THE STANDARD DICTIONARY.

Volume I, of the two volume edition of the Funk & Wagnalls Standard Dictionary of the English language will be issued on December 16, 1893. This volume has been four years in making; two-hundred and thirty-eight editors and specialists have been employed upon it; and the cash outlay has been about a-half million dollars. The advance orders for the work mount up into the tens of thousands.

The vocabulary of the STANDARD is extraordinarily rich and full, that of no other Dictionary nearly equalling it, although great care was taken to throw

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The following is an actual count of words and phrases recorded under the letter A:

STORMONTH Dictionary, total terms in A 4,692 WORCESTER Dictionary, total terms in A..... 6,983 WEBSTER (International) Dictionary, total terms in A.... 8,358

CENTURY DICTIONARY, total terms in A..... 15,621

STANDARD DICTIONARY, TOTAL TERMS IN A..... 19.736

The full number of words and terms in these dictionaries for the entire alphabet is as follows: Stormonth, 50, 000; Worcester, 105,000; Webster, (International), 125,000; Century (six volumes, complete), 225,000; STAND-ARD, 300,000.

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PRAIRIE GROVE QUARTERLY MEETING.

For the Young FRIENDS' REVIEW.

Prairie Grove Quarterly Meeting of Friends was held at Marietta, Iowa, 12 mo. 2, 1893.

In the morning there was a snowstorm driving upon us and the out-look was very unfavorable. A few Friends gathered for the Ministers' and Elders' meeting at 0.30., and the clerk being absent. Nathan Edsall was appointed for the day and Horace M. Nichols to assist him. Elizabeth H. Coale, of Illinois, and Isaac S. Russel, of Marvland were in attendance with us. The usual business of this meeting was gone through with, and a few words of precious encouragement was given by those Friends, who were with us and the meeting adjourned. The Quarterly Meeting gathered at or near 11 a. m., and after a brief silence the words of St. Paul were quoted, in which he said "he had learned in all things and under all circumstances to be thankful." and also the words of Jesus, where he said: "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world," evidently meaning that we too may overcome the trials and discouragements of this world if we look to the right source for help.

When the business of the Quarterly Meeting was turned to, it was found that the clerks and books of minutes were not present, and Mary Russel, of Prairie Grove, and Anna M. Shumway. of Marietta, were chosen clerks for the day, and the business of the meeting was proceeded with. It was found that of the several representatives appointed by the different Monthly Meetings, each meeting had one representative present. The Friends from a distance were Griffeth Coale and wife, from Webster City: Elijah Hogue, from West Liberty; John and Mary E. Cory, of Tama, Iowa, and a daughter of Isaac S. Russel, with others that have been spoken of.

On First-day the weather was quite pleasant, and a good attendance at meeting for worship, and the First-day School Quarterly Conference, held at the close of the meeting, was quite interesting. DELLA CORY.

I have said there is no spirit without form, no form without spirit; but, if the spirit should depart from the form and if you still retain that form, it will be tied to your back as when a corpse is tied to the back of a living man. The corpse of a dead form, of a