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DIRECTORY FOR FREDERICK COUNTY.

Circuit Court.
Chief Judge.—Hon. John Ritchie.
Associate Judges.—Hon. John T. Vinson and Hon. John A. Lynch.
State's Attorney.—Frank C. Norwood.
Clerk of the Court.—W. Irving Parsons.

Orphan's Court.

Judges.—John T. Lowe, John H. Keller, Benjamin G. Fitzhugh.
Register of Wills.—Hamilton Lindsay.
County Commissioners.—J. Hiram Taylor, Elias Gaver, Wm. H. Lakin, James U. Lawson, Cephas M. Thomas.

Sheriff.

Luther C. Berry.

Tax Collector.

Wm. Baughman.

Surveyor.

William H. Hillery.

School Commissioners.

Samuel Dutrow, Herman L. Routhahn, David D. Thomas, E. R. Zimmerman, Jas. W. Condon.

Examiner.

F. R. Neighbors.

Emmitsburg District.

Justices of the Peace.—Henry Stokes, Jas. Knouff, I. M. Fisher, Jas. F. Hickey.

Registrar.

E. S. Tandy.

Constables.

Wm. H. Ashbaugh, Joseph C. Rosensteel.

School Trustees.

Joseph Waddles, Joseph A. Baker, C. T. Zacharias.

Burgess.

William H. Hillery.

Town Commissioners.

Daniel Sheets, Oscar D. Fraley, Daniel Lawrence, Joseph Snouffer, Michael Hoke, Lewis D. Cook.

Town Constable.

William H. Ashbaugh.

Tax Collector.

John F. Hopp.

Western Maryland Rail Road.

On and after Sunday, June 19, 1887, passenger trains on this road will run as follows:

PASSENGER TRAINS LEAVE WEST.

STATIONS.	Mall.	Pass.	Est M.
Hillien Station	8:00	4:00	4:00
Union Station, Baltimore	8:05	4:05	4:05
Penna. Avenue	8:10	4:10	4:10
Mechanistown	8:12	4:12	4:12
Arlington	8:25	4:22	4:22
Hill Hope	8:28	4:26	4:26
Edgemont	8:32	4:30	4:30
Owings Mills	8:47	4:46	4:46
Linton	8:52	4:51	4:51
Gettysburg	9:12	5:11	5:11
Westminster	9:44	5:43	5:43
New Windsor	10:06	5:59	6:04
Lindwood	10:12	6:05	6:05
Union Bridge	10:17	6:11	6:11
Frederick Junction	10:27	6:23	6:23
Frederick	11:23	7:19	7:19
Double Pipe Creek	10:39	6:36	6:36
Rock Ridge	10:39	6:36	6:36
Waynesboro	10:43	6:40	6:40
Loys	10:43	6:40	6:40
Graceham	10:47	6:44	6:44
Mechanistown	11:02	6:59	6:59
Sabillasville	11:12	7:09	7:09
Blue Ridge Summit	11:22	7:18	7:18
Frederick	11:23	7:19	7:19
Blue Mountain	11:31	7:29	7:33
Waynesboro	11:31	7:29	7:33
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KILPATRICK LAID TO REST.

At early morning yesterday people began to gather around the City Hall to pay their last respects to the remains of the late General H. Judson Kilpatrick, whose body was lying in state in the Governor's room.

The pall-bearers were General R. A. Alger; ex-Governor of Michigan; General William Jewett, John Loomis, Esq., (representing his native county of Sussex, N. J.) Gen. H. W. Slocum.

At about 9 o'clock the members of Kilpatrick Post, G. A. R., had assembled in full force, and Major Green had provided a horse to carry the accoutrements and reversed boots of the late cavalry leader.

It had been the intention to march up Broadway to and around Union Square and thence down Fifth avenue and Canal street to the Desbrosses street ferry, with a drum corps and full band of music.

General W. T. Sherman, however, altered the programme. The horse was not allowed in the procession and the only music permitted was that of the fife and muffled drum. The line of march was also much shortened, extending only from the City Hall down Broadway to Cortland street and the ferry at its foot.

The procession left the hall shortly before 10 o'clock, the body having previously been placed in the hearse which stood in waiting, by six of the comrades. At its head marched the Kilpatrick Post with crape on their arms, and their ensign draped and tied to the staff with a black ribbon, with reversed arms, followed by the drum corps beating their muffled drums.

After them came the hearse, drawn by two black horses with draped trimmings, six members of the post in full uniform and reversed arms marched on either side. Then came three coaches containing the mourners and pall bearers. In the first were the widow, her sister and General Sherman, while behind them marched forty members of Dahlgren Post, G. A. R.

After crossing the ferry the remains were placed on a special train provided by the West Shore Railroad Company and conveyed to West Point to be placed in the military cemetery there in compliance with the general's last wish.—N. Y. Star, Oct. 19th.

THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD ESTABLISH A TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.

The Richmond State, as will be seen by the extracts from an editorial printed elsewhere, joins the Herald in urging the government to establish a telegraph system, because the people of the whole country will be greatly benefited thereby.

Government ownership would by no means be the best thing if we were perfectly free to choose, but it is the best if not the only thing we are now situated. If the telegraph business were open to all comers and there was a healthy competition the people would be well served and there would be no reason for complaint.

The State is right in saying that the Herald does not suggest that the government shall buy out the little wizard of Wall street, "a consummation which that arch speculator would most devoutly wish." The Herald's plan is to let the Western Union alone. Then if any competition arises between the government and a private corporation the people will have the benefit of it. There is room enough for both systems.

The time is ripe for a movement of this kind. It is a public necessity, for it will give us uniform rates.—N. Y. Herald.

The value of property annually destroyed throughout the world by fire is put at \$100,000,000.

THE CAMPAIGN.

Thus far the controversy for the offices has been comparatively quiet, except in Baltimore City, where the conflict has degenerated into one of personal abuse. This may be attributed to the situation of things in that locality. The opposition to the dominant party has long been in the minority, and all attempts to overcome the inconvenience of that position, have been in vain.

It seems to be in the nature of things, that popular elections shall call forth the most unworthy spirit and disposition in those engaged in them. This has ever been the case and it may be expected to continue in the future. The hope of gain, the desire for power, and the ambition to succeed in given projects, cause men to stoop at times to the most unworthy arts, even to the degrading depths of defamation in the hope thereby to reach their ends.

Both parties have professedly placed their worthiest men before the people as candidates for their votes. Many run and but few are chosen, the presumption is therefore that in submitting their claims to honorable contest, the principle of honor will rule, and those who are defeated will yield in manly submission to the verdict of those to whom they have appealed.

We hope the canvass may proceed on this basis to its close and may not develop cause for vain and unavailing regrets.

BURIED IN THE RUINS.

On Tuesday another of those accidents which too often send thrills of horror through the readers of the daily press occurred in New York. A building partially completed and intended for a parochial school, fell with a tremendous crash burying the workmen under the ruins five men were killed, thirteen were injured and others possibly in the ruins. Rev. Father Kirner, who was superintending the work, was precipitated from the roof, and therefore was on the top of the debris, was badly bruised and shaken up and received internal injuries from which he may die.

The statue in Bronze of Major General George Gordon Meade was unveiled in Fairmont Park, Philadelphia on Tuesday.

It is an imposing bronze statue of colossal size, and represents General Meade reining in his horse sharply on the slope of a hill acknowledging a salute, hat in hand. The posture of the horse and rider while saluting is graceful and easy, in pleasant contrast to the strained and unnatural positions denoted in statuary in other parts of the park.

A STATEMENT prepared at the Treasury Department shows that during September there was a net increase of \$33,350,375 in circulation, and a net increase of \$7,264,136 in cash in the Treasury.

THE CIVIL-SERVICE COMMISSION COSTS.

The correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says:—"It is said that the civil-service commission are beginning to find competitive examinations for promotion unexpectedly extravagant business so far as the item of stationery is concerned. Comparatively few of this class of examinations have been held, yet the amount of paper, pens and ink already consumed has struck terror to the heart of the clerk in charge of the commission's allowance of stationery, and this, together with other expenditures on the part of the commissioners, will necessitate an appeal to Congress for a deficiency appropriation. In view of the notoriety the commission has obtained recently, there is a fear on their part that there may be enough anti-civil-service members in the next Congress to stifle their appeal for an increased appropriation.

During the absence of the President from Washington several of the White House officials have availed themselves of the opportunity to take a run out of town and recuperate for the busy season. Persons employed at the Executive Mansion are usually the recipients of considerable attention, and are applied with numerous questions concerning the official and personal characteristics of the President and his wife. In country towns and villages the White House official sometimes finds it difficult to make his hearers believe him when he states that the President is always accessible to business callers at certain hours of the day, and that on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays he walks into the East Room alone and shakes hands with all there assembled.

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WHITE HOUSE FURNITURE.

The doors of the White House are daily thrown open from 10 A. M. until 2 P. M., and visitors are allowed the privilege of inspecting the improvements made in the state apartments during the absence of the President and Mrs. Cleveland. Beyond the putting down of new carpets in the East Room and Blue Parlor but few changes have been made in the presidential residence since last winter. Several new pieces of furniture have been added to the East Room collections, making the contrast between the new and the old plush-covered chairs rather conspicuous. The same old faded Nile green plush-covered furniture remains in the Green Parlor. The gilding on the furniture in the Blue Parlor is positively unsightly, and great chips have been knocked off. The blue satin canvas with which the furniture in this room is covered is worn and soiled to such an extent that visitors frequently declare that such furnishings in the President's mansion are a disgrace to the American people.

THE MEMORIAL BY MR. GEO. W. CHILDS TO SHAKESPEARE AT STRATFORD-ON-AVON WAS INAUGURATED ON MONDAY LAST, amid great enthusiasm by the immense crowds present, and with imposing ceremonies at the dedication. The gift consists of a fountain presented to Stratford, if being one of the most artistic in the world.

AFTER all the gloomy suggestions in regard to the German Crown Prince's condition, a London despatch of the 18th inst., says: "Dr. Morell McKenzie declares that the German Crown Prince's condition is excellent.

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small portion of the surplus now locked up in the vaults of the Treasury Department is expended in the construction of a new presidential mansion or in improving and beautifying the present structure.

The private apartments of the President and Mrs. Cleveland, on the second floor, have received but little, if any, improvements during the house-cleaning period. The carpets and furniture in the sleeping apartments are the same that have been in use during the past three years, although the paint work and the surroundings indicate that an expert housekeeper has been at work while the mistress of the house is sightseeing in the West and South.

REFINED COURTESY.

A refined courtesy of manner is one of the works of a highly-bred and cultivated person. It is the outcome of a kindly heart and considerate feelings, but it is also something more than this. It is the ease of conscious dignity—an expression of an intellect sure of its own position, and standing without need of self-assertion or conceit.

It has in it the element of endurance, for none but those to whom the minor troubles of life are trifles indeed can be courteous under the mosquitoes' bites of physical and mental annoyances, without outwardly being ruffled and disturbed. It implies the most perfect self-control lest one be thrown from his equipoise by sudden and unlooked-for surprises.

And it is in its most perfect form the exotic flower of the highest civilization, which it has taken generations of wealth and sterling virtue to produce. It can not be counterfeited nor reproduced except by inherited growth, or by grafting on wild stock of firm and vigorous fiber. But once started in its cultivation it will repay the most generous outlay of time and rich feeding, helpful alike to both owner and beholder.—Christian at Work.

THE PROPHECY CORRECTED.

Mr. Chauncey Depew, President of the New York Central Railroad was interviewed at St. Louis recently, the interview as telegraphed predicted a collapse of the real estate boom, and great financial disaster, and it created a great sensation in Wall street as well as over the country, generally. The following however is given as the corrected statement of what he did say: "There is no more danger of a panic than there is of an earthquake in this depot. The earnings of the railroads, which are, I think, as correct a criterion of prosperity as exists, are at present on the Vanderbilt system simply magnificent, and from what I can see and learn they are equally good on most of the railroads of the country. Business prosperity is at present established on the best foundation, and I can see no contingencies that may arise to shake it. Industrial establishments are thriving this year as never before, commerce is active and strong, and the business interests of the country are in a healthy and vigorous condition." The Country can now prepare for Thanksgiving Day.

ON Tuesday, Atlanta, Ga., held its grand welcome to the President and his party. Mr. Henry W. Grady delivered the address of welcome, and the President replied in his usual strain of well timed and pertinent utterances. It is refreshing to note that his speeches everywhere are altogether of a practical character, entirely free from any political party allusions.

THE President and his party are expected to return to Washington Saturday morning.

GEORGE W. CHILDS'S GIFT.

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POLITICS have grown so lively in New York City, that the papers there have left those of Baltimore to their own devices.

MR. CHARLES DICKENS, son of the novelist has arrived in New York. He will give readings from his father's works.

THE Western Union Telegraph Company has taken possession of the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph property.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Do you suffer with catarrh? You can be cured if you take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier. Sold by all druggists.

MEXICO which reported only about five hundred miles of railroad in 1880, now has about seven times that extent, mostly owned and operated by Americans.

NEAR the close of the Illinois Legislature a law was passed prohibiting the marriage of first cousins. It has called out many protests. The Chicago Tribune prints interviews with a number of physicians who say that it is an absurd piece of legislation.

A BIG blunder in Brooklyn, caused the registration of thirty seven thousand citizens on the wrong day and it may result in throwing out that number of names then registered. The law required the work to be done on Tuesday of next week, whereas it was done this week. The question is will there be another registration?

THE Stuart Monument Association has purchased a granite shaft with which to mark the spot near Yellow Tavern where Gen. J. E. B. Stuart fell, May 11, 1864, while repelling an attack of Sheridan's cavalry. The inscription to be put on the shaft was yesterday determined upon, and the monument will shortly be placed in position with appropriate ceremonies.

THERE is a man of Indian descent, named Pickett Nelson, living in Essex county, who is a veritable giant, being over seven feet in height and weighing three hundred and forty pounds. His outstretched arms measure seven feet four inches from his finger tips; from his wrist to the end of his middle finger is twelve inches. His foot is fourteen and a half inches long, and he wears a No. 18 shoe, his lasts being necessarily hand-made. He can lift easily five hundred pounds, is about twenty-five years old, is quiet and even diffident in manner, and works at a sawmill in Essex.

ONE of the most disastrous storms ever known on the southern coast of Mexico occurred on the 7th and 8th inst. The city of Quileton, a town of more than 8,000 people, was totally destroyed and many lives lost. Telegrams give accounts of most affecting scenes, many women, children and men, floundering in the stormy current and crying for help which was not at hand. No particulars are obtainable, as the wires are down. Dispatches state the supposition is that there were a number of wrecks in the gulf, but the facts cannot be ascertained. Later dispatches to the Associated Press report the entire coffee and orange crop in Sinola destroyed.

THE Grimsley saddle used by Gen. Grant in all the battles from Fort Henry, Tenn., in February, 1862, to the battles about Petersburg, ending in the surrender of Lee's Army at Appomattox on April 9, 1865, has been presented to the National Museum by Col. A. H. Mardland, to whom it was given in August, 1865. It has for fifteen years been exhibited at the Dayton Soldiers' Home in Ohio. The saddle is what is known as an "officer's" saddle, and is in an excellent state of preservation. The breast-strap, crupper-strap, and martingal are all attached, and when mounted on a wooden frame and ready to be placed in its case the pistol holsters will be hung over the pommel of the saddle.

The Oft Told Story

Of the peculiar medicinal merits of Hood's Sarsaparilla is fully confirmed by the voluntary testimony of thousands who have tried it. Result in the combination, proportion, and preparation of its ingredients, peculiar in the extreme case with which it is put up, Hood's Sarsaparilla accomplishes cures where other preparations entirely fail. As needed in the unequalled good name it has made at home, which is a "tower of strength abroad," peculiar in the phenomenal sales it has attained.

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is the most popular and successful medicine before the public today for purifying the blood, giving strength, creating an appetite, "I suffered from weakness and low spirits, and also had eczema on the back of my head and neck, which was very annoying. I took one bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I have received so much benefit that I am very grateful, and I am always glad to speak a good word for this medicine." Mrs. J. S. Snyder, Pottsville, Penn.

Purifies the Blood

Henry Biggs, Campbell Street, Kansas City, had scrofulous sores all over his body for fifteen years. Hood's Sarsaparilla completely cured him.

Wallace Buck, of North Bloomfield, N. Y., suffered eleven years with a terrible varicose ulcer on his leg, so bad that he had to give up business. He was cured of the ulcer, and also of catarrh, by

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The canners of New Jersey have estimated that the pack of this season will be nearly as large as last year; 17,400,000 cans were put up, or one-third the production of the United States. The warm weather continuing, there are now fears of a glut. Early in September it was announced that there would be but few tomatoes canned because of the scald produced by the drought and hot sun of August. The late tomatoes are doing well, and the canneries are kept up to high pressure in Salem and Burlington counties. The canners purchased tomatoes this year by contract, taking the entire crop and paying by the ton. It has been calculated that on the average each man who attains the age of three score and ten consumes during the course of his life twenty wagonloads of food, solid and liquid. At four tons to the wagon this would correspond to an average of about a hundred ounces of food per day, or say some 120 ounces per day during adult life, and about eighty ounces during infancy and youth. Most modern doctors agree in regarding 120 ounces of food per day, corresponding to five or six half-pints of liquid food and seven or eight pounds of solid food, as in excess of the real daily requirements of a healthy man or woman.

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT OF FREDERICK COUNTY, August Term, 1887. In the matter of the sale of the Real Estate of Adam Bowyer, deceased.

Ordered by the Orphans' Court of Frederick County, this 24th day of September, A. D. 1887, that the sale of the Real Estate of Adam Bowyer, deceased, in Frederick County, deceased, this day reported to this Court by his Executor, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 31st day of October, A. D. 1887, provided a copy of this order be published in some newspaper published in Frederick County for three successive weeks prior to the said 31st day of October, 1887.

The Executor reports the sale of the gross sum of three hundred and eighty (\$390.00) JOHN T. LOWE, JOHN H. KELLER, BENJ. G. FRIZZUGH, Judges of the Orphans' Court. True Copy—Test: HAMILTON LINDSAY, Register of Wills for Frederick County, Oct 8-4.

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The Executor reports the sales of the Real Estate of the said decedent for the gross sum of seven thousand eight hundred and fifty-three dollars and sixty-two cents (\$7,853.62) JOHN T. LOWE, JOHN H. KELLER, BENJ. G. FRIZZUGH, Judges of the Orphans' Court. True copy—Test: HAMILTON LINDSAY, Register of Wills, oct 1-4t

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Miscellaneous.

On the Caterpillar. BY MRS. JOHN GREEN.

I think I told you that John and I had moved into the country last spring.

Well, when we went everything was looking just lovely—so bright and fresh and green. Of course we had to make a garden; so we took all our books and read how we ought to begin.

We planted onions, peas and tomatoes. They did very well—because we could weed and kill the bugs that came on them.

Well, one day, I read that if you take a good sized sod and put in the crotch of the trees—the lowest down crotch—that the caterpillars would take French leave.

I asked him, Why? He said he should think I was, by the way I had made our trees look.

So I told him it was to drive away the caterpillars; and he said he should think so. And he went to work to take them all out.

I wanted them to remain; but he said "No!"

So I told him some of the trees were mine, and he must not take them out.

He said, "Well, I will let you have this one, and that one." The very worst ones there were for caterpillars, and woman-like, I said "All right."

He said he would burn them out, but I told him that would spoil the looks of the trees.

He laughed and said, "No more than that sod of earth and your caterpillars."

Well, we agreed to say no more, and that night, after the caterpillars had all got home, as John said, he went and burnt them out; and in the morning how he did laugh at me because mine had not gone.

A couple of days after I took him out to see my trees, and he says, "Well, I declare; they have gone, who would have thought it." And sure enough there was not one to be seen.

In his trees, however, they had begun to build their nests again, and he says, "Well, I guess dirt is the thing after all. I guess you was not crazy."

My suds are in the trees yet, and I am going to keep them there as long as there is a worm. I just thought it might be of some comfort to your many readers to know how easy a thing it is to get rid of them. Try it, all of you unbelievers. It will not kill your trees, nor hurt you.—Maryland Farmer.

Storing Sweet Potatoes.

Do not put off too long the digging of such sweet potatoes as will be needed for storing. When the vines about the hills turn yellow or brown, is the time to take them out, not after frosts have killed them. Let them lay for a few hours to thoroughly dry off, then pick up carefully into baskets and take to the storing place, which should be a dry room with a temperature of sixty degrees or more. There is very little danger of having them too warm. If they show signs of sprouting, they are keeping well. They will always have a brief sweating time on being put up. See that the room does not get cold during this process. Success in sweet potato keeping depends very much on careful handling as well as providing proper temperature.

Novel Hanging Basket.

A most beautiful and fragrant growth for a window may be obtained by soaking a sea-sponge in warm water and sowing in its cells the seeds of umbrageous grasses and wild flowers, with here and there the delicate fern and creeping wild berry, know as mock strawberry. The hanging may be done by a gilded rod or ornamental cord. The sponge may be kept moist and distended by daily sprinkling with blood warm water. The sponge thus treated is lighter, prettier and more surely verdant than any other spring basket.

CLEAN Sieves in hot water, using a little borax or soda, but no soap. Scrub well, rinse thoroughly in boiling water, and shake dry.

Miscellaneous.

ANOTHER POOL OF SILOAM.

A Poison Spring in Tennessee Which is Creating a Sensation.

J. W. Hays, writing from Elizabethton, Tenn., says:—I have recently visited the "poison spring," discovered a few months ago by a little boy in the mountains of North Carolina. The story of its discovery has frequently been told in the local papers how little Willie cleared leaves from a drain in the rocks to get water for his father, working the corn near by, and the next morning found that the "poison oak sores" on his arms had healed wherever the water touched.

It is called a "poison spring," either because of its effects on this eruption or from the arsenic it contains.

After the lad's experience with its healing properties was made known, the mountain population flocked to it from miles around. On a Sunday it seemed a second Pool of Siloam, with so many scrofulous, cancerous and ulcerated people reclining along the banks—fat old women, bandy-legged men and artless mountain maidens dangling their shanks in the healing water. Horses and cattle were brought, and on these occasions there might sometimes be counted a hundred sore-backed nags and galled steers waiting their turn.

It is wonderful how rapidly the curative properties act. In forty-eight hours, sometimes less, an angry sore is healed. In one instance a cancer was drawn out by the roots. The Sunday gatherings at the spring soon became a nuisance for the county. The mountain men brought "moonshine," and with drinking came fighting and cutting. It was in vain that the better-disposed tried to make it a religious gathering, the prayers at the spring were interrupted and services often ended in a free fight.

When an invalid from Saltville, Va., a Capt. Thompson, moved up to the spring and camped near in a tent he found this state of things unreportable and bought the property in self-defense. It was inclosed and entrance gained only by special permission. Then came trouble. The mountain men declared that no one man should own that spring and if Capt. Thompson didn't move out they would move him. A crowd of bullies armed and went down to execute the threat. The Captain heard of their approach, loaded his rifle and took a stand by the spring. "The first man who enters that gate," said he, when they came near—"the first man who enters that gate will be shot dead."

They had mistaken their man. From that day he was unmolested. "I was scared half to death," said the Captain, "but I didn't let them find it out."

The water oozes up into as light cavity blasted in the rock and is caught and bottled as fast as it trickles out. The demand for it is very great, a large portion being used at the spring. To the taste the water is pure and very cold, its mineral property being scarcely perceptible, but its effects are unusual and remarkable, as, indeed, is the analysis, for besides the "bromine and arsenic," which give the water its name, it contains lithium, iodine, potash and a phosphate.

At Three Forks, in Montana, a silver mine has lately been opened, and a very strange phenomenon connected with it is that of a fissure cut into while working the mine, which seems bottomless. Stones thrown into it seem to fall, and keep on falling without coming to any end. At times gaseous steam issues from the cavity and drives the workmen from the mine. The deposits of ore made on the walls by the steam are all sulphates. Every once in awhile a terrible rumbling is heard below, but it passes or dies away gradually, and can be heard receding far down into the bowels of the earth until lost in the distance.

TRAIN a grape vine to grow over and across a poultry-yard, from one fence to the other, and it will provide the best and most comfortable shade that can be devised, as well as furnishing a supply of grapes for the family. Plant a few vines this fall as they will cost but little, and select varieties suitable to your climate.

BERLIN is the only large German city that refuses to velocipedists the freedom of the streets.

Humorous.

THE President cannot attend the fair of Dallas this fall, and he thus deliberately foregoes the pleasure of seeing the only genuine five-legged calf in the world.

ONE of the queer things of the age is that where one man is found to work for \$2 a day four can be found to sit on the fence and look at him for nothing.

OFFICER—"Private Schulz, why has the soldier eight buttons on the front of his coat?" Private Schulz—"Because there are just eight button-holes."—German joke.

MATTIE persisted in running into a neighbor's, and her mother said: "If you go out of that gate again, Mattie, I'll whip you." In a short time Mattie was discovered on forbidden ground and was led home. "Now Mattie, what did I tell you?" "Mamma, I didn't go out of the gate, I climbed over the fence."

MRS. PURKETT (nee Gamp): "Please, sir, I want one of them thum-n-um-things, yer-know, sir, yer-reggylates the heat of a room." Chemist: "Thermometer, you mean, ma'am, I suppose." Mrs. P.—(eagerly): "Yes, sir, that's it, sir. And if you'll be so kind, sir, to set it to sixty-five, 'cause that's what the doctor says I'm to keep the room at."

A NEGRO in Alabama was brought up for stealing a pair of chickens, but declared, solemnly, that he "didn't steal dem ar fowls," declaring, on the other hand, that the complainant had beaten him brutally with a club.

"But," said the judge, "you're twice as large and strong as he; why didn't you defend yourself?" "Why, judge, see hyar; I had a chicken in each hand, an' what's two raw chickens agin' a club?"

WHICH am de properest way to suppress one self? Does yer say: "We eated at de table" or "We has din ate at de table?" asked one Texas dandy of another, they being engaged in a grammatical discussion. As they could not agree the question was referred to Uncle Mose for his decision, which was: "In de case ob you two niggahs none ob you am right."

"What am de properest way to say: "We eated at de table," Uncle Mose?" "De properest way for sich cattie as you two am: "We fed at de troft."—Texas Siftings.

MRS. COL. YERGER is a continual source of embarrassment to her husband. Col. Yerger recently gave a dinner party to a few select ladies and gentlemen. Of course, he was called on for an after-dinner speech. Col. Yerger got up, and, assuming an imposing position, began: "Ladies and gentlemen, unprepared as I am—being wholly unprepared to make a speech—being unprepared—" He was unable to proceed. There was a painful silence, which was broken by Mrs. Yerger saying: "Why, Colonel, you knew it perfectly this morning."—Texas Siftings.

DE SMITH—Did you ever hear of a man having a pair of legs worth \$20,000 apiece?

McGinnis—I never did. "Well, a man in Chicago named Pete Jenkins has got legs quoted at that figure."

"Nonsense; nobody ever had legs quoted at \$20,000 apiece."

"Well, read the paper for yourself."

McGinnis took the paper and read: "The furniture warehouse of Wilson & Jones was burned to the ground last night. An iron safe was overturned on the porter, breaking his legs. Loss, \$80,000."—Texas Siftings.

PARSON BLEDSOE of the Austin Blue Light Tabernacle, made a pastoral call on the Webster family, his object being to re-monstrate with Jim Webster for eating peanuts during Divine worship. Jim hid behind a curtain and Mrs. Webster said that he had gone out hunting. Unfortunately the curtain did not reach the floor, and Jim's large feet protruded. "So you ses Jeems has gone out huntin'?" "Yes, parson, and he 'spects ter be gone all day." "Tell Jeems for me dat de nex't time he goes huntin' he had better take his feet along wid him," said Parson Bledsoe, punching James' toes with his cane until he roared like a bull.—Texas Siftings.

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