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APPARENT CAUSE.

FRIENDS PREVAILED

the Floor During the Night for House at a Time-She Makes a Statement. BONTO, ONT .- "I was troubled TORONTO, ONT.—"I was troubled with nervousness. It was impossible for me to keep still and if the spells came over me during the night I had to get up and walk the floor for hours at a time. My blood was very poor and I was subject to billious attacks. My feet would swell and I was not able to do my own housework. I treated with two of the best poweries here but only received relief work. I treated with the physicians here but only received relief for a time. I became discouraged. One day a triend called and advised me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I laughed at the advice but I was prevailed upon and procured one bottle. Before I used it all I cured one bottle. Before I used it all began to feel better: I took several bottles and also several boxes of Hood's Pills. Now I can eat and drink heartily and aleep soundly. Hood's Sarsaparilla has entirely oured me and also strengthened me so that I now do all my own work. I cheerfully recommend Hood's Sarsapa-rilla to all sufferers from nervousness, weakness or general debility." Mrs. H. F. Parm, Degrassi Street.

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Court Glen Buell, No. 878. Independen order of Foresters, meets in Bingo Hall, Glen Buell, on 2nd and 4th Friday in each month, at 30. Visitors always welcome. W. J. ANDERSON, C. R. C. J. GILROY, R. S.

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KLONDIKE NUGGETS.

The Klondike has been a bonanza only or those who sought for gold in the pock-ts of their fellows rather than in the

frozen ground.

The young man who has come back from the far north and describes the Klondike as "one vast, measureless hell of frost, ice and snow" evidently has an imagination which would make him a most successful advertising agent for a circus.

Chicago Times Harald.

damages, because the paper printed the words: "Hess is the bosom friend and

Viscount Hinton, the organ-grinder he claims to be the heir of Earl Pou sett, has sold his own elligy and the ergan which he ground so long in the streets of Loudon, to Mme. Tussauds wax works and quit the mendicant business. He wept as he parted with the

Mr. C. H. Jeffries of Winnipeg will succeed Mr. W. D. Scott as emigration agent in Toronte for the Manitoba Gov-ernment. Mr. Scott has been appointed to take charge of the Northwest exhibit

Sir william the treatment of McGill University a cheque for \$181,250, to make up the estimated amount necessary to endow the McDonald building of obemistry and mining. This will make the total beneation for this building alone \$350,000, and will bring up the gifts of Sir William McDonald to the university to something like \$2,650,000.

UNCLASSIFIED.

According to the assessors' reports the population of Hamilton is 51,011. The

\$30,516,900.

The Department of Finance at Ottawa on Saturday received \$39.38 consolence money from "Britisher," Kingston, being \$35 duty, with four years' compound integrated.

interest.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the Secretary of State at Trenton, N.J., for the Kentucky Distilleries & Warehouse Company, authorized capital of \$39,000,000.

The number of emigrants from British ports to Canada during January was: English 831, Irish 14, Sooth 14 and foreign 405. To Australia there went 717, and to the Cape 1,459.

The United States House committee on interstate and foreign commerce has directed a favorable report on the Hepturn Nicaraguan Canal bill, with amendments, as a substitute for the Morgan bill passed by the Senate.

The promestics of the Victorian

bill passed by the Senate.

The prospectus of the United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Company is issued. The company will be authorized to issue \$915,000,000 of 7 per cent. pre-ferred stock, and \$15,000,000 of common stock. It is a combination of the cast iron pipe and foundry interests of the

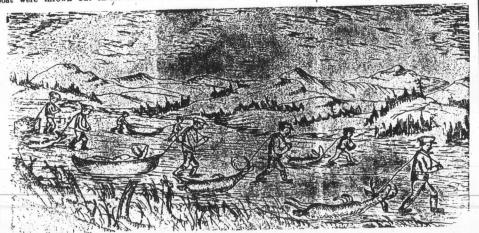
At Friday's meeting of the Canadian Press Association Messrs. D. McGilli-Press Association Messra. D. McGilli-cuddy, J. T. Clark, J. F. McKay, J. L. Tarte and W. Ireland were elected to the executive committee. President Dingman

A cable says Great Britain's business boom keeps pace with that of the United States, that not in 10 years has there been such general prosperity in business and stocks, that the increase in the United States exports attracts less attention than it would in ordinary times, as the measurements have all the orders they



Last chapter left the party in consultation as to the best way to reach the settler's house, on the way out the settler's house on the way out the settler's house on the way out the settler's house in Leeds county for good, a possible and easier than by the strength of the creek, and, if they found the ice if me nough to carry them, to signal the rest, who were to load the deer, team and luggage on the raft and be ready to start for whichever point was decided upon. On reaching the mouth of the creek, the men found the ice about half an inch thick, and selecting a spot where some willows came up through the water, they cut the ice away with an axe and found a landing place on which shey could and landing place on which shey could a landing place on which shey could be diverned to the settler's family until the wee small with the settler's family until the wee small carring for selep, except on special carried by a man, and gave the signal for the rest of the party to come in with his team and ass-ist in stream, testing the strength of the head of the axe. He soon satisfied himselfe that the ice could be deep when there was talking near them.

The settler had engaged a neighbor the Rabbit Hûnter, was at the station got the rest of the party to come on with the raft load. The deer in the water, would an honelike surroundings and the surroundings and the settler's not surely the opposite effect, as every party cited instances to show that a signal for the rest, who were to load the sticket of die and wounded went off into the ticket of the land and wounded went off into the fall and wounded went off into the sectler's son, went back to the land in the hick, and be ready to start for whichever upon the settler's poly every tired were the strength of the rest of the party to be settler's family until the wee small out of the party to singu



a rope hitched around the horns of one by the Scribe, while the Agent shouldered the other one and a start was made up the creek. After going up nearly half a mile the creek narrowed down to only a rod or two in width and was found unsafe. The Agent took up onto the hills bordering the creek and never put down his burden until the head of navigation was reached, at the beaver hay stack, where the boats were put into the water on the outward trip. By the time he got back, the other boats had reached the place where the landing

covered the ice and air noies and rendered far more caution necessary in picking a road around the sunken logs and stumps along the sides of the creek, as well as making it almost impossible to keep from falling, as the snow made the ice more difficult to snow made the ice more dark when steamer reached Burk's Falls, and a

rope hitched around the horns of up ready for a start by lastern light. | president for 1899 and E. A. Geiger

snow made the ice more difficult to stand up on. It was quite dark when the last load reached the landing, and the wagon being lastily loaded a from the wharf to the Grand Trunk the magn being hastily loaded a start was made over the rudely constructed wagon trail to the settler's house some mile and a half distant. The Rabbit Hunter had made special arrangement with the settler the last time he came to camp to have his wife prepare an apple pie for his especial benefit. The thought of that apple pie and the satisfaction he would have in devouring it that night had buoved Len almost to superhuman efforts during the dav. He was here, there, and everywhere urging the others on to further exertions to get through to the settler's, and the men all wondered at his extra zeal, until he incautiously dropped a remark

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THE END OF THE DEER (STORY).

LEGS LIKE STOVEPIPES

South American Kidney Cure is doing every day for hundreds what it did

OFTEN BECOME LANGUID FROM NO

irl—no matter what her station—should be bright, active, cheer in life—should be bright, active, cheerful and happy; her step should be light, her eye bright and her cheeke rosy wich the glow of health. But the reverse is the unfortunate condition of thousands of young girls throughout the Dominion. They drag along, always tired, never hungry, breathless and with a palpitating heart after slight exercise, so that merely to go up stairs in exhausting. If a doctor is consulted he tells them that they are nearly—the plain English for which There are 80 thriving cheese fact WARRED MATTERS. The German steamer Fulds, at Liverpool from Cadiz, previously reported injured/in the graving dock, through the
keel blocks giving way, is found to be
seriously injured.

anaemic—the plain English for which is they have too little blood—and unless a powerful blood enriching, nerve-restoring touic such as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People is taken to restore health, decline and an early grave is only too likely to follow.

The benefit which follow the use of D. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of THE WEATHER.

The benefit which follow the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of this kind is amply illustrated by the following testimonial from Miss Ids Bookman, of Marksville, Ont. Miss Bookman, of Marksville, Ont. Miss Paremptory orders have been given a Ottawa to have the Houses of Parliamen ready for the session by March 9. Bookman says: "It gives me much pleasure to acknowledge the benefit! I have derived from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. My health was completely broken down; I became so weak I could scarcely walk across a recompletely war war nale had no appearance."

Noteway to have the Bouse of Parlament for each of the season by March 9. Mr. C. Breet Gregory, harrister et antique en chosen as the Consequence of Commons. room. I was very pale, had no appe-tite and gradually lost flesh until I was merely a skeleton. I was subject to palpitation of the heart, dizziness, and violentl headache. I was under treatment from two doctors, but neither seemed to benefit me and I went on in this way for about seven months. Having seen Dr. William's Pink Pils recommended I determined to try them Before I finished the second box I be

gan to improve and by the time I had used 8 boxes I was as well as ever I had been, and had gained 22 pounds in man. The Superior Cours' has awarded him \$1,900. The strike situation at Colon, Colom-bia, is growing worse. The strikers have threatened to fire the town and the merweight. I am grateful for what Dr. William's Pink Pills have done for me and freely give this testimony in the ope that it may benefit some

girl suffering as I was."

More pale and bloodless girls have been made bright, active and strong by Dr. William's Pink Pills than by any other means. Mothers should se that their daugters entering woman hood are strengthened and invigorated by the use of this great blood making tonic. Sold by all dealers or sent post paid at 50c a box or s x box s for \$2 50 by addressing the Dr. Wil iams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

FREE SEED GRAIN.

To the Editor .-

For the past ten years systematic been made to increase the average returns and to improve the quality of the cereals and other im portant farm crops grown in Canada by an annual distribution from the Ex-perimental Farm at Ottawa, of sampleof seed of the best and most promising sorts. These varieties have been first tested at the Experimental Farms and only those which have proven to be the very hest have been chosen for this distribution. The samples sent have contained three pounds each, and every precaution has been twken to have the seed in every instance thoroughly clean and true to name, and the packages have been sent free, through the mair. Those who have received such samples and grown them with care, have us ually had at the end of the second vear enough seed to sow a large area, and in this manner careful farmers all over the Dominion have been gradually replacing any inferior and less productive sorts which they have been in the Each of the second voir. His team became frightened by T., sorts. These varieties have been first ally replacing any inferior and less productive sorts which they have been growing in the past, with superior var-

sand posatoes. These samples will be sent only to those who apply person ally. Lists of names from societies or individuals cannot be considered, and only one sample in all can be sent to

Dr. Sharpe of Lvn vaccinated over

fifty children and adults at the school-house to-day.

C. M. Keeler takes much pride in howing his Holstein cattle, of which he has a number of first class animals.

The many friends of James Hewitt are pleased that he has recovered from

his recent illness so far as to be able drive out again. Melburn Wing has placed his trac ion in winter quarters and moved his family to Lyn.
Miss Gertie Olds and Miss Berthe

Covey of Brockville and Talmage Smith of Smith's Falls have been renewing old acquaintances in this vic

Piles Were Sapping the Life From Him-Dr Agnew's Ointment Cured.

Mr. M. Beemer, Knotmaul, Mich., all wondered at his extra zeal, until he incautiously dropped a remark about the apple pie awaiting him, where it dawned on them that the pie was the incentive to his extra exertions. The second figure in the sketch of the men trailing up the creek is designed to represent Len hurrying on towards the haven that contained that much-coveted apple pie.

It was after eight o'clock that evening when the tired and hungry huters reached the settler's comfortable home, where they found a sumptious and bountiful supper awaiting thems.

With American Rathely Otto's a total fine arrival of the train, the conduct of the train, the conduct of the strain, the conduct of this steamboat man out in Lincoln County. Through exposure while sail ding very day for hundreds what it did for this steamboat man out in Lincoln County. Through exposure while sail county. Through exposure while sail for the steamboat man out in Lincoln County. Through exposure while sail did more for the contained that much-coveted apple pie.

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For Busy Readers.

Attractive Shape For the Readers of STREET ACADICATE THE AT. WORLD.

A message from Red Reck, Montana, states that all traffic over the stage route to Salmon City has been suspended. Great loss of stock is reported, and several people caught by the storm in the mountains, it feared, have periabed.

THE FIRE RECORD.

About 8.80 c'clock Thursday morning the Grand Trunk station at Bright, On tario, was burned down. The building was a frame structure, and was valued at \$2,800.

\$2,600.

The barns, sheds and cow stables the fifth concession

THE LABOR WORLD.
Fred. Hess, jr., sued the San Francisco
Typographical Union for \$25,000 damiges, because the union forced him out

threatened to like the town and the muchants have asked for stronger militar, protection. Over-zea-ous policemen have beaten come peaceable foreigners, mistaking them for strikers, and internations complications are feared. Complaint have been laid at the Britishroonsulate RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

Ottawa and Toronto capitalists, \$860,000, will construct locomotives as the former city in the near future. Grand Trunk Railway system earnings from Jan. 22 to Jan. 31, 1899, were \$638,866; 1898, \$596,203; increase, \$40,-

James D. Layng, president or the West Shore Railway, has resigned, and will retire from active work with the Van-The York County Council has favorably considered the air line project from Toronto to Georgian Bay. It did so form-ally in a resolution.

CASUALTIES. CASUALTES.

Michael Devine, a 13-year-old boy, lost two fingers in the jam of a door at St.

Mary's School at Kingston on Friday. Richard Quinn, a G.T.R. sectionman-at York, lost both arms by a shunting engine running over him. He died from the shock on Thurslay night.

ally replacing any inferior and less productive sorts which they have been growing in the past, with superior varieties possessing greater vigor.

By instruction of the Hon. Minister alays ago her father was laid in the grave.

Dr. Stephen Dodge, a prominent physician and coulist of Halifax, N.S., died suddenly in his office while alone on Friday afternoon. Heart disease was the

only one sample in an observable and applications should be addressed to the director of the Experimental Farms, and may be sent any time before the 15th of March. after which the lists will be closed, so desired the sent of the consultation of t

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Inate was from Alabama. Ingate was from Alabama.

The death is reported from Orillia of Rev. Thomas Williams, a superannuated Methodist minister. Le was one of the earliest pioneers of the district. He was the father of Rev. R. W. Williams, Saskatohewan; Dr. W. Williams, Sauktohewan; Dr. W. Williams, Sault Ste. Marie; and Mrs. Rev. F. J. Edmison, Lakefield.

CRIMES AND CRIMINALS.

Five bows. ranging from 12 to f6 waspe

Five boys, ranging from 12 to 16 year of age, are under arrest at San Francisco charged with attempting to wreck

Mrs. Place, who killed her stepdaugh ter in Brooklyn some time ago, is to be electrocuted at Sing Sing Prison during the week beginning Feb. 90. the week beginning Feb. 90.
William Miller, colored, was hanged at
La Grange, Ky., yesserday, for a oriminal assault committed Sept. 1 on Mrs.
Gerbrude Leet, wife of Frank Leet, a
farmer. Miller was only 17 years old.

Mrs. Cordelia Botkin was sentenced penitentiary for life at San Francisco Saturday for the murder of Mrs. John P. Dunning of Dover, Del., whom she killed by means of poleoned candy sent

through the mails. through the mails.

Still another movement has been started to secure the release of Mrs. Maybrick, who is now serving a life term in Woking prison, England, for poisoning her husband. C. F. Greenwood, jeweller of Norfolk, Va., where the Maybricks were well known, swears that Maybrick was in the habit of taking large doses of areanie.

Two drunken tramps, who gave their Two drunken training, was gate anames as Charles Andrews and Charles Hostetter, went to the home of Mrs. Joyle at Walkerville and demanded food, which was given them. While Mrs. Joyle was getting a second up of coffee for them they stole her purse containing 75 cents. The police found them. They got six months each in the Central Prison. FOR MEN OF WAR.

The Italian Ministerial papers are now expressing satisfaction at the decision of the Pope to have a representative at the Czar's peace conference.
PURELY PERSONAL.

Mrs. Speel of Montreal gave birth to a child on the C.P.R. train arriving in Ottawa Saturday night. Both are doing well at the Ottawa Maternity Hospital. Miss Lenore Lindlebloom, the young woman who wanted to become an active member of the Chicago Board of Trade, has withdrawn her application. She was alraid of the pit.

airaid of the pit.

A Toronto couple, F. Vice and Miss Bertha Eills, of a show company, were publicly married in the Victoria Theatre at Kingston Thuruday night. A big growd witnessed the show.

If it was only health, we might let it cling.
But it is a cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another scomes. But it's the same old cough all the time.
And it's the same old story, too. There is first the cold, then the cough, then paeumonia or consumption with the long sickness, and life trembling in the balance.

loosens the grasp of your cough.
The congestion of the throat
and lungs is removed; all inflammation is subdued; the parts are put perfectly at rest and the cough drops away. It has no diseased tissues on which to hang.

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Remember we have a Medical Department. If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly obtain, write the doctor freely through the prompt reply; the freely through the prompt reply; the prompt reply; the freely through the prompt reply; the prompt reply; the prompt reply through the prompt r

THE BEST MAN.

ow He Comes to Have a Part In the Marriage Ceremony.

Marriage Ceremony.

Under the title "When. a Maid's Married" Frederick Boyd Stevenson in The Woman's Home Companion traces the origin of some of our marriage customs back to the days of primitive man.

"While we smile at the wife stealing propensity of the savage or half savage nations we cherish as our dearest form a custom that had its direct origin in this very selfsame practice. The best man, 'who plays so important a part in well regulated marriages that nowadays have any pretense at all to the fashionable, once on a time in Sweden occupied a position that was useful as well as ornamental. In the old days the Swedish groom found it desirable, in fact, to have several best men,' to defend him from the assaults of rivals and prevent them from carrying away his bride. The Scandinavian warrior of ancient times was far too lofty in his ideas to condescend to plead for a maiden's hand. So he patiently waited until some other man who was more gallant had obtained the fair one's consent. Then, when all the details had been nicely arranged, the proud warrior, with a body of well trained retainers, dashed down on the wedding party and, if strong enough, carried away the bride. The 'best men'—and it was very essential that they should be the best men in those days—therefore became necessary fixtures to the marriage ceremony, and they were so well esteemed and their popularity became so permanent that when the reason for their existence was removed they were so well esteemed and their popularity became so permanent that when the reason for their existence was removed they were so well esteemed and their popularity became so permanent that when the reason for their existence was removed they were so well esteemed and their popularity became so permanent that when the reason for their existence was removed they were so well esteemed and their popularity became so permanent than when the reason for their existence.

Curious Relie of Washington Carlous Relie of Washington.

Mrs. Helen Struthers Dunn of Philadelphia is the owner of a curious old relie, There are scores of people in the United States who would give much money to own that piece of redwood which has been so carefully polished and set in gold. It came to Mrs. Dunn through her father, John Struthers, who gave the United States the marble sarcophagus in which Washington's body now rests. Mr. Struthers was well known as a dealer in marble. Washington's body now rests. Mr. Sattle-ers was well known as a dealer in marble. His offer of a marble sarcophagus was made to John Lawrence, the only surviv-ing member of Washington's family, who replied that Mr. Struthers had tendered the gift with so much delicacy and tack

that it could not be refused.

When the coffin containing Washington's remains was being removed to its new resting place in Mount Vernon, a piece of it was chipped off. From a small portion the breastpin was made. It is itself in the shape of a coffin—a grewsome that the shape of a coffin—a grewsome for an organization. suggestion for an ornament, but it man never been worn. It rests in its little case, side by side with the trowel which was used to cement the sarcophagus.—

Boston Transcript.

Stamped Cleopatra. A Worcester man tells The Gazette of that city that when visiting the British museum some time ago he stuck a postage museum some time ago he stuck a postag stamp on the mummy case of Cleopatr "I was all alone," he says. "No one w "I was all alone," he says. "No one was looking, and I stood there gazing at the nummy case and thinking over the stories, when I put my hand in my pocket and felt the postage stamp. I could not help it. The thought of the mummy thousands of years old and the brand new stamp of the brand new country was too much. I hastily whispered in the car of the effigy: 'Why is this stamp like Antony? Give it up? Because it's stuck on you!' slapped it on the case and started out to establish an altih is a quickly as possible."

Diminished With Age.

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A DANGEROUS DUTY.

There is one phase of the ship life of the American naval officer that is scarcely known to the layman and that oah hardly be understood by him as he looks upon the modern ship in all her tractive cleanliness and meets has neatly uniformed officers upon the spot-less upper deck. Not only are the parts of the ship in sight kept clean and free from rust and decay, but also these fat Jular compartments between the inner and outer skins of the ship, known technically as the "double bottom," and other places that separate the magazines and various built up structures withis the ship from the outer skin.

These parrow compartments are espe

These narrow compartments are especially susceptible to dampness and rust, and in order that those who have the and in order that those who have the care of them may do their duty welland so prevent the decay of the ship a system of inspection has been devised, and the inspectors must be, under the naval regulations, commissioned officers. A permanent board of inspection is formed upon each ship, which must consist of one engineer and two line officers. The duty of this board is periodically to make personal inspections of ically to make personal inspections of all the parts of the ship, examine every all the parts of the sing, suggest remedies for any evils that may be found to exist and to report to the commanding officer, for transmission to the navy department, the condition of the vessel is

detail.

Uniforms are discarded while making these inspections, and clad in seamen's ordinary working suits these officers crawl apon all fours throughout the length of the bottom of the ship, wrigile enakelike through narrow openings and examine with their own eyes every thin seal. and examine with their own eyes every inch of the surface of the thin steel plates. The paint of these compart ments, softened by dampness in some places and by heat and the steam laden air of the boiler rooms in others, rube off upon the working suits, and as hour's crawling transforms the seef officer into a very sorry spectacle. In some modern navies this duty is performed by the culisted men, the officers being excused from it, but in our navy the feeling exists that an enlisted man should not be asked to go where an officer is not willing to lead. The result is that "things always work" with the Americans and the efficiency of the feet is assured.

is assured.

Numerous precautions must be taken to avoid the risk of losing life while performing this duty, for it is attended with no little danger. The atmosphere of confined spaces entirely or partly closed for a considerable length of time becomes robbed of its oxygen in the formation of rust and is soon made unfit to sustain life. If possible, such compartments are blown out with pure air led through, a hose from a blower duct and all manhole plates removed before led through a hose from a blower duct and all manhole plates removed before being entered. A lighted candle is al-ways carried by the inspecting officer upon his crawling tour. If the candle burns dimly or seems upon the point of being extinguished, there is a deficiency possible to him, so that they may hear his voice and render immediate assist-ance in case of need. No one is allowed to enter any confined space on board ship without an uncovered light, al-though in addition a portable electric light is carried frequently to render the inspection more thorough.

inspection more thorough.

It not infrequently happens that efficers and men become so wedged between bulkheads and beams while performing this duty as to make it extremely difficult to remove them, and more than one cult to remove them, and more than one officer of the navy is upon the retired list today because of permanent injury to his health contracted while performing this arduous labor. ing this arduous labor. Because of the care exercised it is rare that a life is lost in this service, but in one case at least the rashness of a man proved fatal to him. One of the main boilers of the cruiser Newark, while flagship of the south Atlantic station, having been tightly closed for a month, while empty, in order to preserve it from detariors. in order to preserve it from deteriora-tion, the coppersmith of that vessel, an energetic, faithful man, thought its inthough warned repeatedly never to en ter such a boiler without an open light removed an upper manhole plate and orawled in upon the braces with an electric light. He told no one that he was going into the boiler, and no one was stationed to assist him in case of need. His dead body was found half out and half in the boiler manners with an electric light still burning brightly within the boiler. He had evidently crawled in upon the braces, felt a faintness creeping over him and had endeavored to regain the open air, but lost consciousness just as life lay within his reach, and so died of asphyxiation. The air in the boiler had been entire-The air in the boiler had been entirely robbed of its oxygen by the iron of

the shell in the formation of rust, and the residuum was unfit to breathe. A lighted caudle was snuffed out immediately upon being thrust into the boller, and this condition prevailed until a lower manhole plate was removed, when the heavy gas ran out as water might, and the air within soon came to be quite pure. No more vivid illustration of the dangers to be encountered in the care of ships aftent and the precautions necessary to be taken in this duty could be given than this incident, which shows that shot and shall and hursting steam pipes are not the only dangers that confront the officers and men of Uncle Sam's navy.—New York Sun.

His Reason.

Some of the best of Dean Pigon's sto-ries come from Halifax (not Sheffield). One of these concerns his verger, one Sagar. Imagine him, a venerable figure Sagar. Imagine him, a venerable figure with gray hair, skullcap, gown and verger's staff. In ignorance they had

the the matter about the banns, was at once cross examined. "Oh, yes, vicar," said he, "I knowed right well! I knowsaid he, "I knowed right well! I knowed parties. "But why did you not
tell me?" I should have forbidden
them." "Well, vicar, it was just this
way, do you see. One of the parties
was 84 and t'other 86. I says to myself:
'Lord, it can't last long. Let 'em wed,
and bother the laws!" "—London News.

A gentleman in a rural district drew own upon his head a storm of adverse criticism by marrying a second wife shortly after the demise of his first. Two of those good ladies who look gen-erally upon the surface of things and who are ever ready with conden who are ever ready with condemnation were discussing the disgraceful affair. "Why, my dear, there's his poor wife hardly cold in her grave, and he goes and marries another!" "Dreadful!" deduced the other. "I never heard of such a thing." "I should think not indeed," went on No. 1 angrily. "Marries wife after wife like that—why rying wife after wife like that—why, the man's a regular polygot!"—Cornbill Magazine.