## Hit or Miss. A PALPABLE (CHRISTMAS) HIT.

chelor Brown was a quiet man nose scheme of life was a charming plan ; te only wanted to live at ease He only wanted to live at ease With nobody but himsalf to please; To come and go at no man's bidding Except at Malvern or Ben Rhydding; The doctor's orders were then obey'd, For Bachelor Brown was much afraid Of looking florid and growing stout, He dreaded the very name of gout. He thought a wife was a useless bore And nothing in life annoyed him more Than crying babes or a sudden draught, And he always frowned when others laugh

We wonder not that Bachelor Brown Was act much liked in his native town; The boys delighted to play him tricks, And most of the folk their eyes would fix On distant objects when he pass'd by-But he only thought they were very shy.

It so fell out on a Christmas Day That lads and lasses went out to play. When snow lay deep in the fields hard by And bright and clear was the winter sky. A snowball battle was soon begun, When lot in the thick of fight and fun A ball was thrown with a sudden whirl, By a bright and active laughing girl, Right through the window of Bacheler Brown, Who starts to his feet with a sudden frown; And rushing forth he cries, with a his, "Who is the villain that dared do this?" They all held back and were quite abashed When they saw their neighbor's window smashed But the girl stood up and toss'd her head. But the girl stood up and toss'd her head And with laughing eyes she archly said "Please, sir, I wanted to bring you out To join us all in the snowball bout."

When Bach'lor Brown saw the pretty face, And marked the figure so full of grace, His anger fled, and he straightway fell In love with the saucy village belie.

A very strange thing had come to pass, Twas found that the fractured pane of glass Was broken in shape like a human heart, Which of course gave Bachelor Brown a start, For he thought there must be a fate in this, So he sought the rollicking snowball miss ; With such success did he ply his suit That she quite forgot his old repute For when he proposed she couldn't say no, And ere the coming of next year's snow Bachelor Brown had a charming wife, Who proved the joy of his altered life.

"A snowball," they said in the little town, "Had made quite a man of Bachelor Brown." -M. J.

THE PHENOMENAL WEATHER. Everybody is talking about the extraor-dinary weather which has prevailed and still prevails. Trees are budding in many ies; flowers are in bloom; birds mistake the season, and show signs of nest-building; and cattle, usually housed for the winter long ere now, roam in the fields, finding no difficulty in grazing. The frogs, too, mistake the season, and are in some swamps to be heard singing their spring choruses. The sharp frost which has pre-vailed for the past two nights gives some hope to ice-dealers that the winter will yet be sufficiently severe to provide plenty of ice. Last year the sea-son was unusually good for ice-harvesting -the best in twenty years-and plenty was obtained for summer use, leaving a good surplus, which is now held in stock. It will prove a bonanza to the dealers, provided the ensuing harvest is short. Here we must have two weeks, at least, of continuous cold weather, with the thermometer at or near zero, to make ice thick enough to cut. When the thermometer is down to zero, ice forms at the rate of about an inch every hour. To form ice after it is six inches thick the weather must be very cold, and then it increases in thickness slowly. Under these circumstances the cold snap must be much more decided than it has yet been. Should the winter be as

open as it was two years ago, we may expect a big demand for Canadian ice from United States, though the Hudson River Companies are represented as being at present 200,000 tens of ice in stock. In that event, ice would be a luxury next summer only accessible to the rich. It is true that there have been some winters as open as this, up till now, and after all a good ice crop was secured, but when Burlington Bay keeps clear till the new year there is Senate. In 1869 he published a volume of crop was secured, but when Burlington always a chance for an indifferent harvest. The weather prophets have been decid-edly fooled so far. They prophesied several cold snaps, which have not yet been forth-It must be said in justice to coming. Vennor, however, that he has hit the nail pretty correctly when the season is taken

As a whole. In his almanac published in October, 1880, he gave this forecast for the lose of 1881: This I believe, will be one of the Decembers hat will cause inquiry of the oldest inhabitant is to whether there ever had been such a De-ember before. In filinois, Iowa, Louisiana and Iowa, Louis to be an em ota, there is likely which will render passable, and farmers will, for a their waggons for the saddle. In W flowers may be discovered in blo nowers may be discovered in bloom in the garden, and ploughing will be continued al up to Christmas; and while there may be sional cold snaps, these will not mate: change the character of the month. Vennor is evidently not such a gigantic

Personal. Auguste Blanc, the French art critic, is dying of cancer in the face. Dr. Platt has resigned his position as

Inspector of the Ficton Public Schools. It is stated that Captain Cox, of the Dufferin Rifles, Paris, has forwarded his resignation to Ottawa. Sir Richard Cartwright has consented

to address a meeting at Harrowsmith before the session. Hon. Messrs. Macpherson and Aikins

left Ottawa last evening for Toronto, where they will spend their holidays. It is announced that Sir John Mac-

donald will take a holiday from the 23rd inst. until the 3rd of January.

Mr. C. J. Brydges, of the Hudson Bay Co., Winnipeg, together with his family and private secretary, are in Toronto. Mr. Blanchard, recently admitted to the Bar of Prince Edward Island, is the only

native French Acadian in the profession there. Kaiser Miller, the head of the Manitoba Mennonites. contemplates taking a trip to Ontario shortly, when he will visit his German co-religionists in Waterloo. President Arthur with his private secre-

taries will keep bachelor's hall at the Executive Mansion this winter. There will be no ladies there except those invited to preside on social occasions. Mr. Smith, Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has returned to Guawa

from Washington, where he has been for several weeks past on a pleasure trip. Mr. Charles Wilmot, of the Government

fisheries, Newcastle, passed through Ham-ilton yesterday on his way back from Washington with a large quantity of young

Wendell Phillips has had his 70th birth-Wendell Phillips has had his 70th birth-day the pastweek. He shows signs of age, and is not lecturing at all the present winter. The manner of his oratory grows constantly more quiet, but his extravagance of language is not a particle abated. He appears to take more delight, if possible, in startling people by the extreme views he advances them in the acrilier store of his advances than in the earlier stages of his career.

Mr. Longfellow has been forced by illness to issue a printed circular excusing him from answering the numberless letters which he daily receives, asking bim not only for autographs, but for all sorts of favors. The poet writes to a friend : "I see the story of my having a cancer in the cheek has been revived again. You can contradict the report whenever you hear it. have not, nor ever had, a cancer in the check or anywhere else."

Mr. Tennyson is not an ardent lover of society. He has a few devoted and inti-mate acquaintances, but he has been on the whole self-sufficient. His pipe has been his firmest friend through life. Sometimes he stays with Mr. Jowett at Oxford, sometimes he visits Mr. Gladstone, and last year he gave two or three quiet dinner parties at his London house. But no one would speak of him as a " society man." He loves long intervals of politude as much now as when Intervals of solitude as much now as when thirty years ago he would disappear for weeks together in the wilds of Cornwall, and acquire, as he gazed upon the tumbling Severn, that local color which brightens. his best works.

The death of Col. Forney at Philadelphia yesterday is announced by telegraph. John Weir Forney was born at Lancaster, Pa., on Sept. 30th, 1817. In 1833 he began his career as a journalist by entering as appren-tice in the Lancaster *Journal*. In 1857 he became editor and joint proprietor of the Intelligencer. Three years later the papers were consolidated. He afterwards occupied various journalistic positions. From 1861 "Letters from Europe," where he had travelled. In 1875 he published "Anec-

the same faculty."

costs.

Thieves."-London Truth.

had \$30 stolen

An Insolvent in a Tight Bex.

gress. The Prince of Wales has had a good impression of him which has gone abroad The Prince of Wales has had a good thouse, London, Ont, was emptied of 1,300 people in less than four minutes in the midst of a pelting rain storm. All of the The quiet town of Mount Forest has is beginning to disappear, as all those fire exits were thrown open as an experi come in contact with him are certain to be charmed by his manner. An English ment. The Patti concerts have so far proved

# A RAILWAY BIOT. The Military Called Out-Many Persons

Injured. A despatch from Newburgh (N. J.) dated A despatch from Newburgh (N. J.) dated Monday night says there was a great deal of disturbance among the West Shore rail, way laborers at Cornwall last night, in which the Italians seemed to be the princi-pal offenders. Pistols and knives were freely used, several persons being injured. An inoffensive laborer, John Cahill, was dangerously stabbed in the bowels, and an I talian shot in the leg, it is supposed by s negro. This morning eight or the warrants were issued for the persons concerned

The second marriage took place in Freder-icton last month. The prisoner will be committed for trial.

Patti will be 39 in February. The Railway Conductors' concert on Thursday, 15th, will be the next musical event. A young man rushed eagerly for a front

seat in an Albany theatre gallery, fell over the rail, and was killed by the fall. Mabel Morley was compelled to attempt her usual daily feat of walking a tight rope harbor this evening. The cargo consisted

to the pole of a circus tent at Athens, Texas. though she declared she was dizzy from illness. She fell and was killed.

Mr. Gilbert's new opera comique, for which Mr. Sullivan has promised the music by April, is founded on his own "Princess"—a work not k on this side of the water. -a work not known, it is said,

Dr. Arthur Sullivan, the well-known author of "Pinafore" and "Patience," is dotes of Public Men." In 1874 he disposed an admirable churchman, and has just of his interest in the *Press*, and during the given to the world a magnificent collection past year or two has been editing the Pro. of sacred songs.

### DEATH UNDER CHLOROFORM. TEMPEST IN ENGLAND.

Dreadful Wind and Rain Storms-Greet Destruction of Property-House Blow a Alarming Occurrence in a former Hamil-Down and Several People tonian Dentist's Office-

> Up to about a year ago Sovereign Bros. kept a dentistry on King street west, Ham-ilton. They did a fair business, but moved to Chicago, and opened a new office. Yes-terday, our telegrams from that city recorded the death under chloroform of a

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Explosoparian ciergyman, and that she (Mrs. Leighton) was a witness to the ceremony. The second marriage look place in Freder-icton last month. The prisoner will be committed for trial. Foollights. Foollights. their rescue. Ropes were lowered from wreck, several passengers being of the number, were slowly but safely hotsted up. Half an hour afterwards the Emili-enne slipped off the rocks and sank out of sight. their rescue. Ropes were lowered from the patient vas in a critical condition. Everything with a critical condition. Within five an use from the time he passed under the affuence of chloroform he was dead. Dr. Dias, Dodge and Sovereign worked sith the body for nearly half an worked sith the body for nearly half an sight. KINGSTON, Dec. 23.—This morning the schooner George Suffel, anchored off Cape Vincent, was struck by the gale and dragged her anchor towards the shore. She is Structure Struc her anchor towards the shore. She is pounding heavily on a sunken pier and is Dr Sovereign was interviewed last even-

in danger of going to pieces. She left here a few days ago with a load of barley. CHARLESTON, S.C., Dec. 23 .- The steamer heirst noticed the fatal change going on ir the patient's face and refused to proceed, of cotton and turpentine, and the flames spread so rapidly that the passengers and described. He states that Draper's chin crew only saved themselves by jumping on dropped and that he fainted soon after the board the vessels with which the Grainger last tooth was pulled, never revising each came in collision. Two negroes are mining, but are supposed to be on a vessel He disclaimed all responsibility for the fatal termination of the operation, having taken the precaution to employ a doctor to the stream. Loss, \$55,000. LONDON, Dec. 23.—The barque Soie, from Hamburg for Wilmington, N.C., 7as abandoned on the 13th inst. in a leakyconmake an examination of the physical condition of the patient and administer the stupifying in... tent. He seemed to mourn dition. Several of her crew were aved more about the evil repute the accident might bring his place into than he did over BODY SNATCHING. The denies of the game of the finance of the man who expired under in mount Forest. The quiet town of Mount Forest has to him. Dr. Dodge was seen at his resi-dence, No. 219 Ohio street, last evening. The quiet town of Mount Forest has to him. Dr. Dodge was seen at his resi-dence, No. 219 Ohio street, last evening. The quiet town of Mount Forest has to him. Dr. Dodge was seen at his resi-dence, No. 219 Ohio street, last evening. The quiet town of Mount Forest has the forest h

# THE JEANNETTE.

## Succor Sent to the Explorers - Gordon Bennett Describes their Position.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- The following despatch from James Gordon Bennett to the Secretary of State was received to-

night, and in the absence of Secretary of State Frelinghuysen, was delivered to Assistant Secretary of State Davis : PARIS, Dec. 23, 1881.

furnishes some interesting details of the recent destruction of the Calf Rock Light-But music has charms and they list to the song house, off the coast of Kerry, during the Cf that jolly musician, the young Richard Lo awful storm which lately swept over the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store the Bring up the roar of this year to make young the store th

Atlantic. He says: "I am just going to give you a short sketch of the storm on Saturday night, and half past 3 o'clock on Saturday morning Lowry, one of the laborers, and I went to bed the rest of the mean being in hourse

our bodies as many biscuits as we could. After I saw Kelly and Lowry safe in the west-house, Jack Harrington, Byrne and I ing y a reporter and made a statement subtantially as given above. He said that secured everything in the tower, closing all doors and boring holes in the woodwork to allow water or foul air to pass freely through. We were engaged at this work till 8 o'clock on Sunday morning, when another storm came on, and at 8.30 the landings of the tower were blown completely off. The rush of water was near shutting

second husband, a man named

five feet thick and the top twelve inches

The Leading-Strings Fallacy.

The Marriage of Santa Class

Once Santa Claus sobered and said with a sigh. While a tear added lustre to each twinkling eye, "Oh! I'm getting so lonely and weary of life, I need a companion, or better, a wife: But where could I find one to share my joy." And love, as I love, every girl and each boy." He thought and he pondered, this jolly recluse, Then he shouted, "I have it, 'tis Old Mother Goose."

Then he shoulded, "I have it, its Old Mother Goose." He was off in a jiffy, he whistled, his sled O'er the snow like the flight of a sky rocket sped. And his reindeer snorted with heads high and haughty, And trotted along at the rate of two-forty, So he found the old lady, of course, very soon-She had just returned from a trip to the moon, And was fixing her cap, slightly mussed by the ride. ride, While the cobwebs were thick on the broom at her side, She was old, she was weazened, she had a great nose, Yet her eyes were as bright as the plumage of

And her voice, tho' 'twas cracked, had a ring very

sweet, And her dress, tho' 'twas queer, was most awfully neat. And Santa Claus blushed as he said, "How de

- do?" The dame courtesied low, and replied, "Sir, to 'Will you have me?" he prays, "my darling,

confess." She hesitates, murmurs, and then whispers "Yes." "But my children!" she cries, with the usual

"Why, children, I love 'em," said bluff Santa Claus.

"Bring 'em out-where are they; I want 'em.'

Bring 'em out-where are they; I want 'em," cries he, cries he, cries he, cries he, so forth troop they all in a great company.
First comes a fair muiden, and know her we should.
By the wolf and her granny-'tis Red Riding Hood;
While after them, fearfully blowing his horn, is Little Boy Blue on his way from the corn; And the notes of the music he sweetly doth play Brings the piper's son 'Tom from the hills far away.
And then with a jump and a roll down the hill With pails and with water bounce poor Jack and Jill.
Their crowns were both broken and help they implore.

implore From Oid Mother Hubbard and Margery Daw, As well as a nameless man, tattered and torn, Who is kassing and kissing a maiden forlorn. And forth from her garden, in a way quite con

And forth from her generations were Mis-trary, With fruits and with flowers, comes sweet Mis-tress Mary; Then Simon the simple returns from the fair, With the pleman, most cautious in selling his

ware; While dragging their tails behind, flock in the

sheep Of the wandering shepherdess, Little Bo Peep. A very oid woman lugs up a great shoe, And out jump her children, a boisterous crew; Some sing and some dance, and some of the

"The Mulberry Bush" and "Rain, rain go away." But one hitle boy slinks off in the corner And munches a pie-tis greedy Jack Horner; While poor Tommy Tucker expects some in vain And bewails his fate with Tom Grace, who's in

bed, the rest of the men being in hours With shouts and with laughter they tumbled previously. I was only lying down for a quarter of an hour, when the sea struck And wrapped buffalo robes, close beneath every

quarter of an hour, when the sea struck the tower heavily three or four times, there being flashes of lightning at the same time. At 4 o'clock the whole of the lantern was blown clean off. I jumped out of bed on the instant, and ran and closed the lantern and balcony doors. Then I roused all hands, and we stowed away on

And forever be happy within their new home.

OUT OF THE FRYING PAN INTO THE FIRE.

A Railway Employee Leaps from the Track to Escape Being Killed and is Drowned in the Bay.

A one-armed man named Campbell, who has for many years been employed by the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway Company, off. The rush of water was near shutting the three of us outside the door of the tower. We then made for the west-house as best we could, I being the last to desert the old ship. After being an hour fin the kitchen, it being the strongest in our opinion of any of the houses. We succeeded

fraud, after all.

### The New Standards of Flour.

The President addressed the Toronto Corn Exchange meeting briefly yesterday on what was learned of the action of the Board of Examiners of Montreal in regard to raising the standard of flour. He believed that the standard required for "Superior " would render it impracticable in this country. Mr. Spink moved substan-IMPORTANT INSOLVENCY CASE. tially that it has been discovered that the new standards as chosen by the Board of Examiners for this year are impracticable on account of their being of so high a grade that only a very limited number of mills in the country can manufacture the Superior" extra. It was recomme that the matter of raising the standard should be referred back to the Montreal examiners to consider and revise their Clemon vs. Clisby, and the action was to recover \$103 81. Clisby was 7. restaurant determination. Mr. Spink read letters from Messrs. Thomas Todd, Galt; David keeper in 1875, and two days before he failed with \$29,000 of liabilities and assets Plewes, Brantford, and Rd. Blain, Galt, giving their views as to how difficult it nominally \$8,000, he obtained goods to the amount stated above from would be for the western millers to make ' Superior " of the required standard. Mr. Thomas Patterson, a grocer, promis-ing to pay for them inside of a week. Spink said there were not many millers machinery to enable them to manufacture flour of the required standard. The motion by Mr. Spink was carried by Mr. Spink was carried.

# Presence of Mind.

The eminent orchestral leader, Julien, owing to pecuniary reverses and an impri-sonment for debt, became partly insane, though his friends did not regard him sufficiently unsound of mind as to render his removal to an asylum necessary. He was, one morning, playing on the piano for the entertainment of a lady who was visiting his family, when he arose from the piane stocl, opened a large clasp-knife rushed towards her, saying: and

"I must kill you." "I am ready to die," she returned coolly looking him in the eye steadily, "but will you grant me a favor first?" "Certainly," he answered, politely. "What do you wish?"

That you play me one of your compo-

sitions on the piccolo." He went to another room for the instru-ment, when she locked the door against him and rang for assistance. Within a short time he was lodged in Bedlam.

Two oldest inhabitants, who are always remembering something, discuss the weather. "Yes, sir," says one, "for real, unadulterated cold weather give me the winter of 1826-7. The rivers were all frozen solid, and the fish in 'em, and I recollect that I chopped out an eel and used him for a walking-stick. Of course I stood it small number of 12 cases of permanent insanity were reported among the 139,143 authors, journalists, reporters and transla-tors, male and female, of the kingdom. st the door outside whenever I went up against the do

Uncle Moses says something: <sup>a</sup> Polite-ness kin be carried too fur. Tuther day I lifted my hat ter a 'oman an' lost de handkerchief outen it."

M. Gambetta will bring before the Chamciative citizens of Odessa. These vegeta of Deputies early in January a measure looking to a revision of the constitution, including the creation of a colonial army ny streets outside the theatre to the fre-a quenters of the gallery. based on a long service system, with a reduction of the time for service in the army of defence to three years.

magazine article has this to say of his social qualities: "Probably the most remunerative to the manager, but the social qualities: "Probably the most remarkable instance of the tact of society critics have not a word to say in favor of Nicolini's singing, while the great diva's is the present Prince of Wales. His Royal Highness possesses, in a degree which has never been surpassed, the faculty of recolown performances seem to be a little dis-The latest prodigy is a 10-year-old boy

lecting every one he has ever met, of the associations of the meeting and of every from Richmond, Va., named Ralph Bingham, who gives successful public readings. His first public appearance took place at Richmond, before an audience of 3,000 topic of interest peculiar to the situation When he goes down to the Guildhall he recollects Mr. Alderman Gobble and Sir persons, when he was a little over 6 years Benjamin Bumble as well as if he were a common councilman of Lordon. At Sandof age. A Buffalo paper says of the young Cana-

dian musical prodigy: "Little George Fox (of Walkerton) is, if possible, more ingham he knows every tenant and their families. He never forgets and never miswonderful than when he first played in the city some two months ago. Properly guided and well trained in his art, he has the possibilities and the future before him the possibilities and the future before him the question " ir highly civilized countries the question " ir highly civilized countries or the trained in his art, he has the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the question " in highly civilized countries the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the question " in highly civilized countries the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the possibilities and the future before him the question " in highly civilized countries the question " in takes. No doubt this is an inherited talent. The late Prince Albert was remarked for

"Ze super he standa so," said Venturo

the Italian stage manager for Rossi, throwing himself into a preposterously awkward position, to show a Philadelphia A despatch from our Ottawa correl pondent this (Friday) afternoon says : An unusual case has just been decided by the reporter one of the favorite attitudes of stage soldiers, sailors and citizens. "He County Court in this city. It was an action cannota worka hees leg, he cannota mova taken under the provisions of the Insolvent Act to punish debtors for wilfully defraudhees arm, but he cana do every time somezing wrong." ing creditors. The case was that of

There is one clergyman in Philadelphi who is not content with merely denouncing spiritualism as a fraud. He demonstrated that at least one medium was a trickster. Going to a public hall where apparitions were advertised to appear, he leaped on the stage, jerked down a curtain, and exposed the medium in the act of arraying himself in the garb of a ghost. At a meeting of the dramatic critics of

jury brought in a verdict against the defendant on the ground that the goods were obtained under false pretences. The verdict was accepted by the judge, who sentenced Clisby to two months' in jail in ment be made responsible for their safet ingenious expedient the pain and humilia-pending the adoption of a strong legislative tion of verbal refusal and fruitless pleadings default of payment of the amount, with all

An Innovation at English Fancy Balls As if the ordinary expenses of a fancy-America at Wallack's new theatre. York, in the production of "Youth." dress ball were not sufficient, certain ladies now frequently appear at the same fancy ball in two different characters, retiring to change their dress before supper and reapnearing in a different costume. At a recent appear in it, surrendering her right to the Telegraph. role in favor of Mrs. Langtry. estivity of this nature the Countess of

Now that the heat of the conflict is over

Now that the heat of the conflict is over, stockholders are beginning to realize the recent war in rates reacts against them-selves. A despatch from New York last night announces that a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent., payable on the 1st of Febru-ary, is declared by the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway. The surplus for the past year, however is only \$17,000, against \$1,624,000 for the previous year, and the decrease is wholly attributable to the railway war. Another despatch says that the Canada Southern report shows the earnings have barely paid the interest, and while the Michigan Central has paid its dividend of 24 per cent. for the six INSANITY. - Among the 5,234 civil engineers of England last year 24 became insane. The same unhappy fate befel 16 of 5,804 painters and sculptors; only 25 of 32,000 architects and contractors; 35 of 20,694 clergymen of the Established Church; 145 of 234,778 masons, bricklayers and stoneoutters; 132 of 106,824 painters, glaziers and paperstainers; and 174 of 205,624 carpenters. Only the enviably

its dividend of 21 per cent. for the six months, the surplus is very small.

The medical profession in Germany has sustained a severe loss in the death of Prof. Busch. The deceased, who was only 55 years old, but a short time ago performed a successful operation upon the Empress. Dr. Busch was forn in Marburgh. In 1844 Pickled cucumbers are stated to have been the missiles which were lately thrown at Mile. Sara Bernhardt by the unapprehe commenced the study of medicine at Berlin, and in 1851 began his practice in that city. He died at Bonn on the Rhine. were at hand because they are sold in the He became especially renowned as a skilful operator during the campaigns of 1866 and

The correct list of victims of the Vienna theatre fire gives the total as 449. 1870-71.

on account of body-snatching from the cemetery there. Some time so on a table in an unoccupied room in the Central School was found a human rm, dissected as if for the study of anatory. Mr. E. H.

Bailey, a young man on ne staff of the school, is studying medicine. He was sus-pected, and acknowledge that it was he who he i placed the limb where it had been found, stating that it has been sent to him from Toronto. The Foard of Trustees reprimanded him, and he matter dropped. A few days ago a humpi body was found in a sack in a culvert a the intersection of two streets in Mourt Forest. A search was made among the new made graves in the cemetery and one was found empty.

Tartar variet desirous to marry, whose simple and discreet custom it is to accer-tain their clances of success or failure in matrimonial enterprise by the following proceeding. The Tchulian Cœlebs in search of swife having filled a brand-new pipe with ragrant tobacco stealthily enters the dwellug of the fair one upon whom he

has best wed his affections, deposits the pipe upm a conspicuous article of furniture, and reires on tiptoe to some convenient hiding place in the neighborhood, local etiquete requiring the he should execute this strategic movement apparently un-detected by the damsel of his choice or any merber of her family. Presently he're-turns without further affectation or secrecy,

looks into the apartment in a casua ect of way. A single glance at the pipe he the principal London papers held on Ift behind him enables him to learn the Thursday evening resolutions were passed fate of his proposal. If it has been smoked, stating that the condition of most of the negoes forth an accepted and exultant bride-London theatres in case of fire or panic groom; if not, the offer of his hand was very unsatisfactory, and recommend- and heart has been irrevocably rejected as ing that the official head of the fire depart not even worth a puff of tobacco. By this

Mrs. Langtry, the celebrated English maidens are saved from importunities beauty, will make her first appearance in justly regarded as peculiarly trying to America at Wallack's new theatre, New female sensibility. The pipe, considered as She a matrimonial ambassador, has at least is to play the principal part of Eva d Mal-this to recommend it—that it may be relied voisie, which Miss Rose Coghlan ras to have done. But Miss Coghlan fill not its mission prove unsuccessful.—London

## Professional Amenities.

When the poor, emaciated invalid has eached the point where his physician gives him up, and death and the undertaker stare him in the face, what chance has he lett? Why, lots. Let him just call in another doctor. There is always sufficient difference of opinion in the medical fraternity to give im grounds of hope.

"You made a very narrow escape," said Dr. Potts the other day to a patient who had dropped in to pay his bill; " a very marrow escape, sir. I shudder when I look ck to it." "Why, doctor, a simple boil on the neck

not considered as fatal generally, is it ?" "Well, not—not the boil exactly, but your told me that he was instructed to call in Dr. Snodgrass in case I was not at

ome. Thank goodness, I was !"-San Francisco Post.

A Cincinnati man, about to raise a telephone trumpet to his ear on Wednesday, phone trumpet to his ear on Wednesday, was startled to see a fiame leap from it to the height of six inches. The operators at the Central Office witnessed a similar start-ling effect, it being caused by the telephone wire coming into contact with an electric lighting wire. The wires of both parts of the telephone instrument were destroyed

dence, No. 12 The doctor, an old gray-haired man, claims to have three or four diplomas from medical schools, to have been a professor in threads a college as well, and to be the doctor in to have gone into the air twenty feet bisher. Strong currents from north and in a literary college as well, and to be especially handy with chloroform. "I have administered chloroform to probably especially handy with chloroform. "I have administered chloroform to probably a thousand persons," he said, " and this is the first accident that ever resulted to a patient of mine while under its influence." to land on the rock. In 1862 seven men His narrative of the circumstances attendattempted it and were lost. The widow of ing the death of Draper were substantially one of as stated by Dr. Sovereign, except that he claimed to have been the first to discover omething wrong in Draper's appearance, and to have called a halt. When asked if ne attributed the death of Draper to chloro-It measures all round, at low-water mark, about 100 yards. The tower was built in form he said no, and stated that in his opinion death was occasioned by "quick congestion of the brain." The symptoms, with iron casings, the base being originally congestion of the brain." The sym ne explained, are precisely such as The symptoms, ly such as would be likely to occur in the case of a man In 1867 a tremendous sea struck the tower and carried away half the balcony. suffering from congestion of the brain-viz., fainting, a rolling up of the eyes, discolora-tion of the lips, dropping of the chin, etc. "But," asked the reporter, " are not the

symptoms the same in a person dying of From the moment a child is born he is hloroform ?'

treated on the principle that all Yes, in the main ; but, as I said before, instincts are essentially wrong, that Nature I think the man died of congestion of the must be thwarted and counteracted in every possible way. He isstrapped up in a con-trivance that he would be glad to exchange for a strait-jacket, kept for hours in a brain.' Do you not think that chloroform had

mething to do with it?" "That is possible, but I think the post-ortem examination will establish the fact

that there was a strong tendency to conat locomotion are decked ; he is put in leading-strings, he iscarefully guarded from gestion. Chloroform may have hurried it on.

Important Discoveries of Coal and Salt would develop his muscles. Hence, the peevishness, awkwardness and sickliness of A valuable coal discovery has been made in township 2, range 23, about seventy miles west of Pilot Mound, Man. A man who our young aristocrats. Poor people have no time to imitate the absurdities of was digging a well struck coal of an excellent quality at a depth of twenty-three

their wealthy heighbors, and their children profit by what the model nurse would unioubtedly call neglect. Indian babies ar still better off. They There is great excitement in Port Franks. a village a few miles north of Sarnia, Messrs. Williams & Moseley, of Goderich, having struck salt at a depth of 1,245 feet. are fed on bull-bef, and kicked around like young dogs but they are not swad-dled, they are no cradled, and not dosed Although the well is now 1,275 feet deep, they are still boring through salt, which is of excellent quality. Only forty-six days were occupied in sinking the well, 1,017 feet with paregoric; ney crawl around naked, of which is through solid rock.

kicks and beef, hey would be as happy as kids in a clovenield, and, moreover, they would afterwar be hardier and stronger. LORD COLIN CAMPBELL, brother of the Marquis of Lorne, who represents Argyll County in the British Commons, has got Every week thenewspapers tell us about ladies tumbling dewnstairs and breaking into hot water with the "voluntaries" in his constituency. He recently addressed a meeting of his constituents at Duncon, and at the close of his speech was "heckled" on the Church disestablish-ment question. He declined to support a bill to disestablish the Church of Scot-land, whereupon ex-Bailie Huuter remarked "that although he had supported Lord Colin during the last two el ections. and had also supported the Marquis of Lorne, he had no hesitation in saying that he could no longer support Lord Colin after what he had said in regard to the matter of disestab-lishment. If it came to a question between Tories and Whigs on the matter, then for God's sake let them have the Tories." Applause and hisses greeted the statement Mr. Wm. Smith, Deputy Minister of

whom he had a private interview. The President, in the course of conversa tion with him, stated that he had some very pleasant reminiscences of New Bruns-wick, which place he visited some years since. Mr. Smith also occupied a seat on the floor of the Senate Chamber at the invitation of Hon. Mr. Ferry, U.S. Senator for Michigan, and ex-Vice-President of the

a few minutes body was recovered a few minutes after the accident. The Esplanade constable was notified, and the body was removed to the morgue, where it now lies to await the action of the coroner.

## THE FLOWERY LAND

Outrage on German Residents-Kidnapping of Female Children-Prince of Wales' Sons.

these men married again, and her SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16 .- The City of Tokio arrived from China last night, maknow amongst those on the rock. The rock itself resembles an egg in shape, the sides ing the shortest trip on record and travelling over 300 miles more than the regular course, with the following news: Hong Kona, Dec. 2.—Two German resibeing washed constantly by strong waves.

dents of good position in Hong Kong on a shooting excursion in a boat on the Canton River were fired into by a junk, which they took to be a revenue cruiser, and two of their Chinese crew were killed. The foreigners returned the fire, but their boat was taken and they were imprisoned, the charge being that their boat was smuggling pium. When they established their iden Hong Kong Colonial Government has de-manded an apology for the insult and reparation to the families of the Chinese oatmen in the service of foreign residents

in the colony. Kidnapping of female children for the purpose of sale is still prevalent in spite of the efforts of the authorities to suppress it, position that prevents him from moving any limb of his body. His first attempts and Government prosecutions are frequent. The Viceroy of Nankin recommends an the out-door world, rom the air that would invigorate his lungs from the sports that would develop his muscles. Hence, the increased duty to an enormous extent or

all imported opium. The British flying squadron, with the sons of the Prince of Wales on board the Bacchante, has arrived at Singapore. The young princes are displeased that the admiral in charge will not allow them to accept any entertainment except as officers of the ship.

## Triple Murder and Suicide.

An unmarried woman, aged 27, daughter of Henry Battye, of the Junction Inn, at Syke Bottom, in Fulstone, England, who had three children, was on Monday ordered by her father to leave the house, and during with paregoric; hey crawl around hased, and soon learn to keep out of the way; they are happy they never cry. If we would treat our youngsters in the same would treat our youngsters in the same way, only substituting kisses and bread for his absence she was seen near a pond. On his return, the woman and her children being missed, a search was made and the pond was dragged, with the result that the bodies of the woman and her three children were found in the water. She had, it is supposed, left the house with her two daughters-Ada, aged 10, and Emma, aged 5 years-thrown them into the pond, and then, fetching her son John, aged 20 months, had jumped into the water him in her arms.

### Railway Notes.

Although the electric light has been suc-

Although the electric light has been suc-cessfully used on English railway trains, it is believed that its adoption on all the lines will meet with considerable delay. The Lady Elgin, the first locomotive that ever ran in Ontario, is still standing in the Northern yards. The company are loth to break it up, and will still sell it to any his-torical society for the price of the iron it. torical society for the price of the iron it contains, about \$600. It was built in 1853, nd made its first run on May 16th, 1853. Mr. James Atkins, an employee at the Great Western Railway shops, London, has been sent by the company to Chicago to superintend the construction of a number of cars which are being manufactured there for use in their American connections.

A Vienna correspondent says that the Austria-Hungarian Lloyds will start direct steam ship communication with the United States and Brazil. The first steamer will be produced at Wallack's, six Gatling guns sail on the 25th of January for New York and the second for Brazil in February.

both arms; bys falling from a fence and fracturing their collar-bones. From what height would a young Comanche have to fall to break such bones-nt to mention South-Sea Island childreand young monkeys? The bones of an mant are plastic: letting it tumble and rol about would harden the bony tissue; marding it like a piece of brittle crocker makes its limbs as fragile as glass. Cristian mothers reproach themselves with neglecting their duty to their children if they do not constantly interfere with their movements, but they

forget that in points of physical education nature hersel is such an excellent teacher that the appaent neglect is really a trans-fer of the supl to a more efficient school.— Marine and Fisheries, returned to Ottawa from Washington yesterday. While in that city he was presented by Postmaster-General James to the President, with Dr. Felix L. Oswald, in Popular Science Monthly for December.

A Lonion cable says there is a sharp rise in Grant Trunk stock, owing to the unexpected statement of Sir Henry Tyler at the neeting of shareholders. Second preference stock has advanced one and three-quirters, and third preference one-

eighth. In the battle scene in "Youth," soon to and 150muskets will be fired off.

Bective appeared first as Mary Queen of Scots and later as a shower of gold. Mrs. Cornwallis West, on the same occasion, appeared in two consecutive characters, the Comtesse Panada, from "La Mas-cotte," and the Princess in the "Forty