step, and fell down the back stairs in fat hogs the other day by shooting it the Bennett block. His arm was badly smashed near the wrist.

Color of the Eye.

side. Crazy with pain and fright the are most conversant with the anatomy animal tore around the back yard, pur- of the optic that the darkest-hued eye Lieutenant Peary has learned to speak sued by Peter, whooping and yelling is most susceptible to change. The fadthe Eskimo language with all the ease like an Indian, and making frantic ing of the black eye is no secret, as it of a native. It is almost as easy to slashes at it with an ax. The is almost universal, and this is natural reach the pole as to acquire that tongue. animal dashed into the door of the and accounted for from the known fact A bill has been introduced in the kitchen and upset Mrs. Hofminister, that the black eye is not black, but a House at Washington authorizing the who was busy with her household work. yellow of deep color, and sometimes bathes all the sights of the soul and construction of a bridge or tunnel from The destruction so wrought so aggra- found in combination with one or more illuminates all the depths of the soul, Grand Island, on the Niagara River, vated Peter that he welted away at colors. The light blue and the gray the animal narder than ever. Round seem to be the most lasting.

A Thoughtful Hostess.

Hostess (to male wall-flower)-Permit me to introduce you to a charming

Would you like to join the card-party Au, thanks, no, I do not play. Well, supper will be ready soon.

Mr. Henpect (anxiously)-Can I bring proceeding in court, Mr. Blackstone, to set aside my wife's will? Lawyer-Why, your wife isn't dead, man is she!

Mr. Hennect-No; that's just the trou-