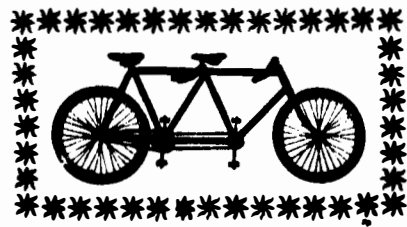


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FACING AN AUDIENCE.

Victor Hugo in his lectures used to address himself always to the most stolid countenance among his hearers, feeling that if he could make an impression on him the rest would follow.

A clever stump speaker, in explaining his success, attributed it to the fact that he always regarded his hearers as children, and couched his remarks in language that the juvenile mind would grasp.

A DOG'S INTELLIGENCE

Being Lost, He the Same as Aves a Cub Deliver to Take Him Home.

A story, illustrating the reason of a dog, is quoted as having been told by William Robson, of Penrhyn, the owner of the animal. The dog was in the habit of going about in various parts with its master. One day after being lost he went home by himself in a lansom.

"The cabman rang for his fare, and thinking he had somehow captured the runaway, I jumped low and where he found him. 'Oh, sir' said cabby, 'I didn't hail him at all he hailed me. I was standing close by St. James' Church looking out for a fare, when it jumped the dog. I shouts through the window, he wouldn't stir; so I gets down and tries to pull him out, and shows him my whip; but he sits still, and barks as much as to say, 'Go on, old man.' As I seizes him by the collar I reads his name and address. My the gentleman settles himself with his head just looking out, and I drives on till I stops at this gate. Then out jumps my passenger, reclearing the doors, and walks in as though he's been a regular fare."

The driving-increase, they is by no means a rare variety. It is told of Lady Ashburnham's colts that, after jumping into a harness, he so thickly intimates that he wants his collar read that, as one cabman said, 'I'd love to be didn't ask me to'." Westminster Budget.

Humors of the White House.

The humors of the White House, it is the testimony of every one who has resided there, would fill many volumes. Many of them are found in the daily mailbag. At a dinner the other day Mrs. McKee told of a letter Mrs. Harrison received while first lady of the land. It ran: "Dear Madam: I would like a present from Washington City, so I will locate on you for it. Please send me a dress pattern and there followed a list of several other things, and please pay the express, as I have made a vow never to pay anything on an express package as I never know what is in it until I have opened it."

Mrs. Harrison, according to the reporter, was much amused at this missive, and "I'll locate on you for that" became a standing phrase in the family ever after when some object was coveted.

Oriental Rugs Made in This Country.

So many Oriental rugs are made in this country that representatives of the industry recently had a hearing before Congress to call attention to the prevalent practice of undervaluing imported rugs at the custom houses and to ask for a higher duty.

Several Chicago concerns are not only making Oriental rugs right along but they are also wiping out time as well as space. "Do you make antique rugs here, too?" I inquired the other day of a grinning Armenian, who had arisen from a half-finished piece of work. "Oh, yes," he said, showing his frowls still further, "dear rug, when he finished, is two hundred year old."—Chicago Times.

Blue Butter.

In India, butter made from the thin milk of the native cow is blue, instead of yellow. "When I came across this azure substance," said a traveled lady, "I vowed I would not touch it; but others did so, with evident enjoyment; and curiosity getting the upper hand, I tried the butter, and, to my surprise, found it delicious. You who have been used to the golden fresh butter of England can hardly realize what it is to see bread apparently painted blue."—Tid-Hits.

One Good Reason.

Mrs. Warmheart—"My good man, why do you let your children go barefoot?" "Pat O'Hoolihan—"For de raison dat I have in my family more feet dan shoes."—Harper's Round Table.

A 90-YEAR-OLD LIFE-SAVER.

The strange Samaritan idea on a lonely island in the South Atlantic. Peter W. Green, the Governor of a group of three tiny islands of volcanic origin off the African coast, in the South Atlantic, and geographically known as Tristan d'Acunha, is one of the most remarkable life-savers in the world.

Mr. Green is a native of England, and now in his ninetieth year. At the age of thirty, when sailing before the mast on a British vessel, he was wrecked near Tristan, and he and several companions were saved by the exertions of the natives. His friends, some time later, were taken on board a passing ship, but Green remained there, and in the following year was nominated Governor of the islands because of his wisdom and the esteem in which he was held.

Green has always been on the lookout for persons and ships in distress, and he has saved many hundred lives from certain death on the rocky coast, the rescued ones being of all nationalities. The Governor has received decorations and medals from almost every monarch in the world in recognition of his humane efforts. The United States Government presented him with a handsome gold chronometer and chain. His own sovereign, Queen Victoria, sent him recently a most appropriate present, namely, a life-saving boat, with apparatus of the newest models. The islands which he governs contain only from fifty-five to sixty inhabitants, poor natives, whom Governor Green has educated to be like himself, Samaritans of the sea. New York Journal.

Rather Hard to Please.

The janitor had conducted her through the building, and she seemed not altogether displeased with some of the apartments. "I hope," she said, "that none of the people here keep dogs."

"Some of them do," answered the truthful employe. "Are there any children?" "There ain't no use of insisting on folks being born grown up."

"The style of the decorations doesn't exactly please me." "They're all brand new, and I'm afraid the landlord wouldn't change them."

"Does anybody in the building play the piano?" "No, ma'am. But two or three people are learning."

"That's too bad. I dislike noises. It's a very nice place in many respects, but does bark, and children cry, and pianos bang, and I'm very particular about decorations."

"Well, ma'am, there is only one thing I can say." "What is it?" "You can't expect to rent heaven for sixty dollars a month." Washington Star.

He Didn't Take the Wink.

It was on the Metropolitan Railway that the following little episode occurred. Two ladies entered a third-class compartment which already held its exact complement of passengers; but, alas! for the lack of civility among nineteenth century travelers, not a man present stirred from his seat to accommodate the fair fresh comers.

As the train steamed slowly out of the station, an abnormally stout individual in one of the corners, addressing a schoolboy seated opposite, remarked, with a wink intended to be facetious: "Why don't you get up and make room for one of the ladies?"

The wink was quite thrown away upon the lad, who, after surveying the other's massive proportions for a moment with a critical eye, responded coolly: "Why don't you get up and make room for both of 'em?"

An Obliging Landlord.

An old lady who was on a train in Aroostook County, Me., recently, left the train when a stop was made for dinner, and asked for a cup of tea and a light luncheon. After finishing she saw the proprietor and inquired if he was clerk. "Yes," said he, "I act in any capacity here." "Well, how much is my bill?" "Twenty-five cents, ma'am," replied the smiling landlord. "Twenty-five cents! Why, if I had known it would have cost so much I would have eaten more." "Go right back, ma'am; eat all you want. I'll hold the train for you."—New York Tribune.

A Mouse Quarter Century Run.

A wheelman hung his bicycle from the ceiling of his cellar, and not far from a swinging shelf on which food was kept. A mouse jumped from the wall on to the tire of the front wheel, evidently hoping thereby to reach the shelf. The wheel started, and mouse naturally ran toward the highest part of it. It was able to stay on the top of the tire, but couldn't get enough of a foothold to jump to the wall. When found next morning the mouse was very much exhausted, though still running. The cyclistometer showed that it had traveled over twenty-eight miles. Albany Express.

The Pig Was All Right.

Father Flynn: "Why don't you have your pig-sty farther from your house, Geogan?" Geogan: "That for, yer reverence?" Father Flynn: "Because it's unhealthy." Geogan: "Divil a bit, yer reverence! The pig has never had a sick day since he was born!"

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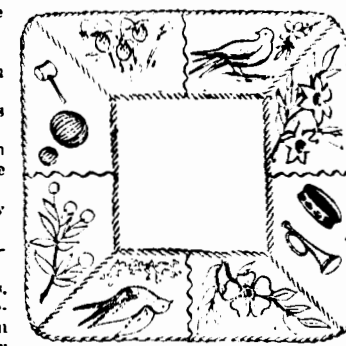


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A Rug For the Baby.

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With rows of fancy stitches worked with bright zephyr. The center square is left plain, while upon the other sections are outlined or applique flowers, leaves, fruits, birds, foxes or anything bright or odd that will take the fancy of a little child. Cats, fowls, horses and dogs would please their fancy if one had time to work them.

The lining is wadded denim or ticking. The edges are turned in and stitched, then worked with zephyr in long and short stitch or common buttonhole stitch. An inexpensive rug may be made entirely of old pieces, using the prettiest for the cover and the rug for the lining. A piece of an old quilt may be utilized for the interlining and odd ends of zephyr for the decoration.

Silverware and Art Goods.

Table silverware in quaint colonial patterns, with beaded edge, continues to please. Numbered with new things in silver are a cracker spoon, a honey knife and individual asparagus tongs. China bric-a-brac follows the present fashion of reproducing old time designs. There are French enamelled vases that are choice reproductions of a very early period.

There are complete toilet sets mounted in gold and enamelled in blue or set with turquoise for babies. Chocolate spoons, with decorated Dresden handles, have silver gilt bowls. When one is luxuriously inclined, the passing of the days may be noted from illuminated calendars in gold frames.

"Champagne bottle furniture" includes silver bottle handles, bottle covers, coasters, champagne knives, wire coolers and wire corks.

Openwork lutton baskets in silver and mounted on tiny feet are popular. English Recipe For Baked Ham.

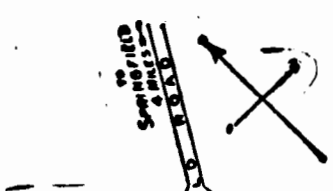
Soak a medium sized ham in tepid water for 12 hours. Trim off all the rusty pieces and make a dough of flour and water. Roll this out rather thickly and envelop the ham entirely in it. Place in a baking dish and bake in a moderate oven for four hours. When done, carefully remove the crust and skin, rub the ham all over with yolk of egg and sprinkle with very fine bread raspings, or, if preferred, it can be glazed in the usual way. Baked ham is a very delicious dish and considered by many to be very superior to boiled.

A Loop For Coats and Mantles.

Heavy coats and wraps are frequently a trouble on account of their weight, which sometimes seems to make the strongest loop for hanging up purposes of no avail. There is one thing, however, that resists all strain, and that is kid. Use an old kid glove. Cut a strip in the best part of the leather, roll into this a piece of coarse string, sew it together so as to give it a neat appearance and sew it on to the garment in question with strong thread. It will last longer than any other kind of loop.

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It was in Ariz... back on the reser... chusing them for... and he did openly attack the... committed no ov... one knew how som... One day a party a little Indian girl the fort. She was ing not a word, but eyes watched every... came she broke dou... white child would... The fort was in Bourke had an idea... tant's wife he bor... was a beautiful cre... come to the adjutan... previous Christmas... Apache was made to... it was hers to keep... and she fell asleep... When morning came... still clasped in her... with it all day, and... thought of ever gett... tribe, under the spell... placed over her by the... Not so the officers of... ever, for the thought... keep the girl without... to make some inquiries... were bothered there to... extent. Several days... no sign of overtures... the fort. Finally, in de... with the girl still in her... was sent back to the trib... When the girl reached... with her proud prize... in her hands, she creat... among the Apaches, and... later went back to the... She was received in a... manner and kindly treat... feet of her visit was such... her adventures were made... with the result that soon... the hand moved back on... tion.

The Speedy Razor.

A wild horse hunt was sport a number of the young South Jacksonville had ward to last week with a of pleasure. The wild horse razorback hog. He was ing pen and fed with red ing powder as granite, and fierce as a... Black P... On the... assembled at the meet... with javelins and spe... bamboo, with hunting... the end. The wild horse was... trotted away into the... squealed a half-conten... where's the rest of my... squeal, with no thoug... ers, who spurred and... horses into furious pa... The wild horse trot... stupidly and coolly trot... look as if he were goi... soon distanced his pur... were robbed of the... "bing" him full of... Times-Union.

A Village That Miles.

Most of the large... contain workmen's. It is... or cement houses, miles... dignated with the be... lation of barracks), are... has attached to thing to... Welden, a suburbic... building has thirt... accommodates 21... last of... ing to all classes of... man is specially a... letters to the innal... respondents have to... on the cover not m... name and surname... but the number of... case and the flat... ter to reach it... Days.

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STANDARD Morning by... President... Secretary-Treasurer... \$2 Per Year... Building... Application... AR 20, 1897.

right to take a criminal, house him, clothe him and feed him and let his family want for all these necessities. 2nd. A reformatory institution; that keeps a man a year and turns him out into the world a worse man than when he went in, is a disgrace, and itself needs reforming. 3rd. Our present method furnishes means to punish the wife and children by depriving them of the means of support while the man is taken care of by the State. 4th. Often the wife and children become paupers, just as some in Westfield are, and the public is taxed for their support. 5th. We advocate the employment, by the State, of competent men to take charge of our institutions and run them as business enterprises, and after the cost of the support of the criminal is paid, the balance to go to such dependents as he may have left at home.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY STANDARD.

Four unsuccessful attempts were made to establish a newspaper in Westfield before THE UNION COUNTY STANDARD was finally established under the control of its present owners, after an experience more varied than profitable; always with a faith that never weakened even under personal sacrifices, of which the public need know nothing, and always with confidence that one day the reward would come and honest effort receive honest appreciation. Had the STANDARD been an organ the management might have thrived upon bribes and political preferment. We are aware that the majority of the STANDARD's readers have not approved of its political course, though even its enemies, it it have any, know full well that it has never been the thing of a party, the tool of a "boss" or the instrument of a money-grabbing clique.

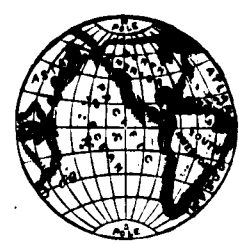
On Tuesday, March 20th, THE UNION COUNTY STANDARD will appear as a semi-weekly newspaper. The step is one of material progress. In its new form it may be relied upon still to stand up for honesty in public life, for purity in private life and in and out of season to advocate the highest type of patriotism, remaining as it has always been, American in every breath it inhales and in every throb of its pulse—an Americanism as our forefathers meant it; better we take it than party as the lower types of political partisanship have made it.

The semi-weekly STANDARD is not a surprise, nor a sudden decision. We have looked ahead, and some years ago we saw that the time must come when the growth of our beautiful town would make the change a necessity. If one secret of profitable advertising is repetition, and there is no denying it, it follows that advertisers will be largely benefited by the change we are making. It is safe to say that the benefit to them will be much more than double, while our advertising rates will not be advanced in proportion. Our advertising patrons have honestly stood by us in the past—as we have honestly stood by them. We are only glad thus to give them better service.

Not only has the STANDARD prospered as a newspaper, but its jobbing department, from small beginnings has grown to proportions that enable it to compare in appointments and output with the best offices in the metropolis, while its prices compare favorably with any establishment doing first-class printing. From small beginnings the STANDARD has grown to extended and still extending recognition. A few years ago fire destroyed its plant. But no calamity ever interfered with its regular appearance. Housed for a time in a clap-board shanty, its abode to-day is a brick structure that reflects credit on our beautiful town. All its appointments for publication and job work compare favorably with those to be found in places of ten times the population, and with some of them of fifty times the wealth.

The columns of the semi-weekly STANDARD will be open to all, whether they subscribe or read their neighbor's paper, and whether they agree with us or think our public course monstrous or injurious. Doubt is the mother of truth and honest discussion increases our clarity if it does not broaden and fortify our intelligence.

The semi-weekly STANDARD will be issued every Tuesday and Friday. It will be 3 cents per copy, the subscription price remaining two dollars per annum for the two editions; the same as heretofore charged for the weekly edition alone. The matter, as is warranted by our growth, will be edited with greater care, our first thought being to report fully all local news and advocate strongly the interest of this township, then of Union County, next of the State of New Jersey and after that of the whole Union and all that tends to bring the world to a fuller appreciation of the "fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man."



WOMAN'S SPHERE.

Westfield, N. J., March 20, 1897.

INGERSOLL'S FIERCE FIST KNOCKS OUT A BEGGAR.

Hurray for the Colonel! Go in, Robert. "Hit 'im again; he has no friends." "Don't be afraid; he isn't strong enough to hurt you. And he's so poor that he can't pay the courts enough to have you punished for hurting him. O great and noble humanitarian! how shall the world ever thank you for this valorous, self-sacrificing deed?"

But let us read the whole of the thrilling story that our hearts may beat high with thoughts of how brave and grand a man may be and let us all strive to follow in the footsteps of Robert G. Ingersoll, hoping in time to reach the height of manhood to which he has attained.

INGERSOLL'S FIERCE FIST.

With a Left-Hand Hook and a Swinging Right-Hander He Knocks Out a Beggar.

Chicago, March 7. Robert G. Ingersoll taught one of Chicago's army of insulting beggars a lesson last night that he will not soon forget. While walking along Clark street, between Adams and Monroe, on his way to the Columbia theatre to hear the Besmanns, the orator was approached by a rough looking man, who asked him for money.

"Mr. Ingersoll did not answer the feeble, but stepped to one side and managed to pass him. He had only gone a few steps however, when the beggar grabbed him by the arm and said: "I tell you, I want some money."

For a moment the orator was taken back by the sudden attack. Then, with a sudden jerk the large frame of Ingersoll swayed backward, his left arm described a half hook and his fist landed on the head of the beggar robot. The blow was not very strong, but it staggered the fellow, and before he could recover a swinging right hander caught him on the point of the jaw, and he fell to the sidewalk.

You knocked your poor weak brother down and left him—perhaps to crawl away and die.

"My brother?" Yes; your brother and my brother; the brother of all the human family. Hold high your cultured head, sit at ease in your luxurious home, but you cannot escape the fact that you have brothers and sisters who are ignorant, vile, degraded and poor. They are in chain gangs, in prisons starving it, hovels, working all day in mines away from the sunlight, in sugar factories where the broiling heat shrivels the life as a furnace, begging and robbing on the streets, sewing in sweat shops, and—and—so much worse that I dare not write it. What are you doing for them? You strike one of them; strike him twice. How could you? Where was your boasted humanity when you did this vile deed?"

I do not appeal to you in the name of the brave Nazarene who was killed because he dared to side with the poor and low against their extortionate oppressors. You reject him and say his religion is "the religion of rags and hovels." But I ask you again, in the name of humanity, how could you do such a cowardly, cruel thing as to strike a beggar? As one woman said, "I should feel as if I had spanked a little tiny baby." I blush for you.

"But he was an insulting beggar," they say. So be it. Homer says, so I have heard, that "Hunger is insolent and will be fed." It has a right to be fed. God, or Nature, if you will, made the law of hunger before man made the law of property which shuts so many away from Nature's lavish provision for satisfying that hunger.

There may not be any hell in a future state but you are doing a large part toward making one in the present. You worked and voted with the millionaires in the last presidential election and when of their wretched, inevitable concomitants demands money of you, your answer is "a knock-out blow." How proud of yourself you must be.

Please read again the account of what you did and then read the following poem:

MAN. I was born as free as the silver light That hurls in a southern tonant; Free as the sea-far'd bird that nests On a Scandinavian mountain; Free as the wind that mocks at the sway And pinning elaps of another. Yet in the slave they scourged today I saw, and knew my brother! Vested in purple I sat apart, But the cord that smote him brushed me; I closed my ears, but the sob that broke From his savage breast accused me. No phrase of reasoning judgment just The plaint of my soul could smother. A creature vile, abused to the dust, I knew him still my brother. And the autumn day that had smiled so fair.

ANTI-REESE WINS.

ABOUT 400 MEN ATTEND THE SCHOOL MEETING.

And Give the Anti-Resse Faction a Majority of About 60 Votes. Much Interest and Little Excitement.

The annual school meeting, always the best attended public meeting in Westfield, came off at Lincoln school, Tuesday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. There were about 400 men present—more than the room furnished seating accommodations for, by about 80. The people were met at the front door by two or three men who passed out copies of the ticket which proved to be the winning one in the election which followed.

S. W. Reese, the district clerk, called the meeting to order, and C. W. Harrden, the newly elected town committee man, was elected chairman of the meeting. Mr. Reese himself was then elected clerk. The chair then made a little speech asking the forbearance and assistance of those present during the meeting, as much important business was to be transacted.

The clerk then read the call for the meeting, which stated that three members of the board of education were to be elected for three years each, and a vacancy was to be filled for an unexpired term of two years. Also that the board asked for an appropriation of \$11,000 for the school year beginning July 1, 1897.

The clerk then read the annual report, as follows:

CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT. Annual report of district clerk of school district, Westfield, New Jersey. Itemized appropriations, receipts and disbursements for the current school year, 1896 and 1897, from July 1, 1896, to March 6, 1897, and estimates for school year 1897-98, by resolution of district meeting held June 11th, 1897.

Table with columns: Res., Dis., Balance on hand July 1, 1896, Balance on hand March 6, 1897, Total, etc. Total: \$11,000.00.

Balance in hands of Township, \$3,461.51. District fixed charges for re-numbering of year, 5,375.36. Balance on hand for books, supplies, fuel and incidentals, \$101.14. Total, \$10,298.01.

Amount of district tax asked for the coming year, \$11,000.00. State appropriation estimated at 5,000.00. Total, \$16,000.00.

Respectfully submitted, S. W. Reese, District Clerk.

March 12, 1897. I have examined this Statement and find same correct.

Geo. B. Biowsy, Chairman Finance Committee.

When the clerk had finished Wellington Marchessault moved that the clerk be instructed to make a copy of the report of receipts and expenditures for the year 1895-96, and give it to the local papers for publication, to the end that the public might be fully informed on the subject. His motion was adopted, but before it was put to a vote the clerk explained that his report for that year had been regularly audited and filed according to law. The report appears on page 7 of this issue of the STANDARD.

The clerk's annual report was then accepted and placed on file.

Next the clerk read the report of the board of education, which was ordered accepted and placed on file. Wellington Marchessault then moved that \$11,000 be appropriated for the maintenance of the public schools for the year 1897-98, beginning July 1, next. The motion was put and carried, but upon the suggestion that the appropriation must be made by ballot to be legal, A. K. Gale moved the secretary be instructed to cast a ballot for the meeting to that effect. His motion was adopted, and the ballot was cast accordingly.

The chair then announced that nominations were in order, and they came in thick and fast. The names placed in nomination were those of John B. Green, Chas. Foster, Geo. H. Brown, Jas. O. Clark, John J. Cozer, Sherman Cooper and Wm. C. T. Bachman, all for three years, while Harry E. Knight was the only man nominated to fill out the Rev. Wm. A. Rice's unexpired term of two years.

The list of these names had hardly been mentioned when Wm. J. Bogert said "I move the nomination close." He repeated it two or three times in a sharp, insistent voice, and Cy Wilcox remarked in a voice audible all over the room, "I thought we'd had enough rail roading?" When he got ready the

MAN. (Continued.) Seemed suddenly overwhelmed, A gloom, more dreadful than Nature's own, My human mind enshrouded; I thought of the power benign that made And bound it on to the other, And I felt in my brother's fear afraid, And ashamed in the shame of my brother. Florence Earle Coates. Which breathes the spirit that must redeem the world if it is ever to be redeemed?

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chairman said, "It is moved the nomination close. If there is no objection it will be so ordered."

At the request of Clerk Reese the chair appointed Irving I. Ross, assistant clerk for the meeting, John M. Marsh and F. R. Pennington were appointed tellers.

These details completed, thirty or forty men got up and moved toward the clerk's table, anxious to deposit their ballots and make their escape. They were requested by the chair to wait until a trolley was to be sent to the depot to receive the ballots and the two clerks had supplied themselves with paper and settled themselves in position to write rapidly. Then the voters marched up the center aisle, gave their ballots to the tellers, who announced each man's name as his ballot went into the basket, and it was written down by each of the secretaries.

The law requires that the polls remain open one hour. They were declared open about 8:30 and so closed at 9:30. When it came to the count each clerk kept a tally sheet, and Chas. H. Donnum ruled off a good sized blackboard and kept tally on that for the benefit of the waiting crowd. He did it accurately and well, too.

Nearly all those present voted printed ballots provided by the parties to the contest. One ballot—the anti-Resse—bore the names of John B. Green, James O. Clark and John J. Cozer, in the order named, for three year terms, while the other—the "Resse" faction—bore the names of George H. Brown, Sherman Cooper and Wm. C. T. Bachman, for three years each. Both tickets bore the name of Harry E. Knight for two years to fill out Rice's unexpired term. Chas. Foster, of Mountbainville borough, got 50 votes from somewhere, mostly as scratches, written in on the other ballot.

It was nearly 11 o'clock when the count was finished and announced as follows: John B. Green, 209; Jas. O. Clark, 190; John J. Cozer, 189; George H. Brown, 159; Wm. C. T. Bachman, 114; Sherman Cooper, 113; Chas. Foster, 50; Harry E. Knight, 328. There were 7 votes scattering.

Something New.

A Picture Play has never been seen in Westfield, and a rare treat is in store for all who can secure seats for March 26, when Alex. Black, the originator of this delightful entertainment, will himself read the play called Miss Jerry. The scene of the play is laid in New York, and the text is extremely bright and spicy. It is illustrated by 250 pictures that pass before the spectator with such smoothness that it seems impossible to believe that the scenes are not being really enacted. Attention is riveted on the pictures from beginning to end, while at the same time one is entertained by the wide awake story. Mr. Black is in great demand all over the country, and two months ago the first date he could give the managers of the Children's Country Home was March 26. For once the Club hall ought to be filled back to the door. The pictures can be seen from any seat in the house.

Monthly Musical Services.

The people of this place are to be treated to an exceptionally fine program on Sunday evening, the 29th of this month, at the regular monthly musical service of the Congregational church. The choir has arranged to have the services of a professional quartette of singers as follows: Mrs. Arrighi, of Broome street, Tabernacle, soprano; Miss Buford, of Broome street, Tabernacle, alto; Wilford Walters, of St. James church, bass; Valentine Youngman, of Grace church, tenor. Also a professional orchestra of 15 pieces. The chorus will number about 25 voices. Farmer's "Mass in B flat" will be sung complete.

Martin Mourns the Loss of His Pet Alligator.

Frank L. C. Martin's pet alligator "Cleveland" died last week from a heavy cold, which he contracted while roaming about Mr. Martin's store in Plainfield. The alligator was captured by Mr. Martin while recently "doing Florida" and on his return trip by steamer was his bed fellow for two nights. Mr. Martin is having the animal mounted and will place him on exhibition in his Plainfield store.

Social Club Members Will Dance.

The regular monthly reception and dance of the Social Club will be held on Thursday night, March 25th, at 8:30. Members of the club are requested to send to the "House Committee" the names of the friends they desire invited for this event.

THE LADIES of Westfield and vicinity are invited to inspect my large and elegant stock of new spring and summer Millinery. Do this before you purchase elsewhere. OPENING days March 30th, 31st and April 1st. L. A. BILLET, Parlor, BROAD STREET.

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New and Up-to-date Ladies' Jersey Bicycle Leggings, 1.00 and 1.19 Light and Cool. H. C. PIKER, BROAD STREET.

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of business activity would affect this by increasing the consumption of imported luxuries, we reduce the estimates on those to \$31,000,000. These would require an additional revenue of \$50,000,000 for the first year. A further reduction of five or ten millions for contingencies would leave \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 as the probable increased revenue from this bill the first year, which would undoubtedly rise to \$100,000,000 the second year.

"These estimates are below rather than above the probable result unless a considerable delay in the enactment of the bill should greatly enlarge the opportunity for imports of articles on which duties are to be raised, particularly wool and woollens for speculative purposes. I probably any delay beyond May 1 in placing the bill on the statute book would result in a large loss of revenue.

"This increase of revenue is secured by transferring wool, lumber, crude opium, argols, paintings and statuary, straw ornaments, straw mattresses, burr lumps and various other articles from the free list of the present law to the dutiable list, by increasing the duty on woollens to compensate the manufacturer for the duty placed on wool, by raising the duty on sugar about three-fourths of a cent per pound in order to encourage the production of sugar in this country, which it is believed can be done and thus give our farmers a new crop, which we now import mainly from abroad, by increasing the duty on agricultural products affected by Canadian competition, and on the cotton goods, some advanced manufactures of iron and steel, manufactures of jute, flax and hemp in order to encourage these and other industries here, and especially by increasing duties on such luxuries as hoppers, tobacco, silks, lace, etc.

"As a rule, the rates of duties proposed are between the rates of the tariff of 1890 and the tariff of 1894, such reduction of rates from the former law, preserving the protective principle, being made feasible by changed conditions.

"Little Change in Iron. The iron and steel schedule is changed very little from that schedule in the tariff of 1894, the change being entirely in the more advanced articles. The same is true of the cotton schedule. In the agricultural, wool and glass and earthenware schedules alone are the duties of the act of 1890 fully restored as a rule, and in a few cases increased, with the view of amply protecting and encouraging our farming interests at every possible point.

"While the duty on clothing wool is kept in proportion to the foreign value, that on manufactured articles, yet it is thought desirable for the public interest and for our agriculture that we should produce this prime necessity for ourselves. The duty on carpet wools, as well as upon many other articles, is imposed mainly for revenue. The irritation caused by the use of foreign wools heretofore classed as carpet wools, being used for clothing purposes, has been remedied by transferring such wools to the clothing wool classes, but the duty on clothing wool has been restored to the rate of the act of 1890.

"In framing this new tariff the aim has been to make the duties specific, or at least partly specific, so far as possible, to protect the revenue and to protect our own industries. This has been done in response to the wishes of the better class of importers, as well as of the administrators of the law and of our own producers. The very general substitution of specific duties, even where they are only the equivalent of existing ad valorem, will of itself increase the revenue and strengthen the protection afforded to our industries.

"The Reciprocity Provisions. The reciprocity provisions of the act of 1890 have not only been fully restored, but this policy has been extended by adding to sugar, tea, coffee and hides as articles on which to make reciprocal agreements such articles as champagne, brandy, wines, artificial and natural mineral waters, oleic, argols and silk fibers. In adding these articles the reciprocity provision is strengthened greatly by providing for a reduction of duties on them to countries giving us similar concessions.

"The bill as a whole has the unanimous support of the republican members of the Ways and Means Committee, and will, it is hoped, receive the support not only of republicans, but of others who believe that revenue should be at least equal to expenditures, with the conviction that in adjusting duties to secure such results it is a wise policy to encourage home production and manufactures, and thus provide employment at good wages for the laborers of our people upon these protective power depends the market for our products.

"The Party Caucus. The Democratic caucus nominated Joseph W. Bailey, of Texas, for speaker, thereby making him the party leader in the House.

Speaker Reed was unanimously nominated for Speaker of the House at the Republican caucus. In response he said: "I am very greatly gratified by your attention to night, and shall try to serve your wishes with whatever ability I have. We have again, as in the last Congress, a politically divided legislative power. The House of Representatives will be Republican by a considerable majority, and, fresh from the people, will endeavor to carry out their wishes.

"I do not doubt your determination to do all in your power to bring this session of Congress to a speedy closure. Our duty is simple, and the people expect us to perform it at once and then leave to them the recovery of the country from the stagnation and depression of business which have so sorely tried the patience of a vigorous and growing public.

"What others may see fit to do we do not know. We have strong hopes that all branches of the government will be in accord with the policy of giving to the people immediately whatever relief their wisdom may devise."

Vice-President Hobart's Private Secretary Washington, March 16.—Vice-President Hobart was selected as his secretary who brotherhood of his New-

FITZSIMMONS WINS.

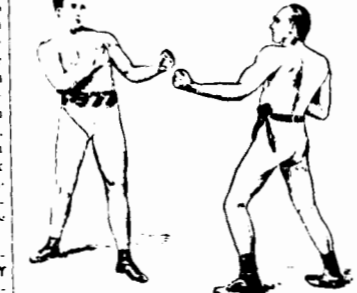
He Whipped Corbett in the Fourteenth Round

Carson, Nev., March 17. Corbett and Fitzsimmons, after several years of talking, met to-day in the ring. It was 11 o'clock by Carson time, or about 10 o'clock by New York time, when the men faced each other.

The day dawned clear and cold. The thermometer registered 31 degrees above zero at 6 o'clock.

The fight lasted one hour and seemed to be all in Corbett's favor until the last of 14th round, when Fitzsimmons, continuing his rushing tactics, scored a knock-out.

It would seem that some definite line might have been drawn between Corbett and Fitzsimmons and a reasonably accurate estimate of the result of the battle forecast. This presumption, however, failed in the present case. Both men, to an extent never before known, had enthusiastic backers who could all point to a long list of victories to emphasize the wisdom of their selection.



When one figured on Corbett's considerable advantage in weight he found the scales evened up by the advantage in reach possessed by Fitzsimmons.

When Corbett's superior cleverness was considered there also came the knowledge that the Australian had hitting powers far superior to his opponent's. And so through the whole list of advantages to the benefit of one of these men an observer discovered points about the other that seemed to offset them and put the merits of both on a level.

There never was a more perplexing battle to judge in advance than this, certainly never one in which the principals were so thoroughly a match for one another.

Sweeping aside the extravagant claims of Corbett and Fitzsimmons and their trainers, and leaving out also the opinions of persons whose preferences of nationality, etc., influence their ideas, two things at once became apparent. One was that there was absolutely no reason why Fitzsimmons should be at the short end of the betting and the other was that being in that position it was a natural presumption that the short end was the best end of the battle.

A CAR WHEEL COMBINE.

A Corporation Which is to Control the Output and Prevent Competition. The Steel Tire Wheel Company is the name of a corporation which contemplates the control of the entire steel car wheel production of the United States, and enough of the European output to prevent competition.

The concerns over which the new company has secured entire control are the Allen Paper Car Wheel Company, Pullman, Ill., and Hudson, N. Y.; the Paige Car Wheel Company, of Cleveland, Ohio; the National Car Wheel Company, Ramapo, N. Y.; the Washburn Car Wheel Company, Hartford, Conn., and the Boies Steel Wheel Company, Scranton, Pa.

The Grant Monument Dedication.

Mayor Strong, as Chairman of the Grant Monument Committee of the Grant Monument Association, has issued invitations to President William McKinley and his Cabinet, the Governors of the various States and the foreign diplomatic corps to attend the ceremonies in New York on April 27. These will be most elaborate in character, and will consist of a land and water parade, civic and military, with a dinner in the evening and fireworks illuminations.

The Committee on Plan and Scope is working hard for the success of the celebration, and it promises to be the grandest of its kind ever held in this country.

Sheldon Sentenced to Die.

Auburn, N. Y., March 15.—After deliberating eighty-four and a quarter hours the jury in the case of Frank N. Sheldon at twenty-five minutes to nine o'clock this morning rendered a verdict of murder in the first degree for the killing of his wife, Eva Sheldon, on April 30 last.

Sheldon was taken back to the jail, where his brothers, including Assemblyman Sheldon, surrounded him. All except the prisoner shed tears. He was stoical.

No Passes for New York Legislators.

Albany, N. Y., March 15.—For the first time since the Legislature of 1897 began work it showed to night a fear to pass a bad bill—a measure which has been adversely criticised by the press. The bill which died to night was killed by the Assembly, and was the Wilcox measure to allow State officers, members of the Senate and Assembly and Judges of the Court of Appeals to ride free on railroads on a certificate of the secretary of the State.

Mayor Campbell Fears Himself.

Bowling Green, C., March 15.—There was a large crowd at police court when Mayor Campbell imposed a fine of \$5 and costs upon himself for being drunk and disorderly. He was carried to the police station intoxicated, and occupied a cell for the night with the ordinary

THE AMERICAN NILE.

SUCH IS THE GREAT RIO GRANDE, WITH ITS VAGARIES.

It is a River of Freakish Habits and Must Be Seen More Than Once to Be Understood. Flows Mainly Underground, but at Times There is a Torrent on Top.

"It's a river 1,500 miles long, measured in its windings," said the man from New Mexico, speaking of the Rio Grande. "For a few miles at its mouth, light draft steamers run up from the Gulf of Mexico. Above that it doesn't float a craft except at ferries. In the old days, when New Mexico was a province of Spain, the people along the river didn't even use ferries, and the only way the load of porting across was by fording. For this purpose a special breed of large horses was raised, to be kept at the ferries. When the river was too high for these horses to wade across, travelers camped on the bank and waited for the waters to subside. Now there are bridges over the river at the larger Rio Grande towns, and in other places rope ferries and rowboats are the means of crossing.

"In times of low water a stranger seeing its current for the first time would be apt to think slightly of the Rio Bravo del Norte, as the New Mexicans love to call the great river. Meandering in a small part of a very wide channel he would see only a little muddy stream, fitly and ordinarily named of the Rio Grande is underground, the water soaking along toward the Gulf through the sands beneath its channel. The valley, he would everywhere to left and right by no means a food flat, is sandy, and the water, percolating the sands down to hard pan, spreads out on each side so that it may always be found anywhere in the valley by digging down to the level of the river's surface. For the greater part of the year the river above ground flows swift and muddy, narrowing as it swirls round a sandbar and widening over shallows. But the thing that strikes the stranger most quickly is its disappearance altogether for miles, many miles in length, of its channel, which, except it may be, for a water hole here and there, is as dry as Sahara. The river is keeping right along at its bed, however, and when a rock protrudes below its surface between banks it changes in the surface and does a fresh start above ground, running as a big stream which, farther down, may lose itself in the sands again.

"It is when the floods come down that the Rio Grande shows why it requires so long a channel for its all the year round use, and demonstrates that if the waterway were even wider it would be an advantage to residents along its banks. It is fed by a watershed of vast area and steep descent, which in times of rain and melting snows precipitates the water rapidly into the channel. In June, when the snow melts in Colorado and northern New Mexico, and later in the summer, when heavy showers and cloudbursts are the order of the day, the Rio Grande overflows its banks, deluging wide tracts of valley and sometimes carving a new channel for itself, changing its course for miles. Where the valley is unusually wide and sandy, as below Isleta and in the Merilla valley, the old channels in which the river used to flow are plainly indicated in the landscape.

"No one who has seen the great river in flood is likely to forget the positive ferocity it seems to display as its waters sweep all before them, and was to the man or beast who is overtaken by them! The flood arrives without warning. The sky may be clear above when the traveler is leisurely joggling across the wide channel, hears his wagon wheels grate upon the sand with a peculiar sound. It means that the waters are stirring the sands beneath him, and then, if he knows the river, he lashes his horse, making at all speed for the nearest bank, and lucky he is if he reaches it safe. The chances are that before he gets there he hears the roaring of waters up the channel and sees the incoming down toward him with a front like a wall, rolling forward and downward as if over a fall, with a rising flood behind. Many a man and whole wagon trains have been overwhelmed in this way, and buried in sands or cast away on desert banks, no human eye has ever seen them again.

"The great river has its pleasing and romantic aspect, so fascinating that it is a saying among people who live in its valley that 'whosoever drinks of its waters and departs will come again to seek them.' Like the Nile, the Rio Grande enriches the soil of its valley to the point of inexhaustible fertility. Along its banks in New Mexico are fields that for two centuries have been cultivated yearly, yielding great crops, and they are as productive today as when they first were tilled. Irrigating canals, called acequias madras (mother ditches), convey water from the river to be distributed through the fields to the fields of the valley, which in both water and enriches. A trip along the river reveals a succession of pictures of a primitive civilization of the old Spanish-American type. Adobe villages, with small, flat roofed houses built about antique churches, and the spacious houses of the viceroys, or great men, orchards, vineyards, wheatfields and grazing cattle are all features of the scenery of the Rio Grande, the American Nile."—New York Sun.

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FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

STATE, COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP FUNDS.

Table with 2 columns: Description of funds and Amount. Includes \$200,000 State Appropriation, State School Tax, and District Taxes.

DISTRICT TAXES.

Table with 2 columns: Description of district taxes and Amount. Includes Township Collector, Teachers Salaries, and School Expenses.

OTHER SOURCES.

Table with 2 columns: Description of other sources and Amount. Includes State for School Libraries and Temporary Loans.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Table with 2 columns: Description of disbursements and Amount. Includes Teachers Salaries, District Taxes, and School Expenses.

OTHER SOURCES.

Table with 2 columns: Description of other sources and Amount. Includes Fanwood Township and School Libraries.

Table with 2 columns: Description of district taxes and Amount. Includes Teachers Salaries, Interest and Insurance, and Text Books.

Table with 2 columns: Description of present value of school property and Amount. Includes Number of Pupils, Desks, and Teachers.

Table with 2 columns: Description of district debt and Amount. Includes Amount of Debt July 1895, Amount of Debt Incurred since July 1st, 1895, and Nature of Security.

WHITE HOUSE MINSTRELS.

A Performance That Was Given by Willis and Tad Lincoln. In St. Nicholas is a paper by Julia Taft Bayne on "Willis and Tad Lincoln," who were playmates of Mrs. Bayne's brother.

THE CZAR AN EPILEPTIC.

His Attacks More Frequent Since He Assumed the Throne.

The peculiar ailment of the czar has been no secret at the German courts for some years. Since he was a lad emerging from boyhood it has been known that he was subject to occasional fits.

IT'S HUMAN NATURE.

A Reformed Gambler's Experience When Exposing the Tricks. "I tell you," declared the reformed gambler, "that there are people in this country who insist upon being swindled.

THE MARINE ENGINEER.

An Officer With Vast Responsibilities Who Seldom Gets Credit.

From the time, less than 40 years ago, when the first steam vessel crossed the Atlantic the evolution of the marine engineer has been rapid, but he is the one class of marine craftsman that, above all others, has kept pace with the developments of this fast-spreading age.

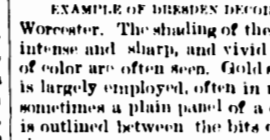
CLASSICAL BOSTON.

General Horace Porter in the course of a recent speech said, "Boston is not a city; it is a state of mind."

CHINA PAINTING.

The Dresden Style of Decoration - To Paint in La Croix Colors.

The Dresden style of decoration for china is always done upon white ware. The tinted grounds are never used for Dresden.



EXAMPLE OF DRESDEN DECORATION.

Worcester. The shading of the flowers is intense and sharp, and vivid contrasts of color are often seen.

THE DEGRADATION OF DOORS.

The decoration of doors as a means of art, according to the Puritans, becoming usual in many places where a hanging was formerly used.

WHITE SUE CAKE.

The whites of 6 eggs, 2 cups of sugar, 1 cup of butter, 1 of milk, 3 of flour and 2 of soda.

THINGS WOMEN WANT TO KNOW.

Handkerchiefs are small and flat and are worn at the side. The white silk and satin hodie is a pretty feature of the new cloth gowns.



TAPESTRY DECORATIONS.

cale fastened to the door makes a pleasant break for the eye in the scheme of wall treatment and is not only decorative but durable.

SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN.

Scientific American, largest circulation of any weekly journal, covers a wide range of subjects.

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Cures Catarrh in Various Stages. This is also an excellent Remedy for Heart Trouble, Difficult Breathing, Clogging of the Nasal Organs, Brightness and Clears the Mind.

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Canopies for Weddings and Receptions.

Shades and Awnings of every description. Dancing Crash rented for parties. Carpets Cleaned, Refitted and Re-laid.

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USE BRUMMELL'S Celebrated COUGH DROPS. Sure relief for all diseases of the throat. Genuine have A. H. B. on each drop.

Mt. Alderney Dairy

Every quart of milk sold and delivered from this Dairy is warranted fresh and pure or no charge made. H. WILLOUGHBY, Proprietor.

GOLDEN GATE GREENHOUSE

Prospect Street, Westfield. JEPSON & DOERRER, Proprietors. Cut Flowers and ALL ORDERS.

How the Last year's performance throughout the war...

Last year's performance throughout the war has met the eye and ground and tiny strips of text and relief circus billboards. The trouble member of the point, seeing rected toward eluded that they dum by which tural texts to the next half hour were completely picture of an acedute from a description, "Rinell, hell. Go the neck of the giraffe straight and narrow. The snake-charmers folds of a monster to "Shun the dead like an adder," a somersault in his grappled in his "Where will you go? The lion-tamer, in eral beasts which about to make a mounished to "Wait. It is safe to say ever attracted more or caused more Times-Herald.

HUNTING WILD

Carver Fun for Sportsmen Mountain. "You may talk about and elk and mountain real sport horse hunting lay all such shooting in the near future." This remark was made the cattle kings of Utah. he said: "In the Rocky Mountain there are now roaming 2,000,000 horses that may belong to no one. "In the Rocky Mountain, Utah, Nevada and is now generally accepted range-horses are a job and they ought to be. They eat up the grass cattle and they are an range as sheep. The best right down to the roots, weather completely range they graze on. "The sport of hunt covered in a stocky dilged in a stined, I have far as it is, extremely dangerous." -Detroit

The Bicycle

Mr. Gilbert must be kado. Japan has no more graceful, plitudes; those three search home from tyres, says Saturday, Tokyo post-office on with impunity, and ost information, they lie are sending exp two local workshops does Japan ride, but of her craftsmen are chinos. Moreover, it well for it sounds statement comes on ty the Yokohama City lately received an or-dred machines from American machin-ness. There is a m-illustration about it, oriental strangeness, Japan in despair. In when the Mikado's ar-sers and torpedoes; it his subjects descend journalism; but with bicycle the most fat-impetuous West b

A Liberal Gover

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CRANFORD.

The Standard is on sale every Saturday at the Union News Co's stand.

All communications for Cranford Department should be sent to E. R. Clyma, Cranford, N. J.

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

Table with columns for Eastward, Westward, and Incoming Mails, listing times for various routes.

Noble & LaRosa are to open an ice cream saloon in the Miller block shortly.

The governing committee of the Athletic Club will hold a meeting to night.

Lillie B. Mendell has purchased a lot on Cherry street from William W. Mendall.

Mrs. George F. Greene and son are visiting her parents in Providence, R. I.

A Mr. Brainerd of New York, has purchased the house on Orange avenue formerly occupied by F. J. VanDerbr.

Chas. Danton was seriously injured Tuesday evening in collision with a wagon, while riding his wheel on North avenue.

The total of the sewer assessments recently submitted by the commissioners is \$81,370.72.

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It is reported that Miss Florence Beadle and Mr. Will Holenberg are to wed when the June roses bloom.

The Rev. W. T. Elsing spoke at the Presbyterian chapel last night representing the New York Central Mission and Tract Society.

The Rev. Geo. F. Greene, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will preach to-morrow morning and evening at the usual hours.

There will be a Bible reading at the residence of Mrs. A. Blumner, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., by Mrs. J. S. Ellis, of Newark, at 4:30 p. m., on April 16.

There will be a gramophone and quartette entertainment at the First Baptist church of Cranford on Thursday evening, March 25, for the benefit of the Sunday school.

The Epworth League will meet next Wednesday evening, as usual. The following Wednesday evening, March 31, the league will visit the Central Methodist church of Newark.

The last popular illustrated lecture of the Presbyterian course will be held on Tuesday evening, April 27, by the Rev. Charles Herr, D. D., of Jersey City. His subject will be, Westminster Abbey.

The sewer assessment list is on exhibition every day at the office of E. B. Ham, from 2 to 9 p. m. The sewer commissioners will convene next Friday, March 29, at 2 o'clock, at which time all who wish may be heard on the subject of the assessments.

Miss Augusta Hughes and the Rev. Dr. Wm. E. Judd, pastor of Trinity M. E. church, Paterson, are to be married on April 6, in the Methodist church here. The Rev. W. J. Judd, father of the groom, is expected to be present and officiate.

The Alcega society of Cranford, is no more. They have decided not to produce another opera this winter, and a very honorable war have returned to the subscribing members a pro rata share of their subscriptions for the season of 1896-7. This very honorable winding up of the affairs is characteristic of the society, one of the principal causes of its dissolution was the fact that the opera house has been leased to the Country club, thus leaving the society without a suitable place to produce its operas.

Two School Meetings. Which Seemed to Indicate Pretty Plainly That the People of Cranford Have Decided on a New School Building.

A very large meeting was held last Monday night in response to an invitation of the Village Improvement Association, to discuss the question of proper school accommodations for Cranford's growing school population.

When you are suffering from catarrh or cold in the head you want relief right away. Only 10 cents is required to test it. Ask your druggist for the trial size of Ely's Cream Balm, or buy the 50c size. We mail it.

Mr. James Jones, of the Drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with a gripe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her.

Mr. Oldham gave a detailed description of the difficulties and disadvantages of the present building, among which he enumerated the absence of suitable cloak rooms, the fact that one stairway has been closed to make more room, thus making a frightful loss of life almost certain in case of a panic, and the fact that proper ventilation is impossible.

E. B. Horton thought Cranford far behind the times in the matter of school facilities, and that postponement of action at the meeting a year ago was little less than a crime.

The Rev. Geo. F. Green thought of but two possible objections to a new building, one might be that it was not needed, the other that the town couldn't afford it. The first was plainly untenable for the need is a crying one and increases with the population. Building a new school house should be regarded as an investment which will attract good citizens and keep them here.

The Rev. Dr. Edgewood, E. W. Hale, J. T. Bantler, Mr. Hall, E. V. P. Rymer, H. Wilbur, and P. B. Van Saitu also made remarks in favor of a new building.

At the close a resolution was adopted favoring a new building, and requesting the trustees to call a meeting at which appropriate legal action may be taken.

On Tuesday the large 21 annual school meeting in the town's history was held at the school house. S. W. Park was elected chairman and James W. Fergen was secretary of the board of education, acted as clerk. W. N. Irving and N. R. Foster were appointed tellers.

Mr. Ferguson read a very satisfactory annual report. The number of pupils enrolled is 316, of whom 184 are boys and 132 are girls.

The board of education asked for an appropriation of \$5,500 for the maintenance of the public school, which was agreed to by the meeting.

James W. Ferguson, John Hegeman and Jasper C. Hunt were re-elected members of the board of education for three years, by a majority of about two-thirds of the total vote. The whole number of votes cast was 251.

The meeting adopted a resolution authorizing the board to call a meeting within thirty days to discuss the propriety of and take action if they see fit toward building a new school house.

The C. E. met at Mrs. Fritz residence Thursday night.

Miss Lily Freeman, of Newark, is visiting the Misses Fritz.

There will be preaching in the school house Sunday night.

Mrs. Geo. Bonham is visiting her mother, Mrs. England, of Westfield.

Mrs. Mary Hatfield is visiting friends in Irvington.

Miss Edwards has been visiting the Misses Young of Fifth street, Plainfield.

Last Monday afternoon Augustus Ditzel built the customary fire over a wagon tire to heat it so as to reset it on a wagon. The tire was heated and set, and Mr. Ditzel went about his work elsewhere. His little six-year-old daughter, Amelia, playing about the yard, poked up the fire till it blazed again, when her clothing caught fire, and before her parents could reach her, she had been burned to death within a few hours. Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. Alfred Evans officiating. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Something to Depend On. Mr. James Jones, of the Drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with a gripe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her.

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Old People. Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alternative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price 50 cents and \$1 per bottle at Dorvall's Drug Store.

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W. H. Elliott & Co. have succeeded in securing the agency for the celebrated Colyer bicycles. These wheels are very popular and Elliott & Co. predict a heavy sale. Their installment plan will be a special feature this season.

Mr. Ferguson read a very satisfactory annual report. The number of pupils enrolled is 316, of whom 184 are boys and 132 are girls.

The board of education asked for an appropriation of \$5,500 for the maintenance of the public school, which was agreed to by the meeting.

James W. Ferguson, John Hegeman and Jasper C. Hunt were re-elected members of the board of education for three years, by a majority of about two-thirds of the total vote. The whole number of votes cast was 251.

The meeting adopted a resolution authorizing the board to call a meeting within thirty days to discuss the propriety of and take action if they see fit toward building a new school house.

The C. E. met at Mrs. Fritz residence Thursday night.

Miss Lily Freeman, of Newark, is visiting the Misses Fritz.

There will be preaching in the school house Sunday night.

Mrs. Geo. Bonham is visiting her mother, Mrs. England, of Westfield.

Mrs. Mary Hatfield is visiting friends in Irvington.

Miss Edwards has been visiting the Misses Young of Fifth street, Plainfield.

Last Monday afternoon Augustus Ditzel built the customary fire over a wagon tire to heat it so as to reset it on a wagon. The tire was heated and set, and Mr. Ditzel went about his work elsewhere. His little six-year-old daughter, Amelia, playing about the yard, poked up the fire till it blazed again, when her clothing caught fire, and before her parents could reach her, she had been burned to death within a few hours. Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. Alfred Evans officiating. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Something to Depend On. Mr. James Jones, of the Drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with a gripe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her.

Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store is a saving lot of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at Dorvall's Drug store.

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