# A WEEK'S NEWS.

#### Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail WASHINGTON NOTES.

In a late case where duty had been collected upon a cossack imported from Canada into Maine, the owner, a Catholic priest, made application to have the amount refunded, on the ground that the article was used for religious purposes. The Department in reply stated that where a priest imports vestments or any regalia or robe as his private property he must pay a duty, even though the articles imported are afterward used in religious ceremonies; but where such articles are imported by a church or society for religious purposes they will be allowed to come in free.

THE Director of the Mint estimates that between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000 trade dollars are out, and in the hands of tradesmen and the people generally, instead of in the possession of speculators. The remainder of the \$30,000,000 originally coined is thought to have been exported or remelted.

An important decision was recently rendered by the Court of Claims at Washington, in a test case, fixing the status of litigants under the Bowman bill, passed by the last Congress. The opinion was carefully drawn by Judge Richardson, who decided substantially that no claim under the Bowman bill can be considered if the Court had jurisdiction of the same previous to the passage of the Bowman bill, whereof the claimant failed to take advantage within the six years limitation.

THE Treasury recently purchased 445,000 ounces of silver for the Philadelphia and New Orleans mints. Coinage at mints in December, \$5,480,041, of which \$2,354,170 were standard dollars.

THE National Board of Health has information, communicated by the State Department, of the continuance of cholera in Alexandria.

THE Attorney General has decided that a postmaster in order to be entitled to receive the compensation provided by the revised statutes for issuing and paying money orders must personally perform the services required in the money order business in his office, in the sense that if the work is not physically executed by his hand it must be executed under his immediate supervision by a clerk employed by him for that purpose, and who is in no way employed by the Post-office Department proper, or paid from the postal fund as distinguished from the money fund.

THE town talk in Washington the other day was the discovery of the alleged forgeries and flight of Clarence M. Barton, formerly managing editor of the National Republican. Mr. Barton will be remembered as the party who attacked the priist, A. M. Sateldo, in the columns of the woman, who had been assaulted by Jimmy Kegan, formerly a reporter for the New York Herald. This resulted in a personal altercation, in which Sateldo was killed in the editorial rooms of the Republican office. It seems that these forgeries had been known to various parties for some days, but were not made public at an earlier moment, because of sympathy for Barton's sick wife and helpless children. Among the names said to have been forged are William M. Dickson, foreman of the first star-route jury, and Henry D. Battler, merchant, General Brady's name is on some paper, but it is not ascertained whether forged or not. The amount of

# THE EAST.

fraudulent paper was unknown.

C. S. BANHAM, who was reported as hav-Ing absconded from New York owing \$200, 000 to members of the Mining Stock Ex change, was recently in San Francisco on a tour with his bride. He denied having left in a suspicious manner, and said he would soon return to New York and promptly fill all contracts.

JAMES BUDD, a prominent citizen of Dorchester, Mass., was recently shot and killed of his house by Daniel P. Reynolds, of New York. The shooting was the result of a leng-standing feud, arising from famlly and property complications.

PRYOR R. SIMON, of Boston, manager of the New England business of Samuel L. Hall, fine art publisher and importer, New York, is charged with being a defaulter for 18,000 or \$10,000. He has disappeared.

THE Society of Naturalists of the Eastern States recently appointed a committee to act with the Executive Committee in defining what a "Professional Naturalist" is. Resolutions were adopted recognizing the great importance of a thorough knowledge of modern languages, especially French and German, to students of natural history.

Mr. CHURCH, Cashier and Superitendent of John Dwight & Co.'s soda factory, as he was leaving the depot at the Second avenue elevated station, One Hundred and Tenth street, by two masked men, who knocked him down and robbed him of a sachel containing \$2,200 in bank notes which he had drawn to pay employes. Mr. Church was stunned, but recovered in time to see the men leap into a wagon and drive

off rapidly. CONWAY BROWN, son of Henry W. Brown, of Worcester, Mass., and a member of the freshman class of Harvard College, killed himself the other day at the house of a friend, where he was spending the holidays.

EDWARD KEYS, who died in Unity, N. H., recently, left to the school district of the town \$12,000-all of his property except \$45,

which he gave to his only daughter. PIERCE S. MARX, of New York City, was some time ago struck in the eye by a cinder from an engine of the Manhattan Railway, and lost his eye. He recently brought suit for \$50,000 damage.

WAGES of employes in John E. Roebling's Sons' wire mill, at Trenton, N. J., were reduced ten per cent. from January 1.

Tax Threndyke (Mass.) Company's new cotton mill burned recently. C. Wilson, the comprany's agent, fell dead of heart disease while on the roof fighting the

flames. "Jos, \$50,000. arrested for robbing the mails.

E. M. Koase, exchange clerk for Sperry & Barnes, of New York, American agents for the large Liverpool commission house San Antonio, Tex., in a drunken jealous tor Hill. Secretary Teller, who wants the of Bamford Bros., absconded after forging frenzy the other night attempted to kill his place, at was said would not stand in the and converting to his own use \$100,000 in wife, and after exacting a promise from way of Mr. Chaffee.

arsdale, went to Chicago where they com- throat. menced a fast life. Both were subsequently arrested. Kobbe was taken to New York the same day of his arrest, and took other night from hunger and exposure. the detective to the upper part of New York where they recovered from a dry cistern, encased in a hermetically sealed drain pipe and wrapped in oiled silk, Gov- saved. ernment bonds to the amount of \$20,000. drain yielded \$25,000.

#### THE WEST.

iams were visiting the cells at Walla Walla, Washington Ter., the other night, for the last time, they were attacked by Elfus and Owen, two condemned murderers, who knocked them senseless with bricks they had secreted. Williams show- | Mexican Central Road the other night, and ing signs of recovery they took a guife from | was hanged to a box car by a mob. his pocket and backed him to pieces and then

THE other evening a fire broke out in the fast, and the entire structure was consumed. The mill was recently enlarged to 000; stock on hand at \$7,500; insured for \$10,000.

A Boy named Adams, eleven years old, was recently accidentally killed while gun-

ning in Ray County, Me. THE bursting of a mill dam at Houghton, Mich., recently, resulted in the death of | ment. Charles B. Raymond, teller of the First National Bank of Houghton, his son and servant girl and Howay Raymond, wife on January 1. and son.

THE town of Breckinridge, Minn., was including the county offices and records. which the three men, Montgomery, Cle- the Judge of the Federal Court. menti and Petus, were tried at Hillsboro, Ill., for the outrageous assault on Miss Bond at Taylorsville, in June, rendered a verdict of acquittal.

THE steamers Colorado and City of Alton burned at St. Louis the other day.

shops of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad, at Sedalia, Mo., burned the other morning. Loss about \$50,000; fully in-

A PASSENGER train on the Illinois Central struck a broken rail between Manson and Barnum, Iowa, the other morning. A sleeper and two passenger coaches were thrown down a fifteen-foot embankment. Ill., was instantly killed and seven persons were more or less injured.

ABNER BOXD recently committed suicide by hanging, at Taylorville, Ill. He was one of the most respected citizens in the county, and considered an exceedingly sensible man-the very last to commit spicide. He was a relative of A. D. Bond, the father of Miss Emma, the victim of the unhuman outrage last June. He had worried a good vate character of the well-known journal- dealover the affair, and the general opinion National Republican, growing out of in progress at the time, had added to his defense of a fallen physicial debilities, and had something to do with the final tragedy.

THE terrible Crouch family murder near Jackson, Nich., some weeks since, was supplemented recently by the suicide of Mrs. Dan Holcomb, daughter of the murdered man. She locked herself into a room after dinner, undressed, went to bed and, it was tle which had contained that drug was found in ber room.

JAMES WILLIAMS, alias O'Brien, conescaped, after shooting dead the turnkey.

JUDGE LUBKE, of the Circuit Court of St. Louis Tunnel Railroad Company, Barton Bates and Charles E. Tracy, for money | redress. claimed by Andrews to be due him as contractor for building the tunnel from the bridge to the Union depot, ten years ago. The Court awarded a special judgme it for the plaintiff for \$119,228.

EARNEST DIX, of Bloomington, Ill., died Dix's body was literally alive with sas City. triching.

SEVERAL weeks ago the body of a lady was Ill. Later three men were arrested at Adams' Humpty Dumpty Company lost Chicago, charged with the crime. It was \$8,000 or \$9,000 worth of property. The claimed that they belonged to an organized Wick block in front of the theater was comgang of body-snatchers.

Road struck a wagon containing five young | ALICE MAJOR and Sarah Marsden were killing Frank Long and William Rhores Wilksbarre, Pa. in New York, was assailed the other day and badly injuring George Arps. Long

thirty-five degrees below in Minnesota and Dakota during the late cold snap.

murdered his father.

# THE SOUTH.

T. H. WEATHERBY, Sheriff of Madison County, Miss., died recently of hydrohobia. He was bitten by a mad dog two months

THE Abilene (Tex.) stage was halted the two masked men with drawn revolvers and nine passengers, comprising a variety

troupe, were robbed of \$400. AT Yazoo City, La., the other night about two hundred armed men proceeded to the jail and demanded entrance. W. L. Foote resisted and was shot dead in his cell; rior, four other Sisters and twenty-two Robert Swayzee, Micajah Parker and Richard Gibbs were lynched. The four men were charged with being principals in Burrel, Comstock & Co., on North Fourth the murder of the Posey brothers and Jas-

per Nichols.

Brooksville, La., for murder. from Fort Smith, Ark., in the Choctaw store of Withman, Gray & Co., containing Nation, while Rev. Samuel Andrews was on \$75,000 worth of goods was badly scorched FRANK BARR, a postal clerk between his way to bill a religious appointment, he and goods damaged. lew York and Port Jervis, was recently was shot and killed by unknown parties. It A CONFERENCE of Colorado politicians in

> grudge. HENRY HANE, a well-to-do German, of candidate for the Senate in place of Sena-

> exchange. He and a friend named Van- her to keep the matter a secret, cut his ewn

W. IRVING LANDELL, said to be from Philadelphia, died at Lexington, Ky., the A RECENT fire at Covington, Ga., destroyed the court-house and other property to the value of \$30,000. The records were

Shinitz & Co.'s cotton warehouse at At-Going thence to Brooklyn another piece of lanta, Ga., burned recently. Loss on cotton, \$150,000; on warehouse, \$20,000; insurance, \$145,000.

JAMES A. WALLACE, Cashier of the As Sheriff Thompson and Jailor Will- Bank of Hopkinsville (Kv.) is missing with a reported shortage of \$40,000.

#### GENERAL.

A GAMBLER named Burns killed the night watchman at the end of the track on the

THE excess in value of exports over im-November 30 was \$23,375,753. For the how they spent New Year. dust room of the Etna flour mills, at twelve months ended November 39, \$120-Akron, O., owned by George W. McNeill | 000,000. Value of imports of merchandise and James N. Baldwin. The workmen had for the twelve months ended November 30, a freight train coming thundering down to run for their lives, the flames spread so 1883, \$692,495,562. / Decrease \$58,168,000, the grade toward him. He reversed the compared with the same time last year. engine, blew a warning and with the fire-Values of exports of merchandise for the three hundred barrels daily, and rebuilt for twelve months ended November 30, 1883, heard the warning, and shouting "Jump. the reller process. It was valued at \$75,. \$812,495,651. Increase \$60,418,089 over the same time in 1882.

It is stated that no offer of mediation between France and China will be accepted by France until Hong Kong and Bachninh are occupied by the French. It is understood that Premier Ferry inspired this state-

THE iron manufacturers of the country generally reduced the wages of their men

PABLO QUINTAUH, Mayer of New Laredo, Mexico, arrested recently on the charge of nearly destroyed by fire the other evening, complicity in the train robbery on the steam and boiling water caused the death Mexican Central Railroad, was later sent THE jury in the Emma Bond case, in to Monterey, in irons, to stand trial before

JOHN J. McBRIDE, who, in specials, is made to threaten dire disaster to Canada, and the capture and death of Lord Lansdowne in consequence of the hanging of O'Donnell, is known at Buffalo, N. Y., as having no connection with, or to be ac THE paint, carpentering and upholstering knowledged by any reputable Irish organi zation of that or any other city. He infests newspaper offices and when unable to procure the publication of his pronunciamentos, pays for their insertion as advertised matter.

THE business failures in the United States during 1883 numbered 9,189, against 6,733 in 1882, an increase of 2.445. The liabilities for 1883 were \$172,000,000, against \$101,000,-Mrs. J. H. Smith, of Ohio, Barnum County, 000 for 1882. The failures of last year were greater than those of any year since 1878, when they reached to 10,478, with liabilities \$234,000,000.

A collision between a freight train and special containing laborers, near Toronto, Canada, recently, resulted in the killing of twenty-seven men and injuring of many others, some of whom will die.

BELT, the public executioner of Austria, was found dead in his bed recently, supposed to have been the victim of rever THREE of the Southern Pacific train robbers were recently captured in Arizona. One was a negro.

Two Russian officers were recently assasmurders created great consternation, and it was suggested that the Imperial family should remove secretly to the palace at Peterhoff, but General Tcherevin had underbelieved, took laudanum, as an empty bot- taken to guarantee the safety of the Gats-

THE Mexican Government has declared forfeited the concession made General Mexico, the United States and Central ing down he cried: "O, God, my legs are America, no work having been done within the prescribed time."

And they were—burned off.

The Coroner empaneled a jury, who How the prisoner obtained a pistol was a America, no work having been done within the prescribed time.

THE report has been confirmed that the Louis, lately decided the long-standing Black Flags massacred the French prisoncase of James Andrews against the St. ers captured before Sontay. Admiral Courbet decided to take active measures for

# THE LATEST.

THE other morning when an extra freight train on the Missouri Pacific Railroad,consisting of eleven cars of mules, took the side track at Independence, Mo., to let the east-bound passenger train by, an examirecently from trichinosis. At a party sev- nation was made of the cars, and 'showed eral weeks ago nine persons ate of smoked that between eighty and one hundred head sausage quite heartily, and were soon after had perished from cold and starvation. taken ill. On examining the mesoken Those that were yet alive were gnawing the meat they had eaten of, millions of the para-sides of the car, and in some instances sites were found. Gull, the man who raised were eating the flesh of their dead companthe swine and prepared the meat, and his ions. It was stated that the stock had been wife died three weeks afterwards, and sev- loaded at San Antonio, Tex., and had not eral of the sick, it was thought, would die. been fed or watered since leaving San An A post mortum examination showed that tonio. The mules were consigned to Kan

THE Park Theater, at Cleveland, O., supposed to be fire proof, was burned on the stolen from the graveyard at Sycamore, night of the 5th. It was valued at \$200,000. pletely gutted, and the First Presbyterian THE West-bound express on the Wabash Church damaged to the extent of \$20,000.

men near Napoleon, O., the other night, drowned while recently skating near

It is stated that a great petition for a national constitution amendment will be THE thermometer ranged from thirty to sent out by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and presented to the Presidential Nominating Conventions of STANLEY GRIFFITH was recently arrested the different parties. It will ask for proat Salem, O., upon the confession of having hibition instead of the ballot for woman, as has been stated.

In a late shooting scrape between James Hare and John Scanlon at Baltimore, Md., Hare was killed and Scanlon mortally

THE Institute of Immaculate Conception of the Sisters of Notre Dame, at Belleville, Ill., was burned on the night of the 5th. other night near the Colorado River by About sixty pupils were in the school, ranging from ten years to full grown, all girls, and several teachers. The flames spread so rapidly that no order could be preserved, and a panic seized both children and Sisters, and there was wild confusion in the rush to escape. The Mother Supepupils were reported as having perished, THE large furniture establishment of

street, St. Louis, was destroyed by fire on the night of the 5th. Loss, \$125,000; in-Two negroes were recently lynched at surance \$90,000. The jewelry store of Merrick, Welsh & Phelps, adjoining was also THE other Sunday at a point fifty miles burned. Loss, \$50,000, and the queensware

was supposed to be the result of an old Washington, the other day, came to the conclusion that ex-Senator Chaffee should be a

### A FEARFUL WRECK.

A Suburban Train Loaded With Working. men in Collision with a Freight on the Grand Trunk Railway Near Toronto, Canada - Twenty-two Lives Lost and Many Injured, Some Fatally-The Vic tims Scalded and Roasted to Death-List of the Dead and Wounded.

TORONTO, ONT., Jan. 2. One of the most frightful railway accidents that ever occurred in Canada took place this morning at five minutes to seven. About fifteen minutes previous a suburban train consisting of a dummy engine and two cars on the Great Western division of the Grand Trunk left Union Station. baving aboard about sixty passengers, chiefly employes of the Bolt and Iron Works at Humber, residing in the city, who were going to their work. Each was happier than the other, and, although the weather was severely cold, a gale blowing the snow against the car windows, the ports of merchandise for the month ended merry crowd did not heed it as they told

On rounding a sharp curve just before eaching the Bolt Works the engineer saw man jumped for his life. The conductor boys, for your lives," sprang into the snow. In a second more there was a terrific crash. The engine of the freight train knocked the boilers of the dummy clear through the first car, crushing the unfortunate passengers in every direction, and pinning many to the floor. The impetus was so great the engine actually mounted the truck of the dummy, which kept the rails, and remained on a balance.

The engineer of the freight train, when he saw a collision was inevitable, sprang from the engine, but Thomas, the fireman, was killed instantly.

To add to the horror of the scene, the boiler of the dummy exploded and the and terrible injuries to the mangled and bleeding men. Then the fire, as if maddened at other agencies clutching so many victims, broke out and completed the sickening work, of destruction. Shrieks, groans and heartrending cries for help from the agonized sufferers rent the air. Several poor tellows, suff-ring untold agonies, with limbs and bodies burnt to a crisp, piteously implored those near them to pour water upon their scalded limbs or put an end to their sufferings. Strong men looked on appalled and many an eye was dim with tears. With every possible phase of disfigurement to be seen, limbs cut, bruised, mangled, half eaten away by fire, swollen to enormous size by steam and water, no possible horror was left to the imagination. No more awful scene could be witnessed.

The first passenger car was a terrible wreck and several hours elapsed before the poor fellows buried beneath the debris were extricated. A relief party of thirty or forty men were soon on the scene and at ones set at work slowly and tenderly to rescue the sufferers, and about ten o'clock a car-load of dead and injured was on the

way to the city.1 On arriving at the Union station an ambulance, station wagon and several cabs and busses were in waiting. A large crowd had gathered, and as one after another of the dead and wounded were carried from the car to the conveyances many turned sick at the sight. The wounded men bore their sufferings with fortitude and patience, a few groans being the only indica-

tion of their intense agony. The scene at the morgue beggars descrip-There were fifteen bodies laid side by side in rows. Mothers, sisters, fathers and brothers were to be seen passing from body to body, and with trembling hands sinated by Nibilists at St. Petersburg. The lifting the coverlet and gazing on the faces of the dead. Now and then a cry of anguish would tell too plainly of the discovery of some dear one carried off in the prime of

manhood. At the hospital on arrival of the wounded, doctors set to work sewing up wounds and did all in their power to alleviate the sufferings. One man, Jno. Rowlett, died shortly after arrival at the hospital. When found among the debris he spoke cheerfully fined in jail at Ottumwa, Ia., recently Grant for a submarine cable connecting and asked to be allowed to walk. On look-

viewed the bodies and tien adjourned till two o'clock, when they again met. Some evidence was taken and a further adjourn-

Baber, the conductor of the freight train, was immediately placed under arrest. He admitted he got orders at Hamilton to run to Queen's wharf, avoiding all regular trains. He looked at his time-table, but forgot the suburban train on the list of regular trains. Barber did not show the order to the engineer, Jeffery, of Stratford. This was Jeffery's first trip on this part of the road, and he was to ally unacquainted with the trains. The only train which was passed between Hamilton and the point of accident was the newspaper train, going west. This was passed at Mimico. He had his mind, he says, on the express, which leaves the city fifteen minut s niter the suburban.

Public sympathy is thoroughly aroused for the unfortunate widows and children. Already subscription lists have started and offers of entertainments made to provide funds. Several families of the men killed Besides Charles Thomas, fireman of the freight train, the following were killed in-

G. Aggett; leaves wife and child. Joseph Keefer; leaves a wife and two shildren. C. Spohn, single; was to be married to-

R. Mulligan; leaves a wife and child. J. Kernahau; wife and lamily. Alex. Carruthers; wile an I large family. J. White; wife and five children.

oseph McDonald, single. W. Teriff, single. Thos. Burns, single. G. Pre-co t, single. G. Searl, single. John McKenzie, single. Chas. S anley, a boy, aged fourteen. Jno. Rowlet:; leaves wife and child. Jno. Lynch; wife and family. Eddie Robinson, a boy.

H. C. Kernan; wife and child only six Fred Boethroyd, single. Hugh Cunningham; •ife and three chil-

Sam Baily, a widower; leaves a family.

Three others are not expected to live through the night. The severely injured are W. Rogers, Patrick Norton, Matthew Walker, Patrick Cavanaugh. The following were slightly injured: W.

Fitzgerald, Richard Caruthers, Michael Kelly, Charles McDonald, James Kelly, Alexander Banks, John Aggett, John Cor-rigan, Victor Gireaux, Thos. McDonald and two Montgomery brothers. The damage to rolling stock is \$2,000.

Manager Hickson of the Grand Trunk immediately wired Ragge, local manager, to give every care to the wounded.

#### Charged with Murder. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Jan. 2.

Newton Leverett, who has been employed as a street-car driver in this city for some months, was arrested to-day on a capies from Georgia, for the murder of a convict near Graysville, Ga., in August, 1882, the Grand Jury having found a true bill for murder in the first degree. Leverett was a convict guard, and for som; offense raised Leverest drew his revolver and shot the convict dead, made his escape and nothing was known of him until recognized driving a street-car here.

## PERSONAL AND LITERARY.

-A volume in the public library of Boston, Mass., contains the autograph of Martin Luther. - Boston Post. Jim Wintersmith, the new Door-

keeper of the House, is a son of the famous Kentucky wag, Colonel Dick Wintersmith. - Washington Star.

-Mrs. Lippincott-"Grace Greenwood"-will stay in Paris during the winter, and has given up all idea of returning to America - Chicago Journal. -Perpoint Potter, of Jamaica, N.

Y., now in his ninetieth year, still acts as clerk to the Queens County Board of supervisors and keeps the records of the bills audited. This is the fiftieth year he has performed the same duty .-N. Y. Times.

who recenly died in Paris, France, whispered: made his first start in New Orleans. He was the first man to ship cotton direct from this country to North Germany. tim. He married Miss Cohen, of New Orleans, who brought him a fortune of \$200,000 .- N. O. Picagune.

-When Weston started the other day from Westminster Bridge, London, to walk fifty miles a day for one hundred days, to illustrate the physical advantages of temperance, a crowd of distinguished doctors and eminent elergymen and benevolent Baron: and fair ladies gathered to see him off, and he started to the strains of a temperance hymn.

-Amanda Mackinder, of Geddes, and Charles O. Bowles, of Syracuse, N. Y., are the latest couple whose acquaintance, courtship and marriage was attained through the aid of a newspaper. The groom inserted the "want" in a Syracuse newspaper, the bride, who was a widow, answered it, and, everything proving lovely, they were married,-

Syracuse Journal -Rev. Mark L. Emory, a young Methodist preacher, formerly paster in a Southern Ohio town, went to Sugar Grove, Pa., a year ago and took charge of a church there. He was a bachelor, and soon became very popular with the ladies. Two months ago he hired a livery rig, drove out of town, and did not return. He left debts behind to the amount of four hundred dollars. His effects were sold at auction four weeks after his disappearance, and he now writes to his former parishioners from Toledo, O., that he was ruined by speculation, and has been wandering about from place to place in a half-crazed condition .- Philadelphia Press.

# HUMOROUS.

river. - Portlan & Transcript.

-Osear Wilde says his poems will be them .- Hartford Post.

and said: "I do wish you would stop snoring, for I want to hear it thunder." -"Got tough job on band to-day," said Snooks to a friend on Canal street.

house. - N. O. Picayune. ty-seven bills were introduced into level after crossing. Congress the first day's session." "Just I think it's positively scandalous.'

Boston Transcript. the mother, "I never thought that he would have died of eroup!" "O!

lis downal. -Town mouse and country mouse: Ethel-"Look-look, Dorothy! There's Richard Marvel!" Dorothy (country cousin (-"Richard Marvel! Who's he " Ethel "What, never heard of Richard Marvel? Why, he's the actor, "Oh! an actor, is he! He's something Eke Mr. Osbaldistone Smith." Ethel -"Who's Mr. Osbaldistone Smith?" greatest breeder of shorthorns in all

Cumberland! !!"-London Punch. -"How stupid I am!" said Birdie the same time quite a respectable vawn Smith, rather impulsively. "Sir!" exclaimed Birdie, "you are impertment." so without thinking," said Birdie, petulantly. "Yes, and up to the time you spoke I had only thought so without saying it." Hang crape on the door of Miss Birdie. Another lover scratched off the list of one of the Austin belles. -Texas Siftings.

# Congressmen's Ignorant Wives.

applied for lodgings for herself and husband at an up-town boarding-house last Congress. She was asked which branch, he upper or lower. This newly-fledged people who elected him intended him to an, said, with a touch of mild sarcasm per." - Augusta (Me.) Cor. Boston Herin her voice, "that if her husband should get up very early next Monday morning, and go up to the Capitol before the crowd arrived, he might secure a seat in the upper house," and the member's wife actually thanked her for ernor Curtin, who is interested in her this kind information. It does not seem welfare, secured her the appointment-eredible, but it is nevertheless the fact -Philadelphia Press. that there are wives of members who ter threw up his arm to ward off his blow. found the offices of members and Sena- father of the American beauty, so fators. The wife of a member who has mous in Europe, gives notice that he been in Congress eight years habitually will prosecute any one found selling spoke of her husband's associates in the photographs of Miss Jennie.—Chicago thouse as Senators.—It askington Post. Times.

## The Jumping Kind.

There was to have been a suit for assault and battery before one of the Jusices in the temple yesterday. A farmer down in Springwells was charged with having slapped the jaws of his neighbor, and two wagon-loads of witnesses were on hand to swear to this and that. Both plaintiff and defendar seemed to be determined men, and heir respective wives sat and giared at each other like two old cats. Some of the necessary formalities were being worked up when, all of a sudden, the wife of the complainant was taken with the toothache. It wasn't the kind which growls and mutters around, but the old-fashioned, jumping ache, and in at once affected the wife of the delend--Armand Heine, a wealthy banket ant, and after a little she slid over and

"Poor thing-I'm sorry!" "Oh! such an ache!" sobbed the vie

"I brought along some peppermint and here it is," said the first as she pro duced the phial.

"What's all this?" asked the plaintiff, as he came up. "Why, your poor wife is suffering terribly with the toothache, and I pily her from the bottom of my hand,"

"Who's got the toothache?" inquired the de endant, as he joined the group. "My wife," "George! but that's too bad! Shan't I go to the drug store for you?"

At this the plaintif turned about, hele out his hand and replied: "Say, George, I was a fool to bring this suit. I called you a har and you hit me, and that was right."

"But I'm sorry, Jim." "Then let's drop the whole business and ride home together and have a chicken dinner! Molly, git your cloak

And in spite of lawyers and spectators and the queer expression of his Honor's face the plaintiff paid all costs. slapped the defendant on the back, and headed the party out doors with the ex-

clamation: "Go to grass with your law and law yers, and you women folks stop here till George and me have a drink:"-Detroit Free Press.

# Politeness in Arkansas.

Let me relate an incident. I suppose that Arkansas is about as dangerous : place as Texas for a bully to go to, but from personal observation at boti points I think Arkansas is a little safer place for a gentleman than Cincinnati The general urban ty of the people as -What is it has a mouth and never tonished me more than anything else peaks, and a bed and never sleeps? A This is what I propose to illustrate. We stopped at one station, and traveled about forty miles by stage. On our reread after Shakespeare has been for- turn the stage-a large spring wager gotten. That's the proper time to read without top-was loaded with men. They were of different types. One had -An Albany (N. Y.) paper tells of a a bottle of whisky. One was a miniwoman in that city who waked her hus- ter. We came to a creek where a party band during a storm the other night, had stopped to water their ho ses. There were two women and a little girl. apparently very poor. They were sunbonnets and faced calico dresses. The horse was poor, and the vehicle was ashabby and rough an old specimen as 1 "Sorry, old fellow; what is it?" "Promever met with. One of the women has ised to carve turkey at our boarding- unhitched the horse and led him back to the water, and had just turned to Old bills: "Two hundred and twen- come up the bank as we reached the

Our driver stopped. A well-dressed think of it?" remarked Mrs. Simple; man hopped out of the stage, and with "isn't it r'diculous? These Congress- a bow offered his assistance. He led men get salaries big enough, I should the old horse up to the vehicle-I don't think, to pay as they go. Two hundred know what else to call it-hitched him and twenty-seven bills! For things they in, assisted the woman to her seat, and got la t year, of course. For my part, then, as she heartily thanked him, he politely bowed her good-day, lifting his hat clear off his head. In a moment -A doctor is called in to prescribe he was in the stage again, and on we for a sick child, and having examined went. After my experience in the the patient writes a prescription and North it struck me that this was all for leaves instructions as to the treatment sport, and that the men would have of the little sufferer. On making his lots of fun about the adair. But I soon visit the next morning the prince of found that it was all in earnest. All rescience is surprised to find the house- garded it as a matter of course. For hold in tears. "My poor child," sobs from that moment to the end of the journey not one man uttered one sylla ble about it. Not a sneering remark croup?" echoes the doctor: "do you was made, no joke or pun, no remark mean to say the child had the croup? of any kind-not one single word! I Why didn't you tell me?"-Indianapo- had to confess to myself that I never saw more politeness than this. + Cor.

#### Toledo Blade. A Pair of Old Turtle Boves.

That age is no barrier to the tender passion, and that two hearts, no matter how tough and callous, can be made to you know, at the Parthenon!" Dorothy flutter and respond to each other's costatic beatings when pierced by one of Cupid's arrows, has often been exemplified. But it is not often that person-Dorothy-"What never heard of Mr. so far advanced in the journey of life Osbaidistone Smith!! Why, he's the that they are in the eightles, and who stand on the verge of the grave, become so "spooney" on each other that naught but hymen can make their de-McHennepin. languidly, executing at scent to the tomb one elysium of bliss. There is, however, a genuine case in act. "That's true," remarked Gus De the town of Vassalboro, where two wil shortly wed who are octogenarians The happy pair are in an excell no state of preservation, the lady with an "but you yourself just now asserted state of preservation, the lady with an that you were stupid." "I only said eye sparkling like Promethean fire, and the old fellow as sprightly as a boy of fifteen. They are highly respectable people, and both are well off in this world's goods. The lady is a prominent member of the Society of Friends. They are like a pair of turtle doves, and appear to be as delighted in each others presence as when, in their younger years, they just experienced the thrills of love. Their intention of The wife of a far Western member marriage, when announced a few days ago, created quite a sensation in the staid and venerable town, and, when it week. She said her husband was in was discussed at the village store, it could scarcely be credited on account of the great age of the contracting parofficial's wife said that she believed her t es, but, when the town clerk attested husband was a Senator. At least the to the fact, that settled it. The aged couple in their matrimonial alliance have the best place he could get. The have the wishes of all who know landlady, who was a keen, shrewd wom- them that they "may live long and pros-

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are so ignorant or indifferent as to con. -W. S. Chamberlain, of Cleveland,

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