seventy miles southeast of this point, have no equal on this continent as a receptacle for petrifactions of amphibious animals. The peculiarity of the soil transforms flesh into stone, but this power is not confined to the soil of the Bad Lands only, but exists in many localities in the Black Hills. A case has just come to the knowledge of your correspondent that has newer been made public, and proves that many bodies buried in the Hills have turned to stone. The case at hand is that of a little son of Mr. Eagene Holcomb, prominent clirgen of Rapid City. Some years ago the boy died and was buried in a spot not set as the for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried program of the famile of the first for general buried program of the famile of the first for general buried in a spot not set for general buried in a spot not set as the first for general buried program of the famile of the first for general buried program of the famile of the first for general buried program of the famile of the first for general buried program of the famile of the first for general buried program of the famile of the set of the first for general buried program of a special distribution of the famile of the first for general buried program of the first for general buried program of the famile of the surface of the casket it would not seen distribution of the first for general buried in the buried in the buried in the first first first for general buried in the first first first first first for general buried in the first fir

devoted to ministering to the spiritual wants of smaller and perhaps better communities than Chicago, recently made Rev. C. M. Morton, the evangelist, a visit. He saw a great many things in the city, particularly on the Sabbath, that shocked his sense of propriety and morality, but he was assured that all great cities contained large numbers of godless people, and that Chicago was no worse than a dozen other places east or west of us. He was too well-bred to question the word of his host, but became thoroughly convinced that since the destruction of Sodom the world had never seen such a wicked city. His righteous indignation finally reached the point of explosion when he read an item in the paper in regard to the Woman's Exchange. "Is it true that there is a Woman's Exchange in Chicago?" he asked of Mr. Morton. That worthy institution, but he did not undeceive him. "T believe there is," he replied. "Can the words had decreased, and the surviving children all looked rosy-cheeked and vastly more healthy than they had a few weeks be-

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N. J. Shepherd writes to The Prairie Farmer that after he had been unable to exclude rats from his corn crib by ordinary means, he lined it with hemlock plank six inches wide, and covered the floor and ceiling with the

and covered the floor and ceiling with the same material, placing the plank about one-fourth of an inch apart. Not a rat has found its way into the crib since. Mice, however, have found entrance; they seem able to gnaw hemlock, while rats cannot. To exclude these he would lay the floor with plank from four to six inches wide, with inch spaces between them to admit ventilation for the corn, and then cover the whole with woven wire with meshes to exclude mice. Then nail woven wire on the cross pieces overhead. The floor wire and that overhead need not be very heavy. Such a crib will shut out both rats and mice, and let in more air than any other. At extra cost will be repaid in a few years in clean, sound, well-dried and unnibbled corn.

An Awful Effort.

"Aw, Gussie, deah boy," said one of them
to another just like him, "dontcher know I've
exchoised my bwain till I've made a conun-

"Because, ye know, a bahber is a shampooer and a miser is a sham poor. See? What do you think of it, old fellow?"
"Well, all I have to say, Clawence, is that bahbers and misers are 'vewy vulgah subjects make conundwums on. Theah?"

flower, Asters, Grasses, Daisies and the Hawthorn.

English rose-growers look on aghast at the growing American practice of taking but a single crop from rose plants in forcing-houses, and then throwing away the plants for new ones. They still cling to the cut-back system with old plants.

It is said that a kind of winter carnation, known among florists as the Philadelphia dwarf, a red variety, will be in full bloom before many other kinds have well-developed buds.

The calla lily will endure the winter anywhere in a pond of water, provided the water does not freeze deep enough for the frost to reach the roots.

worthy institution but he did not undeceive him. "I believe there is," he replied. "Can it have come to this in a Christian city!" exclaimed the indignant clergyman. "A public place, openly advertised, where hien change their wives! I tell you that all the imps of bell are loose in your city, sir!"

Engenie at Ralmoral.

From Modern Society.

The arrival of the cx-Empress Eugenie at Balmoral a few days since was hailed as a godsend by the court. For, though the distinguished widow of Napoleon III. can keep a great lady in good humor by endless lamentations over past bereavements, she also makes herself supremely agreeable to everyone else, and when she dines at the castle the table talk takes a new and vastly more lively character.

They were delighted with the result. The surviving chalden all dooked rosy-cheeked and vastly more healthy than they had a few weeks before. They were exchanging congratulations when one of the nurses came to them with an inquiry as to a modification of the rule in the case they clearly a missing with her about the case they clearly directions by the nurses, who, instead of feeding their charges once every three hours, had godsend by the court. For, though the distinctions over past bereavements, she also makes herself supremely agreeable to everyone else, and when she dines at the castle the table talk takes a new and vastly more lively character.

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Alderman J. M. Cassady of Camden, N.J., forwarded to The Record a branch from a

Hamlin Garland in The American Magasi
A wide o'er-arching summer sky;
Sea-drifting grasses, rustling reeds,
Where young grouse to their mothers cry,
And locusts pipe from whistling weeds;
Broad meadows lying like lagoons
Of sunniest water, on whose swells
Float modding blooms, to tinkling bells
Of bob-o'-linkums' widest tunes:

Far west winds bringing odors fresh
From mountains raved as monarchs ar
In royal robes of ice and snow,
Where storms are bred in thunder-jar;
Land of corn and whent and kine,
Where plenty fills the hand of him
Who tills the soil or princes the vine,
Or digs in thy far canyons dim—

My western land! I love thee yet. In dreams I ride my horse again,"
And breast the breezes blowing fleet
From out the meadows cold and wet,
From fields of flowere blowing sweet,
And flinging perfume to the breeze,
And flinging perfume to the breeze,
The wild oats swirt along the plain;
I feel their dash against my knees,
Like rapid plash of running seas.

I pass by islands dark and tall
With painted poplars thick with leav
The grass in rustling ripple cleaves
To left and right in emerald flow;
And as I listen, riding slow,
Out breaks the wild-bird's jocund call.

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