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guess what those girls have done."

"I mean no one else's girls surely,"

the wife replied, a little crossly.-

"I'll just tell you, Lucy, what it is .-

Soloman, too, was some of a fogy .-

ter. A great pity, he had often said,

that it was so, but nature could not be

tortured out of her old, well worn

channels by education. Eve, he con-

nose down close to the grindstone, and

there her daughter's had relentlessly

held it, through all the long years since

Solomon believed in progression .-

He thought that the sciences might be

were to be made; that the Atlantic

would be crossed in a balloon; but

It was an up hill road to those five

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that first tragedy.

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meaning explain, Twere their lovers meetings were an Eder Twould then be but joy in unalloyed converse us! And what a triumph, too, if we

Could but coin expression its own; its patient

so sweet. could prove to him, that girls are a To hold communion of thought, with affection greet. The out-gushing sentiments which crimson the

Yes, quaffing loves nectar flowing fresh from the heart, Would ne'er from such happiness fain ever part, Aye, more! for perfect confidence to each other

And o'erflows the fountain where Cupid sips.

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BY MRS. A. M. FREEMAN. Solomon Brown had five daughters The oldest of these was twenty-six, the youngest seventeen. In some of the heathen countries it is considered a misfortune when a girl is born. Solomon Brown's mind may have been colored with this heathenism-though he owned a pew in the church, and contributed conscientiously to the donations-for he shook his head in solemn disapproval as his family increased, de-

claring that girls were, and had been since the world began, a failure. Dear little Mrs. Brown emphatically declared her skepticism as to this broad assertion, saying with some spirit, "that the girls could not be dis- engraving, and drafting, and, indeed, pensed with, and as the great Father had seen fit to create them, it must have been with the consciousness that they might be pronounced good. Of course they were good." She would just ask Mr. Brown, what there was, that might be said truthfully, in dis-

paragement of their own children? "If they were boys, Lucy," says Brown, footing up a dry goods' bill, "they would be self-supporting. If, for instance, Matilda had been named Solomon-and, you know, that name growled Solomon, without lifting his has fallen to the eldest in our family Jack will tell some of the most curious things ever heard, and make himself generally entermight have learned a trade, and would now be able, not only to care for him- Sloam's farm-eighty acres, and twenty We have undertaken to make the best magazine possible, for the little folks, as well as those who are older. Every number of Sk Nicholas will contain good reading matter for girls and boys of all ages, besides a good deal of girls and boys of all ages, besides a good deal of derestand her, that she couldn't forgive don't surely means the following surely means the follo Christmas comes but once a year, but St. Nicholas, the new inagazine for girls and boys, comes every month. It has already won the hearts of the young folks, and the little children they disappointed me."

Detsey Trotwood, though I dain the don't surely me day, and Josephi never forgiven one of my girls that they disappointed me."

"I mean no of the young folks, and the little children they disappointed me." David for not being a girl. I have da, and Josephine, and Sarah, and Flo-

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"But, my husband, there were five of dust. I've seen Josephine do the the girls you know, not counting myself, and that makes twenty dollars clinging to a fork, and Sarah wraps her Money may be sent to us in checks payable to ur order, or in Post Office Money Orders, or in travagant at all. There's deacon separately if she has vegetables to pre-Smart's Sallie paid that much for one pare. Brave farmers they will make!" Roman sash. Our girls are very handy And Solomon Brown went back to his about turning their things, and fixing prper with a scornful chuckle. them up as good as new. There were only twenty-four yards in the dears' Women were women, and women they dresses this spring-that is in the must remain until the end of the chapdress of each-while Mrs. Million used thirtyfive, and I must say that our girls'

were much the prettiest." "And would have been prettier still if they'd been made out of eight," sidered as having been a vicious sort growled Solomon, desperately footing of little body, bending poor Adam's up the accounts again.

Figures are obstinate facts. Solomon, in facing the sum total of united columns, became an obstinate man. "I tell you, Lucy, we can't go in this way, that's certain. Something must be done. Why don't they get mar-

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Solomon's radicalism didn't include the possibilities of the coming women.—

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with a husband. "Dear me, Solomon," said the little of Nazareth. wife, smiling humorously. "You forget that this isn't Utah-that there is actually no one to whom we may seal the darlings; that you, yourself, would father. They were obstinate, and quite disapprove of their going hus- when they learned his prediction as to drizzly cold rains followed by cold, band-hunting."

Now, while Solomon had been talk- ed not to fail. ing thus complainingly and confidentially, to his wife, his five unappre- Their strawberries were a success .- rain of perhaps ten minutes; but to-day ciated daughters had been listening from the next room. "The old bear," cried Matilda, the oldest, under her breath.

her blue eyes full of tears, we eat.

chine, and then-then-

papa had to make the payments on it."

"I'm sure I couldn't help that, because I had expected to get plenty of hold Jacob Slom's farm. Lucy the cause I had expected to get plenty of hold Jacob Slom's farm. Lucy the A few deer are found in this part of all of those pretty, traditional ways of home to her.

"Yes, my dears, for of course the his daughters, as it will be purchased iness. work, that I have laid out for us to do, with the profits of their farming Jacob couldn't be done in trains. I have Sloam's land.

been thinking that we had better take Jacob Sloan's farm for a year," and JANUARY MEETING 1874, STAE Miss Lucy, as she spoke, opened her BOARD OF AGRICULTURE. pocket knife and commenced whittling

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PIRE IN 1874. blessing, at least; if not exactly that, D H Wheeler M Dunham still worth being born. What say you? J W Moore H Q Stiver Will you put your names to the con- J H Gregg F A Tisdel tract? Come now, don't be cowardly, N W Welles F M Dinninny nor try to find excuses for shirking a M Stocking John Keith duty. Jacob never had five more able- H Rhodes II P Coolidge Jas M Woods. J W Holt

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And each member is urged to be in shall be self-supporting, quite inde-pendent of outside help towards gainprempt attendance at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the day above named .-Arrangements have been made for accommodation of the Board, and a room for their meetings at the hotel named, which will probably prove satisfactory

in useless beating of their white, helpless fingers against some ill-used piano keys. If they are greatly gifted with superior intelligence, they may go into the professions, if not, they will learn trades-I don't mean milliners and ss-makers, and so on-but nice little light trades, like watch-making, and heavier ones, if they have the muscle. We all have muscle. There is no ex- in the American Union, will, I am cuse that we should remain idle. The world is full of work, and I can't understand why any honest calling should State Fair a complete success.

be unwomanly. Come girls, let us go and sign the contract, which binds us "Dear me, Solomon," said the wife Lucy, in the evening, "you could never "Perhaps purchased each a new silk," eyes from his paper.
"No, indeed, not," cried the wife indignantly. "They've rented Jacob "What," cried Solomon, the paper

falling helplessly at his feet. "You happy homes. don't surely mean our girls, not Matil-The President of each County Society, or delegate therefrom duly authorized, who shall for the time being, be exeffico members of the State Board of Agriculture, for the purpose of delib-"They take possession in the morning. erating and consulting as to the wants, Jacob Sloam is to find everything, and

tural interests of the State. J. STERLING MORTON, This is the most consummate piece of humbug I ever heard of. It will be a riculture

NEBRASKA CITY, Nov. 24th, 1873.

selves the laughing stock of the neigh-DAN'L H. WHEELER, she never sweeps even, without gloves; and Flora wraps her head in a towel to afford to publish this notice for the a ticket to Indianapolis; thence via this mark. The colts must be branded breakfast things with the dish rag sake of the cause, GRATUITOSLY, are Peoria, Ills., Burlington, Iowa, known before they leave their dams, and respetfully sked to demonstrate "their as the C. B. & Q. route; thence by the August is the proper month. In order

> J. STERLING MORTON, Pres't. LETTER FROM NEBRASKA. We are sometimes heard from abroad

as witness the following, from the Lancaster, (Ohio) Gazette: PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., November 18th, 1873.

better understood, that new discoveries She was to be what she had been from their failure, they were quite determ-

their small fruits, thus recognizing the roads. true policy, that women must help each This morning was the coldest this "Poor papa," said Lucy, the youngest, other. They kept one hired man, and fall-the thermometer standing at 22 under his instructions these young la- deg. above zero, or ten below freezing up and shouted for Sheridan, for face of the iron sometimes bears the endorsed by the best authorities in our State, called, "The Constitution of the United States," Poor papa, indeed," snapped out the by Geo. 6. Williams, A. M.

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This Book contains the full text of the United States, "I do believe he best authorities in our State, and by Geo. 6. Williams, A. M.

States Constitution, with its amendments: a grudges us the bird's allowance which in the contains the full text of the United States, and by to-morrow the old settlers here tell by to-morrow the old settlers here tell was in every mouth), "What?" said I was in every mouth), "What?" said I was in every mouth), "What?" said I was in every mouth), "Constitution of the United States," but now it is warming up (noon) and by to-morrow the old settlers here tell was in every mouth), "What?" said I was in every mouth), "What?" said I was in every mouth), "Constitution of the United States," but now it is warming up (noon) and all kind of farm labor.

Old Solomon Brown's "pooh-poohs." by to-morrow the old settlers here tell was in every mouth), "Constitution of the United States," but now it is warming up (noon) and by to-morrow the old settlers of the owner's name, and was in every mouth), "What?" said I was in every mouth), "Constitution of the United States," but now it is warming up (noon) and it is famous ride and victory over Early by to-morrow the old settlers of the owner's name, and was in every mouth), "Constitution of the United States," but now it is warming up (noon) and it is famous ride and victory over Early by to-morrow the old settlers of the owner's name, and was in every mouth). grew less emphatic and he began to weather again, which they expect, Sheridan—not a word for Winchester?" such as a circular of the owner lays claim. "Bird's allowance! Josephine, I'm speak with a sort of shame-faced pride of "Our girls' place." Then when the so as exceptions, to last up to the holisure there isn't a heartier family of the work of the collaboration girls in this country than ours. No fame of these women farmers had days. Nebraska, after over a year's ments ago Thomas Buchanan Reade is stamped on the pony's hip. There Canary's portion would do for me—of traveled far, and people came from a residence, I pronounce, all things conthat I'm sure! I do think it a shame, distance to inspect personally their that five great girls, able to work as we are, should depend upon one little, in saying, "Yes sir, they are my girls." and all seem to enjoy it.

do something?"

Brown blushing, at the retraction of in large droves and wild geese and old sentiments. But theories must ducks fly over our city morning and been trying just the best that I knew fall before convictions, and well filled evening by the hundreds, and it is rare how. You know I bought the ma- wheat, fine potatoes, good corn, etc., sport to see the hunters shoot them on were more convincing to Solomon of the wing. Some of them kill as high "Well," Lucy said, laughing, "poor his daughters' worth, than volumes as five to ten wild geese in a day. The

freckles on your face, in fact—to wear the spring and Solomon will enter a the road is now leased by the C. B. & hundred and sixty acres in his own | Q. Co.; and let me say that the road is "A bloomer," the four cried together. name, which in reality will belong to well managed and is doing a good bus-

MEMBERS WHOSE TERM OF OFFICE EX-

"But what will the world say? And MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS OF OFFICE EXthen dear Lucy, you have had an offer you know. Will Frank Lawler be sat- Judge O P Mason Gov R W Furnas

J Sterling Morton. ler, instead of Lucy Brown. If I have O H Irish

> to all concerned. Business of supreme importance in regard to the State Fair for the coming year will be taken under adviseto demonstrate, by the exhibition of our soil-products, and our improved breeds of domestic animals, the fact make it a fine sheep raising country as these they founded new herds, and bethat, in proportion to its age, Nebraska, well. Already large flocks of sheep came prosperous patriarchs them-Agriculturally, is the foremost State quite certain, do all in his power to facilitate the State Board in making the

The January meeting will determine when and where that fair is to be held. It will arrange the premiums lists. It will fix the price of admission to the grounds during the Fair. It will, if fully attended by its members, they having severally given the matter that thought which its importance merits. dictate an agricultural and horticultural exposition for 1874 which shall be a glory to our soil and climate and an allurement to intelligent and industrious men everywhere, to come here and make unto themselves new and

prospects and condition of the Agricul-

President Nebraska State Board of Ag-

date I am informed is an average for There was to be a great war meeting Nebraska, so far as the weather is con- at Pike's Opera-house, in Cincinnati, cerned, and up to this date it has been | and James E. Murdock was to speak one of the most pleasant I ever expe- In the afternoon he called at T. Burienced; perhaps fifteen, certainly not chanan Reade's studio and asked if to exceed twenty days, have been cold he couldn't write something for him enough to require fire in the offices. to read that evening. We had one little skiff of snow that fell on the night of October 25ththere was not an inch of it-and by the 27th ult., it was melted and the weather delightful until one day last anything. week it blew up a squall, and nearly, though not quite, covered the ground with snow, that lay, perhaps, fifteen Grant? can't-?" minutes. The churches have been comfortable for the last two Sabbaths ing away into winter without mud, and damp, chilly days, and then freezing up your mud; but it is a continuation They gave employment to quite a num- the roads are dusty, and a week's ber of girls in the village in gathering steady rain would not make muddy

over, and I've made up my mind.— is a widow—cannot pre-empt land. If This point is one of the main cross-

Number 38.

The immigration to this State this fall has been enormous, both by wagon

The land in eastern Nebraska, and herdsman, it became the fashion to for a distance of 100 to 150 miles back, lasso the little wild horses and brand is the richest I have ever seen, and the them with marks of ownership. result is the wheat crop averaged this At present the islands is said to conseason 26 bushels to the acre; many tain about five hundred of these dimfields turning out 40 bushels per acre. inutive horses, who travel in herds-If the crop is properly saved, (as wheat | and bear the brands of verious owners. only sells for about 18 cents per bushel So methirty persons live on the islandunder Chicago prices), farmers can see and claim to own all this wild stock in at once that wheat-raising must ulti- lots or herds of from ten to 100 head. mately be profitable in this State. So, We quote from the American some too, with corn; for, in my judgment, interesting detailes respecting these Nebraska will prove to be one of the wild ponies, their habits, and their exfinest corn-growing countries in the periences: world, the soil and the seasons both being favorable. And then it makes no sort of equine autocrat—whose authordifference whether corn is gathered in ity is surpreme. In former times he the fall or not, as there is no wet fought his way up to the position of weather to hurt until the following patriarch by thrashing all his rivals, April; hence, corn can be fed to either sometimes driving them into the sea, cattle or hogs in the field during the where they were drowned. All usurwinter. Hay costs only \$3.50 to \$4.00 pers were remorselessly expelled from per ton, and during grass season cattle the herd, and if they were not killed can be pastured for the expense of they became bold bandits, and hung ment. Every earnest man who desires herding; so that cattle and hog raising about the marshes, capturing such are already profitable, and it seems to unwary females as happened to stray

> and give evidence of health to the The great day on the island is "penfarm and had \$1,000 in money, I would merly the women, as well as the men, of the river counties and buy 80 acres assist in identifying the ponies, and of prairie land, which can now be had the island beauties came because their for about from \$6 to \$8 per acre; and fathers, and mothers, and brothers, I would do so because the soil is so and lovers were there. Tuesday, the rich and deep, and running water is 15th inst., was "penning day," but only found all over the eastern part of the a few of the old ladies were in atten-State, as also innumerable springs of dance. A jaunty little sloop, crowded

pure, clear water. markets in the State. The St. Joe & They were going down to Assateague Council Bluffs road crosses the Bur- beach on a picnic excursion. One of lington and Missouri River Railroad the peculiarities of these islanders is some three miles east of here; but the their singular fondness for scarlet. bottoms of the Missouri river extend They make a red line on their boats beyond the junction on the Missouri and sloops wherever it is possible; they side, and are so low that but for the paint the panels of their cottage doors distance it would be equal to a junc- the same color, and the women greatly tion on the opposite side of the river; delight in a bright red ribbon or sean. but by some chicanery and special leg- | The girls who went to the picate on

islation, the transfer company charges | Tuesday wore white muslin dresses, 50 cents for every passenger who white sun-bonnets, scarlet sacques and crosses the Missouri, and \$10 for every red morocco mits, with long gauntlet car, so that the junction might as well | cuffs. The costume is picturesque and be at a distance of 10 or 15 miles. But pretty when seen on board a trim little time will root out some of these mo- sloop skimming over the water. nopolies, and in all conscience it is time | It may be necessary to explain what

the rooter was at work. Secretary. that region, which way to come to Ne- a brand, generally on the left hip. So [Newspapers throughout the State, braska, that I will tell your readers: many of them look alike that it would who have faith in this cause and can | Go to Columbus or Cincinnati and get | be impossible to identify them without faith by their work," and publish the B. & M. to Plattsmouth or Omaha, or to catch the colts and affix the brand same immediately and until January Lincoln. If your ticket is to Lincoln, the whole herd must be "penned." you can run up to Council Bluffs and of the river and stop at Plattsmouth.

> the Republican Valley. J. W. STINCHCOMB.

SHERIDAN'S RIDE. The great poem was written under peculiar circumstances. It was in 1864. DEAR GAZETTE.-This fall to this I tell the story as they told it to me .-

> "What, to-night" exclaimed Read. said Murdock. "But, the devil! I can't think of "What! can't think of anything about Phil. Sheridan and Sherman and

"Yes, Murdock, here's the twentymile ride of little Phil's from Harper's without fire. Think of it—a fall pass- Ferry down to Winchester, telegraphed in the Times and Chroncle this morning-I'll write about that." Then the poet took a few decoctions of strong tea, which Mrs. Reade always gives fellow plunges about and shakes his They were up early and worked late. of dry weather. Last night we had a him, and in an hour out came the ride -"Sheridan's Ride!"

That night Murdock appeared at the Opera house. He told the audience how at 4 P. M. he had met a gentlemen who said he couldn't write anything about Sheridan. (Then they all stood

There was a thunder of applause, old broken down man, for their support. Come now, Tilda, isn't it ridiculous? Don't you think that we might

"Your girls are all boys then?" said one smiling, quoting Rip Van Winkle.

"Just as good as boys," said Solomon plenty than ever known; wild turkeys ened to the patriotic, fiery Murdock as while the audience stood on tiptoehe read:

Up from the South at brenk of day,
Bringing to Winchester tresh dismay,
The affrighted air with a shudder bore,
Like a herald in haste to the chieftain's door,
The terrible rumble and rumble and roar,
Telling the battle was on once more,
And Speridan twenty miles away, etc.

There was a terrible applause, and the whole audience shouted, some with | are two and even three years old, and sewing to do, and sewing you see ___ youngest, is married to Frank Lawler, the State, and as you get back from the their hats in the air and some with "Is a drug in the market. No Tilda, but instead of her going home to him, Missouri river deer become very plenty patriotic tears streaming down their and Josephine, and Sarah, and Flora, as is the manner of the world, he came as also antelope, elk and buffalo. Our cheeks. And then Murdock was called market is now well supplied with an- out to read "Sheridan's Ride" again, a woman turning an honest penny are out of date. I've been thinking this that isn't at the head of a family—that and best selling at 15 cents per lb.

Under the homestead laws a woman telope, elk and buffalo meat, the rarest then again, and, in fact, the famous to play the guitar. She says he had it poem was the beginning and the end once when he was a child, and it nearof the evening.

The same engine at Spen cer. Mass.

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WILD HORSES IN MARYLAND.

Their Origian, Habits, and Singular History.

The Baltimere American tells us and by railroad. Not a day that more that there is a colony of wild horses or less wagons have not passed through of the pony variety in the salt marshhere; some days as high as 53 have es of Chincoteauge, an Island within been counted, and not a passenger ten miles of the eastern coast of Marytrain but brings on an average of 25 to land. These horses, it seems, have a a ful car load; and you will remember pedigree which makes up in age what that this is only one of the many routes it may lack in other qualities; for into our State. Many of these immi- tradition ascribes their origin to a grants are homesteaders with small pair of ponies imported from England means, who will go 200 miles west of by a Virginian of the F. F. V. sort. here, homestead their land, and for a some 200 years ago, but which left a year or two live in sod houses, see hard wreck in disgust and were washed times, but learn economy, and after ashore off Assateague Beach. From two seasons, if they shall have been in- these two ponies have descended the dustrious, they will be independent wild horses now carearing over the and own a farm of 160 acres of rich, sand hills in that locality. Until productive land. Another class who within the present century those have a little more means, say \$1,000 ponies were not not considered worth and upwards, after their arrival here claiming or catching, and they were stop in eastern Nebraska, buy out some allowed to graze at their own sweet one who has a farm pretty well opened will. But, as the pasture-grounds up, and then commence to live at once. passed into the ownership of a class of

Each herd is governed by a male-a me this dry climate and soil must too far from their proprietors. With

are in different portions of the State, selves. ning day," although of late it has lost If I was coming to Nebraska to some of its holiday attractions. Forstop in this (Cass) county, or some one | congregated at the Atlantic Hotel to with young girls, sailed away from the Plattsmouth is one of the best grain | wharf just before the penning began.

"penning" means. The owners of I am so often asked by letter from Chincoteague ponies mark them with

On Chincoteague Island, the square Omaha, and then run down on this side in front of the Atlantic Hotel is used for a pen, but on Assateague a large In my next I will give an account of den has been built on the shore of stout pine logs. Men and boys mount tame ponies and start out to bring in the herds. They gallop to pasture grounds, and, after much yelling, fast riding, and some little swearing, they manage to drive one of the herds down to the shore. Nearly all the houses on Chincotague are built along the sound, and the yards in front join each other, thus forming a continuous fence.

When the herds get started down the shore the riders press close after, yelling and whooping, and there is a lively chase until the avenue that leads to the pen is reached. Here a crowd of men are standing, and they "Yes, to-night, and I must have it." turn the head of the flying column into the square. Some of the ponies suspect treachery and run into the water, but the riders dash after them, and soon the whole herd is forced into the pen. The colts stick close to their dams and in all the rearing and plunging about through the pen they never become separated. A stout man with a long pole in his hand, and a looped rope at the end of it, posts himself at the mouth of the pen, and as the ponies run past he drops the loop over the head of one of the colts. The little head most furiously, but all to no purpose; the men haul him out and throw him on his right side. All this. time the branding iron has been heating at a fire near by, presided_over by sundry urchins who take delight in initial letters of the owner's name, and,

is no cruelty in the operation, because the operation only burns through the hair and scarcely scars the skin. I saw a 2-year old colt branded while standing on his feet, and it did not seem to feel the burning. By the time the colts in the herd

have been branded, the drivers have, driven another herd down to the shore. The first are allowed to run back to their pasture grounds, while the next in order is driven into the pen, and the colts subjected to the marking process. Sometimes the colts escape until they then they are much harder to handle.

ly killed him.

Mrs. Partington will not allow Ike

Virginius was a Roman, and the

Virginius was a roamer.

Come girls will you stand by me?— this was not the case, I do believe, ings of the Missouri river into Nebras-Have you the courage to lay aside your that one of Solomon Brown's girls ka, as there is a good ferry here, and it which will be sent free to all who apply for it.
Then give me your orders, and I feel confident I
I can satisfy you.
Address, W. J. HESSER. dainty slippers, to encase your feet in heavy shoes, to let the sun kiss brown land. As it is, they are all going in and Missouri river railroad; though paper. W. J. HESSER.