Below the fleecy folds of drifting snow,
Like beauty laid at rest, the verdure lies,
Beneath the ice, the silent rivers flow,
The rippling rills are hidden from our eyes,
While time glides by as swiftly as the wind,
And only leaves his memories behind.

The spring-time came, and, ere it passed away,
The world was robed in beauty everywhere;
The blooming roses and the new-mown hay
Perfumed the breezes of the summer air;
Then summer came, and with her flying gold,
The simple story of a year was told.

Par well, Old Year, for thou art gone at last,
And time has borne that on his hoary wings
Into the silent ages of the past;
And now, another year he proudly brings. Thy funeral dirge is chanted by the breeze, Through the bare branches of the leafless trees,

The New Year comes with many frowning fears, Yet, with a thousand promises of joy;
The somber shades of maturer years
Our youthful fancies and fair dreams destroy
Yet, heavenly Hope looks down, with angel eyes,
From gleaming, golden gates of Paradise.

Ambition points us to the toilsome way That leads to worldly honor and renown; Yet all life's fleeting phantoms must decay, And all our fading fancies totter down— While coming bards may sing immortal songs Of our great failings and stupendous wrongs.

There is one dream that never fades nor dies.

The dream of Heaven, How marvelously grand Tho' all life's howling tempests that arise, Sweep o'er the rock of ages where we stand; We glance adown the pathway we have trod, And leave our imperfections all with God. O, Time ! roll down thy ceaseless course of chang

With all thy universal light and shade;
O, mystery; before thy boundless range
All human understanding falls dismayed;
Thy veil, that puzzles every human brain,
By angels only can be rent in twain.

#### CATCHING A TARTAR.

A Tradition of Sweden. Charles XII, of Sweden, surnamed, on account of his warlike propensities, by his admirers, the "Lion of the North," Chateau Goriz a young creature from the banks of the Volga—a neice of Baron Gortz. So powerful was the impression she at once made upon the hitherto impregnable heart of the hero, so completely was he spell-bound in her charms, that he seemed to lose all recollection of other matters, even of the disastrous battle of Pultowa.

The name of this enchantress was the Princess Ikla-for she was a Princess, her mother, the Baron's sister, having married the Hetman of the Tartars. Being left an orphan at an early age, she had taken up her residence with Baron Gortz at Stralsund.

The Baron was a bit of a historianor he thought he was-and was then engaged in writing a history of the King, who called upon him often to revise and correct the work. Besides, the Baron was one of the crown councillors, and was often intrusted with important business of the state.

Charles XII. had that desire which seems to be inherent in the breast of greatness—he wished to be loved for himself alone, without regard to his state and grandeur. Consequently he had himself presented to Ikla under the simple-title of Count d'Olfen, and in ratic Princess, for her Tartar blood me? made her disregard many of the conventionalities of life, though her uncle often declared that she had the blood of the Gortzes full in her veins, and was no more a Tartar than he was; and there was not much of the Kalmuck about him.

Baron Gortz was highly delighted at the prospect of becoming the uncle of the King; but that delight was tempered by a wholesome dread of his prospective nephew-in-law. For, stripping off the dazzling veil of his military glory, he must acknowledge that the "Lion of the North" was an unmitigated tyrant, and ruled his subjects in a very arbitrary manner.

Baron de Gortz had proof of this one day, when he received a letter from the King. It contained these words:

"Baron Gortz, information has reached me that the Captain of Hubans, Gustavus Reinold, who was condemned to death for neglect of orders at the battle of Pultowa, but who escaped before the execution of his sen-tence, has been seen in Stralsund. Write in-stantly to the Governor; tell him I hold him responsible for the apprehension of this trai-tor. Within five minutes of his being taken and identified, let him be shot. And the person in whose house he shall be found shall be

This letter troubled the good Baron sorely, for his niece had made him promise to intercede for this identical young officer. He broke into a cold perspiration when he reflected that if he did so the probability was that he would get himself shot for his pains. He wished in his heart that the King and Ikla were married, because then he should be his uncle, and he could never think of shooting one of the royal

He wrote the order to the Governor. and sent it by a servant, who informed him that an officer of the police wished to speak with him. Wondering at this he hurried to the hall below. On his of one's country. return, he found Ikla, a sylphid, darkhaired, dark-eyed gipsy of a woman, gazing listlessly from the large bay window into the street below. She noticed that he was in a state of perturbation.

"What is the matter?" she asked. "I want to put you on your guard," he exclaimed, breathlessly. "The police have sent to say they have reason to "And how is this to believe that a young man is concealed somewhere in my chateau.

"I know it," answered Ikla, coolly. "I concealed him." "Who!" exclaimed the astonished

Baron. "Who is he?" "Gustavus Reinold."

The Baron uttered a dismal groan. "Ikla, you have murdered me!" he cried, and sank feebly into a chair.
"Not so bad as that, I hope," she re-

plied, smilingly.
"I tell you that whoever harbors the traiter is to be shot!" exclaimed the

frightened Baron, irstely. You know well that Gustavus is no

"What signifies that? If the King orders it, he must be shot-and so must I!" And the Baron groaned again. "What made you ake so fatal an interest in this wretched young man?" "His misfortunes," replied Ikla.
"He is innocent; I know it, and my dear mother, your sister, knew it also. Forced by a cruel and unjust sentence suspiciously.

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to fly his country he found refuge and safety in ours.' he cried. "Then why the deuce did he leave

"To follow me when you sent for me. Finding the pursuit so hot, I thought the best asylum for him was your chateau.

At this moment, a servant entered the room, and announced Count D'Olfen. The Baron's visage brightened with a hopeful idea. put your name to this-sign.

"There is but one chance for us all!" he exclaimed, "marry the Count, and then—"he checked himself abruptly. small," she returned roguishly; but listen to me—obey me, and all will yet be well. I intend to play a desperate game; but, if I win, I shall save a life of far more value than my own."

prise, and looked at it.

"A pardon for Captain Reinold," he exclaimed, and his brow darkened angrily. "Indeed, then my dear little friend, if I were Charles XII., this would be my answer."

She held a rapid conference with the Baron; and though he listened to her stely drew another paper from her at first with astonishment and alarm, pocket. she finally won him over to her purpose, and he promised to assist her, though it was with fear and trembling. But he of Sweden, your eyes are blinded, not

much difference for what. gold, and the corners of the skirts curred your Majesty's displeasure." turned back; high boots of black leather, "I desire to know the reason of the were attached; a three-cornered black young man?" he asked. hat; a black stock; buff gauntlets, and a heavy sword. He looked more like a swered, "when you have promised to Republicans, 89 Democrats, and 4 Libwarrior equipped for the field than a obtain his pardon from the King." fond lover seeking his lady's bower. He felt like a timid school-boy in the

presence of his exquisite beanty, who had stormed the outworks of his heart, and penetrated to the very citadel.

"He seeks a Tartar," she thought; "he shall find one."

"What, Count," she exclaimed, "in regimentals? How devoted you must be to the King.' "Well, I am," he exclaimed; "but I

came here, as well as I can recollect, to ters. I never cared for a weman till I

coquettishly. "They say he hates

"He does no such thing," replied Charles, quickly. "How do you know?" she asked

"You might as well say you think you know vourself." "How?" he said suspiciously.

"I think I know him."

"Which no man does." "Oh, I know you, at all events. I little creature you are! Above all, I sent to him at once. know how I love you! I am a plain, blunt soldier, and like to know the worst

"Is that the worst that can happen chateau." von?" she asked demurely. "Ikla, I generally get the best of it at blows; but I own you beat me on words. I shall simply return to the husband.

charge. Do you love me?" "I must have proof of your love before I answer that.' "What proof?"

"Would you grant any little whim of "Certainly I would."

"Don't make any rash promises." Ikla laughed gleefully, went into an adjoining room, and brought forward an

antique costume, such as had been worn by the dames of fifty years ago. "I have the greatest desire to see how you would look dressed as my grand-

mother," she cried. The King was appalled. " Death and the dev-," he began. "Oh, fie! no swearing in a lady's presence, she said, checking him. "But

am glad I have discovered what your love amounts to.' He expostulated with her, and ended, as common mortals do, in submitting to a woman's will.

She then dressed him in the heavy brocade dress, and then tied the high, starched cap tightly under his chin. dress makes me smell like a muskrat." "You don't like perfumes, then?"

Ikla, fervently. He regarded her in pleased surprise.

King?"

Charles smiled grimly.

"And how is this to be accomplished?" inquired Charles.

Sit down and let me tell you. There now, you must fancy yourself Charles XII. "Well, I do," he answered with significant smile.

"Consider me the queen," she continued, and drew her chair beside

"Go on," he cried, rather pleased with the conceit. "I should devote my life to obtaining and securing his entire confidence."

"We will suppose you have it."
"Then I should use it to make him submit, on all fitting occasions, to my sovereign will. I would teach him the true value of his noblest prerogative."

"Which is-" " Mercy."

"Come, come, Charles XII, is severe, I know-but he is just." "Not always. Witness the cas

Captain Reinold." Charles started, and glanced at her "What do you know of that culprit?"

"His sentence is unjust," she answered, firmly, "and therefore a fit object for the interference of the queen." She rose, went to the table and took a paper from it. "Now, if I were Queen, I would approach the King, as I do you, with this paper in my hand." She walked up to him with dignity. "I would say to him, Sir, your honor and your glory both require that you should

He took the paper from her in sur-prise, and looked at it.

He tore up the paper. Nothing discomposed, she immedi-

had pretty well made up his mind by by justice, but by anger. When Capthis time that he should be shot any tain Reinold was intrusted with that orway, and he thought it did not make der, he found the battle of Pultowa irretrievably lost; if he had delivered He withdrew, and Charles XII., as it, he would only have caused a mas-Count D'Olfen, entered the room. He sacre of the Swedish prisoners by the rewore the uniform of his favorite regi- morseless Russians. For this reason ment; a light blue coat trimmed with alone he did not deliver it, and thus in-

to which a formidable pair of spurs extraordinary interest you take in this "You shall know, Count," she an-

"I will make no such promise," cried Charles, sternly. A timid knocking at the door disturbed them. Ikla would have opened

it, but Charles, aware of the ridiculous and by his detractors, with equal justice, perhaps, the "Madman of the North," accidentally encountered at the In her turn. Ikla also had her reflections and penetrated to the very citadel. Would any one believe that he was manner in which he was dressed, restrained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous ac-Charles XII.?

In her turn, Ikla also had her reflection was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was heard, in very tremulous action at the strained her. Then the voice of the Baron was not a single white man in Kentucky, coffee grounds. While the strained her the strained her. The voice of the baron was not a single white man in Kentucky. The strained her the strain was assembled, and awaited the pres- grange either. He thinks he is strong ence of the Count.

Charles, in dismay, begged Ikla to remove the dress, for he found it impossible to do so; but she only laughed at his predicament.

"Wretched girl," he exclaimed, tell you how devoted I am to you—only angrily, "you have forced me to de-I confess myself awkward in these mat-But she only laughed the louder.

"Sire," she answered with mocking

"Why, Count, you must be the very courtesy, "I have known it from the counterpart of the King," cried Ikla, first. Sign the pardon, therefore, or I will at once admit the council. The king was obliged to acknowledge himself vanquished. He signed the pardon, and Ikla freed him from the obnoxious garments. Then she admitted her uncle, and informed the King that he was all the council there was assembled, and reassured the poor

death for his share in the little plot. "Baron de Gortz," said Charles, "for certain reasons I have pardoned know what a taking, striking, bewitching | Captain Reinold. Let this pardon be to hand them over as waste paper.

Baron, who looked half frightened to

Ikla took the pardon. "There is no occasion to send it, that name he paid his court to the er. that can happen to me. Do you love sire," she said, archly. "I can deliver it myself. Gustavus is concealed in the

'Gustavus again!" cried the King. sharply. "Is this man your lover?" "He is; and would have been my

"Then you have deceived me every "No, sire; you deceived yourself. Had I been ambitious, I might have

sealed your ruin; as it is, I have saved Sweden from a Queen who would not veloped in an extraordinarily short time lowed him, took him from a stage-coach, have been worthy of her, and restored by reason of their ability to build rail and shot him by the road-side. to her a King who is.' He was determined she should not beat him every way.

"Ikla," he exclaimed, "I will restore Reinold to favor, and make him a colonel; and, as I still have my doubts about him, let you marry him. No doubt you will teach him to obcy orders in future; and may he not

"What ?"

"That he has caught a Tartar !" The Influence of Newspapers. The Boston Traveller states that school teacher who had enjoyed the benefit of a long practice of his profession, and had watched closely the influence of a newspaper upon the minds of with ease and accuracy. 3. They ob-"What, are you in love with the in almost half the time it requires "Oh, dear, no! Only I might be inwould tame this lion; and he should readily comprehend the meaning of the brains, have been retents with accuracy.

Heat and Disease. of an iron establishment in England, says the British Journal of Science, the men worked when the thermometer, placed so as not to be influenced by the radiation of heat from the open doors, twenty millions each. marked 120 degrees. In the Bessemer pits, the men continue a kind of labor requiring great muscular effort, at 140 degrees. In some of the operations of mysterious line that separates the

All Sorts. Song of the seeds-Put me in my little

THE rich man's blunders pass current for wise maxims. AMERICA imported 114 lawyers and 230 physicians last year.

Punch says the unfortunate man's friends live a long way off. Every eight minutes, night and day, one person dies, every five minutes one is born, in the city of London.

STATISTICS show that of the foreigners were Catholies and 207,000 less stants.

Mrs. Law, of Vermont, tailed her husband a har eight years ago, and he has not spoken to her since, though re-

maining in the house. KAISER WILLIAM could sit his horse under a shower of builets, but when it came to having an aching tooth drawn, I through his pursuers. A shower of bulhe took chloroform.

man Empire is rather a formidable array, comprising 625,720 men, 56,250 horses, and 576 field guns. MRS. SAM COLT, of Hartford, signs

THE standing army of the new Ger-

every check and order for money used by her revolver foundry, and takes a corpus, and took him from the Denver walk through the establishment twice a officers. Again Gordon was about to THERE are in the full House 293 mem-

bers, deducting nine vacancies. There

are now 283 members- 190 straight-out erals.

it with anything short of a photographic spot. At last it was agreed that Gor-A SUNDERLAND (Mass.) farmer raises trial, and upon this promise the mob

enough without it. THE English mine 120,000,000 tons of him to prepare for death, he was exe- moon. It was not until 1767 that Boone coal a year. Of these, 75,000,000 go for cuted. home manufactures; 10,000,000 for export; 20,000,000 in smelting, forging, coal-getting and the like, and only 15,000,000 are used for domestic pur-

that during the last twelve years En- gentlemen, four gamblers rushed in, crick of Prussia was performing those gland has expended a sum equal to seized him, dragged him to a drinking- great exploits which have made his \$32,646,989 upon coast fortifications, saloon, and would have murdered him name immortal in military annals, and distributed for the most part at Ports- but for the interference of friends. The with his little monarchy was mouth, Plymouth, Portland, Pembroke, Sheerness, Dover, Gravesend, Chatham

and Cork.

A socury has been formed in Belgium for collecting all waste paper and selling it for the benefit of the Pope. The society has appealed to all the possessors of "bad books, such as the works of Voltaire, Rousseau, Diderot, Volney, and other detestable authors,"

THE foreign trade of Great Britain has not been satisfactory to her merchants this year so far. That nation sold \$32,500,000 less of cotton, linen, silk and woelen fabries, and had to buy \$50,000,000 more of articles of food in the first nine months of this year than in the corresponding period last year.

THE Bingham Canon railroad in Utah cost only \$141 per mile. The Salt Lake Tribune says that it is the cheapest railroad ever built in any country, and mineral resources of Utah can be deroads at a cost but little above that of an ordinary wagon road.

Bischoffsheim - Eccentricities of the

Great Paris Banker. The Paris correspondent of the New York Times reviews the career of the the highway in Denver; but Pollock, eminent banker, M. Bischoffsheim, whose seeing Steele first, covered him with death was recently announced by tele- his rifle, and called him to pass on. graph. He leaves a fortune which is Steele did so, the deadly tube bearing estimated at between 70,000,000 and on him until he was out of range. Two 80,000,000 of francs, and all made by himself. He not only deprived him-self, but his family, of all but the bare necessaries of life. It was only a few years ago that he could afford to have wine upon his table, and the ordinary rough road of blood Denver found delicacies of life were sternly forbidden. peace, and became the quiet and orderly a family of children, gives as a result of M. Bischoffsheim has two sons and his observation that without exception one daughter, and the former are well "Faugh!" he cried in disgust, "this those scholars of both sexes and all ages known to every flaneur upon the boulewho have access to newspapers at home, vards. They are seen on every public "You don't like perfumes, then?
"No—yes; one—gunpowder! I'm not, are: 1. Better readers, excelling in pronunciation, and consequently for me but gunpowder.

when compared with those who have lived in the might, and sometimes in pronunciation, and consequently midst of great privation. The two men day, in Denver; and, although this read more understandingly— 2. They were only too glad to fice from the statement has been vigorously dealed, it is probable that, at one time in the when compared with those who have occasion, but, although living in the them was insufficient. Naturally they early history of the city, it came near tain a partial knowledge of geography were led into debt and folly. After one being the truth. Richardson tells us scene the father allowed the elder an the printing-offices were arsenals, and apartment and a Victoria with one that both editors and typos went armed horse, but this concession was made by about their work,-presenting between clined to sacrifice one's self for the good portant places and nations, their governments and doings. 4. They are bet- signed. This document enumerated "armed neutrality." He also assures ter grammarians, for having become what the young man of 30 odd must not us that he saw a murderer condemned to "You are vastly condescending," he familiar with every variety of style in do, and the moment a single stipulation death in the following manner: replied. "And, pray, what else would the newspaper, from commonplace ad- was violated supplies were cut off im- Judge —: "The jury have found you do for the good of your country?" vertisements to the finished and classi"I would soften his character. I cal oratior of the statesman, they more with good hearts and a fair amount of why sentence of death should not be soon be as much beloved as he is already text, and consequently analyze its contheir days in the enjoyment of a wealth of which they were deprived in the days of youth. The Bischoffsheims are very During the reheating of the furnaces much liked for their politeness and aminbility, and everybody in Parisian society has sympathized most heartily in their deprivations. Neither are married, and they now have something like five and

SERPENTS OF THE YEAST. -One of the most remarkable illustrations of the of the stoke-hole is 145 degrees. And yet in mone of these cases does any special form or type of disease develop and afterward injected under the skin City, whose 25,000 inhabitants have of animals, it is immediately fatal, been reduced to twelve families.

Reminiscences of Denver Life.

[Denver Letter to the Chicago Tribune.] It seems incredible that this city is only twelve years old, having been in- and editors, to carry with them some corporated in 1861; but such is the fact. | indellible mark by which they may be Denver, however, has had its history, as well as other towns in the West; and save trouble. An anchor in India ink for a long time it was the resort of a with "John Smith, my name; Podunk, gang of desperadoes, gamblers, and my station; the world my dwelling place, mit their crimes in the name of the law. These cut-throats at one time controlled ficers, possessed themselves of the cept when a dun came with a bill. For wealth of the city, intimidated the ed-

val of crime.
A desperado named James Gordon killed an inoffensive German, and the no time for her return except that it German people roused to action. Gordon fled to a ranche, and a strong party surrounded it, when the desperado came forth on a swift horse and dashed through his pursuers. A shower of bul-lets followed him, but he escaped unharmed. A mass meeting was then called in Denver, money raised, and officers sent after the fugitive. They trailed him 1,700 miles, and at last cap- posed she was at home; her husband tured him near the Indian Territory, and took him to Leavenworth. Here Gordon's friends got a writ of habeas escape; but the Germans of Leavenworth gathered in a mob, attacked the developed that she had not arrived. Inofficers of the law, and recaptured the desperado. Three times the mob had a rope around Gordon's neck, but were prevented from hanging him by the civil officers. In the scuffle the prison MR. JTDFJST does business in Cleve- er's clothes were torn from his back land. There is one advantage about and he was so badly beaten that he Mr. Jtdfjst's name-you couldn't forge begged some one to shoot him on the don should be taken back to Denver for Denver. His trial was short, and he is the most flourishing part of America was convicted of murder and sentenced was as little known as the country to be hanged. After a week given around the mysterious mountains of the

News made some comments on a mur- tucky. The first pioneer of Ohio did not der, which offended the desperadoes, settle until 20 years after. Canada be- thy? Because it is a fellow feeling for and they attacked his office. While Mr. longed to France, and the population a fellow-creature. Byers, one of the editors, was sitting in did not exceed half a million of people. FROM a return just issued, it appears an office talking with three Northern A hundred years ago the great Fredgamblers then went to the printingoffice, but were prevented from destroying it by the typos, who had armed themselves with guns and revolvers. Several shots were fired; but the ruffians, seeing the citizens were arming, fled and hid themselves. The aroused citizens made a general search, and Steele, the ringleader of the band, was

taken and shot. Another of the gamblers was captured, and about to be hanged, when he begged the people to spare his life and permit him to leave the country. The question was put to vote, and carried by a small majority, to spare him, on condition that he would quit Denver at once and forever; which he did.

A man named Ford committed a murder under peculiarly-aggravating circumstances, and was justified; but, being a bad man, and emboldened by his first success, he soon afterward did a murder in cold blood, when the people rose demonstrates the fact that the great and demanded his execution. Ford mineral resources of Utah can be defield, but a committee of Vigilants fol-

Another murderer fled to the Indians; but the Vigilants followed day and night, over mountain and plain, until he

was taken and hung. Steele had a brother, who had sworn to take the life of Mr. Pollock, who had shot his brother. One day they met on years afterward these men met in New Mexico, and simultaneously recognized each other. Both fired; but Pollock escaped, while Steele fell with a ball through his brain. It was over this

city she is to-day. Her citizens banded together for her defense, and became a law unto themselves. Dixon has told us that "From three

Prisoner-"I have nothing to say." Judge-"Then I will submit the question to this assemblage [about 400] people]. All you who believe in this verdict say 'Aye.' [A roar of affirmatives.] All who opposed, 'No.' [A feeble 'No,' the prisoner alone voting in the negative |.

Judge-"Prisoner, you will be hanged to-morrow morning."
Prisoner—"Thank you." [Roars of laughter .

THE oil springs of Canada appear to glass-making, the ordinary summer deadly and the wholesome in nature is have proved no better investment than working temperature is considerably given in the English Medical Press, those of Pennsylvania. From the first which states that the poison of the discovery of petroleum to the present the workmen are subjected far exceeds cobrs, the most deadly of the East time—says the Toronto Globe—the his-212 degrees. In a Turkish bath, the India serpents, has been chemically antory of its production and manufacture shampooers continue four or five hours nalyzed, with the following results: has been marked with disaster to those at a time in a moist atmosphere at tem-peratures ranging from 105 to 110 de-sulphur, 24; and hydrogen, 10. This is That paper estimates the capital actually York Tribune. grees. In enamel works, men labor exactly the composition of beer yeast. destroyed—nothing whatever left to daily in a heat of over 300 degrees. On The latter is used in manufacturing the show for it—at no less than \$5,000,000 the Red sea steamers, the temperature staff of life - bread; the former is so alone. The present condition of Both-

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Individual Marks.

liable to accidents, as women, children,

known, in case of casuality, and thus

It would be advisable for all persons

thieves, who seized upon the offices of and I don't knew my destination," is the city, and really attempted to com- appropriate and useful. We have carried this device on our left arm for sixty years, with the addition of a strawberry everything, -elected the municipal of mark, and never have felt lost yet, except when a dun came with a bill. For itors and Justices, and held high carni- woman of Providence left that city some time ago to go and take care of her sisten who were sick at Fall River, fixing would be when her sister was better. She did not write home. After a while the sister recovering, she started homeward. In the Providence horse cars handkerchief; and when a description of her was published no one came forward to identify her. Her sister supsupposed that she was still at her sister's. The body was taken to the morgue, and has been lying there since the first of November. Within a day or two one of the Fall River friends went to Providence to see her, and then the fact was quiry was made and the truth was then learned. A singular feature of the case head. is that every day since the body had been in the morgue the husband had been at work within two hundred feet of the building, entirely unconcious of pitched, the fact that his wife lay in there dead.

### One Hundred Years Ago.

-Danbury News.

left his home in North Carolina, to be-The editor of the Rocky Mountain come the first pioneer settler in Kensustaining a single contest with Russia. Austria and France, the three great powers of Europe combined. Washington was a modest Virginia Colonel, and the great events in the history of the two worlds in which these great but years ago the United States were the jackets." most loyal part of the British Empire, newspapers in America! Steamengines The father felt comforted. had not been imagined, railroads and telegraphs had not entered into the remotest conception of men. When we come to look back at it through the vista of history, we find that to the century just passed has been allotted more important events in their bearing upon the happiness of the world, than almost any other which has elapsed since the

## The Swedes and Norwegians.

A correspondent of the Scientific American writes that "never could more dissimilar nations be united under one government than Norway and Sweden. Norway clings with the most absurd tenacity to old things and old ways of doing them, while Sweden is ready to advance with the rest of the world The difference appears strikingly on the line of railroad between Christiana and Stockholm. The road is about 400 miles long, of which, say, 100 are in Norway and 300 in Sweden. The time for express trains is about twenty hours. Of this something like 8 hours is taken for the Norwegian 100 miles, leaving 12 hours-really only 11 hours-for the Swedish 300 miles, or 12 miles against 25 miles per hour. But most of the travel in Norway is by the very old Chicago. fashion of carioles and post-horses, the principal roads—under Government care-being in good order and the speed averaging, with push, six or seven miles per hour. The American Consul in Christians which is the only active part of Norway-is trying hard to get New York our mowers and reapers into use there, though thus far with indifferent success. In Sweden these things are being taken hold of with something like free-

Mr. Lincoln's Religious Views.

The Hon. William H. Herndon, the law-partner of President Lincoln, has grown weary of the attacks upon his veracity indulged in by Dr. Holland, ated may be inferred from the fact that Mr. Reed, and others, who have insisted out of twenty samples analyzed in Lonthat Mr. Lincoln became a Christian in don, only one was found free from the later years of his life, and has deliv-frauds. The leaves of other plants are ered a lecture in Springfield to estab- largely used, and plumbago, iron filings lish the truth of his statement that the and sand were found in it to give weight President died as had lived, outside of to the tea. Altogether, the investigathe Christian faith. He engages in the tion revealed a condition of things by discussion with the boldness and energy no means calculated to "whet the appe-characteristic of him, and certainly tite" for tea. It is an old saying that goes far to invalidate much of the testi- if people would relish a meal, they must the most reticent men who ever lived in too closely scrutinize the material which regard to his own spiritual exercises. it is composed of. He had a deep respect for religion and for its outward symbols and forms. He HANSAFORD & THOMPSON, Subscriphad also a profoundly religious sense, tion Book Publishers, Chicago, have in sometimes approaching mysticism. But press an exhaustive History of the it will be as impossible to prove that he FARNERS' MOVEMENT, by Hon. J. Perinot, and historians and biographers will ablest and best known agricultural wridivide upon this question, as they are ters. Its title is THE GROUNDSWELL. It divided now, according to their own will be the standard work on Granges, personal beliefs or disbeliefs.—New Clubs, etc., and is certain to prove a

Cuna is a little larger than Missis especially, should read the publishers' sippi, New York or Tennessee, and has about the population of the last named State, perhaps 1,333,000, of whom 33,000 lived so quickly in the United States are slaves. Cuba is 660 miles long, and that a man who has been five years in 135 wide at the widest point.

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#### THE NEW YEAR.

A gray old man toiled at the rope; Lond rang the bell and clear; The hour was midnight, and the tune, The passing of the Year.

And, as he toiled, the old man sang, And laughed beneath his breath; He laughed and sang with give; and yet He toiled a knell for death.

"Old man," said I, "this shameless mirth Seems sailly out of place;

A solemn chant, a dirge, or prayer Would bear a better grace. "The Old Year dies weighed down with sin,

Weighed down with lives maspent; Come, kneel you down with me and mourn;

Come join in my lament. "I mourn not for the past," said he ;

A new life I begin.

I do not ring the Old Year out
I ring the New Year 10. "Why do ye wish to mourn and grieve?

This hour is not for tears; The star of Hope shines steadfast, pure Above the coming years !

"I longh and sing for very joy And not with shameless mirth; Good sir, I toll not for the dead-

I celebrate a birth. "Come, turn your back upon the past

And bid your grief begone; The night is dark, but then, good sir, Joy cometh with the dawn.

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Way is a poker like an angry word? Because it stirs up a smouldering fire. WHAT is that which no one wishes to have and no one wishes to lose? A bald

When is an encampment most likely to burn well? When the tents are

The most sentimental exercise yet known is said to be woman's eves swimming in tears.

INCREDIBLE as it may seem, many of One hundred and ten years ago there the richest planters in Jamaica live on Why is a solar eclipse like a woman

whipping her boy? Because it's a hid-WHEN does mortification ensue? When you pop the question and are answered "No!"

Way is blind-man's-buff like sympa-"What is your name, little girl?"
Minnie." "Minnie what?" "Min-

nie Don't ; that's what mamma calls MRS. JENKINS complained in the evenng that the turkey she had eaten didn't sit well. "Probably," said Jenkins, it was not a hen turkey. "He got a

glass of water in his face. "Who cut your clothes, Tommy?" asked a visitor of a enriously ragged dissimilar men took leading parts were boy. "Well," said be ingenuously, then scarcely foreshadowed. A hundred "ma cuts my pants, and pa cuts my

A FATHER, in cosoling his daughter, and on the political horizon no speck who and lost het husband, said : " I indicated the struggle which, within a don't wonder you grieve for him, my score of years thereafter, established child; you will never find his equal, the great Republic of the world. A "I don't know as I can," responded the hundred years ago there were but four sobbing widow, "but I'll do my best!" A PREACHER took up a collection on

> ing the hat upside down and tapping the crown of it with his hand, "that I have got my hat back from this congre-" Do you go to school now, Charlie?" "Yes, sir; I had a fight to-day, too." "You had? Which whipped?" I got whipped," he replied with great frankness. "Was the other boy bigger than you?" "No, he was littler." "Well,

Sunday, and found, when his hat was

returned, that there wasn't a penny in

it. "I thank my God," said he, turn-

you?" "Oh, you see he was madder nor

how came you to let a littler boy whip

The Decline of Methodism. A good deal has been said of late about the decline of Methodism, particularly in New York. The Northwestern Christian Advocate takes no stock in these stories, and presents the following interesting table. The figures

stand for communicants : In 1840, In 1866, In 1860. Wilmington, Del. Worcester, Mass. Worcester, Mass. 261 Washington, D. C. 1,687 49,895 54,893 79,700 Total ..

The extent to which teas are adultermony relied upon by the champions of keep away from the kitchen. So with Mr. Lincoln's orthodoxy. The truth tea; if people would enjoy its flavor probably is that Mr. Lincoln was one of and stimulating effects, they must not

was a Christian as to prove that he was am. Editor Western Rural, one of our great hit. Book Agents, and Parmers

public life is almost a veteran.