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Office in the new building, corner of Main and Cherry streets,
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BOOTS & SHOES.
ALL THE READERS OF THIS PAPER
Will please remember that we are now receiving our Spring and Summer Stock of Boots and Shoes, and that we are selling them at
Greatly Reduced Prices,
to the old Cash and Short Credit Customers of the firm of
JOHN JOHNSON,
Corner of Main and Cherry Streets, New York.
Rahway, November 26th, 1866.

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT.
The persons concerned are hereby notified that I shall present for settlement the estate of Timothy Pierson, Jr., late of Rahway, deceased, to the Surrogate of Union County, for the county of Union, at his office in Elizabeth, on the second day of April next, when and where all persons interested in said estate may attend if they think proper.
WILLIAM TAPPEN,
Executor.
Dated January 19th, 1867-5th. 3w.

INCREASE OF INTEREST.
THE RAHWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION
Allows interest at the rate of six per cent. interest, free from all taxes, from January 1st, 1867.
JOEL WILSON, Treasurer.
January 5th, 1867-6m.

Boots Shoes, &c

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GEO. E. JACKSON,
REAL ESTATE AGENT,
Has removed from his old stand to
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where he will be pleased to see his friends and all who may have business to transact in his line.
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Charter Oak, of Hartford,	1,000,000
Connecticut, of Hartford,	1,000,000
Farmers', of York, Pa.,	500,000
Susquehanna, of Binghamton,	500,000
Lycoming, of Williamsport,	500,000
Williamsport, of Williamsport,	500,000
Susquehanna, of Susquehanna,	500,000
Total,	$7,000,000

Agent for the following Life Insurance Companies:

Mutual Life, of New York,	$5,000,000
Ætna Life, of Hartford,	1,000,000
Charter Oak Life, of Hartford,	1,000,000
Connecticut Life, of Hartford,	1,000,000
Total,	$8,000,000

Agent for the following Accident Insurance Companies:

Travelers', of Hartford,	$1,000,000
Connecticut Mutual, of Hartford,	1,000,000
Total,	$2,000,000

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National Democrat. SOMETHING NEW! AFFLICTED! HUDSON COUNTY Mutual Insurance Co., LATEST FASHIONS REMADE J. W. Bentley's Celebrated Patent DUPLEX ELLIPTIC SPRING SKIRT. Headquarters N. Y. S. Vol. Institute, 229 BROADWAY, N. Y. IN AID OF THE DESTITUTE AND ORPHAN SONS OF Volunteer Soldiers and Sailors. GRAND MILITARY AND PROMENADE BALL, THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 4th, 1867. GRAND OPENING OF FALL AND WINTER GOODS, One-Price Clothing Store OF W. R. MELICK. Gents' Furnishing Goods Hosiery, Gloves, Collars, Cravats, CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER 150 Main Street, Rahway, N. J. ASTROLOGY. THE WORLD'S ANSWERED. REPARATOR CAPILLI. FEMALE DISEASES. Cancer Cured Without the Knife or Drawing of Blood. MARSH & RYNO, No. 101 MAIN STREET, RAHWAY, N. J., UNDERTAKERS, Manufacturers and Dealers in FURNITURE, &c. Mattresses, PROFESSOR E. SCOTT FRANKS, ORIGINAL PROFESSOR FRANKS, As No. 288 Grand Street Only. CAUTION. As the public may have been misinformed in the investigation, regard to my location, I beg to respectfully to inform them that I have not removed my business from the Grand street (old stand), but that I still continue, as formerly, to adjust my Celebrated Spectacles, etc., to defective vision, satisfactorily, to which my patients can testify; and that I expect to receive the continuation of the same patronage from my friends and the public, as I have heretofore enjoyed. PROF. FRANKS, Lecturer on the Human Eye, Office, 288 Grand st., corner Ridge st., N. Y. Sole Agent for the Sale of Dr. Hoofland's German Bitters. Farm and Country Residence FOR SALE—WINDSOR FARM, Lot of the estate of Mrs. Elect, situated on the Rahway and Woodbridge road, about one mile from the city of Rahway, and adjoining the farm of the late Benjamin F. Cook, containing 50 acres, 30 of which are in good state of cultivation. Inquire of ALEXANDER GIBBY, Office of GIBBY and CRANE. Rahway, January 26th, 1867. TO LEASE FOR A TERM OF YEARS, OR TO PURCHASE ON A SHORT TIME, One or Two Acres of Ground, situated near a fine spring stream and within one mile of the Rahway Depot, upon which it is proposed to erect a Chemical Laboratory and Bone Acid Manufactory. Address, stating price and location, (by letter only), F. MARQUARD, Rahway, N. J.

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RAHWAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2[illegible], 1867.

ESPECIAL NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the undersigned for subscription to the "National Democrat," advertising, &c., up to April 1st, 1865, are respectfully requested to call at the office and settle the same. Mr. Hyde, in our absence, being authorized to receive and give receipts for money due us. JOSEPHUS SHANN.

Feb. 14, 1867.

ANOTHER THREAT AT STATE RIGHTS.—An extraordinary bill has been presented to Congress by Hon. Mr. Hunter of New York, entitled "An act to facilitate the establishment of a Naval and Marine Coal Depot on the Eastern Shore of New Jersey, and for other purposes."

The bill provides for building a railroad across the State of New Jersey, without the consent of the Legislature, and with the privilege of building branches as to connect with the coal mines of different sections, and with any other railroads which are, or may be built. In fact, it comprises a roving commission over the State, without regard to the rights and interests of the State, its chartered corporations, or of the people generally. We hope our representatives will properly resist this infringement upon our rights.

JOHN H. SURRATT ARRAIGNED.—John H. Surratt was on Saturday arraigned before the bar of the Criminal Court of the District. His Zouave uniform had been removed, and he was attired in a suit of black. When brought into the court his hands were handcuffed, by the request of his counsel the Court ordered them released, and the indictment read to him by the Clerk of the Court.

Surratt entered the plea of "Not guilty." The Clerk then asked: "How will you be tried?" To which the response was made: "By my countrymen;" when the officer added: "Then may God send you a safe deliverance!"

The handcuffs were then replaced, and the prisoner remanded to jail. No excitement whatever was manifested during the time of Surratt's presence in the court room.

Sanford Conover, who was recently convicted in this court of perjury before the Military Committee of the House of Representatives, was also present, awaiting sentence, the two prisoners being side by side at the bar. No day has yet been fixed for Surratt's trial.

MILITARY RULE FOR THE SOUTH.—It will scarcely be news to our readers that both Houses of Congress have passed what is known as Sherman's bill to establish military government over the States lately in rebellion. The substance of the bill is thus stated by the *Tribune*:

I. The rebel states will retain their present governments, but merely as provisional governments, under which no person who, as the third section of the constitutional amendment enacts, having taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State Legislature, or as executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the Constitution of the United States,' shall have aided the rebellion, is eligible to office. And also under such governments no discrimination in regard to color shall be made in the elective franchise.

II. While these provisional governments exist, the rebel States are to be divided into military districts, governed by officers of the army, with power to recognize military courts superior to State authority.

III. The people of the Rebel States, whenever they are tired of this government, may, by a vote of all their citizens, without respect to color, except those disqualified from holding office by the Constitution Amendment, elect delegates to a Convention to form State Constitutions. When these Constitutions are established upon the basis of impartial suffrage, and be ratified by the people, and the States thus organized have adopted the Constitutional Amendment, they shall be admitted to representation in Congress, when military rule will cease, and South Carolina and Texas will hold the same places in the Union as New York and Massachusetts.

THE EFFECT OF IT.—The *Journal of Commerce* is dwelling upon the paralyzing influences of the schemes of reconstruction now agitated in Congress, as already felt throughout the South, and which, eventually, must react upon Northern industry. A single fact shows how powerful is the influence thus exerted in discouraging the investment of capital in that part of the country.

We are reliably informed that, several English gentlemen who visited this country with the full expectation of purchasing cotton lands, in the extent of £2,000,000 have abandoned their purpose, in view of the uncertainties of the future since the designs of certain Radical politicians have become more fully disclosed. Planters are ready to make favorable terms for the sale of real estate, but, at present, find a few who are willing to buy. They are apparently doomed to a still more hopeless poverty, and there is a general gloom and discouragement, in that section, among all classes of people.

To relieve a choked horse in New Haven, the other day, a street hose was inserted in his mouth, and the water turned on, the desired effect being immediately secured. Who says there is no virtue in hydropathy?

LOCAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

Three persons were immersed at the Baptist church, on Sunday evening.

COAL.—The quantity of coal received at Elizabeth by shippers during 1866 was 1,115,[illegible] tons.

A fair at Elizabeth last week realized $1800 clear money to the fund of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Protective Union. Among the interesting incidents was the "voting" a sword to Captain Bate, of the Veteran 3d Regiment, he receiving forty votes over all others.

The protuberances worn by the ladies on the back of the head, which have been known as "waterfalls," now deserve a new appellation, and we think that "waterspout" would be more appropriate, as they certainly have an upward tendency.

We understand that Messrs. Wilson & Van Fleet, of this city contemplate erecting new buildings at Elizabeth and removing their livery and exchange stables to that city. They have been doing a large business the past year. We also learn that Mr. Wm. H. Flatt and Adam Coykendall are to succeed them at the old stand in this city.

Don't fail to hear Prof. Philip Phillips, the great singer, at the First M. E. Church, next Tuesday evening. Those desiring to procure good seats will do well to go early, as it is generally the case where Mr. Phillips sings, that all cannot get seats. Doors open at 7 1-2 o'clock, exercises commence at 8 o'clock. Admission 20 cents. Children 15 cents.

SERVED THEM RIGHT.—Three young men of Rahway, who are among the daily morning passengers from that place to New York, and who are said to be in the habit of insulting and annoying persons on the ferry boat, caught a Tartar Wednesday. A gentleman in passing them in the cabin was made the target for their insulting remarks, and one of the trio put out his foot and tripped their victim. Having a correct idea of proper treatment for such behavior, the gentleman walked into them in the most approved style, knocking right and left, hard and fast, and it is to be hoped instilled into them a little of common decency. The chagrined bloods began to mutter threats as they were leaving the boat, and were only saved from further castigation by the earnest solicitations of the friends of the gentleman.—*Advertiser.*

Godey's Lady's Book for March opens with a fine steel engraving, "Watching Baby," followed by a Colored Fashion Plate, containing six beautiful figures; Chess Table in Bead Work, and a Swallow in Berlin Wool Work; The Robins, another beautiful wood-cut; the latest wood-cut Fashions and Novelties, etc. The Work department contains a variety of choice things. Four designs for drawing lessons. An engraving of a handsome village or suburban residence, with plan. The literary department is filled with interesting reading matter. Marion Harland contributes an excellent story. L. A. Godey, Publisher, Philadelphia.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.—The March number of this greatly esteemed monthly is out, with usually rich and varied contents. The first article is entitled "The Dodge Club," with illustrations. It is quite readable and highly amusing. The author gives a graphic description of what he saw in 1859. Strother's "Personal Recollections of the War" is continued. Then comes a chapter on insect life, entitled "Two Hundred Thousand Spiders." The insight it gives into this department of natural history is truly wonderful. There are eight other articles before the reader comes to the interesting "Monthly Record of Current Events," and the "Editor's Drawer." The latter has matter enough to afford laughter for a whole evening.

DEMOREST'S MONTHLY.—This valuable monthly seems constantly to increase in interest and reputation. The March number comes to us enlarged by the addition of two pages of reading matter; the literary matter is unequaled; the illustrations are beautiful and profuse; the music is of the first quality; the fashions are complete and reliable; and it is in every way adapted to the parlor, every department being judiciously filled with valuable reading and instruction.

"Demorest's Young America" is also filled with rich things for the children, and even for older persons; all parents who can, should obtain it for their children, as it is full of valuable instruction as well as amusing reading. Address W. Jennings Demorest, 473 Broadway, New York.

THE LADY'S FRIEND, FOR MARCH, 1867.—"The Truant's Return," a beautiful Steel Engraving, leads off this number of the "Queen of the Monthlies." Then we have the usual elegant and refined Steel Fashion Plate, and a number of Patterns for Spring Dresses, Promenade Toilettes, Caps, &c. An engraving of a noted French Aquarium in Paris, shows the large style in which they do some things in the Old World. The Music this month is "Tillie's Passed Away." The Literary Matter is made up of the continuations of the novelettes of "Orville College," by Mrs. Henry Wood and "How a Woman Had Her Way," by Elizabeth Prescott—both of which increase steadily in interest and attractiveness—with shorter articles, such as "Travelling with Half a Million," "Dr. Dalhousie," "A Bull Fight at Madrid" (Illustrated), "Aunt Julia's Visit," and Editorials, Receipts, Fashions, &c. Specimen numbers of the magazine, containing the particulars of the premium offers and the reduced prices to clubs, will be sent on the receipt of twenty cents.—Price (with engraving) $2 50 a year; Four copies (with one engraving) $6.00; Eight copies (with extra magazine and an engraving) $12.00. One copy of Lady's Friend and one of Saturday Evening Post (and one engraving) $4.00. Address Deacon & Peterson, 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

NEW JERSEY NEWSPAPERS.—There are in this state sixty-nine newspaper establishments, publishing; in all eighty papers. Of these sixty five are issued Weekly, twelve Daily, (a) semi monthly, and two monthly. Twenty-eight of the Weeklies are Republican in politics, twenty four Democrat, twelve Independent, the semi monthly and monthlies devoted to agricultural matters. Seven of the Dailies are Republican and five Democratic. There are two Daily and three Weekly papers published in the German language, the balance in English. Nine new Weekly, one new Daily, one new Semi-Monthly, and four new Monthly papers have been started, and two Weekly and two Monthly papers have been discontinued during the past year.

OBSEQUIES OF DR. CALHOUN.

The last funeral ceremonies over the late Dr. J. T. Calhoun, were performed on Friday last. The most of our readers, probably, are better acquainted with the history of Dr. Calhoun than we are. He served faithfully in the capacity of a surgeon in the army during the late war and received marked honors wherever he was engaged, and at the time of his death was Brevet Major and Assistant Surgeon of the U. S. A. It will be remembered that the Dr. died suddenly of cholera, while performing his duty at Hart's Island, in summer, and it was then inexpedient to have his remains brought on to this city, and so it was postponed until a few days ago when they were removed and deposited in the vault at Hazlewood cemetery.—The government authorities directed that he should be buried with all the honors of war, and our Common Council, also, by recommendation of the Mayor, prepared to assist in the rites. Two companies of regulars accompanied by a fine brass band of music, from Governor's Island, arrived in this city by the 11 o'clock train and were received by Company B, Capt. Merrick, and Company C, Capt. Crever, of the city, under command of Col. Cladek. After partaking of a collation prepared by the committee of Common Council, under the direction of P. P. McIntyre, the chairman, the military formed on Irving street and marched around Elm avenue by the City Hall, where the Mayor and Common Council in sleighs, and police on foot, were ready to precede them. The procession then moved to the house of Mr. James Calhoun, father of the deceased, when the hearse and carriages and sleighs containing the relatives and friends took the lead of the procession and moved to the Second Presbyterian Church where a short service was held, the exercises consisting of prayer and reading of the scriptures by Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, of the Episcopal church of this city. The procession then reformed in the following order: Mayor and Common Council, in sleighs; police on foot; band; military; hearse, drawn by four white horses, each led by a colored groom; white horse, with military equipments, used by deceased in his official capacity; relatives and friends in carriages and sleighs, and on foot.—The line of march was through Main to Grand to St. George's avenue, through Milton to the cemetery. After arriving at the cemetery the remains, together with those of his child, were brought and deposited in the grave, which was walled up and cemented, and covered with a flat stone. The ceremony at the grave was performed by Rev. Dr. Hodge, and the usual military salute was fired by the two companies of regulars. The proceedings were the most imposing ever witnessed in this city, and, we understand (not being acquainted with the deceased) that the honors were not unjustly bestowed. We understand it is the intention of some of our citizens to raise a handsome monument over his remains.

EAST RAHWAY MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL.—An interesting entertainment was given at Washington Hall, on Friday evening last (Washington's birthday) by the above school.—The Hall was crowded to overflowing, there being scarcely standing room in any part of it.—The stage was arranged with curtains, and everything in good order. A number of interesting pieces were spoken by the scholars, in good style, some of them referring in patriotic terms to the anniversary of the birth of the "Father of his country," while others abounded in humor and sentiment. A very interesting part of the exercises was the Allegorical Representations and Tableaux, which were very well executed, the young ladies making a very fine appearance. The Greek fire illumination caused them to appear at good advantage.—The last Tableaux was a very affecting one; the manager, however, prepared the audience, in a degree, to receive it, as he remarked that he had been to considerable expense in getting it up, and desired their patience for a little while during the arrangement of it; and it would be called "The Flower of the Family." The curtain arose, and, behold! the "*Flour* of the Family" appeared. This tableaux was well performed, the objects remaining perfectly motionless, not even a wink or move of a muscle being perceptible. The audience, however soon saw the "point" as the tableaux consisted of a barrel and a bag labeled "Flour," which certainly is an important article in a family.

By special request the exhibition was repeated on Saturday night, with a change of programme, introducing a number of different tableaux, &c.

Mr. Andrew Jackson, the Secretary of the school, was the prime mover in this exhibition, and he has devoted a large portion of his time for some months past to this and other matters of interest to that school. The school is now very largely attended, having about 443 names on the roll, and from appearances is in a very prosperous condition.

MR. HARRIOT'S READINGS.—Owing to the severe storm which raged on last Thursday evening, the entertainment by Mr. F. C. Harriot was postponed until Monday evening, at which time the Athenæum was well filled by an intelligent and appreciative audience, anxious to hear this accomplished elocutionist. He read and recited the following selections, all of which were rendered in his usual expressive and impressive manner: "Dead Letters;" "A Hunting Scene;" "The Vagabond;" "Sheridan's Ride;" "Garnautt Hall;" "The Sexton and the Thermometer." An interesting feature of the evening was the presentation of a testimonial to Mr. Harriot, by the Ladies of Rahway, under whose direction the entertainment was given. John R. Chapin, Esq., had been chosen to make the presentation speech, which he did in good style, alluding to the many gratuitous services rendered by Mr. Harriot, in assisting the ladies when engaged in benevolent enterprises; the ladies by this testimonial wished to express to him their appreciation of his services, and to show that they were not unmindful of his kindly acts. Mr. Harriot replied in a very affecting manner, returning his thanks for this mark of esteem. The testimonial consisted of a large and handsomely framed engraving representing Washington Irving and his friends.

HORRIBLE MURDER AT NEWMARKET.—A most atrocious murder was perpetrated at New Market, Middlesex County, on Monday night last, the victim being the wife of Dr. Lester Wallace Coriell, who formerly resided in this city. The alarm was first given by the servant girl, who went to some of the neighbors and aroused them, who, upon repairing to the house found the bedroom on fire, and Mrs. Coriell lying upon the floor dead, with her habiliments besmeared with blood, and torn to shreds, and on every side evidences of a fearful struggle. The Dr. was absent attending to a patient, and no one was in the house but Mrs. Coriell, her child and the servant girl. An examination was held the next day, and the servant girl, whose name was Bridget Durgan, told contradictory stories in her evidence which caused suspicion to rest upon her, one strong evidence being the marks of four teeth upon Mrs. Coriell, which corresponded with the teeth of the girl. She was consequently arrested and taken to New Brunswick to jail. The deed was done with a butcher knife, and twenty seven wounds were found upon the body of the murdered woman, about the neck and face.

PASSENGERS ROBBED ON THE PHILADELPHIA TRAIN.—A gentleman who was a passenger on the Philadelphia train on Wednesday afternoon found himself hemmed in at a certain part of the route by other passengers who struggled as if to find room. He had in his possession $1000, a diamond pin and a gold watch valued at $400. The latter was taken but the thieves failed to secure the other valuables. On the following morning six empty pocket books were found in the neighborhood of the Jersey City depot, where their contents no doubt had been abstracted. A lady from Utica, New York, called the attention of the other passengers to the fact that a small bag she carried containing [illegible] cards, [illegible] and some private letters was taken. On looking for her purse she found that the chain had been severed from the belt around her waist. The train was leaving the depot at the time. Arriving at Newark she informed one of the officials, who assured her he would take the necessary steps to ferret out the thief. On the night of the 7th instant a gentleman connected with an iron foundry firm in Troy was going to Washington, and he was robbed of $750, and valuable papers on the quarter of the train were also taken from his pocket. Passengers complain that the regulations for order in the cars are nowhere observed, and whatever officials have charge of the cars take it quite coolly.

To the Editor of the National Democrat:

RAHWAY, N. J., Feb. 2[illegible], 1867.

MR. EDITOR:—Does it not seem that some of our Councilmen are becoming somewhat [illegible] on the question of Reform? I am not so ungrateful as to impugn the motives of any of my fellow citizens who may wear the badge of authority. I simply claim the privilege of criticising their official acts, retaining my good opinion of their intelligence and well meaning.

It is not at all surprising that the ordinance regulating the running of cars through our city meets with the disapproval of many of our citizens. In my judgment it is not wise to attempt a wide divergence from the well-tried and beaten track of older and larger cities, especially when we remember that many of them have made an unsuccessful trial of the very experiment which now finds favor in our local legislation. If this change were calculated to stop any mismanagement on the part of the Railroad Company, the action of the Common Council would be worthy of commendation. Nor should any of our citizens regard it with disfavor. But must we not all arrive at the very reasonable conclusion that the *safest* method of running their cars through Rahway is the *cheapest* and most desirable for the New Jersey Railroad Co.? Feeling the responsibility resting upon them for all accidents occurring on their road, the officers must know from experience that if they run their cars through a city at a rate of speed which will in a great measure, do away with the necessity for a depot, and enable boys as well as grown people to jump on and off at any point within the limits of the city proper, their responsibility and liability to accident is far greater than by pursuing the usual moderate rate of speed.

The injustice of this measure to the traveling public should also be borne in mind by us.—Five minutes may be a very short time for "through" passengers to devote in creeping through Rahway, but if every incorporated place along the route were to adopt similar resolutions we should perhaps know better how to appreciate this annoyance and unjust interference.

Aside from these considerations it is certainly very impolitic for a city to become a stumbling block to the welfare of an institution to which it owes a very large proportion, if not all its greatness. Corporations have an acknowledged right to expect certain rights from those Railroad Companies which receive their patronage, but it is both their duty and interest to concede the usual courtesies and privileges which are necessary to an amicable and perfect understanding between them.

With the best of feeling, then, Mr. Editor, I would urge the gentlemen of the Council to move cautiously in this matter, and to allow no prejudice to stand in the way of the prosperity of our city. H.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting, Tuesday evening, Feb. 26.—Present—President High, Lebaw, McIntyre, Taborn, Oliver, Crowell, Miller, Esler, T. M. Martin, J. W. Martin. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

McIntyre, from committee to attend to funeral of Dr. Calhoun, reported that they had discharged all their duties. Report received and committee discharged.

The following ordinances were passed: To construct a sewer in Elm avenue from Irving to Bryant street (McIntyre excused from voting); to grade Lake avenue from N. J. R. R. to St. George's avenue; to grade Adams street from Main street to N. J. R. R.; to grade, curb and gutter Commerce street; to grade, curb and gutter Dock street (remonstrance read from Michael Friese); to grade, curb and gutter Hazlewood avenue; to open Haydock street; to grade Thorn street. A number of ordinances were laid over.

The committee on Drainage reported that the sewer asked for by certain petitioners, in Main street, from Haydock to Cherry, could not be constructed on account of the ascending grade in that direction.

Committee on streets reported adversely to petition for having the width of Hamilton street reduced to 60 feet. The commissioners to lay out streets also reported the same opinion. Received and ordered on file.

Crowell said he had been requested to draft an ordinance on the subject of grading the sidewalks of Hamilton street, to provide that the sidewalks below Fernote street be graded to within three feet of the full width of the street, (but not disturbing the carriage way as established) and to allow all buildings that project less than three feet to remain for the present. The ordinance was read.

McIntyre moved that Council go in a body to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock to view Hamilton street about which there seems to be so much conflict. Crowell moved to amend by making it 5½ A. M. Oliver to further amend and make it 8 P. M. Lebaw said this question had now been before Council about eighteen months, and remonstrances and petitions having been presented, and many of the same names on both, and now as both the street committee and commissioners had reported to the same effect, he moved that the reports be received. Agreed to—McIntyre voting in the negative.

Crowell moved that W. B. Crowell be appointed to inspect the work of laying the Belgian pavement, and the grading of Grand street. McIntyre said he would like to see a change made in this matter—he thought it should be arranged to have a competent street commissioner who could attend to such matters along with his other duties, and have a salary of about $[illegible], and he would move the motion of Mr. Crowell lay over, which was lost and Mr. Crowell was appointed.

McIntyre moved to reconsider the ordinance which was defeated at last meeting, in regard to removing snow and ice from sidewalks, so as to give all the Councilmen a chance to vote on it, [illegible] not amended to suit his views. Crowell moved that the ordinance be recommitted for amendment. Agreed to.

Commissioners to assess damages reported on certain streets, which were referred to committee on assessments.

The Secretary was authorized to notify N. J. R. R. Co. of ordinance recently passed.

Crowell presented resolution to construct sewer in part of Hazlewood avenue, which was adopted, and title taken of an ordinance to correspond.

Crowell offered a preamble and resolution to be presented to the Legislature, remonstrating against the passage of an act now pending, fixing the tax on National banks at only 1½ per cent. He said he considered the act as very unjust as it would throw a large amount of taxes upon the people, which should be borne by the banks, which were the ablest to pay. McIntyre said he was glad to see that the [illegible]

Report of Chief Engineer of Fire Department read. McIntyre moved it be received and [illegible]. Crowell moved [illegible]

A [illegible] was received from the City Marshal [illegible]

A request was received from the City Surveyor, asking for the use of the transit belonging to the city. Granted.

Oliver stated that he had noticed an article in the New York Herald that contained false statements in regard to the position of Council toward the railroad company, and moved some member be designated to reply to it. McIntyre stated that he had already replied to it, on his own responsibility.

Bills read and ordered paid. Adj.

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20.—In the Senate Clark presented a remonstrance against the passage of a supplement to the charter of Rahway. An act to regulate the rates of transportation for coal, &c., on certain railroads in this State, was recommitted. A supplement to act concerning roads increasing the per diem of surveyors of highways to $3 was passed. Ladlam, from the joint committee on State Prison, presented their report:—The books and vouchers of the present keeper agree. The discrepancy in the books of Mr. Jos. B. Walker, referred to in the message of the Governor, is on account of the fact that the fiscal year expired several months before the expiration of Mr. Walker's term. The condition of the Prison is found to be good. The committee recommend the erection of a new wing for the use of females, and in which to build a chapel, and the wants are well and carefully provided for; the health of the inmates is as good as could be expected considering the crowded condition of the institution. There are 150 more prisoners now in the prison than ever before. The committee recommend the building of a new wing so constructed as to contain the cells of the female prisoners, and a chapel for moral and religious instruction, and express the hope that it "will not disgrace civilization and humanity as the last new wing does."—The committee also recommend the building of more shop room, as a matter of economy. The attention of the Legislature is called to the insane convicts, and the fact that the contracts for supplies are not advertised for, or given out to the lowest bidder. The balance of indebtedness at the close of the fiscal year is $39,761 10; and the number of convicts is 579. The report was ordered to be printed. An act to change the name of the Baptist Church at Plainfield, was passed.

In the House a bill to authorize Trustees of M. E. Church at Perth Amboy to sell and convey real estate; a supplement to mechanics' lien law; to prevent depredations by excursion parties, were introduced. Ferrine presented a minority report of the Judiciary Committee in favor of the repeal of the Registry law, being the same report as was presented by the minority, and Election Committee on Tuesday. The motion to print the usual number of copies was lost, 25 to 34. Ball offered joint resolutions relative to the management of the State Prison and authorizing the Governor to appoint a commission of three persons to examine into the laws of other States on this subject, and report a plan for the better organization of the State Prison, with a draft of a Law to carry the same into effect, and also to report as to the propriety of establishing Houses of Correction for the commitment of minor offenders. Laid on the table. Ball introduced further supplement to act for the punishment of crimes (to commute the terms of prisoners according to their good conduct.) The bill to authorize Trustees of School District No. 1 of Plainfield to borrow money for the purpose of building a new school house was passed. Moore presented the report of the State Prison Committee. The bill to incorporate the Mercer and Monmouth Railroad company was rejected. A message was received from the Governor announcing that he had signed certain bills, and laying before the House the annual report of the Joint Companies. The amount of transit duties paid by the railroad company was $130,874 91, by the canal $101,842 5[illegible]. [illegible] included the quarter due December 31, 1866, which was paid in January, 1867, amounting to $21 626 27. The amount accruing to the State during the year was, from the railroad $144 090.25; from the canal, $79,225.68. Receipts of the companies from all sources $5,607 051 69; and expenses $3,963 928 77. The bill amendatory to the act to reg[illegible] sales of real estate was taken up and passed.

THURSDAY, Feb. 21.—In the Senate a further supplement to act to authorize School District No. 1, Plainfield, Union county, to raise money was passed. To authorize Elizabeth to issue bonds for the aid of the Water Works was ordered third reading. Supplement to act for punishment of crimes (making cruelty to animals a misdemeanor) was passed.—To incorporate Union and Middlesex Counties Agricultural Society; to facilitate judicial proceedings in Union County; to charter of Rahway, were passed.—Robins offered a resolution that the Secretary be directed to inform the House that the Senate adjourns for want of business.

In the House a lengthy discussion was had on the State Prison subject, growing out of the fact that Mr. Ball, the chairman of the House committee, had not signed the report. Mr. Ball presented his reasons, which were written and signed, why he did not sign the report.—These reasons are substantially that the report of the Committee does not embody all the facts in regard to the government of the Prison, nor does it state the actual cost of the institution to the State. This was an important matter for the people to know. Tyrrell introduced a bill to repeal an act authorizing township of Piscataway to elect overseers of roads. A resolution requesting the Committee on Public Buildings to ascertain what can be done to enlarge and better ventilate the Assembly Chamber, and report without delay, with plans, was adopted. Supplement to the act constituting courts for the trial of small causes; further supplement to act to authorize the Board of Freeholders of Union county to borrow money were passed. Some discussion was had on the supplement to the Registry law, extending its provisions to the townships elections, which was on its second reading, and the bill was passed. The Senate bill to validate and confirm certain contracts made between the companies owning railroad lines between New York and Philadelphia, was passed—39 to 3—Stansbury, Trimble and Runyon.

MONDAY, Feb. 25.—In the Senate Little introduced an act to prevent the holding of elections in places where intoxicating liquors are sold. Clark, to change the name of the Union School of Elizabeth. An act to regulate the business of fire, life, accident, marine and live stock insurance companies in this State, was ordered third reading.

In the House a number of remonstrances were presented favoring the repeal of the Registry law. An act for the better securing the rights of married women; supplement to the Registry law, repealing its provisions as applicable to township or charter elections, were [illegible]. [illegible] Senate amendment to the act revising and amending the charter of the city of Rahway; Senate amendment to the act to incorporate the Union and Middlesex County Agricultural Society, were ordered third reading.

TUESDAY, Feb. 26.—In the Senate a further supplement to act to describe disorderly persons [illegible] habitual drunkenness, was passed. An act to [illegible] of money in the counties of Hudson, Essex, Bergen, Passaic and Union, to contract for the payment of taxes, and a further supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes relating to the [illegible] of members of the Legislature for the passage of any bill, or the appointment of any officer, were ordered third reading.

In the House [illegible] presented a petition [illegible] Registry law [illegible] Morris Canal [illegible]

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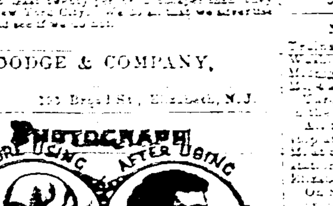

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SHERIFF'S SALE.—New Jersey Supreme Court—Union. Daniel Price and John D. Fitzgerald vs. Phineas F. Frazee, fi. fa. de bonis et terris, in case.

By virtue of the above stated writ of fieri facias, to me directed, I will expose to sale at public vendue, on THURSDAY, the 7th of March, A. D. 1867, at [illegible] o'clock P. M., at Crowell's Hotel, in the city of Rahway, N. J.

All the right, title and interest of said defendant, to all those tracts or parcels of land and premises situate lying and being in the township of [illegible] in the County of Union and State of New Jersey:

The first tract, beginning at a post planted on the corner of Mechanic street and Church street, thence running along Church street north thirty three degrees east four chains to a post on the corner of Church and Union streets, thence running along Union street north fifty seven degrees west two chains to a post on a corner of land formerly belonging to George White, thence along said White's line and land formerly belonging to Samuel Oliver, south thirty-three degrees west four chains to Mechanic street, thence along the line of Mechanic street south fifty-seven degrees east two chains to the place of beginning, containing eight hundredths of an acre of land, more or less. Bounded northwesterly by Mechanic street, southwesterly by land formerly George White's and Samuel Oliver's, northeasterly by Union street and southeasterly by Church street.

The second tract [illegible]

Together with all and singular the rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging [illegible]

Dated January 4, 1867. [illegible], Sheriff.

UNION COUNTY SURROGATE'S [illegible]

LAWS OF NEW JERSEY.

...

Approved February 12, 1867.

...

Approved February 5, 1867.

An act to confirm the acknowledgments and proof of deeds and other instruments of writing taken by Andrew J. Cooper.

Whereas, it appears to the legislature that Andrew J. Cooper ... hundred and sixty ... to take the acknowledgments and proofs of deeds for the township of Woolwich, county of Gloucester and state of New Jersey, and was commissioned ... virtue of said commission, and whereas, it appears that the said Andrew J. Cooper, from a misapprehension of the time of expiration of his commission continued to take acknowledgments and proofs after the time for which he was appointed had expired, by reason of which defective acknowledgments and proofs ... great loss; therefore,

1. Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That the several acknowledgments and proofs of deeds and other instruments of writing taken and certified by the said Andrew J. Cooper ... commissioner, after the expiration of the time for which he was appointed, ... are hereby confirmed and declared valid and as equal, in like manner as though the same had been taken and certified by him before the expiration of the time for which he was appointed.

2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved February 5, 1867.

Big stories about mining in Montana, are told by a correspondent of the Buffalo *Courier*, who writes from Virginia City as follows:

Mining prospects are very bright indeed, and all holders of quartz lodes are feeling very confident of having "struck it rich." At a recent clean-up of the mill crushing ore at the Whitlach Union lode, near Helena, $6,000 was obtained from 75 tons of ore, being an average per ton $63 15. From 405 tons of ore $26,000 was cleaned up, an average of $64 19 per ton. This is far superior to the California quartz. There will be a great stampede from this place to Salmon River, Idaho, 1,140 miles from Virginia, in the spring. Rich gold discoveries are said to have been made there, and good reports are coming in every day. A piece of quartz from the Whitlack Union, weighing five ounces, was brought to this city, a few days since, which assayed $9.50. Not much calculation is needed to estimate the value of a ton of this kind of "stun." Over four tons of gold dust is in banks and private safes at this place and Helena, awaiting shipment by the river boats next spring.

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FRENCH.—A Young Lady of Paris, would give lessons in her native language, ... St. George's Avenue, Rahway.

Poetry.

A HARVARD POEM.

The following is a favorite poem in Harvard College. Its moral is perhaps hardly logical, and the poet has indulged in considerable license, but it is a work of merit nevertheless:

There lived once a planter,
With a son, his only love;
... on his birthday,
A brand new axe he gave.

The planter had a garden,
All filled with apple-trees,
Which for the city market,
He was trying for to raise.

The boy he takes the hatchet,
Quite jolly and jocund;
And going to the apple-trees
He chops them to the ground.

The father called his servants
And ranged them in a row;
"Who has chopped down my apple trees
And killed them root and bough?"

The servants stand amazed,
All gazing up in a line;
...

"I cannot tell a lie, papa,"
The youthful boy began;
"Twas I that chopped the apple-trees,
Twas I, your little son."

Now who, then, was this father,
And who this hatchet boy?
It was the noble ...
And young G. Washington
...

Then whoso takes a hatchet,
And apple-trees chops down,
If he loves his ...
A great and pious ...

Miscellaneous.

MARRIED AND SINGLE.

BY MRS. H. B. STOWE.

"Come, Mark Meriden! don't settle down into an old grandfather before your time—a pretty wife's a pretty thing, Mark, and a pretty house is a pretty thing, but, hang it! one must have a little of life."

Mark Meriden stood at his desk, giving a last look at his books, while Ben Sandford—the roguish—the merry—the song singing—the Ben of all Bens—was thrumming on his desk ... of a projected frolic that evening. Now Ben was precisely the messenger for such an errand. There was fun in the twinkle of his blue eye, and a world of waggery in the turn of his head, and a pair of broad, roguish dimples that went merrily dodging in and out of his cheeks every time he spoke, as he laid hold of Mark's arm to drag him away. But Mark shook off his hand, and finished summing a column of figures, put the blotting paper into the book, and the book into his place, wiped his pen, and, at last, he turned to Ben, saying:

"I think I won't go this time."

"Now, why not?" said Ben eagerly.

"Because—because, I have an old fancy that I should like the pleasure of Mrs. Meriden's company better this evening."

"Hang Mrs. Meriden—beg pardon, Mark—hang myself for saying so—but one don't like to see so fine a fellow buried alive! come—take a real wake up with us."

"Thank you, Ben; but I haven't been asleep, and don't need it. So I'll go and see my wife," and thereat turned a resolute step homeward, as a well-trained husband ought.

"Now," says one of our readers, "who was Mark Meriden?" You would not have asked, good reader, if you had lived in the town of ——, when his name first appeared on the outside of one of the most fashionable shops, "Mark Meriden," surrounded by those waving insignia of grace and fashion that young belles need to have their eyes turned off from beholding. Everything in the tasteful establishment told of well-arranged business, and Mark himself, the mirror of fashion, faultless in every article of costume, quick attentive, polite, was every day to be seen there winning "golden opinions from all sorts of people." Mark's fashionable exchange, the promenade of beauty of wealth, who came there to be enlightened as to the way of getting rid of some of their surplus revenue—to see and be seen. So attentive, so polite and considerate was Mark, so profound his bows, so bright his eyes, so unexceptionable his whiskers, that it might have proved a dangerous resort to the ladies, had not a neat, tasteful house going up in the neighborhood, been currently reported as the future residence of an already Mrs. Meriden; and in a few months, the house neatly furnished, received a very pretty lady who called herself to that effect. She was as truly refined and lovely a woman as ever formed the centre flower in a domestic bouquet, and Mark might justly be pardoned for having as good an opinion of himself for having been fortunate enough to secure her.

Mark had an extensive circle of business and pleasure acquaintances, for he had been one of the social, companionable set whose money generally found its way out of his pocket in very fair proportion to the rate it came in. In short, he was give to clubs, oyster suppers, and now and then a wine party, and various other social privileges for elevating one's spirits and depressing one's cash that abound in all communities.

But nevertheless, at the bottom of Mark's head there was a substantial stratum of a certain quality called common sense—a strait which, though it was never set down in any chart in phrenology, may be called a faculty, and one, too, which makes a striking difference among people, as the world goes. In consequence of being thus constituted, Mark, when he found himself in love with, and engaged to a very pretty girl, began to reflect with more than ordinary seriousness on his habits and ways of life. He also took an accurate survey of his business, formed an average estimate of his future income on the soberest probabilities, and determined to live a little within that. He also provided himself with a small account book, with which he intended to live in very close acquaintance, and in this book he designed to note down all the savings consequent upon the retrenchment of certain little extras, alluded to before, in which he had been in the habit of pretty freely indulging himself.

Upon the present occasion, it had cost him something to say "No," for Mark was one of you easy "clever fellows," to whom the enunciation of this little syllable cost as much trouble as the gutturals of the German. However, when he came in sight of his parlor windows, through which the bright fire was shining—when he entered and found the clean, glowing hearth, the easy chair drawn up in front, and a pair of embroidered slippers waiting for him quite at leisure, and, above all, when he read the quick glance of welcome in a pair of bright eyes, Mark forgot all about Ben Sandford, and all his bachelor friends and allurements whatsoever, and thought himself the happiest fellow in the world.

The evening passed off rapidly by the help of reading, music, and little small talk of which newly married people generally find a supply, and the next morning found Mark at early business hours, with as steady a hand and as cool a head as if there had been no such things as bachelor frolics in existence.

Late in the afternoon, Ben Sandford lounged in to ogle a few of the ladies, and, above all, to rally Mark on the glorious fun of the evening before.

"Upon my word, Mark, we must have you put up for Selectman, you are becoming so extremely ancient and venerable in your ways; however, you are to be excused, circumstances considered—female influence!—ah!—well—well, it's very fine affair, truly, this marriage!"

"Better try it, Mr. Sanford," said a bright, saucy girl, who, with her laughing companions, was standing close by where Ben was speaking.

"Ah! madame, the wherewithal!"—said Ben, rolling up his eyes with a tragic expression. "If some clever old fellow would be so obliging as to die now, and leave me a few thousand or so—then, ladies, you should see."

"But speaking of 'money,'" said Mark, when he saw the ladies busy over some laces he had just thrown on the counter—"what did your 'glorious fun' cost you?"

"Pooh! nothing! only a ten dollar bill, nothing in 'my' purse, you know?"

"Nothing in my purse?—not an uncommon incident after one of the occasions," said Mark laughing.

"Oh! hang it all!" said Ben—"too true! I can get no remedy for this consumption of the purse, as old Falstaff says; however, the world owes me a living, and so, good morning!"

Ben Sandford was just one of that class of young men of whom common report goes, that they can do exactly what they please and who consider this point so well established that they do not think it necessary to illustrate it by doing anything at all. He was a lawyer of good talents, and would have an extensive run of business had he not been one of the class of people never to be found when wanted. His law books and law office saw far less of him than certain fashionable places of resort, where his handsome person and various accomplishments always secured to him a welcome reception. Ben had some little property left him by his friend; just sufficient, he used to say, "to keep him in gloves and cologne water," and for the rest he seemed contented with his old maxim, "the world owes him a living," forgetting that the world is a poor paymaster sometimes.

But to return to Mark. When he had settled his accounts at night, he took from a pigeon hole in his desk the little book aforenamed, and entered as follows:

"To one real wake up, $10," which being done, he returned once more to Mrs. Meriden.

Days flew on, and the shop of Mark became very popular, still from time to time he was assailed by such temptation as we have described. Some one of his old companions would say:

"Mark, my dear fellow, join us in our trip to G——'s."

But Mark was invincible to all the entreaties of all his bachelor friends; and as one after the other gaily recounted the history of the scene, he silently committed the amount of expense to his little book. Yet was not Mark cynical or unsocial. His refusals, though firm, were invariably good natured, and if it were impossible to draw him abroad, yet he was unquestionably open handed at home. No house had so warm a welcome—no dinner table could be more freely open for the behoof of the diner-out-order—no tea table presented more unexceptional toast, and there was no evening lounge more easy, homelike and cheerful, than in the snug parlors of Mark Meriden.—They also gave evening parties, where all was brilliant, tasteful, and well ordered; and, in fine, notwithstanding his short comings—Mark was set down as a fine, open hearted fellow, after all.

At the end of the year, Mark cast up the account in his little book, and was roughly astonished at it, for with his ideas of the power of numbers, he had no idea that the twos and fives and tens and ones, which on greater or smaller occasions, had found their way into the columns, would amount up to a sum considerable. Mark looked about him—the world was going on well—his machinery moving in exact time—his house—where was there a pret[illegible]—where a place more replete with every home drawing comfort? Had he lost anything *in pleasure the year past?* Mark thought not; and therefore, as he walked homeward, he stepped into a bookseller's and ordered some books of superb engravings for Mrs. Meriden, and spoke to a gardener to send some elegant flowering exotics, which he heard her wish for, or express an ardent admiration of, some evenings before.

That same evening came in Ben Sandford, as he expressed it "*in the very depth of indigo!*" for such young gentlemen, whose matters invariably go on wrong end foremost, will sometimes be found in this condition, however exuberant may be their stock of animal spirits.

"Pray, Ben, what is the matter?" said Mark, kindly, as the latter stretched himself at length in an arm chair, groaning audibly.

"Oh! a *bilious* attack, Mark—shoemakers' bills! tailors' bills! boarding house bills!—all of them sent for New Year's presents!—hang 'em all!"

Mark, was silent for a few moments, and Ben continued:

"Confound it, Mark! what's the sense of living if a fellow is to be so very poor? Here you are, Mark, born in the same town with me, and younger than I am by some two years—you have a house as snug as a man need ask—a wife like an angel—peace and plenty by the bushel—and all comes of having a good run of luck in the money line!" and Ben kicked his slippers against the andiron most energetically.

"What has become of Emily P——?" asked Mark, after a pause.

"Dear soul!" said Ben, "there she is yet, with all sweetness and patience, waiting till such a scrape grace as I can give her a home and a husband; I only wish I could afford to get married for her sake, as well as my own, and have a home; besides, to tell the truth, I am tired of this rambling, scrambling, out-at-elbow, slipshod lot."

"Why don't you get married?" questioned Mark, pleasantly.

"Why don't I, to be sure—see my tailors' bills for fuel, and my board bill for house-rent, and my shoe bill for bread and butter—hey! Would you recommend a poor girl to try me, Mark—all things considered?" said Ben, bitterly.

Mark reflected a while in silence, and then drew the book out of his pocket—his little book, to which we before have alluded.

"Just look at this account, Ben," said he; "I know you hate figures, but just for once."

Ben glanced at it impatiently—laughed when he read over the first two or three items, but his face lengthened as he proceeded, and Mark detected a sort of whistle of astonishment as Ben read the sum total.

"Well, Mark!" he exclaimed, "what a very old gentlemanly, considerate trick is this of yours—to sit behind your counter so coolly noting down the cost and come to, of all our little frolics—really it is most edifying! How much you must have enjoyed your superior discretion and foresight!" and Ben laughed—but not with his usual glee.

"Nay, you mistake," said Mark, "I kept this account merely to see what I had been in the habit of spending on myself, and as you and I have always been hand-in-hand in everything, it answers equally well for you. It was only yesterday that I summed up the account, and I assure you, the result surprised myself; and now, Ben the sum here set down, and as much more as you please, is freely at your disposal, to clear off old scores for the year, provided you will accept with it this little book as a New Year's gift, and use it twelve months as I have done; if, at the end of that time, you are not ready to introduce Mrs. Sandford, I am very much mistaken indeed."

Ben grasped his friend's hand, but just then the entrance of Mrs. Meriden prevented his reply. However, Mark saw with satisfaction that he put the book carefully in his vest pocket, and buttoned up a new resolution.

When they parted for the night, Mark said with a smile "In case of *bilious attacks*, you know where to send for medicine." Ben answered only by a fervent grasp of the hand, for his throat felt too full to answer.

Mark Meriden's book answered the purpose admirably. In less than two years Ben Sanford was the most popular lawyer in ——, and as steady a householder as you would want to see; and, in conclusion, as this is a lady's story, we will just ask our lady readers their opinion on one point, and it is this:

If Mrs. Meriden had been a woman who understood what is called "catching a beau," better than securing a husband—if she had never curled her hair except *for company*, and thought it a degradation to know how to keep a house comfortable, would some things have happened?

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THE YOUNG WIDOW ON A SLEIGH RIDE.—Some writer has said that a young and beautiful widow is the most loving and lovable creature in existence. There is much truth in the remark, and, as Samuel Weller intimates, they are at the same time the most dangerous to the liberties of a bachelor, when they once take a notion that way. Is it not a singular fact, that most of the greatest men the world has ever produced, have been brought to the feet of the widows? —The reading of the following sketch has amused us, and no doubt will many others, who will probably say its just like 'em!

It is summer now, but it was winter, clear cold, and the snow was packed.—Dr. Meadows was one of the sleighing party, which he describes, so far as he and the young widow Lambkin were concerned in the words following:

The lively widow Lambkin sat in the sleigh, under the same buffalo robe with me.

"Oh! oh! don't," she exclaimed, as we came to the first bridge, at the same time catching hold of my arm and turning her veiled face towards me while her little eyes twinkled through the moonlight.

"Don't what?" I asked, "I am not doing anything."

"Well, but I thought you were going to take toll," replied Mrs. Lambkin.

"Toll?" I rejoined, "what's that?"

"Well I declare" cried the widow, her clear laugh ringing out above the music of the bells, "you pretend that you don't know what toll is?"

"Indeed I don't then," I said laughing; "pray explain if you please."

"You never heard, then," said the widow, most provokingly, "you never heard that when we are on a sleigh ride the gentleman always, that is sometimes, when they cross a bridge, claim a kiss, and call it toll. But never pay it."

I said that I never heard of it before; but when we came to the next bridge I claimed a toll, but the widow's struggle to hold the veil over her face was, not enough to tear it. At last the veil was removed, her round rosy face turned directly towards mine, and as the clear light of the frosty moon the toll was taken, for the first time in his life, by Dr. Meadows. Soon we came to a long bridge with several arches, the widow said it was of no use to resist a man that would have his own way, so she paid the toll without a murmur.

"But you won't take toll for every arch, will you, doctor?" the widow said so archly, that I did not fail to exact all my dues, and that was the beginning—But never mind the rest. The Lambkin had the Meadows all to herself in the spring.

WHAT IS PROGRESSIVE AGRICULTURE?—The New York *Observer* answers this question in a few words, but very comprehensively, as follows:

"Under its influence spring tasty and convenient dwellings, adorned with shrubs and flowers, and beautiful within with the smiles of happy wives, tidy children in the lap of thoughtful age—broad hearts and acts, as well as words of welcome. Progressive agriculture builds barns and puts gutters on them, builds stables for cattle and raises roots to feed them. It grafts wild apple trees by the meadow with pippins or greening; it sets out new orchards and takes care of the old ones. It drains low lands, cuts down bushes, buys a mower, house tools and wagons, keeps good fences and practices soiling. It makes hens lay, chickens live, and prevents swine from rooting up meadows. Progressive agriculture keeps on hand plenty of dry fuel and brings in the oven wood for the women. It plows deeply, sows plentifully, harrows evenly, and prays for the blessings of Heaven."

PAPA.—"Now, my dear girl, your brother is receiving a most expensive education, and I think that while he is at home for the holidays, you should try to learn something from him."

EMILY.—"So I do, pa. I've learnt that a boy who cries is a 'blub,' that a boy who works hard is a 'swot,' that anybody you don't like is a 'cad,' and I know the meaning of 'grub,' 'prog,' and a 'wax!'"

Among the corporations of Massachusetts is an American Rubber Heel Stiffening Company, the Easy Paper Collar and Cuff Manufacturing Company, and the New England Anti Incrustation Company.

Paris authorities have decided that it is positively vulgar to pass the fork from one hand to the other; it must be kept in the left hand, not only when using the knife, but in carrying food to the mouth.

At the recent wool growers' Convention in Springfield, Illinois, it was stated that there are in that State 2,000,000 sheep, worth $8,000,000, yielding annually, $3,000,000.

The colored lawyer in the Massachusetts Legislature has been put upon the committee on Federal Relations, and the colored printer upon the standing committee on Printing.

The Connecticut valley farmers are obliged to sell their tobacco at low figures, if at all. One at Amherst disposed of his crop last year at $11 per hundred.