AROUND THE WORLD.

-Recently compiled statistics place the death rate from the administration of chloro

-According to the Reichs-Medicinal Kalender, there are in the German empire 17,591 physicians and 4,457 apothecaries.

-In France and Germany, respectively, two france and two marks are the medical charges for single visits, except in the fash ionable watering places.

-A remarkably low death rate is recorded at Dover, England, during the past quarter, e total deaths representing an annual rais of 9.1 per 1,000 of population.

-United States Vice Consul Hummel, a Munich, says that a large proportion of the 5.000,000 of beer glasses used annually in yearly between 1870 and 1880, and 4.38 per 5,000,000 of beer glasses used annually in Berlin are imported from America. -If you are not able to keep a yacht it

may console you to know that it costs those who can from \$9,000 to \$13,000 per year, and they are not boked upon as sailors -The State of Pueblo, Mexico, bas enso

ted that all persons engaged in the cultiva-tion of cotton shall be exempt from the payment of taxes or personal contributions for

-According to an official return, the Britain is now 49,000,000 preof gallons. This is four and a half times more than was thus stored in 1867.

The recent fashion among surgeons of employing kangaroo tendons for ligatures is said to be giving way to the superior excellance of the sciatic nerve of the colf as now worth of gold since they were open-

-One has only to read the fire record of this country to realize that masons slight their work, stoves are unsafe, ranges get out of order, matches are flung everywhere, and the profession of incendiary is a safe and paying one.

-The story that Strawberry Hill had been sold to an American hotel company is effect ually disposed of by the announcement that, should it not be sold by private treaty in the mean time, it will be put up to suction next

-A work on the diseases of elephants is being written. Their more prominent affections are stated to be meningitis, app lexy, vomiting, colic, enteritis, Læmaturia, tetanus or lockjaw, pneumonia, anthrax, and "foot and mouth disease."

-A deputation representing the Indian contingent lately serving in Egypt has arrived in England. It consists of fourteen pative officers, seven non-commissioned officers, and ten privates, who acted as orderlies and servants. They will be received by the

-Two German chemists have discovered that in the saliva of the maxillery gland of the horse there is present a ferment capable of converting starch into sugar ; that in the saliva of the parotid gland there is a pentonizing element, though in small quantities, and that the mixed salvia emulsifies fate, but

-It seems certain that even the sunflower must go. The London Live Stock Journal says that sunflower oil is greatly used for adulterating said oil, and that the leaves of the plant are greatly employed in the adulteration of tobacco The cil is supposed to be unsurpassed as a lubricant, and soau made from it is unequalled for softening the skin.

-The post mortem examination of a mu latto who died recently in Cincinnati revealed a brain weighing 61 ounces. There
are on record but two brains beavier than
this—that of Ouvier, weighing 64.38 ounces,
and Abstraction of which weighed 63.000008. this—that of Ouvier, weighing 64.38 ounces, and Abercrombie's, which weighed 63 ounces.

Immening consolidation of portion of the lung aubstance. The ordinary treatment was re-The mulatto was not considered bright in- sorted to, and the patient sustained by the

-Popular belief in the wisdom of vaccination has received a severe blow in a part of she was sure the pin was there and was the Germany, where a large number of children, both those vaccinated for the first time and On Sunday last, the 12th inst., after a severe others revaccinated after an interval of attack of coughing, she felt a strangling senothers revaconated after an interval of attack of congining, she left a strangling sentwelve years, have fallen dangerously ill, the facts on the punctured part decaying and pricking the back of her mouth. On introducing off, and the bodies being covered with sores and boils. It is thought unlikely drew out the very pin, shrunken and corthat a single one of the affected children will roded, it is true, but the self same pin that recover. Impure virus appears to have been she had awallowed seven months before. the cause of this unfortunate result.

-In May last a man named Lansard feli down the great precipice of Bellavardaz, in the Savov Alps, and a cross was erected at the place of the accident, according to local custom. October 4 a Turin mercuant named Bibollot visited the scene with his family, and examined the spot critically. "I cannot un derstand what Lansard was doing to loss his footing here," said M. Bibellot, "and still less how he should have been killed." He scarcely uttered the words when he loss his balance and fell headlong down the precipice. Few men have their cutiosity so who has charge of the case.

GROWTH OF THE AUSTRALIAN COL-ONIES.

From R. W. Cameron's report.

prosperous of them all. It has a doast line never have recognized the merit of its remar-of 2,000 miles. Vast deposits of iron and kable author. The preface has aroused so Vast deposits of iron and kable author. copper exist in its interior, but being 400 much curiosity in the subject of it that the miles inland they await the building of the looksmith, who a few days ago had scarcely Transcontinental railway. Tin mining is been heard of outside his village, is now refast becoming a lucrative vocation; mines on ceiving visits from Paris journalists, who the Herberton river are extremely rich, describe his poor dwelling, his gray hair and yielding from 50 to 70 per cent. Gold mines. too, are being profitably worked. Sugar plantation, there are which frequently pay a net profit of £25 per acre, and it is claimed that "in a few years Queensland, with the adjoining Fiji group, will take the place of Mauritiues, Java and the Philippines, and supply a large portion of the world's crop of Sugar lands are in great demand, the Government having recently advanced Paris or Versailles, and by the aid of a systhe price from fifteen shillings to thirty and forty shillings per acre. Finally, as to sheep farming, which is meantime the most fr three months' necturnal study. He had important inserest of the colony, there are in another way of obtaining the information he the interior freeholds upwards of 100,000 coveted. When sent to work at a neighboracres, paddocked and stocked with sheep and

miles of railway in operation and 250 more in course of construction. It produces copper, lead quick-silver, zinc and manganese, and exports quantities of wool. A syndicate, recently formed, has leased from the Govern ment for 21 years 55,000,000 acres of land (85,000 square miles) lying in the northern part, the rental for the first three years being 6d. per square mile and for the remainder of the lease 2s 6d, per square mile, and the conditions require that the lands shall be stocked in certain proportions.

New South Wales is the oldest of the colonies, having been first settled about 1788 Its growth in wealth has been great and its present prosperity is most remarkable. A few figures will best illustrate this: The exports of wool in 1863 were 13,482,000 pounds valued at £1.283.818. In 1881 they were 154,871,000 pounds, and their value £8.040, 625 stg. The inwards shipping of the colony was 361,000 tons in the year 1861 and the outwards 370,000 tons. These had increased outwards 370,000 tons. respectively to 1,242,000 tons and 1,190,000 tons in 1880. Imports and exports are thus given:

1880. ways in the country belong to the Govern-

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cent last year. This we learn from the budget speech of the Hon. the Treasurer, who is led in his enthusiasm over these figures and over a surplas of some £260,000 to exclaim:

Seldom does it fall to the lot of a Finance Minister to open a budget so replete, and to lay before his audience such a marvelous history of financial, commercial, pastoral, industrial and general progression as I have been enabled to do to night!" Victoria, although the smallest of the five provinces in Australia, ranks first in respect of

quantity of spirits held in bond in Great Melbourne, its capital, was founded in 1836 Britain is now 49,000,000 proof gallons. This population, possessing 900,000 souls in 1880. Victorian gold fields are among the most famous in the world and their produce forms,

—Horseshoes made of three thicknesses of green rawhide compressed in a steel mould are used to some extent in England, they weigh about a quarter as much as a superior of death and some extent in England, they wigh about a quarter as much as a superior of death single track railway common and the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of the superior of the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of death single track railway common and the superior of the superior o weigh about a quarter as much as an iron of double track with half as much more aushoe, and are said to wear longer.

And as to telegraphs, one line, the Trans-continental, is 2 200 miles long, reaching from Adelaide to Port Darwin on the north coast, where cables come in from Java, Singapore, India and London (via the Red Sea.) From the Gulf of Carpeniari (a separate line from the Port Darwin one) there is a continuous wire, via Brishane, Sydney, Melbeurne and Adelaide to Perth, Western Australia. The north and south line, erected by South Australia at its own expense, was the fore runner of all the other great extensions. The work cost £453.711 for 1,700 miles out of 2,200, of which 500 were already built. The line was carried across territory occupied only by the natives, part of the line had to he noted twice over, because the white ant in tropical Australia, destroyed the wooden poles, and rendered necessary the substitution

SINGULAR CASE.

A Pin in a Young Woman's Lungs Seven Months. From the St. Catharines Journal.

A young lady residing in the village of Beamsville was holding an iron pin in her mouth, while engaged in dressing herself, about seven months ago. The pin was black, one inch and six eights of an inch long, and was surmounted by a smooth round head the size of a number one shot. She accidently swallowed the pin,and was a good deal alarmed in consequence; but as she felt no other effect, at first, she began to think that it might have passed away without leaving any legacy behind it. Unfortunately this was not the case. After a week or two she began to experience a pain in the upper part of her chest, on the right side, just below the collar bone. The pain was accompanied by a severe and very harassing cough that was not amenable to treatment. The physician tellectually, yet is described as becoming, late in life, "thoughtful and reserved." He had been a slave.

She complained of a sharp pain of a pricking nature in the lung, and whenever she coughed nature in the lung. of a taste of iron in her month. She said mains in the lung, resulting from the lon continued presence of the pin, it already shows signs of absting; and if tubercular disease is not induced, the physcian in attendar ce expects a favorable result. The pin has been compared with a companion pin which was of the same size, and the swallowed pin was found to be two-eighths of an inch shorter than the unawallowed one, and of much smaller calibre from exidation and corosion while in the air passages. Both pins are now in the possession of the physician

A LEARNED LOCKSMITH.

If Adrian Maquet, the learned locksmith of Marly, finds that to be famous is a pleas-ant sensation, he must thank his good fortune for having given him Victorien Sardou for a Queensland, the colony occupying the northeastern corner of the Australian continent, is, in the opinion of Mr. Cameron, destined to become the most wealthy and neurs de Marly, the Paris literati might borny hands with graphic exactness, and are eager to publish anything he may tell them about himself.

Adrain Maquet has added another name to the list of learned workingmen. For thirty-five years the study of local history and antiquities has been his ruling passion. Whenever he could steal a day from his toil he would betake himself to some library at tem of short hand that he had invented. would often take notes enough to serve him ing chateau possessing a history, he would At the famous Darling Downs there beg leave of the proprietor to look at the is one estate pasturing 300,000 sheep.

South Australia, whose capital is Adelaide, in 2,000 miles long by 300 wide. It has 750 granted. In course of time he became as xpert in deciphering ancient manuscripts as an adept of the Ecole des Chartes. paleographic locksmith is now in a fair way of receiving some Government appointment which will free him from those hindrances to is beloved pursuit which for thirty five years he has so bravely struggled against. - St.

> BRADSTREET'S WEEKLY RE-PORT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17 .- A feeling of uneasiness has been developed in the States regarding the trade and industrial situation. The dispatches to Bradstreet's this week are, however, reassuring, and while the iron trade and some collateral lines are undergoing the depression which accompanies a decline of prices, it is not thought that anything like a credit storm is at hand. There were 167 failures in the United States reported to Bradstreet's during the past week, 18 more than in the preceding week and 51 more than in the corresponding week of last year. Canada had 18, a decrease of 4.

-Recent returns give the Italian popula A thousand miles of railway are open and tion on Jan. 1, 1882, at 28,941,374, a gain 576 miles more under contract. All the railin ten years of nearly four millions, and this not with standing the enormous emigration. ment; and while for the fifteen years of their What a contrast to envious France.

The Veneto Cattolico says that a citizen of icenza has left a very large fortune to the Pope, as the first and greatest benefactor on earth of the poor and abandoned. The Town Council of Berlin have voted

sum of money in support of a scholastic celebration of Luther's 40th birthday, which falls on the tenth of November next year.

Bishop Talbot of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Indiana suffers from a second stroke of paralysis, which so completely disables him that he has announced his inten-

tion of resigning his position.

The Rev. Charles Spurgeon, son of the famous London preacher, told a Boston au-dience the other day that nobody had set wine before him since his arrival in this country, several weeks ago, and that he

had seen none on private tables. He expressed his gladness thereat. A young missionary visiting Thibet for the first time recently expressed his horror at finding the practices of Mormonism reversed under the protection of the King of Cashmere. The la, allows women several living husbands, and a lad gave the names of five

men when asked who his father was.
A clergyman in Richmond, Va., while conlucting a funeral service raised a stir and a mile among the assembled mourners by praying for the undertaker. There was no eason whatsoever why the undertaker should not be prayed for as much as any other man. But the departure from ordinary custom was

to unusual that it seemed queer.

The Lutheran and Dutch Reform con gregations of Shillington, Pa., held their services in the same house at different hours, but concluded to consolidate their Sunday schools, the understanding being that the shildren should become Lutherans or Dutch Reform, according to the dictates of their own consciences. Charges of proselyting were soun made, and the schools were separ Th y are now in the courts with s quarrel over the ownership of the organ, library, and other things.

At a conference of the Free Church society,

in Boston, clergymen of various denomina-tions urged the abolition of seat selling, on grounds of both right and expediency; but the Rev. Edward Abbott of Cambridge spoke on the other side of the question. The rich seeded the Gospel as much as the poor, he shought, and many families would not go to church at all if they could not have the seats they wanted. His opinion was decidedly that more than half the congregations would be destroyed if free seats should become gen-

Because of an insinuation that he had not properly accounted for money furnished by the Rev. Dr. Curry, agent for the Peabody fund for holding normal institutes, and other persons, the Rev. J. W. Denton, Arknansas State Superintendent for Public Education, committed suicide at Favettville. The charge against him had been fully disproved, but injudicious persons kept reiterating them, and thus drove the unfortunate man to his

A troublesome case has arisen in a Presbyterian church in San Rafael, California, on the literal interpretation of the rassage in Episcopal of James which is in favor of annointing with oil with a view to the healing of disease. A sick man desired the elders to come and annoint him and pray over him according to the Scripture. They had never been called on to do this, and so they hes-itated until they should ask the Presbytery. discussed the matter at some length, and ther banded it over to the Synod. The probability is that it may now go all the way to the general Assembly, and possibly be laid over there, as the dancing question was in May last. Meanwhile the sick man is in great

quandary as to what he shall do. An amiable old gentleman has for thirty or forty years been collecting sermons. He does not preach them, but simply garners them as in a museum, carefully cataloguing them Although a good deal of irritation still re- and arranging them according to subjects. He has now more than 12 (N) and is justly proud of having the largest collection, not only in New York, but on this continent. About 3,000 different sermonizers are represented on his shelves. He still proceeds with patient industry to add to his lot, securing either such sermons as are on extraordinary subjects or those which are delivered by pe cultarly eminent clergymen, regardless of subject or occasion. Most of his sermonic ressures are in pamphlet form, but many are in the manuscipt of the authors. These are of course, the most valuable as historic

> Horester on one Manday morning in each nonth the Baptist ministers of Richmond Va., are to have before them for analysis, dissection, criticism, and suggestion a sermen written by one of their number. The sermon is first to be read in their hearing, after which each minister in turn is free to speak his mind concerning it. It is expected that for two or three months this exercise will be a great success. After that it will become wearisome, or else lead to dissatisfaction and consequent alienation of friendship. If the little men criticise the big men's sermons too severely their lofty contempt for the comparatively poor sermone of the less expensive brethren, there will be a coolness between the two classes which will soon prove fatal to the pros

perity of the meeting.

A clerical scandal is just now agitating parish of south London. It would appear that the wife of a curate of a church fre quented by a congregation which subueban society loves to call fachionable had given great offense to her neighbors by reason of the varying hues of her hair, her penciled eyebrows, her artifical complexion, and her general dressy style. A deputation of ladies placed the matter before the vicar, who thereupon wrote to the curate, calling on him to resign. The curate happens to be a thorough ly practical man, who had gained consider worldly wisdom by rendering obedience he forwarded the vicar's letter to the bishop and appealed to his lordship for protection The bishop has replied by reproving the vicar for heeding envious gossip, and informing him that he is not justified in dismissing his curate for such trivial reasons stated. The ongregation is now divided into two camps, and great curiesity is expressed concerning

the result of the equabble A BOABDING SCHOOL STORY. If anyone ever wanted to laugh when it would have been the height of impropriety to their feelings on such occasions by the following good story: "In an Episcopal boarding school, a few years since, the scholars and teachers were assembled for morning prayer. The reading and singing were over, and all stature, missing her chair, seated herselt with a "thud" on the floor. Nobody smiled. All were too decorous for that. The fallen one. embarrassed into the momentary loss of earnestly engaged in examining its contents. This was almost too much for her companions, and a smile began to struggle on many a fair countenance, when the rector rose and ommenced reading the first morning lesson. He read from the fifth chapter of Amos. as ollows : " The virgin of Israel has fallen ; she shall rise no more : she is forsaken upon her land; there is none to raise her up."

This was too much; the voice of the rector

existence the return they made yearly was ABOUT PREACHERS CHURCHES AND virgin; the scholars turned red in their faces, RELIGION. and the exercises were brought to a hasty

The Canada Presbyterian says: Quite frequently we see paragraphs in our local ex-changes, stating that the Rev. Mr. A., of the Presbyterian church, exchanged pulpits last Sabbath with the Rev. Mr. B., of the Methodist, or some other church. Then follows another sentence or two on brotherly love, the dying out of bigotry, and sundry kindred topics. Now, an occasional exchange of pulpits may be a pleasant and prefitable thing for all parties concerned. It is, however, the very height of absurdity to suppose that the Christian regard which ministers of Christ have for each other depends on any such trifling incidents. The minister who never, or very rarely, exchanges, may have just as much brotherly love as the minister who is always on the look out for an exchange. The fact is, that, nine times out of ten, ministers who honestly prepare their sermons, exchange during the week that they have had no time to prepare for their pulpits. There may be a few ministers who like very much to have an exchange frequently, because they are—well, shall we say, constitutionally tired. At all events, the Christian regard and professional courtesy which ministers that are Christian gentlemen entertain for each other, do not depend on any such trifles as an occasional

exchange ef pulpits. Moody is seriously ill in England. The Rev. Canon Wilberforce denies that he stated at a meeting that he would not give his wife brandy, though it were to save

Booth, of the Salvation Army, says that you have got to get a sinner excited, afraid and pulverised before an opening can be found to introduce religion.

General Abe Buford proposes to start a

paper to be called the Christian Turfman.
The High Court of Justiciary, sitting at Dundee, Scotland, has confirmed the action of the magistrates of Arbroath, in suppressing processions of the Salvation Army, on the ground that such processions only are to be permitted as do not endanger the public peace. This decision seems to throw the government of towns, so far as processions are concerned, into the hands of the mob who alone can decide which processions will endanger the public peace, and the constitutional method, according to this decision, of doing away with an obnoxious celebration, is to threaten it with an attack.

Brooklyn has one clergyman, at least, who is a philosopher. On Sunday he found a punched half dollar in the contribution box, and mentioned the fact. But instead of in veighing, as so many ministers would have one, against the meanness of the act. he took an eminently practical view of the matter and said: "It not unfrequently happens that a gentlemen puts a fifty cent piece with a hole through it on the plate. The coin would not be taken by a broker for its face value; but then, if we consider that had the donor not had that mutilated half dollar he might not have given one cent, we should be grateful." How much wiser this was than it would have been to abuse the unknown contributor and drive him away from the place altogether.

MARMION.

Iwo Views of the Political Discussion Aboutt. EDUCATION AND POLITICS.

In the discussion of the Marmion question he Beform press generally took the view that the poem was immoral, and offensive to Catholics, while Conservative journals in general took the opposite side of the question. The discussion on the use of the hible in the public schools has also been conducted from a party standpoint, the Globe and its lesser Reform contemporaries being as a rule opposed to any change, while the Conservative press is generally in favor of the use of the tions which should not be mixed up with party politics at all, and deserve to be dis-cussed on their own merits. Would these discussions have been dragged into the political arena had the Minister of Education not also been a member of the Government The fact that party politics have been mixed up with the consideration of these important discussions, is one of the best arguments which could be advanced in favor of making the head of the Educational Department altogether independent of the fortunes of the political party which may be in power. If this divorce of education from politics be-comes an accomplished fact, the interests of education would be advanced in preference to the interests of the party which may hold the reins of power.-Muskoka Herald.

A CLEBGYMAN GIVES IT TO HIS SON. In the course of his address at Queen' College last evening, Principal Grant remarked: "I am informed that a discussion has been going on for some time, in the interest of politicians, as to whether Marmion is a poem that may be read by young men preparing for our university. Perhaps I have no right to speak on so grave a sub-ject, first, because Marmion is prescribed for our own matriculation examination, and no politician has any power to interfere with our self-government in the matter: second. because last year I myself gave my little son, a boy of nine years old, Marmion to read It is a terrible business. A clergyman, the head of a college, in cold blood, let his son read Marmion, and the little fellow had the wickedness to like the book. So I shall say nothing on the subject at present, save to express the hope that the matter may be hushed up as quickly as possible. not be known abroad any more widely than t already is. Tell it not in Japan that Usnadians are so hopelessly and helplessly stupid as to allow themselves to discusthether Marmion may or may not be read anywhere or by anyone.

A WOMAN'S LOVE.

A Wisconsin man who left there under peculiar circumstances found himself in London without a penny. He ran across the kind place at the Princess Theater on a salary of six dollars a week. He suddenly emerged the husband of a woman of high connections and lots of money. He became connected with all sorts of operations, got \$150,000 of even have smiled, they may be reminded of stock in a big company without paying a cent in cash, and if he had had sense enough to improve his opportunity might have placed it all and doubled his capital. Instead he played a "coaloil Johnny" career; treated to champagne by the basket, had the handyoung ladies, of a very short and very thick cabmen five dollars to drive him a few blocks. spent all his wife's money, mortgaged her furniture, induced a well known peer to pledge his family plate so as to loan large sum of money, and then went away common sense, retained her lowly seat, owing \$100,000. His wife stuck to him to his opened her prayer book, and appeared to be last day in London. At the station she begged him to take her for she was penniless entering the train, and just as it was rolling out of the place, he tossed her a sovereign. He got to Paris; from there to America; then back to London, under cover. The wife he cruelly wronged is now protecting him.

-Suicide is said to be increasing in Prussia, the figures having risen from 13 per trembled as he looked up and saw the fallen 100,000 population in 1869 to 18 in 1880.

THE LIME-KILN CLUB.

"It gives me great pleasure to announce," said the president as the meeting opened," dat de Hon. Judge Longjohn, of North Carolina, am waitin' in de aunty-room to 'pear befo' us an' deliber his celebrated poem on de dyin' y'ar. De Judge has predicted three airthquakes, two cyclones, six freshets, five droughts, an' a sweepin' Dimocratic victory, an' am probably better posted on de science of government an' political economy dan de hull caboodle of us put together. I want to warn Samuel Shin in advance dat if he opens de stove door doorin' de readin' of dat poem his fine will not be less dan \$7,000. an' if Elder Toots kin possibly manage to keep awake it will be taken as a great compliment. De hero will now be brung in. THE JUDGE.

The committee on reception robed themselves in gorgeous raiment and proceeded to the ante room, where they found the Judge seated on a nail-keg with a bottle of hartshorn held to his nose. He had been suddenly seized with stage-fright, and would have dashed down stairs and skipped the town had not the watchman halted him at the muzzle of a shot-gun. The recention committee procured a lemon

for him, rubbed the back of his neck with a cold beer bottle and after ten minutes of hard work he rallied sufficiently to be escorted in. In appearance he seemed to be a man about 50 years of age, and he had a deceiving gait and a reckless look around the mouth. He was introduced amidst a storm of applause which braced him up wonderfully, and bowing right and left with smiling digni-

My friends, the poem which I shall read to you this evening was composed by myself, instead of being stolen from Shakespeare. I think it is one of the first things in this country, and have been assured that it will go down to posterity along with Milton's best efforts. I will now place the pearls and gems

SOME EXTRACTS. The poem consisted of sixty-eight verses, and the judge was exactly forty-two minutes reading it. We have space only for a few flashes from the brilliant Kohinoor. Verse 4

" 'Tis sad to know we've got o die, An' be kivered by the sile:
But we shall have a perch in Heaven
An' put on a heap of cull'd style." At the reading of the above verse the judge At the reading of the above werse the ludge
was greeted with long continued applause.
The eighth verse slipped off as follows:
"Thanksgiving Day will soon be here,
And we shall teast on turkey;
And it will not be the fault of Providence
If anybody becomes sick and jerky."

The only applause at the finish of the above Whalebone Howker, who was promptly wilted by a look from the president. The forty second verse ran :

"When I think that the year is dying, And that soon it will be '33; I cannot resist shedding a tear And wishing I had never been born."

When the entire poem had been finished the poet was roundly applauded, and taken out and laid on a bench and covered with a buffalo-robe to get up a perspiration.

BLECTION.

The following candidates were put through the bean box, while the Glee Club sang "Oh Sally, Mind the Baby;" Blissful White, O.K. Jones, Golden Johnson, Fifer Judson, Elder Kyboof, Prof. Jaundice and the Hon Lysander

The committee on the sick reported that Brother Jogalong Speed, a local member, living on Ohie street, was ill and in need of "Did de chairman visit de house?" asked

the president. "We did, sah."

" An' did you note de symptoms ?" " We did, sah. Feelin' dat Brudder Speed war' a leetle tricky we insisted on an examin-ashun, an' satisfied ourselves dat he had really been knocked down an' run ober by a aker's wagon. All 'pearances went to dat fo'teen different wheels had passed ober him about six times apiece, an'it am our can-did epinyun dat he won't be able to run any tut races befo' nex' March."

The treasurer was ordered to pay the victim \$3 per week from the relief fund until further orders, and it was suggested that Giveadam Jones hunt up the driver of the chicle and bestow on him such reward as he deemed best.

JUST FOR ONCE.

A communication from a state official of the State of Ohio, inquired if Brother Gard-ner could explain the recent overwhelming hange in the political situation and the old man motioned for the janitor to put more good in the stove and replied :

" Jist fur once I will break ober our rule n' answer dat query as best I kin. While de American people am great pollytishuns. dey nebber forgit dat dey am also free citiens. You kin lead 'em about so fur in collyticks, religan, charity or debility. De Dimocratic party lead de people to a sartin pint an' den lost its hold. Dimocrats let go of de party to become citizens. De Republi ans have lead de people to a sartin pint, an de reackshun has sot in. Suspishun, fear an' disgust am takin' hold of de people. Let me say to you—
"1. An American lubs his kentry mo' dan

his party.

2. Pollytishums will be blindly follered to a sartin turn in de road, an' den de party will halt an' scatter.

" 3. No matter what strength a party has

corrupshun will scatter it in time.

"4. Bigotry, avarice, selfishness, knavery and open fraud are elements of pollyticks. Dey will bring success fur a time, but dey am alse sartin to bring defeat.

"De kentry has got tired of de present rule an' its evils an' am gwine to make s change. When de President of de United States becomes a ward pollytishum, an' Senators rob de kentry at large to pave de way to a second or third nominashun de honest Republican will let go on party ties to look

out for de kentry.
"An' now one werd to de cull'd people We has woted solid an' we has bin left. In dis country we had our candidates on boaf tickets, an' dev war' buried outer sight. De Dimocrats owed us nuffin', an' dey paid us off. De Republicans owed us de last sixteen y'are of rule, an' yet Republican wotes beat our candydates on'de Republican ticket. Dat's all. Figger it out fur yerselves." BESQLVED.

Pickles Smith sighed heavily as he arose and introduced the following resolution:
"Resolved, Dat we am libin' too fast, an dat it am the opinyun of dis club dat retren chment an' economy should become the standard mottos of de kentry." Waydown Bebee opposed the resolution

He had lived all summer on potatoes, codfish and bakers' bread and if that was too fast Whalebone Howker said he must also op pose it. He had worn the same suit of clother

for four years, and it had been eighteen

months since he had a mince pie on his table. Any further stretch of economy would leave him without stockings for the winter and as a rule he always voted in favor of every motion or resolution introduced, but in this case he must rebel. He was four months behind in his rent, needed a hundred new

things in his house, and was forced to mak one paper collar last him a whole week.

Several other members spoke in the same

rein, and the president placed, the resolution on the window sill with the remark " If de kentry can't take keer of herself she must bust. If we had the money to fling on good clothes an' order quail on toast, I reckon

dat all de mottoes eber hung up wouldn't stop us. De resolution will be laid aside and

sold by de pound." WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Elder Penstock arose to remark that he had been asked how the Lime Kiln Club stood on the question of woman suffrage, and he would now ask for a plain expressi Judge Cadaver added that on his recent

and go howling around as a two legged luna-question and could give no satisfactory re-ply.

and go howling around as a two legged luna-tic asylum, either! Don't I tell ye he has only just quit the society of ministers?"

Prof. Darius Gherkins stood up in his corner to may that he had lately received three letters bearing on the subject, and was anxiously awaiting a decision.

"Gem'len," replied Brother Gardner, "it 'pears to me dat when de men of dis kentry make a failure of de bizness of runnin' it dar will be an opportunity fur de wimen folks to take hold. If God had designed woman fur a pollytishun he wouldn't have wasted so much time on her ha'r, teeth, eyes, complexion and gineral outfit. Any sort of a thing on legs kin wete, an' moss' any sort of a man kin git offis. When woman becomes a failure as a wife, mother and sister, we'll try an' make an elector of her. When dar am no furder use fur modesty, charity, and womanly kindness we'll all go in fur a high ole pollyti-

cal campaign.
"So fur as a poo' ole nigger like me has bin able to obsarve doorin' de las' twenty y'ars, de ideah of woman suffrage has bin advovated only by sich pussons as am too silly to keep a place among men an' too hom'ly to secure de respect of wimen. Dis club would recommend dat dey soak deir heads in batter milk or sot up a new kingdom in some co'ner of some poa' kentry. We will now catosh to our homes.

READ THIS IF YOU CAN.

Let some member of the family read this story aloud, while with the dictionary, a late edition either of Worcester or Webster, and any good helper to the study of language, the others criticise and correct or confirm the reader's pronounciation. There are 225 words here which are frequently mispro-

Geoffrey, surnamed Winthrop, sat in the depot at Chicago, waiting for his train and reading the Tribune, when a squadron of street Arabs (incomparable for squalor) and thin enough to penetrate that?" thronged from a neighboring alley, uttering "Certainly," returned Mrs. Spoopendyke. hideous cries, accompanied by inimitable ges-tures of heinous exultation, as they tortured a humble black and tan dog.
"You little blackguards!" cried Winthrop,

stepping outside and confronting them, adding the inquiry, "Whose dog is that?"
"That audacious Caucasian has the bravado to interfere with our clique," tauntingly shriked the indisputable little ruffin, exhibit-

ing combativeness.

"What will you take for him?" asked the lenient Geoffrey, ignoring the venial tirade.

"Twenty-seven cents," piquantly answered the ribald urchin, grabbing the crouching dog by the nape.

"You can buy licorice and share with the indecorous coadjutors of your condemnable cruelty," said Winthrop, paying the price and taking the dog from the child. Then catching up his value and umbrella, he hastened to his train. Winthrop satisfied himself that his sleek protege was not wounded, and then cleaned the cement from the pretty collar and read these words:

Among the other pages zine contributor, writing vagaries of Indian literature, also two physicians, a somber, ir revocable, irrefragable allopathist, and a gen ial homeopathist, who made a specialty of ronchitis. Two peremptory attorneys from

the Legislature of Iowa were discussing the politics of the epoch and the details of national finance, while a wan, dolorous person wearing concave glasses alternately ate tro-chees and almonds for a sedative, and sought condolence in a high lamentable treble from a lethargic and somewhat deaf and enervate comrade not yet acclimated. Near three exemplary brethren (probably sinceurists) sat a group of humorous youths; and a jocose sailor (lately from Asia) in a blouse waist and tarpaulin hat was amusing his patriotic juvenile listeners by relating a series of the most extraordinary legends extant, suggested by the contents of the knapsack, which he was calmly and leisurely arranging in a pyramidal form of a three-legged stool. swang figured placards with museum and yceum advertisements, too verboose to be

misconstred. A mature matron of medium height and her comely daughter soon entered the car and took seats in front of Winthrop (who recalled naving seen them one Tuesday in February in the parquette of a theater). The young ady had recently made her debut into society at a musical soirce at her aunt's. She had an exquisite bouquet of flowers that exhaled sweet perfume. She said to her parent: Mamma, shall we ever find my lost Leices.

Geoffrey immediately addressed her, saying s he presented his card ;

"Pardon my apparent intrusiveness; but prithee, have you lost a pet dog?"

The explanation that he had been stolen was scarcely necessary, for Leicester, just awakening, vehemently expressed his inexplicable joy by buoyantly vibrating between the two like the sounding lever used in tele graphy (for to neither of them would he show partiality), till succumbing to enmi, he pursaunches, complaisantly contemplating his

riends. It was truly an interesting picture. They reached their destination ere the sun was beneath the horizon. Often during the summer Winthrop gallantly rowed from the quay with the naive and blithe Beatrice in her jaunty yachting suit, but no coquetry shone from the depths of her assure eyes. Little Less their jocund confidente and courier (who was as sagacious as a spaniel), always attended them on these occasions, and whener they rambled through the woodland paths. Wnile the band played strains from Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Bach and others, they promenaded the long corridors of the hotel. And one evening, as Beatrice lighted the gas by the etagere in her charming boudoir in their suite of rooms, there glistened brilliantly valuable solitaire diamond on her finger. Let us look into the future for the sequel o perfect this romance, and around a cheerful hearth we see again Geoffry and Beatrice,

... The grasshopper has, according to its size, 120 times the kicking power of an average man. It must be exciting times for the young grasshoppers, which go courting and find the old man at home!—Boston Post,

After six months' absence from Munish. the King of Bavaria was expected there at the close of last month to attend some theatrial

BEECHER AND MRS. SPOOPENDYKE.

Reviewing the Situation-Why he has Abandoned Religion. "I see that Mr. Beecher has abandoned the ministry and quit religion altogether," observed Mrs. Spoopendyke, holding up the pattern of a polonaise and wondering if it would come up high enough in the neck. "I suppose the poor man will have to speculate in attack or write inkes for the Christy minin stocks or write jokes for the Christy minstrels to make a living now; won't he?"

"Who's been lending you a circus poster

this trip?" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke, springing up like a trunk lid. "What patent nedicine label have you been studying lately? Who says he quit the ministry. He's only left the Society of Congregational Ministers because he doesn't believe exactly as they do."

"That's what I said," argued Mrs. Spoopendyke, laying the pattern on the cloth and beginning to cut it out. "He disagreed with the Congregational religion, and said he guessed he'd go away somewhere and let 'em have it to themselves. I don't know what Plymouth church will do without him,

"Do!" ripped Mr. Spoopendyke, "do! is will jest a rat trap and catch him again!"
What d'ye s'pose it will do? Got some idea
it will hire out as a cook, washer and ironer? No objection to going a short distance in the country, haven't ye? Well, it won't, and it won't open as a hotel! Well, it won't, and it won't put on a long shirt and a short apron

"I didn't suppose they'd hurt him," said Mrs. Spoopendyke, scratching her nose with the scissors and figuring out the allowance for the same."
"Hurt him?" roared Mr. Spoopendyke,

"of course they hurt him! They used to lay him down and walk on him, and they'd set astride his stomach and play cuchre on his chin, till he swallowed the joker, and they fished for it with umbrellas until they choked him. Don't ye know the difference between a society of ministers and a religion? He's quit the ministers and not the church! Got a tooth you can stow that idea in?"
"Well, of course, the man had a right to

pick his own associates, but I understand you to say he didn't agree with their religion. If that's the case they ought to alter it, be-cause a man like Mr. Beecher——'

"Alter it!" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke, "how're they going to alter it? Think they can put another flounce around the bottom and a patch on the elbows, like a dod gasted and a patch on the ellows, like a dod gamed frock? Imagine th y can make it straight up and down, or a bell crown, by ironing it out like a stove pipe hat? It's the tenet of the church, the basis of the faith, that he dissents from and as they can't change that he goes out. Does a streak of intelligence begin to dawn on you now? Think you feel an idea wobbling round in your back hair?"

"I see," murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke,
he just abandons religion and ministers, but he sticks to the church. I understand it "Ob, you understand it?" howled Mr. Spoopendyke. "You've got your claws in it at last! All you want now is a row among the faculty and a gymnasium to be a dod

gasted theological seminary! He hasn't abandoned religion! He's only announced

he don't believe certain parts of the Con-gregational faith! Think your mind is long That's plain enough. He didn't like something they did, and so he concluded to leave those ministers to their own devices. But

what is he going to do for a faith to keep Plymouth church going?"

Buy one!" snorted Mr. Spoopendyke. "He's a going to get measured for one and have it sent home, if the tailor don't disappoint him. P'raps you think he's going to sit out in the back yard and pop over the first faith he sees running along the fence! Maybe you think he'll find some second hand faith chap somewhere, have the bottom soldered up, a new snout set in, and palm it off on his congregations for new, I tell ye he sticks to the atonement and hell Ever read about the atonement? Got any kind of a

notion about hell?' "'iOf course I have," replied Mrs. Spoopen-yks. "I begin to see the drift now. The ministers wanted the atonement and-andthe other thing, and he gave it to them, and he's going to substitute Plymonth church for those things, and let the ministers look after

the docile canine expressed gratitude and pleasure, and then sank exhausted at his new patron's feet and slept. need an overdue mortgage and a fight in the choir to be a dod gasted fashionable church ! Let it alone will ye! Drop the subject before that wonderful intelligence of me out. Another time you want to talk religion. I'll get a measly hen to listen to you! and Mr. Spoopendyke plunged his head among the pillows and brooded over his

wrongs.
"I don't care," murmured Mrs. "Spoopendyke, basting the lining into the front of the dress, "Mr. Beecher may not like these poor ministers or their religion, but that's no reas show them the sinfulness of their ways and get them to abandon their hold on the bad place. Anyway, I'm glad he's going to keep up preaching, for the poor man has got a (amily on his hands, and I think I'll go Bunup preaching. day and hear his explanation, if I can get this dress done."—Boston Eagle.

THE SERPENT'S SEAD

Melancholy Death of Alexander Jones in Manitoba. From the Winnipeg Times.

Winnipeg and the Northegst present more chances to the young man who is determined to do right and succeed than any other spot on earth. On the contrary if he is addicted to bad habits of which that of drinking is paramount, he has more chances than on any ther part of the continent, of going down to ruin and death. There is no stopping place in Manitoba. You have either to climb up the ladder and keep your eyes fixed on the top, or you have to turn round to go down to the very bettom. The latter is the awful fate which befel Alexander Jones. Born of a good family, at Ottawa, well educated, permitted to mix in the best society in his youth, his was a pleasant lot indeed and everything pointed to a more than successful future for favored young man of unusual qualifications. Ottawa, known to very many of our citizens. His conduct did not bear out the hopes entertained for him and it is his desting to fill an untimely grave and to have died almost unknown and unpitied among strangers. He came to Winnipeg some nonthe ago and had not the strength to withstand the strong current of temptation. He began to drink and fell gradually from bad to vorse. For a while his friends assisted him but as he showed no hopeful signs of reform they too dropped away from him and he was alone and friendless. One night last week he stumbled over the C. P. R. track near Main street and fell down. A locomotive passed over his right hand, crushing it horribly. His body became so entangled with the machinery that some of the iron working the tender had to be taken off to get him free He was promptly taken to the hospital and the crushed member amputated. But the by excessive drinking, want of food and care. He sank gradually until last night at twenty minutes to one o'clock he died. Here is a more eloquent temperance lecture than Gough or Murphy ever preached and brings who are paying due homage to their tiny friend Leicester.—Cincinnati Gazette. to mind the horrible scenes of last winter. Such is the head of the serpent!

The father of the deceased is the contractor who built the Parliament buildings at Ottawa and one of his uncles is the celebrated Judge Jones, of Brantford, Ontario.

ted with the friends of deceased in Ottawa and will hold the body until they get a reply.

-The Simon-pure prize fighter likes to handled without gloves.