"The day before I left Springfield I saw a bushwhacker come into town with a mule-team load of deer carcasses of the finest kind. I bought one simply to obtain the magnificent head and antlers, and all I paid for the whole business was \$3.25. There were at least two hundred pounds of the best venison included in the purchase. You could not get that head and those horns here for less than \$15. Among the other large game reported plenty and waiting for the hunter is bear. This gentle creature more particularly affects the jungles and swamps of northern Arkansas, and if an unsuspectin sportsman is going into these parts he will have to keep his eye skinned to find thoroughfares unobstructed by bruin. The lynx. and now and then that relic of the days when the country belonged to two-legged as well as four-footed savages, the American panther, still hold as land tenure in that garden spot of the south-west, and, I am told, greet visitors after the manner of their kind. 1 never dally with game of this kind, but I know men who do, and what they say may be depended on. I went out for a rabbit hunt a few

days before I left home, and I got tired of tripping over them. That is no exaggeration, for I give you my word that they jumped out from every bunch of brush and leaves that lay in our path. After bagging all I could carry I went to shooting quail for a friend who was with me to back home. These birds actually paid no attention to the gun a all, but the flocks I shot into kept right on feeding as if nothing had happened, and rather objected to my picking up the ones I had shot. We speak of gray and black squirrels out there as you might refer to sparrows here, for they take possession of towns and villages in about the same way. "The beauty of it all is that the later

the season grows the better the weather gets, and any of you fellows can come out there New Year's and strike it right, and spend the remainder of the winter in clover. You won't be apt to see much snow. The Ozark region is the greatest country I know of, and the water out there is immense. If you want to have a good hunt come out and see me, and leave all your medicine at home."-N. Y. Sun.

The End of a Romance.

The St Louis Republican has a story showing how a romance in the life of Stauley, the explorer, came to an un-timely end through the greed of his affianced:

"During a visit to Athens." the writer says, "I don't remember what year, he made the acquaintance of a then handsome Greek girl, Virginia Ampela by name. They fell in love with each other, and as it was understood that he had some means, he had no difficulty in obtaining the consent of her parents. Everything was arranged excepting the financial part of the programme. Virginia's mother pretended to object to his going to America, and, thinking she would receive some recompense for the great loss she would sustain, proposed that Stanley deposit 50,000 francs in the National Bank in her daughter's name,

Stanley saw through the old lady' mercenary wiles and was very indig-nant. It appeared to him as if he was asked to buy her outright. Still he was confident that his Virginia would not be a party to such a transaction, and hastened to impart to her the substance of the conversation with her mother. The young lady, however, loved the explorer's money better than she did him, and had received the valuable advice of her excellent mother beforehand. She, therefore, calmly informed the ardent lover that her mother had only asked what was proper, and that her views upon the matter coincided with those of the estimable old lady. Stanley with-drew in anger, and the engagement was broken off."

Cow and Gander.

A combat between a cow and a gander is described by a newspaper of Albany, Ga. The cow made a violent attack on the gander, when, with much deliberation and coolness, the bird, as the cow rushed on him, caught a strong hold with his beak on the hair and hide between the horns and flapped his wings furiously. The astonished cow was glad to shake her antagonist off. But, after retreating a few feet and looking upon the proud neck and in-significant form of the haughty bird, she concluded to try him another round, and again dashed at the gander, who was a little more deliberate if possible in taking his hold, and, with swift and strong wings, he showered his blows on the eyes of the foe. The cow had evidently miscalculated the prowess of her diminutive enemy, and, after considera-ble effort, shook the pugnacious bird off and beat a retreat.

Fogg has conceived the idea that the original Tower of Babel was a bonnet. This shows, therefore, if he la not astray, that the fair sex had begun to make themselves obnoxious at a very early era. - Boston Transcript.

"Liberty's a hoss," remarked a slangy New York girl who was praising the statue to a Washington girl. "Yes," replied the Washington girl, who had been to the races occasionally herself. "O, yes, a dark bay hoss."

"When New-Yorkers," says a writer, "become too scientific and literary, they are apt to become, at the same time, too are apt to become, at the same time, too irreligious." At this distance it looks as if the New-Yorkers were becoming too scientific and literary.—Norristown

Advantages of the Scientific Meth-

"Give me a fulcrum," cried the ancient sage—"give me a fulcrum, and I shall move the world." "Grant me a few postulates," says the modern reasoner, "and I shall read you the riddle of the universe." An unchallengeable postulate, however, is almost as difficult to find as a stable extra-terrestial fulcrum. The scientific "spirit of the age" walks by sight and not by faith. It revels in facts. It numbers, and weighs, and measures, it catalogues and describes; it compares and classifies. To make progress among the secrets of Nat-ure its highways is experiment, and its watchword is demonstration. For any interpretation of a natural phenomenor it demands proofs that can appeal to the senses, and it looks with wholesome suspicion, if not contempt, on mere "arm-chair" speculation.
The marvelous success in advancing

knowledge, and in gaining power over the forces of Nature that has resulted from its use, is convincing evidence that the scientific method of interrogation is sound, and that it should always be adopted wherever possible. But not always possible to apply the method. The nearer we approach the region of subjective phenomena, the more difficult it becomes to test particular interpretations by an appeal to experiment. The galvanometer may reveal agitation in a sensory surface, but it tells nothing about sensation. The convolutions of a dog's brain may be tampered with, but he will not describe to us his feelings. Consciousness alone can discriminate the facts of consciousness; and the character, or succession, or relation of these can only be described in terms of metaphysic. Theories of physical relation-ship here must at first be tentative, and at the best they will require to be stated in very general terms. The argument must consist in the application of general principles; and, in choosing these, analogy balanced by common sense must be our guide. In drawing our conclusions, we may be satisfied if these can be held with some moderate degree of probability. - James Cappie, M. D., in Popular Science Monthly.

New Britain and its People.

New Britain is one of the most beautiful countries in the world. The con-tours of the lofty mountains are very graceful, and the variety of tints of the ich tropical verdure is as attractive as The dense foliage is interspersed with patches of grass of an emerald hue. At Matupi in Blanche Bay there is an active volcano, a cur ious volcanic island, and a region of hot springs. I traveled by land once from Nodup to Blanche Bay, and the heat and fatigue were more than compensated by the boanty and varied character of the scenery traversed. The New Britain people go entirely naked. They are not a fine race, and want the activity and vigor of the Solomon-Islanders. Foreigners have introduced a good many fire-arms among the inhabtants of Blanche Bay and Kambeirah, but as a rule the spear, usually adorned with brightly colored feathers, is their weapon. They build good houses and make excellent nets and ingenious fishng baskets. They are the only cannibals I know who are not ashamed of heir fondness for human flesh. A German settler told me that overtures were made to him to arrange the purchase of he body of a man who had been accidentally killed by a neighboring tribe with whom the would-be buyers were not friendly. The reason given was desire to eat what otherwise might be wasted in a commonplace interment. The curious and little understood

eeremonies of the duk-duk are extensivey performed in New Britain and the neighboring Duke of York group. One thing about them is certain, and that 18, that those who are initiated into the mysteries obtain considerable influence over the rest of their tribesmen. There is another very remarkable custom, about which I was given information by the Rev. Mr. Rooney of the Wesleyan Mission, which labors in this part of Melanesia. It may be described as fol-lows: If A injures B, B burns down C's jut, or makes a hole in his canoe, or sticks a spear in the pathway so that C is nearly sure to run against it. B lets C know that he has injured him, and the reason of it; when C is expected to settle the account with A, the first ag-gressor. On the whole the New Britain people are the least attractive of all Melanesians whom I know. They are very dirty, and do not possess the skill in fashioning pottery, or carving wood-en bowls, of their neighbors in the Solomons and the Admiralty Islands.— Captain Cyprian Bridge, in Popular Science Monthly.

Gen. Belknap's Peculiar Toe.

A party of old soldiers stood on the platform of the panorama of Bull Run the other day, discussing an anecdote I told recently of the idiosyncrasics of Stonewall Jackson, and a famous exconfederate remarked:

"I saw a good deal of Gen. Jackson before and during the war, and noticed his peculiarities as every one else did. I have heard him assert that his right leg was hollow and his left leg solid. He used to imagine that he could feel his blood passing down the cavity, and if it had been any other man I would have

"I'm the other man," responded Gen.
Belknap, who stood by, "for I never take a glass of Burgundy without feeling it run down inside my leg to my

"And I know a man," observed another, "who cannot take even so much as a glass of beer without feeling a numbness in his arm from his wrist to his elbow."

"Sam Randall," said a third, "always has a swelling of his ankles whenever he takes wine of any sort, but that's gout, of course."

"And I know a great many men," continued a fourth, "who cannot take a drink of whisky without feeling it in both legs, but I never thought there was anything strange about it. - Cor. Chicago News.

The Birthplace of Abraham.

Not far from Aleppo is situated the little town of Orfah (the ancient Ur of the Chaldees) which is of great historical interest, it having been the birth-place of the patriarch Abraham. There are few Jews in the place, but the Arabs still point out a small building lying outside the town which they declare to be the house wherein Abraham first saw the light, and which they therefore term Belt el Chalil (the house of the

his jaw drapped an' flingin' de no count apple er way he says, says he:
"'Mister, please, sah, gin me one mo' an' I'll take der littles' one I ken fine.'
"'Oh, no,' says de man, 'yer can't hab no mo'. Dar wuz er time when yer could er got er good little one 'stead o' er big bad one, but dat time is past.' Better think er bout dat, my son, fur one o' dese days it mout be too late fur yer to take er leetle one."—Arkansase friend of god). It is most improbable that the actual house should have stood for thousands of years; but the building in question is of great antiquity. By its present owner, an Arab peasant, as well as by the Arabs generally, it is held in the utmost veneration—the more so since it is feared that within a few years it will fall to the ground .-Jewish Chronicle.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES. of Interest Gathered from Variou

Quarters.

After thirteen years' litigation an Albany estate has realized 85 cents apiece for the heirs. The lawyers got about \$11,000

come difficult, the doctors have successfully performed tracheotomy. He is doing American potatoes are scarce in Chicago

The Crown Prince's breathing having be-

and thousands of sacks are being imported from Rotterdam. A recent assignment was 2,500 sacks.

At Adrian, Mich., an epidemic of typhoid fever has broken out in the State Industrial Home for Girls, and thirteen or fourteen are already sick.

The charities of London last year amounted to \$22,000,000. They were devoted chiefly to religious purposes, \$5,000,000 being on foreign missions. The gilded dome of the Massachusetts

State House is said to be settling, and it is feared that it will be so much weakened that it will have to be taken down. The Commercial Printing Company, of Chattanooga, Tenn., W. T. Burkam,

Chattanooga, Tenn., W. T. Burkam, president and general manager, pulishers of the Daily Commercial, have failed. As sets are given at \$43,928 and liabilities a \$25,933.

Australia has sent to this country for bees with which to fertilize clover blo and to make possible the growth of that grass in the country. A large shipment of bumble-bees is to be made from Kentucky next summer.

Four frame dwellings at Kutztown Pa., were totally destroyed by fire early yesterday morning, and John Hopp and his daughter, aged 15, and a son aged 9 years, were burned to death.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, Governor General of Canada, will succeed the Earl of Dufferin as Governor General of India at the end of the present year. Lord Stanley of Preston, will be Lord Landsdowne's successor.

Secretary Fairchild has ordered the New York collector to seize the yacht Marion for filibustering on the coast of Cuba. The yacht has just returned from a pleasure cruise and it is said that the Secretary is the victim of a joke.

Miss Lewie M. Boyce, of Plainview, Neb., a school teacher, who lay on the prairie all night during the recent blizzard, with three of her pupils, all of whom died in her arms, has had both feet amputated. Her left arm is badly deformed by large pieces of flesh dropping off, but her physician says it will probably not be necessary to amputate it. sary to amputate it.

Sixty shares of Baltimore and Ohio Rail road stock sold in Baltimore yesterday at 95. This is the lowest figure reached for a number of years and it said to result from the probability that the road may not declare a dividend for several years to come. It is thought that the shares will go still lower.

The city council of Spartanburg has appropriated \$1,000 for the entertainment of the military encampment provided Spartan-burg be selected. This will be heavily in creased by private subscription if necess A choice camping place will be provided, tents puched and all arrangements made at the expense of the Morgan Rifles.

A big collision occurred on the Georgia railroad, at Bonesvill, thirty-three miles from Augusta, yesterday morning, between and east-bound through and west-bound way freight. Both engines were thrown off the track and struck a third locomotive on a siding and badly damaged it. All three locomotives are damaged, but nobody was hurt.

The Draper Colliery at Gilberton, Pa. has resumed operations on the same terms as the William Penn Colliery. Preparations are also being made for the resump-tion of work at Kehly Run Colliery. Superintendent Williams has notified the em-ployes of Shenandoah City Colliery that if sufficient number of them desire to begin work again the company will guarantee them protection.

A bill is now pending in Congress to appropriate \$300,000 to furnish the post offices of the country with a machine to detect the weight of gold and silver coin.
The machine is a balance with a long arm containing graduted slots, which determine containing graduted siots, which determine accurately the weight, diameter and thickness of standard gold and silver United States coins. Any coin below the least legal weight is readily detected.

The Negro Minister to Liberia.

The Hon. Charles H. J. Taylor, LL.D. United States Minister and Consul General United States Minister and Consul General to Liberia, Africa, whose-salary is \$5,000 a year, has recently honored us with his views on several points. He says: "I am opposed to a black man's being called colored. Black is the absence of color. If we are anything we are negroes. I am a negro and don't wish any man to call me colored. I was born a slave and com-menced as a bootblack. I lived in Savan nah eighteen years ago, though a native of Alabama. I am only 31 years of age and am the youngest diplomat in the service. I wish to say that the negro has been moved almost solely by emotion or passion, but he will gradually learn better. Again, the negro is naturally happy, and spends his last five cents as if he were a millionaire. last five cents as if he were a millionaire. I am afraid that the tendency with my race is to imitate the vices of whites and shun their virtues. Tell the readers of the Religious Herald to treat the negro fairly and throw him on his own resources. If he can't hoe his own row and tote his own skillet, let him go to the wall. Liberia is the richest country I ever saw, but negroes raised here can't live there. The failure of Liberia does not prove the negro incapable of self-government. The best ne-groes have not been sent there. There are oly 2,375 voters in all Liberia, and 1,333

only 2,375 voters in all Liberia, and 1,333 of them hold offices."
That is what Mr. Cleveland's minister to Liberia tells us, but he may be mistaken on some points.—Richmond Religious Herald.

A Bit of Philosophy.

An old negro, observing the greediness exhibited by a white boy, said: "Come heah er minit, mer son, an lemme tell yer er little story." The boy

approached and the negro continued: 'One day dar wuz er boy bout yer

size gwine along de street. He come ter er sto' whar dar wuz er bar'l o' apples, an' he says, says'he, 'Mister, gin me er apple?' De sto' man looked at him er minit an 'plied:
"'Think yer ken take jes one?'

" 'Yas, sah.

"'An' yer won't take but one?"
"'No, sah.' "'Wall, go ter de bar'l dar an' git yer

one."
"De boy hopped up ter de dar'l an'
gunter fumble er mong de apples, han'lin' fust one an' den de under, ter git der
bigges' one. Arter er laung time he
tuck de bigges' one he could fine an' hopand as won fram de har'l ar gigglin', an' ped er way frum de bar'l er gigglin' an' er grinnin' case he had beat der man, but when he stuck his teeth in de apple he foun' dat all de inside wuz rotten. Den his jaw drapped an' flingin' de no count

BRIC-A-BRAC.

OUR CHOICE.

Some boys like the maiden with saucy blue Or fancy the girl with gold hair; ome chaps like the lass of diminutive size, Or maiden with a scholarly stare;

ome youths are quite partial to tender young dears

young dears
Or beauties who weightily crash;
But men are convinced through the know-

There's naught like the girl with the cash.

The telephone operator has a perpetual

For weighs that are dark commend us

The cold wave flag carries a black lozenge in the centre. This is for bronchitis.

A sailor is a lightning change man. In

twinkling he can turn into a hammock

The mathematician's favorite season is

the sum-mer. The milkman's is the spring.

Song of the emancipated debtor-"Wo

"Man wants but little here below." But

ne gets it below zero too often for comfort.

rate of ten are the ones from whom the safe combination should be kept.

A Greek wedding ceremony lasts all day.

The duration of the divorce ceremony isn'

The coat-tail flirtation is the latest.

young lady remarked when she left some thing on the plate "for manners."

in silence is better than she who maketh i

it often leaves undone those things which i should have done.

"Don't dance" young men should par-take of "hop bitters." It might lubricate their limbs a little.

It is a great honor to be a rear admiral

There is a certain corset factory that

See that your animals are made comfort-

Of all dark traits that disfigure the hu-

An investigator has come to the conclu

sion that women have a larger proportion

The girls have formed a "kiss trust

and now the boys are talking of prosecuting

them under the law which prohits the fore

"Oh, very beautiful are little girls,

So John G. Saxe wrote years ago,

And John G. Saxe was right.

And pleasing to the view; Their rosy cheeks and clustering curls

They're prettier when they're big.

Wife—O, doctor, Benjamin seems to be vandering in his mind! Doctor (who knows

Benjamin)—Don't trouble about that; he

The age of a tree is determined by the

number of its rings, but it is not safe to apply this rule to the bejewelled overripe

Sometimes it is hard to tell whether

man is firm in principle or simply obstinate, out the man himself never expresses any

It was the young tailor who said, referr

ng to a rival for the affections of a young

When you see two dogs growling and getting ready to fight, remembe, that it is

only a joint debate, and the liveliest dog will get away with the joint.

"Yes," said Smith, "when the United States gives away lands to railroad corpo-rations it sinks to the level of a colporteur."

A girl who weighs one hundred and

twenty pounds and has thirty thousand dollars in her own right, no matter how

homely, unattractive or cross-tempered she may be, is worth her weight in gold.

"What is your employment?" asked his Honor of a prisoner arraigned for vagrancy the other day. "Walking, sir." "Where do you walk?" "Well, that's according to which way the policeman is coming from."

Physician (to patient)--Your case is

very serious one, sir, and I think a consul-tation had better be held. Patient (100

sick to care for anything)-Very well doctor; have as many accomplices as you

"I began with nothing," boasted a mil-lionaire who had made his money in crooked ways. "And that is the condition

in which you have left those who dealt with you," was the blunt response of a

It is said that women are not naturally financiers. This is just about as true as the statement that all crows are white. Hand a five-dollar bill to the fair occupant

of a bazaar at a church fair, and see how much change you get back. O no, women are not financiers! O no!

A beautiful girl in San Francisco has

been sound asleep for seventy-three days. Well, don't fool with her, boys. These pretty girls turn out to be mighty wide

awake sometimes when their eyes seem to

"Come and dine with me today, Grind

come and dine with me today, Grindstone," said Kiljordan, "the bill of fare will just suit you. "Calves brains is the principal dish." "I'll come, Kiljordan," said Grindstone, "in order that you may have one man at the table who can eat calves' brains without making a cannibal of himself."

A lady sent a luxurious easy-chair back

to the factory three times to have the seat made "a little softer," then "a little harder,"

Take a teaspoonful of English,

A modicum of Dutch,
Of Italian just a trifle,
And of Gaelic not too much;

Some of Russian and Egyptian, Add them unto the whole,

With just enough to flavor
Of the lingo of the Pole.
Some Cingalese and Hottentot,

A suspicion, too, of French, Of native Scandinavian

A pinch of Japanese,
With just as much of Ojibbeway
And Turkish as you please.
Now stir it gently, boil it well,
And if you've decent luck
The ultimate residuum
You'll find is Yolapuk!

A pretty thorough drench; Hungarian and Syrian,

'How is that?" asked Jones. becomes a tract distributor."

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bystander.

of himself.

did not fit.

be able to cut him out.

And goodly to the sight,"

Quite beautiful are little girls,

I like to see. Don't you?

and yet the dullest prig

Will willingly agree with me

Yes, very beautiful are little girls.

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turns out two corsets a minute. This is a striking illustration of haste making waist

laps in a very short space.

the zero point.

of brown eyes than men.

stalling of necessaries of life.

Thousand-dollar clerks who live at the

lo not sneak as we pass by.

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the coal scales.

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tart reply.

The New York Star gives the following statement touching the new Civil Service

NEW CIVIL SERVICE RULES

"The new Civil Service rules seem to meet with general approbation. Those who consider themselves the particular champions of the new system express their satisfaction with the specific penalties pro-vided for violation of the laws regarding political pressure and partisan assessments in Government offices. But the execution of these provisions will merely enforce enactments that are already very specific, and, in fact, the rules consist mainly of a condensation of the statutes. As long as these statutory provisions exist, their rigid enforcement can cause no surprise.

"Practical men will welcome most of the new matter in the revised rules. The limitations of age are changed so as to abolish the absurd provision that prevented abolish the absurd provision that prevented persons over 45 years old from competing for positions, while the age of eligibility is raised to 26 years, in order that mere schoolboys may be no longer employed to the exclusion of citizens of voting age. The standard of eligibility is raised from 65 per cent. to 70 for all except veteran soldiers and sailors, and the veterans are favored in many other ways in all competitions. A most important, and beneficial titions. A most important and beneficial change is the one conceding to appointing officers the absolute right to reject nomi nees of the Civil Service Commission. The former practice in this matter was of questionable constitutionality, and the return to sound methods will go far to remove the objections of friends of good govern-ment to Civil Service administration. "In the Post Office the age for letter car-

wrinkled coat-tail bearing dusty toe marks means, "I have spoken to your father." "That remains to be seen," is what the riers is raised from 16 to 21 years as a minimum, and from 35 to 40 years for the The woman who maketh a good pudding maximum; and for general employes the minimum is advanced from 16 to 18 years, and the 45-year barrier is abolished, as in One hundred and eleven years must other departments. The list of officers exempted from Civil Service classification is clapse before the next row of three figures will stand in line to designate the year. made definite, and is increased by the ad-dition of chief clerks and heads of di-When a fire in a kitchen stoye goes out visions; and in many other ways the ten-dency of the new departure is to render The dog is not much of a pedestrian, Civil Service reform more acceptable to but he can make an unlimited number of the people.'

Talked With Her Dead Husband.

A North Adams, Mass., special to the New York World says: "Mother is dead: come at once," was the message telegraphed by Dexter M. Bishop, of Readsboro, Vt., a few days ago. The message had to be contradicted, for Mrs. Lois M. Bishop, aged 86, had not died. After lying unconscious for hours, she revived and to-day is apparently restored to her former health. Mrs. Bishop says that while she was unconscious she heard a voice say, "Mother," and she recognized it as the voice of her eldest son, Franklin Sylvester, able when the mercury is playing about who died fifty years ago. She also recognized the voice of her husband, who died thirty-five years ago. He asked her what she wanted, and if she was coming to him, and she replied, "Yes, William, I have been in great affliction."

After having seen and talked with her dead husband and son, the old lady says she doesn't want to live any longer, but wants to go to them. She has no doubt There is nothing under the face of the sky that can be quite so stuck up as a sheet of postage stamps when it tries to.

wants to go to them. She has no doubt that it was heaven where they were, with all its glories and brightness. Just before she was laid on her bed her hands became purple and the coloring crept nearly up to her wrists, and then nearly the whole length of her arms. Her feet became icy cold and the same purple coloring began to show in the body. While this discolora-tion was taking place, Mrs. Bishop called each of her three daughters, her son, Dexter, her son-in-law, Truman Greenslet, and her ten grandchildren and gave them a farewell message. Soon after she was dead, to all appearances, and the fact of her death was communicated to the neigh bors. The story of her coming to life reached the village of Readsboro, and curiosity seekers are coming in force to see

Why He Voted for Lamar.

Senator Standford, of California, has written the following letter to a constituent who asked his reasons for voting for the the United States Supreme Court:

"Your letter asking my reasons for voting for Lamar received. I voted for him

because I considered him one of the best men in the South for the place. my judgment, a broad, liberal-minded man, of a great deal of learning. He was professor of law in the University in Mis-sissippi. I think he is a thoroughly converted Unionist, and I do not think it wise to reject any one on the ground alone that they were engaged in the late rebellion. I think that we want to be one people, po"ti-cally and socially. Gen. Grant expressed the idea when he said: 'Let us have peace.' ''Lamar's loyalty and integrity to the

"Lamar's loyalty and integrity to the Union was passed upon most conclusively when both houses of Congress provided for the succession to the Presidency and made him an heir, only a few removes from the Presidency. I am reluctant to find myself not in harmony with all the Republican Senators, but it was a case, so far as my action was concerned entirely far as my action was concerned, entirely for my own judgment and conscience, and I voted accordingly.'

A Beautiful Girl's Sad Fate.

BALTIMORE, February 7.—A pitiful spectacle was presented at the Southern police station this morning when a patrolman led in a beautiful girl, apparently not more than 18 years old, and so scantily clad that she had been found nearly frozen to death, huddled in an unused ash cart in an alley. From the wild stare in her black eyes and her strange actions it was evident that she her strange actions it was evident that she was insane. Her black hair hung down her back and the drizzling rain on it had matted it and frozen. Her scant calico dress was covered with sleet and her feet were almost bare. No one knew her. She did not appear to be a vagrant, but was likely a stranger here.

stranger here.

At times there was a gleam of intelligence in her beautiful face and then she would talk to those about her. Once she said her name was Maggie and that her busband was an army officer who had a pension of \$3,000 a year. It is not believed that she is a married woman. The police are trying to find her friends. She appears to be refined. During her insane wanderto be refined. During her insane wanderto be renned. During her insanc wanderings she frequenty exclaimed, "Oh, my brain," and putting her hand to her head seemed trying to force her mind to respond to the questions asked as to her

A Novel Bet.

A novel bet was lately decided in a restaurant in Philadelphia. A gentleman asserted that the majority of men did not know what they were drinking, and offered to bet that he could confound anyone so that he could not tell water from whisky. and so on. Finally it suited her exactly, and she paid for it. The chair seat had not been touched. This is the way our mothers fooled our fathers when their shirts that he could not tell water from whisky. One of the party accepted the wager and the preparations began. The man was first blindfolded and then a number of glasses, containing water, milk, whisky, sherry, claret, Rhine wine and gin, were set out on the bar. They were handed to the blindfolded man one at a time and he was told to name the liquor after tasting it. He got through the list bravely until he came to the gin, which he called port wine. Then the man started him back, but it was soon very evident that his palate had been Then the man started him back, but it was soon very evident that his pelate had been knocked silly. He called milk water, and finally was forced to admit that all the liquors tasted alike and that he had lost his

THE BRUTAL WHITE CAPS.

A Man Who Went Against Their Wishe Whipped Nearly to Death.

EVANSVILLE, IND., Feb. 5.—A report has reached this city of a dastardly outrage by White Caps, committed on Friday night near Marengo, Howard county, Ind. In that locality reside Thomas Williams and wife, who were subjected last year to great indignities, so it is said, at the hands of the White Caps. At the time Williams claimed to have recognized among his as of the White Caps. At the time Williams claimed to have recognized among his assailants a prominent young man, Thomas Courtney, Jr., the son of one of the leading physicians of the county. He immediately sought the arrest of young Courtney, who, fearing trouble, left for parts unknown. Nothing further was heard of the young man though it transpires that the young man, though it transpires that he had located with his father at Fort Scott, Kansas, and a telegram from that point yesterday announced that he had been arrested upon a requisition from the Governor of Indiana and was back in Crawford county. This news seemed to have enraged the friends of the young leader and they determined to wreak their yengeance on Williams, who was supposed to have encompassed the arrest of Court

Reports received state that they went to his house last night at a late hour and de manded admittance, which was refused, when they broke down the door just as Williams fired three shots into the crowd from his revolver. It is not known if any one was hurt, but it seemed to infuriate the masked men, who proceeded to tie Mrs. Williams to the bedstead and took Williams into the yard, where he was bound to a tree. They then told him that they had come for his written and sworn statement exonerating Courtney from all participation in the crime charged against im and that his refusal would result in his being put out of the way. Though thus intimated, he refused to do it, and their leader ordered that he should be flogged until he agreed to sign the state

He was therefore stripped and bound losely to the tree, with his face turned inward. The lash was applied vigorously bringing the blood for some moments when the head of the poor man was no ticed to fall backward, and it was ascer tained that he had fainted. At that mo ment the sound of approaching horsement caused the miscreants to decamp. Wil liams was cut down and the usual reme dies applied, but he failed to regain con

dies applied, but he falled to regain con-sciousness, and at last accounts was re-ported in a dying condition. The White Caps made good their escape.

The wife states that during the parley with her husband in the yard, and while she was fastened to the bed, one of the miscreants would have subjected her to grosser indignities had he not been provented by a companion. The outrage i said to have aroused that section of coun try, where a very strong feeling has sprung up against White Caps, against the repeated crimes of the

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