Prowns letter "The meanent man in town

THE LIME KILN CLUB. As the meeting opened Brother Gardner announced that the Hon. William Johnson,

of Port Huron, was awaiting in the ante-room for admission, and on motion of Assas-

sination Smith the Committee of the Recep-tion were instructed to bring him in. When

the duty had been performed the President introduced the visitor, made him welcome,

" What am de comei ? Who is she ? Which is it ? What am he head fur ? How many of you kin answer dese quesbun ? My frens,

le study of astronomy am full of interes' an

pleasure. But fur astronomy how could we hev known dat de moon am peopled by a race of one eyed giants, an' dat de distance to

de sun am so great dat if we was to sot out

an' trabble on a hoss kyar it would take us fo' weeks to git dar ? Astronomy teaches us

d'at de atmosphere in de planet Jupiter am eo cl'ar au' transparent dat you kin see a boss fly six miles away. In de planet Mars de air is so cool dat a dead dog kin be left in

front of a first class hotel fur nine weeks. In de planet Venus it am allus good weather fur

goin' a fishin', and de air am so bracin' dat

planet Saturn furnishes its inhabitants straw-

sixty-eight cents a keg. Way back in de dark

aiges nobody knew wheder de sun was ten miles or ten millyon miles off. De sight of a 'clips skeered chill'en into fits an' made

strong men crawl under de bed fur safety. De

atars war' supposed to be pieces of tin nailed

to de midnight air, an' men would no mo' be-lieve dat de airth turned round. dan you now

believe dat de day will soon come when men will go sailin' frew de air at de rate of two

"But Idoan' wish to take up de waluable

Giveadam Jones doubled up in a hard

Pickles Smith fainted dead away, and he did

Mr. Johnson was taken out in such a weak

and exhausted condition that the janitor hall to fan him wich a lump of coal and run around

the corner after a whiskey straight. It has

favored with such a tremendous oratorical

INVITATIONS.

The Secretary announced the reception of

an invitation to attend a colored camp-meet-

ing at Beeto, Tex., with watermelons selling in that part of the State at ten cents apiece.

Also, to attend the celebration of the anni

versary of emancipation in the West Indies,

Also, to a colored church picnic to be held

The following candidates were duly balloted

ELECTION.

for and elected on the run; Muskmelen Skoof, David Smith, Cessar Jones, Illuo s

Jones, Mandrake Green, Soli Johnson and

A BARE GIFT. After the elction, Brother Gardner an-nounced that he had received notice of the

shipment to the club of a rare gift to the museum, being a No. 8. shoe uncarthed from the ruins of Troy by Dr. Schliemann. The sole of the shoe bears the letter "H" and is

supposed to have belonged to Helen of Troy,

as she is known to have worn shoes of that

number. The gift is from the Colored Ari Association of Pennsylvania, before which

society Brother Gardner will deliver an essay

on " Ancient Bunions" some time in August.

The Secretary was instructed to return thanks

and the relic was ordered placed directly over

HAVE WE ANY ESTHETICS ?

The chairman of the Committee on Agri-

sulture announced that he was ready to re-

port on the query : " Have we any sesthetics among us ?" The committee had carefully

among us?' The committee had carefully investigated for two long weeks, and had reached the conclusion that if there were any such persons in Detroit they were hidden away in garrets. The committee had run across sad eyad girls, having a sorrowful

to be held at Chatham, Ont.

in Richmond.

General Buffer.

the Bear Trap.

been long weeks since Paradise Hali

not regain consciousness until Waydown Bebee ran the cold handle of the water dipper

miles a minute.

Elder Toots cheered.

knot.

effort.

down his back.

De

do women allus split deir own wood.

and Mr. Johnson led off as follows :

## AROUND THE WORLD.

-- Ex Governor Garcelon of Maine has one of the cost may farms in the State. Its yield this season will be 120 tone. proposition has been made to tunne

the phases between London and Poplar, at an entime ed co-t of £1.000,000.

It sa Bonheur is 28 years old. Not in ir que and she has been paid for her work at the rate of \$500 a day. Her first picture was received at the Paris salon when she was but 19 years old.

Baldwin county, Ala , has a population of 9,000, among whom is not a resident lawyer and only one doctor. There was a lawyer there once, but the doctor is said to have dis posed of thim.

- Ti + final blow was struck at the platform when it was found that Guiteau had been a lecturer. If ne forth committees will be more careful how mey allow lecturers to get away from town alive.

--The fact that the custom in Georgia now is to sell watern clous by the pound don't discourage the negro in the least; he takes, in his nocturnal raids, the largest melon he can lay hands on.

- A Detroit doctor says people with light eyes and hair are those who have warts. Now is some eavant will tell tell us what color of eyes and hair denotes shoring many unhappy marriages will be provented.

Au Englishman who has published his observations during a trip in the United States concludes that the most striking and thoroughly American characters he saw were Bob Ingersed and Mand S.

- Bunches of rosos as large as a tall cabbage are fasten d above and in front of the hip and below the breast of the most fashion-able women at Saratoga and Long Branch whenever they are costumed for a carriagedrive. -- Philadelphia has fif.y reserve policemen

with an average weight of 2 0 pounds. All but four measure over 6 feet -- the tallest being 6 feet  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches and two others only bali an inch less. The average is 6 feet 2

San Francisco has placed a Chinese policeman on duty in the coolie quarters of that city. Desnite the fact that it may draw down upon us the wrath of the masses we feel constrained to ask if this not a genuine case of Asiatic " cotlar," ch?

- A Colorado editor says that terror caused a flock of six y-two black sheep to become perfectly white between twilight and daylight. That far Western scribe either mistook a mountain snow storm for terror or else he lied about the matter. Yau can take your

- Quite numerous : Sister .- ! What are you crying for, Billy?" Billy-" What are Stone's heked me." Sister-" What! a little boy like that lick you all alone?" Billy-"He weren't all alone at all; he had his legs and his fists with him."

- One of James Russell Lowell's apothegms that now harnes the press is "Earth's noblest thing—a woman perfected." We hurl back the base incinuation. Woman is no thing. She is a plump, lovable personality, or ought to be.

-Whon a fellow sees a picture of his little piece grown up to be a marriageable young , and he rom; mbers the day upon which that nicco's mamina first began to walk, it is about time for him to begin taking an interest in caskets and life insurance companies.

-Just before death Mrs. Patton, of Evansville, Ind., induced her husband and her dau, hter by a previous marriage to promise to get married as soon as she was laid away in the tomb. She evidently liked the man and was determined to keep him in the family. --In his great joy over the almost certain

recovery of the President, an Arizona saloonkeeper changed the name of his saloon from "Munich Hall" to "Garfield Exchange," and gave a forty-eight hour free lunch to celebrate the event. Patriotism looms up like six bits in the southwest.

-Two great bells have been cast at West Croydon, in England, for the towor of the new Eddy-tone liphthouse. Each has a weight of about 4.200 pounds and a diametor at the mouth of 5 feet 14 inches. Their note is C, and they are intended to act as fog signals -the one to le ward, the other to windward.

-A young lad of Providence hung himself power, it darted toward the pole from after reading a dime novel. This is a decided improvement on the old plan of seizing a the stars and stripes were flying and seated itself upon the pinnacle of the flagstaff, there remaining fully helf an hour, after which it butcher knife and going West with murder in the heart to slaughter indians and wear long winged its way to the mountains and was heir and being brought back to interview seen no more. If you do not feel disposed to

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daughter, Mrs. Sartoris, in England, says

huzzies was a getting in the front row."

\$100,000,000, a sum equal to the combined school funds of all the other States of the

Union. The University of Texas, soon to be

the wounds make it appear so.

makes of himself."

London.

thoroughly and perfectly practiced.

was death due to smallnox.

riment occasionally at some unexpected play

ropeatedly drew our eyes from our book. They never quarrelled and never called names

once. After we got out at our station we sat

at the window and watched a party of young

men and maidens playing croquet. In fifteen minutes we saw two persons cheat success-ful y. We heard the one player who did not

reard four distinct bitter quarrels. We heard

beautiful young girl tell two lies, and a meek

looking yonng man three, and finally we saw

the young girl abrow her mallet against the fence so hard that it frightened a horse; the

other young girl pounded her mallet so hard on the ground that it knocked the buds off an

apple tree - they both banged into the house

at different doors, and the two young men

looked sheepish and went off after a drink.

CURIOUS FACTS

-When Xerxes had bridged the Hellespont

storm arose and destroyed his work. After

beheading the engineers he ordered the strait

-Larosier, the French law giver of chem-

istry, while experimenting on the intensity of different lights, shut himself up in total dark

ness for six weeks to increase the sensibility

--When Cardinal de Monte was elected

Pope, before he left the conclave he bestowed a cardinal's hat upon a servant whose chief

nerit consisted in the daily attentions he

-The belief in centaurs originated in the

nistake of some spectators beholding a group

of Thessalonians on horseback while their

orses were drinking, the animals heads being

-The marks by which the sacred bull of

Egypt was known were a square, white spot

back a double tuft of hair on its tail and the

-There is, among the relics in the cathe

figure of the secret beetle under its tongue.

dral of Perugia, a rung affirmed to be the very

ring of espousal given by Joseph to the Virgin

in its forehead, the figure of an eagle on

Now, why is this ?

of the eye.

scourged with 300 lashes.

paid his Holiness's monkey.

lepressed and out of sight.

at accused of cheating five times.

000,000.

ALL SORTS. that her marriage, though it was criticised in this country, has turned out a first class match. Her husband has a respectable -The new kiss invented by Emma Abbott mens in front. ncome of probably \$10,000 a year, and, with A big job in the hose line—the stocking of the Merrimac. home many years in his family, he lives

upon his income easily, and has plenty of time for hunting, fishing and boating. Nellie -A tragedian is a dangerous man-he akes life so cheerfully. Sartoris has three hving children, and likes England and her mode of life.

-Many students burn midnight oil, but do -Czardine was reading from a paper that very little midnight toil. -It is hard to grow a beard, because each resses for the dead could be made without any back to them, when Mrs. Czardine quickparticular hair is a stub born. ly spoke up and said : "See here Czardine.

-A wife must be like roasted lambvant you to promise me one thing. And that tender and nicely dressed. No sauce res never to lay me out in sich duds, for when quired. Sabriel blows his horn I'd feel mighty

-Bernhardt's future temb, we learn from shamed to be oblegged to stand up agin the fence to hide my back, while old Jane Todd the New York Commercial, will be adorned with Sara phims. and all the rest of them good-for-nothing -From the prices that some physicians

charge, one can readily imagine that high - The school fund of Texas will at no distant day be enormous. That State has yet unsold 40,000,000 acres of school land, which heals are fashionable. -Henry Watterson pronounces Talmage's

sermon on water "delicious." Wonder what he would say to water itself. will probably bring to her public school fund -Gold ore and a deposit in the savings

bank are very much the same, inasmuch as established, has more than 5500,000 with which to erect buildings, and a permanent endowment of between \$2,000,000 and \$3, they are both m ney in accrued state. -Rustic chairs are pretty objects, and as long as a man can resist the inclination to si

in them they are desirable to be about. -It is probable that the question as to -Texas siftings asks : " Might we not have whether the ex Sultan Abdul Aziz committed rain if all the politicians with clouds hanging over them were called together in conven suicide or was murdered will remain an open

one, upon which future historical students tion ?' will exercise their powers of argument with as -The idea that nothing harder than dianuch effect as those of to-day have upon monds could be made has been exploded, a St. Louis bride having baked a batek of bisthe question of who was "the man in the iron mask," and similar ones. Several men have cuits.

been convicted of murdering the ex Sultan. and yet Dr. Dickson, an eminent English -Here is another attempt to deprive woman of her rights. A male wretch has got surgeon, who examined the body within a few hours after death, has declared positively that up an invention to prevent the slamming of t was a case of suicide. His description of doors.

-Detroit is known as "the city of the Straits," and Chicago, bound to be different, -Judge R. and Journalist H. are troubled with the disease of egotism, and for the first time, in speaking of each other, brought to very naturally takes the name of "the city of the crooks.' my knowledge the fact that the patient is not .- "An' that's the Pillar of Hercules ?" she

aware of his own infirmity. "I like the Judge," said the journalist, "for he is a man said, adjusting her silver spectacles. "The land sakes ! What's the rest of his bedclothes of fine attainments; but I must cut him. He cannot go away from himself. His coat-tail like, I wonder !" - " Martha, why will you leave our service ?" is glued to his base." "I wish," said the jurist, "that H. were less of an egotist. It

Because, madam, you are a brunette and I am a blonde. I can't take any comfort wear is dreadful to hear him from merning till night, and all night, talk of hims If. It is ing your dresses." -- Although we are not troubled as the astonishing he does not see what a bore he

ancients were in making bricks without straw, still a straw is a great aid to a fellow desiring -There can be little doubt that much of to put a brick in his hat. the apparent force in arguments raised against vaccination would become error of -A young lady bearing the aristocratic ognomen of Jardine recently deserted her clearest sort if vaccination were more

over, because in an impassioned sonnet he nade her name rhyme with "sardine." striking instances of this are brought out in a recant report from the Stockwell committee of - The Cincinnati Gazette openly and They ascertained from the super-

bally advises the female s(x to hang a limbon either side of the bicycle and ride tohealth and story. And its editor is a deaconintendent of the smallpox hospital that of the 704 patients admitted there during the pas: seven months, 191 were children under 12 years of age, of whom 83 were imperfectly at that ! -Dean Swift hearing of a carpenter's viccinated, 13 were in doubt if they had even falling through a scaffolding of a honse which

een vaccinated, and 95 had never been vac he was engaged in repairing, remarked that he liked to see a mechanic go through his cinated at all. Of the vaccinated cases only two resulted in death, and in neither cases work promptly. -- A Georgia editor says : " Gold in thirty

A Western circus manager, who has just three counties in this State, copper in thirteen returned from Australia, says that while exhibiting at Melbourne an American eagle, iron in forty-three, diamonds in twenty-six, whiskey in all of them, and the last gets away with all the rest." the only one of the species ever in Australia. belonging to the Zoological gardens, escaped

-The Boston Post mentions twenty eight from its cage and soared heavenward, but was different diseases to which the human tongue is liable, and for the life of us we can't see how both parties manage to dodge attracted toward the poles of the circus tents, where the flags of all nations were flying. The bird sailed around for a few moments, and then, as if impelled by some special through campaigns as they do.

vhich it's better in the dark.'

flesh on a man. A Marathon man has had

# RICHMOND HILL, THURSDAY, AUG. 18, 1881.

washerwoman with seven children to support. He one day sat down to a dinner which had cost £30 000, and in the afternoon he went on a £50,000 drunk. The police didn't run

him in, or he would doubtless have insisted on paying a fine of £20,000 and presenting his Honor with a corner house and lot in the toniest part of Babylon.

King Menes was another well heeled man. It was too much trouble to count his cash, and so he weighed it. One day when an old friend asked him for the loan of a few dollars until Saturday night he sent him a procession of sixt asses, each animal loaded with 150

pounds of gold coin. He paid £100,000 for a bird which could whistle, the same for a trick dog, and he had such a fondness for white oxen that he shelled out £25 000 apiece for shem, and at one time he had a drove of 2,-When he got out with the boys he 300. made things lively. During one spree in

his city of Memphie, he gave away £500,000, and didn't get dead drunk at that. At one how anxious and sorrowful he had been be time he had 600,000 gold chains, 1,000,000 cause he had no money to leave her, he confinger rings, 100,000 costly swords. 300,000 daggers, and land only knows how many fish tines, jack knives, cork screws and tobacco boxes. His wife had £1,000,000 s year as pin money, and when his eldest son went up o Thebes to see the elephant, he was folfriends, 1,000 slaves, lowed by 500 2.000borses and £500 000 for fare checks and beer money.

# FACTS AND FIGURES.

-Last year England imported 783,714,720 egga.

-The rose gardens of Adrianople cover 14.000 acres. - One person out of every 246,582 is struck

by lightning. - A parrot in Harlem, N. Y., speaks 250 lifferent words.

---Ireland has three thousand five hundred and sixty four doctors of medicine. -- The amount of common salt in the sea is

stimated to be about five times the bulk of the Alps. - A cord of stone, three bushels of lime and

cubic yard of sand will lay 100 cubic feet of wa U. ---One thousand laths will cover 70 yards of

nrivee, and 11 pounds of lath nails will nail them on. -Owing to low water over 250,000 feet of umber will be stuck in the Ottawa River thi

sammer. -A thermometer plunged into the snow to

the depth of four inches will mark nine de grees more heat than at the surface. -Eight bushels of good lime, 16 bushels of

and and one bushel of hair will make enough mortar to plaster 100 square yards. --Within thirty-seven years the Church of England has erected 2,581 churches, and ex

pended on ckarch buildings \$200,900,000. -There are in Great Britain and Ireland

22,836 doctors. Of these there are in Eugand, 14,918; in Scotland, 3,454; in Ireland. 3 56**4**.

-Oue thousand shineles laid four inches to the weather will cover 100 square feet of surface, and 5 pounds of shingle nails will asten them on. BRIG :

-Sir Bartle Frere stated that in a single year more than £3,500,000 worth of dianonds have passed through the Cape Town ost office. -One fifth more siding and Mooring is

needed than the number of square feet of sur-face to be covered, because of the lap in the siding and matching of the floor. -There are 32,222 generals in Vouezuela, --- An old bachelor, who particularly hated and the present president has been very

iterary women, asked an authoress if she could throw any light on kissing. "I could," said she, looking archly at him, " but I think

-There is nothing like a bicycle to put

### POPPING THE QUESTION. Some Curious Precedents in Making Proposals. (Chamber's Journal.)

Sir Arthur Helps believed that never since the world began did two lovers make love in exactly the same way as any other two lovers. Whether he was right is equally beyond proof or disproof. Certainly no ques tion has been put in such a variety of ways as the momentous one a man can ask or a woman answer; how it is put depends upon time, place, circumstances, and the tempera-ment of the individuals concerned.

A MARRIAGE WITH & GENEROUS MOTIVE.

A curious marriage proposal was made b a reverend bachelor who entered the matri monial state on his death-bed. He called his housekeeper, and when she entered the room he made her sit down; and, after telling her tinued :

"Of course you are aware that there is ministers' widows' fund, so that if the hus band dies his wife will have an annuity during her life. Now supposing you marry me, although I am almost at death's door you will be amply provided for in the future Will you consent to this ?"

"Master, dear, you must be doting! What would people say?" "I was never more serious in my life

Mary ; and I am sure people will say we have both acted wisely in this matter. Take till the evening to think it over, and bring me your answer."

In the evening Mary told him she would take him. So, ten days after they were married, and three days later the good old man died ; but the widow still enjoyed her share tin' old an' slew, an' he ain't no'count on

of the widow's fund.

# SHE CHANGED HER MIND.

A big, good natured doctor was desperately in love with, and had been twice refused by a fair haired woman. After the last refused he told her that if she ever changed her mind to let him know, as his love for her was unchangeable, and he would be proud to be her husband. Some months later he was driving ome from seeing a patient, when he saw his lady love riding in his direction. Supposing she would merely bow and pass on, as she had often done before, he did not pull up his " Makin quits ? all outcoves. "Yes," she replies, brightening up, for she is great on quilts. "I've just finished a gorgeous Eagle of Brazil, a Setting Sun, and porces. But the moment Miss Dixon came up to him she reined in her horses, stopped, a Nation's Pride. Have you ever saw the Yellow Rose of the Prairie ?" nd called out :

"Won't you stay, Dr. Hill ?" He raised his hat and replied :

I shall be happy to do so," then waiting

for her to speak. " "Dr. Hill I have been closely watching you lately, and seeing nothing but goodness nd noble mindedness in your character, and believing you will make an excellent husband, I am willing to marry you."

#### NO OBJECTIONS.

Mr. Smith, coming all the way from Australia on the lookout for a wife, saw a young governess on board a Glasgow steamer whom, from her- kindness and attention to some children under her charge, he fancied would suit him. So he went and introng, and the next day the young man goes after a marriage license. duced himself, and taking a seat beside her

"I ym fifty years of age : have an income of a thousand a year; am a total abstainer from intoxicating drink; have a good house near Melbourne. and all I want is a good wife to complete my possessions. Would you mind taking me?"

town office, and carry your coat on your arm " I have no objections." because the walking makes you feel warm, you are liable to take cold. Therefore, don't And a few weeks later they were made one. do it. If you should take the same walk

QUAINT AND LUDICROUS PROPOSALS.

after eating a hearty dinner, your full stomach would be a protection to you, but even When Lord Strangeford sat down to criti in his commissions, too, for he cise a book of travels by Miss Beaufort, he then my advice would be, do not take the has issued only 8.000. The rest of the inhabcide a book of travers by must have before long he would write in a strong wind for a long time without have before long he would write in a strong wind for a long time without have been disappointed in not taking cold, but if he sits in a room where they had merely been disappointed in not there is a slight draught, he may have a very going to the sea side. The committee had --Five courses of brick will lay 1 foot in

WHOLE NO. 1,203.-NO. 11.

ther, and his candle bespeak his errand. To make the point quite clear, however, he offers the candle to the daughter of the house. If the takes it, it is lighted; the mother sticks pin in the candle to show how long the young people may stay together without inter ruption, and she and everybody else retire Mr. Trollope says a little salt is sometime put in by somebody to make the wick burn slowly, but when the flame reaches the pin mamma comes in, the "freying" is over, and day or two afterwards the pair are made one berries an' cream de hull y'ar round, an' de wery bes' kind o' lager beer kin be had fur

THE TEXAS WAY.

They manage these things differently in Texas. This is how a fond couple came to an understanding, according to one who pretends to know. H sits on one side of th coom in a big white rocking chair, she on the other side, in a little white oak rocking chair long-eared deer hound is by his side, basket of sewing by hers. Both the youn people rock incessantly. He sight heavily and looks out of the west window at a myrtl tree ; she sighs lightly and gazes out of the east window at the turnip patch. At last he emarks: ---

"This is mighty good weather for cotton time of dis meetin', an' I will close by deservoicking."

in' dat all occashuns seem supplementary to de gineral debility of the furlong. Dar am no mo' reason why all of you shouldn't agitate "'Tis that, " the lady responds "if we only had any to pick." The rocking contines. "What's your dog's name?" asked she. "Coony !" Another sigh-broken stillness generosity of de sincerity dan dar am fur de elocutoin to operate disastrusly against de terribleness of de octavo." Another sigh-broken stillness "What's he good for ?"

"What's who good for ?" says he, abstractedly. "Yonr dog Coony."

In the quiet ten minutes that ensues she

affair made after the pattern called Rose of

"Forty odd." Then more rocking, and somehow the big

rocking chair and the little rocking chair are jammed side by side and rocking is im-

Presently his hand is accidentally placed on hers, of which she does not seem to be at all

Cooney dreams he hears a sound of kiss

HOW NOT TO TAKE COLD

Dr. Beverly Robinson, in a paper on "Colds

If you start to waik home from a down

and their consequences." gives the following

"Your ma raising many chickens ?

" Makin' quilts ?" be observes.

More silence. Then he says :

aware. Then he suddenly says: "I've a great mind to bite you."

"Why would you bite me?" "Kase you won't have me."

"Kase you ain't axed me."

Well, now, I ax you."

" Then now I has you."

good practical suggestions :

· Dou you love cabbage

stitches in her quilt, a gorgeous

- "For ketching 'possums !" Silence for half an hour.
- "He looks like a deer bound ?" " Who looks like a deer hound ?"
- " Cooney." " He is, but he's sort o' beliewed, an get

cold trail."

possible.

" No."

" I do that."

runk strap before going across two accept this story as truth, just chalk it down ships. --The present Duke of Wellington bas as a circus advertisement or a very patrictic lie and pass it along.

a pension of \$20,000 a year since the death of his father in 1852. He has also \$160,000 a year from estates given to his father by the government, and the interest on \$3,500,000 with those awful playthings of the voted to the great Duke by the British Parthe battle of Waterloo. The liament after present Duke is 74 years old.

-In the course of a street brawl the other day one of the disputants was heard to reiterate with considerable profabity that he might by whipped, but he wouldn't be subjugated. It seems that he miscalculated a little on this point, as he was seen the next day going to a picnic along with his wife, and actually carrying the baby.

-The printers of Vienna propose to cele brate the four hundredth anniversary of Guttenberg's invention of printing in that city, in a manner worthily befitting so important Twenty prominent printers and publishers of Paris will attend the festivities. and all the leading cities of Europe are expected to send representatives.

-The invention for easing the strain on horses in starting horse cars, which has been in six months' successful service, is put in operation by a little pedal which is touched by the driver's foot. It connects the tongue of the car with a lever, which operates a lat-chet, taking holk of a cogwheel in the axle, thus easing the dead pull nearly one half.

--- A Keene, N. H., young man was recently severely pois med by corrosive sublimate contained in the nuce age upon postage stamps which he had moistened with his tongue as h stuck them ppon some 200 envelopes. The poison had been taken in sufficient quantities to produce violent pains in the abdomen and abs and other symptoms of quite an alarm ing nature.

--- Immediately in front of the show window of a Philadelphia jublishing house, on Chest-nut street, above Third, is a wide grating upon which instic folks stand to examine highly colored pictures. There is nothing strange about this, excepting that every morning the store boy finds four or five canes, and on Monday mornings especially the number is very large.

-One L. W. Herold, of Rondout, has collection of United States cents from 1790 to 1881, excepting for the years 1801, 1804 1805 and 1806. He has been for years get ting them together. He says in 1857 the las of the large coppers were coined, and in the same year the coinage of the small white cents was begun. In 1865 was begun the ssuing of the small copper cents we now have.

Mary. It is of green jasper, the stone hollowed out and forming both hoop and -- Travelets by rul say that the railroad hog is fast becoming a relic of the past. He had to be hauled out of the seat and mopped ignet.

-A serious difference of opinion as to the on the floor for years before he would learn that no realroad passenger paying one fare color of the Devil appears at one time to have threatened the church of Japan, there being Plas a right to two seats, but he has learne it at last, and even smills good astronom several opinions on the subject. The infalli-ble Mikado settled the difficulty by declaring at last, and even smiles good naturedly when asked to remove his luggage and his im to be all four colors at once ! feet and his hat and make room for six people -The rare phenomena of an inverted rain to sit down.

ow has been observed at a Prussian town. --- As the puble vessel now rides the wave The ends of the semi-circle, the center of which was the sun, rose and moved westward en route to Europe, the tourist can seek his berth at night and lay down to slumber with with the latter for some thirty minutes; when

the appearance vanished. the reflection that as he shores the clockwork -- The word " hurrah " is pure Slavonian. dynamite machine may be reposing in the hold, laughing in demoniac glee and awaiting The origin of the word comes from the idea that every man who dies heroically goes the proper moment when it can hurl his remains promisence by over the deep, leaving straight to "Hu-ray," heaven, and so the word is shouted in the shock of battle to remind not even a wart by which loving friends can identify him.

the combatants of the immediate recompense -A gentleman who knows General Grant's of a brave death.

one only about a week, and his left ankle is three inches larger around than it was when he first rode it. -Burlington Hawkeve : One day this summer we rode fifty miles in a railroad car,

-If Uncle Sam was mixed up in this Algerine question the name of the city of Sfax wouldn't stand fifteon minutes. He'd seated behind four men who were playing devi make sass'sfax of it or get sas sfaxtion somecards. They played euchre till they were tired of it. They played a little seven up, how or other for the trouble of sailing over pedro, and occasionally a trifle of poker. We never heard a dispute. Their' bursts of merthere.

ANCIENT HISTORY.

Some Chaps Who Had a Dollar or Two

Thousands of men have envied Astor. Stowart, Vanderbilt, Mackay, Keene, Gould, and the other fellows who can buy strawter ries at \$1 per box, but the richest of them are mere vagrants when compared to some of the There was Ninus, for instance incients. He was the son of Nimrod, the old hunter who made lions scratch for holes and tigers take to ditches. Old Nim left his boy about £130 000,000 in cash, besides 120,000 cattle. piece of land about as big as Arkansas, and 14.000 likely slaves. There were no lawyers in those days who made a specialty in break ing wills and gobbling estates, and young inus quickly took possession and cast about for some plan to keep himself out of the poor house. He was considered a poor young man, and had he been seen lugging his gir to an ice cream saloon or riding out in livery rig, his friends would have said he would bring up in a garret. By a lucky cap ture of territory from the Assyrians, togethe with 20,000 slaves, 125,000 cattle, ten wagon oads of silver and jewels, and a few othe trifles, Ninus walked up the social ladder until big bugs asked after his wife and babies and he could lose three games of billiards without

wondering if the owner of the saloon would take a ' stand off.' He was worth £350.000,000 when he died, and yet for the last five years of his life he went without mutton because the price had raised to three cents per pound The heiress with a \$50 000 bank account nsiders herself some pumpkins, but what a three cent piece she would have been along side of Queen Semiramis. She not only had the lucre left by Ninus, but in ten years she had increased it four fold. Just multiply E350,000,000 by two and you have the amount

of her bank balance, to say nothing of jewels and clothing and furniture and palaces and slaves and cattles. Had she sold out and cleaned up she could have drawn her little check for about £700,000,000. She didn't vorry about where her spring bonnet came from, and when a new style of dress goods came out she didn't sit up nights for fear some neighhor would secure a pattern first. While she made it lively for her enemies she was soft on her friends. She gave her waiting maid half a million dollars in a lump, for dressing her hair in a new style, and she

ossed the same amount to her dressmaker as a reward for the excellent fit of one particular dress. One day when she saw a poor old man traveling the highway on foot the presented him with 500 assess to ride on, and insisted on his accepting £50,000 to pay his toll and tavern bills. Cyrus, King of Persia from the year 538

to 580, had some little change to begin with, and in ten years he could draw his check for £500,000,000. He didn't haggle over the price of a slave when a man came to buy, out presented him with 1,000. He at one

time owned 30,000 horses, 40 000 eattle, 200,-000 sheep, 15,000 asses and 25,000 slaves, and when he got tired of a palace costing £1.000.000 he gave it away to some poor

and 20 inches long ; and eight bricks in a course will make a flue 8 inches wide and 16 inches long.

itants are women and children.

conomical

--Denver has a population of less than 50.000 but it includes six men who are worth from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 each, 20 who are worth \$500,000, and 200 who represent \$250,000 in their own right. Deuver has besides its batch of rich men. six widows possessive progoun of the first person.'

whose combined formanes aggregate \$3,000,-600.

CHRONICLES.

Hear me, oh ye tillers of the soil; open y our ears and harken unto my voice. Put not your trust in men who show anto e models of strange and wonderful invenons, else ye be bamboozled und deceived. Look not upon the model of the machin that goeth forth into the fields to reap and gather up the sheaves.

Nor upon the pump that requireth not human aid to seduce from its subterraneau ed the sparkling waters for the refreshment of the lowing kine. Turn ye away from him who presenteth

them; flee from the sound of his velvet em broidered voice. Else it bits ye like a serpent and sting ye

like the prickings of the conscience of him )ly who defraudeth the publisher and payeth not his yearly tithes.

From his lips droppeth taffy as droppeth the sap from the sugar trees in the camps of war fathers. Shun him, oh ye agitators of the clodied.

field, for he will draw over thine eyes the fleecy substance which is wool ; yea, verily, he will hornswoggle ye with words that are pleas

ant unto the ear. Re will say unto ye : " Sign ye this coven ant that ye may act in my stead and sapply the toiling masses with my handiwork.

"Serve ye as my agent, for will ye not therefore wax rich; will not the silver and gold flow into thy coffers ? "Sign quickly I beseech ye, that another

nay not reap the golden harvest in thy

stead. And when we sign or engrave upon the cov enant thy seal, he will go on his way rejoic ng, saying unto himself : did I not strike the duffer hand Verily,

somely; did I not turn the trick in bang-up shape When a fortnight passes the machines have

some not; the wouderful mechanism hath fa led to materialize. But in their stead there cometh unto ye a

person clothed in fine raiment and a look lignity And preacheth unto ye your covenant, say

" Pay unto me what thou owest ; pungle

up the ducats, else I bring ye before the judge. "I hold here thy note of hand for \$722.

10." Then ye will wax sore afraid, and your

heart will be in your bosom as heavy as the biscuit of the amaseur cook !

And ye will go down into your garments for scrip and pay the amount, while the stranger wears an electric smile. And when the man of fine valment depart eth ye will say unto your wife : "Yea, verily, am not I a condemned fool."

And she will softly reply, "You be." When you will seize your ledger and write upon the debit eide thereof :

Fo damnfoolishness ...... And on the credit side thereof : \$722.10By experience ...... \$10,000,000,000 enters.

height on a chimpey. Nine bricks in a Emperor Akbar to the King of Portugal, which there is a slight draught, he may have a very contained a request for copies of the holy severe cold in a few minutes. Therefore, do book of the Christians, and in which the fol-lowing sentence cccurs: 'In the world of humanity which is the mirror and reflection of the world of God, there is nothing equal

o love or comparable to human affection For many years I have felt and known this, though I never said it till to day to any one. When you next write please give me the

Su ely never was a declaration made in quainter fashion, saving perhaps, by the Scotch beadle, who led the mause housemaid to the churchyard, and pointing with his finger stammered : " My folk is there, Mary ; wad ye like to lie

where?" Or the lugubriously humorous Irish lover, who took his girl to see the family racilt, and then and there asked her if she would like to lay her bones beside his bones. Logise de Savoie popped the question to Bourbon, but had to take "No," for an answer, the constable courtly declaring that the disparity of years between them, and his own celing, rendered the union impossible.

#### WOMEN FIND A WAY.

Cleverly cornered was the western man whose girl told him she was a mind reader vhereupon he naturally inquired if she could read what was in his mind, eliciting for re-

shoes.

DON'T MARRY FOR MONEY.

"Ob, yes! You have it in your mind to ask me to be y ar wife; but you are just a little scared at the idea."

It is plain the notion did not scare her any nore than it did the Galloway girl, who, when Jock. coming into the kitchen while she was preparing breakfast, said : "I think I'll take off your coat, walk up and down the room

marry ye, Jean !" Answered : "I would be muckle obliged to ye if ye yould !" and so concluded the bargain; not even stipulating like another ready lassie on ccepting as sudden an offer.

"But ye maun gie me my dues o' courtin' or a' that, Jamie.' The right of courtship is one out of which lower animals.

no woman ought to allow herself to be derauded.

PROPOSING BY PROXY.

Little as faint heartedness in a lover may be the liking of a fair lady, it is sufficiently flattering to be condoned : but where any Caleb in search of a wife chooses to sue by lelegate, he assuredly deserves to fall igno mother ?" "You see, boy," he replied, with a sigh, "I was wurkin' for Long John Free miniously. Love is not to be won by an attorney, and oftentimes the attorney has thrown his client overboard and carried off the prize himself, as happened when William Frimn went courting in his brother's behalf. every quiltin' she used to chuse me for Hooker escap d that risk by leaving every partner, and everybody said it 'peared like she wur a courtin' me. She gimme four pair of cotton socks and a heap of things, but still thing, even the selection of the lady, to Mrs. Churchman, who found him a wife and achieved a son in law herself at the same I didn't have any notion of her. Well, one Christmas eve, I went to the old woman's time. Proposing by proxy is the rule, not the exception, in Greenland. Time was when and had hardly sot down before Sary Ann the Greenlanders won their wives by capture ; brought me some sweet potato pie, which but since their conversion by Danish mis-sionaries they have become the tamest of vocers. Now a candidate fer the holv state goes to a missionary, and tells him he wants a wife

#### A CANDLE PROPOSAL.

stairs floor had cracks in it as wide as my finger. So, you see, I could hear the jingle Dumb declarations are in vogue too among of the money just as well as if I had been up thar myself. When she had counted nine the Boers of South Africa. Mr. Anthony hundred and six I drawed up to Sary Ann Trollope tells us that when a young Boer goes in quest of a wife he puts on his coes in quest of a wife he puts on his best and popped the question. In course she said clothes, sticks a feather in his cap, provides she'd have me, and next Thursday wo was himself with a bottle of sugar plume and a merried. Now, what do you think I tound candle a wax one if possible—mounts his out the next day? Why, that the old wo horse-rides to the house holding the young man didn't have but thirty Mexican dollars woman he would honor, hangs the and that she counted 'em over and over just reins on the gate, dismounts and to fool me. Don't marry for money, boy, enters. His smart gear, his fea specially not for silver dollars."

run across sad eyed young men, carrying sad not sit where there is a draught. little cance and wearing spirituelle hats, but

little canes and weating spirituant in they smoked five cent cigars and chewed raw they smoked five cent cigars and mathetics never do that. The Warm mufflers worn about the neck do not protect you against taking cold, but on the peanuts, and asthetics never do that. ontrary render you extremely liable to take committee had labored diligently and well. cold as soon as you take them off. They and was forced to the conclusion that the only make the throat tender. Ladies ought to wear warmer flannel under fools in Detroit were natural horn ones.

THE WEATHER.

clothing than they do now, if one may judge from the articles one sees hanging in the The Chairman of the Weather Bureau handed in the following square facts for the coming windows of the shops. People take cold from inhaling cold air throug their mouth oftener, week :

Sunday-Promises well for was day.

perhaps than by any other way. Ladies dress themselves up in heavy furs, go riding Monday-But it was a delusion. Begins rain at daylight, and never lets up till 9 in their carriages and when they cet home they wonder where they got that cold. It was by taking in the cold open air, and thus o'clock in the evening. More whiskey and ass water is the need of the hour.

Tuesday - look out for a thaw. If the exposing the mucous membranes of the sleighing goes off now we won't get another throat. The best protection under the circumstances, is to keep the mouth shut.

run before September. Wednesday-High winds. Clothes lines people must keep their mouths open in a hould be firmly anchored and small children hilly atmosphere, they ought to wear fitter kept under cover. May be a good day for fishing, but it's according to what you're fish-Above all, be careful of your feet in cold damp weather. Have thick soles on your ing for. shoes, and if caught out in a rain which laste

Thursday-Calm, very calm; so calm that so long as to wet through your shoes despite the thick soles, put on dry stockings as soon dishcloths on the back fence strike meditative attitudes.

as you get home. But in cold wet slushy weather don't be caught out without over Friday-Signs of a great disturbance in he upper lake region. Chicago renews her Rubbers are unhealthy, unless car claim as a summer resort. Lymonade with a is taken to remove them as soon as you get tick in it will be in demand on the Atlantic under shelter. They arrest all evaporation oast. through the pores of the leather. Cork soles Saturday-Usual thunder and lightning,

are a good invention. When you go into your house or your ollowed by increased respiration; toothache 100. Don't buy a Sunday watermelon unless office. after being out in the cold, don't go at once and stick yourself by the register, but you plug it.

#### A SHARPER ADVERTISED.

A letter from Akron, O., warned the club a little, and get warm gradually. Warming yourself up over a a register just before going hat a halibut colored man had left that place out in the cold is one of the worst things you or Detroit with a satchel full of bottles of can do. Never take a hot toddy to warm iquid wairanted to remove wrinkles and you up unless you are at home and don't expect to go out of the house again until the knock freckles higher than a kite. Colored people in Akron had purchased liberally and following morning. In short make some use of your common sense, and thus emulate the ound themselves badly swindled, and the writer hoped that the African element in Detroit would give the fellow a cool reception.

#### THE ANNUAL.

The annual election of officers of the club ceurs on the first Saturday in August, and preparations are making to entertain at least 400 honorary members. No dinner will be given by the club this year, but arrangements Uncle Pleasant Batkins is 60 and his wife 72. The other day a friend said : "Uncle Pleasant, why in the mischief did you marry or a boat ride are making, and seven hundred a woman nearly old enough to be your watermelons have been engaged for delivery early Saturday morning. Every State will be represented by from five to thirty delegates, man, in Hanover, when I was jest eighteen and Mary Ann Russ, old Mrs. Russ's only and most of them will remain in the city three daughter, was thirty if she wus a day. At iays.

-There is nothing like dealing with a discreet marketman after all. "My ownest own." aid Mr Nipspree to his wife the other day. as he returned from an alleged trout fising xcursion of three days, "did you receive those splendid fish I sent you from Licko Chabot the other day?" Mrs. N. transfix d he base deceiver with a look that made hum feel as though an ice water Bridal Veil Fall was running down his spine, and replied : "I received some fish, I believe, but the market elegram, but as he hadn't enough fresh vater trout he sent you some first-rate codfish instead." "D did, eh?" stammered the wretched Benedict. "Yes, he did; and now, sir, perhaps you'll be good enough to "xplain------" But we draw a veil over the horrid picture.

-There was a Frenchman who lived in Bor

Who had long sought to shoot down a creaux, At last a chance came, So, taking good aim, He laid him out in extenseeux,

she knowed I was monstrous fond of. While I was eatin' it, I heard the old woman up stairs a countin silver dollars. Now, that was no plaster to the ceilin', and the up