A Wonderful Tree.

Most people have heard of the polyp, that wonderful marine animal which, cut into a thousand pieces, growg inte a thousand new animals. The same thing is true of the polyp tree, a species of sersus, which is abundant in Paraguay. The minutest piece of this tree, cut from whatever part, grows into a new plant. It is not necessary to plant it; all you have to do is to throw it on the ground, when it will strike root of its own accord. These plants, with their relatives, the cacti, have the remarkable habit of deriving their sustenance entirely from the rain and the atmosphere, for they will grow and thrive in clefts in the maked rock where there is not a particle of earth matter. Their succestent stems are full of a viscous matter which makes an excellent glue. Rid ding a garden of the weird tree would probably be a difficult business.

God's Greatest Gift.

God pily those who know not tonen a Who dwell from all their fellows far

Tent in a syllinde upon whose shore -the tides of sweet community in he -break!

And the blospooning, bothley but its

that if the love we search for, however, comes, d love that parseth knowledge ded is there: ek the love of hear's fant in their nt the threshold, angel, on the - Munsey's Magazine

One-Dwelling Parishes.

miles from Oakham, contains a single house, with four inhabitants. The house is part of a hall nearly al. fallen into decay. Occasionally the church service is read there. Lian court, three miles from Chepstow, In another one-dwelling parish, with four inhabitants. It has a ruin of a church, where services are held at long intervals.

A delicate Christmas tale appears 14 appineott's for December over the ame of Phoebe Lyde. It called "The Abbot of Bon-Accord" and describes : Ewelfth Night masque in charming

COMPLETELY RESTORED.

stock dealer, residence Bill Grani avenue, Everett, Wash., says: "Fo

man. I continued until I had taken five boxes. Doan't Kldney Pills act very effectively, very promptly, relieve the aching pains and

Foster-Milleurn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 54 cents per box.

tead sermons. So. 51.

The Pines and the Sea. I have that spot on the northern anore.
Where whispering plues creep down
To rim old ocean's heary bridge.
With a fragrant emend crown,
Sometimes he roars tempestuously,
Swift rimoting, that bobte, our sea
Reaching heary arms with world-old conning.

ning For the frightened place that shrink

Or, mild as a cooling dove, he woes, With low and lang rous waves. Across the beach of tinted sand. To the seaweeds sounding caves: In quivring heart of summer eve. When his heart heads restlessly, theyer at peace. He craves a kiss from the drooping pin That list to his minstrelsy. That list to his minstrelsy.



WASHINGTON.

Senator Latimer has given up hope of the passage of his Good Roads bill at the present session of Congress. In the estimates for the diplomatic

and consular service forwarded to Congress by Secretary Eay, through the Treasury Department, recommends. tions are made for increases in the salaries of a large number of officials in the service.

Secretary Morton served notice that influence for the promotion of naval officers will not be tolerated. To unearth suspected scandals in

Isthmian Canal affairs Representative Shackleford demanded an investigation of the Panama Railroad Company, Attorney-General Moody's annual re-

port dwelt on the need of giving Federal courts more power to bring indicted persons to trial. James N. Tyner, who was Postmas-

ter-General in the Cabinet of President Grant, died at 9.30 o'clock. A breakdown following a stroke of paralysis was the immediate cause of death,

OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS.

Five hundred convicts in the prison at Bilibid, near Manila, P. I., made a concerted and desperate effort to escape. Armed with blacksmiths tools which they had obtained in the prison shop they charged upon the gates. Guards in the watch tower opened fire on the rebellious convicts with a Gatling gun, and sentries on the walls used their rifles. Fifteen of the rebels were killed and thirty-seven were wounded, most of them mortally.

DOMESTIC.

Twelve miners were known to have been killed in an explosion in a thine in Burnett, Wash.

in a jest vote at a meeting of the Kings County (N. Y.) Committee Senafor McCarren was supported by 220 to

Snow in Kansas saved the winter wheat. Prince Fushimi was entertained at

Yale University, stopping off on his way from Boston, Mass., to New York Several auto drivers in New Jersey

were arrested by alleged deputies, who led them to a make-believe Justice in the woods, who fined them \$25 each. The United States Supreme Court approved the order of the Texas District Court dismissing the habens cor-

pus suit of Charles F. Dodge. The Empire State express ran into a freight wreck near Little Falls, N. Y., and the engine was smashed. No one

was badly hurt. The German Bank, of Buffalo, N. Y., being unable to meet a run, was closed by F. D. Kilburn, State Super-

intendent of Banking. A suit for \$350,000 brought by Paul Faller and F. R. Coudert, of New York City, against Thomas W. Lawson was

entered in the Massachusetts Supreme Court at Boston, Mass. William Blatkie, lawyer and athlete, connect in Payerwether will case, died of anoplesy.

A number of convictions were found in land Cand cases in Oregon.

A decision of the Court of Appenis at Albany, N. Y., prevents the State from recovering over \$1,000,000 penalties for alleged violation of the game laws. .

Fair, will make a tour of Europe to thank officials and others for taking part in the exposition

Governor-elect Douglas held a conference with Massachusetts Democratic leaders in Boston.

Governor Odell, of New York State. had conferences with ex-Governor Black and others regarding the election of a Senator.

William S. Vanderbilt Allen, of New York City, is seeking to recover \$50,000 for alleged illegal detention for six ars in a private sanitarium.

bu A. Sleicher gave a dinner in er of Governor-elect Higgins at the He and House, New York City. Gov-Odeil, Senator Depew, and exener Black were among others

After funeral services in the Bloem-In tale Reformed Church, in New York City, the body of Mrs. G. H. Glibere, the famous agtress, was buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

FOREIGN.

Coneral Nogi's only son was killed in the assault on 203 Metre Hill. 's Aspeech of the Czar, read at the op sing of the Finnish Diet, promises abrogation of several laws of re

The Indictment upon which the as sassia of M: Von Plehve will be tried discusses the existence of a fighting revolutionary organization in Russia banded to overthrow the autocracy.

M. Combes' Cabinet was saved from lefeat in the French Chamber in a de bute on the spy system by only two voice, including those of the Ministers themselves.

A special cable dispatch from Genoa authornics the death, at the age of ighty-three, of the Marchesa Costanza 'arcto, nee Fitzgerald, who saved Mazin the revolutionary movement of

Saxony's new Kipg held that a civil list or salmy of \$887,500 is not enough, By a vote of 252-to 37 the French Senate approved the colonial treaty with Hughand, which includes the abandonment of shore rights in Newfound-

A special cable dispatch from Tlen-Tsin said that an oprising was imminent against the reigning Manchu dy-

A special cable dispatch from Seoul stated that Japan's campaign' in Ko-rea has been delayed by General Nogi's Callure to take Port Arthur.

Russian warships at Port Arthur were repeatedly hit by Japanese shells from 203-Metre Hill. The Japanese armored cruiser Azuma

was reported at Vladivostok to have been blown up by a mine north of the Mino Tao Islands. Dr. Albert Robin, a special cable dispartch from Paris sald, announces that

he has discovered that hypodermic injections of gold and silver in finely divided state can cure pneumonia. .1t was announced at Paris that France had not been asked by Russia

o support a marement to modify the ireaty closing the Dardanelles. A German collier, chartered by Russin was forced to leave Admiral Voelkersam's division at Suez and return

Count von Buelow, the German Importal Chancellor, replied to Herr Bebel, the Socialist lender, in the Reiche

HURT BY GUN CONCUSSION

Artillery Soldiers at Fort Wetherell Hurled to the Ground.

Ten-Inch Rife Exploded Prematurely and: Twenty-four Soldiers and Officers Were Stunued by the Concussion.

Newport, R. I .- Lifting a ten-toch rived, and remained drunk for two gun from its carriage and hurling it back on its trunnions, a 570-pound shell exploded prematurely in the chamber of a gun in Fort Wetherell, at Narragansett Bay, threw the entire gun crew, which included Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Willard of the engineers and Lieutenant Frank W. Rawlston of the coast artillery, to the ground and sent the metal shell burtling through

the top of the parapet and out to sea. Fears were had at first that both the officers had been blinded and perhaps made deaf by the explosion, but sight and hearing returned to them and they are suffering only from bruises and cuts above eneir faces. Both were taken to the sost hospital, however. The soldiers who were with them were more fortunate and suffered only from the falls they had. The accident; it is said, is the first in Fort Wetherell.

A detachment of the Ninety-seventh Coast Artillery was at rifle practice under command of Colonel Willard and Lieutenant Rawlston. Several shots had been fired before this last shell was placed in the gun. The breech had been closed, locking in the great weight of metal and its explosive charge, and the men were about to place in position the gear which takes up the recoil when for some reasonnot yet explained the charge was fired. The officers were standing nearly directly in rear of the gun and the mon were working beside it, when with a terrifying roar the shell was ejected from the steel barrel and the massive tubular piece vaulted backward as it alive, springing clear of its carriage, which it tossed from it like a pebble. The muzzle of the weapon was deflected downwar and the shell tore its way through the wall of masonry, wrecking it, and passed out into the ocean.

Every man near the gun was thrown from his feet, but the soldiers were the first to recover themselves. They found their officers stunned beside the gun carriage and picked them, bleeding from head and face, from the ground. The concussion had been overwhelming, and that together with the fall had left the officers unconscious. It was some time before they recovered their senses, and then they were taken to the hospital. Colonel Willard was able to walk to his quarters after his injuries had been treated.

When the men examined the damage which had been done, they found the top of the parapet had been torn away for twelve feet or more, that the gun carriage had been wrecked, and the platform on which it had stood had been destroyed. The gun itself was badly battered, and it may be that the mechanism of the breech has been damaged irreparably.

HUGH McLAUGHLIN DEAD,

Veteran Politician, of Kings County, N. Y., Passes Away at His Home. New York City. - Hugh McLaughlin,

long the leader of the Kings County President Francis, of the World's Democracy, died suddenly of heart disease at 11.15 o'clock at wight while disrobing in his bedroom at his residence 163 Remsen street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. McLaughlin dined with his fam-

fly earlier in the evening, and said at the time that he was "feeling bully. Leaving his home soon after 7 o'clock he went as was his nightly custom to the rooms of the Exempt Firemen's Association in Borough Hall, and had a setto with dominoes with some of his old croules.

While retiring that night Mr. McLaughlin complained of feeling ill. His wire, seeing his face was very pale, despatched a servant to summon Dr. Joseph A. Kene, the family physt-cian. Dr. Kene on arriving at the house found Mr. McLaughlin stretched out on the bed half conscious. He died shortly after.

Mr. McLaughlin was without question the most powerful county leader in the nation in the early days of his control, before age began to make inroads on his mental and physical vigor. He suffered keenly the loss of the leadership a year ago, and those who knew him best observed that he had been failing steadily.

Mr. McLaughlin was probably one of the wealthiest men in the State, and his fortune is estimated at from \$8,000,-000 to \$10,000,000. It consisted of large blocks of telephone, elevated railroad and gas and electric light stocks and securities. His real estate holdings are said to be worth several

A GERMAN SUBMARINE.

Remarkable Feats Performed by Boat Built at Kiel.

Berlin.-The Germania Works at Kiels have built a submergible torpedo bont, which has met a number of tests successfully, maneuvring readily above and below the surface, and diving and rising very quickly. She descended off the bow of a battleship, and rose up. on her opposite quarter, maneuvred for two hours submerged, and won a game of hide-and-seek with a swift steamer detailed to follow her. The Admiralty, nevertheless, is continuing experiments of submarine boats.

NEW CUBAN BOND PLAN.

Loan of \$12,000,000 and Use of Surplus to Pay Veterans.

Havana, Cuba .-- Leading members of the Cuban Congress are now advocating the winding up of veterans' claims by the payment of seventy-five per cent, thereof. It is estimated that the money required for such a settlement could be provided by an additional loan of \$12,000,000, together with the accumulation of the Government sur-plus. President Palma favors the plan.

Cotton Demoralized.

The cotton markets have been in a demoralized state throughout the past week, with prices sustaining the severest break for any similar period since the culmination of the great upward movement of last winter, and values have gone down to a lower range than has been reached for the past three

Fatal Slide in Slate Quarry. Inmiduse mass of waste at the of the slate quarry of Griffith & sate), at Poultney, Vs., alid into surry, busying two Poles.

Polite Children of East Bolivia. Capt. Jermann of Rio de Janeiro, who recently returned from a journey into the rubber districts of East Bolivia, almost in the heart of Central America, visited a town in the very interior, so far from civilization that it required a horseback ride of three days to get to it. There he found two schools for boys and one for the girls of the place, but only one teacher,

"But," says Capt. Jermann, "the children were just as good and well-behaved as if they were enjoying the best educational chances in the world. They were as polite as the most cultured people in the outside world, and were eager to show me attentions. without, however, pressing them upon

man was drunk when the traveler ar-

They never entered a house, not even a shop, without knocking at the door or the side and obtaining permisston to come in. After this permission was given they always took off their shoes, which they left outside."

Ducks Led by a Pigeon. One of the strangest sights ever seen by sportsmen was witnessed the other day on the duck pass owned by Uri Lamprey of St. Paul.

Mr. Lamprey and a friend had been shooting for some time when they observed a flock of ducks coming along from the north. The ducks were blue-winged teals and at their shead was a white bird.

"That's queer," said Mr. Lamprey; "I'll take the white bird and see what it is."

Both sportsmen fired, both bringing down their bird. Upon examination it was found that the leader of the ducks was a tame white pigeon. if anyone has ever before seen a Agek of ducks led by a white pigeon

The great lesson of the Manasses campaign seems to be that this country needs tougher soldiers. There is a superabundance of tough citizens that might be made available, the

it is time for him to rise and say so.

Philadelphia Inquirer declares. In Bohemia.

New Yorker-"Ob, yes, I'm a thoroughbred Bohemian! My artistic nature requires atmosphere. There is so much in that, you know."

Cousin-from-out of town - "Yes, I suppose so. I never was lu but one Bohemian place, and I thought there was a good deal in that atmosphereit was principally toba co smoke!"-Detroit Free Press.

STATE OF ORIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, 1 SE, LUCAS COUNTY. (SE, FRANK J. CHENEY make oath that Te is

senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheses & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesuid, and that said County and State aforesmid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred bollars for each and every case of cataling that cannot be eured by the use of Hall's Catarin Cuer. Frank J. Chenry, Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December. ber, A.D., 1883. A.W. Gleason, Motory Public, Hall's Catarin Cure is taken in termally, and

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"Why, I understood it was a cluck. He told me be had absolutely nothing to do.' "Yes, but he's kicking becale he

has to do it."-Philadelphia Press.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervous-nessatter first day's use of Dr. Kilne's Great Nervellestorer, \$2trial bottleaud treatise free Dr. R.-H. Kilne, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila, Ph.

Automobile trains are to be run on wagon roads in German East Africa as feeders to the railway lines.

The Peruna Almanac in 8,000,003 Homes, The Peruna Lucky Day Almanac has become a fixture in over eight million homes. It can be obtained from all druggists free. Be sure to inquire early.
The 1905 Almanac is already published, and the supply will soon be exhausted.
Do not put it off. Get one to day.

In the museum at Turin are some war cartoons 3000 years old.

Piso's Curs cannot be too highly spoken of es a cough cure.—J. W. O'BRIEN, 322 Third Avenue, N., Minneapolls, Minn., Jan. 8, 130). Almost seven per cent, of the cost of operating a railway is for coal.

Itch cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Letion. Never fails. Sold by all druggists, \$1. Mail orders promptly fixed by Dr. E. Detchon, Crawfordsville, Ind.

For an orchid \$3360 was recently paid.

The recent campaign is reflected in he novel by Alden March called "A Darling Traitor" in Lippincott's Magaline's Christmas number. Mr. March, though new as a novelist, has long leen an editor of the Philadelphia Press.

THE OLD FOLKS-AT-HONAL

Never Without Pe-ru-na in the Konstant Catarrhal Diseases.



Under date of January 10, 1897, Dr. Hartman received the following letter: "My wife has been a sufferer from a complication of diseases for the past twenty-five years. Her case has baffled the skill of some of the most noted physicians. One of her worst troubles was chronic constipation of several years' standing. She was also passing through that most critical period in the life of a woman—change of life.

"In June, 1895, I wrote to you shout er case. You advised a course of Peruna and Minalin, which we at once com-menced, and have to say it completely

cured her "About the same time I wrote you about my own case of catarrh, which had been of twenty-five years' standing. At times I was almost past going. I commenced to use Peruna according to your instructions and contin-ued its use for about a year, and it has completely cured me. Your remedicking all that you claim for them, and even more,"--John O. Atkinson. In a letter dated January 1, 1900, Mr. Atkinson says, after five years' experience with Peruna:

"I will ever continue to speak a good word for Feruna. I am still cured of catarrh,"--John O. Atkinson Independence, Mo., Box 272.

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systemic remedy can cure them.
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world will not be conquered by If the world win her frown,

Try a smile;
If your weeping wift, not raise you when you're down,

Try a smile.

If a stolid countenance divance,
Will not help your cause advance,
Thaw a bit and take a chance—

Try a smile.

If a scowl don thake your neighborhood respect you,
Try a smile:
If an everlasting grumble don't protect

Dash away that childish tear. Check that sob, it's bad to hear; Spread your mouth from ear to ear— Try a smile.

if you've had to let some stronger fellow beat you.

Try a smile:
Let him know it takes two lickings to defeat you.

Try a smile.

Make him clearly understand you don't bear the coward's brand;
Make him show his strongest hand.

Try a smile.

if they've told you you are going to the fidnes.

Try a smile:

Don't go cutling any desperation didoes.

Fry a smile.

When you've been so knocked about That you're nearly down and out.

And are scheduled for a pout,

Try a smile.

If your very utmost efforts didn't work,

Try a smile;

Though you feel that it must be a sickly
smirk,

smirk,

Try a smile,

Show the world that you can do it;

Send a giggle gurgling through it;

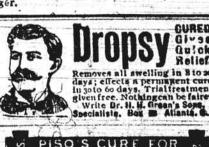
Don't go get a rag and chew it—

Try a smile.

Baltimore American.

BALD AND BEARDLESS. "Yes," said the barber, "old men and boys are easily flattered." "Yes?" queried the occupant of the

"Yes: you can usually flatter an old man by asking him if he wants a hair cut, and a boy by asking if he wants a shave."--Philade phia Public Led-







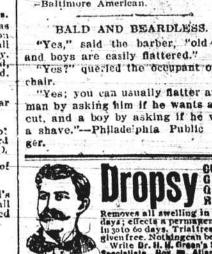
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it was to enjoy t night's rest and arose in the morning feel ing tired and unrefreshed. My suffer ang sometimes was simply indescribable When I finished the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills I felt 20 like a different wo-

all other annoying difficulties."

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Then the mean rides out on the blooder.

above.
Breasting the cleud-billows tree, watching the country of the pines. With the ever-urgent sea:
Sliedding a believe of light, As the muses the while, merrity. Glancing down with silvery smile on the brief, highly of the stately pines.

And the all-computing sea. Ald spicy since and wide, deep sea. The fey convention distills for me. The fragiance of shores unknown. And the pine-clad beights of passy. Boston Transcript.

Mrs. Anderson, a prominent society woman of Jacksonville, Fla., daughter of Recorder of Deeds, West, who witnessed

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