

Local and Personal.

This is meant to be a purely local news column, to which the RECORD invites contributions. Events of local importance...

Miss Sallie Granger, and niece Edna, are visiting at P. J. Fink's.

B. O. Slonaker has rented a portion of John J. Crapster's house—for two months, it is said.

Robert A. Harner, a Western Maryland engineer, was home this week a few days, as he has been off duty for ten days on account of sickness.

Misses Josephine and May Gardner, visited their brother, John P. Gardner, accompanied by Miss Eugenia McFadden and Miss Emma Case.

The RECORD has an equal right, to publish legal notices from administrators and executors, with any other paper in the county. We solicit our rightful share of this kind of work.

We again had a fine rain, on Wednesday night, which did not extend as far south as Uniontown. Our district has been exceptionally fortunate, during the past month, as we have had frequent rains which were almost purely local.

The Reindollar elevator was raised on Monday. It is three stories in height, and built against the rear of the present warehouse. When the entire building is finished, and the machinery placed, it will be one of the most complete of the kind in the county.

John G. Hess, formerly of Harney, this district, now president of the Hess Manufacturing company, Harney, has applied for the benefit of the insolvent laws. Mr. Hess was at one time engaged in the carriage making business in Westminster, and Emmitsburg.

The RECORD has received, through the courtesy of Hon. Wm. B. Baker, the Year Book of the Department of Agriculture. It is a handsomely bound and illustrated volume of over 600 pages, containing much valuable information on the general subject of agriculture and horticulture.

Very little wheat is being marketed, as the idea seems to prevail that the price will be better. If it is thought it will be better, simply because it is low now, the opinion, is worth nothing. It must be remembered that another fool like Leifer, is not likely to turn up and boom prices.

Charles Orndorff, of Hagerstown, aged 30 years, nephew of Mrs. N. B. Hagan, of this place, died at the Franklin House, Hagerstown, on Sunday evening last, of throat consumption. He had very recently been visiting in this place, and his condition was well known, consequently the notice of his death created no surprise.

The following committee has been named to take charge of the arrangements for the meeting of the Maryland Synod of the Lutheran church, which occurs in this place in October: P. B. Engler, John E. L. Hess, Dr. Geo. T. Motter, George W. Baumgardner and Dr. P. H. Seiss. The Synod is composed of about one hundred and forty ministers and laymen.

The following is the local weather report for July. Average temperature 78; highest, 108° on the 3rd; lowest, 48° on the 11th; total rainfall 6.30 inches; hail, on the 4th; rain on 6 days during the month. The normal temperature is 77° and rainfall 4.21 inches for July in this locality. The highest temperature in July 1899 was 96° and in 1897, 96°. Three heavy rains during the month; on the 4th, 1.33 inches; 19th, 1.78 inches; 31st, 1.45 inches.

James Wisner, living on the road to Walnut Grove school house, this district, attempted suicide on Monday by swallowing a quantity of Paris green. The dose, however, was too large, with the result that vomiting ensued and the poison failed to get into his system sufficiently to cause death, but made him very sick during the day and night. He gives as his reason for the attempt, that he had trouble in connection with the sale of his property—about which there are several versions—and wanted to get rid of it.

Now that the Fire Company has decided to hold a picnic, the next thing of first importance, is to make it a credit to the organization. A financial success is of secondary importance—notwithstanding the urgent need of funds for the better equipment of the Company—because, as a public institution, closely connected with the official government of the town, it is responsible, for the day, for the towns good name. We suggest that a charge be made for each team entering the grounds, or some other plan be devised to keep people from coming to town and "getting gay," because, this practice was responsible for nearly all the rowdiness at picnics heretofore held here.

In the new list of Western Maryland telephone subscribers, just issued, Taneytown, alone, shows a considerable reduction in its number. Various reasons have contributed to this end, but we hope that many of our former subscribers will again be connected; and this, we think, could easily be accomplished, if the Company could make up its mind to be enterprising, and extend the line to Harney. We think, too, that some change in rental charges would operate to the profit of the Company, and the decided satisfaction of the present subscribers.

COUNTY AND STATE.

Prince Bismarek, the great German statesman, died on Saturday evening last. He is judged to have been one of the greatest men the world ever produced, and, in statesmanship, has probably never had an equal.

Farmers in the vicinity of Hancock Washington county, are cutting off their corn before it is matured in the hope of saving the fodder. The drought has rained the crop, and as it is impossible for it to recover they want to get something out of it, even if only a scant quantity of fodder.

Lightning struck the power house of the Westminster electric light plant, on Sunday evening last, knocking the boiler and engine out of position and burning out the incandescent light dynamo. The dynamo which supplies the street lights was uninjured. Mr. Sechrist, the engineer, was knocked down but not seriously injured.

Judge McComas, Mayor Malster and Senator Wellington held a conference Wednesday afternoon which resulted in an agreement to bury the hat and let bygones be bygones. The meeting was brought about by Judge McComas, with the view of restoring harmony in the Republican ranks so as to insure concerted action in the coming campaign.

The State Camp of Maryland, Patriotic Order Sons of America, will hold its third annual session in Royal Arcanum Building, Baltimore, next Tuesday and Wednesday, August 9th, 10th, and 11th. The order has added seven camps and over four hundred members, during the past year, and is in a prosperous condition. Nine camps of the order are located in Carroll county, with an aggregate membership of about seven hundred.

Jesse Claggett, of Frederick county, who enlisted in the regiment of Tenth Mass before Colonel Rosecrank left Washington for San Antonio, is one of the yellow fever sufferers at Santiago. His wife on Monday received a letter from one of Claggett's comrades, telling her of her husband's condition. On Tuesday she was in Frederick to see Judge John C. Motter, who is a friend of Claggett, and will endeavor to get information as to his condition through the War Department.

The Hon. J. Fred. C. Talbot, of Baltimore county, was a visitor in Westminster on Monday. He called at the county courthouse, where he spent part of the day conferring with Mr. Benjamin F. Crouse, chairman of the democratic central committee of Carroll county, and affiliating with his numerous friends and acquaintances among the politicians. It appears that the sentiment among the majority of the democrats in Carroll county is against the nomination of Mr. Talbot for Congress and it is presumed he was there to look over the field and endeavor to change the present situation.

About 4,000 people were present at Linwood camp-meeting, this county, on Sunday. Not only were the excursion trains taxed to their utmost capacity to handle the crowds, but the roads were filled with vehicles of every description carrying passengers. Morning services were conducted by Rev. John Calvin, of Harrisburg, Pa., and in the afternoon by Mrs. Forney, also of Harrisburg. A children's meeting was also held in the afternoon, under the leadership of Rev. John A. Saxton. In the evening a heavy thunder gust came over, which raised Pine Creek out of its banks, making it difficult for people to get to the railroad from the grounds.

On Tuesday morning the sad intelligence was received here, by telegram, of the death, in North Carolina, of Charles E. Fleagle, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Taylor Fleagle, of Copperville. One telegram was received, stating his serious illness, but, before his father could start to him, another came announcing his death. Charles O. Fuss, undertaker, was at once dispatched to take charge of the body and bring it here for interment. He arrived at Copperville with his charge, Wednesday afternoon, interment taking place on Thursday.

The Fleagle family, for a number of years residing at Woodberry, Baltimore, returned to this neighborhood last April; the deceased accompanied the rest, and remaining here for a short while, when he engaged in the portrait business, traveling over the country, and finally became ill with fever at Rocky Mount, N. C., and died there, as already stated. He was in his twenty-second year, and a young man of good habits and pleasing address. (See Copperville Cor.)

A Case of Whoelies. Orestes Marsh, a young man from the neighborhood of Pleasant Valley, was before Squire Orndorff on last Saturday, charged with the larceny of a set of old buggy wheels from J. H. Reindollar, coachmaker, of this place. At the conclusion of the hearing he gave bail for his appearance before the grand jury at the November term of court.

His defense was, that Robert C. Thomson, a cigar maker, in a conversation over his failure to bargain with Mr. Reindollar, offered to, and did, get him a set of wheels for the price of a quart of whiskey, and that he took the wheels along home with him at night. Thomson denied any knowledge of the transaction, but was also required to give bail for his appearance as a witness in the case.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION.

Republicans now in Control for the First Time. The following account of the re-organization of the Carroll county School Board, which occurred on Tuesday, is from the Baltimore Sun, of Wednesday:

After thirty years democrat control the republicans to-day took charge of the public schools. The board, which was organized on Tuesday, is from the Baltimore Sun, of Wednesday:

There were four candidates for examiner, viz: Simon P. Weaver, president of the board, and De- wies L. Farrar, both of Westminster; Grove J. Shipley, of Shipley postoffice and Charles W. Otto, of New Windsor.

For assistant examiner Abraham L. Williams, of Frizellburg, and James S. Baer, Jr., of Taneytown, were the contestants. Ex-Mayor of Westminster, Milton Schaeffer, was the republican candidate for president of the board.

At the meeting of the board to-day, Messrs Schaeffer and Farrar were elected unanimously. The vote for assistant secretary resulted four for Baer and two for Orlando Reese, the trustee of the school. Mr. Schaeffer and Mr. Reindollar voting in the minority.

The school system of Carroll county is one of chief interest to all the people, and never in the history of the county have the citizens shown so much interest in the re-organization of any of its offices. The interest centered chiefly on the position of examiner, as upon him devolves the duty of developing and supervising the school system.

De- wies L. Farrar, the examiner, is a well-known young business man of Westminster. He is a native of Massachusetts, aged forty-five years. He received a liberal education. He graduated at the grammar school of Lynn, Mass. Afterward he graduated in the classical department of Black Academy, Ludlow, Vt. For two years he was a member of the school board of Lynn; for two years he was a teacher of mathematics in the normal department of Shaw University, of Raleigh, N. C., and for six years taught the public school at Finksburg, Carroll county. He began teaching in 1871, and has since that time spent his entire life in the profession of a teacher.

James S. Baer, Jr., the assistant examiner, is the youngest son of Capt. James S. Baer, superintendent of the Baltimore and Annapolis Railway in Carroll county. He is about twenty-three years old and well educated.

Acknowledgements of Generosity. The following letters, received by Mrs. E. K. Reaver, treasurer of the Womens Home and Foreign Missionary Society, of Taneytown, explain their own contents, and testify to the generosity of our citizens:

Dear Mrs. Reaver: Will you allow me to thank you and your co-workers for the Ladies Auxiliary, in York, Md. Naval Reserves, for your generous and very much appreciated donation. The articles are just what we most needed and I greatly thank you for the men to know that others outside this organization are thinking of their comfort and well-being. The box came safely, and assuring you again of our most sincere thanks, I am, gratefully yours, Mrs. Frank X. Ward, Pres. Baltimore, July, '98.

Dear Mrs. Reaver: The box arrived safely, and I thank you in the name of the Ladies of the Naval Reserve Association. We have quite a nice lot of articles, and I thank you for the same. As we last night had a very dark night, we were all in the dark, so deep, so intense, we can almost feel it. Softly a sweet voice begins to sing, "There's sunshine in my heart, and there's sunshine in my soul, and there's sunshine in my life, and there's sunshine in my love." Suddenly a faint glimmer of light to the left, a cock crows, a calf bawls a dog bays, a pig grunts, and a hen clucks; the light grows brighter and our guide comes towards us telling us to retrace our steps to the right of the light. "This is made of the light shining through an aperture formed by the jutting rocks." There the rule fell upon his body, and the ceiling down steep steps, and clambering so low that we are warned to keep your "heads down," and not to wet your backs getting up. Going on, we get a drink from Richardson's Spring. Retracing our steps, we cross the "Bridge of Sighs over Bottomless Pit, through the main cave at Giant's Grotto. Entering the main cave at Giant's Grotto, we soon reach the entrance. Here the effect is fine. The light from the outside shines into the tunnel. The dream of our childhood is realized. We have seen Mammoth Cave. R. H. L.

His Life Crushed Out. Edward Bortner, aged 14 years, son of Mr. Louis Bortner, a farmer near Miller's Station, on the B. & H. Division, W. M. R. R., this county, met with a horrible death on Wednesday evening. The youth and his father had been plowing in a field, about a quarter of a mile from the barn, and at sundown unhitched their teams. Edward mounted one of the mules, which he had hitched to the plow, and in the attempt to hand his son a pitcher to carry.

The animal became unmanageable, and the youth attempted to jump off, but in doing so his foot caught in a trace and he was dragged through a piece of new ground, full of stumps, snags and roots, to the barnyard gate. There the mule fell upon his body, and, if any life remained, crushed it out of the torn and lacerated form of the unfortunate youth. When he was slowly moved under the prostrate animal he was lifeless, and his body was crushed almost out of human semblance.

THE MAMMOTH CAVE.

A Side Trip from Nashville to C. E. Convention. From our earliest childhood, when we first heard of the world-famed caverns in Kentucky, it has been our ambition to visit them. We have had the honor of our Creator. Bidding adieu to our kind friends and entering at Belmont College, we were soon sojourning in the Mammoth Cave and into old Kentucky. We passed through some beautiful level country, but as we neared the cave, the aspect changed, the country became wild and rugged, and in our opinion, not very fertile.

Arriving at the Mammoth Cave Hotel, we were informed we could not enter the cave for several days. This was a considerable disappointment, for it meant the loss of our train, and a night at the cave, unless we could make some other arrangement. Our plans were finally adjusted, not particularly satisfactorily, but to the best of our ability. After a very good dinner, a party of sixty-nine persons, with Mr. John S. Fulton, secretary of the Lunacy Commission, will take steps for the purpose of having the condition and surroundings of some of the inmates improved. The insane in the institution are under the jurisdiction of the Lunacy Commission, and that body, it is stated, will also give the matter consideration. Dr. Fulton stated that some of the insane, of whom there are about ten, were found in a filthy condition, with surroundings, in some cases, not fit for animals. They were indications of neglect of the welfare of the insane inmates, lack of cleanliness, sickening odors and other objectionable features in that line, which, he contended, should not be tolerated for a moment among human beings. When the keeper was spoken to, the secretary stated that he did not seem to remember that any such indications of what they should be. Staples for chairs were found in some of the rooms, but the keeper of the almshouse said that they were no longer used. A man who should have received some medical attention was also found in a neglected condition. Complaint had been made to the state authorities in connection with the institution.

Our road lay down a steep rocky incline, and the mules, which were provided with smoky lamps without any chimneys. One lamp for every two persons. They reminded one of the lamps used in the mines. Down the steep flight of stone steps, and through a door at its foot we went, and into the cave. Just as we enter the cave, we are met by a large crowd of people, and after we are fairly inside the air is dry and pleasant. The temperature of the cave is 54° the year around. While we are waiting for our seats, some one suggests we say some C. E. hymns, and repeat the Lord's prayer. It seems a strange place for divine services, but the early Christians worshipped in "caves and holes in the ground."

During the war of 1812, the saltpetre, used in the manufacture of the ammunition, was obtained from the Mammoth cave. The old saltpetre works are still to be seen; also the long wooden pipes, by which the water was carried into the cave. Some of the authorities have the idea of opening up the cave for the purpose of carrying tourists. All along the main cavern, there are large boulders, many of which have been erected by visitors as memorials to the different states, famous men, societies, &c. Having been told that the cave was not to be opened, we turned back, and found a stone thereon, and felt proud we were Marylanders.

After passing the pillar of Hercules we entered the Chamber of Echoes. Several couples have been married here. The first to choose such a weird place for a marriage, was a young girl who had promised her mother never to marry until she had "trod the earth." After the Bride Chamber comes the Hornet's Nest, which, our guide tells us, are always "sure to follow marriage." The stars are shining brightly, and the stars are shining brightly, and the stars are shining brightly.

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A little farther on we are told to keep quiet, and to be patient. "Water-closets." Sure enough through the stillness comes the rhythmic "tick-tock," made by the dropping of water behind the curtain. An immense mass of rock, upon which our guide throws a bunch of fire. A short distance farther, and the cave makes a sharp turn to the right, and we are in a room two stories high, once the home of some consumptives, who thought the dry atmosphere of the cave would cure them. Some of them never saw the light of day again, whilst the others soon followed them.

The next place of interest is the Star Chamber, in which our guide tells us to look for him at "sunrise." As we last night had a very dark night, we were all in the dark, so deep, so intense, we can almost feel it. Softly a sweet voice begins to sing, "There's sunshine in my heart, and there's sunshine in my soul, and there's sunshine in my life, and there's sunshine in my love." Suddenly a faint glimmer of light to the left, a cock crows, a calf bawls a dog bays, a pig grunts, and a hen clucks; the light grows brighter and our guide comes towards us telling us to retrace our steps to the right of the light. "This is made of the light shining through an aperture formed by the jutting rocks." There the rule fell upon his body, and the ceiling down steep steps, and clambering so low that we are warned to keep your "heads down," and not to wet your backs getting up. Going on, we get a drink from Richardson's Spring. Retracing our steps, we cross the "Bridge of Sighs over Bottomless Pit, through the main cave at Giant's Grotto. Entering the main cave at Giant's Grotto, we soon reach the entrance. Here the effect is fine. The light from the outside shines into the tunnel. The dream of our childhood is realized. We have seen Mammoth Cave. R. H. L.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE. Of our teacher, Elder Benjamin Fleagle, whose early death was so happily in the years of maturity, our guiding principles. He was devoted to the interests of his children, and his instructions were aimed to keep them from the interests of his children, and his instructions were aimed to keep them from the interests of his children.

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COUNTY ALMSHOUSE.

The Insane Department in a Fiftly Plight. The following report of the condition of our county almshouse, taken from a recent issue of the American, is a horrifying revelation to the citizens of our county, though this condition was known to exist, to a few, who have tried in vain, heretofore, to have it improved. The fault for the keeping of this department in its deplorable condition should be properly placed, and commensurate punishment meted out. Surely, our taxpayers pay sufficient money to properly and decently care for our paupers and insane, and it should be the business of every humane citizen to demand that the institution in question be a credit, and not a disgrace, to our county.

Dr. John S. Fulton, secretary of the State Board of Health, who visited the Carroll county almshouse, on Monday, with Mr. George Engler, of the Lunacy Commission, will take steps for the purpose of having the condition and surroundings of some of the inmates improved. The insane in the institution are under the jurisdiction of the Lunacy Commission, and that body, it is stated, will also give the matter consideration. Dr. Fulton stated that some of the insane, of whom there are about ten, were found in a filthy condition, with surroundings, in some cases, not fit for animals. They were indications of neglect of the welfare of the insane inmates, lack of cleanliness, sickening odors and other objectionable features in that line, which, he contended, should not be tolerated for a moment among human beings. When the keeper was spoken to, the secretary stated that he did not seem to remember that any such indications of what they should be. Staples for chairs were found in some of the rooms, but the keeper of the almshouse said that they were no longer used. A man who should have received some medical attention was also found in a neglected condition. Complaint had been made to the state authorities in connection with the institution.

OPHANS' COURT PROCEEDINGS. MONDAY, AUG. 1st, 1898.—Last will and testament of Emily C. Weant, admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted unto Aaron Weant, Lydia, John F. and George E. Warner, executors of Henry F. Warner, returned inventories of personal property and money, list of debts and additional list of debts, and received orders to sell real estate and stocks, and to notify creditors.

Susannah Sterner, executrix of John H. Sterner, returned inventory of personal property, and received order to notify creditors.

George W. Hare, executor of Leah Zimmerman, returned inventories of personal property and money, received order to transfer stock, list of debts and settled first and final account.

Jonas D. and William H. Meyer, executors of William Meyer, returned inventory of personal property, and received order to sell personal property and to notify creditors.

James H. Myers, administrator of Julia A. Myers, returned inventories of personal property and money, list of debts, and received orders to notify creditors and to sell personal property.

Letters of administration on the estate of Margaret Reaver, deceased, granted unto John T. Reaver and Charles A. Reaver.

TUESDAY, AUG. 2nd, 1898.—Charles W. Bowersox, executor of Susannah Bowersox, returned inventory of personal property and received orders to sell real estate, personal property and to notify creditors.

Last will and testament of William T. Wagner, admitted to probate, and letters testamentary granted to Alice I. Wagner and Frank H. Wagner.

Carrie E. Harner, administratrix of Hanson O. Harner, settled first and final account.

Last will and testament of Margaret Meier, deceased, admitted to probate.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

All communications for the RECORD must be signed by the writer's own name; not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence that the matter and facts transmitted are legitimate and correct. Items of a miscellaneous character are not wanted.

Uniontown. Miss Mary Fowler and her niece, Miss Mabel Fussell, of New York, are visiting Mr. E. Lee Ebb's family.

Miss Lizzie Stouch, of Westminster, is a guest of Mr. Harry Weaver's family.

Mrs. Luther Kemp spent Wednesday with her parents, at Double Pipe Creek.

Mrs. Lillie Fleming, of Baltimore, spent several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Harbaugh, Misses Edna Fleming and Lola Houck, of Baltimore, are also visiting them.

Mr. Alvin Shaw, of Hagerstown, spent part of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw, at the east end of town.

On Sunday the following persons visited friends in town; Messrs Chas. Gilbert, Harry Yngling and Norman Eckard, of Baltimore.

Some of our citizens attended the Lutheran Reunion at Pen-Mar, last week.

The Misses Seigler, of Hagerstown, are visiting friends in this vicinity.

The little Misses Hester and Anna O'Meara, of Baltimore, are visiting their cousins, Misses Hornie and Minnie Hann.

Mr. George Engler, of the Middle Class, of the Theological Seminary, at Gettysburg, will preach in the Lutheran church, this Sunday morning.

Miss Novina Mehring, of Baltimore is visiting her grandmamma, Mrs. Thomas Mehling.

Mrs. Mary Charlton, of Baltimore, was a guest at Dr. J. J. Weaver's, Tuesday.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart Ziles was interred in Pipe Creek cemetery, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. John Spenser and son, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. Harrison Weaver's family.

A child of Mr. James Dickensheets died Tuesday evening, from poisoning caused by chewing a piece of heavily printed calico. Dr. Luther Kemp rendered medical aid. The child suffered intensely.

Mrs. Holiday, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her brother, Mr. Marshall G. Shaw, at Black Oak Springs.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. George Harman was interred in the Church of God cemetery, on Thursday.

Mrs. Clotworthy Rodkey and daughter Ruby, spent several days this week with Mr. John Stoner's family.

Mrs. Annie Diehl, of Wilmington, Del., is visiting Mr. George Eckenrode's family at Happy Home.

HARNEY. Last Sunday morning, about 4 o'clock, Mrs. Henry Long, died at her home in Mt. Joy Township; interment took place at St. Mark's church, on Monday afternoon. Mrs. Long was in her 78th year. She leaves an aged husband to mourn her loss.

About the same time, on Sunday morning, Mrs. Joseph Miller, of Mt. Joy Township, suddenly dropped over and died in a few minutes. She leaves an aged husband and large family to mourn her loss; interment took place on Tuesday morning, at St. Luke's church. Mrs. Miller was in her 77th year.

On last Friday morning, some of the machinery at the creamery got out of fix, and the company had to send off for repairs, which are very slow about coming, and consequently our farmers were compelled to skim their own milk. This has caused a loss to the company as well as the patrons. For a long time one of the separators has been out of repair, and until for use, and might have been fixed long ago, but was carelessly left lie. Had the company gone to work and had the necessary repairs made, there would have been no occasion for this long stop and great inconvenience to our farmers. We are told that there will soon be a creamery started at Barlow; so look out, for a great many of the people may make a change, if it does not move along all on its own.

On next Saturday, Aug. 13th, the Sunday schools of this place will hold their annual picnic. This is generally a big day for Harney, and the present indications are that this year the program will come up to the usual standard.

Mr. Harry Myers informs us that his company sails for Port Rico this Thursday morning, while we believe the war to be nearly over, Harry may still get to see a little of the fun.

On Wednesday night, Mr. Jonas Mehring's out-house was destroyed by fire. Just how the fire originated is not known, but we are informed that they had washed on Tuesday, but supposed that they had put all of the fire out, and on Wednesday they put in a lot of chips, so as to be

HOME CIRCLE

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Hello! Hello!

Hello! What has become of all the "Aunts" and other contributors to the Home Circle? Are they harvesting a crop of ideas for use in cooler weather, or were they so exhausted by past efforts, that there's nothing more to tell? If the latter, for goodness sake let's have some "raw recruits"—some volunteers to take the place of "regulars"—because, this most interesting department should not be allowed to adjourn itself indefinitely. We call for the year and days.—Ed.

Conundrums.

(For the Home Circle.)

Now, dear reader, while I speak of conundrums, I am not in a numerous mood, but I am glad to know that progression is a fact, for I notice that an ex-minister remarks off-hand, that it would be a matter of greatest importance to mankind if some method could be devised to teach people to think. They must be educated before enlightenment can ensue, for ignorance is the prime cause of apathy. Affirmation is nothing without positive proof, and belief is not knowledge.

If people thought, they would wonder why the money lender should be so pompous, and demand worshipful awe, because the man who hires money to develop some business employment for himself, and mayhap, for others, is a greater benefactor of society than the miserly millionaire.

If women thought about the matter where would they find the difference between, Madam, who, in financial straits, opens her mortgaged parlors to a few fashionable summer boarders, and the cook and chamber-maids, who make her undertaking a success.

Are there any real stairs leading up to the instructor in schools, or down to the faithful janitor who keeps everything tidy and comfortable for the pupils?

Are the engineers of life great business enterprises of really more importance than the stokers, brakemen, switchmen and flagmen of the corporations?

Teach people to think, and then, labor would be king, instead of tinkling metal, welding the sceptre. It is the broad muscular shoulders of the yemen element, that moves the world. It is the large strong hands of the toiler, which holds the lever of material prosperity. Education, thought, is the fulcrum—firm invincible—on which that lever should rest.

Why do not the worker-bees in humanity's hive, learn of nature in the honey-bee, and astraddle the drones?

Why do not people think that no one with sound mental faculties, can afford the time to become rich? Why spend all one's better days to acquire a coach-and-four—figuratively speaking—and then, when you have attained the coveted equipage, you must hire a lackey to boost you into it.

What is the moral status of a nation, or people, who feed 50,000 alien prisoners of war, while their own home people are starving in range of their purblind vision?

Why do not some people apply the truths of their so-called Holy Bible to such affairs? You will find a very cogent passage in that book, where it affirms that if we do not provide for our own households, we have denied the faith and are worse than infidels.

Why don't people realize that we go this way only once, and should we growl the whole way like snarling hyenas? Only last week a neighbor of mine killed himself. He left a note saying that starvation was before him and his family, and he preferred to die. Every few weeks some poor fellow's body is fished out of the bay, from the same cause as my neighbor's posthumous note gave to the public.

Why don't somebody think over the puzzle, that millions and billions, have been appropriated by the government to save starving Cubans; and our home poor—and the Cubans too—are starving, while our folks are trying to pocket a few acres of island mulattos and effervescent insurrections?

Why don't somebody try to find how it is, that if you have a quarrel with any body, and go into the street and kill them, that the law "collars" you, tries you and condemns you to be choked to death, or imprisoned for life, as the case may be, and on the other hand, an old, fictitious gentleman, called "Uncle Sam," pays a squad of soldiers thirteen dollars a month to kill men by the wholesale.

What is the difference between an assassin that kills gratis, and one that is hired to butcher? Who will solve these problems?

M. I. CUMMINGS.

Since Father's gone to war.

I'm glad this fight is going on:
It's great, I tell you that;
Just see how they've got the Don,
And the Islands that we've got!
I'm glad that Spain was sassy and that we fought her—
I'm havin' 'st a glorious time since this war.

I never mind the lawn no more,
Since father marched away;
That's done by the hired man next door,
Without a cent of pay;
The neighbors they are always bringin' in
Ice cream and donuts,
And we get the best that's goin', "for the absent soldier's sake."

I'm glad this fight is goin' on,
I hope it won't end yet,
For I am boss, since father's gone,
Around the house, you bet!
I hope that Spain won't weaken while she's
got an island,
I'm havin' 'st you'd call a snap since
father's in the war.

Cecilia Lander.

Little Stewards.

I remember, dear children, that years ago I read a very pretty story that was of use to me, and so I will rewrite it for you. It told of a little girl called Lelia, who was sometimes good and sometimes naughty, just as you are.

One day, when she was sitting in the woods, a beautiful fairy appeared to her, holding in her hand a very handsome box.

"Lelia," she said, "this box is filled with lovely, tiny fairies. There is one for each moment in the day. Every moment that you do wrong, the corresponding fairy in the box will be turned into lead. Open it each night before you go to bed, that you may see whether you have harmed any of my dear children."

Lelia could scarcely wait until bedtime, but when the lid was raised, the fairies that floated from it looked at her reproachfully, for a number of their fellows lay turned into lead upon the bottom of the box.

Night after night it was the same story; sometimes the box was very heavy with the leaden figures, and Lelia would cry herself to sleep. At last, however, after many weeks of effort, one night, as she lifted the lid, every little fairy in the box flew upward, with a sweet smile upon its face, and she realized that each moment of the day had been rightly spent.

Of course, this story is not a true one; but suppose each of my little readers had such a box, would it be light or heavy when the night came?

To speak more seriously, dear children, the time with which God has entrusted you is His time, and you are His stewards and will have to give an account to Him of it. A steward, you know, is one who has charge of the property of another, and we are taught that "it is expected of stewards that a man be found faithful."

Now, the poorest child, when it gets up in the morning, has just as long a day, with just as many hours and moments in it, as the richest prince. The question is, what do you do with the days that God has given you to use for Him?

But some of you will say, "What can we do? We cannot be missionaries, visiting the poor and sick; we have no money to give, and, besides, we have to go to school and study very hard, and so we ought to have some time to play."

Yes, you ought; God's will is that you shall make the most of the time He has given you, so that you may be able to do the work He has for you in the future, and His will is for you to play, so as to strengthen the body, which is the caskey that holds the mind. So when you study, study faithfully and when you play, play faithfully, as one of his stewards should.

"What can you mean by that?" do you ask me again? Well, on the playground you find children who cheat and are quarrelsome, always asserting themselves and determined to have their own way, and others who are honorable, yielding and self-denying. Which are the good stewards? Answer me.

Even the play time, dear children, may be redeemed and used for God when we prefer others rather than ourselves, and become peacemakers instead of peacemakers.

Remember the time is coming when the message will be sent, "Steward, give up thy stewardship; and if you have idled away God's time, or used it selfishly, what will you have to say for yourself?"

Mary and her Little Lamb.

Everybody knows the story of Mary and her little lamb, says the New York Tribune, but not every one knows that Mary E. Sawyer, who was born near Worcester, Mass., was the heroine of the poem.

When Mary was a little girl she found a new-born lamb nearly dead with hunger and cold. She tenderly nursed it back to life, and became devotedly attached to her gentle charge. The lamb was her constant companion and playmate, and was to her what a doll is to most children. For hours Mary would dress her lamb and "make believe" it was her baby. One day her brother suggested that she take the lamb to school with her. The thought so delighted Mary that she started earlier than usual for the school house, reached there before the other scholars, and put the lamb under her seat, where it lay contentedly.

When Mary's turn came for her recitations the lamb ran down the aisle after her, to the intense delight of the scholars and the surprise of the teacher. The lamb was put outside, and it waited on the doorstep for Mary and followed her home.

A young man named John Roulet, who came to be a visitor at the school, and the pathetic incident led him to compose the stanzas, which he presented to Mary. Some years after this Mary was married to Columbus Tyler.

When the lamb was old enough to shear, Mary's mother knit her two pairs of stockings of the wool, and Mrs. Tyler kept those stockings until she was eighty years old. When the "Old South Church," of Boston, was raising money she unraveled a pair of the stockings and wound the yarn on small cards upon which she wrote her autograph, and these cards were sold for upward of \$100. She died in 1889.

The Rev. W. B. Costly, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood, that state, was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life." For sale by R. S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown Md.

THE FIRST BOYCOTTER.

A New York Society Woman Who Refuses to Buy Anything From France.

Mrs. Lorillard Spencer was the first New York woman to interest herself in the French boycott. She has determined to wear only costumes made in America. Mrs. Spencer is a beautiful woman, and she has for several years been a



MRS. LORILLARD SPENCER, leader in New York and Newport societies. She is noted for her attractive frocks, and she spends much of her time in France. In fact, she has heretofore made yearly trips to Paris to buy her gowns. Mrs. Spencer is a graceful woman, with a remarkably fine figure.

To Smoke Out Mosquitoes.

London women have discovered a very agreeable way of ridding their homes of flies and mosquitoes. They burn sandalwood in the house. This is an oriental idea. In London it is possible to get a good grade of sandalwood, but here it is not so easy, as American women have not yet taken to the practice.

Sandalwood can be bought at almost any Turkish or Japanese importing house. It is prepared for burning by being first cut into a slice, and then into thin sticks and three inches long. Then it is laked or dried out in a slow oven for 24 hours. A piece of the wood is put into a metal tin, lighted and allowed to burn until well advanced, when the flame is extinguished and the red-hot ember left to smolder until all the wood is consumed and nothing is left but a heap of fine gray ashes. During the smoldering process the wood sends out a sweet and aromatic smoke.

Creasing Shoes.

"Now that the summer is again upon us," explained a shoe dealer to a Star reporter, "people are asking us how to prevent shoes from creasing, for, as you know, shoes rarely ever creak except during exceedingly dry weather or in the summer time. There are all kinds of cures for this trouble, but the simplest and best is to rub a few drops of oil on the soles, near the edges. If this doesn't stop it, the next best thing is to have a shoemaker drive a few wooden pegs in the soles. The combination of both will surely keep them quiet. Sewed shoes of the best makes often creak as much as any shoe. The oil comes from cutting the inner and outer soles. If they are not exactly the same size, they are liable to creak. Water, hot or cold, is only a temporary remedy, for the shoes are just as liable to creak as soon as they get thoroughly dry."—Washington Star.

A New Crusade.

A lecturer on ventilation points out, what everybody has known if he has thought of it, that air is more necessary than food. The body can exist longer without food, than it can deprived of air. The new crusade, according to this speaker, is to be preached in favor of ventilation. In protecting one's self against a draft it was asserted that to have a window open at the top and bottom both made a draft much less likely than to have it open at the bottom only. Also no person is to be expected to have in his or her possession or wear the wings, feathers or plumage of said bird, the fine for violation of which will be \$25.

Although the masculine pronoun is allowed in the wording of the bill, it is a blow aimed directly at the feminine. The Audubon society has gained sympathizers among the men, it seems, in its crusade against wearing bird trimmings on headgear.

To the women who have voluntarily renounced this worldly vanity, it is a pity that the bill would mean nothing, unless it might be a pleasant sensation of victory gained. But to the average woman, whose heart sinks to the toes of her dainty boots at the mere thought, it would denote a real calamity. It is a known fact among authorities on the subject, that nothing gives such an air of style to a hat as a bird or wings.—New York World.

How to Make Popcorn Pudding.

A teaspoon of popcorn made fine in a mortar, two eggs well beaten, a pinch of salt, a half cup sugar. Salt to taste.

A New Porch Chair.

A novelty in wicker furniture is a wide chair or narrow settle, as you elect to describe it.

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Wilhelmina's Dutch Heirloom.

Wilful Wilhelmina of Holland has set a fashion for serpent ornaments since her visit to Paris. But so far the French jewelers have not succeeded in imitating the superb Dutch heirloom which the young queen wore among the laces at her throat. The head of this serpent is a single large diamond cut in the proper form. The body and tail are pliant, being composed of tiny, invisible scales, and are about five inches long. They are striped with rubies and between the stripes gems of many colors form the pattern of the serpent's skin.

A Product of Good Work.

Miss Marian Cowan, a registered pharmacist of Lynn, Mass., is the only woman who has read a paper before the Pharmaceutical association. At the recent annual meeting at Greenfield she read a paper, entitled "Microscopic Examination of Kamala and Powdered Elm." H. M. Whitney of Andover, president of the National association, awarded prize to Miss Cowan and added that she was a product of the good work done at the state college of pharmacy.

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Good counsels observed are chains of grace.—Fuller.

Anger begins in folly and ends in repentance.—Pythagoras.

The absent are never without fault nor the present without excuse.—Franklin.

Action may not always bring happiness, but there is no happiness without action.—Disraeli.

We are never so ridiculous by the qualities we have as by those we affect to have.—Rochefoucauld.

He who establishes his argument by noise and command shows that his reason is weak.—Montaigne.

Propriety is a great teacher; adversity is a greater. Possession pampers the mind; privation trains and strengthens it.—Hazlitt.

All earthly delights are sweeter in expectation than in enjoyment, but all spiritual pleasures more in fruition than in expectation.—Feldham.

It is the highest of earthly honors to be descended from the great and good. They alone cry out against a noble ancestry who have none of their own.—Ben Jonson.

Natural abilities can almost compensate for the want of every kind of cultivation, but no cultivation of the mind can make up for the want of natural abilities.—Schoepfhauser.

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Spain Likely to Accept Our Terms.

MORE TROOPS FOR PORTO RICO.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The following is the official statement given out by the President as to the terms of peace offered by the United States:

The following statement is given out by the State Department today: "In order to remove any misapprehension in regard to the negotiations as to peace between the United States and Spain, it is deemed proper to say that the terms offered by the United States to Spain in the note handed to the French Ambassador on Saturday last are in substance as follows:

"The President does not now put forward any claim for pecuniary indemnity, but requires the relinquishment of all claim of sovereignty over or title to the Island of Cuba, as well as the immediate evacuation by Spain of the island; the cession to the United States and immediate evacuation of Porto Rico and other islands under Spanish sovereignty in the West Indies, and the like cession of an island in the Ladrones.

"The United States will occupy and hold the city, bay and harbor of Manila pending the conclusion of a treaty of peace, which shall determine the control, disposition and government of the Philippines.

"If these are accepted by Spain in their entirety, it is stated that commissioners will be named by the United States and the commissioners on the part of Spain for the purpose of concluding a treaty of peace on the basis above indicated."

Spain's answer to the peace terms of the United States was presented at the White House yesterday by M. Cambon, the French ambassador. It is believed that Spain does not accept all the terms offered, but is ready to agree to the main points as proposed, and that an agreement will not be long delayed.

Among the questions which, it is said, remain to be adjusted are the following: Transportation of Spanish troops from Cuba and Porto Rico.

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A Washington woman who has just returned from Omaha says that she heard the most remarkable names out there that it has ever been her fortune to come across. It belongs in the Estabrook family, and when one says Estabrook in Nebraska it is as if one said Lee in Virginia or Adams in Massachusetts. The owner of the name is a grandson of old Gen. Estabrook, the family's pioneer across the Missouri. When the child was born his parents desired to give him the names of his two grandfathers. Gen. Estabrook's name was Experience—Gen. Experience Estabrook. The other grandfather's name was Asad. It was the intention to give Gen. Estabrook's name as the first name, but at his particular request the other grandfather's name led off, and the luckless boy was actually christened Asad Experience Estabrook—Washington Post.

Salvation Army Report.

(For the Record.) Commander F. de L. Booth Tucker and his wife, Consul Booth Tucker, will arrive at Mount Airy at 3.10 p. m., next Friday, and will conduct two services the same day at the Salvation Army Camp in Wildwood Park.

The forces of the Army now in camp will be greatly augmented on Friday by large companies of soldiers and friends from Washington, Baltimore and Frederick. The entire encampment will muster at the depot to meet the distinguished leaders and escort them to the Park with music and banners.

There will be a flag raising in the park at 5.30 p. m., and Booth Tucker Day at which the Commander will deliver the address and the ceremony will be arranged by the Commander, Rev. Mr. G. W. Stinespring, the State Commander of the American Mechanics has been invited to be present and make an address. The Mount Airy Order of American Mechanics has been invited to attend in a body.

A towering pole like Cleopatra's needle is being put in position in the park that will lift the emblem of Liberty high above the trees, where it will wave in all its increasing beauty and glory, as a pride and inspiration to the thousands of its loyal supporters throughout the surrounding country.

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WAR TAX REVENUE.

Decisions of Commissioner Scott regarding the New Law.

In answer to inquiries Commissioner of Internal Revenue Scott, at Washington, has given decisions recently regarding the war tax revenue law, and copies have been furnished Collector Parlett in Baltimore. Among the decisions are the following:

Guarantee companies must affix a fifty-cent stamp to bonds issued to guarantee the fidelity of employes in addition to stamps representing one-half of a cent on each dollar charged for premium, but the law does not apply to bonds executed and delivered in Canada, unless the policy fails of being valid, except when delivered or countersigned by an agent in the United States.

Merchants who receive goods into their possession for sale on commission are not commercial brokers within the meaning of the fourth paragraph of section 2 of the act.

A stamp is required on a promissory note and also upon mortgages and trust deeds securing it. When a note or bond is given for payment of money and separate notes or bonds for the securing interest, every separate bond, including that for the principal, must be stamped. But in the case of a bond for the principal sum, with coupons attached, which are detached as interest is paid, the coupons do not need separate stamps.

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DEM BUNGSHHELLS.

An Old Darkey's Reminiscences of the Civil War.

"Dem pore boys down to Richmond is complain' de bein' hungry a' ready," said One Joe yesterday. "Ef de Lawd would jess open dey eyes an' let 'em see how much dey got now what dey ain't gwymeter have arter 'while, dey would be a heap more happier. Dey jes lek my young marster, which I went out wid him in de fust beginnin' ob de las' wah. He had ev'rythin' a man want'er eat—han, an' aigs, an' poke, an' lam, an' an' spring chicken (yum yum) an' pickle, an' wegitibles, an' all dem kin' o' things, an' he say to me, 'Joe,' I say, 'Sur,' he say, 'Joe, I hongry,' I say, 'Hucue yer hongry, Marse Jimmie, when yo' got 'nuff dar to feed a fambly?' He say, 'I don' wan' none ob dem d—d things.' Marse Jeems, was mity apt ter use powerful minisnewat'n' lawtcher. I say, 'Marse Jimmie, I know wat's de matted wid you—yer don' wan' no wittles, yer want ter see yer ma at de eend ob de table an' yer pa at dat eend, an' yer sister settin' rite ober dar, an' yo' a settin' rite ober heah, an' den yer wants to go down ter mammy's cabin an' git some ob dem good ole ashekan, an' chittlins, an' swee'taters, an' potlicker—dat's 'zactly what her want. He say, 'Joe,' I say, 'Sur,' he say, 'Go to de deoble 'an' he went 'tarin' ob down de woods lek he want'er kill ebry Yankee in re Nevvited States. An' dat's what de mated wid dem boys in Richmond."

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"Oh, yaas, sir—was in de fust battle ob Manassas. Dem Yankees come ober dar mount'ous uppity an' 'gun ter ding dem bungshells 'round dar premises 'ous, an' Marse Jimmie he tole me ter git to de 'ar, an' jess den dey let of de Long Tom rite to'ard us, an' I pick up my foot in my hoes' an' an' com' 'way fom dar. Fokes 'long de road want'er know what I runnin' so for. I tole 'em Marse Jimmie den sent me home fer a clean shirt, fer he 'spec' he need one after he done mess hisself up killin' dem Yankees. I nudder stopped oberwell I git ter Charls'ville, an' I said de old man, lookin' furtively around, as if expectin' ter hear "dem bungshells" again. "I ain't done runnin' good yet."—Philadelphia Times.

There are no less than eight avowed candidates for the republican Congressional nomination in the Sixth district.

About one month ago my child, which is fifteen months old, had an attack of diarrhea accompanied by vomiting. I gave it such remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as nothing gave relief, we sent for a physician and it was under his care for a week. At this time the child had been sick for about ten days and was having about twenty-five operations of the bowels every twelve hours, and we were convinced that unless it soon obtained relief it would not live. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was recommended, and I decided to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better, by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy.—C. L. Boggs, Stump-ton, Gilmer Co., W. Va. For sale by R. S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

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FOR YOUNG FOLKS.

A BOY WITH DEWEY.

Frank L. Morse, the Youngest Seaman in the Manila Fight.

Frank L. Morse, an Oakland lad of 13 years, claims the proud distinction of being the youngest seaman of the victorious fleet at Manila. The boy is credited with a good many exploits. Mrs. F. Morse of this city, is thinking Providence that her brave little sailor boy passed through his thrilling experiences unscathed. Frank is a second class apprentice on the Baltimore, the ship which led the second attack against the Spanish fleet. Mrs. Morse did not hear directly from her son until a few days ago. The letter bubbled with boyish enthusiasm over the great engagement. He described the now oft told story of the battle, and added: "This is the greatest adventure I shall ever have. No idea when I shall return. I am all right and healthy as ever."

Young Morse had been working in an Oakland dry goods store as errand boy, but tired of the work, and after much pressure his mother consented to his entering the navy. He went to Honolulu to the Bennington and was subsequently transferred to the Baltimore in time to pass through "the greatest adventure of his life."—San Francisco Examiner.

Little Brother.

Little Brother's just a darlint Guess you'd think so too! If you came to our house you'd find him in my arms. An' his dimples I can see. Just sits in his carriage, An' his dimples I can see. Reaches out for all his toys, His rubber doll an' things.

Boys in New York.

Boys at heart are very generous and helpful to one another. There are several streets in the more crowded districts where there is enough slope for coasting and where the pavement is of asphalt. They are the great favorites, as may be supposed, to the owners of roller skates. Of the crowds ofurchins who utilize them only about one-half own skates, so to dem d—d things! Marse Jeems, was mity apt ter use powerful minisnewat'n' lawtcher. I say, 'Marse Jimmie, I know wat's de matted wid you—yer don' wan' no wittles, yer want ter see yer ma at de eend ob de table an' yer pa at dat eend, an' yer sister settin' rite ober dar, an' yo' a settin' rite ober heah, an' den yer wants to go down ter mammy's cabin an' git some ob dem good ole ashekan, an' chittlins, an' swee'taters, an' potlicker—dat's 'zactly what her want. He say, 'Joe,' I say, 'Sur,' he say, 'Go to de deoble 'an' he went 'tarin' ob down de woods lek he want'er kill ebry Yankee in re Nevvited States. An' dat's what de mated wid dem boys in Richmond."

She Was There.

A little 5-year-old girl attended a children's party last week, and as it was one of her earliest ventures in the small world of fashion the circumstance was invested by her with corresponding importance, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. It was not so with a 12-year-old acquaintance of hers, however, to whom children's parties had come to be ranked in the list of rather onerous social obligations, and a few days later when she met the little 5-year-old she remarked, "I did not see you at the party at Mrs. M.'s."

A Bright Thought.

"I wonder if I snored," said Ethel. "Why do you lie awake some night and listen?" asked her big brother. "Pshaw!" said Ethel, scornfully, "if I should lie awake I wouldn't snore, of course. I suppose though," she added, thoughtfully, "I might wake up suddenly and listen for the echo."

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STAGE GLINTS. Ernest Krans was the principal tenor at the late Cologne festival.

Anna Miller, the manager of the Chicago Symphony orchestra, is in London. Melba has been in Paris for three weeks and is due in London within the next few days.

Helen Bertram, the prima donna with the soprano Bellini, who has lately made a great success in Alceste, opera, at the manager of the Chicago Symphony orchestra, is in London.

Boston has a rumor that George W. Chadwick will be the next conductor of the Handel and Haydn society.

Puccini's next opera, at which he is now working, has Marie Antoinette's life for a plot and is to be in five acts.

Max Bruch's latest secular oratorio, "Gustavus Adolphus," has been performed at Barren under the direction of the composer.

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Sembrich has on account of her success in Vienna been secured for the court opera season next year for several "guest" appearances.

The orchestra at the Cologne festival consisted of 150. There were 99 string instruments, and it had a peculiar balance with 10 oboes, 8 bassoons and 8 trumpets.

Perosi has written an oratorio, "The Resurrection of Lazarus." The scenario has five solo parts—Mary, Martha, Jesus, the historian and a servant. It is soon to be produced in Venice.

HORSES AND DRIVERS.

Doug Thomas has eight colts in his stable, all by Baron Wilkes. Dr. Carver, by Atlantic King, was worked a mile this year in 2:12. Red Star, 2:13 1/4, is reported to be showing quarters in 32 seconds; halves in 1:05 1/4.

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