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Independent.

Persistent in the Right; Fearless in Opposing Wrong.

VOLUME 10.

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BEHIND THE TAPESTRY.

less, too; and when the grave closed | Aspen's Vale. over my husband I thought that there was no place left for me in the world. I was rich, young; and my friends, me that I was beautiful.

trouble, to one friend.

She, too, was young and beautiful. We were schoollgirls; we were engaged at the same time; we were married in the same month of the same year.

During the three years of my married life we had seen little of each other, but when my husband died, and Mary Clifford wrote to me tenderly out | I to do with fancy? of her full heart, I answered back her love.

She asked me to stay with her and I

I stayed with the Cliffords a couple of months. During that time the house was quiet, visitors few-they eschewed company for my sake.

At the end of two months I left them, comforted and helped, and with many promises of a return by-and by. table.

Circumstances, however, too varied and too many to mention, prevented that second visit from taking place for a couple of years. At the end of that time a great longing came over me to see Mary Clifford again. I must write to her and promise a visit. I did so. By return of post I got a short but

characteristic reply:

"DEAREST HONOR; "Of course I long to see you, but unfortunately the house is full. Large as it is, it is crammed true, after all? Of course I did not chain secure. I was not an instant too from cellar to attic.

in the Tapestry room? for of course it nothing for me but to get into bed as He saw that he had been outwitted, indeed, one of the notorious characters is empty. I dare not put anybody else | quickly as possible.

Tapestry room will do beautifully. Ex- something else. pect me to morrow."

bedrooms were in the wing.

came to it out of curiosity; they paid help in this distant room. brief visits, and preferred doing so in Now I knew-if I had ever doubted broad daylight.

Old as the other rooms in the wing man. the palm of ancient appearance.

name was the tapestry. Not an inch and my chances of escape. of the walls was to be seen; they were Nothing but perfect coolness could faded tapestry. One Dame Clifford, of cool. With a fervent and passionate they came nearer, treading down fallen face. There he stands." long, long by-gone days, had worked it cry to One above for succor, I rose branches, whick crackled under the Whatever effects my words had on stands erect. A little pause follows, in neck, and, climbing still, stopped at and girls." come to an untimely end on the very sing-table, I slipped several costly rings came and stood under the window, and at all of their remarkable significance ning the gamut of elfin melody in the firelight stopping right there, where Fairchild is at the head of the State day on which the great work of her life off my fingers. I left them scattered looked up at me. I perceived by his to the prisoner. His indifference left those grouped pines; then the heavy it did, made the major gasp. had been completed.

It does not matter to this story what all but my wedding-ring. became of the proud and fair dame, but | Then I put the extinguishers on the stood under the window; he seemed if I recognized him, he also recognized it was her ghost which was said to candles they were wax, and stood in terrified; perhaps he took me for the me. All his bravado left him; he mut- inside. The mansion is divided in how fondly I shall cherish you; how "Most certainly," was the reply: "it haunt the wing, and the Tapestry cham- massive silver candlesticks. ber in particular. Warden, my maid The room, however, was still brilliant coward, for he spoke. as she helped me to undress, looked with the light of the fire on the hearth quite pale with terror.

"They do say, ma'am, as Dame Clare | pillow and closed my eyes. Clifford appears with her head tucked It may have been ten minutes—it There is not a moment to lose. Go in- Hercules Armstrong was committed to tiles and deciphers the inscriptions I can ever deserve." Two limpid tears great injustice to womanhood in the under her arm, and threads from the seemed more like an hour to my strain- stantly instantly, and wake up the prison. He had long been the terror of about the mantel. There is a rustle of showed through the gathering gloom. past; when I remember that boys have old tapestry hanging to her skeleton ed senses-before I heard the faintest house, and say that I Mrs. Crawford, the neighborhood, and no one regretted silk skirts, and a tap of feet on the oak "I never dared hope you would re- had colleges for six hundred and girls fingers. She's dressed in gray silk, movement. Then I discovered a little am in extreme danger in the Tapestry the just punishment which had fallen stairs. The major rises, with a sudden ceive me so tenderly. "I am a coming only fifty years, my blood crudles in that don't rustle a bit, though 'tis so rustle behind the tapestry, and a man wing. Go at once—at once!" thick it might stand all alone, they got ont. When he did so I opened my I spoke distinctly, and the man may be I know not; this is the present tic, surely—and salutes the red draped your chair—so—on my tip-toes, and do say. 'Tis awful lonesome for you, eyes wide; at that distance he could not seemed to understand. He flew away end of a strange and perfectly true figure through the interstices of the put one-little kiss-like that!-on by a good college training, and there madam, to sleep here alone, and I'll possibly see whether they were open or the dog following him. stay with you with pleasure if it comes | shut. He was a powerful man of great | I instantly threw myself on my knees to that, though my nerves arn't none of height and breadth. He had a black and in the terrible moments that fol-

sured her that I was not in the least tolerably regular. afraid; and she, with a well-relieved I also noticed another peculiarity: no. God was good. I heard joyful near the South Fork river, on the John business-man like myself to call on a "Oh, yes, I'm so thankful you like when they can afford it. In China, face, left me alone. I heard her foot- among his raven locks was one perfect- sounds; the thief's attack on the door | Wilfong farm, stands a remarkable | lady of an afternoon."

died away. I was now out of reach of was flung back off his forehead-so all human help, for in this distant room | white was it that the fire instantly re-Ten years ago I was in the first sor- in this distant wing, no possible sounds | vealed it to me. row of my widowhood. I was child- could reach any other inhabitats of

and my own reflection in the glass, told of my early widowhood, I had never them again. Then he approached the I'did not care for the people who the last of Warden's footsteps echoed his breath as he bent over me. I was flattered and made much of me, but I out and died, and that profound still- lying on my side, my eyes were shut, I turned, even in the first days of my ness followed which can be oppressive was breathing gently. I had a curious sensation.

it for that grim and pale-faced tyrant; caused my heart to beat irregularly.

The sensation was this-I felt that I was not alone.

Of course it was fancy; and what had

I determind to banish this uncomfortable feeling from my mind, and stirring the fire to a cheerful blaze, I drew one of the black oak chairs near it and sat down.

Warden had looked so pale and frightened before she left me, that out of consideration for her feelings I had allowed worn that evening on the dressing

There they lay, a set of very valuable brilliants. There was an old-fash- fetch a companion, but certainly to reas I sat by the fire I saw the reflection | nity had come. of my diamonds in the glass. As I I was not alone.

Who was in the tapestry chamber chains. Was it the ghost? Was that story My dear, I don't want to refuse you. came to me. I felt that I was getting chain, with fingers that trembled, before I do long to see you. Will you sleep quite silly and nervous. There was the thief returned.

there, but I don't think you, Honor, will I was about to rise from my easy He kicked at the door, he called on me dog, no jury has yet found him guilty. what is sixty-five? welcomes. I can put up your maid. was attracted to the glass over my would soon burst the old door from Your loving friend, MARY CLIFFORD. head. It was hung in such a way as to its hinges, and my life would be the To this letter I made a short answer. reveal a large portion of the room, and forfeit. "I do not believe in the ghost. The I now saw, not the diamonds, but-

The next evening I arrived at Aspen's tapestry I saw something move and on one side, was weak on the other; that the ghost and I would make hole in the canvass. Now I knew why resting-places in the wood. I felt that I was not alone.

My maid however, looked grave There was some one hidden between a few minutes, that even if the thief over my jesting remarks; it was plain the tapestry hangings and the wall of was alone he had but to continue to as- found my sight growing dim, I found up at the bright foliage, and knocked the corner of two brown eyes. "Or, he professors at Vassar, and the question that she believed in supernatural visi- the chamber. Some one—not a ghost. sail the door as vigorously as he was myself bending forward, and peering the head of a straggling aster in his might go with Aunt Maria, eh? Oh—o with them was how to keep ahead of The Tapestry room was quite away looked on human eye before. I was fresh entrance into my chamber. from the rest of the house_it was at alone with a thief, perhaps with worse, I rushed to the window, I threw up hours of mortal agony returned to me candy shop, and stood still to watch funny in that common-place arrange- sity said that one of the best mathethe extreme end of the wing. No other and gems of immense value lay within the sash, and bent half out. Into the again. Who was in the prisoner's dock? the urchin as he bolted for the door, ment. his reach.

Altogether, this wing of the old I was absolutely alone not a soul strong young voice. house seemed dead. Visitors only could hear the most agonized cry for

the nerves which a few minutes before household was in bed. The furniture was all of the blackest | were beginning strangely to quiver. I oak; the bedstead the usual four-poster | never started nor exclaimed. I felt | ing way with the rusty hinges and I | I started to my feet and spoke.

with the help of her maidens. She had from my chair, and going to the dres- welcome step. The next instant a man the Squire and Judge, there is no doubt which he listens to the wind run- her rosier lips! Her last sentence, and carelessly about. I denuded myself of dress that he was a villager, probably him; he started with wide-open and doors unfold; a salute no younger "This is one of the most delightful asked him the question only a few

I got into bed, laid my head on the

beard, and a quantity of thick black lowed I prayed as I had never prayed I thanked Warden however, and as- hair. I noticed his features, which were before. Would the man be in time?

The man did not glance toward the bed, he went straight with no particu-I think I have implied that I was larly quiet step, to the dressing-table. brave. In my girlhood, in my short I closed my eyes now, but I heard him married life, even in the sad depression taking up my trinkets, and dropping known physical fear; hevertheless when | bedside. I felt him come close, I felt

He went away again; he returned to I did not call it fear, I did not know | the dressing-table. I heard him rather noisily strike a match, then with a but it made me uncomfortable, and lighted candle in his hand he approached the bed. This time he bent very low indeed, and I felt the heat of the flame as he passed it softly before my closed eyes. I lay still however, not a

> I heard him give a short satisfied sigh. Again, candle in hand he returnheard the clinking sound of my trinkets at Aspen's Vale. This time I did not nut tree in the United States. P. A. ed to the dressing-table. Once more I as they fell through his fingers.

There was a pause, and then-for no reason that I could ever explain—he her to leave the jewels which I had left the trinkets untouched on the table and went to the door.

He opened the door and went out. I knew not what he went for-perhaps to ioned mirror over the mantel-piece, and turn—but I did know that my opportu-

noticed their sparkle, again the strange I had started from my feigned slumbers sensation returned; this time more I was at the door, I had bolted and strongly, this time with a cold shiver. locked it. There were several bolts to

I drew every bolt, I made every rusty | interested him. believe it. I laughed aloud as the idea soon. I had scarcely fastened the last

In the folds of the dim and old-world door, secured by its many fastenings

I knew that I was only protected for | the dock.

clear calm air of the night I sent my

"Help,help!—thieves!—fire!—danger! -help, help !"

it before—that I was a very brave wo- but there was no response, except an white lock flung back from his brow. the right. The firm stride traversed me of my share of the conversation mitted, and opening a correspondence looked, the Tapestry room bore quite The imminence of the peril steadied shrubbery; the hour was late, the whole his eyes on the ground.

heard a dog bark.

"What is wrong?" he said.

Must my young life be sacrificed? Ah "About seven miles south of Hickory, a violoncello-"it is not usual for a off.

steps echoing down the corridor-they ly white. One rather thick white lock ceased suddenly, and the next instant walnut tree. It is twenty-seven feet the squire's hearty voice was heard:

> I did let him in, and his wife, and to the first limb, and the limbs are in several alarmed looking servants who proportion to the size of the tree. This followed after.

thief, but-mystery of mysteries-he had diappeared.

vanished as completely as though he Except for the marks he had made with his feet on the old oak door, there

was not a trace of his existence. I believe the servants doubted that he had ever been, and only thought that the young lady who was foolish enough to sleep in the Tapestry chamber had been visited by a new form of movement, not a hurried breath betray- ghost. Be that as it may, we never got a clew to where or how the man

sleep in the Tapestry room.

I now occupied a most cheerful, modern and unghost-like room, and but for one circumstance my visit would have been thoroughly unremarkable.

This was the circumstance which seems in a wonderful way to point a moral to my curious tale. I paid my visit to the Clifford's during the Assizes. Squire Clifford, as one of the most In an instant quicker than thought influential county magnates, was necessarily much occupied with his magisterial duties during this time. Every morning he went early into Lewis, the this old-fashioned door, there were even town where the Assizes were held. One morning he told us of a case which

"He is a hardened villain," he said; 'he has again and again been brought before me, but has never yet been con- indeed! victed. He is unquestionably a thief; him this time."

into Lewis, and presently found our- twinges. Vale in time for dinner. The Tapestry glitter. I looked again; there was no its hinges were nearly eaten through selves in a large and crowded building. Major Weatherbeam, buttoning his "Once in a while, madam!" The maroom looked charming. I fell in love mistaking it—it was an eye, a human with rust; they needed but a few vigor- When we entered the case under diswith it at once, and vowed laughingly eye, looking fixedly at me through a ous kicks to burst them from their cussion had not begun, but a moment strode down the avenue under the maafter a fresh prisoner was ushered into ples, was sure he would not give his think you have to say. But don't do good also. In his college they had

That eye was human, or I had never now doing for a little longer, to gain a hard. The memory of an old terror complacency. He found a dime for a -o-o!" I knew the man. He was my guest of and nodded in good fellowship to a "My dear Miss Margery"—(Con- of the best Greek scholars, too, was a

with his vast breadth and height, his once, quite unrebuked, and turned with in the face, they were so heavy.)-I shouted these words over and over raven black hair, and that peculiar him up a broad macadamized street at "you are surely determined to defraud Western colleges where they were adecho. My room looked into a distant He did not glance at any one, but kept two blocks quickly, and paused before though I cannot tell you how relieved with the leading educators of the coun-

The thief outside was evidently mak- every thing but my sense of discovery- puffs a little at the end of a long walk, moments when I feared you might be place. "It works well to educate the

on which our ancesters loved to stretch that I had in no way betrayed my was preparing, at the risk of any conse- "Mr. Clifford, I know that man; he by nature discreet, pauses awhile to re- parity of our ages-" themselves. But the curious feature knowledge to my terrible guest. I sat quences, the moment he entered the was in my room ten years ago. Do you gain the breath before venturing to call "Why, goodness, it wouldn't seem room." of the room, that which gave it its perfectly still, thinking out the situation room to leap from the window, when I remember the night when I got the ter- on ladies. Any tidy man will dust his half so lovely any other way! That's Oberlin College, the pride of Ohio, rible fright in the Tapestry chamber in clothes a little with his handkerchief, just the nicest part of it?" How that has had co-education for fifty years. I redoubled my cries. The bark of your house? There is the man who and twist his mustache a trifle when he presumptous firelight clambered up President Fairchild says: "I have hung completely with very ancient and win the victory. I resolved to be very the dog was followed by footsteps; frightened me. I could never forget his wishes to look well. The major presses from her little feet to the dimples in never yet noticed any difference as to

taking a short cut to his house. He terrified eyes at me. It was plain that man could imitate; an inquiry, and surprises of my life," he went on, when weeks ago: "Do the girls keep up with ghost. He was not, however, all a tered something, his face was blanched, quarters by two huge halls, and a wide earnestly I shall strive to gratify each works well to educate them together. then suddenly he fell on his knees and fireplace gives forth a glorious radiation wish that you can make; how truly The boys are more gentlemanly, the covered it with his hands.

in extreme danger-extreme danger. clusive; and that day, for the first time self before the blaze, and counts the "Oh, stop! You praise me more than mony, but forbear when I think of the on him. What his subsequent career rush of blood to the head—not apoplec- right over there, sir—and right behind indignation at woman's wrongs. story.— Cassell.

Something of a Walnut Tree.

in circumference, being nearly nine "Let me in. Honor! What is wrong feet in diameter three feet above the ground. It measures thirty-eight feet | leather chair. tree is vigorous in its growth and is We instantly began to look for the believed to be entirely solid. If sawed into lumber it would make 12,000 feet, without counting the limbs. Estima-That terrible man with the black hair | ting this lumber at \$40 per thousand and white lock over his forehead had feet, its market value would be \$480. The tree grows on an uncleared bottom near the river and is surrounded by a dense growth of timber. Its enormous size has prevented it from being converted into lumber, and there are no means of randling so large a stock of timber. Some years ago, Henry Wilfong of this place, whose father owned the land where the tree grows, published in two Northern newspapers an account of this tree, and challenged the whole country to furnish a larger tree of its kind. This has not been done, and it is now a fair Ten years later I was again on a visit inference that this is the largest wal-Sumney, of our city, who was born and reared within 400 yards of the immense walnut tree, knows this to be true. He has hunted rabbits around it and shot squirrels off it many times. Upon this place stands a stone house that was built more than one hundred white settler of this place. This place was sold to Mr. Sumney and descended hair, because I don't reach up high to the Wilfong family, now the present owners. These three families have all reared large families in this house, and there has never been a death in the house to the present time.

Sixty-five is not so very old. No.

If one is still straight, with a ser- years ago.) viceable eye and tolerable hearing, in

try room will do, come, and a thousand four-poster, when again my attention he had accomplices outside, that they I do hope we shall have some luck with and sixty-five mellow autumns, that pretty one? I embroidered it myself. him out of Music Hall on their shouldrowse into peaceful winters and awak- | See, it represents an Italian princess | ders. The Squire went away, and it came en in refreshing springs, is a great priv- under an ilex tree. I think she looks Some persons make the assertion into his wife's head and mine to pay a liege. Think of the accumulation of a trifle like your son, Ned, only, of that in a four years' course the girls To my terror, I perceived that his visit to the court, and see for ourselves ideas and experiences, of friends and course, he's not done in Kensington. cannot keep up with the boys. The words were no idle boast. The old the prisoner in whom he was interested. memories. A rare age, surely, to be Well, I was planning that once in a late Dr. Raymond of Vassar College No sooner said than done. We drove enjoyed in spite of the rheumatic while, on very grand occasions, you said this regarding the higher educa-

a brown stone mansion, with a pine- I am to find you prepared to receive try upon the subject, and the testimony I could not contain myself; I forgot dotted lawn in front. One naturally my overtures. I confess there were that he gathered was the same in every whether one is sixty-five or not, and if less fond of me on account of the dis- boys and girls together. The idea of the bell beside the stately door, and her hands and the cosy folds about her correct recitations between the boys of heat and light over the statues and proud I shall be of my beautiful young girls more ladylike, for this compan-"This is wrong," I answered; "I am My evidence was remarkable and con- frescoed walls. The major seats himbalustrade.

greater;" poising one toe on the fender I assure you. Here's the ring he gave to aid her balance in the high-seated me. See! Two beautiful pearls and

dear young lady!"

cato from the high-back chair. At sixty-five one is too dignified to like lieved he would go half mad with joy. such a laugh in connection with one's But really I didn't think he'd tell you

"Yes, Miss Wheatcrof, I felt I could not, in justice to you or myself, remain longer without confessing to you my the girl: "I'm afraid I've talked to attitude towards you."

the dimples.

tary jerk. Girls, were, once, more de- Well, button up your coat well. Now, corous. His deceased Julia Ann would please give your new child one more never have shown such impulsiveness. kiss, to tell her that you mean all you Yet it must be confessed 'twas extreme- have said. Good-by! Good-by!" ly flattering; and then, good heaven, what eyes! The apoplectic symptoms

to say so. I'm sure I never hoped--' plans for us two. Poll, come down! Major, she's trying to pull your hair! sit on my chair. You can't pull my Current. enough-ha! ha! ha!-oh, Major?" her teeth gleamed out in the glow from the cedar fire. "Yes I was thinking, you see, how proud I should be of yon. of your days-and so handsome! And panionship. how proud I hoped you would be of me!" (A half-rising attitude on the spelling match in Music Hall, Boston, part of the major, who is forgetting between the Harvard College boys and

and his savage anger knew no bounds. in the place; but he is such a slippery addition to a well-filled pocket book, blaze too hot. How stupid of me to student, and the Harvard boys were so let you roast in that manner. Here, delighted that one of their number took be afraid of the ghost. If the Tapes- chair and go over to the old-fashioned wildly to open it; he assured me that Well, he is to be tried again to-day and To count sixty-five distinct summers, let me put up the screen. Isn't it a even the third prize that they carried might take me out with you____"

ripe perfection for the callow and taste- it. Besides, we couldn't leave Ned be- outgrown the question if girls can keep What was the matter with me? I less experience of the past. He smiled hind very often." A lurking laugh in up with boys. They had gentlemen

came back, the sensation of a couple of little boy peeping, wide-eyed, into a The major couldn't see anything

the Tapestry chamber of ten years ago. | woman who watched with him amused. | found those chairs! A man couldn't | girl. There he stood, surly, indifferent, The major's little terrier followed, for move them an inch without getting red Before President White of Cornell

your dear old forehead."

He handed the lady down the last The major grew more agile than he and less divorces, and more happy steps, and led her across the hall, while had been for twenty years. Meanwhile homes.—Cleveland Herald. a green parrot hopped at her heels. Poll had got to screaming, "Lord! The Athens (Ga.) Banner says: "Miss Margery"—his voice was like lord! lord! lord!" and would not leave

me! And we'll all be so happy together | never.

"Therefore, sir, is the honor all the won't we? And we both are grateful, that twinkling diamond. Doesn't it "Therefore is the need great, my look charming in the firelight? Ned said-don't think me silly for telling "Oh! ha! ha! ha!" in musical stac- you-that if you were satisfied with the little wife he had chosen he be-

so soon, for he felt a little timid about it." A long pause, during which the major relaxes his fatherly embrace somewhat. Then a venture from the freely with you! Or, perhaps you feel "Oh, how kind of you," very sin- sad when you remember Ned is going cerely. "I looked-I looked for you to belong to me?" The head bows so all day yesterday, sir"-a little hur- low that the light climbs to that now. riedly, with the red deepening about "But we'll live somewhere near you, and see you every day. Why, must The major's head gave an involun- you be going? Can't you stay to tea.

"Lord! lord! lord! lord! lord!" How that bird screams. The wind has risen very fast, and the pines strike "Miss Margery, how gracious of you at each other angrily. There is a promise of a dismal rain, and the dusk "Yes, and I was making all sorts of hides all of the autumn's beauty, and leaves only its leaflessness apparent.

Sixty-five, sixty-five! At that age it Look out, sir; she'll scratch you! Here, is hard climbing a hill in the teeth of vears ago by Mr. Widenee, the first give her to me! There, Miss Poll, you the wind! - Elia W. Peattie, in the

Educating Women.

I know it is hard for boys sometimes to keep up with bright, smart You are so tall, and-now, don't mind, girls when they do study together, but for I'm going to flatter you all the rest the boys need this stimulating com-

A few years ago there was a great decorum, and how girls were forty the High School girls. The first and second prizes were carried off by girls. "Oh, major, you are finding the The third prize was taken by a college

tion of women: "On the whole it is very difficult to find what there is in science or literature that will do a man's

the girls." Judge Cooley of Michigan Univermatical scholars there was a girl. One

decided to admit girls there he visited sex is not regarded in the recitation

A younger brother of President University in Manhattan, Kansas. I

ionship." I might multiply such testi-

Make a woman strong and self-reliant would be less unhappy marriages and

In Japan, India, Turkey, and Egypt the natives wear Enropean costumes Thursday, Novem. 27, 1884.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Be thankful,—that

You are alive, that You live in a great country, that You have sufficient to eat, drink, and wear, and that you get enough sleep, that

You are poor, not too poor but just poor enough not to be tormented with riches, that

You are rich—not so rich that you imagine you own a town or a township, that

You haven't the gout, the dyspepsia, or the measles, or something worse, that

Your conscience is clean, and if it isn't clean, that

You desire to wipe out the stains. If you can think of anything else thankful.

land will resign the gubernatorial chair of New York to Lieutenant Governor annual message.

THE value of the specie and paper used as money in the United States on the first of last October was \$1,000,000,undisputed that this large amount is the Pennsylvania Legislature. Not tor at the Capital, approach the city as very unequally distributed.

THE contraction of the national bank currency during the year ending October 1, is about, \$25,000,000. The bank currency question promises to be a leading one in the coming session of Congress.

AND Sammy Nyce will need looking after if Hartranft gets the g. b. as Collector of the Port of Philadelphia. The office holder sleek is Sammy!

THE statement is made that Nordenskjold, the Artic Explorer, is about to undertake an expedition to the frozen South. Antartic Exploration has never been prosecuted with the eager zeal which year after year has sent expeditions to the north.

THE Board of Managers of the Union Mutual Fre Insurance Company, of Chester county, suggest that all the mutual companies of Eastern Pennsylvania hold a convention to make a concerted movement toward suppressing he found plenty on his route. It is eviincendiary fires.

THE stories of suffering and death that came from the border counties of Virginia and Kentucky last week were appalling. If the reports are true the condition of the people in that sparsely settled region is certainly pitable enough. Compelled by the long continued drought to use water from springs impregnated with mineral poisons the people were reported to be dying by hundreds from a fatal disease induced by its use. To add to their distress, medicines and proper medical attendance were very hard to procure. while owing to the lack of water to run the grist mills actual want prevailed to a greater or less extent.

A LIVELY OBSERVATION COUCHED IN LAN: GUAGE PLAIN.

Brother Robarts, of the Phonixville Messenger rattles off the following: "General John F. Hartranft, who, after the war, was twice elected Auditor General of this State, next, twice From the Boston Post. to the Gubernatorial chair, then was which position he now holds, will, with others of his political ilk, have to walk the gangway of defeat next Spring, and become of this political wart? Having half to give him a paying local office haps something that yields better. It dish. "when they counted out Tilis a pity, it appears, that among all the soldiers who went to the war from this Commonwealth, there was but this one people, which gratitude must be exoffice grabber. According to certain arguments it is rather wonderful too, that no Republican who shouldered his gun won such a privilege, but that it was reserved solely for, at the break-

THE tall shaft of white marble at OUR WASHINGTON LETTER. factory has been erected, and is now in Washington that is to perpetuate the memory of the immortal first President has reached its stipulated height of 520 feet. It is the highest artificial struc-E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor less comforting to Americans.

> THERE are in the United States 50-017 post-offices. Of this number 2,323 are filled by appointments of the President and the remaining 47,694 are filled after a legal wrangle of several years, by the Postmaster General. Our country postmasters will therefore please keep an eye on the coming Postmaster General.

> THE General Term of the Supreme Court in New York has recently deciness on her own account, may employ her own husband at a stated salary, and that a creditor of the husband may maintain legal proceedings against business. The political guillotine must the wife to get possession of any un- be as it ought to be, set up at once and do you think of that decision?

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND assures this that you ought to be thankful for, be country that, so far as his administration is concerned, "the lawful power teen feet away. This is to be made up and jurisdiction of the Executive of a huge cap-stone and a platinum It is announced that Grover Cleve- will be so exercised that the rights of point intended to ward off any house all citizens, white or black, under the constitution or laws will be preserved Hill before the meeting of the legisla- and protected, and all the advantages the originators of this really grand inquiries of the medical faculty into the ture, so that the latter may write the to which they are entitled by their citi- obelisk to set it up in such a low down. zenship will be secured to them." Who out of the way and inaccessible place

A NEW congressional apportionment 000, but the melancholy fact remains will be made at the coming session of grandest object of attention to the visimuch doubt about that, and it will be he may, that could possibly be conan appointment in favor of Republican Congressmen. A suggestion has been made that Montgomery be associated with adjacent wards in Philadelphia, come the new administration, and rather than connect it with the whole Washington City will be overrun as man, and child in the United States, or of Bucks county. Montgomery and Bucks would make an excellent congressional district.

THE number of immigrants landed at Castle Garden, New York, since the Republican County Committe should first of last January is 301,287 as coming of a new administration. Nosee that Sammy is taken care of. An against 559,705 for the corresponding period of the previous year, which shows a falling off this year of 58,408. A still larger decrease in immigration to bear upon him by the hungry and would be very acceptable to a great many citizens of this country. A tariff on foreigners, say \$100 per man, would be a wise stroke of policy, if it could be adopted.

> A NEW ENGLAND Republican who played a prominent part in the late canvass has reached Washington bearing aloft the banner of James G. Blaine for 1888. He says that when he left home dent that Blaine is by no means dead

yet. The man who beat the Stalwarts sents Presscott's famous chapter on still lives, and the Stalwarts who beat Blaine still live, move, and kick,-and Dr. Burchard is also numbered with

IT is stated that Mr. Hendricks is not pleased with Mr. Cleveland, and that after a recent interview between these two prominent individuals the Vice President elect expressed a feeling of dissatisfaction in regard to President Cleveland, and so on. We don't believe the statement. Whilst it is only natural for a Vice President to feel somewhat envious of a President, yet Thomas A., is an old trapper in politics. He had ample opportunity beforehand to know just what he was after, and having been successful he is not going to complain about it now. He knows how much power he can exert and just land's administration will end.

A Political Reminiscence.

"Rutherford," said Mrs. Hayes as made Postmaster of Philadelphia, and she watched that gentleman slowly finally Collector of the Port, same city, mixing the meal for the chickens which were peeping about him waiting to be fed. "Rutherford, they say that that man Cleveland is really elected." "So I've heard," answered Mr. Hayes as he is engraved: "Abraham Lincoln, 1865." give way to a Democrat. What will filled the dough dish and listened to the plaintive peep of a little chick evilived off the party almost twenty years, they'll probably be able in some way to dently coming down with pip; "but how can he be provided for the balance count him out. You know we counted of his life? Already, the papers tell us out Tilden eight years ago. Now that that his friends are moving in his be- was a curious affair. You see," he continued, contemplatively, as he knocked in Philadelphia, such as Sheriff, or per- chick that was climbing into the dough over with his spoon an adventurous "Mr. Hayes," cried Lucy with a frown, "will you look after those chickens and then count out the eggs for market." And as the ex-occupant of the White man, who, so conspicuously brave, House went back to his work and began although built more than 200 years ago, earned the everlasting gratitude of its to get the eggs ready for market, he thought of the good old times of 1876, and paper weights are made from the pressed in making him a perpetual and absently counted out eight eggs boards of the garret floor, and twigs of into a space that only held seven.

Mr. Conkling, when asked by a friend the other day whether he was a candidate for the Senate, replied: "I thank you for your solicitude, but I ing out of the war, a Democrat. I will know of no inducement that could draw be interesting to watch the future career of this celebrated office holder." me nearer to politics than my profession calls me." enlarged by a company in St. Louis, which has begun canning eggs. A

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 24, 1884. tor from Rhode Island to succeed the late Senator Anthony, was born on from the shells, and the substance is ture in the world, a fact that is more or Block Island sixty years ago, and is then dried and canned. One teaspoonone of the sharpest lawyers that sharp | ful is said to be equal to one egg, and Little Rhody has produced since Tristis warranted to keep fresh three tam Burgess. Mr. Sheffield was in years. Congress in 1863, and while on his way home crossing Broadway in New York, he slipped on the sidewalk and crippled himself for life. He sued the city, and finally recovered \$10,000 damages, the experts in court swearing that a lawyer's hip-joint had no greater value than the hip-joint of anybody else. Mr. Sheffield married the daughter of Samuel Sanford, one of Boston's old time millionaire merchants.

About one-fourth of the population ded that a married woman, doing busi- ment clerks and employes in various said he would get 2100 majority. He capacities, and the elimination of such a horde even in the slow process of filling their places, will have a most marked effect upon the city and its paid salary due to the husband. What kept in operation until the change of reputation without eating it. administration shall be thorough and

> The Washington Monument has reached a height of 540 feet, and the stone work of the roof is virtually completed though the apex is yet fiftricks of electrical play that may come from the adjacent clouds. I have often wondered what under the sun moved as it is, when there are so many and tol Hill, where under every circumstance and incident of history it should ceived. I doubt not that the structure will be ready for formal dedication on the 22d of February next, at which time the clans will be gathering to welshe never was before.

have an intense pecuniary interest in the success of the shop keepers, in the matter of advertising, are holding out the delusive hope to the poor outgoing Government clerks that their term of service will not be cut short by the inbody is weak enough to believe that Mr. Cleveland's ideas of Civil Service are extreme enough to enable him to resist the pressure that will be brought thirsty horde that will be here in force next March. And even if the Civil Service act should obstruct the working of the guillotine, it will only be to the extent of the very few appointments that have been made under it.

"The Book Worm." A unique, handsome, and delightful denly deserted a customer he was of The Literary Revolution. the "Spanish Inquisition." What will interest a vast number of book-buyers will be the regular monthly news of the Revolution's progress,—an enterprise as the industry of the human race. that has wrought wonders in the book | Ancient Babylon had property sym-

Interesting Paragraphs.

Street, New York.

paper, a shave, and a glass of whiskey | means have been required at all times all cost the same price, namely, 25 to guard against the fraudulent use of

bear off to the left, and says I to myself, that hole belongs to that snaix."

A Californian's blackberry crop weighed 5400 pounds, and was sold at seven cents per pound, bringing him where his influence in shaping Cleve- \$432. The roots taken from between the rows were sold for enough to pay for the pruning and cultivation The cost of picking and marketing was \$100, which left a net profit of \$166 per acre.

The cane which President Lincoln carried on the night of his assassination s now the property of Colonel W. H. Harris, of Cleveland, who was with the President on that fateful night. The cane has a bent top, a dog's head of ivory and a narrow gold band, on which

Last Spring a body of Minnesota farmers organized an exchange at Mankato, and since then have sold through it \$100,000 worth of butter at better average prices per pound than could have been realized in New York. They now regard it as only a matter of a few seasons when Eastern buyers will be compelled to come to them, instead, as heretofore, Western men going East and paying both freight and passenger

The old homestead where Whittier it is in good condition. Little boxes the overshadowing elm are varnished and sold for penholders, but the whole house would have to go to the lathe to meet the demand if it were answered generally, for it is the old farm house celebrated by "Snowbird."

The list of goods canned has been which has begun canning eggs.

operation, where they will can 1,000,000 dozen annually. The eggs are put William P. Sheffield, the new Sena- through some sort of process by which the yolks and whites are separated HOWARD LEOPOLD'S, Pottstown,

> Phineas T. Barnum is still an object of facetious concern among his neighbors in Bridgeport, Conn., on account of his clap-trap campaign offer to sell all his real estate at one-third less than its value if Cleveland were elected. How sincere was his proclamation is shown by the fact that a lot which he offered during the summer at \$40 a rod he now refuses to sell at less than \$60

As a sample of good guessing, Conof Washington is made up of Govern- gressman-elect Gibson, of Maryland,

> It requires 1,400,000 oxen, 1,500,000 sheep, 1,300,000 calves and 250,000 swine to feed London a year. The Englishman never got his "roast beef"

> In a cemetery in France one reads: Here lies Gabrielle, my adored wife. wife. She was also an angel.

Those who work the pedal of the graceful bicycle find little to commend their favorite exercise in the columns of the medical journals. From time to time there have appeared the results of effect produced upon the body by continued bicycling, and, though a verdict may scarcely be said to have been rendered, the evidence presented proved.

These black siks have been well tested during the past few years, and in each case we rely on the manufacturers' guarantee and can make our customers perfectly safe in putting their money could expect more, at this time, from as it is, when there are so many and hard they better spots for it all over the city. dered, the evidence presented proved, Had the structure been placed on Cap- in some cases, sufficiently convincing to condemn the practice.

Whether or not we are a beer-drinking people is answered by the fact that for the year ending June 30, as shown by the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, 17,578,723 barrels were consumed, being an increase over the preceding year of 1,147,673 barrels. This, according to the last census, is equal to 14 gallons for every man, wo-28 gallons for every man and male child. The local newspapers here, which As beer drinkers the people of the United States appear to beat the world.

The Island of Java is rapidly recovering from the effects of the dreadful volcanic eruption of last year. Commerce has been restored, and the products have been unusually large this season. The exportations of ivory, nutmeg, cinnamon and other spices will exceed in bulk those of former years. None of the coffee plantations have resumed, however, there being a supply of coffee on hand sufficient to meet the wants of commerce for three years. Since the volcanic eruption the waters of the sea have receded gradually, and the shape of the island is now very nearly what it formerly was. Monuments will be erected to mark the sites of the destroyed cities and villa-

An Ohio grocer the other day sudreadable little Monthly Magazine, con- serving, rushed to the rear of the store taining for the year over 300 pages and and killed himself. The rash act is many fine pictures, all for 25 cents a explained by the fact that the customer "the woods were full of 'em," and that year, is a recent characteistic product was one of those people who will lean Each against the counter and eat thirty cents' number contains attractive selections worth of raisins by way of sample from some noted book,—the last pre- while buying fifteen cents' worth of

A foreign contemporary has discovered that trade marks are nearly as old world. A specimen copy of The Book bols, and the Chinese claim to have Worm will be sent free to any address. had trade marks 1,000 years before JOHN B. ALDEN, Publisher, 393 Pearl Christ. Gutenberg, the inventor of printing, had a law suit about a trade mark, and won it. As early as 1300 the English Parliament authorized trade marks, and the laws of America have In the Montana cattle towns a news- also protected them. Extraordinary marks of manufacturers. If we have no means of identifying the trade mark, "I never argy agin a success," said the best goods at once lose their value.

Artemus Ward. "When I see a rattleThis was early discovered, and probsnaix's hed sticking out of a hole, I ably the successors of Tubal Cain were the first to use distinctive marks on their productions.

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Very Fine and Rich styles, \$1.00 We keep a full line of Black Cashmeres which are known to be the BEST MAKE IN THE WORLD. She was an angel. Never shall I be consoled for her loss." On the same and cannot be undersold on them. They are stone: "Here lies Henrietta, my second | heavy in weight, and have a certain peculiar firmness and toughness not to be recognized in other makes. Prices 50 cents to \$1.25. BLACK SILKS.

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Accommodation ...

..... 9.33 a. m,

Home Flashes and Stray Sparks From Abroad.

-Thanksgiving Day. Give thanks.

doesn't freeze quite as easily as the entangling many knotty questions. Skippack.

-Geo. Griffith, the statesman-inheavy-boots, of Arcola, was in town on Tuesday in company with his boon companions—two dogs. George has door locks and shutter bolts, and carry off spectacles is, not altogether honest.

-At a recent meeting of the County Commissioners D. G. Fetterolf, of Kulpsville, was appointed Mercantile ter's large barn fell out with a terrible appraiser for the ensuing year. A good appointment. Mr. Fetterolf will prove to be a worthy, competent offi- spot that became the scene of the dis-

-S. R. Shupe, auctioneer, Evansburg's gayest lark, recently caught, with a net, 32 large catfish in Skippack

-Jesse C. Wanner, farmer, of East H. H. Robison, for the benefit of credi-

-A shooting match for turkeys. geese, and ducks, will take place at J. B. Kreamer's residence, near Harmony Square, on Friday, December 5.

speak at once.

-The Collegeville naturalist is sixty, hale and frisky. If you want to know anything in reference to canes, how to find, prepare, and use them, go to him in a humble manner and he will tell you.

-W. H. Blanchford, our popular carriage manufacturer will hold his annual sale of sleighs, carriages, &c., at his manufactory, this place, on Saturday December 6.

-J. Ricker, engineeer at the works of Grander, Rogers & Co., Royersford,

-A surprise party cornered Abram Grater, this place, one day last week. The occasion was one of much pleasure to all present.

-Allebach will sell another lot of York county cows at Perkiomen Bridge next Monday afternoon.

-The weather, for the time being, has caused the lads and lassies to quit fair idea of the value of this sumptuswinging on front gates after twilight. ous volume it is only necessary to state Cruel weather!

-A newspaper man is always in

a courageous crew. They feel too choicest gems, and the utmost care has courageous, sometimes.

-The whistle on top of the boiler pieces of foreign music in this country. house of the Collegeville Machine The music is adapted to every range of legal holiday. The public schools are the plaintiff for \$1,956 damages. Works was first heard last week. A voice. Typographically the work is closed. full description of Mr. Roberts' Works superb, and it is one of the most perfuture.

-Geo. Detwiler, furniture dealer, has sold his house and lot, in East Perkiomen, to Jacob Shuck at private sale. George will be likely to relinguish the furniture business in the near future. We are not advised as to "One must be poor to know the luxury of giving." That may be so, but we think anybody can enjoy the luxury whether he intends preaching, or not.

-And don't forget the oyster supper cough. in Masonic Hall, Trappe, this (Thursday) evening. Go and have a jolly time. Why not?

open meeting of the Zwinglian Literary programme will get a hearty shake. and a generous diet until cured.

-When the Perkiomen freezes over we'll all go skating. To be sure, we -lads and lassies.

-Limerick Square is well lighted during dark nights, by means of street

-For Posmaster at Phænixville,

under the coming administration: Bro. J. O. K. Robarts. Rev. Charles Collins, pastor of the Centennial church, at Jeffersonville, is

earnestly hope for his recovery, Miss Kate Shupe, the popular milliner of Evansburg, after returning headed by the Lawrenceville Cornet in the county, or anywhere else, and to from Philadelphia on Monday evening this end we invite correspondence from put the draft on the heater. Shortly Pioneer Club, clubs from Pottstown, after the board of the fireplace was and delegations from Trappe and other found to be in flames. Sam says the places.

proficiency of Young America saved

the dwelling from destruction.

The largest barn in Montgomery county is that of William M. Singerly, of the Philadelphia Record, just combarn architecture.

Successful Gunning Trip.

Umstad, and Abram Ashenfelter, of Kulp; Music, solo, Miss Rittenhouse. this township, returned from a pleasant Milk and successful gunning trip into the wilds of Old Virginia. They brought All communications, business or home three fine deer, a large number of otherwise, transmitted to us through the dual and several pheasants. Our ship, was held at Mont Clare last Satthanks are due the party for a piece of urday evening for the purpose of ortherwise.

About to Organize.

School Hall, Evansburg, Monday even- citizens was large and enthusiastic, and ing for the purpose of organizing a a general feeling of determination to Literary and Debating Society. The succeed in the work commenced was literary talent of the vicinity was fair-manifested. A similar meeting was ly represented and the preliminary held by citizens of Chester county, the -The first blast of frigid winter arrangements were such as to indicate same evening. The bridge should be reached here Monday evening. The a permanent and successful organiza- made a free one and the citi-Skippack is covered with ice from shore | tion in the future. We trust our Lower | zens of this county and Chester county to shore at places. The Perkiomen Providence friends will succeed in dis-

Storm and Rain.

The wind and rain storm of last Sunday afternoon and evening was the most severe that has visited this section an idea that the fellow who will break for some time. We have heard of no ser- of the same to be assessed by twelve ious damages resulting from the same men. in this immediate locality. In Lower Providence, during the afternoon about half of the gable end of Samuel Cuscrash. Three young men, E. Custer, J. Kole, and U. Miller, had left the aster about five minutes before the wall fell. A narrow escape!

Runaway.

tered with mud came to the premises of captain Fetterolf, this place. The this place. Those who do-not wish to claimed he was hired. His wages had Perkiomen, has made an assignment to shafts and the two front wheels of a partake of the oysters can have turkey. been fixed by the company at \$1.70 per vehicle were attached to the animal, the other parts of the carriage being scattered over a wide range of territory. Doc. Spare, of Grater's Ford, is nursing a bruised shoulder as a result of the -If you don't know, how can you occurrence. Where and how the accident happened we are not prepared to -What struck the flag? Don't all time owned by Abram Grater, previous say. The runaway steed was at one owner of Captain Fetterolf's premises.

An Intelligent Horse.

Mr. James G. Detwiler, a worthy citizen of this township, is the owner of a very intelligent horse. One morning last week a boy drove the horse to Yerkes Creamery. On the way the horse threw a shoe, which occurrence was not observed by the boy. On the way home the horse suddenly stopped and refused to go any further. The youthful driver was surprised at the unusual had one of his hands cut off near the act of the steed and proceeded to inveswrist by a circular saw Tuesday morn. | tigate the cause. He soon observed a shoe, lying right in front of the horse, and at once noticed the absence of a -Heebneer & Sons, agricultural im- shoe on one of the hoofs of the animal. plement manufacturers at Lansdale, As soon as the lad reached his seat in will make an exhibit at the New Orleans | the wagon the horse started homeward in a lively manner. The correctness of this narrative is sufficiently vouched for and we have no reason to doubt it. And the most intelligent horse in the county exists in Upper Providence!

A Superb Book.

We have been shown the advance sheets of a the new book—Treasury of Song, No 2. To give our readers a that Prof. Morrison, of Philadelphia who is justly celebrated as a musical danger of a sudden introduction to France, and Italy, and selected from the repertorie of each of the world--The bicyclists of this 'ere town are renowned composers some of their been taken in the arrangements made to correctly introduce new and rare will be given in this paper in the near feet books for a holiday or birthday gift. - Wm. C. Gordon will be pleased to have all express their opinion as to

> of giving his fellow-sufferer a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup to cure his

the merits of the work.

If your horse is afflicted with those twin pests of crowded livery stables Lewis was an eccentric man, and lived strengthens the paper. The margin of -As you go along remember the glanders and farcy, remove the animal the life of a semi-hermit. He never the counterpane has a hem, in which is far away from all healthy horses, give kept a bank account, never borrowed or more of the twine to keep it from tear-Society, to-morrow evening. A good him Day's Horse and Cattle Powder loaned a dollar, and although he lived ing. Beautiful designs are painted on

will. And so will the College students our worthy townsman, F. M. Hobson, the ground that he was incompetent to wrinkled they can be made smooth by telligence is concerned, and he can fill presented the church with \$750. the chair, physically, if it is not too

An ox, which dressed nearly five hundred pounds, was slaughtered, steamed, roasted, at Limerick Station sidence. His congregation and friends last Saturday afternoon and evening. A large gathering of enthusiastic democrats put the beef where it would do the most good. A parade was formed

Instrumental music; Recitation, "Dea-Last week Dr. H. U. Umstad, Jonas | con Thrush in Meeting," Miss Sallie

Free Bridge Meeting.

A meeting of citizens, of this townganizing a movement to free the bridge crossing the Schuylkill at that place. Thomas Walker was elected president, David Barney secretary, and Abram A meeting was held in the Public Moore treasurer. The gathering of deserve credit for adopting active measures that will be likely to bring about the desired result. An informant says the Charter of the Bridge Company contains a section which stipulates that the bridge is to be made free whenever the demand is made by the citizens of both counties, the value

From Our Trappe Correspondent.

We had quite a gale on Sunday last, and during the night there was quite a water to springs and wells, some of the last of September when his workwhich were getting very low indeed. men were notified not to obey his or-We needed the rain, and a little more ders. He then sued the company for would do no harm.

Last Sunday evening a horse bespat- turkey and oyster supper on Thursday | what he might have earned during the After supper they will give an enter- day and he estimated his damages at tainment, to which those having pur- the same rate. In defence it was claimchased tickets for the supper, can lis- ed that he was not hired for the year, The horse was sheltered for the night | ten to without extra charge. The tickets | but that the company had and reserved and was removed the next morning. are sold at 75 and 40 cents. They ex- the right of discharging him at any pect a full house on that occasion.

> There is a rumor afloat that Jacob \$30.72. Mr. Hunsicker's counsel moved Smoyer has or is about purchasing the for a new trial. upper, or Lamb Hotel in this place. Limerick Square Hotel.

Question of the hour-Did you get any of the roasted ox?

for that purpose, so the project was failure. No prior bills were allowed. But a large transparency Verdict, in favor of the plaintiff, Enos bearing the picture of S. Grover Cleve- Hartzell for \$46.63. land was placed upon a wagon and none as yet.

ears. You are very apt to tread upon | in which Judge Boyer was counsel. their heels and dress. Better far to walk by their side.

OUR NORRISTOWN LETTER

Norristown, Nov., 21, 1884

ed of either by trial or settlement. Abraham Steiner vs. S. & J. Christy.

An issue under the Sheriff's Interpleader act. At appeared that Abraham Steiner, of Hickorytown, Plymouth demned by none, yet it is greatly neglected by the township, carried on the business of demned by none, yet it is greatly neglected by the average of American people. The ancient L. H. Ingram, auct.

AARON BERNTHEISLER.

L. H. Ingram, auct.

I. H. Johnson, clerk. farming and butchering from 1860 to Greeks and Romans had public baths which cost 1872, when he sold out to his sons thousands of dollars, the athletes whose physi-Jacob and George. They carried on cal powers were a marvel to all the world made The Y. P. A., of St. Luke's Reform- the butchering untill 1878 when they frequent use of those baths. The ancients most ed church, Trappe, held its regular were sold out by the sheriff. The noted for science and the arts, had baths conliterary meeting last Thursday even- father who was the plaintiff in the case nected with their public libraries. If the people ing. The following programme was bought all their stock at the Sheriff's would use more baths and less drugs, and give rendered: Music, Instrumental Duet; sale, and again carried on the business proper attention to sanitary habits in general, pleted at his summer residence at Recitation "Very Dark," Miss Bertha in his own name, hiring his sons to help thus combining the Graco Roman muscle with Franklinville, in Whitpan township. It | Perry; Solo, by Miss Sallie Fenster- him. In January, 1884, the defendants | the American intellect we would soon have a cost \$20,000, and is a very elaborate macher; Select Reading, "Indian Sum- to whom the sons owed money, issued affair, built in the very latest style of mer," Miss Laura Wersler; Recitation, execution against them and the Sheriff a reformation by the masses who seem to over-"the Polish Boy," Miss Ella B. Price; levied upon the goods which the plain-Music, duet; Declamation, "The Ba- tiff claimed as his. The case was then ron's Last Request," S. H. Philip's; carried to court for the purpose of determining the ownership of the goods. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for the goods enumerated in his claim.

Benjamin Hiestand vs. John Cannon. A suit brought to recover the balance due on a bill for putting on a slate roof. It appeared that in June, 1874, the plaintiff, who lives near Doylestown It alone cures many diseases besides enhancing Bucks county, roofed the barn of John and often doubling the effects of drugs and Cannon, of Upper Dublin township, other remedies. It has been neglected hereto this county. The bill for the work was fore only for want of the means of appliance \$1015.35. Defendant paid \$850 on the which is now so easily and cheaply obtained. bill and claimed set offs for the balance. Knowlton's Universal Bath for which A. C. Lan-He alleged that the work was done in des, Yerkes, Pa., has secured the agency, is a faulty manner and not as it was to meeting the wants of the people in particular have been done. The jury rendered a It is more than a substitute for a full set of all verdict in favor of the plaintiff for other portable baths in use. The fact should

turnpike from Pottstown to Perkiomen Bridge. He understood that the election was for one year and accordingly moved his family to Limerick Square and assumed the duties of his office. In 1881 and 1882 he was re-elected, but nothing was said in regard to the time. In September of the latter year he was discharged, the cause of it being lack of judgement and general inefficiency. heavy rainfall, giving a fresh supply of Mr. Hunsicker continued working until wages for his actual labor, which he The Grangers will have a grand estimated at about \$40, and also for time for cause. The jury rendered a

verdict in favor of the plaintiff for Pickle Enos Hartzell vs. Hunsberger & Bro. Mr. Smoyer is at present and has been An appeal from the decision of a Jusfor quite a number of years hostler at tice of the Peace. On the 4th of March 1882, plaintiff, who had failed in business, held a public sale of his personal effects, stating in the conditions of the sale that the goods would be sold under There was a grand Democratic jubi- the \$300 law and no one would be allee held at L. L. Bechtel's Hotel, on lowed to take away anything away Friday evening last. The club had a without paying for it in cash or giving supper and had the Ironbridge Band to a thirty days' note with approved securenliven the occasion with mnsic. But ity. The defendants bought a wagon there seemed to be some disappoint- valued at \$26 and a horse valued at ment manifesting itself on the part of \$29, and then took them away without the club, for the marshals were riding paying for them, claiming as an offset -up and down street in hope of meeting | bills contracted by the plaintiff at their delegations, but not one put in an ap- store. In the process of the trial the pearance. They then tried to form defendants were permitted to have as their own men in line and parade, but an offset a bill of \$17.88 which was the number was found to be insufficient | contracted by the plaintiff after his

Thomas M. Saurman vs. Thomas taken hurriedly down the street and Taylor. A suit to recover damages. back again. Just about this time the It was alleged that in the latter part of calithumpians put in an appearance and 1881 the defendant who carried on the gave them a serenade with boxes, old | photographing and copying business in pans, tinware etc. There were some Pottstown, this county wrote a letter threats of arrest, but there has been to the plaintiff asking him to buy out the business. An interview was had A number of our citizens were sadly and in consequence of the representadisappointed, they had their houses tions of the defendant, Mr. Saurman beautifully illuminated and waited pa- agreed to pay \$4,000 for the business. tiently for the parade but none came. Mr. Taylor promised to go out of the business and not to interfere in any BRAN, The regular monthly meeting of the way so as to hurt plaintiff's business. Lyceum, connected with the Aug. Soon afterwards Taylor went into the Lutheran church will be held this same business in Reading and took (Thursday) evening. The programme most of the copying trade from Mr. is a good one, and the exercises will Saurman, thus ruining his business so begin early so as to permit the members | much that he was obliged to sell out at and friends to attend the oyster supper a sacrifice and return to Norristown. given by the Young People's Associa- The defence was a general denial of the tion in Masonic Hall, the same evening. agreement, and that Saurman lost his To day, being Thanksgiving day, is a The jury rendered a verdict in favor of business through his own incompetency.

Court adjourned on Saturday after-Young men should remember that it | noon until Monday December 1, which shows a lack of manners and good will be the commencement of two sense for them to walk back of their weeks criminal court to be followed by lady friends and try to whisper in their | a week for the trial of the civil cases LEE.

The latest use for paper is making About a year ago Samuel Lewis, an | counterpanes and pillow-shams. No. 1 aged man, residing in West Nantmeal | Manilla paper is used, two large sheets township, died, leaving an estate valued | being held together by small twine at at \$6,000 to the Protestant Episcopal intervals of three or four inches, gumchurch of St. Mark's, in the same town- med so as to stick the sheets together ship, and only \$100 to his wife. Mr. where the twine lines. The twine in a country intersected with railroads, the upper surface of the counterpanes making, as usual

At a recent meeting of the Perki- was never on a train of cars but twice and pillow-shams, which make a very omen and Reading Turnpike Company in his life. The heirs brought suit on neat appearance. When they become was chosen President of said corpora- make a will. The case was set down hot flat-irons. They retail at seventytion to fill the vacancy occasioned by for the present term of Common Pleas, five cents a set. The counterpane can the resignation of Henry Eckert who but the parties came to an amicable be left on the bed when it is occupied, is no longer a stockholder of the Com- adjustment, the vestry of the church if so desired, and in cold weather it pany. Mr. Hobson can fill the Presi- not caring to accept the bequest at the will be found a very neat and warm ardential chair admirably, so far as in- expense of the heirs. The heirs then | ticle of bed clothing, since the paper will prevent the escape of heat as well as a woolen blanket.

MARRIAGES.

A court for the trial of civil causes was in session during the whole of last week. About thirty cases were dispos-

A Chapter on Bathing.

nobility of manhood as yet unknown. We need look the fact that filth breeds disease, and that 'cleanliness is next to Godliness." The beauty and comfort of bathing can not be over estimated when we take into consideration the fact that on the surface of an average size person there are seven millions of pores-all channels of intercourse through which life giving and life destroying atoms are constantly passing—what a wonderful power they have in giving thrift and force to healthy functions, and in combating almost every known disease. Bathing is one of the best, the very best and safest of all remedies. not be overlooked that as a rule, in any house, men and Reading Turnpike Company. A suit brought by the plaintiff to recover wages due him and also damages. In March, 1880, the plaintiff who had been a member of the board of managers of the defendant company since 1855 was elected superintendent of the turnpike fewer P. compare with it. To say the least we are confident it furnishes better conveniences for bathing purposes than can be obtained by anything else in use, not excepting the well-fitted bath room which costs ten times as much.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

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	Mess Beef	13	50	@14	00			
	Dried Beef Beef Hams	15	00	@16	00			
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1	Hams Sides		12	@				
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ONE CAR Load of Fresh Cows with calves, direct from York county. Good judgment was exercised in the selection of this stock, and it will be to the interest of purchasers to attend sale. Sale to commence at 2 o'clock, p. m. Conditions by H. H. ALLEBACH J. G. Fetterolf, auct.

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Will be sold at Public Sale, on Thursday, December, 4, 1884, at Reiff's Hotel, Rahn Station, 20 Head of Fresh Cows. The majority of them are fresh, the balance springers. These cows cannot fall to give entire sat-Although Bathing is a practice of many centuries, sanctioned by many nations, and concised a great deal of care in selecting them. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by

NOTICE TO GUNNERS!

Notice is hereby given that gunners will not be allowed to tresspass on the premises of the un-dersigned, and that all offenders will be dealt with according to law. Catharine Hildebidle, Daniel Fryer, John Wanner, Davis Raudenbush M. R. Schrack, John H. Casselberry, Frank Brunst, John Poley, Jacob Garber, J. K. Harley, D. H. Grubb, D. H. Casselberry. Lower Providence A Rahn, Jr., D. G. Landis, West Perkiomen. East Perkiomen. Isaac Alderfer. John C. Keyser,

PLANCHFORD'S ANNUAL SALE OF

Sleighs, Carriages, &c. Will be sold at Public Sale, at Blanchford's Carriage Manufactory, Collegeville, Pa., on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, '84, a lot of Sleighs—Portland and Albany Cutters—finished

The annual meeting of the Upper Providence Live Stock Association, will be held at J. Fred-ericks hotel, Trappe, on MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1884, at 9 o'clock a. m. The election for of-ficers will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. By order of JOHN D. SAYLOR, President.

TAKE NOTICE.

The members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Montgomery county are hereby notified that a contribution was levied on Oct, 3, 1884, of One Dollar on each One Thousand dollars, for which they are insured, and that M. McGlathery Treasurer of said company, will attend at his office, No. 506 Sweede St., in the Borough of Norristown, from date, Nov., 18, 1884. to receive

said assessments.

Extract of Charter, Section 6th.—"Any member failing to pay his or her Assessment or Tax within 40 days after the above publication shall forfeit and pay for such neglect double such rates, and in case default is made 50 days after the expiration of the 40 days aforesaid, such defaulting member may be at the option of the Board of Managers, excluded from all benefits under their policies, and yet be held liable for all past Taxes and Penalties."

Persons sending money by mail must accom-

Persons sending money by mail must accompany it with postage for the return of a receipt. I desire every member to be punctual, as I will exact the penalty from the delinquents. M. McGLATHERY,

Nov. 18, 1884. nov18-6t

DUBLIC SALE OF

REAL ESTATE! Will be sold at Public Sale on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1884, on the premises, by the undersigned, a Farm of 54 Acres, situate in Upper Providence township, Montgomery county on a public road leading from the Almshouse to Jeffersonville, adjoining the Quaker Meeting House premises. The Improvements consist of a two-and-a-half story Stone House, with 2 rooms on first floor, 2 rooms on second floor, and 3 rooms on third floor; out-kitchen, cave. Well of good water near the door, cistern at the barn. Frame Barn, stone stable high; stabling for 12 cows. Barn, stone stable high; stabling for 12 cows, 3 horses; carriage house, all necessary outbuildings. This property is desirably located, the land is in a good state of cultivation, and the buildings are in good repair. There are a variety of fruit trees on the premises. This farm is well worth the attention of anyone desiring to purchase a productive form in a good neight. well worth the attention of anyone desiring to purchase a productive farm in a good neighborhood. Those desiring to view the premises prior to day of sale will please call on the tenant, residing thereon, or on the undersigned residing at Trappe, who will give all desired information. Sale at 1 o'clock. Conditions by PHILIP SHENKEL.

J. G. Fetterolf, auct. A. D. Fetterolf, clerk.

REAL ESTATE

At private sale by Joseph C. Johnson, Providence Square, Montg. Co., Pa. Part of the former Real Estate of Jesse Johnson, deceased, containing about 40 acres. The land is in a good state of cultivation, well watered and fenced. A good stone house containing 9 rooms besides cellar and garret. Stone barn 45x56 nearly new, with stabling for 11 cows and 5 horses. Water at house and barn; good cave and other necessary outbuildings. Fruit plentiful in variety and kind, with many trees not yet in bearing condition. Conveniences unsurin bearing condition. Conveniences unsurpassed, 1/2 mile from post office, store, smith and wheelwright shops, 1/2 mile from creamery and mill, 2 miles from Collegeville station, Perkiomen R. R., 7 miles from Norristown. Terms easy. Call and see the property before pur-chasing elsewhere. J. C. JOHNSON.

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Will be sold at Private Sale a small Farm con-Will be sold at Private Sale a small rarm containing 11½ acres, more or less, located in Upper Providence township, one mile east of Trappe, adjoining lands of David Tyson, Percival Dewees and Frank Ruth. The land is in a good state of cultivation and productive. The buildings are good; all necessary improvements. There are a variety of fruit trees in prime bearing condition on the premises. Will be sold on reasonable terms. For further particulars call on the owner, on the owner STROUD P. SPEAR, SR., Trappe, Pa.

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SHOULD COWS HAVE ANY REST

Many breeders, eager to secure the earliest possible returns from their stock, breed their cattle, sheep, swine and other animals long before they have got their growth. Many heifers drop their first calves before they have themselves reached the age of two years, and several instances in which heifers very little more than a year old have given birth to calves have been recently reported in these columns. From the time of the birth of her first calf, many a valuable cow is required to support three lives during a large part of her existence. She must work to supply her own bodily needs, those of the calf she bears, and to some degree the wants of the calf by her side. If she is a butter-producing cow, like the Jerseys, for example, she may not will be required to give a large quantity of milk rich in butter. If such a tremendous task is to be imposed upon a a growth of two years or even more before setting her at work?

cattle are little rats which are of no use as beeves; that they have little or no constitutional vigor; that deaths from milk fever are becoming alarmingly frequent among them, and that or, as all other breeds gain, under the influences of American climate and for the breed has improved greatly in butter making capacity under American management, and there are reasons for believing that under proper methods it will gain in vigor and hardiness; but prematurely breeding and constantly taxing to the utmost the powers of the cows cannot be the best and most lasting development of which the breed is capable.

The extremely fine bone, the almost entire absence of fat, the smallness and seeming weakness of the calves of Jerseys, are cited as proof that breeders make a serious error in taxing their cows so severely as they do. And, indeed, it appears more reasonable to believe that this is true than that those faults result from in-breeding; for, if like produces like, then by the selection of animals having exceptionable size of vigor, even though they be closely related, there is apparently no reason for supposing their vigor and size would | England as to the comparative value of not appear in their offspring intensified good hay for stock, with the result and increased, as the butter power of that it is estimated that 100 pounds of the Jerseys has been developed to a hay are equal to 275 pounds of green MONUMENTS and TOMBSTONES wonderful extent by a judicious use of Indian corn, 400 pounds of green clover that two-edged sword, in-breeding.

coupling of cattle until the male and 180 pounds of barley straw, 153 pounds the female shall have reached the age of pea straw, 200 pounds of buckof two years, and to give breeding cows wheat straw, 400 pounds of dried corn a rest of at least three months after stalk, 175 pounds raw potatoes, 504 calving before requiring them to begin | 504 pounds of turnips, 300 pounds of supporting another life? Not a few carrots, 54 pounds of rye, 46 pounds cows of the better class are almost con- of wheat, 59 pounds of oats, 45 pounds tinuous milkers; some never go dry, and so never get rest. By keeping them from the bull for three months 68 pounds of acorns, 105 pounds of after calving the strain upon them wheat bran, 167 pounds of wheat, pea. would be considerably lessened and the and oat chaff, 179 pounds of mixed vigor of the calves increased .- Chica- rye and barley, 59 pounds of linseed.

THE MODEL FARM.

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self and the "old lady," he will sell at

erything goes off quietly and regularly. The expenses are very small and the

FARM HINTS FOR NOVEMBER. Celery should now be banked up for the winter. Such as will be wanted for use before spring should be put in the cellar or a place prepared expressly for Place two rows of boards about nine inches apart, and high enough to come nearly to the tops of the plants then pack closely between them taking YOU WILL care not to bruise the plants. The roots should be on the cellar bottom and the cellar should be cool. In this way it will blanch handsomely, and may be taken out for use or market at

Prepare the poultry house for winter by making all cracks tight so as to keep it warm, and by cleaning out the manure and supplying clean earth for the fowls. Clean out the nests and give be called upon to suckle a calf, but she fowls. Clean out the nests and give them as well as the roosts, a brushing patronage. over with kerosene oil to destroy any vermin. Give the fowl warm food cow from the time she drops her first mornings, and corn or other whole calf until she shall have ceased breed- grain at night, with a plenty of meat ing, will it not be well to prepare her scraps, and bone or oyster shells and for her life work by permitting her to an abundance of pure water. The early reach maturity, or to at least to make pullets should if possible be brought to laying before cold weather sets in, and then they may be depended upon for The charge is made that the Jersey eggs during the winter. The young cockerels and some of the old fowls should be made ready for Thanksgiving dinners.

All other fattening animals should now be fed all they will consume and the race is not gaining in size and vig- digest properly, and should be made ready for the butcher as soon as the weather is fairly cold. It takes a great treatment. This may be true of some deal of grain to make a little fat where Jerseys, it certainly is not true of all, the thermometer is below zero, and it is betttr to have the animals disposed of before that time.

> A cow that produces only half a pound of butter per day will cost as NAILS, FORKS, RAKES, much for its keep as one that produces two pounds. This difference in a herd of fifteen or twenty cows is sufficiently large to make all the difference in a farmer's family between poverty and wealth. Nothing should be givn a milch cow that, so far as quality is concerned, we would not be willing to eat and drink ourselves. Despite the attempts of the agricultural journals to urge the improvement of stock, over 75 per cent. of the cattle in this country are scrubs, and yet there is no investment tnat makes a surer return than stock

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