NEWS OF THE WEEK.

WASHINGTON.

THE SHIPPING BILL.

The Senate Committee on Commerce have taken final action on the Shipping bill and ordered a favorable report to be made upon it to the Senate. The committee have amended the bill by striking out the thirteenth section which delegated to collectors of ports the duties now performed by the Shipping Commissioners, and have also added a section which authorizes the Postmaster-General to contract for the carriage of mails in ocean steamships of American register, provided he shall pay not exceeding $1 per mile for such service and shall not exceed $1,500,000 per annum. Due notice is to be given by advertisement, and contracts are to be awarded to the lowest bidder, regardless of the size of the vessel only, provided that the vessel is of American register and owned and run by Americans. The section also contains a provision that drawback equal to the amount of duty shall be allowed on all foreign materials inspected and used in the construction or repair of American vessels.

NO CONSOLIDATION NOW.

The House Committee on Appropriations have discussed the proposition of the Secretary of the Treasury to consolidate the customs collections districts, and decided, in view of the lack of time for a satisfactory investigation of the subject, to make the regular provision in the appropriation bill for the customs districts as now constituted.

WILL NOT CONCUR.

After a conference lasting nearly three hours on the evening of the 23d, the republican members of the House adopted a resolution not to concur in the Senate amendments to the revenue bill which is the basis of the Senate tariff bill.

THEY REMONSTRATED.

Eastern importers and refiners of sugar are protesting vigorously against a confirmation of the commercial treaty with Mexico.

THE SPANISH MISSION.

John W. Foster of Indiana has been nominated by the President for minister to Madrid. Mr. Foster is a man of brilliant attainments, and has for some time been engaged in the practice of law in Washington. The nomination is supposed to have been made at the instance of Secretary Frelinghuysen, with special reference to the naturalization and other questions pending between Spain and the United States, with which Mr. Foster's experience made him familiar. His mission is therefore regarded as of a temporary character. Mr. Foster will not sail for about two months, and will return as soon as the matters at issue are settled.

THE LOST JEWELS.

Nathan S. Bennett was arrested in New York on the 24th inst on a charge of buying for $2,000 $14,000 worth of jewelry stolen from the rooms of ex-Minister Christiancy at Washington. The jewels are those sent from Peru by Mr. Christiancy during his sojourn in that country.

FERRY IS ILL.

Senator Ferry is confined to his room in the National hotel in Washington by a severe throat trouble, combined with insomnia. His illness was brought on by the series of anxieties to which he has so recently been subjected.

WANTED IN DUBLIN.

The department of state has received the application of the British government for the extradition of P. J. Sheridan, of New York, suspected of complicity in the Phœnix Park murders in Dublin. Carey, the informer, testified that Sheridan was one of the organizers of the "Invincibles," which Sheridan denies.

OPPOSED TO HIM.

The Senate committee are investigating charges of corruption which have been preferred against Robert G. Dryenforth, the newly-appointed assistant commissioner of patents. He is charged with bribery, tampering with papers pending before him, and other forms of crookedness. What the outcome will be it is hard to determine.

JUDGMENT AGAINST UNCLE SAM.

In the Court of Claims, a judgment was rendered in favor of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railway Company for $38,984, in a claim against the United States under a contract for carrying the mails.

NEWS NOTES.

WILL HAVE MORE POWER.

Late reports from Rome say that the Catholic bishops in America are to have their power over the religious orders extended, that they are to have full control over the various Jesuit colleges, etc., privileges similar to those of the bishops of the same church in England.

GAIL HAMILTON IS TO HAVE AN OFFICE.

Gov. Butler of Mass., has offered the position of trustees of the state workhouse at Bridgewater to Miss Abigal Dodge, better known as Gail Hamilton, and it is understood that she will accept the position. While her work and sympathies have always been with the republican party her selection is due to the suggestion of many influential democrats who are anxious to carry out the party platform indorsing the extension of suffrage to women. Miss Dodge will take the place made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. James Ticknor Fields, the widow of the publisher and litterateur.

THE OLDEST PRIEST.

Father Styce, the oldest Catholic priest in the United States, and one of the oldest in the world, died in St. Louis, Mo., on the 21st. inst. He was the first priest to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice in Chicago.

NO MORE AID NEEDED.

A circular has been issued at Cincinnati stating that no further outside aid is needed there, and urging the charitably-disposed to give their means to other cities.

THE FIRST SUIT.

The first suit arising out of of the Newhall house disaster was filed on the morning of the 23d by the actor John Gilbert Donahoe. He claims $20,000, with $500 additional for medical expenses consequent upon his injuries incurred by leaping from the burning building.

SOLEMN AND SAD.

The funeral of the unfortunate victims of the recent panic at the German Catholic school in New York took place on the morning of the 22d inst. The church was tastefully decorated, and the services were most solemn and impressive. While the coffins were being carried into the church by the undertakers most agonizing scenes were witnessed. The parents and relatives of the dead children had gathered and were uttering doleful cries. Fathers Hespelein, Wessell and Arend, with 30 acolytes, performed the solemn mass. As Father Hespelein ascended the altar 40 little girls dressed in white, with sashes of black crape, knelt at the communion steps, while another line of girls were ranged around the coffins. After the benediction Father Schaefer preached a sermon, and paters and aves were said for the repose of the dead, and then the coffins were reverently removed to the hearses and borne to the Calvary cemetery.

A MARKED DIFFERENCE.

A clause in the sundry civil appropriation bill fixes the compensation of the clerk of the supreme court at $6,000 a year and requires him to hand over all fees to the United States treasury. Heretofore he has been making some $40,000 a year in fees.

A LAND SLIDE.

A section of McLean avenue Cincinnati, 175 long, slipped into the water at Court street on the 22nd inst, letting down the Southern railway track and cutting off communication with both passenger and freight depots. It happened shortly before the arrival of an incoming train.

GUILTY CRAFTS.

The trial of Crafts, for participation in the celebrated Ashland murders, which has been in progress at Grayson, Ky., for several days, under the protection of the state troops, was ended on the 23d inst. The jury found the man "guilty of murder in the first degree."

CLEAR GRIT.

Before daylight on the the morning of the 23d inst. over 50 residents of Evanston, in the suburbs of Chicago, armed themselves with crowbars and pick-axes and tore up several block of the track of the Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. A posse of police was sent to the scene and dispersed the mob with difficulty. The riot was instigated by property owners who claim that they have not been paid for the right of way.

PIOUS BEN.

Governor Butler has proclaimed April 5th as fast day, and especially exhorts ministers to feed their flocks with the divine word and not discourse upon political or other social topics.

WHO "NO. 1" IS.

Gen. Macadares, charged with being the "No. 1" of the Dublin conspiracy, is an extreme Bonapartist, and though severely wounded he managed to carry to the Empress Eugenie the announcement of the capture of the emperor by the Germans. He also spent some time in San Francisco, where he was to wed a wealthy lady, but disappeared before the wedding day arrived.

MUTINOUS CONVICTS.

A dispatch received from Jefferson City, Mo., on the 23d inst. gives the following account of a mutinous outbreak in the penitentiary at that place. The convicts in the peuitentiary had just returned to their shops from dinner when a preconcerted mutiny broke out in the harness shop of Jacob Strauss & Co. Four men seized Van Horn, foreman of the collar shop, and told him to keep quiet. Four men also seized Snider, foreman of the harness shop, and stripped him of his clothing. John B. Johnson, the ringleader, a highway robber, under sentence of twelve years, ran into the department where the horse collars are stuffed and set a lot of loose straw on fire. In a moment the building with its three shops, harness, collar and whip, was on fire. Pandemonium prevailed. When the guards ran in with the hose they were met by the convicts, who cut the hose. Johnson made an effort to escape over the walls, but despite the fact that he had a knife and club, he was captured by Jesse Tolin and put in a dungeon. His companions also were confined in dark cells. The fire was got under control, but has completely destroyed Strauss & Co.'s harness shop, collar shop and whip factory. Loss $100,000; the Gresick Boot & Shoe Company, loss, $90,000; Mysenburg Shoe Company, loss, $30,000; State Weaving and State Machine Shop, loss, $40,000; Excelsior Loom Factory, loss, $30,000; total, with damage to minor State buildings, $030,000.

A COLLISION.

Two freight trains on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Road collided at Spring Mills, O., on the 23d inst., badly wrecking both and killing the engineer, L. Graham, and fireman, J. Quinlan, both of Alliance. The balance of the crew escaped by jumping.

WORKING STEADILY.

The work of pumping out the Diamond mine at Braidwood, Ill., is being carried on energetically, but the best that can be done the water can only be lowered about two feet per day. The water stood on the 24th inst. 45 feet below the surface. The relief fund has reached $5,800.

THANKFUL PEOPLE.

Both Houses of the Montana Legislature have passed a unanimous vote of thanks to Gov. Crosby, General Sheridan and Senator Vest for the interest manifested by them in protecting the Yellowstone Park.

BROKEN UP.

Late advices from the Creek Nation say the rebellion there is pretty well broken up. Spiochee, the leader, is in exile at the Cheyenne agency, and Gen. Porter, commander of the government party, has captured a lot of other rebel leaders and is taking active measures to prevent any further concentration of the opposition forces.

ALMOST EPIDEMIC.

Notwithstanding strenuous efforts to throttle it, small-pox appears to be getting the upper hand of the authorities at Denver and vicinity. The Leadville public schools are closed. A new pest house is being built. The alarm is becoming general, also reaching out into the surrounding towns. Some of them are establishing quarantine. The Denver authorities are using every precaution to prevent its appearance there, and have been successful thus far.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Judge Barrett in the superior court chambers at New York on February 26, decided in favor of the application of Jay Gould and Wm. N. Cameron, through Attorney General Russell, for leave to bring an action in the name of the people of the state of New York to annul the charter of the Mutual Union telegraph company because of alleged fraudulent issue of stock. Judge Barrett in his decision says: "If the allegations of the proposed complaint be true, and they are not denied upon this motion, the company's charter should certainly be annulled, and the attorney general would be derelict in his duty if he failed to proceed. Not only can the action be maintained upon the proof of the charter, but public propriety demands that it shall be prosecuted. The action is essentially a state action, none the less so because the relators may desire its prosecution for reasons of their own. It follows that the people should be permitted to bring the action, not because the relators request it, but because the facts justify it and the public interest demands it. The only effect of the relation is to indemnify the people against the cost and expenses of litigation, and if the relators are willing to assume that burden, so much the better for the state. The application is granted."

SCHELLER INDICTED FOR ARSON.

The grand jury in the Newhall house case have agreed on a true bill against Scheller, former lessee of the bar room in the hotel, indicting him for arson. The indictment contains three counts. The first charges the prisoner with willfully, maliciously and feloniously setting fire to and burning the Newhall house during the night of January 10, causing the death of Thos. B. Elliott, David G. Power, Robert Howie, Kate Connors, Lizzie Anglin and Libbie A. Chellis. No other victims are mentioned in the count. The second repeats the first, and adds that the building was owned by the Newhall House Stock Company, a corporation created and existing by and under the laws of Wisconsin; and the third count is a repetition of the second, with the addition that the building commonly known and called the Newhall House was leased to and occupied by one John F. Antisdel. Scheller's counsel was at once notified, and insisted upon an immediate arraignment, which was granted. After the reading of the indictment the prisoner answered the usual question "not guilty, sir," in a firm, steady voice. Bail has been fixed at $10,000. The trial has been set for March.

RATHER SENSATIONAL.

Sensational reports are current in Boston that Jennie Cramer, believed to have been murdered by the Malleys at New Haven, has been found alive.

UNCERTAIN.

Henry Kellogg, a mining speculator of Leadville, has disappeared with some $30,000, most of which is claimed by other parties. Opinions are divided as to whether he has absconded or been murdered.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

AN AMERICAN WAR VESSEL LOST.

A dispatch from Hong Kong dated Feb. 21, says: The United States steamer Ashalot has been lost at sea. All her officers were saved, but 11 of her crew were drowned. The Ashalot was an iron-paddle vessel. She carried six guns and was of 786 tons burden.

THE LAST CABINET.

The new French cabinet is composed of Ferry, Prime Minister and Minister of Public Instruction; Challemel Lacour, Foreign Affairs; Waldeck Rosseau, Interior; Martin Feuillee, Justice; Charles Brun, Marine; Meline, Agriculture; Herisson, Commerce; Cochery, Posts and Telegraphs; Raynal, Public Works; Tirard, Finance; Gen. Thibaudin, War.

A LAND LEAGUER'S VIEWS.

The following dispatch from London appeared in the Irish Nation, John Devoy's paper, of the 23d inst. "The murder trials in Dublin are still the all-absorbing topic of the hour, and the interest is deepened by the revelations of Carey, the self-confessed murderer, who, to save his life, has turned informer. The acceptance of his testimony on the condition of giving him his life is a crowning disgrace for the government and reveals the utter rottenness of the English system in Ireland. It is known that there was a sharp struggle at the Castle before it was finally decided to bring him forward as a witness. There were three different meetings of the privy council in Dublin at which the question was discussed. The reward expected by the government for this infamy is the implication of the land league leaders, and Carey's evidence is carefully directed to that end." The tory speeches made in the house of commons are very bitter in tone, and party feeling is high. The Irish party still maintain an attitude of reserve but it is evident that there is a deep-seated intention to contend vigorously for their rights.

THE LATEST SENSATION.

A private examination was held on the 21st. inst., in the case of Jesse Smith, arrested for complicity in the Burke and Cavendish assassination. His statements agreed with those made by the informer Carey. A complete alibi has been proven for Gen. Macaderes, accused of being the mysterious "Mumber 1."

CAREY REPUDIATED.

A Dublin trades meeting has disavowed Carey and repudiated his claim to be a representative of workmen, and unanimously voted to expel him from trade societies.

FAVORABLY RECEIVED.

The French press are very favorable to the programme of the new ministry. It is believed that Ferry will participate actively in all discussions regarding any branch of the government.

THE WAY PARNELL TALKS.

There was a great excitement in the house of commons recently when Parnell declared Carey's testimony unreliable and denounced Forster for suppressing the truth with regard to affairs in Ireland. Parnell said he had been challenged to defend himself but had nothing to defend himself from. The story that land league funds had been used to pay assassins had no other foundation than that money had been paid to families of imprisoned suspects. The Phœnix park assassins were not members of the land league nor were they paid or countenanced by it.

AN INFERNAL MACHINE.

A parcel addressed to Earl Spencer held by the postal authorities, was found to contain several ounces of dynamite with a fuse attached.

THE LATEST PLOT.

Authorities at St. Petersburg have received letters containing threats to blow up the Kremlin at Moscow, where the czar is to be crowned. A close watch is being kept, and the public are not allowed to enter the building.

WRECKED AT SEA.

A dispatch received at New York on Saturday, February 24, says the steamer Glamorgan, from Liverpool for Boston, was wrecked while at sea, and that seven of the passengers were drowned, beside the captain and mate. The survivors were picked up by the steamer Republic. The Glamorgan encountered a terrific storm on Feb. 16, and the vessel was all stove in, and completely swamped. The Republic did noble work in saving the lives of the unfortunate people.

BETWEEN CHURCH AND STATE.

The government of Chili remains firm in its determination to appoint its own ecclesiastical dignitaries. The Pope's legate has left the country. Congress is expected to vote only the salaries of priests the government has named. Church disestablishment is becoming a national question.

BITS OF NEWS.

Orders have been issued by the British government for the forfeiture of all copies of the Irish World of the 17th inst. on the ground that it contains articles inciting to violence.

Justice Hulsebas, of Port Richmond, L. I., has inflicted the remarkable penalty of $90 fine for drunkedness on John Doyle, a boy of 18 years. The astonished people of the village are trying to get the fine remitted.

Surveyor Morton, of San Francisco, recently, seized $15,000 worth of opium concealed in the water tank of the steamer City of Tokio. The only access to the tank is by way of the shaft well.

Mrs. Frank Leslie and a company of artists have started on a tour through the south in a special Pullman car, sketching and writing up the country as they go.

An Indiana journalist after traversing the flooded section of the state, estimates the damage to property at $3,155,000. Over 6,000 residences have been swept away or devastated, and 35,000 persons are dependent upon charity for food and clothing.

Americans in Rome celebrated Washington's birthday with a grand fete.

The payment of pensions by the government between now and July will amount to about $57,000,000.

At the time of Marshall Jewell's death he was collecting material for a history of the Connecticut charter oak.

No contested election cases will be considered by the present congress.

All temperance and prohibition measures were killed in the New Jersey House of Representatives.

The New York calamity has set the authorities in other cities to inspecting the fire escape arrangements of public school buildings.

The revolt at Sing Sing prison is over.

All foreign goods intended for the Louisville national industrial exposition are to be admitted free of duty.

Plenty of funds are to be forthcoming for the defense of the alleged murderers of Cavendish and Burke.

Lieut. Com. Gorringe of the U. S. N. has resigned.

Washington's birthday was celebrated in London, Berlin and Rome.

Gladstone will return to England and parliament about the first of March.

The ice gorge at Alton, Ill., moved a few days since, doing about $10,000 damages to a box factory. A raft of logs was carried down to St. Louis, where about 250,000 feet were recaptured and the rest went on its winding way down the Mississippi.

Barnum has petitioned the government to rent him 20 Pawnee braves for exhibition purposes.

The first through freight train from Montreal to Winnipeg over the Canada Pacific, left Montreal, on the 23d inst.

Silver in large quantities is said to have been discovered in the Santa Rita mountains, about 20 miles south of Tuscon, Arizona, and there is great excitement throughout the territory in consequence.

At Hardenstown, Ind., all the gravestones in the cemetery were carried away and the graves entirely obliterated by the flood.

The manufacturers of iron and steel are manifestly alarmed for fear the tariff bill, which has passed the Senate will work great injury to their business.

A bill has passed the New York legislature prohibiting the making of hats by convicts.

Horace Greeley's Chappaqua estate is to be sold at public auction.

Germany's first contribution for the flood sufferers along the Ohio was received on the 23d. inst. The first installment amounted to 1,000 marks.

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives defeated the civil service bill by a vote of 72 to 82.

New York city has given $17,000 to the Ohio flood sufferers.

The heart of Pope Pius IX. has been removed from the crypt where he was buried and placed in a marble urn near the tomb of the Stuarts at Rome.

So far this year there has been a marked falling off in the number of immigrants arriving in this country as compared to the corresponding months last year.

Texas farmers are getting ready to plant their corn and cotton and say much larger crops will be put in than ever before. The cattle drive from that state for the season is estimated at 325,000 head.

By the will of a wealthy Boston lady Miss Anthony and Mrs. Blackwell receive $30,000 each for their labors in behalf of woman's suffrage, and it is said will use the money promoting the cause.

Arthur has accepted the resignation of Lieut. Commander Gorringe of the United States Navy.

The Germans are fairly wild in their enthusiasm over Booth's acting, and the universal opinion is that they can understand Booth perfectly though they may not understand a single word of what he utters.

Nine Americans are in prison in Panama on suspicion of being concerned in the robbery of the $50,000 from the railroad company's vaults.

Forty students have been imprisoned at St. Petersburg for expressing doubts as to the ability of the Minister of Public Instruction.

The navy department is preparing a list of officers on duty at Washington and length of time they have been there. This action causes much comment among navy officers.

Ismail, ex-khedive of Egypt, has bought a fine residence in England.

St. Louis has raised nearly $500,000 toward a fund of $600,000 for an exposition building in that city.

The relief committee of New Albany, Ind., announce that no further contributions from abroad are needed for flood sufferers.

A Visit to Wendell Phillips.

Chicago Advance.

A little plain house in a narrow street, whose unfashionable vicinity has been chiefly surrendered to city traffic, a painted doorway, a worn sill, admitting to a narrow, dingy hall and carpetless stairway, all these impressions followed rapidly before I was admitted to a reception room! Happily, no. Mr. Phillips' study.

"He is in, and will see you shortly."

Meanwhile I have opportunity for a backward glance of memory, for placing my thought and my interest amid the scenes of the last generation. Nothing else was possible in that room. The furniture, books, ornaments, everything, barring the rich but neutral rug on the floor, suggest the past. A capacious old sofa, with faded plush cushions and afghan speaks of infinite comfort. Two hospitable arm-chairs of carved mahogany proclaim their indifference to the upholsterer's art.

An elaborately carved table occupying the whole center of the room is piled with books, manuscripts, papers, reports. Other tables similarly laden are against the wall. On the mantel stands a bust of Elizabeth Fry, the tireless English philanthropist. Near by is another bust, that of Theodore Parker. Opposite the center table, on a small stand, is a statuette in plaster, the model submitted by Miss Ann Whitney when the construction of a certain statue for the Public Gardens was under consideration. This was conceded to be the best offered, but it was nevertheless declined in favor of a poorer, on the ground that "a woman could not make a statue." Its subject is a seated figure, majestic, yet gentle; across the base is the name which I think the proudest in all Massachusetts annals—Charles Sumner.

Before Mr. Phillips entered I began to know him. He spoke of ante-bellum days; of the time when he was snubbed in this his native city; of the insolent, even dangerous, reception accorded him in Cincinnati during the war, when after speaking an hour amid jeers and hisses and a running salute of eggs and missiles, the owner of the hall, fearing for his property, desired his withdrawal. He spoke of the co-workers of those days, nearly all of whom have passed away before him. Cheerfully, yet with a little pathos: "Well, we old abolitionists ought to die. It's time for us to die and give place to younger men." "Are you writing any reminiscences of those days?" I ventured to inquire. "No, I have not the time. It ought to be done. Garrison was the man to do it. He meant to, but he was always given to putting off things." At one time he took a retired study for the purpose, moved his books and papers into it, planning to work at the matter diligently, and—never entered the room again."

I asked some questions about current political topics. He replied with a courteous interest, but not the enthusiasm with which he had previously spoken. "I have withdrawn from public life altogether for the last year and a half," he remarked. "What do you think of Gov. Butler?" A merry twinkle of the eye, and then, "I do not think that Butler can swallow Bunker Hill Monument." Most affectionately he spoke of the friends about him in the study, the faces that I have mentioned. I left with somewhat of the same reverence for him personally that I have always felt for his work.

Gentlemen are Rare.—Thackeray, in his original and piquant way says: "A gentleman is a rarer thing than some of us think for. Which of us can point out any such in his circle—men whose aims are generous, whose truth is constant and elevated, who can look the world honestly in the face with equal manly sympathy for great and small? All know a hundred whose coats are well made, and a score who have excellent manners, but of gentlemen, how many? Let us each take a scrap of paper, and make his list."

The Queen of England sent a life-sized bust of herself by Mr. Boehm as a silver-wedding present to her daughter, the Crown Princess of Germany.

LIKE A NOVEL.

The Story a "Prominent Citizen" told an Atlanta Reporter.

Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution.

"In ante-war times there lived in Meriwether county a don't-care sort of a negro named Jack Wilson, who could neither read nor write. He had gained his freedom in some way or other, and gained his livelihood by acting as a sort of director-general to famous horses in his neighborhood. Jack became attached to a servant girl who was owned by a man named Gates, one of the wealthiest men in Georgia, who owned thousands of acres of land, and with his family lived in lordly style. The servant girl was a bright mulatto, and Jack was a shade darker. They made a match of it, and were married under the order of things that existed in war times. At the same time Jack had a slave-time wife in Virginia, but she was as black as coal. When the war closed and the slaves declared free, Jack took his Georgia wife to be his partner for life, and by living with her for a stated period she became his wife according to law. As soon as he was married Jack showed a sudden spirit of industry that astonished everybody. His careless habits were thrown aside, and he went to work with a will.

"The wealthy Gates, his master, died, and the broad acres fell to the possession of the heirs. Jack still worked on the place, and was saving and careful. The Gates family had lost everything except their land. Hundreds of slaves were freed by the new order of things, and the vast and princely fortune was gone. The heirs could not adapt themselves to the situation. Finally pressed, they sold 50 acres of land to Jack; then they wanted more money, and Jack stood their security at the LaGrange bank, and when they were unable to pay he would take up the notes at bank and trade for a piece of the Gates plantation. He worked with a vengeance, and all his family worked. Old man Jack became a noted and honored citizen of the county. He was industrious and prospered. In the meantime his old master's children continued to sell him parts of the old homestead. Finally he owned it all, and was rich. Three years ago he decided that it was his duty to provide for his old Virginia wife, so he sent for her, and she, with her children, came to him. She was given a house on the plantation, and is well provided for. Jack owns now the magnificent place of about 1,500 acres within three miles of White Sulphur Springs, in Meriwether County. He is sixty years old, and his children are settled around him, and all are contented and happy and industrious. He owns fifteen or sixteen mules, and is noted for keeping the best stock in the county. His credit at the La Grange Bauk is good, and he can borrow all the money he wants on his simple note of hand."

"How much is he worth?"

"I should say about $80,000, and every cent of it has been made since the war. It is a remarkable story of how a slave succeeds his master in the ownership of a vast landed estate. I passed the place a few months, and the Georgia wife come to the door and gave me a drink of water. Everything was neat and clean about the place, the yard was newly swept, the barns appeared filled, and in the lots I saw piles upon piles of manure carefully sheltered. It is a model plantation. Why, I have seen on Jack's place 180 acres of corn under one fence."

"Is he educating his children?"

"Yes, although he can not read and write, he sees the advantage of an education, and is giving his children the benefit of schooling. The story is a true one, and shows what can be done right here in Georgia by pluck and industry. The old adage is true: 'There is more in the man than there is in the land.'"

"Grand Bumper Degree."

"Say, are you a Mason, or a nodfellow, or anything?" asked the bad boy of the grocery man.

"Why, yes, of course I am."

"Well, do the goats bunt when you nishiate a fresh candidate?"

"No, of course not. The goats are cheap ones, that have no life, and we nickel the horns, and put pillows over their heads, so they can't hurt anybody," says the grocery man, as he winked at a brother nodfellow who was seated on a sugar barrel, looking mysterious. "But why do you ask?"

"Oh, nuthin, only I wish me and my chum had muzzled our goat with a pillow. Pa would have enjoyed his becoming a member of our lodge better. You see, pa had been telling us how much good the Masons and Odd Fellers did, and said we ought to try and grow up so we could jine the lodges when we got big, and I asked pa if it would do any hurt for us to have a play lodge in my room, and pertend to nishiate, and pa said it wouldn't do any hurt. He said it would improve our minds, and learn us to be men. So my chum and me borried a goat that lives in the livery stable.

"You see my chum and me had to carry the goat up to my room when pa and ma was out riding, and he blatted so we had to tie a handkerchief around his nose, and his feet made such a noise on the floor that we put some baby's socks on his feet. Gosh, how frowny a goat smells, don't it? I should think you Masons must have strong stummix.

"Well, sir, my chum and me practiced with that goat until he could bunt a picture of a goat every time. We borried a buck beer sign from a saloon man, and hung it on the back of a chair, and the goat would hit it every time. That night pa wanted to know what we were doing up in my room, and I told him we were playing lodge, and improving our minds, and pa said that was right, there was nothing that did boys of our age half so much good as to imitate men, and store by useful knolidge. Then my chum asked pa if he didn't want to come up and take the grand bumper degree, and pa laffed and said he didn't care if he did just to encourage the boys in innocent pastime, that was so improving to our intellect. We had shut the goat up in a closet in my room, and he had got over blatting, so we took off the handkerchief, and he was eating some of my paper collars and skate straps. We went upstairs and told pa to come up pretty soon and give three distinct raps, and when we asked him who was there he must say, 'a pilgarlic who wants to join your ancient order and ride the goat.' Ma wanted to come up too, but we told her if she come in it would break up the lodge, cause a woman couldn't keep a secret, and we didn't have any side-saddle for the goat. Say, if you never tried it the next time you initiate a man in your mason's lodge, you sprinkle a little kyan pepper on the goat's beard just afore you turn him loose. You can get three times as much fun to the square inch of goat. You wouldn't think it was the same goat. Well, we got 'il fixed, and pa rapped, and we let him in and told him he must be blind-folded, and he got on his knees a-lafling, and I tied a towel around his eyes, and then I turned him around and made him get down on his hands also, and then his back was right towards the closet door, and I put the buck beer sign right against pa's clothes. He was laffing all the time, and said we boys were as full of fun as they made 'em, and we told him it was solemn occasion, and we wouldn't permit no levity, and if he didn't stop laffing we couldn't give him the grand bumper degree. Then everthing was ready, and my chum had his hand on the closet door, and some kyan pepper in his other hand, and I asked pa in low base tones if he felt as though he wanted to turn back, or if he had nerve enough to go ahead and take the degree. I warned him that it was full of dangers, as the goat was loaded for beer, and told him he yet had time to retrace his steps if he wanted to. He said he wanted the whole biziness, and we could go ahead with the menagerie. Then I said to pa that if he had decided to go ahead, and not blame us for the consequences, to repeat after me the following: 'Bring forth the royal bumper, and let him bump!' Pa repeated the words, and my chum sprinkled the kyan pepper on the goat's mustache, and he sneezed once and looked sassy, and then he sees the lager beer goat raring up, and he started for it, just like a cow catcher, and blatted. Pa is real fat, but he knew he got hit, and grunted, and said, "Hell's fire, what you boys doing?" and then the goat gave him another degree, and pa pulled off the towel, and got up and started for the stairs, and so did the goat, and ma was at the bottom of the stairs listening, and when I looked over the banisters pa and ma was yelling murder, and ma was screaming fire, and the goat was blatting and sneezing and bunting, and the hired girl came into the hall and the goat took after her and she crossed herself just as the goat struck her and said, "Howly mother, protect me!" and went down stairs the way the boys slide down hill, with both hands on herself, and the goat rared up and blatted, and pa and ma went into their room and shut the door, and then my chum and me opened the front door and drove the goat out. The minister who comes to see ma every three times a week, was just ringing the bell, and the goat thought he wanted to be nishiated too, and gave him one, for luck, and then went down the sidewalk, blatting and sneezing, and the minister came into the parlor and said he was stabbed, and then pa came out of his room with his suspenders hanging down, and he didn't know the minister was there, and he said cuss words, and ma cried, and told pa he would go to hell sure, and pa said he didn't care, he would kill that kussid goat afore he went, and I told pa the minister was in the parlor, and he and ma went down and said the weather was propitious for a revival, and it seemed as though an outpouring of the spirit was about to be vouchsafed to his people, and none of them sot down but ma, cause the goat didn't hit her, and while they were talking religion with their mouths, and kussin' the goat inwardly, my chum and me adjourned the lodge, and I went and stayed with him all night and I hain't been home since. But I don't believe pa will lick me, cause he said he would not hold us responsible for the consequences. He ordered the goat himself and we tilled the order, don't you see? Well, I guess I will go and sneak in the back way and find out from the hired girl how the land lays. She won't go back on me, cause the goat was not loaded for hired girls. She just happened to get in at the wrong time. Good bye, sir. Remember and give your goat kyan pepper in your lodge."

The boy went away and skipped over the back fence.

Old Hickory's Wife.

When General Jackson was a candidate for the presidency in 1828, not only did the party opposed to him abuse him for his public acts, which if unconstitutional or violent, were a legitimate subject for reprobation, but they defamed the character of his wife. On one occasion a newspaper published at Nashville, was placed upon the General's table. He glanced over it, and his eyes fell upon an article in which the character of Mrs. Jackson was violently assailed. So soon as he had read it he sent for his trusty old servant, Dunnwoodie.

"Saddle my horse," said he to him, in a whisper, and "put my holsters on him."

Mrs. Jackson watched him, and though she heard not a word she saw mischief in his eyes. The General went out after a few moments, when she took up the paper and understood everything. She ran out to the south gate of the Hermitage by which the General would have to pass. She had not been there more than a few minutes before the General rode up with the countenance of a mad man. She placed herself before the horse and cried out:

"Oh, General, don't go to Nashville! Let that poor editor live."

"Let me alone," he replied. "How came you to know what I was going for."

She answered: "I saw it in the paper after you went out; put up your horse and go back."

He replied furiously: "But I will go get out of my way."

Instead of this, she grasped his bridle with both hands.

He cried to her: "I say let go my horse! The villain that reviles my wife shall not live!"

She grasped the reins the tighter and began to expostulate with him, saying that she was the one who ought to be angry, but that she forgave her persecutors from the bottom of her heart, prayed for them—that she should forgive if she hoped to be forgiven. At last, by her reasoning, her entreaties and her tears, she so worked upon her husband that he seemed mollified to a certain extent. She wound up by saying:

"No, General, you shall not take the life of my reviler—you dare not do it; for it is written: 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord!'"

The iron nerved hero gave away before the pleading of his beloved wife, and replied:

"I yield to you; but had it not been for you and the words of the Almighty the wretch should not have lived an hour."

How Gambetta Lost an Eye.

From the March Century.

His father, who had no provision of the boy's future celebrity, wanted to secure him against military service by keeping him an Italian. Immunity from soldiering was brought about accidentally. As Gambetta was watching a knife-grinder operate on a wheel, the blade of a knife got detached from the handle and flew into the boy's eye and blinded it. He was very much petted in consequence, and the mother was emboldened by her increased tenderness to insist upon Leon being sent to the Petit Seminaire of Montfaucon to receive a classical education. Her husband was an enemy to higher instruction and thought the communal school sufficient for a boy whose destiny it was to be a provincial grocer.

A few weeks ago the office of a business man in a Pennsylvania village was destroyed by fire, and among his papers were the notes of hand of several of his fellow citizens for various amounts. Each one gave a new note as fast as spoken to, until a call was made upon the last—a steady old deacon, who was supposed to be strictly honest. The case was explained and he was asked to make another note. "Suppose I refuse?" he asked. "Oh, you won't refuse." "Suppose I declare that the note which you say you held was for only $80, instead of $50?" "I'll trust you, deacon, to do the right thing." "Well, I guess you can, I guess you can," mused the old man, "for it has struck me that you had two witnesses in the office the day we made out the note."—*Wall Street News.*

A Cincinnati clergyman thought he would raise his own pork. So he bought five pigs and fattened them. Now that they are fit to kill he hesitates. He says they appear so much like his own children that he hasn't the heart to kill them. The pigs are in good luck, but what a commentary on the good parson's progeny.

A Wonderful Memory.

Boston Globe.

In came a gentleman and sat down and says to the man waiter, very nice and gentle:

"Have you any nice Providence River oysters?"

"O! yes," says the waiter.

"Real nice ones, now?" says the gentleman.

"O, why, certainly," says the waiter.

"Well, I wish you would open for me a dozen, please."

"All right, sir," says the waiter, and he was coming away.

"Wait a bit," says the gentleman: "is the butter nice and sweet?"

"We have some powerful fresh butter," says the waiter.

"Do you have nice fresh milk?" says the gentleman.

"Well, it's generally so considered," says the waiter.

"Well, how are your crackers, nice and fresh?" says the gentleman.

"Never had no fault found with our crackers," says the waiter.

"Then, if you'll take and make me up a nice little stew, John, I'll be much to you," said the gentleman.

Then he let him go. When I saw him coming, I says to myself, says I: "How on earth will that man remember all that ere?" But he marched right up to the pipe, and jest opened his mouth, and says: "One's two," and that was all.

Gambetta's brain has been found to weigh 2,100 grammes, to be of very fine structure, and to have the third convolution highly developed. The autopsy of the body was made as he was a member of the Society of Dissection.

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A Newspaper Editor.

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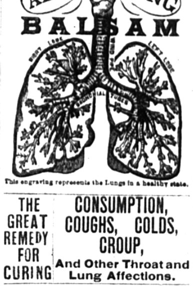

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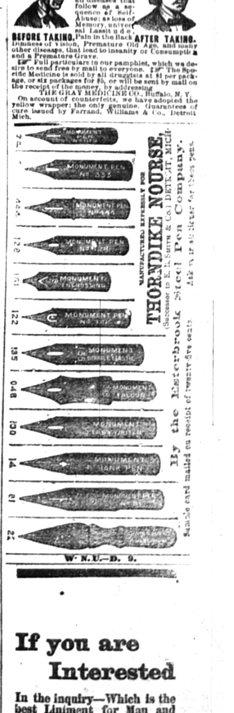

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