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BY THE WAY.

—Theo. Dunlap was arrested by Officer Lynch this morning for disorderly conduct on West Second street.

—Last night was another of extreme cold weather, and during the evening but few pedestrians were seen on the streets.

—The first installment of the Rev. Mr. Richards' sermon on the "Pharisees," is published in the *Central Times* of this week.

—The furniture for the new German Reformed church on Craig Place, North Plainfield, will arrive the latter part of the present month.

—Trencherous ice, beautiful snow; You slip so nice, And away you go.

—Mr. L. M. French the carriage manufacturer has a full line of beautiful sleighs on hand, at his repository on Somerset street, to which the public is invited for inspection.

—A man is alleged to have been illegally committed to the Somerville jail from the borough. The arrest, it is claimed, was made by a man who does not even live in North Plainfield.

—The prayer meetings at Cutter's Hall, under the auspices of the Plainfield Berean Bible Class, are very interesting and good work is being done. The meeting to-night will be full of interest. Services at eight o'clock.

—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Allen of East Front street tendered an evening soiree to their friends on Wednesday evening. About seventy persons were present, including guests from Liberty Corner, Scotch Plains, Short Hills and other adjacent cities. Dancing was the principal feature of the evening's enjoyment. The menu included "wet goods."

—The twenty-first annual encampment of the G. A. R., of this State, will be held in Trenton, on February 9th. The headquarters will be in the State House, where badges will be distributed the day previous. Reduced railroad rates have been arranged for those desiring to attend, and orders can be obtained from the Assistant Adjutant General.

—Several important changes have recently been made at the City Jail. Chief Carey has located a desk in the corridor for his own use, the Court room has been newly papered, and a table has been assigned for reporters. In fact, everything looks neat and clean about the place. Further improvements are being considered, which will include a private entrance for Officer Lynch's family.

—The American Literary Agency at 82 Nassau street, New York, have begun the issue of a new family magazine at one dollar a year. It is called the "American Forget-Me-Not," and the first number, now before us, contains thirteen articles including tales, sketches, essays, biography, poetry, etc. It contains 48 octavo pages or 376 pages during one year. Its typographical appearance is very fine, and it is, without exception the cheapest Literary Periodical we know of. It is semi-religious in tone, and a refined companion for any household.

—On Wednesday THE PRESS contained an obituary notice concerning the late George W. Wilhelm, who for six years and until 1880, was assistant freight agent in this city. The funeral service was held at the late home of the deceased at West Bethlehem, Pa. Among the mourners at the funeral was Benjamin Fleming, a passenger brakeman on the L. and S. division, who met his death when returning to his home at Mauch Chunk, by being thrown from a passenger train while rounding a curve. A coal train train which was coming in the opposite direction about the same time ran over the unfortunate man, severing the head from the body. He was about 35 years of age and leaves a wife and three children to mourn his early demise. He was highly respected by all the employees of the road with whom he has come in contact.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

Miss Mamie Burns of Harlem, N. Y., is visiting friends on Orchard Place, this city.

Mr. Fred Newman, of the High school seniors, entertained the members of the Greek class and served them with a supper, at his residence, last evening.

G. C. P., John T. Odum, D. D. G. P., of this city, last evening installed the newly elected officers of Mr. Carman Encampment, No. 37, I. O. O. F. of Elizabeth.

Foreman C. R. Hope of Gazette Engine company was seen today with an unusual and happy smile upon his countenance. It was occasioned by the presentation, from his wife, this morning, of a bouncing girl baby.

Mr. Edwin Loomis of Rock View avenue, for some time past the "company" of Messrs. Potter, Knight, Almsworth & Co., the extensive publishers of school books, has just purchased the interest of Mr. Almsworth of that firm, also.

After a month's sickness, the Rev. Alfred S. Patton, D. D., died at his residence in Brooklyn, yesterday morning. The deceased is well-known to this community, having been a Summer resident here and having preached so often from the pulpit of the chapel at Netherwood. He was editor of the *Baptist Weekly*.

Mrs. Myrtle L. Whitford, wife of Dr. Whitford, of Dunellen, died at 7:30 o'clock last evening. Her husband was engaged in the practice of medicine at Walworth, Wisconsin, but had left his business and removed to New Jersey that his wife might spend her last days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Larkin of Dunellen. She was in the 31st year of her age and had been suffering for some time from an incurable illness. She was able to be one of the family gathering at Prof. A. A. Titworth's, West Fifth street, last Sunday afternoon, and was the oldest granddaughter of I. D. Titworth. Funeral at the home of her grandfather on Sunday the 15th inst., at 1:30 p. m., and from the Seventh Day Baptist church at 2 p. m. of the same day.

Entertainments by the B's.

The Plainfield Bicycle Club are arranging entertainments for themselves and the public as well. The first will be a "Smoker," which, as its name implies, is decidedly "stag" in nature, and only the B's, with each a friend, will be present. The date is not yet decided upon, but all the details are in the efficient hands of Secretary Robinson Pound and Messrs. David Runyon, Louis Walz, Frank Martin and Howard Runyon.

The Club's host of friends—that includes the entire community—is to be given an entertainment, however, for its own enjoyment. The kind and time of it is left to the taste, judgment and decision of such intelligent and sagacious members as Messrs. Thomas S. Burr, Justus H. Cooley, John M. Crane, Townsend Rushmore and J. B. Martine. THE PRESS will publish in time further particulars of the event.

Royal Arch Masons Installed.

P. H. P., Mr. W. L. Gavett last evening installed the following officers into their respective offices of Jerusalem Chapter, No. 24, Royal Arch Masons, elected at the annual meeting in December:

P. H. P., W. H. Sebring, M. E. H. P. G. M. Stiles, E. K. J. Chandler, E. S. P. H. P., T. A. Rogers, Treasurer, P. H. P., C. M. Goddard, Secretary, J. G. Miller, C. of H. P. H. P., B. F. Corbell, P. S. Edw. Nelson, R. A. C. A. Q. Fine, M. 2d V. C. H. Westphal, M. 2d V. Chas. Haberly, M. 1st V. A. Titworth, Chaplain.

W. A. Wheeler, Jr., Organist. W. E. Alpaugh, Sentinel. Brief addresses were delivered by several of the newly-elected officers.

Emerald Benevolent Meeting.

Last evening the Emerald Benevolent Association held its regular monthly meeting at St. Mary's Hall, President Sheehan presiding. One new member was elected and various committees reported. It was announced by the committee on hiring a room, that they had entered into an agreement with L. Hetfield for a room at No. 18 Park avenue. After the report was received they decided to take immediate possession of the new headquarters, and appointed a committee to fit it up. Mr. W. C. White was elected Financial Secretary. The Chairman reported that the Association showed every sign of increasing. After the usual routine business was disposed of, the meeting adjourned to meet next Tuesday evening, Jan. 17, at their new rooms.

An Elizabeth Society Note.

David Clark, who caught the greased pig in the race on roller skates at Caledonian Park on the occasion of the excursion of the Plug Hat Association, gave to the members of the organization a supper at Major Caspar Schmidt's hall. The principal item of menu was metzel soup. The occasion was one of great hilarity.—*Journal*

She Called Her Neighbor Vile Names.

On December 20th, last, a periodical fracas occurred in "Mag" Bunworth's quarters in Stuger Alley and on the following day Mrs. Stephen H. Perrine, a resident in the alley formally lodged a complaint with the City Judge, charging two hundred pound Mrs. Jane Boughtenhausen with calling her names which would not look well in print. An officer was sent to bring the accused into Court, but she had taken her departure. Yesterday, however, she was apprehended and pleaded not guilty to the charge, as recorded in last evening's PRESS. The case came up for trial before Judge Suydam at the station house yesterday afternoon, when several witnesses testified *pro* and *con* the defendant. When Mrs. Harriet Squires an unprepossessing female, testified, the defendant declared in open court that she would "fix" the witness, and "don't you forget it." While the witnesses were testifying Mrs. Boughtenhausen and her husband frequently interrupted the proceedings, so that it became necessary to eject the former from the court room. When the defendant was sworn she remarked, "I kissed the book like a lady." She said she had gone through the same ceremony on three former occasions. "Now Pa," said she, addressing her husband, "I don't want one of you to stop me." She then began to abuse the complainant in the vilest terms, and made several startling assertions concerning the character of Mrs. Perrine, which she said she was prepared to prove. The witness, although previously pleading not guilty to the charge, admitted her guilt when placed on the stand. The assertions she made were damaging in the extreme, and sufficient to send her to the County Jail for a long term. Judge Suydam said he did not propose to have the complainant vilified in that manner and threatened to have an extra complaint lodged against the defendant if she continued. The Judge said he would pass on the case at once; the witness, he said, had damaged her case at once by her own statements. He warned her that her appearance before him on a similar charge, would entitle her to a term in the County Jail. He then sentenced her to pay a fine of \$15, or be committed for ten days. During the afternoon the prisoner was detained at the station house, awaiting the payment of the fine.

Officers Installed.

The newly-elected officers of Major Anderson Post, No. 109, G. A. R., of this city, were installed into their respective offices by Col. Chas. H. Houghton of the Metuchen Post, last evening. The following were the officers installed: Commander, Nelson Runyon; Vice Commander, Elmore D. Moffett; Junior Vice Commander, James Clarkson; Surgeon, Dr. A. S. Titworth; Quartermaster, Peter V. Weaver; Chaplain, T. B. Crossley; Adjutant, E. J. Olsen; Sergeant Major, J. R. Naylor; Quartermaster Sergeant, Wm. H. Williams. Two new members, Chief of Police T. J. Carey, and Charles Braider were mustered into the Post. The ladies of Garfield League presented to the new Post a handsome Bible with the name and number of the Post inscribed thereon. Mrs. Wm. B. Grannatt also presented a beautiful gavel to be used by the presiding officer. Both of the donations were duly acknowledged by the Commander and a vote of thanks was extended to the donors. Other business of interest to the members was transacted, after which adjournment was made to the house on East Front street, opposite Peace street, upon invitation from the ladies of Garfield League, to witness an entertainment consisting of music, recitations, etc. This was followed by a light lunch, which all enjoyed.

A Call Extended.

A week ago the Consistory of the German Reformed church extended a call to the Rev. F. Koehli, their present pastor. This would have been done several years ago, but for the special circumstances under which the congregation was, the pastor was willing to assume the charge of the church until such time as other arrangements could be made. Dr. D. Waters, President of the Classis of Newark, acted as Moderator for the call, which has been accepted by the reverend gentleman, after due consideration. The Classis meets in the 1st Reformed church at Newark next week to act on the call, and the installation services will probably take place during the week following the dedication of the new church.

Reform Club Meeting.

There was an increased attendance at the regular weekly meeting of the Reform Club last evening. President French presided and Mrs. King, Miss Hawkins, with Miss Alice Smith as accompanist, composed the choir. Interesting and spirited addresses were made by Mrs. Theo. Randolph, Mrs. Geo. W. F. Randolph, Mrs. Ethan Lanphear, Mrs. Hawkins, Messrs. George Randolph, George Anglemann, Judge Harper, M. Marclay, President French and others. Throughout the meeting there was considerable interest manifested.

North Plainfield Republican Meeting.

The members of the U. S. Grant Republican Club of North Plainfield met in regular session in Spencer's Hall last evening, President Alex. Milne in the chair. The Club's Secretary, William D. Craig, was also on duty. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved; and a number of new names were proposed for membership. They were laid over under the rules. Mr. Isaac Brokaw, from the Executive Committee, reported that the Committee had consulted Mr. Spencer regarding rent of room and could secure the present meeting room at an annual rental of \$75, the owner reserving the right to let it out to the Township Committee provided said Committee decided to hold its meetings there. The Club is also to furnish its own light and fire. The report was finally adopted after considerable discussion.

The President called for a report from the Finance Committee, and Hon. Chas. Place, on behalf of the Committee, stated that the Committee had nothing to report; no meeting had been held, as there was no occasion for any; he was of the opinion that a written contract was unnecessary to secure the room. A long discussion followed on the matter of keeping the hall open during the evening, and it was referred to the Executive Committee. Mr. Brokaw made a motion that prevailed, authorizing the Clerk to procure a roll and minute book. He also thought as a means to facilitate matters the members had better go down in their pockets and help the Finance Committee. Borough Councilman Henry A. McGee was called upon to address the meeting. He thanked the members for electing him to the Vice Presidency and expressed himself as ever ready to serve the Club and the party which it represents.

Mr. H. N. Spencer was appointed a Committee of one to bring Mr. Chas. A. Reed to the front. That gentleman also felt honored by being elected one of the officers of the Club, more so because he was a new comer in the borough. He expressed a determination to work with the Club, and hoped that next Fall the Club would advance with a bold front. "If," said he, "each five members succeed in converting one Democrat, the result will be overwhelming." He discussed the tariff question at some length and recommended the admission of young men into the Club. Other speakers addressed the meeting. The subject of raising funds was also discussed at length and all seemed to agree that no *per capita* tax should be assessed, but all money raised by subscription. Mr. Place spoke in favor of distributing literature on the tariff and stated that when the proper time came he would submit a plan for such distribution. Mr. P. A. Emmons thought the attention of the club should not alone be directed to National affairs, but local issues should also be considered.

A motion by Mr. Place prevailed, inviting all young men of 18 years and upwards to meet with the club and become members. The President suggested that as soon as practicable perhaps it would be well for the club to apply for admission into the State League. Mr. Brokaw stated that this would be accompanied by more or less expense, and the matter of a full treasury should be considered. A long discussion followed in which Messrs. Woolston, Buckle, McGee, Goodman, Place, Emmons, Reed, Brokaw and others took part, on the matter of amending the constitution so as to provide for the appointment of a committee on candidates, whose duty it would be to investigate the standing of all applicants who applied for membership; but no action was taken. The meeting then adjourned.

Meeting of the O. A. F.

A regular meeting of the Order of American Firemen of this city was held in the parlors of Gazette Engine house last evening. The room was insufficiently heated and those who attended the meeting were obliged to sit with their coat collars turned up. Vice-President T. O. Doane presided and Secretary Martin recorded the routine order of business. Ex-Chief Saltzman made a report with reference to the recent State Convention of the O. A. F. He also gave notice of his intention, at a subsequent meeting, to offer amendments to the by-laws, whereby new members admitted into the order should go through certain ceremonies. A committee consisting of Ex-Chief Saltzman, E. Mosher and L. Spicer, was appointed to confer with a committee from the Exempt Fireman's Association with reference to leasing a room together. Adjournment was made for one month, to meet again in Zephyr Company's parlor.

In Aid of Grace Church Work.

The Grace church parish rooms, No. 6 West Second street, are open the following days: Tuesdays from 10 to 12 a. m., and 2 to 5 p. m., for sewing. Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 10 to 12 a. m., for the sale of cake, biscuits, plain and fancy needle-work, and to receive orders for the same. The ladies of the congregation, without reference to Guild membership, are very cordially invited to the parish rooms, to aid the work of the church.

Personnel of the Legislature.

The new State Senate contains six lawyers, three Republicans and three Democrats, the former being Messrs. Griggs, Large and Nevius, and the latter Messrs. Edwards, Werts and Wyckoff. There are four farmers, three real estate dealers, two agents, a manufacturer, a clerk, a contractor and a broker. Every Senator is a native of the United States, not even one of foreign birth being among the number—a very remarkable fact. New York produces four, Pennsylvania and Delaware one each, and the others are born Jerseymen. In the House there are five manufacturers, two salesmen and two physicians, seventeen lawyers, nine farmers and one each of the following occupations: Dentist, druggist, accountant, fruit grower, saloon-keeper, builder, produce dealer, journalist, city controller, painter, detective, ice dealer, school teacher, miller, hotel-keeper and contractor. Thirty-nine members are entering on their first year of service, sixteen are in their second year, one in his third year and three in their fourth year.

Of the Senators, Mr. Newell, of Salem, is the oldest, sixty-two. Mr. Pfeiffer, of Camden, is the youngest, being in his thirty-third year. The oldest Assemblyman is Mr. Schmelz, of Essex, who is sixty-one; the youngest is Mr. Matthews, of Union, who is twenty-six.

An Entire Fire Department Resigns.

The Fire Department of Washington, N. J., seems to have boycotted that borough. Because of alleged persecution of one of its members by some borough authority, Chief Barron sends in his resignation and signs it "ex-Chief Wm. Barron"; Asst. Chief Lewis Creveling does likewise, and the Fire Company "surrender all charge, control and possession of the fire apparatus which belongs to and is owned by the Borough of Washington," to take effect at once, or as much sooner as the Mayor and Council can make other arrangements for the protection of their borough from fire. At a meeting of the Council, Monday evening, Chief Barron's resignation was not accepted, by a vote of 3 to 2; Asst. Chief Creveling's resignation was not accepted, by a vote of 4 to 1, and the communication of the Keystone Fire Company was referred to the Fire Committee to be reported on at a special meeting on the 20th inst.

Accused of Bigamy.

Letters received in this city from residents of veracity in Dunellen, accuse Mr. "Jack" LaRue, formerly of Plainfield avenue, of bigamy. LaRue was for some time in the employment of the Plainfield Electric Light Company, as "trimmer" of its are lamps. He had a wife and two children living with him in this city at the time, but they have since been forced to find a home with Mrs. LaRue's parents in Jersey City. Of late LaRue has been very generous with his attentions to Miss Ella Conover, of Dunellen, a young girl who had always before been highly respected. They left that town together Thursday evening of last week. Her friends assert their entire belief that a marriage ceremony of some sort was performed.

Minstrels.

The appearance of McNish, Johnson & Slavin's minstrels at Music Hall next Tuesday evening will be heralded with delight by the lovers of burnt cork entertainments, and that means everybody. There is no better and more favorably known troupe than the above named. Among the many new features we wish to speak particularly of Mr. Fred Malcom, the wonderful female impersonator. This gentleman appeared here last season with another minstrel, and the impression he made is well remembered. He assumes the title role in "Ah, there! Minnie," and is said to sing the lullaby better than Pauline Hall. A host of other good things is offered and a royal entertainment will be given.

In Care of the Ladies.

The St. Andrew's Society of Grace church have arranged a concert to be given in Music Hall, Monday evening, Feb. 6, by the Rutgers College Glee Club. The affair is under the patronage of Mrs. Rowland Cox, Mrs. F. O. Herring, Mrs. O. T. Waring, Mrs. Otto Arens, Mrs. W. E. Lowe, Mrs. E. L. Finch, Mrs. John B. Dumont, Mrs. E. B. Clark, Mrs. W. P. Smith, Miss Mary Tweedy, Mrs. Howard Fleming, Mrs. C. J. Ames and Mrs. C. E. Brooks.

Pushing Plainfield's New Railroad.

Work on the South Plainfield and Roselle Railroad is still booming. The grade for the Y that will connect with the main line to Amboy, is finished and the frogs, switches and rails for it arrived last evening. Today's storm may delay their being placed in position, but for a few hours. Along the line of the road, the tracks are being laid as fast as the grading is finished.

—Mr. William Gratton is engaged this afternoon in clearing the snow, shower and slush from the fire-well covers about the city.

THE READING STRIKERS

HOPES OF AN EARLY SETTLEMENT OF THE TROUBLE.

No Coal from the Anthracite Region—Furnace Men Preparing to Bring Branch of Contract Act.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—Plans for continuing the strike have already been devised. If the question of arbitration be advanced, the leaders will devote all their energies to settling the strike; but if they fail they will then prepare for a long and stubborn fight.

The railroad company is not embarrassed by the strike of the railroad employees in this city. Several hundred men were at work at Fort Richmond yesterday and the coal was handled without any interruption.

Most of the strikers and their representatives have left the city. The only prominent leader still in the city is W. T. Lewis, the manager of the miners' strike. He was at the Windsor Hotel all day and had a huge pile of letters and despatches before him which he was trying to answer. He was interrupted repeatedly, but bore it all with great good nature.

He said that he had been misrepresented in some of the published statements relating to the strike. He did not say that the miners and the railroaders would stand or fall together; neither did he say that they would not. The statement that the miners would fight their own battle, and that they would have nothing to do with the railroaders, did not emanate from him. "I can say this," continued Mr. Lewis, "the ice has been broken, but I do not know whether it will freeze up again. Do not say that the miners have weakened. For they have not. A great many people mistake an attempt at arbitration as a sign of cowardice. It may be just the reverse. The ice has been broken, as I told you, but what the result will be time will tell."

Mr. Lewis was very guarded, and studiously refrained from saying anything that could be construed into an acknowledgment of a disturbance of the relations existing between the miners and the railroaders. His language indicated that the issues which the two bodies of men were battling for were the same, but that each would attend to its own interests without doing anything more than consulting with each other.

"I don't know what the result will be," Mr. Lewis went on to say. "The strike still continues, and I am here to see what can be done to settle it. I am not prepared to say whether we will make any concessions, or if we will what they are; but I am here for business. This much you can say, that when the proper time comes we will define our position, and the public will then be satisfied that we are in the right."

POTTSVILLE, Jan. 13.—The determination of the officials of the Reading Railroad Company that the miners' strike must be considered separate, is receiving the careful attention of the officials of the coal regions. If the miners conclude to drop the cause of the trainmen's strike and go to work on the old basis, there is strong hope that the Reading Company will arbitrate. All the Reading collieries are still idle in the regions, excepting two or three that are taking out a few cars of coal. All the large individual collieries are still shutting down, the miners having quit cutting coal to be shipped over the Reading Railroad.

READING, Pa., Jan. 13.—Probably the most startling piece of information that developed here in connection with the strike that the coal regions is the expression of several furnace men in the Schuylkill Valley that they intend to hold the Reading Railroad to its contract in furnishing them with coal. Every furnace, it must be remembered, has a yearly contract with the company to furnish it with coal. In several instances this contract has been broken and furnaces and rolling mills have been compelled to shut down.

The proprietors of these iron works now intend holding the company to a strict accountability, and unless the company furnishes them with coal suit will be brought for the recovery of all damages which may accrue to the proprietors by reason of their being compelled to shut down.

As far as the strike is concerned both parties are grim and determined. President Corbin refuses to arbitrate as long as the miners and railroaders hold together. He will only arbitrate if the miners leave the railroaders go, and this they have so far refused to do.

Only fifty cars of coal were shipped yesterday. Coal mining is practically at a standstill. About 1,500 railroad employees and 450 coal engines stowed away in the various houses. All classes of business feel the effects of the strike. The company owns a large number of houses occupied by the miners, and it is probable that some of the latter will be evicted soon. Business is prostrated, and all mining at a complete standstill.

Not a pound of coal came from the anthracite regions since Wednesday evening, and coal traffic is at an almost absolute standstill.

THE STRIKE AT CLARK'S MILLS.

Appeal of the Employees for a Remedy of Their Grievances.

NEWARK, Jan. 13.—The strike of Clark's mill hands in Kearny is still unsettled and probably will be until Mr. William Clark has returned from New York. It is understood, however, that the strikers have all been discharged, and can only return as individuals seeking employment. The following has been sent to the mills:

MR. WILLIAM CLARK, General Supt.:

DEAR SIR—We, the undersigned, lately employed in the Clark Thread Company, would humbly petition and kindly ask you to remedy and correct our grievances, as follows:

1. We would ask for the removal of Mr. Herbert Wainwright from the position he now holds in the departments in which we, the undersigned, were employed, as he is or was too overbearing and reinstates Mr. Pule, who was superintendent for several years.

2. We would also ask for the reinstatement of James E. Douglass and John H. Spillane to their former positions over us, as we are satisfied that those gentlemen have always used their best endeavors to promote the welfare and interest of your company. They have also done their best to encourage us, as your employees, to do the same, which our best services will certainly show and prove if properly investigated.

3. We have no grievance against the company on account of our wages or on account of the hours we work daily. It is only against Herbert Wainwright's conduct toward us, your employees.

Hoping, dear sir, you will give your attention and immediate action in the premises, and grant our request with the least delay, we remain, very respectfully yours,

YOUR LATE EMPLOYEES.

KEARNY, Jan. 13.

Stolen Funds Traced.

ALBANY, Jan. 13.—Banking circles here had quite a sensation over a dispatch which furnishes a clue to the whereabouts of the \$22,000 worth of Grand Trunk and Great Western Railroad bonds, whose loss from a bank here has been kept quiet for nearly a year.

WASHINGTON TOPICS

LAMAR'S FRIENDS CONFIDENT OF HIS CONFIRMATION.

The Salary of the Fish Commissioner—Bill To Increase the Infantry—Utah Wants Admission—Boutelle's Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The friends of Mr. Lamar are in a very confident frame of mind. Mr. Riddleberger's open declaration on the floor of the Senate of his purpose to vote for Lamar's confirmation will make the vote a tie with all the Republicans voting. It is known that Senator Stewart, of Nevada, will vote for confirmation. It is also known that several Republican Senators will not vote against Lamar, preferring rather not to vote at all. The Senate had rather an exciting session yesterday afternoon. The murmurs of vehement debate were heard in the corridors through the iron doors. It is believed that Senator Riddleberger attacked Senator Chandler's mode of attempting to defeat Lamar's nomination. The Democrats fought hard to compel the Republicans to name a day when the nominations of Messrs. Lamar, Dickinson and Vilas should be taken up. The matter will come up again today.

The Senate bill, fixing the salary of the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries at \$5,000 per annum was passed in the House without a dissent. Mr. Cox of New York, in advocating the bill, after speaking of the importance of fostering the fish industry, said that the object of the Commission was to send out a wonderful seed in order that a food harvest might come of it; and if this work were properly carried on the time might not be far off when an acre of water would produce as rich a harvest for the use of man as an acre of ground. He was convinced that the President would select a suitable man as Commissioner. The President was an expert fisherman himself and would choose the right kind of man. He did not care whether the President selected a Republican or a Democrat to carry out the beneficial purposes of the Commission.

Secretary Fairchild has sent to the House, correspondence addressed to the Treasury Department relating to the revision of the tariff. W. H. Emerson of Boston wrote in regard to the reduction of the duty on sugar, and recommended the free admission of molasses now dutiable at four cents per gallon. Frederick S. Robinson & Co. of New York recommended the free admission of oranges and lemons, or a reduction in the duty and imposition of uniform specific rates thereon and on limes and the abolition of damage allowance on these articles. William Pickard of New York recommended the free admission of various dry stuffs, colors, extracts, and other articles entering as raw materials into important domestic manufactures, and the removal of the internal revenue tax from alcohol used in the industrial arts.

The Boutelle battle flag resolution was reported unanimously in the House yesterday as amended by the Committee on Military Affairs, which amendment extends the scope of the inquiry so as to obtain information as to the return of the flags to Northern States. Mr. Boutelle said he had no objection to the amendment, although he did not think it had any bearing on the purpose of the original resolution. Mr. Cox of New York said he rejoiced at the unanimity with which the committee reported the resolution. The country, he said, was to be congratulated upon the fact that the resolution, which concerned a matter which had touched the public sensibility so greatly, could be reported unanimously, and even receive the approbation of the gentleman from Maine (Mr. Boutelle). The resolution was adopted.

It is probable that the board on the revision of the Army Regulations will be ordered to reconvene in the near future. The Secretary of War is now giving the work already done by the board some consideration, but before he approves the revision in whole or in part, he wishes the members to consider certain matters which have suggested themselves to him since they last met. Army officers are exceedingly anxious to learn what changes have been recommended by the board, but it is announced that this anxiety will not soon be allayed, as any changes that may be determined upon will not be made public at once, but will gradually find their way into print through the medium of the monthly decision circulars.

Senator Manderson reported favorably from the Committee on Military Affairs his bill to increase the efficiency of the infantry branch of the army. The number of companies in each regiment is increased from ten to twelve, and there are to be three Majors in each regiment instead of one, as at present. All appointments created by the act above the grade of Second Lieutenant are to be filled by seniority in the infantry branch of the service, and one-half of the vacancies remaining in the grade of Second Lieutenant after the military academy graduates are provided for are to be filled by promotion from the ranks. The number of enlisted men is increased by 2,500.

Delegate Game, of Utah, yesterday presented in the House the memorial of the Constitutional Convention of Utah for admission to Statehood, with a copy of the State constitution adopted by the convention. The documents were referred to the Committee on Territories and ordered to be printed.

The President yesterday appointed Gen. Edward S. Bragg of Wisconsin to be Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States to Mexico.

Natural Gas in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Natural gas has been discovered here in an artesian well at Marshall Field's retail store, and in a well at the National Tube Works, corner Clinton and Fulton streets. Gas also exists in a well at Mandel Brothers' State street store. A test of the gas at tube works has been made. The gas was discovered by accident. The pump did not work properly, and when an explosion followed, and a jet of flame a foot long poured out of the pipe.

Employers Make a Stand.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—The manufacturers of asbestos and felting materials and of steam-pipe and boiler coverings, whose men are on a strike, have issued a statement declaring that as their men have not treated them fairly, they will in self-defense adhere strictly to the old rules which were in force before the strike began. No workmen will be employed who will not abide by the old rules.

Tariff Reciprocity on Fish.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 13.—The Ministers of Customs advised yesterday that unless satisfactory arrangements were made the Dominion Government intended on July 1, to collect on fish imported from the United States the same duty that is levied on Canadian fish by the United States tariff.

AT MUSIC HALL,

Tuesday, January 17.

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Seats on Sale at Miller's and Field & Randolph's, Pharmacies.

Christian Work in Persia.

It is somewhat singular that of all the Christian nations the United States of America is alone represented by Protestant Christian missions in Persia. In 1870 the only Protestant mission was in the city of Oromash under the auspices of the American Presbyterian church. In 1884, under the same patronage, there were mission stations at Oromash, at Teheran, at Tabriz and at Hamadan. The American missionaries have now twenty-five churches, 1,700 communicants, and 4,575 attendants. The converts are said to be liberal contributors to the missions.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS

REMAINING IN PLAINFIELD POST OFFICE FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 13, 1888.

Burbank, Mrs Geo A	EdRue, John
Brinkman, Fred	Moore, Oscar
Bassett, Mrs Edwin P	Manning, Mary
Ballou, Mrs Lizzie P	Menell, Mrs Mame
Barnes, Geo	Martin, Mrs Elizabeth
Beaton, Mrs A	May, Miss Annie
Brown, Joseph	Mott, John A
Baldwin, J	Miles, Mrs Christina
Clark, Helen	O'Sullivan, Rev Dan
Clark, Miss P Marlette	Randolph, Mrs Eliza G
Craig, Hamilton	Searns, Miss Esther L
Fulger, J H	Schoonmaker, Mrs Edith
Hall, Frederick	Taylor, Mrs Nellie
Harris, Miss Mary	Timmons, Miss Geo A
Hollins, Miss Mary	Van Pelt, A B
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Twice, Miss Isabella	

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CLOSE—7.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m. ARRIVE—8.50 a. m. and 4.30 p. m.

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Arrive at 5.10 a. m. Office open from 9.30 a. m. to 10.30 a. m. Mail closes at 7 p. m.

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Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the undersigned, composing the firm of M. H. French's Sons, dealers in Flour, Feed, Grain &c., have this day dissolved partnership by mutual consent. All accounts due the said firm will be paid to E. Frank French, who will continue the business at 69 Somerset Street.

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A NORTHWEST BLIZZARD.

Heavy Snows—Railway Travel Obstructed. Children Lost in the Storm.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 13.—A genuine blizzard set in here early yesterday morning, and continued all day. Telegrams from along the line of the Northern Pacific assert that it is the worst storm that has passed over that section of the country for 30 years. Nearly all trains have been abandoned, and the prospects are that it will be several days before the roads can be opened for travel. In Dakota the wind reached a velocity of 60 miles an hour, and as it was impossible to see 100 feet ahead, it is feared there may have been some serious railroad accidents. The storm extended clear into Montana. At many points the mercury is reported as low as 50 degrees below zero.

HIBERNIA, N. Y., Jan. 13.—A terrific snowstorm began here at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and still rages. The wind is blowing fifty miles an hour. The air is so full of snow that one is unable to see fifty feet at any time. Some unthinking teachers dismissed young school children, some of whom had to go four or five blocks across the open land. Five or six children got lost. Whistles are blowing, bells are ringing, and people turned out and took long ropes and walked fifteen or twenty abreast back and forth over the ground. They have just found two of the children. The mercury is four degrees below zero, and has fallen twenty-six degrees since 10 o'clock. The storm is increasing.

PIEDMONT, N. C., Jan. 13.—The wind blew sixty miles an hour and it was impossible to see 100 feet. Three trains were snow-bound at Bee Heights and there was reported a collision between two freights at the same point.

THEO. N. Y., Jan. 13.—The thermometer marked 22 degrees below zero at Schuylerville, Saratoga County, yesterday morning.

MUSCATINE, Ia., Jan. 13.—The worst blizzard of the season is raging here. The snow is heavy and deep, and the roads will probably be badly blocked.

STOCK CITY, Ia., Jan. 13.—The worst blizzard for years has been raging here since yesterday. No trains were running last night, and if the storm continues there will be a general blockade.

WINCHESTER, Va., Jan. 13.—The weather was intensely cold Wednesday night. The thermometer registered four degrees above yesterday morning, the lowest this winter. It is moderating now.

THE OLD-TIME FIREPLACE.

WESTCHESTER, Pa., Jan. 13.—The farmers of Chester county have been compelled to return to original methods in heating their farmhouses. Over the county there are a number of small dealers in coal, merchants who keep coal with other commodities used by the farmer. The stock in these coal yards is never very large, and when the strike was announced there was a run on the merchants. The consequence was that the stock ran out, and now coal can be had at scarcely any of these country coal yards. The farmers have fallen back upon wood, and the old-fashioned fireplace is brought in to use in place of the coal stoves. In Westchester coal has increased in price from \$6 to \$8. None of the merchants will sell more than a single ton to a family at a time.

A Verdict Against Ben Butler.

BOSTON, Jan. 13.—Judge Colt of the United States Circuit Court has overruled the motion of General Butler in arrest of judgment in the case of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers against General Butler. The suit, as is well known, was based on the alleged failure of the General to account for money received by him while acting as treasurer for the Home. The verdict was against Butler for \$16,081, and a motion was made for an arrest of judgment, on the ground that Judge Carpenter, who sat at the trial, had no jurisdiction in the case. The court held that Judge Carpenter had authority to try the case, and execution will now issue for the amount of the verdict.

Poisoned Fork Causes Three Deaths.

SELMA, Ala., Jan. 13.—Three persons have died near Dixie, a few miles from Selma, under peculiarly unfortunate circumstances. The oldest son of Mr. C. Bearden, who had been absent from home on business matters, was suddenly seized with some disease and died in a short time. Soon afterward his eldest sister was also a corpse. While the funeral of brother and sister was in progress, a hired child servant suddenly passed away and two others are now lying at the point of death. Physicians say that death was caused by eating poisoned pork.

A Report on Finance.

ALBANY, Jan. 13.—State Comptroller Chapin in his fourth annual report places the amount of the more important trust funds of the state, valued investments at par, at \$8,748,322, of which \$8,453,423 is in securities, and \$2,445,233 is money in the treasury. This is an increase of \$37,224 over the amount held at the time of the last report. The surplus in the treasury Sept. 30, 1897, was \$3,744,937.55, exceeding the estimate by \$1,144,241.16. The chief causes of this excess are the prison receipts, the tax upon collateral inheritance and the tax upon the organization of corporations.

Two Schooners Supposed to be Lost.

GLOUCESTER, Jan. 13.—The schooner William Parsons, which sailed for George's Banks on November 22, with twelve men, and the schooner Peter D. Smith, which sailed on November 18, with a crew of twelve, have been given up for lost. It is supposed they were wrecked in heavy seas, and that the bodies of the men are lying on the banks of the sea. The Parsons was owned by William Parsons, Jr., and was insured for \$32,240. The Smith was insured for \$22,500. Many of the members of the crews had families, and five widows and nineteen children are left.

Entitled to Citizenship.

ALBANY, Jan. 13.—The Senate and Assembly were favored yesterday by a message from the Governor relative to the disfranchisement of the B. & O. Soldiers and Sailors' Home. Under a test case made by the authorities of the town of Bath, the courts have held that as inmates of such institution they are not entitled to vote under Section 3, Article 2, of the Constitution. He suggests that the Legislature has the power to extend the right of franchise to the veterans, whom he believes are justly entitled to citizenship.

Senator Ingalls' Residence Burned.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—A telegram received by Senator Ingalls states that his residence at Atchison, Kan., together with his valuable library, has been destroyed by fire. His loss is \$30,000 over insurance.

They Want a Reduction.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 13.—The pig iron men of the West, who not here have demanded further reduction in the price of coke and 10 per cent reduction in freight rates on the same.

PRINTED MATTER ON WRAPPERS.

The Committee on Postoffices and Post-Roads Make a Report on the Measure.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The House Committee on Postoffices and Post-Roads have reported a bill relating to permissible marks, printing or writing, upon second, third and fourth class matter. On matter of the second class, besides the name and address of the person to whom the matter is to be sent, the following marks of writing or printing are permitted: Index figures of subscription book, the title of the publication and the place of publication, the name and address of the publisher or sender, words indicating the date of the termination of the subscription, corrections of typographical errors and marks to call attention to special passages.

It is also provided that publishers and news agents may inclose in their publications bills, receipts and orders for subscriptions thereto, but the same shall be in such form as to convey no other information than the name, place of publication, subscription price of the publication to which they refer, and the subscription due thereon.

Upon matter of the third class, or upon the wrapper inclosing the same, the sender may write his own name, occupation and residence or business address, preceded by the word "from," and may make marks other than by printed or written words to call attention to any word or passage in the text, and may correct any typographical errors. There may be placed upon the blank leaves or cover of any book or printed matter of the third class a simple manuscript dedication or inscription not of the nature of a personal correspondence.

With a package of fourth-class matter, prepaid at the proper rate for that class, the sender may inclose any mailable third-class matter, and may write upon the wrapper or cover thereof, or tag or label accompanying the same, his name, occupation, residence or business address, preceded by the word "from," or may print thereon the same, and may printed matter, not in the nature of a personal correspondence, but there must be left on the address side or face of the package a space of at least 3 1/2 inches in length and 2 1/2 inches in width, in which nothing shall be placed but the address of the person to whom the matter is sent.

LABOR MEN IN SESSION.

The Federation of Trades at Peoria Condemns the Boycott.

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 13.—The Federation of Trades resumed its session yesterday morning. The Treasurer's report was adopted; also resolutions declaring against boycotting and providing for the patenting of a union label to place in stores which do not handle non-union goods. A preamble was presented for a constitution, which declares that corporations, trusts and trusts are rapidly displacing individual employers; that the regulation of labor is passing from the individual agent; that the trusts' resources are so great that strikes prove failures; that it is necessary to secure adequate means to meet the changed conditions; that the strike and boycott have failed to accomplish the end desired; that political power is the one effective weapon, and that by the exercise of citizenship the laws can be changed.

Dr. McGlynn Made President.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Rev. Dr. McGlynn was elected president of the Central Temperance Alliance of Brooklyn, which was organized Tuesday evening. The alliance has for its object the creation of a more fraternal feeling among the members of all temperance societies in Brooklyn and this city. The other candidates for president were R. V. George F. Pentecost and Dr. D. H. Mann. Dr. McGlynn received 30 votes, Dr. Mann 6 and Dr. Pentecost 5. The body will consist of two delegates from each Brooklyn and New York temperance organization. The annual meeting will be held in January and regular business meetings in April, July and October.

Jubilant Peppermint Growers.

LYONS, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Peppermint growers in this vicinity are jubilant over the rescinding by Secretary Fairchild of the order allowing importers of Japanese peppermint oil to put up their oil in smaller bottles and reshipping it to Europe without payment of duty. The protest against this order from Wayne county was most emphatic, for in Wayne county is grown two-thirds of all the peppermint consumed in the world, and had the order been allowed to stand great loss would have resulted to the farmers of this section. Congressman Nutting deserves much praise for his prompt action in the matter.

The Hamilton Murder Case.

LONG BRANCH, Jan. 13.—In the case of old Robert Hamilton, who was murdered at this place, Dr. S. A. Hunt testified that the injuries could not have been self-inflicted. Irving Smith, a constable, identified a hammer which had been found by Bernard Burke, on Chelsea avenue, as one he had seen in the house of Lottie McCue, in November last. Frank Lane swore he was at Dunk's house on Sunday night last with Lillian Smith, Dunk's sister. He found Hamilton's watch there. Susan Bostwick recognized the trousers and jumpers belonging to Dowling, on which were stains of blood.

The President's Diplomatic Reception.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The President gave the first of his series of Winter receptions yesterday evening. The members of Congress and army and navy officers, officers of departments and members of the press were invited to be present to meet the President's guests. The attendance was very large, and Congressmen, department officers, diplomats and ladies in full evening dress, sat patiently in the snow storm, waiting their turn to reach the entrance until after 10 o'clock.

America at the French Exhibition.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The President has transmitted to Congress a report from the Secretary of State in relation to the International Exhibition to be held at Paris in 1889. The Secretary recommends that Congress be asked to enact a law authorizing the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a Commissioner-General to represent the United States, and asks for an appropriation of \$25,000.

Theodore Houston Dead.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Theodore Houston, formerly Vice-President of the West Short Railroad Company and afterward one of the receivers of the road, died from a self-inflicted wound yesterday in the apartment house No. 80 Madison avenue. His friends declared that his death might have been accidental, but the testimony obtained by a coroner indicated that he had committed suicide.

Action on Private Claims.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The House Judiciary Committee has decided to report adversely to Holman's bill limiting the time for filing claims. The House and Senate Committees have decided to report favorably on the bill referring the celebrated McGarran case to the Court of Claims.

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THE LITTLE WOMAN.

Don't talk to me of Olympus' maids,
"Divinely tall and fair"—
Of Cleopatra's imperial form,
Of Juno's stately air.
Those mighty dames, with redoubled
names,
May ever have held their sway:
The little woman—bless her heart!
Who rules the world to-day.

With her willful, witching, winsome ways
Her artful, artless, smiling face—
Her airy grace, and her fairy face—
Her wisdom, wit and wiles,
She mocks the pride and she sways the
strength.
She bends the will of man,
As only such a despotess can—
A little woman—can.

Though her pathway may lead thro' the
darkest ways,
She always finds a light:
Though her eyes be dazzled by fortune's
rays,
She's sure to see aright:
Though her wisdom be of no special school,
Her logic, "just because."
The first has settled a kingdom's fate,
The last has made its laws.

'Tis the little woman that goes ahead
When men would lag behind,
The little woman who sees her chance,
And always knows her mind—
Who can fly to smile as she takes the oath
To honor, love, obey,
And mentally add the saving clause
In a little woman's way!

Would the diamond seem such a perfect
gem,
If it measured one foot round?
Would the rose-leaf yield such a sweet
perfume,
If it covered yards of ground?
Would the dew-drops seem so clear and
pure,
If dew like rain should fall?
The little woman seem half so great
If she were six feet tall!

'Tis the hand so soft as the nestling bird,
That grips the grip of steel;
'Tis the voice as low as the summer wind,
That throbs without appeal,
And the warrior, scholar, the saint and
sage,
May fight and play and pray,
The world will wag the end of time
In the little woman's way.

—Mary C. Buras.

A MOTHER'S VANITY.

How It Nearly Cost Her Daughter's Life.

My brother Solomon's wife is a fool!
There! I've thought so ever since he married her, twenty years or more ago, but I've never said so till now. Now Harry's wife is different. But there! There's no need of my troubling you with all this. I'll tell you the story and then you can see for yourself. But what under the sun Solomon Penfeather ever saw in Jennie Jenkins, I've failed to find out! But there I go again. But she is a fool, it's past denying, and if I hadn't said it after what's happened I think I should have burst. But I feel better now and I guess I can tell the story pretty straight.

About a month ago, I got a letter from Jane, Solomon's wife, telling me that Penelope (that's my namesake) was going to be married, and would I come up and stay with 'em and help 'em get ready for the wedding. Now I don't love Jane, but I do love little Penelope, and as there was a nice little note from the blessed child, I king "Dear Aunt Pen" if she wouldn't come, and as she asked it very prettily, I determined to go and help the dear child have a pleasant send-off.

Well, after a ride of fifty miles in the cars and two in Solomon's carriage (for the train took was an express and didn't stop at the village), I found myself at the old homestead. I hadn't been there in ten years, but I was prepared for all the changes by the letters little Penelope used to write to me every two weeks, but what I wasn't prepared for was the change in Penelope since I had had a visit from her at my own house six months before. She looked about as little like a prospective bride as any thing I ever saw, and yet I knew the man she was to marry was well worthy my Penelope, and that is saying a great deal. I was struck so with that girl's appearance I was dumb. Pale and thin and hollow-eyed, with great deep circles under her eyes, she just looked tired to death. "That girl's going to be sick," I said to myself, "I guess I've come to her funeral instead of her wedding."

"For the land's sake, Jane, whatever ails Penelope?" I exclaimed, as soon as I had her alone.
"Why?"
"Why?" Don't you see how she looks?"
"O, I see she looks kind of pale, but then she's in love you know, and girls always get pale then," and she laughed her easy laugh, that I hate so; yes, and that some circumstances I fairly laugh at now. But she was one of those circumstances. So I didn't say any thing more. I saw it wasn't any use. But I made up my mind that I'd find out what was the matter with Penelope, and mend it, if I can. "Well, Aunt Pen," who isn't supposed to know any thing about affairs of the heart, could be of any use.

"Well, Penelope," said I, the next day, right after breakfast, "now I'm all ready, tumbled, scissors, needle and every thing to help in making those wedding clothes." You see I knew Jane was full of all sorts of nonsensical vanity, and I felt sure of wedding finery and pippety there would be enough and to spare.

"O, she's all done," said Jane, "she's been done two months and more. She hurried up so as to have plenty of time to make her veil. You ought to see her things. Pen, show your aunt Penelope your things," she said, pride in every tone of her voice. "She's got six white wrappers," telling them off on her fingers. "One dozen white skirts etc." (I shan't tell you all she had, you'd get as tired of listening as I did) ending, triumphantly, "and Penelope, her wedding clothes cost a hundred dollars more than Colonel Thompson's daughter's did, and he's the richest man in the town. And she was married with a plain veil, too. Just wait till you see Penelope's." She turned to go to the kitchen, while Pen led the way up stairs, very wearily, I thought.

However, we went through the ceremony of examining the things, and I praised all the pretty robes about me.

"I know just what you think, Aunt Pen, and I don't blame you."
"What do I think, little Pen?"
"You think there is a great deal too much!"
"Yes, I do."
"So do I. I didn't want all these things, and it was dreadful to sit here stitch, stitch, all these long, hot days, just for the sake of saying I had the most things. But mother gave them all to me, and seemed to have the matter so much at heart it seemed ungrateful in me to make any objection. And she seemed so set on it; she said she only had one daughter, and there would only be one wedding in the family, and seemed to take it so much

to heart that I couldn't resist. You know what mother is." "Yes, I know what your mother is," I answered, grimly, while I said to myself: "She's a fool, that's what your mother is."

"Well, now, Pen, dear, you have a month to rest. We'll have some long talks and long walks, and just get ready quietly for the finale."

"O, indeed, I haven't time for any thing of that kind, Aunt Pen."
"Why not? What is there left to do? I thought every thing was done?"
"So every thing is but my veil!"
"Well, child, who ever heard of it's taking a month to make a wedding veil?"

"Well, I've been at mine every spare minute for two months, and it isn't nearly finished yet. I'm almost afraid that another month won't finish it unless I work at nights, and it tries my eyes. Besides, James comes in the evenings, and I'm not going to put him aside for all the finery in the world!"

"Let me see this veil," I said, solemnly, so we went into the next room and there in a frame was the love's filmy lace thing on which this dear girl had been expending her time, nay, her life, for the past two months.

"Is this some more of your mother's work?"
"No," she answered, innocently, "it is every stitch mine, but mother insisted on it. She said I knew how to make such lovely lace things and that now was the time, and she seemed so set on the lace veil as a part of the 'show,' that I have done it. It is lovely— isn't it?"

The child had not understood my question but she had answered me. I said nothing aloud, but I groaned inwardly. Here was all I wanted to know. I made up my mind I wouldn't say one word then. The whole thing seemed too preposterous for words. But I likewise made up my mind that the first chance I got I'd take an old maid's privilege of telling Solomon a thing or two, and I'd likewise say a word in season to my prospective nephew. I'd have the thing stopped, if I had to go to the city and buy my namesake a lace veil to gratify her mother's vanity.

However, Penelope took matters in her own hands and finished the business up by fainting dead away. The doctor was sent for and the case proved typhoid fever. As soon as James found out what it was, he insisted on being married at once and sharing in our work.

Jane was so worked up, for she really loves Penelope (but I think she loves finery and displays more,) that she consented before she knew it, and for the past month all four of us, beside the doctor, good old soul! have been fighting with death for that precious girl. She was pronounced out of danger last night, and so I came home to-day.

When I came away Jane threw her arms around me, and cried:

"Oh, Pen," she sobbed, "I don't know how I can ever thank you for all you have done."
"I don't want any thanks, Jane," I said.

"Suppose we had lost her, Penelope, suppose she had died?"
"Oh, well, if she had died, Jane," I said, "you'd have had the lace veil. It was nearly finished."

Jane gave me one awful look and turned on her heel. She'll hate me now till her dying day. It was the only thing I said about that veil, but it was an awful mean one, I'll allow.

If Penelope had died, I suppose the town would have called it a "disposition of Providence," and the funeral notice would have read:

"Penelope, daughter of Solomon and Jane Penfeather, of typhoid fever."
But it should have read:

"Penelope, daughter of Solomon and Jane Penfeather, of her mother's vanity."
—Emma L. Hewitt in *Yankee Blade*.

PERPETUAL YOUTH.

One of the Peculiar Superstitions of the Sioux Indians in Dakota.

For the past six years—ever since the foundation of Chamberlain—the Sioux Indians have endeavored to prevent the whites from getting possession of American Island, which lies in the center of the river, opposite this city, writes S. W. Duncan from Chamberlain, Dak., to the *St. Paul Globe*. It was always supposed that their reason was of a mercenary character, and that their object was to cut the timber with which the island is covered and turn it into the bright, yellow gold which they now covet so much. But a different reason has lately, and by accident, been discovered. It has always been supposed that when the Spaniards failed to discover the fabled fountain of perpetual youth among the everglades of Florida, the romantic dream ended there, and men grew old and gray as of yore. Not so, however, as this narrative will show. On the upper end of this island, hidden by drooping evergreens and shaded by stately cottonwoods, is a spring. It bursts forth clear and beautiful, and with a murmur as soft as a maiden's prayer, glides from its island home into the yellow, gurgling waters of the Missouri. The water retains the same temperature winter and summer, and its volume retains its uniformity throughout the year. It contains, in all probability, the different carbonates, and that is the cause of the youth-retaining qualities which Indians attribute to it. The secret was let out a few days ago by an old hunter, who was familiar with the Indians and the spring long before this place existed. The spring had been the place existed since the first immigration of John H. King. They have thrown a sanctuary around it, and for years have been in the habit of drinking of its life-giving principles and of immersing the younger members of the tribe in its mystical depths. They imagine that its source lies amid the perpetual fires that radiate from the center of the earth, and that the fountain is presided over by the father of the Indian race, who is doomed throughout all time to regulate the temperature of the spring for the benefit of those who drink of its footprints of old time in their classic features. When asked if all who drink from its liquid depths are stamped with perpetual youth, they are somewhat abashed, and reply: "When they drink of the water of the lake in it they must believe they will never grow old. If they do not, the spirit who has control of the fountain will not answer their prayer, and they will wither like the leaves when the frost comes." The only explanation for this strange belief is that some time in the past the spring was visited and analyzed by some parties, and the Indians, hearing of it, have been led to believe that the spring contains some remarkable properties, which their imaginative minds have associated with the perpetuation of their youth. Wonders will not cease, and the same dread of growing old which led Ponce de Leon to brave the storms of the Atlantic now finds a strange comparison in the Sioux Indian, who plunges his swarthy form in the now famous spring on the American island.

THEOSOPHIC THEORIES.

A Chat About Astral Bodies and Other Occult Things and Beings.

In conversation the other day a gentleman well known in theosophical circles informed the Boston correspondent of the *Lowville Courier-Journal* with a sincerity of conviction quite unmistakable that he had himself frequently succeeded in projecting his "astral body"—for as he called it—so places thousands of miles distant. Though comparatively speaking an amateur in this mysterious art, he had on one occasion recently, sent his spiritual representative on board of a ship five hundred leagues from land, to visit a friend, concerning whose safety on the ocean he was anxious. But this was nothing. A practical eclect in the science, he declared, could dispatch his spiritual entity, for such the astral body seems to be, rather than a mere phantasm—to the confines of the Infinite; could travel on the wings of thought from planet to planet, and view with incorporeal eye the awful mechanism of the universe.

"But why should not even you employ the power you possess for some useful purpose?" I asked. "Why not project your astral body, as you term it, into the bowels of the earth and discover a few mines of gold and diamonds? Compared with the riches you might so readily grasp, the wealth of a Three-card Monte Cristo is as nothing."

A gentle smile overspread the countenance of my theosophic acquaintance. "My dear sir," he replied, "you will understand the conditions under which the faculty we speak of is acquired. Only through the cultivation of a purity of mind, untouched by selfish or material ambitions, may the would-be disciple of the divine Mahatmas hope to grasp at length the ineffable secret. Should I apply the limited power I enjoy to such base uses, it would leave me. Nay, more, I should myself be exposed to the utmost danger. I have reason to believe that fatal accidents not infrequently occur to rash explorers in the mysterious realm of the beyond. My own astral body, let us say, is absent in South Africa. While on its travels it is tempted, and—not being as yet entirely cleansed from the soil of earthly passion—it succumbs. Subsequently it seeks to re-enter my corporeal frame, but can not, by reason of its unworthiness, and in consequence of this unfortunate, I perish physically."

"But what becomes of your spiritual entity?" I inquired, much interested.

"I would rather not go more deeply into the subject," he responded, and there the matter dropped. I have been wondering ever since, however, what would happen if a couple of wandering spirits should by mistake change places upon returning to their owners. What remarkable complications such an error would occasion, to be sure! The case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde would be nothing to it.

THE FEATHERED SERPENT.

The Reformer Who Developed the Civilization of the Toltecs.

In this spot, so rich in archeological wealth, man is known to have lived for more than 1,200 chronicled years, and how long previously none can tell, writes Fannie E. Ward from Tula, Mexico, to the *Philadelphia Record*. Tradition says that at Tula, the great culture hero, Quetzalcoatl (the "Feathered Serpent"), developed the civilization that raised the Toltecs so far above the level of their neighbors.

On the face of a near-by cliff his face is sculptured, and in the marketplace of Tula may be seen his image carved on a massive pillar unadorned from Tula. Close by is the famous "Pill of Shouting," whereon Quetzalcoatl proclaimed his mandates over the entire valley. The Toltecs had lived in Tula nearly one hundred years when he first appeared among them, which would make his advent about the year 700. He was a beneficent deity, who took upon himself the shape of a man in order to improve the condition of the people of the earth—a sort of Toltec Christ. His name is constructed from the words *quetzal*, a kind of brilliant plumage found in the forests of Southern Mexico, and *coatl*, a serpent, also found in the same latitudes. Tradition paints him as a very tall white man, with long, full blonde beard, a perfect European in complexion and general appearance, as different from the Indians among whom he lived as can possibly be imagined.

His stay marked the golden age of the Toltecs. Here he built those famous palaces of silver, crystal and feathers, and here were the celebrated gardens in which cotton grew in various colors, ready dyed for the loom—scarlet, green, red, blue and yellow. In his time corn grew so large that a single ear was as tall as a man could carry. Gourds were as long as a man's body, pumpkins a fathom in circumference, and other fruits in similar proportions. He taught the people many useful arts—how to cut the precious green stone, the chalchinites, how to cast metals, to reckon time, etc.

Some say that he was a native of the East and came from over the ocean. Indeed, nearly every nationality on earth has been claimed for him, from Egyptian to Irish.

Two Clever Women's Stratagems.

A Philadelphia man saw a club-footed man under the influence of liquor, and kindly assisted him to the house where he said he lived, and rang the door bell. When the door opened, two young women, who had evidently been expecting him, caught him without ceremony, threw him down on the sofa, and while the elder sat on him, the younger deliberately set about unsewing the only leg that appeared to be sound, but which proved to be artificial. After detaching it, she marched off with it, with the remark: "There, you fool! I'll put this away where you won't get it in a hurry, and may be you'll stay sober when you have to stay in the house." It turned out that the only means of preventing an over-indulgence in liquor was to deprive him of his artificial leg, which was a substitute for a natural malformation.

The Front Door Wasn't Locked.

A Lewiston (Me.) man, who went home late the other night, didn't have his latchkey with him, and, according to the *Journal*, tried to climb in the kitchen window, but it was fastened; was knocked down by a clothes-line in going through the garden; broke into the shop only to find that the kitchen door was bolted; essayed opening a parlor window, when a blind fell and smashed his silk hat; tried a dining-room window, but that was fastened, and finally in despair rang the door-bell. He was surprised to find the door quickly open and to hear his wife say: "Come right in, dear! I have been sitting in the parlor was ting for you to try the front door. It wasn't locked."

Making Paper Out of Tobacco.

The stems and waste of tobacco are said to be as good as linen rags in the manufacture of paper.

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