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LOCAL ITEMS.

There are now 76 regular and 31

A quadrille class, to meet fortnightly in the town hall, is among Athens'

new drilling machine, cheap for cash, at A. D. Young's, Athens. \$10,000 private money to loan on real estate security Apply to John CAWLEY, opp. Reporter office, Atheus.

Excellent sleighing now prevails Excellent sleighing now prevails the verywhere and an imm use quantity of logs and wood is being brought to the village the vi the village

Lord Aberdeen has refused his mittee. The committee will now

Notice is given that application will be made to the Ontario Legislature for an Act to inco porate the Gananoque and Kingston Electric Railway Co.

Harvesting ice has already commenced. Last year several delayed the matter too long and this season they are taking time by the forelock.

The ice on the rink has not yet reached perfection, but Messrs. Mulvena and Pickett are working hard to make it all that it should be. In the mentime they are meeting with a fair patronger that promises the reached perfection, but Messrs. Mulvena and Pickett are working hard to make it all that it should be. In the mentime they are meeting with a fair patronger, that promises to attain

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Look at the Label.

Johnson and Rev. J. J. Wright,
M. A. Music by local talent during the evening meeting.

A couple of washing machine agent worked a remarkable swindle in Manotick recently. Their plan was to take the sample machine out to the country and try and sell an agency to the farmers, offering them \$75 a month and expenses paid. They got one man named Scharf induced to try it. Scharf signed what appeared to be an agreement of some sort. Some person sent word to him that it was a swindle and four or five brothers made the agent than the propers of the swindle in the sample machine out to the country and sell an agency to the farmers, offering them \$75 a month and expenses paid. They got one man named Scharf induced to try it. Scharf signed what appeared to be an agreement of some sort. Some person sent word to him that it was a swindle and four or five brothers made the agent them they have the present Czarina are noted as the present the agent show then the papers. It turned out that his name was to four notes amounting to \$504. There are four or five different pairs doing work throughout the country.

A Review of Winters

private banks are subject to a heavy discount. Any subscriber who is paid up to Jan. Ist, 1895, who will send us in the name of a new subscriber accompanied by the cash will be allowed to retain throughout the country.

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In December some of our local weather prophets said "No snow this winter" Prognosticating the weather for a whole season is exceedingly hazardens business to a man who values his reputation for reliability, and there is positively no miney in it; yet there are always found a few wise-Farmer and Builder
They have the best Assortmen of Hardware, Finware, Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Calcimines, Glass Silver

They have the document of the document of the following formula few wise acres who will gravely forestell the weather for a day, a month, or a vear as their questioners require, and all ways with an air of certainty that leave no doubt of their sincerity. It ways with an air of certainty that leave no doubt of their sincerity. It is generally considered safe to judge the weather of the future by the weather of the past, and as a basis for such calculations Mr. E. C. Bulford bas compended from his diagraph of the program of the past and splenging of the morning glory and the light and splenging considered in the control of the morning of the morning of the energy is described in the control of the morning o

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snow deep.

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March 20—89 days. Sleighing broken, weather mild.

1889—Sleighing from Nov. 30 to March 28—118 days. Sleighing go d, weather mild.

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1890—Sleighing from Dec. 3 to Mosaic floors, alabaster walls—a model was a collection of Battenburg, great-grandaughter.

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1891.—Sleighing from Dec. 16 to April 1—105 days. Sleighing broken, weather mild.

1892.—Sleighing from Dec. 30 to March 20—80 days. Sleighing good, weather very, very cold.

1893.—Sleighing from Dec. 3 to March 6—90 days. Sleighing continual, weather rather cold. tinual, weather rather cold.

1894.-Will tell you later.

Five pairs of new bebsleighs for sale cheap at A. D. Young's (late Arch. James') blacksmith shop, Athens.

The drainage work in Rear Yonge ly in the town hall, is among Athens' Several Pembroke physicians have been using the anti-toxine treatment on diphtheria patients with marked

patronage to the Ottawa Carnival factured cheese, the first in Ontario,

Winchest r Pr ss:—The followers of Rev. R. C. Horner of this place have purchased the oid Presbyterian church in which evangelistic services, by Misses Birdsell and Mason, will commence next Tuesday evening. The new body take porsession of the old church at once it is understood.

The ice on the rink has a summer of the place has entire the place have purchased to the old church at once it is understood.

Kidney Facts.

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In Jan., 1892, my son was taken with Kiduey disease. Though at tended by three physicians, and change of climate he grew worse and by '93 had fallen from 195 lbs, to 95 lbs. In 10 days from starting to use Dr. Cha e's Kidney-Liv-r Pills we were able to some him home. In 4 morths he gain d 50 lbs and the paid of the starting to use Dr. Cha e's Kidney-Liv-r Pills we were able to some him home. In 4 morths he gain d 50 lbs and the paid of the starting to use Dr. Cha e's Kidney-Liv-r Pills we were able to move him home. In 4 morths he gain d 50 lbs and the paid of the child of George III. Two of his brothers successively occupied the throne as George IV.

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His daughter, the Prince elder brothers.

His daughter, the Prince Aller of Saxe-Coburg-Go-had on May 24, 1819, and succeeded to the fronce on June 20, 1837. She married her country of the due to move him home and the fourth solutions are prov

meantime they are meeting with a fair patronage that promises to attain large proportions when the ice is perfected. A hockey match is arranged to take place between Delta and Athen to-morrow (Wednesday).

A meeting of the Farmers' Institute will be held in the cown hall, Athens, on Wednesday, Jan. 16.
1895. There will be three sessins, viz: at 10 30 a.m. and 1.30 and 7 mm.

The program embraces a number of interesting, practical subjects, and the speakers will be Prof. Day. L. Patton, Mungo McNath, Charles, Johnson and Rev. J. J. Wright, J. Rev. Rev. J. J. Wright, J. Rev. J. J. Rev. J. J. Rev

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25c from each yearly ubscriber. Every new subscriber will be given a

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tery and rough.

886.—Sleighing from Dec. 2 to
April 2—120 days. Sleighing good, cornice, its petals, corona and many March 29—90 days. Sleighing portions, vestibules, and halfs in the inner recesses, done in Corinthian, 1888.—Sleighing from Dec. 21 to Innic and Doric, in Egyptian, and Sleighing Sleighing American Sleighing Mosaic floors, alabaster walls—a model daughter.

Sleighing Mosaic floors, alabaster walls—a model daughter.

Frinces Louise of Battenburg, grand-daughter.

delicate tracery. W. S. Hough.

The Rock ort races are fixed for THE QUEEN'S FAMILY.

FIFTY DESCENDANTS

-A List in England, Germany, Bussis,

Several Pembroke physicians bave been asing the anti-toxine treatment on diphtheria patients with marked success.

Mr. A Alguire, son of the late Simon Alguire of Athens, returned to this section last week from Dodge Centre. Minn.

A resident of Manit, ba writes that they are having the mildest winter experienced for years, with just snow enough to make good sleighing.

In 1850. P. Wing, of Athens, manufactured cheese, the first in Ontario, and East rn Ontario still maintains the lead and has some of the best equipped factories on the continent.—Whig.

On Thursday, Jan. 24. Mrs. Jno. Patterson, Greenbush, will offer for sale by public auction a lot of valuable farm stock, implements, etc. Sale at 1 p.m. N. E. Brown, auctioneer. See bills.

An ungallant editor is so unkind avious guggest to the young ladies of the success.

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See Torons.

With the marriage of Princess Alix of Hesse and Nicholas II., Cara of All the Russias, one more is added to the number of Queen Victoria's graded to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen See and Nicholas II., Cara of All the Russias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the number of Queen See and Nicholas II., Cara of All the Russias, one more is added to the number of Queen Yellosias, one more is added to the numb the Latest to Secure a Crown.

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sons and one daughter, contributing the largest batch of great-grandchildren of

factory, for the Grand Duke's manners are said to be distinctly unpleasant and such as even a highly domesticated Princess must find it hard to bear. The Grand Duchess Sergius and the present Czarlna are noted as the prettiest of the Queen's granddaughters.

The Princess Victoria of Hesse married Prince Louis's Herrica Louis of Battenberg, whose younger brother, Prince Henry of Battenberg, married Queen Victoria's daughter, Princes Beatrice, aunt of Prince Louis's wife.

The Queen's fourth child and second son, the Duke of Edinburgh, recently became Duke of Edinburgh, recently became Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, in which capacity he is one of the reigning princes of the German Empire. He is the phew of the late Duke.

Wouwon't take it from me," said Jim, as he cut a long shaving from the shingle.

"Threnty dollors ought to buy that pint of humos willow a whole bunch of files that had congregated on an apple core and Jim shed three shavings in succession.

"Ill tell you what I'll do. I'll split the difference. You gimme \$2.50 to boot and take the filly."

"Never give boot in my life and an't goin' to git into the habit of it now," said the stranger decisively.

"Guess we can't swap then."

Jim was getting in his fine work and cut five shavings to correspond.

narried.

Then comes the Princess Louise, darchioness of Lorne, the only one of Heringiesty's daughters who has not increased the population.

The Duke of Connaught, who has risen that he wasn't blind.

"Is he well broke to the saddle?" "Never bucked a lick in his life. How's The Duke of Connaught, who has risen more rapidly in the military profession than any man in England, is the seventh child and the youngest living son of the Queen, He married the daughter of Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia, and has there shillden.

such calculations Mr. E. C. Bulfordhas compended from his diary the following interesting record of the winters of the last twelve years.

1882—Sleighing from Dec. 5 to April 9—129 days continuous sleighing Weather very cold—sn w deep.

1883.—Sleighing from Dec. 1 to March 24—114 days.

Sleighing good, weather cold.

1884—Sleighing from Dec. 1 to grander and more intricate double.

ENGLAND,
The Prince of Wales, a son.
Duke of York, grandson.
Prince Albert of York, a great-grand-

son.
Duchess of Fife, granddaughter.
Lady Alexander Duff, great-grand-daughter.
Princess Victoria of Wales, granddaughe grand ter.

Duke of Connaught, son.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, grandson.

Princess Margaret of Connaught, grand
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Princess Victoria Patricia of Con-

naught, granddaughter.

Duke of Albany, grandson.
Princess Alice of Albany, granddaugh-

grandson.
Prince Leopold of Battenberg, grand-

Prince August of Prussia, great-grand-Prince Oscar of Prussia, great-grandson. Prince Joachim Franz Humbert of sia, great-grandson. ncess Victoria Louise of Prussia,

naughter. less Feodora of Saxe-Meiningen, granddaughter. anddaughter. ss Frederica of Prussia, grand-

nighter.
Duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, son.
Prince Alfred of Edinburgh, grandson.
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anddaughter. Alexandra of Edinburgh, idaughter. neess Beatrice of Edinburgh, grandaughter. Princess Margaret of Prussia, granddaughter. Hereditary Grand Duke of Hesse, grandson.
Princess Henry of Prussia, grand-

RUSSIA.

GREECE. aughter.
Prince George of Greece, great-grand-ROUMANIA.

laughter.
Prince of Roumania, great-grandson. One More Unfortunate.

Jackson (meeting Dobson, with whom he was out all night)—Hello, old boy; get ne all right?
obson—Yes. But my wife wouldn't speak to me.

Jackson-Lucky fellow. Mine did!

THEY TRADED HORSES. SWAPPED A CRAZY PINTO MARE FOR A BRONCHO THAT BUCKED

Two Western Sharps Skin One Another on an Even Deal-A Pair of Competent Liars Practice-Jim McCue and the Stranger Met in San Rafael.

Jim McCue and a stranger traded sad-dle horses at San Rafael, Cal., the other day, and, according to the evidence of reputable witnesses, the bargain was con-summated in this way: "Hiah, stranger?"
"Hiah?" responded the stranger, dis-

mounting.
"Likely looking horse you got there." "They an't raised no better."
"Lookin' for a trade?"
"Swap anything I got but the old wo-

Jim commenced examining the horse critically. After he had walked around the animal he gave the stranger a chance to lie a little by inquiring:
"How old is he?" "Five year old."

Jim grabbed the horse by the nose and pried his jaws apart with his thumbs.
"His teeth tell me he is 6," said Jim de-

"He's a mite thin. An't hide bound, is he?" And Jim prodded the horse in the ribs with his thumbs.
"No, I have been chasin' stock on him for two months and stakin' him out on grass."

or two monois and stakin limit octors grass."

"Must ha' been runnin' him pretty hard, judgin' from the windgalls on him. He's got a ringbone comin', too," remarked Jim, as he rubbed the animal's pastern. "Is that a splint on his foreleg?"

"No, that's a rope burn."

"Is that sweeney or a collar burn?" and Jim examined the horse's shoulder critically.

ally.
"Just scratched from runnin' through "Just scratched from runnin' through
the brush."

"Must a been jumpin' him considerable.
He's showing a little curb. Hello, he's
stifled or badly sprained."

"No, sir; he's as sound as a dollar."

"God-the-sk hows."

"No, sir; he's as sound as a dollar."
"Good stock horse?"
"You can turn him on a sheepskin.
What kind of a plug is that you've got?"
And the stranger examined Jim's horse as oritically as Jim had scrutinized his, and found all the defects and diseases that a veterinarian ever heard of.
"Well, how'll you swap?" inquired Jim. The stranger dropped a fresh chew of fineout in his jaw and Jim got out his jack-knife and went to work on a shingle. Both sat down on a dry goods box.
"Til take boot," said the stranger, as he killed a fly at three yards with a stream of

tobacco juice.
"You won't take it from me," said Jim,

The Queen's fourth child and second son, the Duke of Edinburgh, recently became Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, in which capacity he is one of the reigning princes of the German Empire. He is the nephew of the late Duke.

The Duke of Saxe-Coburg's daughter, the Princess Marie, married the Crown Prince of Roumania, and has a son.

The Queen's fifth child is the Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, who has five children living, one of whom is already married,

Then comes the Princess Louise,

"Never bucked a lick in his life. How's yourn?"
"Gentle as a kitten."
"Till go you if you'll treat."
"No, Till shake you for the drinks."
"It's a go." decided the stranger, throwing his fine cut against the side of the box. They shifted saddips, took their drink, and each went around blowing about how he had swindled the other.
That night the horse bucked Jim off on the way home, and the pinto fully kicked in three of the stranger's ribs.—Chicago Times.

A Hit at the Minister.

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Princess Franzissa vietn granddaughter.
Marchioness of Lorne, daughter.
Princess Beatrice, Princess Henry of
Battenberg, daughter.
Prince Alexander Albert of Battenberg,
by truck a fat job!
Moore Eaton—Bet I has! I's brakesgrandson. man on a watermillin train, I is,

DEEDS OF STRONG MEN

MODERN TIMES.

of the Present.

I have often heard it asserted, says a writer in the New York Advertiser, that the human race was degenerating in regard to personal strength and activity; that the ancients were physically stronger than the men of modern times. In searching through the records of athletes of ancient Greece, etc., I have been enabled to make some comparison between the strong men of that time and those of the present day, which, I think, shows conclusively that the present generation are far ahead of any authenticated record we can find of the ancient. The idea that the human race as a whole is degenerating is a popular delusion, founded on ignorance of the plainest and most undeniable facts. The idea that men are falling off in size is a mistaken most undeniable facts. The idea that men are falling off in size is a mistaken one. There are good grounds for doubting that any man of former times, ever performed a feat of strength beyond the powers of the strongest man of the present time. In popular estimation Samson (the original one) remains the typical strong man, and many will think it ascrilege to doubt his claim to be the strongest man that ever lived. Yet, what feat is recorded of him that has any undoubted definite value as a measure of strength? He killed a young lion with his hands. Polydamus also killed with his bare hands a huge and fierce lion, and so

bare hands a huge and fierce lion, and so did Richard Cœur de Leon, according to history.

Another celebrated athlete who flourished shows 500 R.C., was Mile of Cen. Another celebrated athlete who flourished about 500 B.C. was Milo of Crotona, a Greek town in the south of
Italy. In his case also we have nothing
recorded by which we can form any accurate idea of his strength. He was
victor six times at the Olympic games,
and among the things attributed to him
are the following: Binding a cord round
his head, he could break it by retaining
his breath and swelling out his veins; his head, he could break it by retaining his breath and swelling out his veins; with his elbow resting on his side he defied anyone to open his closed fist; standing on an oiled quot he defied anyone to push him off it. The last is sheer nonsense, the first two indefinite. Samson or Sandow of the present day can bind chains around their arms, and he satelling their unseles can burst the

by swelling their muscles can burst the chains easily, which I consider a much harder thing to do than breaking a cord—that would be child's play for them. Milo was also credited with having carried a 4-year-old heifer through the Stradium of Olympia, killed it with a blow of his fist, and afterward ate it, all on one day. There are several men of to-day who are credited with the power to kill an ox with the blow of the fist Now, unless the heifer was four times his own weight, it was no great feat to carry it, and if it was four times his own weight, then it was impossible for him to have eaten it in a day, even allowing a wide margin for offal. All these records, however, still leave us ignorant of how strong he was. Coming to more recent times, we find

Thomas Topman an Englishman, who exhibited about 1740. He was about 5 10 inches in height, and weighed in the neighborhood of 200 pounds, and was very strongly built. Topman's feats were feats of real strength, and he is sery strongly built. Topman's least street persons of real strength, and he is the first performer that could bear comtarison with those of the present day, fere are two of the best records of real trength recorded of him: He stood on platform which had two parallel bars the convenient height on his right and seft, on which to place his hands. Below him on a lower platform were threat thout 1,836 pounds. These being bound ogether, a chain from them passed through the platform on which Topman tood, and was attached to a belt that passed over his neck and shoulders; he hen lifted the whole by straightening were feats of real strength, and ne is the first performer that could bear com-parison with those of the present day. Here are two of the best records of real strength recorded of him: He stood on a platform which had two parallel bars eft, on which to place his hands. Below him on a lower platform were three barrels of water, weighing altogether about 1,836 pounds. These being bound about 1,550 pounds. In see being bound together, a chain from them passed through the platform on which Topman stood, and was attached to a belt that passed over his neck and shoulders; he then lifted the whole by straightening his arms and legs. His other genuine

ms arms and regs. In some general was lifting by seizing with his hands a frame on which rested a stone weighing 800 pounds.

It is my candid opinion that there are It is my cannia opinion that there are men living at the present time of greater personal strength than any Milo, Sam son or Topman. We will now place the following records against Topman's lift of 1,836 pounds. In this country some twenty years ago several athletes gave their attention to devising harness for lifting heavy weights, with the following results: Dr. S. W. Winship lifted 3,600 pounds, John J. Lucus 2,700 pounds, A. A. Butts, 2,7372 pounds, and William B. Curtis, at present editor of the Spirit of the Times, 3,239 pounds—1,403 pounds more than Topman's. There is no doubt but that the apparatus of these athletes was superior to that tus of these athletes was superior to that used by Topman, but Donald Dinnie, the famous Scottish athlete, with apparatus inferior to Topman's, in that he had no supports for his arms, with mere straps, lifted 1,904 pounds. In 1884 Louis Cyr. a young Canadian, standing under a plank, with legs slightly bent at the knees, back bent forward, and his bands setting on a stool nushed un with the Rhees, Oate best of the water, and he hands resting on a stool, pushed up with his back, arms and legs the plank with pig iron resting on it. weighing 2,550g pounds, and a few years later the same athlete, using the same method raised

8,536 pounds.

In hand lifting there is less room for improved apparatus, and here again the modern strong men completely eclipsed Topman, Dr. Winship lifted 1,200 pounds, William B. Curtis 1,230, L. Lensing, 1,384, David L. Dowd 1,442, pounds, and Jefferson of Boston lifted with his hands alone 1,571, pounds,

nearly double Topman's best life There are generally from half a dozen to a score of athletes, each proclaiming himself the strongest man on earth. Here are some of them: Samson, Kennedy, Sandow, the brothers San Sandow, Cyclops, Ajax, Attila, rothers Samson and Hercules and Louis Cyr, who, in the writer's opinion is really the strongest man in the world

to-day. THE BLIND TYPEWRITER.

Minister (to Rory)—Why weren't you at the kirk on Sunday?
Rory—I was at Mr. Dunlop's kirk.
Minister—I don't like you running about to strange kirks in that way. No, that I object to you hearing Mr. Dunlop, but I'm sure ye widna like yer ain sheep straying away into strange pastures.
Rory—I widna care a grain, sir, if it was better grass—Glasgow Times.

THE BLIND TYPEWRITER.

Extracts from His Machine Message on Healif of the Sightless.
I see there is a prevalent opinion, consening blind people, that blindness of the yes means incapacity in many directions and inability, to perform most things which sight, through the medium of the yes, enables one to do. In other words, expressing the general belief tersely, blindness is only another name for help-lessness. This is an error and severe inrering blind people, that blindness of the syes means incapacity in many directions and inability to perform most things which sight, through the medium of the syes, enables one to do. In other words, expressing the general belief tersely, blindness is only another name for help-lessness. This is an error and severe injustice to the blind

ustice to the blind.

It is merciful to humanity, blessed with he greatest of all God's gifts to man, eyeicht to nut no trust in this to put no trust in thi il belief, for if it were correct no it of censure would be adequat amount of censure would to heap upon the world in general for

MARVIN R. CLARK, THE BLIND JOURNALIST.

RECORDED IN ANCIENT AND

whether suffering from blindness or any other affliction. In this country there are thousands of men and women who have been deprived of their eyesight to a greater or lesser degree, who are self-supporting, while there are not a few who possess great wealth which has been accumulated through their individual exertions during the term of their deprivation.

Many of the accomplishments of blind people are accounted to be wonderful by those who are blessed with eyesight, and in many cases this is true. Ever since this blindness came upon me I have frequently been astonished at the accomplishments of some blind people. The performation of "Blind Tom," the negro planist, was astonishing although he was possessed of a small amount of eyesight.

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When I am informed that many blind people can distinguish between the different denominations of paper money; that blind women can tell the colors of worsteds and other materials; that men and women who are blind can travel all day through our busy streets without loss of life or limb and even without the chance of accident; that an actor can perform his part upon the theatrical stage, although blind, as naturally as any man who can see his way before the footlights; that al most all of the affairs of life have been performed a. perfectly by the blind as they can be done by others, and when you too, are informed of these astonishing facts, I am sure that we cannot doubt the proposition that when the eyesight is gone the other senses fly to make up the deficiency.

The estimates that have reached me state that in Paris, France, there are 32,000 socalled blind persons; that there are 300,000 in Europe and 2,000,000 in the whole world, but there is no statement extant, as fer as I have been able to ascertain, as to the proportion of totally blind people among the numbers given by these figures.

In my own case newspapers all over the world have frequently spoken of my won.

complishment of this feat is owing princi-pally to the keen appreciation of the ali upon the skin. When approaching a solid object the air is compressed upon his face to a greater or less degree, according to the size of that object and the velocity of ap size of that object and the velocity of approach. I say that simply by this perception of the weights of the air upon the fact the object may be discerned, and I measurest that, but to the aid of a blind man frequently, and I may say generally, comuche senses of smelling, hearing and tast

leaves in June and paint them in an ever-verdant color and I not only hear this rustle of the dry leaf in October, but set the bright colors in the dry leaf. Do I not see all this and cannot I depict all that I see? I will make the endeavor.

MARVIN R. CLARK. After School. After School.

When all my lessons have been learned,
And the last year at school is done,
I shall put up my books and games;
"Good-by, my fellows, every one!" The dusty read will not seem long, Nor twilight lonely nor forlorn The everlasting whippoorwills

That leads me uses waves .

And there beside the open door,
In a large country, dim and cool,
Her waiting smile shall hear at last,
"Mother, I am come home from school."

—BLISS CARMAN. On Thursday morning some one, apparently well acquainted with the premises, stole \$500 from the residence of Mr. William Sharpe, of Westwood, Ont., treasurer of the township of Asphodel. The money was left under Mr. Sharpe's pillow in a front bedroom, and is supposed to have been taken while he was at breakfast in the back part of the house.

PHONETICS

A lonely young maiden from Clyde, As an actress, her fortune once tryde But she hadn't the pluck To face the bad luck Of the show, so she sat down and cryde A youth far out on the ocean, Grew ill from the ship's rocking mo With a sigh and a crigh, And a tear in his sigh, Of living he gave up the nocean.

"My mind's made up," said the maid to h wooer,
As into a passion he throo'er.
But it made her heart ache
To have him her ring tache,
And then send his lawyer to soe'er.

Once during a certain King's reign, A youth loved a maiden named Jeign. In a fight fell the lad, Which was really too bad, For his death drove the maiden inseign, WANTED A RELIGIOUS BOOK. The Good Old Lady Carried "The Heave

In Good Old Lady Carried "The Heavesly Twins" Away With Her.

She was a little old lady and she sat poring over the list of books in the public
library. She had just finished reading
"The Life of an African Missionary" and
she was hesitating between "Noble Deeds"
and "The Beauty of Self-Sacrifice."

It was a busy day at the library. There
was schoolicils writing original essays. It was a busy day at the library. There were schoolgirls writing original essays from books of references, there were foreigners studying their native papers, there were gray-haired scholars looking over scientific works, there were club women preparing "papers" on questions of the day, there were loafers whiling away an hour, there was a steady tramp of people to the exchange counter.

A young women of the modern sort entered and sat down beside the old lady. She had an air of taking up a great deal of room as she settled herself for a glance over the list of new books. She carried under her arm a copy of "The Heavenly Twins."

Pretty soon the old lady's eyes lighted

Pretty soon the old lady's eyes lighted upon the title.
She half reached her hand out for the book and then drew back. She nervously turned over the leaves of the missionary's story and again her glance returned to the young woman.

"Could you tell me the number of that book!" she finally ventured timidly. "I think! I'd like to read it. I have heard of it. "The Heavenly Twins' sounds like a good book. I am looking for a sound, religious work."

The young woman coughed to hide a mille.
"It is a religious book, I suppose?" the old lady inquired somewhat dublously.
"Not exactly." returned her young oom panion, "but I think you would like it."
At any rate she took it home with her.

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