THE MEN WHO LOSE.

Here's to the men who lose! What though their work be e'er so nobly planned

And watched with zealous care, No glorious halo crowns their efforts grand Contempt is failure's share,

Here's to the men who lose! If triumph's easy smile our struggles greet, Courage is easy then; The king is he who, after flerce defeat,

Can up and fight again. Here's to the men who lose! The ready plaudits of a fawning world

Ring swe-t in victor's ears; The vanquished's banners never are un-For them there sound no cheers.

Her 's to the men who lose! The touchstone of true worth is not success; There is a higher test-

Though fate may darkly frown, onward to

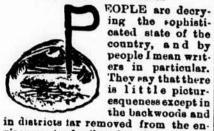
And bravely do one's best.

Here's to the men who lose! It is the vanqu shed's praises that I s.r. And this the toast I choose; hard-fought failure is a noble thing. Here's luck to them who lose."

An Unusual Burglary.

-George H. Broadhurst.

BY MARY R. P. HATCH.



vironments of railroads and electricity, and that dislect peculiar to each locality is being flattened into monotone by the omnir resent schoolmaster, who, they complain, has his way far too much in this proudly new world of ours. But if this be true, as a whole, there are delightful exceptions. A carriage drive of a few hours, or the whirl of one's bicycle an hour, brings one to the home of folk lore and provincialism capable of causing ecstatic thrills in the heart of the dislect-mon-

Such were my thoughts as I alighted from my wheel at nightfall, one cold autumnal day, and rapped (there was no bell) at the door of a low browed cottage, behind which clumps of bu-hes shut off the horizon and seemed to narrow the world down to the little house, the yard, and myself, with a heavy heart, standing before it, steadying my wheel, for I was tired.

Presently an old lady came to the door. Her comfortable, rotund form and mild blue eye but decided chin impressed me with instant respect, while the inborn ladyhood of her nature was evidenced by her courteous greating and invitation to enter.

"Do you ever keep travelers over night?" I inquired after a decent interval had elapsed.

"We do and we don't," she replied; "but you can stay in welcome. Sit up and est with me if you hain't had no supper."

"I baven't," was my reply; and presently the old lady and I were discussing her homely but toothsome supper, and doing it ample justice in the way of testing its qualities; at

"My husband has gone to town," remarked my hostess, "and if you hadn't come I should a ben here all alone to-

Would you have been afraid to

spend the night alone?" "Oh, no! But to-night I feel difrunt, for, you see, at

to lift the mortgage. It's two hundred and thirty-three dollars an' one cent. That last cent I got by selling an aig," she said with a happy laugh, "and now it's altogether 'twixt the straw bed and feather bed in my room; and husband, he's gonter pay it off to morrer-if he lives," she added, with the reverence felt by the old who have seen so many hopes fade and friends die that they never dare to speak even

of almost certainties without an "if." "But are you not unwise to speak of your money to a stranger?" I asked as

"Oh, no!" she said, laughing pleasantly, "I know an honest man when I see him, and I was glad the minute 1 see your face and knowed that you wanted to stay all night. 'Taint likely anybuddy would steal from me but stragglers. One has been seen 'round, and I feel a little mite uneasy.

My hostess and I spent a pleasant evening together. She showed me many an heirloom which had been handed through five generations from an ancestor who had been a great man in colonial lays. There was a silver punch bowl and a gold snuff box, either worth more than the sum treasured so carefully in the owner's bed; but I suspect she would have parted with her life as quickly as with either of them.

"They are Jameses," she said, "or will be when husband and I are done with them. James is my nephew, and he's out to Chiny now. He's had lots of pullbacks, James has, or he'd helped us. But you look tired, Mr. -"
"Bradley."

"Mr. Bradley, you look zif you doughter be to bed. I'll light you up." Ascending the short flight of stairs. I learned that my room was exactly over the old lady's "settin" room, as she called it. There was a sort of register over it, through which the warmth straggled agreeably enough. How-ever, I should have closed it had not a sense of the old lady's unprotected and the old lady pushed the dishes situation impressed me, and so 1 retired to bed and dreamland, where I give him a better chance to write. wandered lazily until awakened by

voices beneath. Evidently the first word had roused me, for as I sat up in bed, wide awake | feather bed if I wanted?" in an instant, I heard the old lady say in a matter-of-fact tone-

"Good-evenin'. Set up to the stove and warm ye.

Peeping through the register, I saw a ragged, unkempt man creep toward the stove. blinking uneasily. He had the stove, blinking uneasily. come up the cellar stairs, not through the outside door, which sufficiently evidenced his predatory intentions.

However, had the old lady's visitors always made their entrances through the cellar she could not have been more at ease than she appeared now as she bustled about, setting him a chair, putting wood into the stove, and otherwise mystifying her midnight caller by

her careless, friendly manner.
Admirable as was her acting, I knew that she had not dared to retire; and while regretting that I had not suspected her intentions, it now seemed wisest to remain where I was unless she should need n.y assistance, as she probably would very soon, I reasoned. Cocking my partol and otherwise preparing myself for the emergency, I sat down on the floor, where I could watch the couple without myself being seen. "It's turrible cold out for a fall

night, ain't at?" "Yes, it is," said the man.
"Wall, jest set here by the stove while I set the teapot for and git you somethin kinder warmin. Mebbe you're hungry, too," she added.

'Mebbe I be." "Wall then, I'll set onto the table somethin' to est," she said, moving about the room with a pleasant, bustling movement which must have filled the burglar with wonder, as it did me. 'There now," she remarked at length, "set right up and make yourself to home. Mebbe you'd like to wash, though. I'll git you some warm water outer the teakittle."

"'Iwould seem good. I hain't washed for a week," he replied. "I wanter know! Ben trav'lin' and hain't had no chance, most like. Here's the soft sosp, and there's a cake o' hard I keep for comp'ny."

"I'll use the comp'ny soap," said the man with a sardonic laugh. And then he sat down to the table. He must have eaten ravenously, for where I sat I could see his elbows working rapidly, while his hostess remarked voluntarily, -

"Poor cretur! How hungry you be!"

"It's the first square meal I've had for six weeks," he said with his mouth

"I wanter know!" And rising, his hostess brought from the pantry a plate of cold meat and set it before him.

But at last the meal was ended, and the couple sat down by the stove on opposite sides, she with her knitting, and he fingering uneasily his old har.

"Say!" he broke forth at last in the midst of some friendly inquiry regarding the state of the roads. "Quit your foolin'. You know what I've come for. It's that money you've got hid in your bed."

"How do you know I've got any there?" she asked, without a quaver in her voice.

"I see you pack it away just before your husband left. Then I crept into the cellar when you went to see him off, and here I be come for it. I've ben hid there six hours. Come, hustle round, old lady, and fetch it out, or I shall have to git it myself."

"I know better." "Know better?"

"Yes. I know you ain't no sech kind of a man as to steal from an old woman like me. You are too much of

a man." "I be, be I? Wall, I guess not! You won't never miss it, and it would

be the making of me." "How long you sp'ose me and Josiah's ben gittin' that together to

lift the mortgage?" paid for?"

"No, and we've ben twenty years a scrapin' together two hundred and thirty-three dollars and one cent. You see Josiah's lame and can't earn much, and I ain't so smart as I was once, and we haf to live. The times got hard jest the wrong time for us. We used to have enough, and so we used to take a child from the poorhouse every five years and fetch him up. Four of 'em we got started, and all smart children, every one, and dreadful good to me and Josiah.

"Why don't they help you?"
"They're jest beginnin' to do for theirselves, and we don't want 'em to. James is in Chiny, Eben's workin' his way through college, Philaster's clerkin' down to the Corner, and Horace's jest married and come in debt for a little place of his own. Can't you get no work?"

"No, I can't. I've tried for weeks. and tramped miles; but nobody wants a tramp when there's them they know

ready to work."
"That's so. I see how 'tis. I wish could do for you, but I don't see how I can. I s'pose I might lend you our sick money."

"sick money?" "Yes. We've always kept laid away fifty dollars to bury us with, whichever goes first, Josiah or me; but we don't like to speak it right out, and so we call it 'sick money.' I could lend

you that." The man did not reply at first, but after awhile said in a strangely altered tone:

"Do you really mean that you would lend me that money with the expoctation of getting it back?" "Yes, I would. I think if you can

get work you will pay it back sure. "Maybe you'd like a not for it."
"Of course! I 'most forgot that. Here's the ink bottle and Josiah's pen and a half sheet of paper that's scurcely got a mark on't. Set right here.'

"You know, don't you, that I could take the whole of that money you've got hid between the straw bed and

"Yes, but you won't, because you

poor old creturs when you can borry

"That's so, I be. You shall have that money back if I live, old lady, and int'rest too, I promise ye. I feel like a man ag'in, and it's you that

"Oh, no! You was a man afore, but kinder unfortunate, that's all." "Well, here's your note. I've wrote it to pay in a year's time, if that will

"It will, 'less one of us should die, and then 'twouldn't be as if we hadn't got that note to show.'

The man laughed a laugh of amusement and relief. I watched him as he went to the door, and this time his head was up and his shoulders were square. In listening to the colloquy I had entirely forgotten or overlooked the fact that I had constituted myself the guardian of the old lady's slender fortune. What to do I did not know. The man seemed anxious to pay the borrowed money, and she was ready to trust him. Perhaps I would better let the matter rest as it was, and in case he did not return to pay it in a year pay it myself as a fine for my negligence, which would then have been proved culpable.

When I descended, which I did as soon as the man had been gone several minutes, I found the old lady to be very nervous.

"Why!" she said, starting to her feet in alarm at my entrance, "I clean forgot there was anybuddy in the house but me."

"So you wish I had come down before and prevented the loan you made?"

"No, I pitied the poor cretur' so. He'll pay it back if he can, and if not it'll be jest another orphan we've helped. Most like bein' so old, both of us up'ards of seventy, we shan't do for no more as we have done, and we shall git buried some way."
"Don't worry. If he doesn't pay it

I will," was my reply.
"You needn't think nothin' about it. I've saved the morigage money and given a man a list on the road to heaven, and I'd oughter be satisfied.

I be satisfied," she said ferven ly.
"And you have reason to be," I said. We did not go to bed, either of us, and in the morning I returned to the

But I did not forget the old lady nor the burglar. I felt convinced that he would return the money on the exact date when the note was given, if at all, and accordingly, in just one year, I made it convenient to visit the old lady at her residence.

This time I was so fortunate as to see her husband, and I immediately discovered that he was just such another guileless person as herself. They were expecting the man to pay the note, and it lay ready for him on the mantel when I entered.

Sure enough, at ten o'clock a firm, stalwart man walked up to the door, where the old lady met him with a cordial grasp of the hand.

"You did git work," she said. "Yes, I did, and it was you that saved me from crime. I had tried every way to find something to do until that night, and the fifty dollars put me on my feet square and firm. I got a chance in a shop where I got good pay, and here's the money and the interest.'

"The interest! I didn't ask you no interest."

"But I mean to pay it."

I do not know whether he ever heard that I was in the house that night or not. It doesn't matter. I saw him several times afterward, and he seemed both prosperous and honest, and I don't doubt that he was. The fact did not tend to make me neglect my hobby. which was that crime, when it is not a ase, is either the result of ed evil tendencies or of misfortune, and that circumstances keep and make some men honest and others dishonest. -Waverley Magazine.

Cause a Run on Thermometers.

"Extremes in the weather," remarked a druggist who handles a large line of thermometers, "either in cold or heat create a run on thermometers, and though I had a rather large stock on hand, the fall in the weather which started on Sunday last nearly cleaned me out. On Monday, I think, I sold more thermometers than on any other day that I have been in business. Ordinarily people give but little attention to thermometers, but let a very severe change come and they will have them, it matters not how much they cost. I don't exactly understand it, but it appears that many persons are more thoroughly convinced that it is very cold or extremely warm when they read their own thermometers. Another thing is that they seem to enjoy seeing the mercury go down or rise and for that reason like to have the weather measurer in their possession. Trade was exceedingly dull in thermometers, but somehow, though, they are generally bought freely at Christmas time, there were but few purchasers until about Monday last. Then it was very active." -- Washington Star.

Woman's Position in China,

A paper published at Shanghai says that "in China a woman is not her husband's companion and cannot be so, as society is at present constituted. When a young wife is introduced to a new family her husband seems to be the last person with whom she has anything to do. He would be ashamed to be seen talking to her, and if he should exchange views with her he would be laughed at by the whole

British Postal Savings.

One of the greatest bankers in the world is the British government. a bank it holds nearly \$500,000,000 in postoffice deposits payable practically on call, and pays interest at the rate of two and a half per cent. per annum to its depositors. Last year the deposits increased \$50,000,000.—San are too much of a man to steal from two Francisco News Letter.

ANNIVERSARY OF JEFFERSON. W. J. Bryan Was the Guest of

Honor.

The 154th anniversary of Jefferson's

ton by a subscription dinner given under the auspices of the National Association of Democratic Clubs. The first celebration of the anniversary of Jefferson's birthday occurred at the same hostelry, then known as the lndian Queen. I resident Jackson was the guest of honor and the occasion was made memorable by the presence of Vice President John C. Calhoun and others, Democratic leaders of that day. Wm. J. bryan, of Nebraska, the late Democratic candidate for President, was the guest of honor. Senators, Representatives and others conspicuous in the councils of the Democratic par-ty, were present. Many of them were from a distance. Covers were laid for two hundred, and a number of people were denied seats for want of space at the tables. The decorations of the rocm were simple. The columns were entwined with Southern smilax and a full-length portrait of Jefferson, draped with American flags, was hung behind the seat of Governor Black, of Fennsylvania, the president of the associa-tion. Upon his right were Mr. Bryan and Representative McMillin, who acted as toastmaster, and on the left were Senator Jones, of Arkansas; Representatives Bland, of Missouri; Lentz, of Ohio; ex-Representative Sibley, of Pennsylvania, and Andrew Lipscomb, of Virginia. Mr. Bryan was greeted with a lusty cheer as he en-tered the hall. The menu was carefully prepared and was similar to such a dinner as might have been served dur-ing Jefferson's days. The dishes were all American creations and each course, as far as possible, represented one sec-tion of the country. The dinner began promptly at 8 o'clock, an orchestra playing national airs, blended with Southern melodies to conform in sym-pathy to the spirit of the dinner. The toasts were briefly responded to except in the case of Mr. Bryan, who spoke at length to the toast, "Themas Jeffer-

BELL COMPANY WINS.

A Decision in a Suit Involving Five Million Dollars.

The Supreme Court at Washington, D. C., has denied the petition for a writ of certiorari in the case of the American Bell Telephone Company vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company to compel the Circuit Court of Appeals for the first circuit to certify the case to the Supreme Court. The case involves the question of royalties claimed from the Bell company by the Western Union company, and was originally brought in the Circuit Court for the District of Massachusetts to secure an account there of royalties. About \$5,000,000 is involved. After instituting suit the Western Union sought to have it disinvolved. missed, and after it was dismissed the Bell Company appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals when the decision of the Circuit Court was reversed. Western Union Company sought to have the case reviewed by the Supreme Court, but the opinion rendered denies this petition. This takes the denies this petition. This takes the case back to the Circuit Court for turther proceedings

It is a victory for the Bell Telephone Company, and it is said this company will at once go into the telegraph field, while the Western Union Company will be shut out from the telephone field. An expert, speaking of the possible ex-tension of the telephone company into the telegraph field, said that the new telephone wires could be used simultaneously for both telephone and telegraph service, so that the two would not conflict in the least.

PURIFYING MISSISSIPPI WATER. The Largest and Best Filter Plant in the World.

The largest, the costliest and best plant in the world has just been completed at Davenport, Iowa. Practical men, whose experience has made their opinions worthy of respectful attention, according to the Chicago Times-Herald, say that this plant really solves the water supply question for nearly all Western cities. The cost of the plant is \$1,200,000. The ten double filter shells, which contain the immediate water supply, have a capacity of 7,500,000 gallons. The water is taken from the Mississippi River at a point above any large sewage outlet, and where the river water is naturally aerated and oxidized by the presence of rapids.

STARVATION IN CHINA.

Hundreds Dying for Lack of Food. Poor Efforts.

A San Francisco, Cal., special says the natives in the vicinity of Ichang, China, are dying by hundreds of starvation. The grain crop last year was almost a total failure, and as the people exchanged their maize for rice to last them through the winter, food has been scant for a long time. Supplies are now completely exhausted and the harvest of death has begun. The offi-cials are making efforts to furnish foo for the starving people by sending in rice, but the supplies they are able to contribute are so small and the number of those in direct need is so great that little good is accomplished.

Great Loss of Cattle.

Between blizzards and high water cattle on the ranges throughout the Northwest have been having a tough time of it since the first of last winter's In several South Dakota counties the loss to stockmen will be 40 or per cert., and scarcely anywhere will it fall below 20.

Angry Depositors.

At Chicago, 800 angry depositors in the Globe Savings bank met to protest against the treatment they had received at the hands of C. W. Spalding, its president, and his fellow officers, and to devise means for rescuing, if possible, some portion of their savings which had beeen tied up by the bank's failure.

Negotiating for a New Loan. The Spanish government is negotiating with a syndicate of English bankers for a new loan, by means of which the war may be maintained in Cuba. NEWS ITEMS CONDENSED.

Southern Pencil Pointers.

Judge Harlan has allowed a writ of error in the case of Elizabeth Nobles, of Georgia, who is under sentence of birthday was celebrated Tuesday night at the Metropolitan Hotel in Washingdeath on the charge of murder, and who was to have been hanged Friday. It was represented by Mrs. Nobles counsel that she is insane.

The dead body of Charles Hoffman, a well-known and respected citizen, was found in a chapel, about four miles from Brunswick, Ga. He had shot himself through the head. He had evidently gone into the building for the purpose of committing suicide.

Governor Bloxham, of Florida, has issued a call to a national fisheries congress to be held at Tampa in January, 1898.

Forty-five thousand acres of the most valuable coal and oil lands in West Virginia have been purchased by a com-pany of New York and Pittsburg capitalists. The price paid aggregates

Up to the present the effort to elect a United States Senator in Kentucky has cost about \$75,000.

At Houston, Tex., the cylindrical process of baling cotton is again excit-ing discussion in cotton trade circles.

The losses of insurance companies a Knoxyille, Tenn., foot up \$556,250.

In the case of "Cap" Hatfield a jury at Williamson, W. Va., has returned a verdict of involuntary manslaughter for the killing of Ivan Rutherford. The latest developments in the Knoxville, Tenn., fire are that at least six persons lost their lives in the Hotel

Knox. The hotel register has not been Suit has been brought against the co-operative town company of Elizabethton, Tenn., asking for a receiver, that the property of the company shall be subjected to the payment of the

company's indebtedness, amounting to \$1,000,000. It is charged that the company was insolvent when its property was transferred to the Wautauga Land company, more than a year ago. Clinton R. Woodruff, secretary of the National Municipal League, has pre-pared a program for the conference to be held in Louisville on May th, 6th th. Among the speakers will be ex-Mayor John F. Ficken, of Charleston,

In the Criminal Court at Charlotte, N. C., Friday, Chas. Blackburn, charged with originating the fire which par-tially destroyed the Charlotte Observer building on January 2d last, was ac-

All About the North.

Elizabeth R. Tilton, the wife of Henry Ward Beecher's accuser, died on Tuesday last at her home in Brook-

A party of 91 chinamen have arrived in Montreal by the Canadian Pacific Railroad, from China via Vancouver. They are to work on the sugar planta-tions of Cuba, so sadly neglected during the past two years. The surgeons at the Presbyterian Hospital in New York are bending all their energies to save the life of Frank Hastings, a newspaper man, who for

eight days has hiccoughed at the rate of 8,640 times a day. Ice cream is being used to cure him. At Chicago, Ill., Matthias Guster, 22 years old, was shot and instantly killed

by John Formiller, his father-in-law, at the breakfast table. A company capitalized at \$2,000,000 has been formed at Minneapolis, Minn. to manufacture sugar from beets and fight the Sugar Trust.

The largest flag that ever flew from a pole will be flung to the breeze on the 27th from a staff near the Grant Monument, in New York.

Governor Jones, of Arkansas, has called an extra session of the Legislature to meet on the 28th. A Montreal Court has dismissed the action against the American Tobacco

Company, of Canada, stating that it has a right to insist that its customers shall not sell goods of any manufactur-The proposition to admit women as delegates failed in the Methodist Con-ference at Lowell, Mass., and Manchester, N. H., for lack of a three-fouths

A cyclone destroyed the town of Chandler, Okla., east of Guthrie. A dozen or more people were killed and probably 150 were injured.

vote.

Miscellaneous.

Carter H. Harrison was formalty installed as mayor of Chicago Thur day evening. He delivered a short inaug-ural address.

It is announced in London that the Venezuelean treaty will shortly be ratified.

While mass was being said in a church near Castres, France, the roof collapsed, killing seven women and one man, and injuring 30 rersons seriously.

A Boston special says: "Under favorable conditions and to the satisfaction of all concerned, the United States battleship Iowa has been given her official trial over the Cape Anne course, and under the inspection of the naval board appointed for that purpose. On the trial she made an average speed of 17 knots over the 66 mile course, exceeding her contract speed by one knot, winning \$200,00 bonus for her builders.

Washington.

President McKinley has decided that he would be unable to attend the Nashville exposition on the opening day, May 1, but will visit the exposition after the adjournment of Congress.

The President will recommend to ongress an appropriation to pay indemnity for the lynching of three Ital-aus in Louisana last August. A delegation called at the White

Iouse and invited the President to the Γennessee Centennial; if he cannot go be will start the machinery from Wash-President McKinley has been generally commended in his choice of se-

lecting the three commissioners under Act of Congress to premote bimetal-

NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA

The Duke of Leeds Will Succeed Lord

Aberdeen at Ottawa The Duke of Leeds, who will succeed Lord Aberdeen in June as Governor-General of Cana la, assumed the title and the estate of the family about a year ago on the death of the family about a year ago on the death of his father, the ninth Duke. The present Duke's name is George Godolphin Osborn, and is a second son. His elder brother died in 1861. The future Governor-General is only thirty-four years old, but has already wou a preminent nane for himself in politics. He has been in Parliament, where he sat for Lambeth. He was formerly honored with post of Treasurer of the Household, which he gave up, according to custom, when he retired from Parliament. In 1884 he married



(He is to succeed Lord Aberdeen in Canada.

La ly Katherine Francis Lambeth, a daugh-La 19 Katherine Francis Lambeth, a daugh-ter of the second Earl of Durham, and they have four pret, y ittle gir.s. The Duke, when he was in Parliament as the Marquis of Carmarthen, was the youngest memoer in the Commons, and the youngest looking un-til he grew a beard. The Duke is a popular member of the thouse of Lords, and his ele-vation to the distinguished position of Gov-ernor-General of Canada is not much of a surprise to those who know the inside works. surprise to thos. who know the inside workings of the Government,

A WET SPRING

Crops Have Been Seriously Delayed by Rains.

The Weather Bureau, Washington, has resume i publication of its weather crop builetins. In a review of crop conditions during the month of March it says: "Farming operathe month of March it says: "Farming operations have been retaried by wet weather in
the States of the central valleys, and the season is somewhat brokward generally. Some
corn has been planted as far north as Trunessee and the southern portions of Missouri
and Kinsas. Farther south greater progress
has been made, planting in Texas and northern Louisiana being about completed, and
in Alabama, Mississippi and Texas the early
planted crop is up.

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"Cotton planting in Texas has progressed favorably, and some has been planted in South Carolina, but in other States of the

South Carolina, but in other States of the cotton belt practically no planting had been done up to the close of the month. In Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Okiahoma preparations for seeding are in progress.

"Winter wheat is reported winter-ki led to some extent in Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, and while the crop has sustained injury in Ohio, the outlook in that State is reported as not discouraging. The early sown in Kansas is excellent, and in Okiahoma, Arkansas an I Texas the crop is reported as promising. In Michigan and Indiana the crop has been damaged by floo is. reported as promising. In Medigan and in-diana the crop has been damaged by floo is. Spring wheat is doing well in Kansas, and preparations for increased acreage are in progress in Iow. In the D kotas and Min-nesota preparations for seeding have not yet

BANK LOOTED AT MIDDAY.

It Was at Yonkers, N. Y., and a Very Clever Piece of Work.

The Yonkers Savings Bank, one of the oldest institutions in the city of Yonkers, N. Y., was entered at noon Monday by robbers, one of whom held up the aged cashler out of the cash drawer, succeeded in making

his escape.

The bank is situated in the busiest part of the bank is situated in the bank is s the bank is situated in the busiest part of the city, only two blocks from Police Headquarters. The theft was one of the coolegt and most daring that have ever been attempted in the vicinity of New York.

Cashier Cobb, aged seventy-five, was alone in the bank at noon. A well-dressed man entered, attracted his attention by talk about husiness and gradually draw him a way form

entered, attracted his attention by talk about business, and gradually drew him away from his desk and out of sight of the door.

A man slipped in and took the contents of the cashier's drawer, \$4400. When Mr. Cobbgot back to his desk this man covered him with a revolver, concealed his leatures behind the bills he had stolen, backed out and got away before the gentle Mr. Cobb had recovered his wits. There is no trace of the robbers and no clue to their identity.

CREEKS TAKE KRANIA.

Turks Lose an Important Strategic Point in Macedonia.

The Greek insurgents have captured Krania, an important strategie point about fifteen miles northwest of Elassona, the general headquarters of the Turkish army. They pursued the defeated Turks to Cipria, only two hours' travel from Grevena.

The victory followed the occupying of Baltino, a frontier town of Macedonia, west of Elassona, to prevent the Turkish troops from advancing in that direction.

The Turkish garrison at Battino, numbering 800, was surrounded and besieged. The Turks finally succeeded on the fourth attempt in cutting their way through the insurgent lines, losing thirty men in the dash. The fighting was stubborn.

Havoc Wronght by Floods. A conservative estimate of the haves wrought by the Mississippi floods places the loss of life at 200, the number of those made homeless at 150,000, and the lamage to property at more than \$100,000,000.

in the Slocan, British Columbia, killing three

men and carrying away the head of the sorta

Snowslide Kills Three Miners. A snowslide occurred at the Corinth Mine.

Butter is highly recommended as a food for pulmonary and other invalids. Therefore, if butter is agreeable to the individual, and occasion no gastric or intestinal disorders, it would seem an important adjunct to the present dietetie treatment. Then, too, if it is an advantage in this condition, why not in other were facts are indicated?

Spools are turned and bored by a simple machine, which is said to be able to complete from 5,000 to 6,000 per bour.