"Wal, I declar'!" he cried aloud;
"This beats the very dickens!
They ve gone an' shifted round the time,
As shure as chicks is chickens. never heard, upon my word, Of anything to beat it. I ra'lly think them city folks Hev got theer minds unscated.

An' what is this I read in heer? Groat Casar! Save the flock! They're goin, to saretch the hours out To twenty-four o'clock!"

worthy farmer scratched his ear, a deepest meditation; gazed perplexed upon the clock ith mental agitation. "For sixty years I've ploughed along As reg'lar as the sun, sir, An' used the good, old-fashioned time Without a hitch, by gum, sir.

But times hev undergone a shift, If I be not mistaken. An some new cranks try every day To give this world a shakin. They string my fields with telephones, Or some new-fangled trashes, They send out one-wheeled railway trains To everlastin' smashes.

An' yet they be not satisfied With the customs they hev slander'd, But they must go an' riginate A new an' fresh 'time standard.'

An' some fine day, when we arise,
Our daily race to run,
We'll find that while we've bin asleep
They've turned around the sun.
But ra'lly now. I didn't think
(Nor my old Sal, I reckons)
They'd go an' steal from Father Time
Some lifty score of seconds. Ah! now I see theer little game,
As I m a calculator—
They've backed theer clocks a quarter hour,
To steep a little later I"

Dividing Happiness, "My dear," said the annt of a young widow to her niece one day. "is that your husband's portrait on the wall?"

"Yes, auntic."

"How blissfully happy, and what a heaven on earth must have been his life below," simpered the aunt.

"Ah, yes," said the widow, "but we devided the thing up, so that when he became blissful in heaven I became happy on earth.' Didn't Leave a Will and He Was Glad of It

"So your mother-in-law is dead?" "Yes, she died last week at three o'clock," was the irreverent reply.

"Ah, she was an active woman, and I understand, was well fixed financially. Did

'No she didn't. Why, man, that will of "No she oldn't. Why, man, that will of hers was the burden of my life, and if she had left it I beheve I should have been a raving lunatic before six months. It went against her will to die, and I believe she would be hanging on yet if it hadn't gone along with her. No, sir, she didn't leave any will, and I'm looking forward to a peace-

He Proposed to Take His Dinner a la Wheel-barrow. A rough fellow from the country got into a swell restaurant by mistake and was much at a loss how to conduct himself. Finally the water said to him:
"Will you dine a-la-carte, sir?"

"Will you dine a-la-carte, sir?"
"What's that, you grinnin' ape?"
"Will you take your dinner a-la-carte?"
"No, siree. Prices is too blamed altituinous to take it in them quantities. Jist you ring mine in on a wheel-barrow. I guess hat'll be enough for me to sample, the vittles ry, and then if I want more you kin trot out our cart. Now get around pretty peart for me mighty holier.

Why They Refesed Him,
Captain Nuglin had company and sent his
attle hoy to the butcher's for a roast. The
boy came back without the meat, and, appearing in the drawing-room where the com my was seated, said:

"Ah," replied Mr. Nuglin, not knowing what to say, "probably, my son, he did not know you."
"Yes, he did, and that is the reason he wouldn't let me have it. I went up to the other place, but the fellow told me to get out. You'll have to send the money, pap, or they won't let you have it."

What Prevented Her From Being Married in Three Months,
A young lady visited a clairvoyant for the purpose of having the penetrable curtain of destiny moved aside from the shadowy outlines of the inture.

"This card," said the old woman, "shows that you often meet a dark complexioned that you often meet a dark complexioned.

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"That's true," simpered the young lady.

"And there is love in it, too," pursued the hag, catching on to the self-accusing blush.

"Well, yes, there is considerable truth in that," observed the damsel.

"These be happy in the thought that you will be married in three months—one dollar, please," said the oracle.

"Oh, that can't be," explained the young lady, "the gentleman of whom you speak is already married."

What He Would Say, A husband and wife were talking gram-

mar.
"Would you," said she, "say scissors are, or scissors is?"
"I'd say scissors are, of course," he replied.
"Would you say molasses is, or molasses "Molasses is, of course."

well; that you had the grunts, that Tommy had a sore inger, that the baby had the colic, that Katie had the headache and that I was trying to make an average by being well enough for iour."

She went out of the room and didn't speak

A few days ago a man with a meek and humble expression and wearing a summer suit of clothes applied to one of the railroad passenger agents for a dead-head pass to

'And you haven't any money?"
'And you haven't any money?"
'Not above twenty-five cents."
'Hadn't you better be worth your fare to edo before taking a wife on your hands to

"You don't understand the case," protested the man. "I'm going to marry a widow worth at least \$5,000, and the hist thing I shall do will be to remit you the price of the ticket. I'm poor and the widow knows it, but she marries me for love."

He protested so long and carnestly that he was passed over the road. Two days elapsed and then a letter was received from him, saying:

"Heaven bless you for your kindness leached here all right, and married the ridow, according to programme. It turns not that she isn't worth a copper. In this mergency, may I ask you to pass us both to Detroit, where I have hopes of striking

on match was shot last Saturday at ile, Ont., between the Ottawa and lle Gun Clubs, four on a side, 10 th, conditions 21 yards' rise, Ottawa 27 birds to Kemptville's 13. The score was made by Mr. A. W, Throop,

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS-

The local market has not improved since outlast; indeed, it may be said to have been inactive and dull. Receipts have been small but apparently sufficient, as there has been very little enquiry heard for anything. Prices, however

have been fairly well maintained. the only decidine being on some grades of barley, and the fail on them insignificant. Holders seem by no means anxious to push seles, which act—combined with steadiness—may be regarded an overlowed the selection of the selection of the combine of the selection of the combine of the selection of the combine of the co

Totalbu.,53,839,680 52,637,266 31,241,335 44 932 883 The following are the Liverpool quotations for each day of the past week, the prices of wheat and flour being top figures:—

PEAS—Inactive, but have been in good demand at 76c, for No. 1 and 74c, for No. 2 in car lots. Street prices firm at 74 to 75c.

RYE—Quiet and rather easier, but worth 62c, either for car lots or on the street.

HAY—Pressed quiet and easy at \$11.50 to \$12 for timothy. Market supplies decreased, but enough for the demand; prices easy at \$6 to \$3 for clover and inferior, and \$9 to \$11.50 for timothy.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

PRODUCE.

TRADE—Seems still quiet, but showing some signs of improvement.

HUTTER—Very little change since our last. The demand has continued to be conflued to choice for local consumption, and all of this quality offered has been readily taken at 18 to 19c., as would a great deal more had it been obtainable; indeed, we are not sure that something more may not have been realized in some cases, but this was for very exceptionally fine only. Medium and inferior have continued neglected, with no shipping demand heard and prices purely nominal, save for one small sale at 13c. Stocks are accumulating. Fox-lots of rolls have come in more freely and have sold more cheaply at 15 to 17c. Street receipts have been small; pound r.l s have varied in quality, and ranged from 18 to 21c., most going at 22 to 22c. I large rolls very scarce at 20 to 21c., and tubs and crocks of ine dairy 19 to 20c., but only choice worth these prices.

CHEESS—wall; only small lots of fine have been selling, and these at 12 to 12c.

EGGS—Still rising, with all offered wanted; round lots of fresh have been worth 2to 25c., and of limed 20 to 22c. Street receipts very small, and really new-haid worth 25 to 25c. and of limed 20 to 22c. Street receipts very small, and really new-haid worth 25 to 25c.

FORK—Has been moving in some little degree, with small lots selling at \$15.

BACON—New has been offered more freely, and has sold in ton lots at 35c. for long clear and 75c. for Cumberland, and in cases or smaller lots at half a cent more. Holls and bellies easier; a car of bellies sold at 12c, and small lots have gone off at 12t to 13c.

LARD—Quiet and easy, at 10t to 11c, for tinnets and palls in small lots.

HOSS—Offerings small all week, and prices strady out unchanged at 25.50 to \$5.75, with all lots prices inger; a car of smokel sold at 12c., and small lots have gone off at 12t to 13c.

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HOSS—Offerings small all week, and prices thigher; no car-lots offered, and small lots up to 35c. D

TRADE—Has shown but little change generally, TEA—Lines have continued to be held firmly and offered slowly; sales have consequently been few. Young Hyson has sold at 53c, for a tine of fine, and 38c, for one line of good first, and at 34c, for another, but no mevement in low-grades reported. Gunpowders have sold at 22c, for low-grade, and at 41c, for good. A chop of Ping-Suey changed hands at 31c. Low-grade pans and Japan dust have been scarce and wanted, a line of fair brown dust sold at 10c.; GROCERIES.

Totalbu. 5.589,680 Ed.37,985 3,944.85. 14.592.857
The following are the Liverpool qiobalants for search of the control of the

RIDES, SKINS, AND WOOL.

Calfskins — Offerings small and prices nominally upchanged.

Sheepskins—An advance reported in The Mail of Wednesday has not been carried out; so prices thus far remain at 50c, for the best green, and country lots range from 50c. fo dry to 75c. for green.

Wool—Decidedly dull; no demand from dealers and prices almost nominal at about 18c, for Cotewold and 19 to 20c. for Leicester. Fuled almost equally quiet, but super worth 24c., and extra 30c. Very little demand from the factories; only one small sale reported.

Tallow—Unchanged at 7c. for rendered and 34c, for rough with dealers selling round lots of rendered at 71 to 8c.

Quotations stand as follows:—No. 1 inspected, 25c. No. 2 inspected. \$6.25; No. 3 inspected, \$6.25; No. 3 inspected, \$6.25; calfskins, green, 10 to 80c.; weel, fleece, 18 to 20c.; Southdown, 25 to 26c.; weel, fleece, 18 to 20c.; Southdown, 25 to 26c.; weel, super, 24 to 25c.; tallow, rough, 35c.; rendered, 7 to 75c.

LOCAL CATTLE MARKET.

BY TELEGRAPH.

PETERBORO'.

KINGSTON. Dec. 12.—Flour. No. 1 super., \$3.05 to \$3.50; fall wheat, \$1.01 to \$1.05; spring wheat, \$1.00 to \$1.05; spring wheat, \$1.00 to \$1.05; barley, 55 to 60c.; peas, 75 to 76c.; oats, \$1 to 32c.; oatte, (live weight), \$1 to 5c.; beef, \$1 to 5c.; mutton, 5 to 7c.; dressed hors, 6 to 7c.; hides, 5 to 7c.; sheepskins, 50 to 55c.; wool. [3 to 20c.; butter, 19 to 21c., tub; 22 to 24c., fresh; esgs, 28 to 30c.; cheese, 111 to 12c.; hay, none; potatoes, 80c. per bag; corn, 75 to 80c.; rye, 56 to 58c.

Dec. 12.—Flour. No. 1 super. \$5.60 to \$5.70: fall wheat. \$1.04 to \$1.08: spring. \$1.08 to \$1.10: barley, 55 to 50c.; peas. 50 to 70c.; cats. 35 to 50c.; cat tie. (live weight) 4 to 5c.; beef. 6 to 7c.; mutton. to 8c. dressed hogs. 8 to 80c.; hides, 7 to 8c. sheep skins. \$1.25 to \$1.30.; wool, 20 to 25c.; butter. 20 to 25c.; eggs, 20 to 22c.; cheese, 11 to 12c.; hay? \$7.6 to \$8.00; potatoes, 75 to 80c.; corn. 75 to 80c.

HANLLTON.

Dec. 12—Red wheat \$1.10; white wheat \$1.05; spring wheat \$1.10; bariey, 60 to 65c. peas, 70c.; oats, 35c; wool, 18 to 20c.; butter, 21 to 25c.

Receipts—Fiour. 37.962 bbls.; wheat, 200,000 bush.; corn, 216.000 bush.; cats, 133,000 bush.; rre. 14.000 bush.; briere, 22.000 bush. Shipments—Flour. 22.292 bbls.; wheat, 17.000 bush.; corn, 74.000 bush.; cats, 48,000 bush.; rre. 1,000 bush.; bar.ey, 41,000 bush. Receipts by cars—Wheat, 208; winter 16; corn, 348; cats, 97; rye, 28; bar-

Dec. 12, 10.26 a.m.—Wheat—No. 1 white, \$1.041 for cash or December: \$1.051 for January; \$1.072 for February; \$1.12 for May; No. 2, 85c. asked.

Dec. 12, 9.30 a.m.—Wheat—963c, for January; \$1.05 for May, Receipts—Flour, 11,193 bbls; wheat, 15,000 bush.; corn, 1,000 bush.; cats, 6,000 bush.; rye, 1,000 bush.; barley, 30,000 bush. Ship-ments—Flour, 17,798 bbls; wheat, 20,000 bush.; corn, none; cats, 2,000 bush.; rye, 450 bush.; barley, 14,000 bush.

TOLEDO.

Dec. 12.—Barley—Quiet and unchanged: No. 1 Canada at 8ic.; No. 2 Canada at 78c. Rye—Held at 67ia. in bond.

1 p.m.—Wheat—Quiet; white and rad State, 81.0 to \$1.14. Corn—Unchanged; rejected, 6ic. Oats—Quiet; No. 1 State, 38 to 40c. Barley—Unchanged; No. 1 Canada, 84c.; No. 2 Canada, 78c. Rys—Quiet: nonrinally 67ic. in bond.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS. U. S. YARDS, CHICAGO.

Dec. 12. 10 a.m.—Hogs—Estimated receipts, 13,000; official yesterday, 35,259; shipments, 3,665; elit over, 6,000; light, \$4.70 to \$5.30; mixed packing, \$4.70 to \$5.20; heavy shipping, \$5.30 to \$5.85; fancy lots, \$5.90 to \$6.4 Cattle—Receipts, 9,800. EAST BUFFALO, N. Y.

Dec. 12, 12.40 p.m.—Hogs—Receipts, 61 cars; shipments, 49 cars; 19 cars to New York; market higher; Yorkers, \$5.50 to \$5.70; good medium, \$6.70 to \$0; good heavy, \$6.10 to \$6.30; pigs, \$6 to \$5.30; all sold.

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An Indian stronghold on the the Territory and Texas, in a p bounded by the Red river and butaries on two sides, and by tains on its third. Rude huts are scattered among the trees, circular space, marked by t The squaws and children hurr with welcoming cries, for two Kiowas and Camanches are en in a hasty and confused man in a hasty and confused many comes from Texas, rich with trancho and hacienda; the reservations, laden with the sp tlements, and red with the blo ters and half-civilized Indians.

OR : SCIENCE

CHAPTER I. KANSAS KIT KNABBED BY

Every conceivable sort of there. Clothing torn from the dered women and children, their blood, articles of merchan gutted stores of the frontier and cattle from the plundered and the arms and clothes of men who had vainly tried

homes and dear ones. The squaws, assisted by the were striving with great upp frightened cattle and horses formed for them by a circle of a tree to tree. Others were light setting up pot-holes, and soon banks of the stream and river were cracking and blaging are were crackling and blazing, an and smoke were curling up in f That pretty girl with the sad der face, sits bound and tre midst of all this hubbub. She for the bride of the chief.

Soon the slaughter of cows a on a large scale, and in a very ground in every direction was with horns, hides, and entrail man, woman, and child, seized could, and bore the yet throbb in chunks to the fires, to wrashould have the privilege of first.

In spite of all this turbulene was apparent to the young pri was a regular camping-ground, place, and that they were mak parations for either a feast or both. And a strange feeling and partly that hope which con misery gives, came over her as parties of savages dragging n both Indians and white, into the

This detachment had lately This detachment had lately the Texans or soldiers, and as a rior was borne into sight the children raised the mourning or no-min!" repeating it in wild ences, and, stooping to the grothe leaves and dirt and threw tair, and the warriors waved the bloody scalps affixed, and lamentations with shouts of joy But suddenly the lamentations But suddenly the lamentati and children were changed into cration and anger when a more known to be an important chie and ornaments, rode rapidly in band of breech-clothed, bare-b mounted on swift steeds. The angry cries was the appeara ner, who rode, bound to ween the two foremost warrion

He was a small, wiry-looking handsome, sunburnt features eyes, that looked unflinchingly his captors and seemed to smil-pons brandished about his head "Kit! Kit!" was the cry of men and women, as he was bro and "Kansas Kit!" was ech

despondent surprise by It was a sound of wonder the taken, for he was not only the but the most slippery of the da the frontier, the leader of most ful expeditions, and the terror ing Indians. Even while the vent to their joy at his captur upon him with fear and respect widows of the slain. According ing custom of the tribes they haggled the hair from their head and then, with the wildest rushed upon the prisoners, slas the knives. and beating them w tresses. The first act was dan

ridiculous.

The other women and children provided themselves with the rods used in the torture of the the mourners were too much wait upon ceremony and the were too insignificant for their With yells, that would have but the stoutest heart, they rupinioned scout with flashing kn ing eyes, but the warriors b lest their prisoner should receivand easy a release from life, an in guttural tones:

"No kill! No kill!"
But they did not hinder the But they did not hinder the squaws from cutting the conhim to the horse and dragging ground. This preliminary tort of the privileges of their grief.
"One at a time, ladies! Be reasonable!" he cried, as they his pinioned arms. "I a

his pinioned arms. "I a Young."

As they pulled him from wriggled his lithe body from t gained his feet, and good advant that gain.

"Stand off, you crowd bruisers," he cried, planting the chin of one of the knife-flou with a force that nearly disloca neck. The stomach of the neal impress of his heel, then a either shoulder sent a couple m and he burst away, and, pinio ran like a deer in the direction ran like a deer in the direction had brought him.

The warriors had stood is sprawling of the overturned

now as they saw him going like their own dodging manner, thi they became afraid of his escap their weapons hurried with wh

their weapons hurried with wh in hot pursuit.

The hearts of the prisoners n ly, for their own hopes of safer up in the success of his desper They, as well as the scout him the Indians would only fire on essort—the bullet would be too for so important a foe.

But hark! that sharn irreger But, hark! that sharp, irreg rifles and bow strings, then wi the pursuers and more distanting, and they knew that the b either killed or recaptured.

They were not left long in pursuers soon reappeared, trails feet forward, covered with sand and threw him into the ash middle of the encampment. dead, for he strove to rise, an dead, for he strove to rise, and
the bereaved squaws sprang
wild howls, when such a v
acream echoed from the air abo
as split every ear and made
sold in every vein.

It was not one scream, but
continuation of screams and
bined of every horrible tone of
is capable. It duignot come
but circled about over the head
ers, sometimes seeming in a come

The Indians dropped their varies of terror threw themselve