Queer Stories and Ideas of Early Times Concerning Evil Spirits.

(From the Boston Commercial Bullet The earliest letter in the Mather papers that alludes to the delusion of witchcraft is "The testimony of William Mors and his wife," relating certain events that occurred at his house in 1679, which were believed to be the result of witchcraft. This testimony was inclosed in a letter from the Rev. Joshua Moodey to the Rev. Increase Maher. "The last thing heard of," says the venerable divine, "was the carrying away of several axes in the night notwithstanding they were laid up, yea, lockt up very safe, as the owner thought, at least, which was done this spring." The tramp had evidently not yet been invented for the

benefit of the careless. It seems that Master Mors and his wife had but just retired for the night when they were roused by the violent falling of "Stokes & Stons" on the roof. On opening the door to discover the cause of these nocturnal disturbances both he and his wife were driven back by a volley of stones hurled against them. The pair discreetly returned to bed, locking the door carefully behind them, but at about midnight were again awakened by the loud granting of a hog which the master of the house was at some trouble to drive out of doors. The powers of darkness did not confine heir pranks to the night, but continued their performances in broad daylight. Household goods, hung in the chimney for safe keeping, leaped from their hooks and took possession of the chairs, and other articles fled from their accustomed places and fell rattling down the chimney. Among other articles, he says: "A basket in the chamber com donn the chimney. I tocke it up myselfe and laide it before me; it was sudinly taken away I know not how and com down the chimny again. I then took a brick and put into it and said it should carry that if it did goo up againe. It was taken away I know not how and com donn the chimny and the brick * * * after it." The godly man was sorely plagued

by the continual falling of stones on the roof and even of lighted firewood down the chimney. Swine invaded his house and it was impossible for him and his hired boy to keep the cattle fastened in the barn. Pots, kettles and andirons performed a witche's dance around the kitchen, and neither sheets nor blankets would stay upon the bed. Chairs would then perform a polite obeisance and then violently kicked the master and mistress of the house. Finally the writer concludes: "A mate of a ship coming often to me and said he was much grieved for us, and said the boye was the Cause of oll my trubble and my wife was much Ronged and was no wich, and if I would Let him have the boy but bon Day he would warent no more trucel. I being persuaded to it he comet he nex day at the break of day andhed boy was with him until night an It had not any trubel since." The second letter vouching for sun-

dry witch-like occurrences was written at Hadley in 1683, and by no less a worthy than the Rev. John Russell, the kindly protector of the regicides, Goffe and Whalley. According to the accounts it seems that an aged man named Nicholas Disborow, of Hartford, had at her mother's death, taken charge of his little granddaughter. This little girl at the tender age of eight fell into a pond and was drowned Her father, John Androsse, with whom she had not lived for years, immediately set to his father-in-law, Disborow, for the personal effects of Mistress Androsse and of his daughter. Disborow, disgusted with his worthless son-in-law, refused, and straightway "began to be visited with a strange providence, stones and dirt being thrown at him, at first small pieces. * * * This providence becomes amazing; things being thrown at him and his boy, night and day, in house and field; sometimes in open places, where one might see a quarter of a mile about and no appearance of hand or person to throw them. The things were stones, dirt, brickbats, cobs of

Indian corn. Rather substantial effects, these, of ghostly influence. Not even the hearthstone was safe from the witchsped missiles, it appears, for the nar-rator goes on to say: "When in the house, and doors shut, they would them, and upon others that were in the house. * * * One stone that hitt him on the arm putt him to some little pain. Another on the leg drew a little blood which appeared through his vember, about which time said Disborow's barn was burnt; "no man pelting with missiles from unknown to Androsse the garments in dispute

The reverend doctor marvels greatly that, although "Stones & brickbatts by them, yet they received no considerable hurt." "It was a strange & models were to seek and obtain awful Providence," he decides. "More divorces the wives of the models than naturall, which occasioned great would be so numerically weak they thoughts of hart; whether the child's death was merely casuall, or, &c. But how, or what the cause of the motions was, the Lord only knows." This same fall of 1683 seems to have

been especially blessed or cursed with all manner of witch work, for late in August of that year the Rev. John Higginson, of Salem, writes to his brother minister, Mr. Increase Mather, the following terrible warning against a too great love of books, which precocious youngsters of to-day would do well to learn by heart:

A godly young student, says the account, was bound apprentice to a draper, yet "Notwithstanding, continued a strong inclination & eager affection to books, with a curiosity hearkening after & reading of the strangest & oddest books he could get; spending much of his time that way to the neglecting of his business." But, as the Sunday schools say, mark the sequel. "At one time there came a man into the shop & brought a book with him & sayd to him, here is a book for you; keep this till I cail for it again, and so went away. Mr. Sharp, after his wonted bookish manner, was eagerly affected to look into that book & to read in it, which he did, but as he read in it, he was seized on mind, the hair of his head standing

The worthy apprentice straightway took counsel with his master, and between they decided that the volume was a conjuring book and committed it to the flames. The man who brought it of course no other than Beelzebub himself. Then this godly young apprentice, taking this "As a solemn warning from God to take heed what books he did read, was much taken off from his former bookishness, confining himself to reading the Bibie and other known good books of divinity which were profitable to his soul. Listen to this Messrs. Crawford and you uncanny shades of Fitzgeral, De Quincy and Poe. If the mild horrors

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Bullies and cowards always dread physical and jail at Lexington's expense. One land jail at Lexington's expense. One Sessions, two under Trial Justice sentence is the track and some of them nearly demolished. Nobody hurt. nations were not so patent to all ex-lished. Nobody hurt.

cept sage doctors of divinity two centuries ago. It seems that somewhere in Essex, England, a young man agreed with the devil to preach absolute atheism, that there was neither God, devil, heaven nor hell. In exchange for this service he was to attain wordly distinction and a great reputation for wisdom. All at first went swimmingly with this seventeenth century Bob Ingersoll until the approach of death. Then he straightway avowed his belief, not only in orradise, but in punishment, and died miserably in instant expection that a legion of fiends would carry him, second or rather a foreshadowed Don

Giovanni, to the sulphurous pit. The same Dr. Moodey mentioned above can not let the birth of an unfortunate monstrosity occur without finding in it something of witcheraft, and he gravely writes to Boston in September, 1683, a minute description of a poor distorted infant that was brought forth by an Indian woman, as a terrrible warning of things present and to come. He concludes: "Doubtless you have hearn how matters are with us, I beg your prayers." Poor man, he needed them not only for his credulity but for his misfortunes, for he was shortly after imprisoned by Cranfield "for administering the sacraments contrary to the laws and stat- engine.

utes of England." These extraordinary statements were sent to Dr. Mather, as he was at that time compiling a volume, or rather volumes, called "Remarkable Providences," which he published in 1684. These uncouth and garbled tales were accepted as absolutely correct, not only by superstitious country people, but by the most learned

scholars in America and England. Such contemporary letters speak, as no other testimony can, of the horribly darkened condition of the human intellect, even in the days when France was approaching her zenith under Louis XIV., and England was preparing for that glorious revolution which was to efface the name of Stuart from the list of European dynastics, and York has contributed \$5,000 to the relief give England not only genuine freedom but a genuine king.

HOW VICTORIA DRESSES IN STATE.

The Queen's Last Drawing Room Reception and the Toilettes of the Occasion. (From a London Letter.)

I had the honor of being presented to her Royal Highness at the last drawing room and will give you a description of her dress. It was of the most tender lilec or manve shade, a waist and petticoat of lilac terry velvet, a train of cream crepe de chine, handsomely embroidered in various shades of flowers, lined and bordered with lilac and coral roses. The skirt was looped with tulle and embroidered with flowers, the train caught back with lilac feathers. Her headdress was a tiara of diamonds, feathers and veil, her ornaments diamonds. She wore the orders of Victoria and Albert, the Crown of India, St. Catharine of Russia, St. John of Jerusalem, ants from Ulster, all pleading for home the Royal Red Cross and Danism family order. Next her stood the Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, in a dress and train of black striped velvet and satin, the train lined with scarlet | flesh from one side of its face. satin and trimmed with jet. It should be remarked here that people going out of mourning in England always wear scarlet. Her headdress was a for murder. tiara of diamonds, feathers, veil, and her ornaments, emeralds and dia- River, in Bohemia, by the capsizing of a monds. She wore four orders, the Victoria and Albert, the Crown of dead. Royal Red Cross. The Princess Mary immense but rather handsome woman. ered by insurance. Then came a young girl, the Princess of blush brocaded sain, lined with poult de sole, and trimmed with feath- principles adhered to. ers and syringa blossoms, joined the corsage and train, over a tulle petticoat looped with bunches of the same flowers. Her headdress was of feathers and tulle veil. She wore pearls, diamonds and rubies. Next to her stood her popular papa, the Prince of Wales, in a full suit of scarlet, the uniform of a General.

Nellie Grant and Her English Husband. (From a New York Letter.) It is possible Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris may visit her mother late in the summer. She has now proceeded to her Isle of Wight residence and will soon make a visit to the Continent. The only daughter of the great chiefcome down the chimney, and fall upon tain of the American army desired to pass last winter with her mother to comfort her, but her husband's father wrote such a loving appeal to her to return for the winter that Mrs. Sartoris at once went back to England. stocking." Thus it continued till No- There has been such an amount of gossip about Mrs. Sartoris and her husband that I feel authorized to say knew how, but very strangely; and that from the best sources I have considerably to his loss." This strange heard there is truth in the report of Mrs. Sartoris being anxious for a hands continued until Disborow sent divorce. Her husband is gay and perhaps would not by an American moralist be considered a model husband; but after all the model husbands about a pound waight that fell down | are few in this world, and if the wives | served order. of all the husbands who are not

> A Lawyer's Contingent Fee. "What is a contingent fee?" asked a litigant of a well-known attorney the "Well," said the legalite, "if I take

would certainly feel rather lonely.

your case and lose it I get nothing." "Yes, yes; that's all right." "But if I win the case you get noth-

"How's that! How's that! I don't think I understand you." The attorney calmly repeated his statement. The still non-plussed liti-

gant persisted: "If I understand you, case do I get anything." "Well, you know that's not my fault ; but that is the meaning of a contingent fee. Shall I.bring suit? What did you say? No? Well, I am very sorry. Good morning."

Railroad Backet.

Railroad men say that on July 4th there will be some considerable changing around in railroad circles. General Manager E. B. Thomas, of the Richmond and Danville, is set down as a mover, and his object seems to be to rob the Atlantic Coast line of as much of the through travel between the by a strange horror both of body and North and South as possible. It is said to mind, the hair of his head standing be a stitive fact that double daily trains are to be put on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta road, and the track between Charotte and Augusta is to be put in first class order, new steel rails having been ordered. When the double daily service begins on this road, the trains will be run through

from Charlotte to Savannah. It is reported that a new through fast nail and passenger train will be put on the line between Charlotte and Washington, making three trains per day on the Richmond and Danville, two of these to be through passenger and mail and one local. It will not surprise up to see all of these rumors confirmed, for the Richmond and Danville is not only reaching out for busisercer.

Thomas E. Shannon, charged with of a seventeenth century tale were homicide of Mr. Barron, in Clarendon as disturbs the neighborhood. judged the inventions of the devil, County, has been released from the custody what is the source of your grisly reve- hi the Sheriff on \$2,000 bail. Shannon as a relic of barbarism, but its introduction oad been confined in Sumter jail to prevent | into Maryland as a punishment for wife-

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS Facts of Interest Gathered from Various

Quarters. Bank of Monroe, Louisiana, ha been closed. Parnell, the great Irish leader, is only 41

vears old A woman died in New York Saturday, t is supposed, from cholera. Unprecedented fruit and wheat crops are

eported in Virginia. The apple crop of Connecticut promises be unusually large this year. Ex-Vice President David Davis is lying critically ill and may die at any moment. Parliament was prorogued on Friday.

Dissolution took place on Saturday.

Randall says the Administration is not he enemy of the silver dollar. Detroit had a case of lynching Thursday and yet Detroit is not situated in the South The great strike of nailers at Pittsburg

which has lasted over a year, was settled Thursday. After wasting all the week to obtain a

ury to try the Chicago anarchists, only one juror has been chosen Moses A. Dow, the millionaire publisher of the Warerly Magazine, died in Boston Thursday. He left \$2,000,000.

A horse was frightened to death in Incity consumes 1,625,000,000 pounds of dianapolis, Ind., Thursday by a fire steam

Providence, R. I., Thursday celebrated the 250th anniversary of the settlement of that city.

raria regarding the treatment of the late St. King. The Treasury has issued a call for \$4,

000,000 of bonds for redemption. The call matures August 1. A young girl, under treatment of Pasteur, at Paris, is dead. She was bitten by a mad dog on the 27th of April.

A French brigantine sank Saturday on the banks of Newfoundland and nine of her crew drowned. Revivalists Jones and Small are said to

e planning a New England seashore campaign for the summer. An unknown friend of Erin in New

committee in Ireland. The strike in the varn mill of the River side Mills at Augusta is at an end and the mill is in full operation.

John Johnson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., committed suicide by pushing a handkerchief down his throat with a long ruler. Jacob Swingley, of Creston, Ill., cut the

throats of his two children and committed suicide on the 19th-insane. The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama conferred the degree of D. D. upon S. Hecht, Jewish rabbi of Montgom-

The New York Times has determined to make an attempt to find out the secrets of Alaska, and has sent an exploring expedi-Newsmen in New Jersey, Brooklyn and

the World Monday and killed 50,000 copies in one day. The Tories are in consternation over the new invasion of Scotland by Irish Protest-

rule for Ireland. A three-year-old child was attacked while playing on the sidewald in Babylon, L. I., by a Newfoundland dog, which tore the

George H. Davis was hanged Friday at the following discription of the recent utt Scale, Ala. Also, Robert Dillard and Jas. ance of the Augusta General Assembly: Emmet, both colored, at Greenville, Miss.,

Fifty persons were thrown into Sazawa ferry boat. Twenty-five were taken out

The Republican State Convention met in rian Louise of Waies. An exquisite shade Montgomery, Ala., last week, and decided world have, however, a just cause of comto put a ticket in the field. Protection

The British Museum has recently paid

known to be in existence. The plasterers of Pittsburg and Allegheny City, Pa., some 700 in number, have

gone out on another strike, on account of the bad faith of the contractors. \$8,000 per year from the State. The At- difficulty which so promptly met the 'fence lanta University for the colored people gets | theory," we regard it as, on the whole, the same amount.

Ten Mexicans attacked 50 Apaches in Tecapodepe Pass, near Sarache. The In- the Southern Assembly." dians were defeated. The Mexicans lost three killed and one wounded.

Saturday morning J. H. Blackburn, of Atlanta, Ga., died. He overtaxed his brain in the cause of temperance on the day of election in Atlanta, and became insane. The Hebrews who forms such a public

spirited and wealthy class in every city number less than 250,000 in the United States. Most people in making a guess would say a million or two. Young and healthy as the season is, there seized with the right hand by the rudimen-

s already a disposition to get up a yellow tary integument of any other part of his fever scare in New Orleans, in consequence garments which may seem best located for of the arrival of a Cuban doctor with some | lifting purposes, and tossed out of the semimicrobes. "A meeting of 10,000 people was held Thurs

day at Zurich, to protest against the Gov-ernment's action against the strikers. The red flag was unfurled, but the police pre-

The Prince of Wales, who has decided to become an amateur photographer, has much displeased the English by ordering his first camera from an American firm. Over 200 persons were poisoned at a festival at Petersville, N. J., from eating sandwitches made of canned beef. Later news

The Lake Shore switchmen employed at men, at Chicago.

Judge Holman, of Indiana, has just been nominated for Congress, and if elected it will be his 15h term. He is known in Washington as "the watch dog of the Treasury.

A contract was closed Monday for the completion of the Birmingham and Sheffield Railroad and the erection at Sheffield. Ala., of a second iron furnace with 100 tons capacity.

Four of the five saloons at Washington, Ill., are owned by women. Women are ies in anticipation of the time when they shall achieve the ballot.

Register Rosecrans says the war of the revolution cost this country \$6,000,000; the war of 1812, \$115,000,000; the Mexican war, \$135,000,000, and the late unpleasantness, \$6,189,920,905.

The agitation of the question of secession at the polls in Digby, N. S., has occasioned more frankness of expression by the people in regard to their earnest desire for annexation to the United States.

H. M. Hyndman, President of the Soial Democratic Federation of London, and leader of the English party of so-called Scientific Socialism, has decided to visit the United States on a lecturing tour. At the fire of the great exhibition build-

ng in Boston one man was roasted in sight of the gazing crowd. Eight charred bodies were taken from the ruins and more are still in the ashes. A Mississippi court has decided in a case

against a colored congregation that the right of freedom of worship does not imply the right to such shouting and singing

be counted in. The Rev. Charles B. Galloway, of Mississippi, who was recently elected to a bish-opric in the Southern Methodist Church, is said to be the youngest man ever elected to such a high position in the councils of his church. His age is 35.

are missing. As a result the secessionist

The "oldest Mason" has again passed away; this time in California-Captain John Paul Jones Davidson. He was born in Connecticut in 1787 and had been a Mason 16 years when the Morgan episode created such a stir in 1826. The Presidential vetoes of pension raids

upon the Treasury are apparently bearing good results in Congress. Tuesday there were 34 adverse reports of pension bills from the Invalid Pensions Committee, and there are more to come. The Swedes are numerous in Chicago. There are not less than five Odd Fellows' lodges composed of this nationality alone.

The first Swedish lodge has commenced

putting up an Odd Fellows' block. At the laying of the corner stone more than 5,000 were present, and the structure will cost near \$40,000. Berlin has abelished the old custom holding market in squares and public places, and during this month has opened a series of grand and colossal market halls in various parts of the city. During one year the

An Ecclesiastical Convention, represent ing the Lutheran Synods in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Missis-There is considerable grumbling in Ba- sippi and Tennessee, met Wednesday in St. Mark's Church, Roanoke, Va. Rev. W. S. Bowman, D. D., of Savannah, Ga., preached the opening sermon.

Seventeen years ago Thomas Stewart, of Chicago, was sentenced to imprisonment for life for the murder of Harry Hulbert. It now appears that Eliza Reilley, a woman for whom he had a boyish devotion, committed the crime, and that he voluntarily sacrificed himself in her behalf. He was released from the penitentiary on Tuesday

There is a veritable war between the Chicago gas companies, three of which have invaded each other's territory, and the contest has finally become so bitter that one of the companies has offered to supply residents of the West Division with gas on a five years' contract for 65 cents per 1,000 feet, against \$2.50, which was the charge two years ago.

Last week, after the great victory by the Liberals on the question at issue, a wealthy old sea captain at Digby, N. S., took a hatchet, stripped the limbs from the highest spruce tree on his farm, near the town, and nailed the Stars and Stripes there. Then, pointing to the flag, he shouted: "That is our next question to vote on, and you will ind before long two-thirds of us that way of thinking." The Government at 3 o'clock Thursday

afternoon issued a decree expelling the French Princes from France. Count Toucher de Cariel, ambassador to the Austrian Court, has resigned in protest against the action of the Government in expelling the part of New York commenced to boycott French Princes. It is believed that M. Waddington, French Ambassador to the Court of St. James, will also resign. The Count and Countess of Paris and their son, Prince Louis Philippe, after receiving their friends, will embark at Treport. Prince Napoleon (Plon-Plon) is going to Geneva, and his son, Prince Victor, to Brussels.

A New Revelation

The Interior, published at Chicago, gives the following discription of the recent utter "The Southern Presbyterian General Assembly has given the scientific and religious world definite information in regard to the process by which God created man-an important matter of knowledge unknown to his mules of about half a peck of sand a mankind up to the moment when it was few days ago, and the animal is all right he city of Angusta State of The New England Institute Fair build-Georgia, United States of America, anno 1886. The purpose of this revelation was, ing, Boston, was burned Thursday, and 1886. of Cambridge stood next to her, an four workmen killed. Loss \$250,000; cov- as our correspondent shows, to produce harmony and peace in the Southern Presbyte Church. The scientific and religious plaint for that, whereas the Augusta Assembly knew so much, it told so little. In-

quirers after knowledge desire definiteness 265 for a copy of the first edition of the Pilgrim's Progress. Only three copies are brown to be in existence. preacher was the better revelator. nounced that 'De Lawd made Adam outen ob de dust ob de yearth, and stood him up agin de fence to dry.' 'Hol' on dar!' ex-claimed a deacon from his pew, 'Who built The University at Athens, Ga., gets dat fence?' Notwithstanding the serious more explicit than the theory propounded, in the interest of peace and harmony, by

liseases. The same journal says respecting the hypothesis that the Augusta Assembly has given peace to the Church:

"Our Southern Presbyterian exchanges are congratulating their readers that now, and at last, the question of how Adam was created will no longer tear up the ground on their Mount Zion. Now that their Assembly has fully explained the process, if any man shall say that the Assembly did not know, he can be taken by his back collar with the ecclesiastical left hand, and tropical sheep-fold."

Mr. Hardin's Affliction

Another one of Mr. Hardin's children died last Saturday, the sixth that has been taken off in the last two weeks. Mr. Hardin seems to be improving, but one of the was dropped at the outbreak of the late two remaining children is not expected to recover. Mrs. Hardin is prostrated with a complication of diseases and is in a very critical condition.

Last Saturday Dr. P. A. Whilhite, Anderson, a member of the State Board of attributes it to arsenic willfully put in the Health, went up to make an investigation white woman while she was alone. On of the premises. He procured a reliable well digger and sent him down in the well he was informed of the facts, and he sought the Union stock yards quit work Thurs- to make a careful examination. His report day, owing to the refusal of the railroad showed that there was nothing in the well, company to discharge eight non-union except three feet of pure, clear, cold water -not even a frog. This completely upsets the sensational stories concerning the two dogs, cat and rattlesnake, which were said to have been found in there.

After a thorough and careful examination and diligent inquiry Dr. Wilhite in

substance says: The sickness of the family was not caused by using the water from the well. The disease from which the children have died ordinary dysentery aggravated by the following causes: The patients had just a Five men have been sentenced to imprisonment for terms varying from four to six months for joining the 400 rioters who felled, kicked and stoned 25 Catholic factory women. served in their surroundings the greater wonder is that any of the family have sur vived. He says no amount of medical rapidly fitting themselves for political duties in anticipation of the time when they white neighbors and one or two of these have almost worn themselves out in looking

after his family.

Dr. Wilhite and those with him last Sat urday moved the surviving patients out of the house into an adjoining cabin, where they will remain until the house is thoroughly cleansed and fumigated .- Pickens

New, Hebrides.

The Islands of New Hebrides and Santa Cruz, over which France and England are now squabbling, form part of the long chain of groups in the West Pacific known as Ma lanesia, about 200 miles from Solomon Islands and New Caledonia. Nearly all the islands are of volcanic, formation. The largest of them is called Espiritu Santo, and is seventy-five miles by forty miles in extent. The population is about 50,000, most-

They have always been regarded by the English as forming part of the dominion of

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candidate, Attorney General Longley, may The Greenville and Laurens Railroad will be completed, barring accidents, on the 15th of August. An agent with "quack medicines" has been humbugging the people in the lower part of Lexington County.

Amos White, colored, is the only prisoner now in Abbeville jail. While on a spree, Ples Miles killed Wm. Wilks at Scranton-his best friend.

A colored child was severely burned on Ladies' Island recently while trying to start a fire with kerosene. Groceries can be bought in Greenwood and delivered at McCormick cheaper than

from Augusta. Lowndesville has been isolated for the past two weeks on account of washouts from the recent heavy rains.

Mills & McCaslin's store at Ninety-Six was broken into and robbed, Monday night, of a quantity of provisions. No clue.

There is a movement afoot in Spartanourg to organize farm laborers against their employers. Preparations are being made by the contractor to resume the boring of the new artesian well in Charleston this week.

The boiler of the engine of Dobson & Rentz's saw mill at Cumming's Station exploded on the 7th, killing the fireman. There seems to be no doubt now but what the Asheville and Spartanburg Railroad will be open for travel by July 10th.

John Williams struck Lewis Maize with

a hoc in Newberry Tuesday, from the effects of which he died. Williams has It is rumored that the farmers of Spar tanburg will nominate a full legislative ticket to be supported at the primary elec-

The first new freight cars for the Savannah Valley Railroad have been placed upon They are nicely and substanthe road. tially made.

The Methodists of the State are taking teps towards the erection of an Episcopal esidence on the Wofford College campus in Spartanburg. There will be a reunion of Company F, 5th S. C. Cavalry at Tarrer's Spring, near

Lexington, on the first Saturday in August next. Geo. Ellis and Jim Goaty had a diffi-culty on the 15th near Folk's Store, Barn-

well, in which a pocket knife and pistol were used A notorious colored woman in Laurens named Mary Mack cut a colored man

named Mat Sullivan with a razor in several places Monday. The Greenville post office has been restored to the rank of second class, which makes a considerable difference in the post master's salary.

The assessment in Pickens County for 1886 is as follows: Real property, \$961,687; personal. \$322,922; railroad, l'otal, \$1,626,959. The Abbeville Press and Banner says the jury in the Ferguson-Benedict trial have de-

clared that it was no harm at all to "kill the damned Jew." Additional force has been put to work on the Savannah Valley Railroad, and it is be-

lieved the road will be completed to Anderson by the 15th of July. E. Edwards, of Branchville, while out getting a load of wood, came upon a complete male outfit spread out on the ground on the edge of a thick pond-mysterious. The dwelling of James H. Dunn, near Hodges, was destroyed by fire Saturday night. A portion of the household goods

were saved. Loss about \$2,000; insurance \$600. Marshall Dunlap, of Honea Path, succeeded in relieving the stomach of one of

The railroad elections in Cane Creek, Gill's Creek and Pleasant Hill township, in Lancaster County, occur to-day. The re sult in Cane Creek and Pleasant Hill is thought to be in doubt. Mr. Hezekiah Ellis, of Sumter, who has

been spending some time with his brother in Florence, died from an overdose of morphine Thursday, which he administered to himself while suffering pain. During a game of ball at Jonesville, Union, between two colored clubs, a diffi-culty arose between B. Rice and S. Palmer,

n which Rice struck Palmer in the back loctor, is now practicing medicine about Laurens. Many of his patients have not survived his treatment. He examines his

patients in the palm of their hands for all An infant child of John Williams, colored, of Ladies' Island, came to its death on Saturday by eating concentrated lye which was left within its reach. Death from concentrated lye is of the most ex-

cruciating character. In the case of James Gathers, colored charged with outrageous assault upon a five-year-old daughter of Mrs. A. Hodges, of Charleston, in January last, he was found guilty and recommended to mercy, which reduces the punishment of death to life imprisonment.

In response to a recent nomination for Governor by the Sumter Advance, ex-Governor B. F. Perry writes a letter to the editor of that paper in which he thanks him for the honor and says: "I have been Governor once, and have had enough of it.' A bill restoring Capt. K. G. Billings, a well known Mexican war veteran of Lan caster, to the pension roll, from which he war, has finally passed both houses of Con-

gress. The Captain's pension amounts to \$17 per month. A story comes from Oconee that on Tuesday a colored man named Bill Boston grossiy insulted an elderly and respectable the return of her son, Mat Scurry, a youth. the negro and attacked him with a knife,

cutting his jugular vein in twain. The Greenwood Board of Trade has bassed a resolution urging the members of he Legislature from Abbeville to use their influence to secure the enactment of the law entitled "An Act to aid and encourage manufactures in this State," which was repealed at the last session of the Legisla-

John A. Studly, of Midway, who was cowhided recently by W. T. Connelly and A. L. Ott, says "time will tell" whether he is reconciled to the indignity or not. In a card he says: "And now, since the lady and her friends have taken the steps they have, in justice to myself. I must say that her mother knows the whole truth, and knows that I have not lied. Every one can see that the correspondent was not disposed to do me justice in that report."

Several months ago the Town Council of grease the Laurens arrested, tried and convicted Col. trict with. . L. M. Irby, as he thought, in a harsh, arbitrary and unjust manner, and he promptly announced his intention to appeal, which right they denied him. He used what knowledge he had of law, and did appeal to the Circuit Court. Judge Hudson sustained him, and ordered a new trial on the following grounds: 1. That be-fore any man can be tried before the Council he must be served with a summons setting forth the time, the place and the nature of the offence, at least five days before trial 2. That the defendant was entitled to a trial by jury.

The Trouble Safely Over.

Stomach trouble is serious business while it lasts; but what a blessed relief to have it depart! Mrs. F. G. Wells, of 19 Atlantic street, Hartford, ly savages, very cruel and quarrelsome, and inveterate cannibals. The islands have an ters for stomach trouble, and that she unpleasant notoriety from the fact of the experienced such relief that the trouble murder of Bishop Pattison, Capt. Good- is now entirely over. She recommends a small Scotch coin, in value about one enough and several missionaries during this great iron medicine to all who are third of a penny. In New England the their efforts to evangelize the natives. afflicted. It cures liver and kidney comterm "boodle" is in common use, signifying the cause no inconventable to the natives. plaint.

BRIC-A-BRAC.

There is a guest that I detest, Forever at my side: He clings to me more fondly Than a bridegroom to his bride. I hate him and berate him.

But when I cross his will He glares at me sardonically And clasps me closer still He's a beggar and a ranger, He was present-not a stranger-At the birth of the Messiah In the cold Judean manger.

He strolls along the path Of the tempest in its wrath; 's found among the ruins of the moulder'd aftermath.

He's a prince of empty pockets, Out at elbow and at knee; He's the king of countless millions, And his name is Poverty. Upside down-A feather bed. A capital fellow-The millionaire.

Glaziers take pleasure in the thought that this is a world of pane. Uniform prices-What the tailor charges for soldier's clothes. You can always get a bottle of perfume

ry for a scent. The fisheries question-Is there anything left in the pocket flash? If you find you cannot succeed-suc

One need not be a brilliant writer to ex press himself in glowing terms. Young man, never say to your sire: "You

might go, father, and fare worse. Perhaps the music of Thomas and Maria nay not inaptly be called cat-chy. The tramp who entered a bakery and stole a loaf of ginger-bread took the cake. Nature's most becoming dress-the close

of the day. Effectual destruction of weeds-marrying a widow.

Man proposes, woman accepts, if the collaterals are good It is not believed that the President will veto his wedding bills.

No chicken pie blooms on the echoless banks of Salt River. Country cousins are beginning to receive letters from their city relatives.

Better to have loved a short girl than never to have loved a tall. Every nice young lady who has a bach-elor guardian should feel encouraged now. If you want to communicate with the finny tribes of the sea first drop them a line. When one splits his side with laughter he should run until he gets a stitch in them.

It is between the acts at the theater that a man is most liable to have an attack of the g'out. Buy bar soap by the quantity. Keep it

In answer to the question, "Is life worth

living?" we reply that it all depends on the

where it will dry, and it will go much farther in using. It is a sure sign that the fools are not all dead when a fat man tries to be a dude and wear tight pantaloons. "Letter go!" exclaimed Flippant-talker,

dropping a missive into the box on the street near Dr. Miot's drug store. Maine seems quite willing to go over and thrash Canada, provided some one will hold the Canadians till she does it. We always knew this administration

would get itself into trouble before it fin-

ished its term. Brother Blaine is everything and every where in these days. Isn't he a little too previous for the summer of 1888? If the poets can only be kept quiet the country may yet recover from the excite-

ment attending the President's marriage.

will greet the news that the bicycle has been introduced into the German army. "Yes." said Poager's wife, "the devil has a cloven foot, and the man who has a cloven breath is on the way to him." There is a "goneness" about the girl's

With what fiendish glee the Frenchman

feelings who has been lavishing her smiles exclusively on students. "Come, swallow, come, for thee I wait, sings a poet, for whom, apparently, the sa-loon keeper will put nothing more on the

What is home without a paper, what

are all the joys we meet, when we're ignorant of the topics that are talked of on the street? A Harlem girl wants to knew "if it i true that kissing cures freckles." Wouldn's say positively, but a simple recipe like this

slate.

is worth trying. A Western journal heads an article, "A lunatic escapes and marries a widow."
Escaped, eh? We should say he got caught.

"I do love dress!" exclaimed a young so ciety belle. "Then I should think you would wear more of it," replied a cynical bachelor.

A contemporary says Miss Folsom's photograph has been copyrighted. Her newspaper pictures appear to have been all copywronged The blockade against Greece has just been raised in Europe, while on this side of

the water Congress is legislating against

oleomargurine.

If the railroads continue to water their stocks in the future as they have done in the past a locomotive that can't swim won be worth a cent. The Capitol says that interest in base ball in Atlanta is waning. . The crowds are very

light and there are not more than a dozen ladies in attendance. Now that the funnyisms of the Lord High Executioner in "The Mikado" are becoming stale don't style them chestnuts. Call 'em Ko ko-nuts.

Senator Edmunds approves the President's marriage in good round terms. After that there could be no possible objection to it even if it were not too late. That genial brute, John L. Sulivan. threatens to write a book. He evidently wants to fight a three-round match with the

Ingersoll's sweeping assertion "that noth ng is ever lost" staggers our faith in him. If he excepts umbrellas he can restore the religious harmony between us. Rip Van Winkle was foolish to go out

helpless English language.

and sleep on a damp mountain for twenty years. He might just as well have clerked in a store that did not advertise. An Atlanta man is dying from the bite of a mule. When a mule becomes dangerous at both ends it is time to propound the co-

nundrum: "Whither are we drifting?" If mystic signs are in vogue among the drummers' associations, it may safely assumed that the new member experiences little difficulty in "catching on" to the grip. The question which seems to be troubling some members of the House is whether but ter or butterine would be the cheapest to

grease the political machinery of their dis-It always surprises a man when he dis covers that a woman is not a coward. But t never surprises a woman when she finds that aman is.

Do not laugh at the gentleman with bare poll, my son. It is not nearly so bad to have a head that is bald on the outside as to have a head that is bald on the inside. J. W. Martin, Intendant of Woodruff, has resigned in consequence of the five Wardens clamoring for the sale of whisky He says: "I used every argument availa ble, but all to no purpose, so I became dis-

Origin of the Word "Boodle."

The origin of the word "boodle," which has obtained such notoriety of late, is giving rise to a considerable amount of discussion, but there is little doubt that it is simply a slang Western term, implying will always be thankmoney in bulk. The Chicago News suggests that it may be a corruption of "bodle,"

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