Shoe Suggestions.

What is more useful for a Christmas present than a fine pair of Shoes or Slippers. Here are a few of our "Suggestions:"

Gent's Velvet Emb. Slippers,	50c to $1.00.
" fine leather "	85c to 1.50.
" felt soled "	65c and 75c.
Ladies Party Slippers, White Kid, Patent Leather, Vici Strap Sandals	
Ladies' felt fur trimmed Nullifiers	$1.00
" quilted fur trimmed "	1.50.
" felt soled slippers	50c and 60c.
New styles in Ladies' welt soled Shoes just received	2.50 to 3.50

Complete Stock of First Quality Rubbers.

H. B. Merritt, Pontiac, Mich.

Ha, Ha, Ha,

Old Santa Claus is tickled under the fourth rib to see the crowds going to his **headquarters**, W. R. Owen's Bazaar for their Xmas presents, where he dropped so many suitable presents for the Holidays in his pilgrimage over the country. Many thanks kind friends for your kindness to my agent.

W. R. Owen.

ROYAL OAK LUMBER YARD,

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Lumber, lath, shingles and posts, builders' hardware, lime, hair and cement, doors, sash and blinds to order, Homestead fertilizers. Agent for

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Best and cheapest on the market. Call and get our figures before placing your order.

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20 North Saginaw St., - - - - Pontiac, Mich.

Leaders in Fine and Medium-Priced Footwear.

We would be pleased to have you visit our store and compare our prices.

Our Ladies' fine Kid Shoes with stock and patent leather tips from $2.50 to $4.00—can't be beat.

A complete line of Children's School Shoes, all warranted, prices from 75c to $.

For Gentlemen's fine wear we are showing the best $3.00 shoe on earth.

All our razor and needle toe shoes for Ladies' and Gentlemen's wear will be closed out at less than cost. Great bargains for some one—out of some sizes.

Losee Bros. & Co., Pontiac.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Ye people of leisure, why not try a course in the Wyandotte Correspondence School of Science? Now that the long evenings are at hand, and there is plenty of time why not improve it? "Knowledge is power" and the best way to obtain this power is by selecting one or a few of the many studies offered so reasonably and pursuing it with persistence. See new ad for particulars.

We are in receipt of "School Days" a 24-page magazine, and a beauty judging it from a typographical standpoint, and from a reader's outlook it is a very interesting magazine for perusal. The magazine has a beautiful representation of the Denver Gilpin School, over which Frona Randall Houghan is principal. She has 24 teachers under her. This book or magazine is filled with readable interesting articles, from each grade in her school building, from first grade room 1, to eighth grade. We never saw anything of the like, but its a very fine idea for pupils, for the school and for the city.

This paper is like merchandize, it is for sale. If you desire to have your part of it stopped, come and say so. We don't look upon a man with undying hatred if he wants to stop his paper and does so like a gentleman; and we don't beg him to continue it either. It is a straight matter of bnsiness—you pay your money and take your paper. If you pay all you owe on back subscription and order your paper discontinued, it will be stopped as cheerfully as it was begun. When you hear a man blowing about not being able to stop his paper, you bet your suspender buckle he owes back subscription.

Kind readers, one and all, we do not need to remind you that tomorrow is Christmas, for the very atmosphere is permeated with Xmas fragrance, and the occasional chimes of sleighbells make it more of a reality. We rejoice with you once more at this festive season of the year and wish to express our gratitude to our numerous patrons for the patient forbearance with which they have submitted to the various idiosyncracies existing in our "Eccentric" columns. "Ladies and gentlemen, sincerely thanking you for your kind attention and liberal patronage (of which we expect more) we bid you one and all a——'Merry Christmas.'"

The revival meetings, being conducted by Mr. Nash, late of Benton Harbor, at the Seventh-Day Adventist church, still continue with growing interest, although it was very discouraging at first, as Mr. Nash says, the first two weeks he only had about as many as went into the ark, with Noah, to hear him, but the last three weeks the interest has been growing every night, until the house is well filled each evening now, and eight have been led to make a start to live better lives. One strange feature of these meetings is that you do not hear any thing about eternal misery and suffering, as Mr. Nash solemnly affirms that the "Word of God" does not teach any such doctrine. His one and only theme so far has been the "Love of God" as manifested in the gift of his son and the workings of his spirit; he says "there is power in the love of Christ to draw all men to him if he is "lifted up". The talks on the "sermon on the mount" were full of grand lessons for both old and young, also the talks on "where all our troubles come from" were full of gems of thought, and the love of God was made to shine out through them all. Those who are missing these meetings are certainly missing a feast of good things. The talks this week are upon the "Holy Spirit" and they are not only talking about it, but there is deep searching of heart and putting away of all that would hinder its workings. The meetings will continue through next week, beginning each evening at 7 p. m.

Well, now, didn't old "Santa" cut a figure coming out of W. H. Elliott's, in Detroit, the other day, with large cloaks, small cloaks and cloak cloaks, besides capes and jackets of all kinds and sizes. No wonder Santa is how-backed with such loads of merchandise as he is daily transferring from Elliott's to his own headquarters for distribution. However the old fellow is hale and hearty, and he is such an expert financier that he knows just where to make his purchases—hence his choice. The new ad will give details in full.

JOHN SAVAGE.

More than One Thousand People Accompany His Remains to Their Last Resting Place.

The funeral services of John Savage from his late home in this village was perhaps more largely attended than any other ever held in Birmingham; the circumstances in regard to his death calling out many residents of this vicinity, and his society friends from home and abroad made an attendance that was very large indeed. Two of the Rapid Railway cars from the Mt. Clemens line, besides the funeral car arrived loaded with about 200 electric railway employes in uniform. These cars, all filled, with two cars of the Oakland Co's line, started promptly for Mt. Clemens, and at Detroit two more cars, filled with Masons, joined the line. Mt. Clemens was reached very quickly, where the Mt. Clemens Lodge took charge of the funeral ceremonies. The cemetery was reached and over a thousand people marched to the grave, where their dear friend was laid away to rest by the beautiful Masonic funeral ceremonies, conducted by the Master of the Detroit Lodge to which the deceased belonged. If flowers, tears and the deep sympathy of a multitude testified to a man's worth, then John Savage was a man deeply loved by all.

The floral contribution of his fellow employees were beautiful beyond description. A scroll of pink and white carnations, carnations, yellow and white roses, was sent by the Track department of the Detroit Citizen's Street Railway, of Detroit. A broken wheel "Gates Ajar" under an archway of Carnations, which was made up of Carnations, roses and ivy, was a handsome floral tribute and was with sympathy sent by the employees of the Citizens' Street Railway, of Detroit.

A beautiful collection of yellow roses, with holly and smilax, with the deep sympathy of Peninsular Chapter of No. 16 R. A. M., of Detroit.

A large cross composed of lillies, carnations and roses. A pillow of chrysanthemums, ferns and roses. A basket pillow of flowers from the Jefferson Ave. street car railway employes. A correct and complete electric car, perfect in all its details, and a copy of the new car, on which Mr. Savage met his death, even to its grim roll under. No. 7, made of ferns, smilax, roses of all colors, and words and red carnations from his own men, employees of the Detroit & Pontiac Railway, expressed their love for "Our Superintendent." Another, and a much larger car, modeled after the open summer cars used in Detroit, made of roses, carnations and Carpathemums of all colors, representing the car with its trolley "off" and appropriately lettered, "Our friend died at his post" was the consoling and sympathetic remembrance of employees of the Port St. & Belle Isle Railway, The Trumbull & Baker line and the Detroit Railway. The funeral ceremonies were over at about 4 p. m. The casket was opened at the grave for a few moments to permit relatives of the deceased to have a last look at their departed, after which all returned to their respective homes.

BIG BEAVER BILLOWS.

Bringing Breezy Blasts from that Bonny Little Burg—Visitors—Twitterings of Proceedings in General.

Mrs. J. W. Anderson and Mrs. Wm. Pallister, of this place, accompanied by Mrs. Eli Phillips, of Clawson made a business trip to Detroit Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Ed. Dungrow is in Detroit attending her sister, Mrs. Baine, who is very low with typhoid fever and pneumonia.

We expect to see a grand dance given by the K. O. T. M.'s in their hall on New Years eve. All invited to attend.

Ross Smith D. Harris and Jim Dungrow are cutting wood on the Niles farm.

Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Pearsall spent Saturday eve and Sunday at Birmingham.

Mrs. Jas. McBride of Clawson, is slowly recovering from a long illness.

Maul Smith is able to be out after a couple of weeks illness.

Dell Smith is cutting wood down at S. Williams'.

Geo. Terry is boarding with Linus Bookham.

Mrs. L. Bookham was in Detroit last Thursday.

C. S. Travis was in Detroit last week.

H. S. Ebling offers his place for sale.

Mrs. C. S. Travis is on the sick list.

Francis Harris is on the sick list.

OBITUARY.

A Memorial Tribute to the Late Birmingham Motorman, Charles Whitehead.

The writer was a warm friend of Mr. Whitehead, having been closely and intimately in his care and company for several weeks at a time, and for several years. I always found in him a genial, companionable and kindly natured man to friend and stranger. His words and acts were those of sympathy and kindness, always bespeaking a uniform warmth and tenderness of heart that he so abundantly possessed. His constant care was to help those who needed help and smooth down the rough places for those who were weary and struggling with their burdens. No needy person ever left his door empty handed, if he had aught to give that would relieve.

He was conscientious and careful in act and speech, doing no man an injustice where actions and words and fairness would better serve his feelings and comport with his tender-heartedness and nature. Those were the photographic likenesses printed on my mind, as I ate and slept with him many, many times, and I cannot let his departure from us pass without expressing my appreciation of his admirable good traits and qualities. Knowing how courageous he was and how fearless in the defense and help of others, I am confident at that fearful moment, when he had to choose either to save his own life, or to lose it for others, staving sorority at his post of duty, that he did not hesitate to take that highest and noblest of human resolves of laying down his life for the salvation of others.

When my friend's reckoning is made with the All Seeing Judge, who is all love, tenderness and mercy, I have the most confident assurance his generous and kindly life, his manly acts and deeds, and his heroic sacrifice in that supreme hour of peril, will receive their due and adequate reward.

S. L. Smith.

SOUTHFIELD JAYINGS.

News from our Neighboring Settlement—Entertainments Come and Goers.

A very enjoyable surprise party was given Eddie Williams at his home Thursday evening, Dec. 2. Among those present were Misses Minnie Braden, Mabel Johnson, Grace Johnson, Luella and Violetta Douglas, Beatrice Egan, Myrtle Croft, Ernie Palmer, Lillie Thayer, Ojessa Sieperd, Josephine White, Hattie Dora and Bessie Williams, and Messrs. Charlie Klett, Carl Goodfred Boden, Mitchell, Merritt and Charlie Bilchoski Jim Egan, Harry and Willie Carroll, Clarence McQuarters, Manly Johnson, Clyde Douglas, Ruben Van Every and Wylie Geer.

The bazaar was well attended, given by the "Gleaners Society" of the M. E church, at the town hall. Excellent music was furnished by the Southfield Cornet Band. A good program was rendered and chicken pie supper was served. The bazaar netted the Gleaners $36.

The Southfield Cornet Band gave a dance Thursday evening at the Sand Hill. Messrs Bert McHugh and Jim Kershaw were floor managers.

There is an improvement being made in school room ventilation in Southfield.

Clyde Hooper is training a pair of colts for Dr. Holcombe.

Miss Ernie Palmer enntertained friends Saturday evening.

The Aagle Road School will soon have their new library.

Daisies are "all the rage" just now in the Burg.

Miss Luella Douglas is on the sick list.

General Debility and Loss of Flesh

Scott's Emulsion has been the standard remedy for nearly a quarter of a century. Physicians readily admit that they obtain results from it that they cannot get from any other flesh-forming food. There are many other preparations on the market that pretend to do what

SCOTT'S EMULSION

does, but they fail to perform it. The pure Norwegian Cod-liver Oil made into a delightful cream, skillfully blended with the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda, which are such valuable tonics, makes this preparation an ideal one and checks the wasting tendency, and the patient almost immediately commences to put on flesh and gain a strength which surprises them.

Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

STANLEY SPEAKS.

A Birmingham Boy More Than 3,000 Miles from Home and Happy.

After several days of very anxious waiting, Mrs. Ellen F. Peabody has received a very interesting letter from her son from his new western home at Seattle, Wash. Stanley is a bright young lad of good address and manners, so his success in getting situations, armed with good recommendations, is not to be wondered at. His experience is quite dangerous, saying:

Arrived in Lead City, S. D., where I expected to stay this winter, went to work next day as assistant book-keeper in a large grocery store at $80 a month, worked one week, when I was taken with mountain fever which resembles typhoid. Even in the hotel died. The city was paralyzed as far as business was concerned. Had the best doctor and care one could have, but might have gone with the eleven. Soon as I was able to get out I did, and in three days I was a well as ever. I left, came to Seattle and the next day after my arrival secured work as assistant bookkeeper for the most popular firm in this city. I have a good job and will stay and it does not seem to me that this is such a bad world to live in as people cast try to make it out to be. No cold weather but mostly rain all the time. Must tell you about meeting a fellow who was on the boat George was on on their way to Dawson City or the Klondike country. This chap says not to worry about Brother George Peabody—he is all right—that he was on one of the two boats that stranded in the Yukon river on their way from St. Michael's and the next day after they arrived at Dawson both boats were set afloat and returned to St. Michael's. George and party went up a creek that emptied into the Yukon, and had with them an abundant supply of provisions enough to last two years if necessary. I am sure he is all right and there is no need to worry about him at all. If you hear from him let me know and I will do likewise. Good bye.

Your son,
STANLEY PEABODY.

TROY TWINKLES.

Telling Tales of Timely Tele-a-letes Twitterings—Sickness in our Midst.

Wm. Lakie has been so unfortunate as to lose one of his valuable hogs with hog cholera, which has broken out among them. Mr. Lakie resides one half mile south of Troy Corners.

Last Sunday Miss Mary E. Walker delivered a lecture on Missionary work at Utica in the morning, Big Beaver in the afternoon, and Troy M. E. church in the evening of the same day.

Frank W. Phelps is cutting timber for the railroad company in Mr. Blount's woods.

The recent Shadow social at Mrs. Cordelia Sullivan's was a great success.

Nice winter weather, just a little more snow and then—sleighing.

Oscar Blount is no better at this writing. Walter is gaining slowly.

Your humble servant, C. H. G., has a bad attack of rheumatism.

COUNTY LINE LISPINGS.

Communicated by our Chatty Correspondent of that Clime.

Warren Lodge, K. of P., elected officers as below Saturday night: C. C., David Wilson; V. C., Jacob Hartrick; P., M. H. Blunt; M.W., J. C. Flynn; K. of R. S., M. of F., S. Martin; M. E., John Hartrick; Trust., M. Hartline; Rep., John Wilson; Alt. E. Soden.

The K. of P.'s and Rathbone sisters, of Warren surprised Mrs. Martin Hartline Monday evening. A substantial token of their good will was left with the good wife.

John Harrick, overseer of highways in Warren township, was sued before Justice Berger for neglect of duty and paid six dollars and costs. A good idea.

A Miller living over a mile from Warren, lost an 8-year-old son with diphtheria. Three other children are convalescent at this date.

Alpha Parks called on old Warren friends last week. He reports everything as lovely up at Rondo, both store and log trade.

Any respectable family wishing to adopt a bright, healthy baby girl, nine months old, address Box 41, Warren, Mich.

A number of Rev. Nixon's friends surprised him one evening lately and left substantial tokens of their call.

The rate of the Oakland-Holly Mutual Insurance Co. this year is about $2.40 per thousand.

Warren has 20 street lamps. G. Chipchase attends them for 60 cents per night.

Mrs. Chas. Grossbech is convalescent and expects soon to return to Detroit. Dr. Drummond and wife, of Marlette, are visiting their son at Warren.

Mrs. Dubay has moved into L. Lockwood's house in Warren.

Presiding Elder preached at the M. E. church Tuesday night.

John Wilson is seriously sick and under Dr. Flynn's care.

The tax roll of Warren township is $13,778.75.

John Blakely raised a large hog house last Friday.

To S. Martin, Dec. 9, a son.

ROYAL OAK OBSERVATIONS

Miscellaneous Items Pertaining to the Proceedings of our People in General. Our Sick Ones—Social Events, etc.

Last Saturday afternoon a meeting of ladies was held, when it was decided to organize a Ladies' Library Association for the purpose of erecting a township library building. It is proposed to give a series of entertainments to raise money for construction of the building and to dedicate said library building to the township board. The new Society elected the following officers. President, Mrs. Lydia Blodgett, vice president Miss Allen, secretary, Miss Mamie Erb. It was decided to deposit all money received from entertainments in the Wayne County Savings Bank of Detroit, which takes the place of a treasury. This new organization is a move in the right direction.

The entertainment held in the school building, by the pupils, last Friday evening, was a glowing success, both from a social and financial standpoint. The proceeds, amounting to $14.60, were for the benefit of the school library fund. At the close of the entertainment refreshments were served to about 200 people, who did ample justice to the good things prepared for them. Both parents an I pupils have manifested an unusual interest in our school of late and they are ably supported by a corps of efficient, thorough going teachers.

Christmas will be appropriately observed in our various churches with entertainments, Christmas trees, etc. The little people, especially those who have been rehearsing for some time past, are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the holiday festivities.

Several of the Daughters of Rebecca, together with other invited guests, spent a delightful evening at Chas. Shulman's Wednesday. The guests wore masks and with various games and nice refreshments time passed merrily.

Little Albert Fortis was presented with a fine Canary for Christmas and was delighted with the little warbler. Albert was hugely entertained by seeing the Xmas sights in Detroit last week with his parents.

G. A. Dewey has recently been initiated in the mysteries of the "Hoo-Hoos—An organization of lumbermen from all over the United States—which convened in Detroit last Friday.

Regular services are held in the Congregational church both morning and evening, conducted by Rev. Ostrander. We appreciate the good sermons.

Mrs Theo. Bernier, of Pontiac, Mrs. C. McDowell, of Warren, and Loann McDowell, of Detroit, spent the first of the week at David McDowell's.

Fred Regelsie, who has been working at Bloomfield Centre for the past year, has returned to his sister's Mrs. Wm. Fisher's.

Miss Hattie Matthews, of Detroit, and Chas Wheeler, of Harbor Springs, have been late guests at H. H. Wheeler's.

Mrs. Wm. Forth left Friday for Orion, where she expects to remain during the holidays with her sister.

Miss Anna Brown returned home Wednesday from Monroe Academy, to spend the holiday vacation.

Recent guests of Mrs. A. Sebraska: Miss Kendell, of Detroit, and Mrs. French, of Birmingham.

Miss Victoria Weber, of Detroit, is spending the holidays with her cousin, Miss Tillie Brown.

Mass will be observed in St. Mary's church on Christmas day at 5, 6 and 10 o'clock a. m.

Mrs. Maria McDowell is convalescing after a severe illness of pneumonia and grip.

After a long run of typhoid fever the Hickey family are on the road to recovery.

Bernard Fox was a guest of his brother in Ann Arbor Christmas.

Wm. Fisher was in Detroit this week, looking up "Santa Claus."

Mrs. John Baum made a business trip to Detroit Monday.

There is some talk of establishing a bank in Royal Oak.

G. A. Dewey made a business trip to Saginaw Thursday.

Mrs. J. Benedict and Mr. H. Kimmel are on the sick list.

L. McDowell made a business trip to Detroit last week.

Mr. Heinemann, famous for his big first editions and famous also as the publisher of some of the most popular authors, has started in with 20,000 of Mme. Sarah Grand's "The Beth Book." The reviews of this story have not been flattering. It is regarded as showing a great falling off from "The Heavenly Twins." But adverse criticism does not affect the sale of a book nowadays, nor does it kill the author. The effect that the Quarterly Review had upon poor Keats could not be repeated today. Either modern authors are made of tougher fiber or reviews carry less weight.

Losee Bros. & Co.,

BIG BARGAINS AT

SPARLING'S.

Bargains at one-half price to close out stock.
This is our last season in Fancy Holiday Goods.

One-half Price.	One-half Price.
Fancy Baskets	Art Linens
Celluloid Toilet Sets	Stamped Doilies
Collar and Cuff Boxes	Pillow Shams
Hand Painted Vases	Dresser Scarfs
Photograph Frames	Laundry Bags
Metal Figures	Sterling Novelties
Perfume Atomizers	Veloures Table Covers
Pocket Books	Stamped Tray Cloths
Hand Bags	Fancy Ribbons

Handkerchiefs from 5c to $8.00 each.
Gloves and Mittens from 10c to $2.50 a pair.
Umbrellas—$1.00 specials at 83c each.
Wash Goods—10 yard dress patterns extra at 59c, 75c, $1.00.
Dress Goods—Special line of dress patterns at 2.19, 2.69, 4.13 and $4.89 each.
1000 yards Spotted Curtain Muslins at 10c yard.
Special cut prices on Blankets and Rugs.

J. SPARLING & CO.,
155 and 157 Woodward, Detroit, Mich.

THE STAGE.

AT THE EMPIRE.

Clay Clement, one of the most convincing and versatile of our younger actors, will play in the Empire theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. He will first present "A Southern Gentleman," a beautiful piece of work that is new here, and follow it with "The New Dominion."

Clay Clement was designed by his father for the law, with the expectation that he would subsequently become president of the United States. But the boy, who had spouted "pieces" all his early life, and dreamed of the stage, felt that he would rather be an actor than president.

AT WHITNEY'S.

"On the Yukon" is the title of the play which is presented at Whitney's this week. We are assured that the play is abundantly provided with romance, sentiment, realism and irresistible comedy.

AT THE LYCEUM.

"McSorley's Twins" is the name of one of the most celebrated and pretentious musical farces of the hour, it will be seen in the Lyceum this week. The company is notable. Mark Murphy, formerly of Murray and Murphy, impersonates Michael Clancy. Mr. Murphy is a comedian of original methods and a successful one, and very popular. John T. Tierney, formerly star of "The Hustler," and featured in "The Merry World," has been cast for Dennis McSorley, the politician, who is running for alderman. McSorley is one of the swellest of stage Irishmen, and is the fountain from which emanates a great deal of the fun which permeates the piece.

TOWN LINE TWITTERS.

Brief Talks that are Right in "Line" with the Proceedings of the Town.

Mrs. Patch arrived home from a visit to Ohio friends in time to eat Thanksgiving dinner with her daughter, Mrs. Hathaway. While gone she visited relatives in Cleveland, Akron, Kent, Alliance; Ravenna, Deerfield and Cortland, besides a number in the country.

The funeral services of Mrs. Ogg were held at the home, Rev. Sheridan officiating. The remains were taken to Pontiac for interment. Deceased leaves a husband and five children. She had been ill all summer and was a great sufferer.

Mrs. Shug gave a surprise party to her husband on his 57th birthday and "seated" him. May he live long and enjoy his rocker, is the wish of all.

Carmen Skinner, of Detroit, called on Town Line friends last week.

Mrs. Lord gave a party for her daughter, Enna, lately.

John Shug and wife spent Sunday at his father's.

Dana's SARSAPARILLA

"The Kind that Cures."

is GUARANTEED to clear your blood of all impurities; make your stomach, liver, and kidneys right, and your nerves strong. Then you are well. Buy a bottle of DANA'S from your dealer, and this guarantee goes with every bottle.—YOUR MONEY BACK IF YOU RECEIVE NO BENEFIT. Isn't that a fair offer?

All Druggists Keep It.

WORTH READING.

The easiest way to catch a flirt is not to attempt it.

You can't convince an editor that "no news is good news."

No man is ever qualified in borrowing money to, buy a dog.

There is a remedy for everything except some of the remedies.

A man's only chance to get a head in this world is to be born with one.

It is always hard on a man when love or the measles attacks him late in life.

Every cloud has a silver lining. The boy who has the mumps doesn't have to attend school.

A man is sometimes compelled to put up with those he does not love—pawnbrokers, for instance.

All doctors do not practice the faith cure, though some of them heal by touch. They have to live somehow.

The young gentleman who seeks a situation isn't as likely to succeed as the young man who hustles for a job.

The man with a swelled head doesn't usually suffer as much as those who are compelled to associate with him.

IRONICAL LIES.

If a girl uses enough paint she may resemble the picture of health.

If you don't believe a woman can keep a secret just ask one her age.

If genius is a disease but few people in the world have any cause for alarm.

If it wasn't for the weather there are lots of men who would never look toward heaven.

If an up-to-date girl is pressed to tell a man she loves him she lets him keep right on pressing.

If the domestic troubles of a married couple are only little ones they ought to be happy.

If you want to attract a woman's attention to any particular thing just place it in front of a mirror.

LITERARY NOTES.

The estate of Mrs. Margaret Oliphant, the authoress, who died June 25, is under $25,000. It was left to her adopted daughter.

Mr. Bellamy's "Equality" is likely to be read in a greater number of languages than any recent American book. One of the latest propositions received by the publishers is for a translation into Bulgarian.

Hall Caine has gone to Paris, on his way to Rome, whither he has been ordered for the benefit of his health. He has also been advised by his physician to abstain from mental work for a period of four months.

Louis Zangwill, who has heretofore written over the initials "Z. Z.," has decided to use his full name in future, believing that it will cause less confusion. "Cleo the Magnificent" is the title of his new book, which, by the way, does not allude to the French dancer.

Great interest will be taken in Mr. Gladstone's reminiscences of his friend, A. H. Hallam, the hero of Tennyson's great epic, "In Memoriam," which will appear in the New Year's number of the Youth's Companion. Though mainly depending on his own recollections of that gifted youth, Mr. Gladstone makes some reference in his article to the new life of Tennyson which has just appeared.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The largest mass of pure rock salt in the world lies under the province of Gallicia, Hungary. It is known to be 650 miles long, twenty broad and 250 feet in thickness.