

WLOPED WITH A BRAKEMAN.

An Heiress Braves Her Family's Displeasure and Escapes Her Choice.

A Pulsaski, N.Y., despatch says: The disappearance of Alice Wrightson, of Parish, in this county, heiress of the late Philip Wrightson, together with that of Henry McAulay, a railroad brakeman, has caused a great sensation in this section.

A CLERICAL WINDFALL.

A Poor Methodist Presbyter Secures a Fortune by Accident.

A Middletown, N.Y., despatch says: The poverty of Methodist ministers who serve on country circuits is proverbial. Rich men among them are as scarce as hen's teeth.

"THE LAND O' CAKES."

Latest Scottish Jottings from All Over.

Wm. Ras, forester to Colonel Stirling, of Kippendavie, has been appointed custodian of Dundane Cathedral.

The other day a kingfisher, of full plumage, was captured by a cat at Rutherford, in the parish of Maxton.

Mr. Wm. Renwick, a native of Jedburgh, who went to Peru many years ago, has recently died, and left a silver mine as a gift to his native town.

Mr. C. S. Parker, M.P., addressing his constituents at Perth, Scotland, said, "I have been elected to the House of Commons on the strength of my grant of Home Rule to Ireland."

CURRENT TOPICS.

PRINCIPAL CUNNINGHAM, of St. Andrew's University, says there never would have been a union between England and Scotland if the conditions had been imposed that the latter should renounce its church and its laws.

No one knows the exact nature of electricity. Its effects and the laws governing its force as well understood, but what it is still a mystery.

The human tangle is fine, supple, tough and durable. It is easily tanned in the usual way, and keeps out water, cold and heat.

For Ambitious Boys. A boy is something like a piece of iron, which is in its rough state, isn't worth much.

Major-General A. L. Littleton-Annesley, who will be the commandant of the military forces in Scotland in a short time, on the retirement of Major-General Elliot, C.B.

Something About Footwear. Fifty years ago boots had the preference. To-day, the shoe is the fashion.

Tommy's Experience in School. Little Tommy had spent his first day at school. "What did you learn?" asked his mother.

Cute Sayings by the Little Ones. "What did you learn?" asked his mother. "I didn't learn anything," said Tommy.

What Charley Objects To. Little Charley puzzled his mamma one day with the inquiry, "Mamma, do all good people go to heaven when they die?"

Don't Forget That. Every time you borrow you take a hack at your self-reliance.

When the Modest Girl's Alone. Most men like modest girls best. Modesty is discretion; that's a fact.

Sayings by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Numerous little excuses always prove the absence of any real excuse, or a desire that it shall not be discovered.

Two Fine Country Families. Mrs. Waldo, of Boston—I have a letter from your Uncle James, Pendelo, who wants us to spend the winter on his farm.

Papa to Little Tommy, who has been to see "Uncle Tom's Cabin"—I suppose you saw little Eva die and go to heaven?

Tommy—I saw her die, but I don't believe she went to heaven, 'cause I saw her come out after the performance.

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INDIAN ON THE PACIFIC COAST IN TIMES OF SCARCITY OF FOOD.

Scarcity of food sometimes sets pine bark around many of the watering-places in the forest of Oregon and California.

PROFESSOR ELSLIE, of the London Presbyterian College, yet a young man, is one of the most accomplished Hebrew scholars of the day.

Six thousand kangaroo skins are received at Newark, N.J., every week. They are brought from Australia, 300 miles from the infantile conditions that have been imposed.

THE new electric type-writer relieves the operator of every duty except pressing down the keys. The carriage moves automatically to the starting point whenever the end of a line has been reached.

IN 1840 the tonnage of British shipping entered and cleared from the ports of the United Kingdom was 6,500,000 tons.

THE authorship of the poem "If I Should Die To-night" has been a subject of dispute for a long time.

MR. G. GORMAN, minister of St. Giles', Edinburgh, before leaving Melbourne, threw out the suggestion that Scotsmen in Australia should assume the responsibility of erecting a monument to John Knox.

ONE man ruins his business because he is a sloven; another ruins it because he is a fop.

Talent and temper often go together. It is rare to find sharp, bright man that is courteous man.

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