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combined in resisting their invasions on his grain crop. Two or three individuals stationed a little distance apart, can make sad havoc in the ranks of wild geese as they follow their leader in the search for a base of operations, and a bag of thirty or forty birds each is considered a fair bag as the result of a days outing.

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This illustration is one loaned us by the C. P. R. Co., and is intended to show the dire results which usually overtake those whom nature has provided with an over-development of curiosity. The sportsman who keeps himself concealed and places a waving handkerchief where it will sooner or later attract the attention of the nomadic antelope, is almost sure to be rewarded with a easy shot as the ani. mal endeavors to ascertain the cause of this unusual attraction. Many of these animals are "wiped out" with a handkerchief as a lure. The caribou is also largely gifted with curiosity, and should two or three of these animals be suddenly surprised and put to flight, they are quite likely to retrace their steps in order to ascertain the cause of the alarm. In such cases it is better for the hunter to maintain his position, or follow very cautiously and slowly, rather than give chase.

PARAGRAPHS.

The papers, a little while ago, told of a wonderful cow in some part of the Western States, which gave daily thirty one quarts of milk. The writer has the personal knowledge, incredible as the statement may appear, of a cow which gave for a time, during the summer months, forty quarts of milk per day. This was vouched for by several witnesses, brought together for the occasion by the purchaser of the cow, who hearing of her milking qualities, offered a large sum of money for her provided she would actually give on a certain day the forty quarts, which she did with a gill to spare. The cow, part Durham and Ayrshire, was owned by Mr. W. H. Gay, now of Smith Mills, and was sold to the wealthy Mr. Melville Smith, of Montreal. One of the witnesses that day being Mr Bernard McGuire, of Longueuil.

Over a hundred thousand people were evicted in New York for non-payment of rent last year, and still we hear little or nothing about it. Let, however, one family be similarly used in Ireland and the papers immediately teem with heart-rending accounts of it. Hundreds of families in our large cities are in a state of poverty bordering on actual starvation, and few outside of some earnest working philanthropists even hear of it. Let a few Irish fam-

ilies be found in perhaps not so unfortunate a condition and the civilized world rings with it. There is not day but assaults and crimes are committed, the results of agrarian questions of some nature, and beyond an account of the deed, no comments are made. Let a parallel case occur in Ireland, and the cabinet is immediately summoned, and the question discussed with hushed voices. And what is the explanation of all this; nothing but politics, and so it will continue, so long as Ireland is made the battle ground of political factions.

Some men are fools naturally, being born so, some are fools artificially, being made so. Some only play the fool, while actually containing none of the disqualifications necessary to turn out a prime article of that order, and some are too idiotic to be even classed among fools. But of all these fools, the wellknown farinaceous compound commonly called "cake" must be handed over to Benjamin Mills, of Hillsburg, Pa., who allowed a couple of vagabond spiritualists to swindle him out of six thousand dollars, on the plea that Mrs. Mills, deceased, needed the money for some celestial speculation. Whether it was to buy an interest in the milky way and establish a run of cheese factories, or to purchase the hide of Ursa Major, we are not informed. But it was something that Ben. evidently saw the glitter of gold in, for he went as far as to mortgage his farm to raise the amount. If any of our readers know of anything that will surpass this in the fool line, they would confer a boon by trotting it out.

It is wonderful to notice now some people avail themselves of that great privilege, the right to vote, and the many sources through which they allow themselves to be influenced. Though usually one or two great questions are placed before them in the plainest manner possible, though it is made clearly evident that by these few important questions the intelligent voter is supposed to be entirely governed, still hundreds of cases can be cited where sensible voters have allowed the most trivial matters to stand in