

Adirondacks. Special interest attaches to an article on Sir James Simpson's "Introduction of Chloroform," the circumstances of which are recorded by his daughter. The article makes appropriate mention of the previous discovery of sulphuric ether as an anesthetic by Dr. Morton, and of his experiments at the Massachusetts General Hospital. A magazine article of both general and unique interest is Gustav Kobbe's account of "Life in a Lighthouse," Minot's Ledge being the chosen scene. This article is illustrated with pictures by Tabar. To the Artists' Adventures Series Thomas Moran contributes an account of his "Journey of the Devil's Tower in Wyoming," illustrated with his own drawings. The most prominent fiction of the number is the second instalment of Mark Twain's "Pudd'nhead Wilson." The narrative opens with a humorous description of a spoiled child, and proceeds to the relations of the two boys in a Missouri town. The short stories are "A No-Account Creole," by Kate Chopin, illustrated by Metcalf, and "Out of Her Class," by C. B. Davis, with pictures by Gibson. In the "Lighter Vein" department there is a humorous story by H. S. Edwards, author of "Two Runaways," entitled "Captain Jerry." The poetry of the number includes "Imogen," by T. B. Aldrich, "The Masquerade of Time," by Edith M. Thomas, "The Convict Woman of Port Blair," by Laura E. Richards (with an illustration by Page), and other contributions by Charles G. D. Roberts, Charlotte Fiske Bates, Robert Burns Wilson, Frank Dempster Sherman, Wendell P. Garrison, Minna Smith, Henry J. Stockard, and Julia Schayer.

J. JAMES' gents' furnishing and tailors' store, at Niagara Falls, Ont., has been damaged by fire. Loss (including building), \$4,000, mostly covered by insurance.

AN important customs seizure was made a few days ago in

Montreal, Perrin, Frere & Cie., the French glove firm, being charged with invoicing their goods to their Canadian branch at less than the actual cost of production, thus gaining a very great advantage over wholesale firms dealing in the kid glove line. We understand the goods were subsequently returned and the matter settled.

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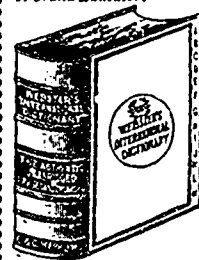
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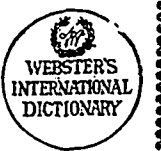
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