

The Game Law. Amongst the Acts on our statute books, there is one "for the protection and preservation of useful animals." At the last session it was so amended as to allow the hunting of deer from the first day of August to the first day of January, instead of from the first day of September to the first day of January, as was formerly provided. The second section is amended so as to allow an extension of two months to the hunting of wild turkey, partridge, dove, woodcock, snipe, and pheasant; that is, from the fifteenth day of October to the fifteenth day of April, instead of from the fifteenth of October to the fifteenth of February. The third amendment strikes out the robin from the list of birds that are specially protected by the game law. The birds protected by the statute, and for a violation of which a penalty of ten dollars or imprisonment for not less than ten days is imposed, are all the species and varieties of birds represented by the several families of swallows, bats, whippoorwills, flycatchers, thrashers, warblers, finches, larks, orioles, nuthatches, woodpeckers, humming-birds, bluebirds, red-birds, and all other species and varieties of land birds, whether great or small, of every description, regarded as harmless in their habits, and whose flesh is unfit for food, including the turkey buzzard, but excluding the jack-rabbit, the crow, the crow-blackbird, and all hawk and owl, which prey upon other birds.

to his domestic congener, but we should think a wild goose chase would have infinite attractions for them. One of the greatest objects of extravagance on record in this country is described by a New York correspondent of the Boston Transcript. It occurred in the shape of a private dinner at Delmonico's. A wealthy German importer, who has retired from business, and who was about to sail for Europe, decided, before leaving America, to invite his friends to a dinner. Covers were ordered for seventy-four guests, and carte blanche was given to Delmonico for the dinner. The large banquet hall of that establishment was secured—the same hall where the dinner to Dickens and Tyndal were given—at the rate of \$15 a ticket. For nearly a week, the employees of Delmonico were engaged in preparing for this dinner. A table twenty-four feet wide, extending the whole length of the room, was constructed. In the center of it, an artificial pond was made, with a fountain, while around the fountain live swans were floating. Of course, the pond was eaged over. The center of the table was banked with flowers, from the water's edge, at a cost of over \$8,000. Perfume fountains were constructed in various parts of the table, and to add to the intoxication of the senses, Berstein's full band of thirty-five pieces was engaged to furnish the music. The dinner commenced at 8 P. M., and continued a couple of hours, after which dancing took place until midnight, when the dinner, or supper, as it was then called, was resumed for an hour or two, followed by dancing until 4 o'clock in the morning. The bill for this dinner amounted to just \$10,000.

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SPORTS IN A MENAGERIE.—A letter from Turin states that a scene of great excitement was witnessed on February 7, when menagers in the Piazza d'Armi, Bidel, a tiger of wild beasts, had been accustomed to collect lion, lionesses, bears and hyenas in the same den with a lamb, and to make them "dress the latter without doing it any injury. On this occasion, he had thrust the head of the little animal into the mouth of the lion, when suddenly the king of beasts was seen to close its jaws, from which blood at once flowed in abundance. The spectators were in consternation and uttered loud cries, supposing that the exhibitor himself would be devoured the next moment. Bidel, however, struck the beast a smart blow on the head with his closed hand, and the dead body of the lamb fell from its mouth. The lion roared, but at the order of the tamer, went sullenly to lie down in a corner of the stage. At that moment, a lioness rushed on the exhibitor, but fortunately only tore the sleeve of his shirt. Bidel then retreated to another corner, and ordered, by gesture, his terrified pupils to withdraw into another compartment. They all obeyed, and the man then profited by that moment to make his escape from the cage.

Local Items. CITY MATTERS.—The price of single copies of the ENQUIRER is five cents. Old newspapers for sale at REGINIX office, at fifty cents a hundred. A meeting of the officers and Board of Managers of the South Carolina Monument Association will be held at the residence of Rev. Wm. Martin, on Blanding street, on Saturday morning, March 22, at 11 o'clock. All ladies interested in the movement are invited to be present. Major John R. Niersee, formerly architect of the new State Capitol, and for many years a resident of this city, has been appointed by the President one of the commissioners to the Vienna exhibition. Wm. McKenna was commissioned as Auditor of Lancaster County, yesterday. Gen. J. B. Dennis has been commissioned as Superintendent of the Penitentiary. The Wilmington Star learns that the colored steam fire engine company (Cape Fear, No. 3.) of that city have extended an invitation to the colored firemen of Charleston and Columbia to visit them some time in May. James A. Bowley & Co. are about to start a Republican newspaper in Georgetown, to be called the Planet. Winter still seems to hold, high carnival in the North. We of the South who are experiencing all the sweets of early spring, with the buds just starting, and the air loaded with the odor of the jessamine, can hardly realize the fact that on Sunday last immense quantities of ice were forming an ice gorge in the Susquehanna. To-morrow will be the anniversary of the battle of Kernstown, which was fought on the 23d of March, 1862. The sales at the store formerly occupied by Mr. E. Pollard, are the subject of conversation all over town. The reasonable prices of the various articles attract hosts of purchasers. The Chiriski Combination will favor the Columbia public with another of their amusing entertainments of wire-walking, jugglery, mesmerism, ventriloquism, &c., at Irwin's Hall, on Tuesday evening next, the 25th instant. A present will be made to every visitor, besides the opportunity of securing one of the 150 useful presents usually distributed. The price of admission is fifty cents. On the 11th instant, Prof. Reynolds, of the State University, delivered a lecture before the Sumter Lyceum upon the theme of "Observation and Reflection as the Source of all Knowledge." The vernal equinox, or the moment when the sun's centre crosses the equator, occurred yesterday; but that which is called the equinoctial storm is liable to happen at any time between the 15th and 27th. The way the wind blew last evening, we thought the storm had come. Dust was plentiful, and the wind threw it around freely. It is said that several diving-bells have gone down after the shamrocks that were drowned on St. Patrick's Day, none of which, however, have yet been brought to the surface. SCRIBNER'S FOR APRIL.—The record of "An Hour among the Greenbacks," in Scribner's for April, is as entertaining as a story. The unnamed author certainly writes from a thorough acquaintance with his subject, and gives, with the aid of pictures, the best account yet published of the workings of the currency department. Miss Proctor's profusely illustrated description of "Moscow and Southern Russia," will be read with peculiar interest at this time, as well as the sketch of "An Emperor's Vacation at Violy." Among the illustrated papers are an article on America's prima donna, who is a native of South Carolina, Clara Louise Kellogg, with portrait, and "An Ancient American Civilization," with pictures of Peruvian antiquities. From George MacDonald, there is another beautiful translation from Novalis. In "Topics of the Times," Dr. Holland writes of "The Latin Nations," "Clean Hand," "Lord Lytton," and "Party Virtue." The May number of Scribner's opens the sixth volume, and, as the publishers say, "This is the time to subscribe." ACROSS THE CONTINENT.—Miss Gaylord, the young lady who, by her own carriage, made the Great American Desert, and who is the only white woman that ever visited the Yellowstone Valley, is now on a journey to Florida, after which she starts for her English home, from which she has been absent for several years. Miss Gaylord will, before returning to England, spend a part of the year in the Sandwich Islands and Australia, returning by the overland and Isthmus of Suez. Her story of life on the plains, where she spent many months in camp and among Indians, must be one of interest. She is said to be very attractive, and does not look much over twenty.

PHENIXIANA.—The magnetic influence of milk-dealers has brought the cow into such immediate affinity with the pump, that physicians now anticipate an accession of good vacuums from the latter. Quill pens, which a few years ago, were despised, as being of the old fogy order, are coming into favor again. This is partly owing to the very inferior quality of many of the kinds of steel-pens now in the market; partly to the fact that most writers like to show that they are "sound upon the goose." They have a Judge in Kansas who fined a lawyer for saying sic transit. The official thought it was swearing, and remarked, indignantly, that nobody should "siook" him in that court. Tobacco smoke contains ammonia, pyridine, picoline, lutidine, colidone, formic, acetic, propionic, butyric, valeric and carbonic acids, and creosote—and, Trask says, death. It requires a greater amount of nonsense and humbug to please the public than of any other kind of intellectual commodity. The honorable speaker of the Manitoba Legislature, being tarred by the mob, remarks that things are done to a pretty pitch indeed, when he is thus treated after resolving that nothing should make him tarry in Winnipeg. HOTEL ARRIVALS, March 21, 1873.—Columbia Hotel.—J. H. Miller, Augustus G. A. Smith, J. D. Gardner, G. W. Thomas, Wilmington; E. Mahoney, Portsmouth; Ye. Gen. Wm. Gurney and wife, Robert Gurney, Charleston; B. B. Carpenter, city; Mrs. Phillips, Philadelphia; A. Thomas, B. Walker, S. R. Hayward, Worcester, Mass.; H. S. Johnson, city; Samuel E. Massam, Philadelphia; A. M. Corne, N. E. R. R.; W. D. Kennedy, S. C.; F. D. Bush, G. & C. E. R. Hendrix House.—J. D. Aiken, Charleston; J. H. Y. Greenway, M. Reese, Baltimore; J. O. Cullum, Batesville; W. A. Merritt, Ridgeway; W. A. Lomax, Abbeville; J. M. Mosley, Hodges; H. C. Mosley, Prosperity; J. N. Phillips, Charlestown. Wheeler House.—D. D. Canill, A. L. R. R.; A. J. Hayden, Agent Chiriski Troupe; J. F. Green, Charleston; J. H. McDevett, Edgefield; W. B. Habbell, Ky.; T. W. Ellis, N. Y.; A. B. Springs and lady, York; C. A. Andrews, city; T. H. Cooke, Anderson; T. P. Slider, California; R. W. Groome and wife, Md.; A. Brady and three ladies, N. Y.; C. A. Darling, city. A GENTLEMAN.—Show us a man who can quit the society of the young, and take pleasure in listening to the kindly voice of age; show us a man that is ever ready to pity and help the deformed; show us a man that covers the faults of others with a mantle of charity; show us a man that bows as politely and gives the street as freely to the poor sewing girl as the millionaire; who values virtue, not clothes; who shuns the company of such as under-rate the fair sex, or make unkind remarks of the passing poor girl; show us a man who abhors the libertine; who scorns the ridiculer of his mother's sex, and the exposure of womanly reputation; show us the man who never forgets for an instant the delicacy and respect due a woman, in any condition or class—and you show us a true gentleman. INDIANA DIVORCES.—In the expiring hours of its last session, the Indiana Legislature administered the death-blow to the divorce system, which, for twenty years, has been a disgrace to the Hoosier State. By the terms of the new law a bona fide residence of two years in the State is required of the applicant for divorce, and causes of divorce arising out of the State will not be considered unless they were a good ground for a divorce under the laws of the place where they occurred. IDENTITY OF A STRAY EAR.—The ear that flants so gaily from a clothes line hook driven into the corner of a house at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, once belonged to a too-trusting passenger who thrust his head from a car window while passing that house. Very valuable on plantations, as a preventive for fever, chills, etc. Simmons' Liver Regulator will keep the hands healthy, so they may lose no valuable time during the busy sickly season. M22181 Mr. A. H. Aycock, of Lexington, is to establish a turpentine factory near that place.