

FOR COST DEFENSES.

The ordinance bureau of the army will shortly award contracts amounting to \$175,000 in the purchase of ordnance material for cost defenses under the liberal provisions made by the last Congress. The proposed expenditure is in addition to the large sum lately distributed in the shape of contracts among the leading steel firms for heavy guns, mortars and carriages. The new programme includes the purchase of a lighter class of ordnance for use as a kind of secondary battery for the heavy artillery composing the main reliance of the coast defenses.

Among the guns that are to be bought, will be 20 breech-loading rifled mortars, of 7-inch calibre, costing, it is estimated, \$40,600, and a large number of 3.6-inch breech-loading rifled mortars, expected to cost \$15,040. Ten sets of steel forgings for 5-inch guns are also to be bought, and there will be another for assembling and finishing these pieces of metal, the whole to cost the government probably \$30,000. Ten sets of steel howitzers to cost \$30,370, and thirty steel guns of 3.2-inch calibre will also be purchased at a cost of \$30,000.

OYSTERS INJURED.

The oysters season opens, giving little promise of success to the Kent county tongers. As was discovered during the closed season, the oysters of Swan Point Bar, the most extensive and richest oyster field on the Chesapeake, and other near-by bars are seriously injured from some unknown cause or causes.

Fully 50 per cent. of the oysters in this fertile tonging field are either dead or in such a condition that they will die before the end of the present month. Some of our oystermen attribute this great destruction to the starfish, and their position is somewhat borne out by the fact, that, with but few exceptions, the dead or dying oysters have their mouths bitten or broken off. Some hold that the crab has been the great enemy which has played such havoc; others claim that the heavy froshets of the summer are responsible, but this does not account for the broken condition of the shells. Where the oysters are not dying, they are so poor as to be unfit for market, except around the edges of a few inside shoal bars. More than half of the outside tongers and buyers are now operating in Chester river, where the oysters are not injured, but are scarce and poor.

GUNNING FOR BASS.

Bass shooting, a new and novel sport in these parts, is rapidly coming into favor among visiting sportsmen along the Potomac, and also has been adopted by some local fishermen as a means of capturing fish. Owing to the low stage of water in the Potomac river and its clearness schools of bass can be distinctly seen from the banks where the sportsmen from behind cover shoot into them with rifle and many are killed. The river banks on Sunday were lined with sportsmen from Hagerstown, who enjoyed a full day's sport and were fairly successful. The majority of fishermen who hold to the rod and line as the only sportsman-like way of taking bass, object to shooting them, claiming that numbers are thus wounded and after die.—News.

AN inmate of Moyamensing prison, Philadelphia, says he killed Henry Benneck, of Altoona. Joseph Hildebrand, who committed suicide in the Maryland penitentiary, confessed the same murder.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CIBNEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, price 75c.

A MENNONITE WEDDING.

A unique marriage ceremony was performed in Waynesboro at the Reformed Mennonite Church last Sunday by which Jacob Frantz and Miss Annie Stauffer became man and wife.

A large congregation filled the edifice at 9.30 o'clock. Bishop Jacob S. Lehman, of Chambersburg, preached a sermon about two hours in length, which was announced as being short on account of the hot weather. "The Duties of Husband and Wife" was his theme.

At its close the contracting parties, who had been seated on opposite sides of the church, came forward and presented themselves at the altar. A series of questions was propounded and, these having been answered affirmatively, the young couple were pronounced married. Both resumed their former seats and the church services were concluded.

Courtship by member of this church is pursued in a manner peculiar to themselves. Up until the engagement, which is several weeks before the marriage, the bride and groom have no communication with each other. When a brother in the church wants to marry a "sister" he does not make his wish known directly to her, but goes to the minister and tells his secret. The minister, if pleased with the match, carries the brother's message. The sister is usually surprised, as this is supposed to be her first intimation of the plan. If the proposal is received with favor the negotiations are carried on by proxy, the minister being the messenger.

The ceremony always takes place in a church. No invitations are issued, but the banns are proclaimed from the pulpit two weeks beforehand. During this period the groom is permitted to visit his intended without the intervention of a third party.

After the wedding a dinner is always served, after which bride and groom go to their respective home and remain apart for several days. The marriages in the church are generally happy ones and there is no record of any of the members ever suing for divorce.

New B. & O. Station in Baltimore.

The new Passenger Station of the B. & O. R. R., at the intersection of Mt. Royal Avenue and Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Md., was opened for business September 1st.

The new station, which will be known as Mt. Royal Station, is one of the finest buildings of its kind in American. It is located in the residential section of the city and is easily accessible by Street Railway service from all parts of the town. Camden Station will remain in use as heretofore, and all trains running over the Philadelphia Division will stop at both Stations. All tickets to or from Baltimore will be honored to or from either Station, and baggage will be checked to either Station at the option of the passenger.

Better Than \$100 Reward.

On receipt of ten cents, cash or stamps, a generous sample will be mailed of the most popular Catarrh and Hay Fever Cure (Ely's Cream Balm) sufficient to demonstrate its great merit. Full size 50c.

ELY BROTHERS,

56 Warren St., New York City. I suffered from catarrh of the worst kind ever since a boy, and I never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that. Many acquaintances have used it with excellent results.—Oscar Ostrum, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Cardinal Satolli to Sail Next Month.

Cardinal Satolli has engaged passage on the Kaiser Wilhelm and will sail for Rome on October 17. He will leave Washington soon after Archbishop Martinelli arrives and will visit Newark, West Point and Brooklyn. Archbishop Martinelli has secured the permission of the Pope to remain prior-general of the Augustinians, and during his residence here his place will be filled by a vicar general.—Sun.

The Norfolk and Western Railroad was sold at foreclosure at Norfolk for \$22,000,000. The property was bought by the bondholders' committee, represented by George Coppel, J. Kennedy Tod, W. E. Glyn and Victor Morawetz.

The city of Cleveland, O., last Thursday celebrated its centennial and also the anniversary of Commodore Perry's naval victory over the British on Lake Erie in 1813.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The public declaration of President Cleveland and members of the administration against Bryan excited comparatively little interest among the politicians, although of course, the republican managers professed to consider them of great importance. The Bryan people had long ago discounted those declarations, which they knew from the day that the Chicago convention adopted its platform and nominated its ticket, would in due time be made. The Bryan managers do not care a continental about the personal letters that either President Cleveland or members of his cabinet may write; but they are deeply interested in the extent to which the President intends to use his official influence to prevent Federal office holders working for or voting for Bryan. As yet nothing official has been given out on that subject, but rumor has been so busy that many officials who are inclined to support Bryan are keeping mum until they can find out whether they can do so without being dismissed.

The using of the Journal of the Knights of Labor, the official organ of that organization, as a campaign document by the Bryan managers is being widely commented upon, and the fact is being recalled that National Economist, then the organ of the Farmer's Alliance was similarly used by the democratic managers in 1892. A big row in the Farmer's Alliance was the result of that dicker and the National Economist, which at one time had more than one hundred thousand paid circulation, did not long survive the row. The constitution of the Knights of Labor declares that organization to be strictly non-partisan and it is well-known that all parties are represented in its ranks, and that the turning of its National organ into a campaign document will be resented by some of them is almost certain.

The sending out of campaign literature from both McKinley and Bryan headquarters has reached unheard of proportions this year, and it seems difficult to believe that all of these documents will be read. Early in the campaign it was discovered that the appropriation for the folding of congressional speeches in the House folding room at the Capitol, was exhausted. The McKinley managers established a force of folders at their headquarters, while the Bryan managers have tried to have all their Congressional literature folded and put in envelopes in the Senate folding room but they have not been able to keep up with orders although they are handling something like half a million documents every twenty-four hours, and they will also probably start a folding room of their own. More than 12,000,000 documents have been sent out by the McKinley committee, but many of them have been shipped in bulk, the largest shipment at one time being five carloads.

Rupture or Hernia

cured without cutting. Send 10 cents for large book, testimonials and references. Address, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

PELL FROM A WINDOW.

Evelyn, a three-year old girl of Harry Speck, Waynesboro, on Saturday morning, while visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Speck, Chambersburg, fell from a second story window into the open cellar door and landed in the cellar. She was badly bruised but no bones were broken.

Why Because

Do people buy Hood's Sarsaparilla in preference to any other, — in fact almost to the exclusion of all others? They know from actual use that Hood's is the best, i. e. it cures when others fail. Hood's Sarsaparilla is still made under the personal supervision of the educated pharmacist who originated it. The question of best is just as positively decided in favor of Hood's as the question of comparative sales. Another thing: Every advertisement of Hood's Sarsaparilla is true, is honest.

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BRYAN AT MUSIC HALL.

Mr. W. J. Bryan will speak about 8 o'clock Saturday evening from a stand in the piazza fronting Music Hall on Mt. Royal avenue, Baltimore. The stand will be small, accommodating only Mr. Bryan, the chairmen of the State central and city executive committees and other officers connected with these two bodies and representatives of the local press.

Mr. Bryan will spend Saturday night and Sunday in Baltimore, going to Wilmington, Del., Monday, where he will make a speech.

SOFT COAL TRADE.

The coal shipments from the George's Creek and Cumberland region for the week ended Saturday, September 12, by rail, aggregated 66,739.05 tons, and by Chesapeake and Ohio canal 12,491.04 tons. During the same period 23,127.06 tons of coal and 1,459.11 tons of coke were shipped by rail from the Elk Garden and upper Potomac regions in West Virginia.

MISS BLANCHE THOMAS, of Hancock, Md., has been appointed kindergarten teacher in the government Indian School at Fort Lewis, Colorado, and will assume the duties October 6. Her sister, Miss Lula M. Thomas, introduced the kindergarten method in the Indian schools of this country.

Taken in time Hood's Sarsaparilla prevents serious illness by keeping the blood pure and all the organs in a healthy condition.

THE State democratic convention of Pennsylvania, which met at Allentown, April 29, and declared for the gold standard, met at Harrisburg last Thursday and adopted a free-silver platform.

THE State election in Maine on Monday gave the republicans a plurality of about 50,000.

Tutt's Pills Cure All Liver Ills. Perfect Health. Keep the system in perfect order by the occasional use of Tutt's Liver Pills. They regulate the bowels and produce A Vigorous Body. For sick headache, malaria, biliousness, constipation and kindred diseases, an absolute cure **TUTT'S LIVER PILLS**

TAKEN DOWN.

Sheriff McBride has taken Frank Wellington from the Frederick jail to the Maryland penitentiary, where he has been sentenced for a three years term. Wellington is the man who stole the dental instruments from the office of Dr. T. S. Eader, South Market street, Frederick, in broad daylight some months ago.

John Frazier, the negro who attempted to assault a little daughter of John Padgett, was taken to the penitentiary Monday.

Consumption

AND ITS CURE. TO THE EDITOR:—I have an absolute remedy for Consumption. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been already permanently cured. So proof-positive am I of its power that I consider it my duty to send two bottles free to those of your readers who have Consumption, Throat, Bronchial or Lung Trouble, if they will write me their express and postoffice address. Sincerely, T. A. SLOCUM, M. C., 463 Pearl St., New York.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of a power of sale contained in a mortgage from Annie M. Spalding and Wm. F. Spalding, her husband, to Adelaide Horne, which said mortgage has been duly assigned to William Morrison and both said mortgage and said assignment duly recorded in Liber J. L. N. No. 8, folio 7, one of the land records of Frederick county, the undersigned will sell at public sale on the premises in Emmitsburg, Frederick county, Md., on Saturday, September 26th, 1896, at 2 o'clock, P. M., the following real estate to-wit: All that lot of ground situated on the North East Corner of the public square, in the town of Emmitsburg, Frederick county, Maryland, improved by a

3-STORY BRICK HOUSE and Frame Stable. The said property is the same conveyed to said Annie M. Spalding by Adelaide Horne and Ezra J. Horne, her husband, by deed bearing date the 1st day of May 1893, and is also the same property conveyed to said Adelaide Horne as Adelaide Herring, by Joseph D. Baker and wife by deed bearing date the 11th day of April, 1891, duly recorded in Liber W. I. P. No. 13, folio 256, one of the Land Records of Frederick county.

Terms of sale as prescribed by the mortgage—Cash. All conveyances at the expense of the purchaser or purchasers. WILLIAM MORRISON, Assignee of Mortgagee.

Order Nisi on Sales.

NO. 6582 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting in Equity.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1896.

In the Matter of the Report of Sales filed the 16th day of September, 1896.

John W. Bishop and wife, vs. Edward J. Topper and wife, et. al.

ORDERED, That on the 10th day of October, 1896, the Court will proceed to act upon the Report of Sales of Real Estate reported to said Court by Eugene L. Rowe, Trustee, in the above cause, and filed therein as aforesaid, to finally ratify and confirm the same, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown before said day; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper published in Frederick County, for three successive weeks prior to said day.

The Report states the amount of sales to be \$525.00

Dated this 16th day of September, 1896.

JOHN L. JORDAN, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick Co.

True Copy—Test: JOHN L. JORDAN, Clerk.

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Respectfully, WM. J. VALENTINE, Emmitsburg.

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I have been reading in your paper about several men and women that have been very successful in selling self-heating flat irons, and I concluded I would see what a girl could do. I have worked 12 days and have sold 151 irons and have 215 dollars left after paying all expenses. Everybody is delighted with the iron and I sell one almost every place I show it, as people think they can't afford to be without one, as they save so much fuel and time and don't burn the clothes. I know I can clear five thousand dollars in a year.

A GRADUATE. Splendid, my girl, splendid, you are a true American girl. Anyone can get complete information about the self-heating iron by addressing J. F. CASEY & CO., St. Louis, Mo. It seems to be a winner, as everybody selling it writes in its praise.

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Emmitsburg Chronicle.

Entered as Second-Class Matter at the Emmitsburg Postoffice.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 18, 1896.

Emmitsburg Rail Road.

TIME TABLE.

On and after June 28, 1896, trains on this road will run as follows:

TRAINS SOUTH.

Leave Emmitsburg, daily, except Sundays, at 7.10 and 10.00 a. m. and 2.50 and 5.50 p. m., arriving at Rocky Ridge at 8.20 and 10.30 a. m. and 3.25 and 5.20 p. m.

TRAINS NORTH.

Leave Rocky Ridge, daily, except Sundays, at 8.20 and 10.40 a. m. and 3.31 and 6.36 p. m., arriving at Emmitsburg at 8.56 and 11.10 a. m. and 4.01 and 7.04 p. m.

JAMES A. ELDER, Pres't.

ONLY one man in 208 is over six feet in height.

WM. WITMER, of Wolfsville, sold a rattlesnake for \$3.

FOUR men hauled a house 14x16x14, near Hagerstown, a mile in four hours.

ANXAPOLIS has a colored centenarian wood-sawyer who is still able to work.

THE Washington House in Waynesboro has been sold to Geo. F. Ensinger, of Martinsburg, W. Va.

MAGGIE DEHMAN, aged fifteen years, No. 1740 Bank street, Baltimore, died from a dose of opium.

THE colored picnic at St. Anthony's Grove, near Mt. St. Mary's, last Saturday, was well attended.

ALWAYS in season, Hopkins' Steamed Hominy (Hulled Corned). Elegant lunch in milk. Qt. can, 10c. sep 4-4ts

THE Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company have posted notices along the canal forbidding bicyclers on the tow-path.

YESTERDAY Mrs. H. M. Rowe sent to the CHRONICLE office a lot of fine grapes, which were highly relished. Thank you.

JAMES NOLEN and George Wilson were placed in jail at Centreville, charged with robbing the express office at Sudlersville.

A NUMBER of Hagerstown bicyclers visited this place last Sunday. One of the party took a "header" and somewhat disfigured his face.

WE are indebted to Mr. Joseph Byers for a fine large delicious water melon. Mr. Byers has been quite successful in growing melons this summer.

A LARGE Republican meeting was held at Taneytown, Carroll county, and addresses were made by Governor Lowndes, Senator-elect Wellington and others.

FIRE partly destroyed a Baltimore and Ohio Railroad warehouse at Locust Point, in which crockery and other imported ware was stored by Baltimore and New York firms.

JOSIAH A. STULL, eye specialist, will be at Mr. George T. Eyster's Jewelry Store in this place, on Monday, Sept. 21. Call on him and have your eyes examined free of charge, all who have eye trouble.

REV. PEDRO RISOECO, for a number of years pastor of the Taneytown charge, Presbyterian Church, has tendered his resignation to the congregation to take effect October 1st.

It is reported that Hon. Blair Lee, the democratic candidate of the Sixth Congressional District for the House of Representatives, will deliver an address in this place about October 10.

MR. LEWIS OVERHOLTER, of Liberty township, Pa., sent to the CHRONICLE office a stem of a peach limb containing eight peaches, all in a cluster, of the second crop. The peaches were about the size of hickory nuts.

REV. CHARLES SHAFER, of Thurmont, who was licensed at a meeting of the Reformed Classis at Hagerstown in June, has received and accepted a call to White Water, Kan. He will take charge of the pastorate early in October.

ON last Saturday afternoon E. L. Rowe, Esq., trustee, sold at public sale the house and lot in this place, belonging to the late Peter Kimmell, deceased, to Mrs. Edward Topper and Mrs. John Bishop, of McSherrystown, Pa., for the sum of \$525.00.

RICHARD H. GREEN, Jr., chief bookkeeper of the Farmers' National Bank, of Annapolis, was announced by the bank officers as a defaulter to the extent of \$10,000 or \$15,000. He has left Annapolis. Mr. Green was recently married to Mrs. Helen Clare Emory, of Talbot county.

Got One Year.

Bernard Neiker, formerly telegraph operator at Boonsboro, who was arrested in Baltimore several months ago, charged with the larceny of a watch from George Crum, of Frederick, was tried in the Circuit Court at Frederick, found guilty and sentenced to one year in the Maryland penitentiary.

Your Worst Enemy Withing.

With rheumatism is an individual whom, if you have a Christian spirit, you would forgive. He is, no matter what his delinquencies, punished enough. Nothing short of Topley could change his misery. Moreover, he is in serious peril. The disease is always prone to attack his heart and kill him instantly. As a means of curing this disease, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has the highest reputation and the most authoritative professional sanction. Its use in the preliminary stage of the complaint is the wisest precautionary measure rheumatic invalids can possibly adopt. The Bitters is also a remedy of the greatest utility in malarial and kidney troubles, dyspepsia and liver complaint, constipation and nervousness. It counteracts the effects of hardship and exposure in damp or inclement weather, and is a capital promoter of appetite and sleep. Give this fine remedy the persistent trial to which all medicines of standard reputation are entitled.

The Ice Cream Season.

Having now opened, I am prepared to furnish Festivals, Picnics, Parties, etc. with ice cream at way down prices.

P. G. KING.

A Mr. SMITH who came to this place some time ago and opened a store in the Hyder building, has closed his store and left. Some of the property belonging to him has been seized by the Deputy Sheriff and will be sold at public sale for rent due Mrs. Catharine Hyder.

Went Blind From Grip.

Miss Jennie Zeigler, daughter of Mr. Cyrus Zeigler, a prominent farmer, residing near Williamsport, died Monday at the age of thirty years. She had the grip, and went totally blind several weeks ago from the effects of the disease.

The medicine advertising concern which spent about two weeks in this place, left on Monday. They are now at Fairfield. Last Friday night they sold a lot of soap instead of medicine. Ask some of the parties who purchased a cake of the soap how they are pleased with it. They will tell you.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Company, printed near the bottom of the package. For sale by all responsible druggists.

Pic-Nics.

Annan's Grove, on the Littlestown road, on Saturday, September 19. Music will be furnished by the Emmitt Cornet Band.

The Eyer's Valley Union Sunday School will hold their Sunday school celebration, on Saturday, September 19, near the church in Eyer's Valley.

Fairplay Personals.

Maj. H. S. McNair has returned home from an extended visit to his brother, Mr. Wm. McNair.

Mrs. M. J. Eckenrode is visiting relatives at Hanover.

Our school opened on Monday with Mr. M. Plank as teacher.

His Nose Cut Off.

John B. Potter, while helping to load telegraph poles on a car at Bartholow's Station, on Wednesday, was struck by a falling pole, which cut off the end of his nose and inflicted a cut several inches in length above the left temple. He was knocked from the car on which he was standing across the track.

Fatally Burned.

A 12-year-old daughter of Caleb Rice, of near Lewistown, was burned so badly Thursday evening that she died the same night. While she was making fire in the cook stove, and supposing that all the fire had gone out, she took the coal oil can and began pouring oil over the coals. An explosion occurred, her clothing caught fire and she was fatally burned.

Girls Names.

Priscilla means ancient of day; Cornelia, harmonious and fair; Frances, free and unstained; Bertha, purely bright; Lucy, a star; Elizabeth, an oath of trust; Letitia, a joy; Judith, a song of praise; Charlotte, noble, of good repute; Susanna, lively; Felicia, happy; Abigail, joyful; Clara, clear; Catherine, pure; Margaret, a pearl.

The gormandizer likes it because it is fine. The workman likes it because it quenches his thirst, enriches his blood, and strengthens his muscle. It is cheap. The mother likes it—it keeps her boys at home. The women of America like it, because it takes the place of intoxicants. This Hires Rootbeer. Campaign paraders will use it.

A Pastor's Eye Injured by a Cow.

Rev. John M. Clymer, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Hancock, Md., was in the act of stooping to gather up some hay to feed his cow, when the animal suddenly turned her head, hooking Mr. Clymer in the eye, the horn going through the eyelid and penetrating the ball. It is feared he may lose the sight of the eye.

A Dandy Windmill, Make It Yourself.

I have a neighbor that made one of the Peoples Windmills, and he says he has watched it closely. It is the best mill I have ever seen and anyone can make one for less than \$10. I am going to make two immediately and don't see why every farmer cannot have a windmill when he can make it himself for so little money. The mill is durable, powerful and runs easily. Any person can get diagrams and complete directions by sending two-cent stamps to E. D. WILSON & Co., Allegheny, Pa., and any active man can undoubtedly make money anywhere putting these mills up for sale. I see no use of paying \$20 for a mill when you can make one just as good for \$10. A BROTHER FARMER.

Dutch Settlers.

Plans for the establishment of a colony of Hollanders in Caroline county are said to be practically completed. The colonists will come from parts of Missouri, Iowa and Michigan, and expect to settle within a year a tract of 2,600 acres of land on the Choptank river. They will engage in truck farming, and the land will be divided into farms averaging fifty acres each.

The Bryan and Sewall Democratic Club met at the Western Maryland hotel, last Saturday evening, and adopted a constitution and transacted other business pertaining to the present campaign. Dr. James A. Elder was elected third vice-president, and a number of new names were enrolled. Dr. James A. Mitchell, president of the organization, delivered an address on the money question, which was well received by the members.

Stunned by Lightning.

The only severe thunderstorm of the present season, passed over Middle-town section at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. The lightning was sharp and the thunder heavy. A good rain fell. While Henry Remsburg, son of C. Thomas Remsburg, with two companions, were leaving a cornfield to escape a storm, a flash of lightning struck a corn chopper Remsburg was carrying, knocking him down, stunning him and wrecking the chopper. He made a narrow escape.

Champion Shot of the World.

Miss Annie Oakley Writes: "Myself and many of the Buffalo Bill Wild West Co. have given Allen's Foot-Ease, the powder to shake into the shoes, a most thorough trial, and it does all it is not more than you claim." It instantly takes the sting out of Corns and Bunions. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for swollen, hot, aching or scalding feet. Sold by all Druggists and Shoe Stores. 5c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Badly Hurt By an Accident.

Quite an excitement was caused at the West end of town Tuesday evening by a runaway horse. A number of people saw the horse coming up town at a rapid gait and there being a number of children playing on the street, it was thought some of them would be run over, but fortunately the children were successful in finding a place of safety. The horse, which was hitched to a buggy, ran in between Fraley Bros. shops, where it fell and was captured. The horse was soon released from the broken buggy, when it was found that the animal's hind feet were badly cut, but otherwise not hurt. When the horse came up town there were only three wheels on the buggy, the top had been broken off, and the body splintered. The buggy was a total wreck.

The team belonged to Mr. George P. Beam, and was driven by Mr. John F. Adelsberger, who was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Annie Adelsberger, and when at the east end of town one of the front wheels came off the spindle, and the buggy, Mr. Adelsberger says, was turned up-side-down, the occupants were thrown out and dragged some distance. Mr. Adelsberger's face was terribly cut and bruised, and his left leg and foot were also badly injured, whilst his daughter, Miss Annie, escaped with one leg slightly bruised. Mr. Adelsberger is able to be about, although he suffers much pain from the wounds.

Copien Captured.

George Copien, who made his escape from the Frederick jail about two weeks ago, was captured in Wilmington, Del., on Saturday last by Sheriff A. C. McBride and taken to Baltimore. Monday morning he was taken back to Frederick and taken before the court and sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years.

Since his escape from jail Sheriff McBride has been indefatigable in his effort to recapture the prisoner. After a thorough search through Frederick county Mr. McBride obtained information to the effect that his man was in Pennsylvania, and he immediately left for that State. Copien was traced to Wilmington, Del., where he had joined the Robinson & Franklin shows and was working on the circus grounds when he espied Mr. McBride. The fugitive made a dash through one of the main tents, closely followed by the sheriff, who was hot upon his trail. Copien finally started across the circus ground but was captured by State Detective Walter Wisel, of Wilmington, who joined in the search at Wilmington, and gave Mr. McBride valuable assistance. The prisoner was charged with stealing a quantity of goods from Pawnee Bill's Wild West show and a watch and other articles of value belonging to people in Frederick.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Harry Hoke went to Baltimore Tuesday, where he has secured employment with an Express Company. Harry is a jolly good-natured young man, and will no doubt make a worthy employee. The CHRONICLE joins his friends in wishing him success in his undertaking.

Maj. O. A. Horner and two sons, Annan and Robert, returned home from St. Paul, Minn., Monday, where they attended the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. Guy Nunemaker went to Carlisle, Pa., Tuesday, where he will attend college.

Mrs. John Troxell and daughter, Miss Grace Troxell, of Frederick, are visiting Mr. D. S. Gillelan.

Mr. Robert Ernest, of York, made a visit at Mr. D. S. Gillelan's, this week.

Mrs. Samuel Fry, Mrs. Ernest, Mrs. Paul and Miss Paul, of York, are visiting at Mr. Maurice Gillelan's.

Mr. William Gillelan has returned home from Frederick.

Mr. S. N. McNair, wife and daughter, Miss Mary, who spent part of the summer in Westminster, have returned to their home in this place.

Failed to Nominate.

The Sixth Congressional District Republican Convention which was in session at Oakland last week, failed to nominate a candidate for Congress. Six hundred and eighty-nine ballots were cast without obtaining any result, and the convention adjourned to meet at Rockville, on Thursday of this week.

The fight between the Motter and Haffner factions was carried into the convention, where it was decided to seat both delegations, giving each a half vote. This ruling of the convention was not accepted by the Motter delegates, led by Hon. Milton G. Urner, and who claimed to be the legally appointed delegates from Frederick county. The Motter delegates withdrew from the convention. The fight will be renewed at Rockville.

200 Registered.

On Tuesday, the first day's sitting of the registers for Emmitsburg District, two hundred voters registered.

The registers will sit again on next Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 22 and 23. Every person qualified to vote at the next general election should not fail to register. Remember that the new election law requires every person to register this year, and those who fail to qualify themselves cannot vote at the next election. The registers will also sit on Sept. 29 and 30, and October 6 and 7.

That Wonderful Churn.

I want to add my testimony to the list of those that have used the Lightning Churn. It does all that is claimed for it, you can churn easily in one minute, and get a large percentage more butter than with the common churn. I never took the agency for anything before but so many of my neighbors wanted churns, that I ordered 50 and they are all gone. I think in a year they can't have a Lightning Churn in fact they can't have it without one as they make so much more butter, and a good little bit of money can be made in every township selling these churns. By writing to J. K. Case & Co., St. Louis, Mo., you can get circulars and full particulars about the churn.

A READER.

Free Text-Book Law.

The State Board of Education has prepared a number of opinions upon points in the new free text-book law which goes into operation in the counties of Maryland with the school term just beginning.

The first supply of text books under the new law, in the opinion of the State board, should be secured by competitive bidding, but after this the matter of competitive bidding is in the discretion of various boards of county school commissioners.

A contract for furnishing text books made by any of the county school boards previous to the passage of the new law does not bind these county boards, it is believed, with reference to text books purchased with funds received by the county under this new law.

Copy books are not regarded by the State board as text books and should not in its opinion be purchased with money received under the provisions of the free text book law.

Prof. E. B. Prettyman, State superintendent of public instruction, is also of the opinion that moneys received under the provisions of the new law may be used for the payment of expenses in the handling and distributing of free text books to the schools.

He has prepared a series of rules for the care and distribution of the free text books. Under these rules the principal of each school is to make requisition upon the secretary of the county school board for the text books needed for his school and will be held responsible for them and required to report upon them ten days before the close of each term. In the same manner the principal is to distribute the books to each teacher, holding them and requiring a report from them.

Before the books are given to the pupils the books will be protected by a cover, supplied by the school boards, with labels pasted in them, giving the number, district and county of the school, with admonitions for the proper care of the books. Text-books may be taken home by the pupils whenever the teacher thinks it necessary for the preparation of lessons. Pupils destroying or reporting a text-book will deprive of the privileges of the school until the book is replaced or paid for.—Fred. News.

Another Republican County Committee.

On Saturday last friends of Dr. Samuel T. Haffner met in the Pettit jury room of the Court House, Frederick, and organized a Frederick County Central Committee, which they claim is the regular organization and which will be recognized by the State central committee during the approaching campaign.

The meeting was called to order by Lewis C. Shoemaker, who stated the object of the call. After some time had been taken up discussing the differences that exist in Republican ranks in this county, a committee was named and authorized to call upon Mr. Hammond Urner, chairman of the committee which organized on September 5th, for the purpose of harmonizing the two factions. It is understood that the Haffner people are satisfied with the organization of the other committee, with the exception of M. A. E. Biser. Mr. Motter was conferred with on the subject but refused to consider the proposition from the other side, which finally organized by electing Mr. Elmer Smith permanent chairman; Horace Staley Secretary, Harry B. Witter, treasurer, and Harry E. Chapline, corresponding secretary. The Haffner people claim that seventeen districts were represented at their meeting. A member of their central committee stated after the meeting that they were greatly in favor of getting the two committees together, and would make another effort to effect a compromise.

The Motter people claim that they are the regularly organized central committee, and are now going ahead with the duties that come under their control.—Frederick News.

Surprise Party.

A genuine old time surprise party, one said to have been "out of sight," was given Mr. Guy Nunemaker on Monday evening by a number of his associates. The evening was pleasantly spent by playing games of all kinds, which were greatly enjoyed by the young people. Refreshments were also served during the evening. Those present were: Misses Maud Derr, Sallie and Fannie Hoke, Bruce Morris, Ruth Agnew, Marian Hoke, Carrie Rowe, Sallie Miller, Ruth Gillelan, Wm. Kerrigan, Carrie Zeck, Edith Nunemaker, Messrs. Harry Hoke, Norman Hoke, Robert Annan, Winfield Horner, Leslie Maxwell, Ralph and John Zacharias, George Mentzer, George Gillelan, Jr., Clarence Zeck.

A Dollar Went Further in Those Days. A wag, when told that George Washington threw a dollar over the natural bridge of Virginia, replied that a dollar went further in those days than now. The wag, though witty, was wrong; for a dollar never went so far as now, if it is invested in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which is universally acknowledged to be a specific for consumption, bronchitis and all wasting diseases. The nutritive properties of Cod Liver oil are trifling when compared with the results that follow the use of the "Discovery."

Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.: "Sir—About the year 1880 I was attacked with a severe hacking cough. I took medicine from different doctors for two years, without much benefit. My cough grew worse, and the doctors said I had consumption. I had hemorrhage from the lungs, and coughed up a great deal of phlegm. After reading of the many cures effected by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, I procured two bottles, and before I had finished using the first, was able to walk about the house, and to go out. I was soon able to do light work. I continued with the medicine, and am happy to say that it saved my life, and entirely cured me. "It is the best medicine in the world for all lung troubles."

Sincerely, E. A. MITCHELL.

Martin, Franklin Co., Ga.

A PLEASANT TRIP ENDED.

Sights in St. Joseph.—The Emmitsburg Boys in That City.—Description of the Re- turn Trip. Etc.

St. JOSEPH, Mo., Sept. 10.—Our visit in the hospitable city of St. Joe has been an ovation. So many familiar faces from Emmitsburg to greet us, we can scarcely realize that we are nearly 1,500 miles from home. The families of W. S. Guthrie, Joshua Motter, Louis Motter, Charlie Holland, Hugh Sweeney, Clifford Taney, the late C. D. Smith's family, besides the Waddle Brothers, Payson Rowe, Esq., Madam Martin, Wm. N. Gilson and others all at St. Joe, with Samuel I. Smith, L. E. Motter, Robert L. Annan, and Henry C. Annan residing nearby. It well deserves the title of a colony of "Maryland Boys," and we are glad to note that many of them are among the leading citizens of this busy city of the Southwest. After our arrival on Sunday morning our Emmitsburg party was soon ushered into the hospitable families of W. S. Guthrie and Joshua Motter, both of whom reside on South 10th street, only about one square apart, and received a hearty welcome. After enjoying our breakfast some of our party accompanied the Guthrie family to the cozy Reformed church, which has been recently purchased and largely by the efforts of Miss Hallie J. Smith, so well known in Emmitsburg, that she needs no introduction. We attended the Sabbath School exercises as well as the church services,—morning and evening—all of which were most interesting. In the afternoon we strolled towards Krug Park at the West end, where we had been informed large crowds assembled every Sabbath to enjoy a "Sacred Concert," as well as have some recreation and rest from the heat of the city. We found a large number of people assembled, but the first song that greeted our ears was "The Old Kentucky Home," sung by a quartette of colored singers, while some selections were sung from the "Good News." We concluded there was very little "sacred" about it, and that it was only calculated to divert people, especially the young, from the proper observance of the Sabbath.

Monday, Sept. 7, being Labor Day, which was observed as a legal holiday, and a big parade, we had an opportunity to see a great display of all branches of trade represented in St. Joe, as well as the fire department which made a very creditable appearance. We witnessed a grand parade of the Woodman Organizations of the State of Missouri, the State fair and annual Races were also in full blast, so that we happened to find plenty to amuse us and a very busy week. We find the people of St. Joseph very full of business and the cities of the Northwest.

Among the leading business houses are those of Tootle, Wheeler and Motter, C. D. Smith & Co., the VanNatta, Lynds Drug Co., the Empire Storage and Commission Co., and many others. The former is a mammoth wholesale house 110x140 feet, 8 stories, with a factory 80x132 feet, 5 stories, where they manufacture their own boots and shoes and men's furnishing goods, 1,000 electric lights and 500 factory machines run by their own electric engines, employing 850 men in the factory, 150 in store and 65 traveling men on the road taking orders. Their annual sales amount to \$5,000,000. There are but two houses in the West—one in Chicago and one at St. Louis as large as this establishment. We are glad to inform our friends in the east, that one of the leading spirits in this enterprise is our energetic and indomitable friend, Joshua Motter.

We found St. Joe and the country around it quite rolling, and too many hills to climb in the city to be agreeable to pedestrians, also in want of a better street car service and greater facilities for sprinkling the streets. The dust at times being very disagreeable. Among the pleasant surprises of this visit is the genial company of our good natured and energetic former townsmen, W. S. Guthrie, and his attractive family, of which he has every reason to be proud. Though we regret to say that Louis was indisposed during our visit and his voice was greatly missed in the musical circles. We shall ever remember the happy evening spent at the palatial mansion of our jovial friend, Joshua Motter. He seemed to be delighted to have the pleasure of entertaining so many Maryland friends, who seemed to revel in the familiar songs called for by the generous host. Every one present responding promptly and willingly to contribute his share to the pleasures of the evening.

On Wednesday we took a ride up the muddy Missouri to the pleasant and attractive village of Barnard, where we spent the day with our enterprising merchant, Robert L. Annan of William. This is a town without saloons, which would be a novelty in the East, but we find many such places in the West.

On Wednesday, the 9th, this section of the country was visited with a very refreshing rain which settled the dust and cooled the atmosphere very much. Just before our departure our friend, Ed. Smith, favored us with a drive around and through the resident portion of St. Joseph, where we found some very handsome and attractive homes. On Thursday, to our regret, we realized the time had come to retrace our steps homeward, and the Emmitsburg party were compelled to separate, the writer and his two sons bid farewell to the hospitable friends of St. Joseph. At 6:20 p. m., we boarded a Pullman Sleeper and were soon enjoying "natutur" views of the "Great West." Rock Island at 4:30 a. m. we instructed the porter to call us. Unfortunately he failed to do this. But fortunately we awoke just as the cars rolled on the bridge crossing the Mississippi and found we had just passed the "Great West" and were in the "Power house" of the world, near the Presbyterian Church and many other points of interest, winding up in the evening by witnessing a Parade of the Flaméan and other Republican marching clubs, turning out about 2,000 uniformed men to participate in raising a monster McKinley and Robert banner, one of a very large number displayed in this place and the adjoining cities of Davenport, and Moline, where a vast majority of the people appear to be opposed to "50 cent dollars."

A sentiment was put to a vote in all the towns we have visited on our western trip. We find Rock Island a beautiful city and think it would be a delightful place to live.

At 10:30 p. m. we again bid our genial friends adieu and our sleepers began to take up in time for breakfast in the noisy, bustling city of Chicago. After

being refreshed by a good breakfast, we repaired to the B. & O. R. office to see our courteous friend, W. W. Pickering, Gen. Pass. Agent, of the B. & O., but were informed that he had gone "with 1,500 other Democrats," who had determined to vote for sound money, to call on Major McKinley at Canton." However, we were soon waited upon by other officials and boarded the Pullman Limited No. 8, on the B. & O., and were whirling East at the rate of 50 miles an hour. At 4:12 p. m. we reached Deshler and boarded a train on the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad, which in an hour took us to the town of Lima, Ohio, where we were again welcomed by one of "My Maryland's" boys, Isaac S. Motter, Esq., with whom we spent a delightful evening, taking in the attractions of this busy city, with its miles of immense oil derricks and tanks innumerable. We spent a delightful quiet Sabbath at the attractive home of our friend attending services at the First Presbyterian Church. In the evening we took a train on the Lake Erie and Western Road, which in a little while brought us back to the B. & O. at Pottsville, where we were again put in a Pullman Sleeper, to awake in the depot at Pittsburg, in time for breakfast and to learn to our pleasure, that an excursion of Junior American Mechanics was to be attached to our train en route to Gettysburg, via Cherry Run. By the courtesy of Mr. E. D. Smith, Gen. Pass. Agent B. & O., at Pittsburg, who accompanied the excursion, we were permitted to get on one of these special cars at Cherry Run and a stop was made at Pen-Mar to allow us to alight on the top of the familiar Blue Mountains. We had time to purchase of a good supper and jump on the Pen-Mar Express, and were soon whirling over the mountain and landed at Rocky Ridge in time for our familiar train on the Emmitsburg Railroad. In conclusion to say this has been most delightful and thoroughly enjoyed by our entire party, is putting it in very mild terms.

ONE OF THE PARTY.

Think It Over.

Have you ever heard of a medicine with such a record of cures as Hood's Sarsaparilla? Don't you know that Hood's Sarsaparilla, the One True Blood Purifier, has proved, over and over again, that it has power to cure, even after all other remedies fail? If you have impure blood you may take Hood's Sarsaparilla with the utmost confidence that it will do you good.

Hoods pills assist digestion. 25 cents.

FAIRPLAY ITEMS.

The work of building Mr. Pius Snyder's house is progressing rapidly.

Mr. Abraham Herring has awarded the contract for painting his house to Mr. C. H. Wenschhof.

Major H. S. McNair Camp, No. 91, Sons of Veterans, disbanded September 5. The camp has sold the hall and furniture to Mr. J. S. Felix for \$184.84.

The meeting was called by First Lieutenant J. W. Geiselman, and H. H. Wenschhof was appointed to deed the property to Mr. Felix. The members present extend a vote of thanks to the first lieutenant for the manner in which he conducted the business. Every dollar of indebtedness will be paid in the near future.

The camp extends many thanks to Mr. J. S. Felix for the favors he has done to help the boys. Mr. Felix being a friend of Camp No. 91, he did all in his power to aid the boys in their undertaking.

After the meeting of Camp 91, the boys engaged in a pleasant conversation and all parted good friends. Some intend joining Camp No. 112, at Gettysburg. Some of our citizens feel sorry that the camp disbanded, but owing to the lack of members it was impossible to continue it. Capt. C. H. Wenschhof took great pains in organizing the Camp, and it was mustered on Feb. 26, 1895, with sixteen members and disbanded in Sept. 5, 1896, with six members.

[The above items were received too late for last week's issue of the CHRONICLE.—Ed.]

Wm. Clark Murdered.

On Monday another murder was perpetrated in Cumberland. The slayer and his victim both being strangers in that city. Lewis Essenaer, aged forty-nine years, shot and killed Wm. Clark, a machinist, aged about twenty-five years, of Westernport, Allegany county. The shooting occurred in South Cumberland, near the Baltimore and Ohio shops. According to the testimony Essenaer was very drunk about the time the fatal shot was fired. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that he killed Clark.

Joseph Weir saw the tragedy from his upstairs window. The men were in front of his house. They stood facing, with their hands upon each other, when Essenaer fired. Weir said he did not hear a word uttered.

According to Essenaer's statement Clark had been following him during the greater part of the night demanding money and making threats. The prisoner says he told Clark that he would hurt him if he did not stop hounding him, but Clark still made the demand. When the shooting occurred, Essenaer says, Clark struck at him and then he fired one shot from his pistol, which was in his left hand. Essenaer is a baker

WHEN POLLY TAKES THE AIR.

A little wicker basket rolls
Along the pavement walk,
And at the sight the young and old
Begin to laugh and hiss
And wave their hands and knees throw
And cry: "Look here!" "See there!"
"This way it comes!" And all because
Sweet Polly takes the air.

The newboys run and shout with glee
And follow with a look of awe
The cooing and the footman gaze
As if they had a mind
To do the same. The good old priest
Stands still with solemn stare
As down the shady avenue
Sweet Polly takes the air.

And all the while sweet Polly sits
In dainty gown and hat
And smiles on one who loves the best—
Her pretty Malice cat
And softly coos, when pussy purrs,
Without a thought or care
How all the town turns upside down
When Polly takes the air.

—Zitella Cooke's "A Dorie Reed."

HUMMING BIRDS.

It is a mistake to think they cannot be tamed.

It is popularly supposed that humming birds are too delicate to endure captivity, but this is a mistake, as I personally know, says a writer in the New York Home Journal, and can give account of several that have been tamed. Living specimens of these tiny members of the feathered tribe were owned by a friend of mine awhile since and exhibited in the window of the late proprietor of Taylor's saloon, Broadway, New York. In fact, instances are numerous in which they have been kept for months, and even for a year, in England as well as in this country, and I believe that a large collection has for some time existed in the Zoological gardens, Regent's park, London.

A young lady of New York has for some time amused herself with these delicate creatures as pets. They build their nests in the tube curtains and have raised little families in the parlor. There are plants for them to fly about in, and every day the florist sends a basket of flowers for them to extract honey from. They are like little rainbows flying about the room, and they light on the head of their dainty mistress with perfect freedom.

The humming birds shown in Broadway were captured by a German, who succeeded in taming them very easily. They subsist, when caged, upon honey or sugar and water. He had them placed in little crystal cages, with pretty spray perches and bunches of glass flowers, in whose cups their food was placed. After being caged two months they became so tame that they readily learned to thrust their long, slender, threadlike tongues between the lips of their keeper for the sweets on which they subsisted. In their natural state they also feed upon the minute insects which infest flowers, and no doubt, if this sort of food were supplied to them, together with honey, by those who hold them in confinement, they might be kept alive for as long a time as some of the more hardy pets of the aviary.

The birds at Taylor's attracted a crowd of people from morning till night, who seemed to never grow weary of watching them. They were evidently at that time a "new sensation" to the habitués of Broadway. Nor is this to be wondered at, for, what with the flashing iridescence of their plumage, changing with every motion, from emerald to ruby and gold, their marvelous delicacy of form, their extreme rapidity of flight, now hovering over the honey laden calyx, now darting from spray to spray or perching upon a twig, coquetishly plucking themselves with their long, slender beaks, they are really objects of grace and beauty, worthy the admiration of every beholder.

A PUMICE STONE BARBER.

A floating barrier of pumice stone 10 miles long, over 1,000 yards wide and 15 feet deep, closing a seaport to all vessels as effectually as a boom could do, is not the sort of thing one is likely to forget, and yet that was one of the results of the Krakatau eruption, the port being Tokel Reteng, in Sunda straits. Forth in a few hours, it would almost seem to be the supreme effort of nature in the pumice making line were it not that such immense quantities are found at the bottom of the sea—a queer place for pumice stone. But pumice, when produced, is really heavy. It is only the air cavities in it that make it light, and as it floats it becomes water logged and down it goes. Most of the pumice we use in Europe comes from the Lipari islands, north of Sicily, "the home of Vulcan," whence Vulcanus as the name of one of them, and our "volcano" as descriptive of the natural feature of which it is the type. Here are the pumice quarries—at Monte Chirica and its centers Monte Pelata and Forgia Vecchia—where over 1,000 men are at work in the narrow tunnels and galleries, lighted by clay lamps of antique form. The whole hillside is perforated with groups of these tunnels, which number between 200 and 300 and are so narrow that the men can hardly pass each other in them. And just as coal is found in beds alternated with sandstone and shale, so the pumice is in layers between harder lavas and ashes.—Leisure Hour.

A RAP at the Men.

If a woman cannot throw a stone or catch a mouse, men ought to cease playing her about her disability. As a rule, men do things which they cannot—writing up toilets, for instance. A man once told me that a bride wore "white corduroy, cut on the bias and trimmed with crinoline." Anything more awful than that I haven't encountered until today, when I read of another bride "arrayed in cream organdie silk and muslin, trimmed with chignon." Fancy the honey turned to gall in reading descriptions like these after the wedding.

Oh, yes, the rural correspondent is abroad in the land. Last week one of him sent the following note to his weekly newspaper:

"Mr. Slick celebrated the semiannual of his first wife's death by getting married again."—Polly in Chicago Times-Herald.

His Rates.

Excutor—Pray, sir, what do you charge for a funeral service?

The Rev. Mr. Cantor—I always charge, my dear brother, in proportion to the property left behind. Couple of guineas for a poor man, 5 guineas for £10,000, and so on.

Excutor—Well, my friend has left £50,000, so that would be £25; but it seems a good deal.

The Rev. Mr. Cantor—But, my dear brother, think of the strain on my conscience.—Ally Sloper.

Lightning Reduced to Figures.

Modern scientific discovery is fast unravelling the greatest mysteries of nature, and it now appears that there are but few things that are hidden from the gaze of him who looks for them in the proper way. Lightning was formerly one of the greatest enigmas among natural phenomena. Today we know that the average electromotive force of a bolt of lightning is about 8,500,000 volts; that the current is 15,000,000 amperes, and that the time of discharge is about one twenty-thousandth of a second. In such a bolt, there is energy equal to 2,450,000 volts, or 3,234,182 horsepower.—St. Louis Republic.

A Pathetic Ailment.

Mrs. Q. had a severe headache, and her complaints made Mr. Q. a trifle cross, and by and by he said something which made Mrs. Q. cry. Whereupon her little boy also burst into tears.

"Dear mom!" said his father. "Now, what may be the matter with you?"

"I've got a headache—in mamma's head!" said the child.—Youth's Companion.

LIFE LINES ON THE FOOT.

Secrets They Reveal to the Student of Character.

There is a man in Philadelphia who claims that it is much easier to read one's character and past and future from the marks on the sole of one's feet than it is from the palms of the hands. He calls it "pedology."

The pedologist, while refusing to tell the names of the owners of the feet in most cases, showed a number of diagrams the other day and explained to a reporter how he read the fortunes of the soles.

"Maxine Elliott," he said, "is a public character, and I do not mind mentioning her name. Here is her story. Look at it. It's worth studying, for she is not only one of the most beautiful women on the American stage, but it is remarkable in other ways. Her foot is so beautifully marked that little of her sole touched the paper when she placed her foot upon it. The intellectual and artistic lines are very clearly defined on her foot, and one need but see and hear Miss Elliott speak for a few moments to realize that her artistic and mental capabilities are of a high order. The lines of intuition and imagination are both remarkably long. The cross between the line of love and the head line indicates that in a love affair Miss Elliott would be governed largely by reason. She has strong affections, according to the long heart line."

A contrast to Miss Elliott's foot was that of a factory girl from Kensington. This was a foot common to people of little education. There was scarcely any line, instead to the foot. The lines of imagination, mental capacities and intuition were very short, and the artistic line was entirely lacking. The heart and love lines were well defined and long. The lines also indicated firmness and great ambition, with a decided fondness for pleasure, so the pedologist explained.

Still another foot was that of a society girl. Here again was the high arch. It showed, among other things, that she did not have to stand on her feet, as did the poor factory girl. The lines told of her having less heart and less ambition than the factory girl too. There were selfishness and vanity in the impression. It seemed well that silk stockings and dainty shoes usually kept it from the sight of those who would read its owner's character in the soles of that foot.

There was the foot of the preacher and the policeman and the lawyer, and each seemed to tell a story in keeping with its owner's vocation and habits. Last of all came the print of the man about town. There was no arch there. It had come down "flat footed."

It looked as if it was used mostly in walking up and down a fashionable street and standing about the club. It had good nature and self satisfaction, some generosity and some brains in it, but little ambition.—Philadelphia Press.

Pope as a Trickster.

Mr. Leslie Stephen writes strongly, but not too strongly, when he says in reference to the correspondence of Pope, "It is painful to track the strange deceptions of a man of genius as a detective unravels the misdeeds of an accomplished swindler." Pope was a confirmed liar, and he lied very hard indeed about the publication of his letters. Having by means of a trick secured their publication by a notorious piratical bookseller, he at once declared that the letters were forgeries. Yet while he was calling out for their suppression he was really anxious for their sale. The details of all his trickery and lying need not be gone into here.

Pope, full of vanity and longing to publish his correspondence, had purposely employed a notorious bookseller to issue an edition in order that he might then be able to say that the version was a piratical one, and that in self defense he must publish the genuine text. The odd thing about that, though the whole affair was exposed at the time, it does not seem to have done Pope any harm. Dr. Johnson, indeed, says that it did him good, and that the nation was full of praise for the admirable qualities of candor, benevolence and fidelity which the letters revealed. Here is some comfort for any living literary genius who has not yet published his private correspondence.—Longman's Magazine.

A Rap at the Men.

If a woman cannot throw a stone or catch a mouse, men ought to cease playing her about her disability. As a rule, men do things which they cannot—writing up toilets, for instance. A man once told me that a bride wore "white corduroy, cut on the bias and trimmed with crinoline." Anything more awful than that I haven't encountered until today, when I read of another bride "arrayed in cream organdie silk and muslin, trimmed with chignon." Fancy the honey turned to gall in reading descriptions like these after the wedding.

Oh, yes, the rural correspondent is abroad in the land. Last week one of him sent the following note to his weekly newspaper:

"Mr. Slick celebrated the semiannual of his first wife's death by getting married again."—Polly in Chicago Times-Herald.

His Rates.

Excutor—Pray, sir, what do you charge for a funeral service?

The Rev. Mr. Cantor—I always charge, my dear brother, in proportion to the property left behind. Couple of guineas for a poor man, 5 guineas for £10,000, and so on.

Excutor—Well, my friend has left £50,000, so that would be £25; but it seems a good deal.

The Rev. Mr. Cantor—But, my dear brother, think of the strain on my conscience.—Ally Sloper.

Lightning Reduced to Figures.

Modern scientific discovery is fast unravelling the greatest mysteries of nature, and it now appears that there are but few things that are hidden from the gaze of him who looks for them in the proper way. Lightning was formerly one of the greatest enigmas among natural phenomena. Today we know that the average electromotive force of a bolt of lightning is about 8,500,000 volts; that the current is 15,000,000 amperes, and that the time of discharge is about one twenty-thousandth of a second. In such a bolt, there is energy equal to 2,450,000 volts, or 3,234,182 horsepower.—St. Louis Republic.

A Pathetic Ailment.

Mrs. Q. had a severe headache, and her complaints made Mr. Q. a trifle cross, and by and by he said something which made Mrs. Q. cry. Whereupon her little boy also burst into tears.

"Dear mom!" said his father. "Now, what may be the matter with you?"

"I've got a headache—in mamma's head!" said the child.—Youth's Companion.

THE BRECHLOADER.

Improvements in Guns That Conduce to Rapidity of Firing.

Let us examine a breech-loader and see what improvements have been made which may conduce to rapidity of fire. We see that in the older pattern three motions were necessary to open the breech. First the bar which is fixed across the base of the block had to be removed, then a half turn had to be given to the block to free it in its bed, and then it had to be pulled forward. Lastly, it had to be thrown back on its hinge, so as to open the gun from end to end. We are shown that in later patterns the cavity or bed into which the block fits is made in the form of a cone, so that the breech block itself can be turned outward without any preliminary motion forward. In artillery work time is everything, and any one motion of the gunner's hands and arms saved is a point gained.

Now let us look at the mechanism by which the recoil or backward movement of the gun is checked at the moment of firing. The gun slides into its cradle, and its recoil is counteracted by buffers which work in coil, something in the fashion of the coil springs which we see on doors. Iron spiral springs push the gun back again into place. Another interesting piece of mechanism is the electric machinery by which the gun is fired. When the recoil has taken place, the wire, along which runs the electric current, is pushed out of place, so that it is impossible to fire the gun, even though it be loaded, until it has been again fixed in its proper position on the cradle. Truly a modern cannon is a wonderful machine, and yet it is only a development from the sort of iron gun pipe which was used in the middle ages.

Hard by is a gun which has come to grief. In experiments which are carried on at Shoeburyness guns are charged to their full length. There is an ugly gas running down the outer case or jacket, as it is called, of the gun, and the latter has broken and nearly jumped out of its cradle. Nursery phrasology certainly comes in strongly in the technical slang of gunners when we have to do with Woolwich infants.—Chambers' Journal.

X RAYS CAN BE SEEN.

Their Effects on Different Parts of the Human Eye.

Dr. Brandes of the University of Halle has succeeded in rendering directly visible the X rays discovered by Professor Roentgen. The observation made by Professor Salvioni, an Italian physicist, that lenses are in a very slight degree penetrable by Roentgen's rays, suggested to Dr. Brandes the idea that the invisibility might be due to circumstances connected with this fact. He accordingly resolved to test the effect of Roentgen's rays on lensless eyes.

There are many people who have had the lenses of their eyes removed as a remedy for extreme shortsightedness or for cataract. A girl who had had this operation performed on both eyes, but in whose right eye a remnant of the lens had been left, allowed the experiment to be tried upon her.

Professor Dom, whom Dr. Brandes had interested in the investigation, subjected the girl quite unexpectedly to the rays, and when the strong current passed through the tube, which had been totally darkened, she declared that she saw light with her left eye. Professors Dom and Brandes at first thought it possible that a spark had leaped across, but when this had been ruled out, the girl continued to declare that she saw light.

On further trying the experiment the two savants saw the light too. They then continued their investigations and ascertained that Roentgen's rays really affect the retina. If we place our eye, completely enclosed in an entirely opaque vessel, near the source of the rays, we see light even with the closed eyes, and we see it most clearly at the periphery. Moreover, we continue to see it even when a large aluminum plate, which would completely exclude electric rays, is placed between a Hittor tube and the eye. Utter darkness, on the other hand, results if a thick pane of glass, which, as is well known, is only in a very slight degree penetrable by Roentgen's rays, is placed between the tube and the closed or covered eye.—Berlin Cor. London Standard.

Wedding Postponed.

Sharp Dame—I must frankly tell you, Mr. Meek, that my consent to your marrying with my daughter has been wrung from me under protest.

Mr. Meek—Yes, sir. I know that if I did not consent she would disgrace the family by an elopement. When she wants anything, we all have to give in to her or take the consequences, and long experience has taught me that I might as well try to fan off a cyclone as reason with her when she gets mad, especially if there is a flatiron or a rolling pin handy, and so I just give right up at once. Has the wedding day been set yet, Mr. Meek?

Mr. Meek—Um—er—not yet, and in fact, madam, I'm—I'm a little afraid I can't afford to marry very soon any more. Good-good day.—New York Weekly.

Her Varying Value.

Mrs. Ferguson—George, if I should cease to care for you and fall in love with some handsome man, what would you do?

Mr. Ferguson (with some fierceness)—I'd sue the scoundrel for \$100,000.

Mrs. Ferguson (applying the corner of a handkerchief to her eye)—And yet when I told you the other day how dearly I'd love you if you would only buy me that \$18.99 vase at Spotsch & Co.'s you only said, "H'mph!"—Chicago Tribune.

Portraits and "Pictures."

If one can give the portrait and make a picture at the same time, so much the better, but if the portrait be given with frankness and sincerity, if the model be rendered with knowledge and truth, the result will be a picture—a work of art—whether the painter so designs it or not. Holbein and Velasquez told the exact truth about their sitters, and their simpler portraits are today their better selves, and their "finishing" effects not only compromised the likeness, but made the picture bizarre by emphasis in the wrong place. The tale has been more than once told in the history of art. A simple truth is always better than an ornate falsehood.—Scribner's.

The Duchess of Teck is expected to get along somehow or other on an annual allowance of £5,000.

RELEASE OF A GYPSY MOTH.

A Careless Frenchman's Experiments Have Led to Trouble.

On a certain ill omened day in 1869 a gentle breeze rippled through the streets of a quiet town in eastern Massachusetts. It left chimneys unharmed and hardly ruffled a tree, yet if it had been a cyclone it could hardly have done more damage, for in a bare little frame tenement house on a side street stood Pandora's box full of troubles waiting to be spread broadcast over the land, and the breeze furnished the needed key. Presently the owner of the house and of Pandora's box, a Frenchman, known to his neighbors for his curious experiments in silk raising and for his absorption in the study of strange insects, was seen searching anxiously in the grass outside his window. People who saw him said that he seemed much disturbed at the failure of his quest.

Well might he be, for he had just lost one of the plagues of Egypt upon a fair and fertile land. He had lost "the gypsy moth," and the new world has gained the gypsy moth.

Mr. Trouvelot, the silk grower of Medford, can hardly expect to have his name pleasantly remembered among his quondam townsmen and countrymen, but he should be given credit both for intelligence to foresee the consequences of his negligence and for the candor immediately to give notice of the danger to which the public was exposed. But his warning fell on deaf ears. No one realized that the pest, which is a nuisance rather than a danger in Europe, would go such headway in a new home, and, freed from its hereditary enemies, was to deviate wherever it went. It would have been foreseen, to appropriate \$1,000,000, if need be, to quarantine the whole neighborhood, to fell the trees, to raze the houses to the ground, to plow the fields under and leave that part of the town a desert. But no one rose to the emergency till it was too late.—Springfield Republican.

A NOVEL EXPERIMENT.

The Startling Result of Firing a Cannon Buried Under Water.

The most curious experiment ever made with a piece of ordnance was at Portsmouth, England. A stage was erected in the harbor within the tide mark; on this an armstrong gun of the 110 pound pattern was mounted. The gun was then loaded and carefully aimed at a target, which, of course, during the time of low tide, a few hours later, when the gun and the target were both covered with water to a depth of six feet, the gun was fired by means of electricity. We said "aimed at a target," but the facts are that there were two targets, but only one was erected for this special experiment, the other being the hull of an old vessel, the Griper, which lay directly behind the target and in range of the ball. The target itself was placed only 25 feet from the muzzle of the gun. It was composed of oak beams and planks, and was 21 inches thick.

In order to make the old Griper vulnerable, a sheet of boiler plate 3 inches thick was riveted to the waterlogged hull, in direct range with the course the ball was expected to take if not deflected by the water. On all of these—the oak target, the boiler plates and the old vessel hull—the effect of the shot from the submerged gun was really startling. The wooden target was pierced through and through, the boiler iron target was broken in pieces and driven into its "backing," the ball passing right on through both sides of the vessel, making a huge hole, through which the water poured in torrents. Taken altogether the experiment was an entire success, demonstrating as it did, the feasibility of placing submerged guns in harbors in time of war and doing great damage to the vessels which an enemy might dispatch to such points for the purpose of shelling cities.—Invention.

Learn to Listen Intelligently.

"Learn, to listen and to listen intelligently," writes Ruth Ashmore on "How to Be a Social Success" in Ladies' Home Journal. "Express your interest through your eyes, and when it is needed take the encouraging word that, like hot water on the tea, brings out the strength. If a speaker mentions a wrong date or incorrect fact, the world cares for the interesting talk, not for whether the affair described happened on Thursday or Friday, nor whether the bonnet was born at 4 or 1 o'clock. The effect on the speaker is belittling, and you have no right to underrate any one. Chatter about anything you will but personalities. But do not feel that you must raise the tone of society by ringing in, when everybody is laughing, a funny little story about a child or all are smiling at an amusing description of how the orange blossoms grow down south, your opinion of some heavy history that has lately been published. Society is not a school; it is a pleasure ground."

"On Satan's Knees."

A little girl of 5 or so was most puzzled on hearing the lines of the old hymn:

And Satan trembles when he sees
The weakest saint upon his knees.

"Whatever," she asked, "did they want to sit on Satan's knees for? I'm sure I should not like to sit on Satan's knees at all, and why should he tremble if they were so little?" This is a delightful bit of childish misunderstanding and is half pathetic in its suggestion of how to wander when searching for the meanings of our hieroglyphics.—National Review.

She Believed It.

Somebody asked President Robert Ellis Thompson of the Central High school if judgment is sacrificed in the cultivation of memory, and he, in a hesitatingly affirming such to be the case, related a story or two at the expense of his own memory. Said he: "I came very near speaking of Jonah as 'What you may call him' in the pulpit once, and at another time in the course of a conversation I said to a woman:

"Do you believe that Jonah swallowed the whale?"

"I do," she said unhesitatingly.—Philadelphia Call.

Language is a solemn thing. It grows out of life—out of its agonies and ecstasies, its wants and its weariness. Every language is a temple in which the soul of those who speak it is enshrined.—O. W. Holmes.

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