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RED CLOUD. - NEBRASKA

IN SPRING-TIME.

Now doth the pensive painter's brush Renew the merchant's sign, And, perched above the sidewalk, cause Regilded age to shine.

Now doth the busy housewife tear The carpet from the floor. And scrub with mop and whitewash brush The peaceful dwelling o'er.

And now the husband seeks divorce From home and kindred dear. And washes down house cleaning dust With draughts of potent beer.

Now doth the editor sneak out When long-haired poets bring Great rolls of manuscript to him Containing songs of spring.

And now the speculator bold Goes long on future wheat. And tells of growing crops destroyed By frosts and storms of sleet.

And many other things take place About this time of year, Which cause mankind to hold the spring Above all seasons dear. -Detroit Free Press.

BY PARNA'S GRAVE.

The Story Told by An Old Man to A Chance Acquaintance.

The train paused at every lonely station, sometimes permitting a passenger to alight, but oftener gathering up belated summer tourists—the women with golden rod or asters in their belts, the men with fish baskets or game-bags I encouraged him, for he rambled on, they buried Parea he stood there, just over their shoulders. The one passen- telling me all about his family and bus- where that tallest clump of golden-rod ger-car was old and small and low- iness affairs, and winding up with an is, and he kept his arm over his face all celled, the red plush seats were faded. the little panes of glass grimy, and it was only after repeated efforts that I succeeded in raising the window to let to startle everybody, and the men with hand he picked a bunch of the asters at the soft wind of early autumn blow one accord hastened out of the car and his feet, and, though they grew wild all against my face. It was with regret rushed forward to see what had hapthat I viewed the fields and woods, for pened. A freight train had run off the a joyous shout the children burst out of I was leaving them, and every tree a gang of laborers had already arrived walked away together in silence. He

-stay until the frost has turned our told us that the way would be cleared me the romance that had made his life leaves, until November gales have in an hour or so. Leaving my new at once sweet and sad; he did not know the thick white snow, until the spring work, I sauntered slowly down a shady Parna's grave. - Lippincott's Magazine. comes slowly up our way." I won- road that wound through lonely fields. dered if I would stay if I could; wheth- Presently I came on a little school- THE FASTING GIRL PROBLEM. er, if all the world were before me. I house, painted white, and through the would choose to pitch my tent on some open windows, and door I saw a few solitary beach or within sound of the caildren seated at their desks, while a soughing pines. Was not my longing few others stood up before the spinster born of a comfortable contentment? teacher, reciting a lesson. I felt a Was I not in my heart of hearts down- thrill of pity for the lint-locked urchin right glad to be going back to the town, who was saying the multiplication table, to my friends, my work, my winter stumbling over the nines, just as I had pleasures? A great clamp of sumach in my boxhood. Opposite was a graveburnt red in a little hollow, and my yard, running up steep to the east and thoughts jumped to the reading-room of and inclosed by a low stone wall that. my club, to a deep crimson arm chair was almost hidden beneath tangled by the open fire, and in an instant the vines and sprawling bashes. There rumble of the train sounded like the were no paths, and the grave-stones rumble of the train sounded like the grave stones laden omnibuses toiling over the city street. The conversation of two stolid, middle-aged men behind me called men behind me back from my dreams, and certain Appollos Welthey, who had fall- cases of this kind the usual and much was appointed by the President to make affidavits for them, telling "la Juge" at I was list ming to their droning en in the battle of Seven Mountains. I the easiest method of explanation is by the selection. When placed in position the "palais de justice" that they are all ne sount of the evil doings of sundry made my way about the graves slowly, flat denial of the alleged facts, and this it will loom up 305 feet above tide-water, sick umodving, that they can't support persons in Saybrook, when the train but I found no quaint epitaphs, although is facilitated by making sundry import. the height of the statue being 151.2 feet, their families, that they are destitute, is what seems to be a faulty system of early stopped, and the brakeman called out some of the names struck me as extra- ant assumptions, as that such and such | that of the pedestal 91 feet, and founda- From this state of affairs it is evident | training the place in an inquiring tone that ordinary—such as Noahdiah, and Par- a thing is opposed to natural laws and tion 52.10 feet.

them, in aggrieved tones. "You will brooch fastened a pretty embroidered the greater part of her feat her body great work are due to the great French was not intended to make fun of such a git hart if you go jumping about that collar, and the austerely simple dress was in incessant motion, according to sculptor, M. Bartholdi, who has de-

vice, and he, declaring that he was a her, bidden away in the stone. sight smarter than they thought, be- "You here?" I hardly know why, unless it were softly. leause he reminded me vaguely of my "You knew her?" on white-haired father, dead this

th girls, will von?

ne suit of black broadcloth, cut as on a country tailor can cut black brdcloth, the low vest displaying a gre expanse of white shirt that ended at te neck in a high collar, about whi was tied a soft black-silk searf. Thends and loops of the scarf were so cardily pulled out and arranged that I wdd have wagered anything that one those elderly girls had presided overhis part of the old gentleman's toile His hands were brown, but not hards those of a man who holds a plowand his face was lighted by a pair threwd, twinkling blue eves. He brush a white thread off his coat, he crosschis legs, he looked askant at me, a remarked that it was a tine day. Ike a flash there came into mind a drollissertation of Heinrich Heine's upon | nossible horrible consequences that m follow if one does not cap the remar! Fine weather to-day" with "Yes, day we have fine weather;" and I flied promptly that I had never knownmore perfect autumn day.

"Jushe morning to start off," said the oldnan. "My girls kind o' surmised fould rain; but I guess it was only bruse they wanted to keep me home. They couldn't see why I should start it of a sudden and go visit-

are off on a pleasure-trip?"

lived wil twenty miles of it for more | than her." than this five years. Queer how you travel heard there and don't think of places ri near home.'

"That's just it. I have been living al- and went to a village where an uncle of most next door, as you might say, to his kept store. And he kept store my old home, where I grew up, and I made some money at it, too; and when ain't been there in ten years. I went his uncle died he got the business." over once to the funeral of an uncle of | "And did he ever marry?" mine, my mother's only brother, and "Yes," said the old man, slowly, I ain't seen any of the folks, except now and with an odd, deprecatory smile. and then as they would come on busi- "Yes, he married a woman no more ness or something of that sort to our like Parna than Martha in the Bible was village. Lately, though, I have had a like Mary. Not but what she was a great desire to go back-want to see good woman," he added, hastily, "and the orchards that I hooked apples from an uncommon smart woman, a regular when I was a boy." He paused and go-ahead, all energy, always driving, chuckled at the delightful memory of always saving, up before daylight. his youthful pranks; but his face grew Still, I don't believe Parna's sweetheart grave, and when he continued it was in ever forgot her, though he did marry alow, confidential tone: "You see, I have and have children. Those were my got to go pretty soon, for I had a warning | daughters that brought me to the depot: this spring—a stroke—paralysis—apo-plexy—Idon't know which; for awhile married now, and they are both by a spiral staircase within the out-I was bad off. I can't do much now- like their mother. They are their adays, and my sons-in-law runs the store mother right over again, so to mostly; and so I says to the girls that I speak-all push and energy-and they would buy a new suit of clothes. I just keep their husbands going all the should have to have 'em anyhow to be time. Now, Parna,"-here his voice buried in, and I might as well get a lit- grew soft and he looked at the picture tle wear out of 'em first. So I got the again - 'she wasn't one of that sort. suit; and then I made up my mind to She was gentle, and she had a low go visiting. The girls didn't like to voice. She had a good deal of energy, have me go off; but I ain't got so old as too, but there was a womanly way bout to be bossed around like a child. I knew her: I don't know how to express it ex-I could take care of myself, and I know actly. Why, sometimes over there at everybody in Baldwin-that's the name the school the boys were regular bad of the place I am going to: next station ones, but she could rule 'em. You see, but one. I was raised there. I guess she got 'em to love her; that was all. this will be my last visit—though a man They came to her funeral, and the bigmay have a shake and live twenty years gest boys carried her coffin. I rememafterward. It don't make me much ber one chap, Abe Mosely he was, and

alive, somehow." his words were pathetic to me. Perhans ing and getting into mischief; but when account of his wife's death, which had the while the minister was talking. occurred the winter before. He was Earth to earth, ashes to ashes. Poor deep in the details of her last illness | Parna!" when the train stopped so suddenly as beckoned to me, and whispered: "Stay from New Haven, and the conductor did not dream that he had revealed to

fitted smoothly over her sloping shoal- the reports, so that there must have voted eight years of his life and most of The other woman shook her head ders and girlish breast. She had died been an abnormal expenditure of vital his fortune to this great work, and with a forlora air that was in itself a in September: perhaps she had been energy, prophery of future mishap to the agile buried on just such a day as this, when The physicians who attended her difold centleman; and then she and her the golden-rod flamed along the fences fered widely as to the nature of her grand, noble work, prompted him to companion lifted their skirts very high and the asters were abloom every- complaint, but we believe they agreed make such a generous gift to the United and stepped down to the ground care- where. She must have had friends to that she really did not eat or drink. States. The committee in charge of the fully, as if to show that they knew mourn her, a mother to weep bitter Her parents and friends maintain most construction of the base and pedestal enough to be needed how they placed tears in the darkness. Even the sea- earnestly that deception in the case was for this great work are in want of funds their precious feet. Then they gave the sons, with their storms of rain and snow, impossible. This assertion will not pre- for its completion, and have prepared old gentleman much doleful good ad- had dealt tenderly with this portrait of vent contrary statements being made, a miniature statuet'e, an exact counter-

He nodded, and, taking hold of my arm, pointed to a church spire that twwomen, who shook theirs sadly in buried vonder, under that pine-tree,

> After a minute's pause he stretched out his hand, raised the marble flap, and looke I at the portrait of Parna with a wavering smile.

"It's a good likeness," he continued. "Her old father had it put in. She was all he had left, and he didn't stay long after she was gone. He used to come here and sit and look at the picture by the hour. Many's the time I have seen him sitting here all alone, sort o' talking, as though she could hear. He was childish, and I guess he thought she knew that he had come to keep her company. Perhaps she did." And the old man let the flap fall over the portrait and turned his blue eves to me in solemn wonder. "She nied to teach school across the way," he went on, "and all the children come to her funeral. It don't seem but vesterday that we stood here listening to the clumps of earth falling on her coffin. Poor Parna! She was a good girl. he was wearing under his uniform. An Everybody loved her."

lingered on his face. "She was en- poor red coats with only serge or flangaged to be married," he said, with a nel covering. "Glance! harmlessly certain hesitation, "and her sweetheart off." Garsten will set the fashion, mail was 'most broken-hearted. He wasn't of proof come out from the rust and the of much account, but she thought a dim past, and the armorer again finds good deal of him, and he was going to work to do. A uniform off which the study for the ministry, though his folks Arab spear glances harmlessly is cer-He need and smiled: "I ain't going were awful set against it, for, you see, tain to be a bot favorite with a soldier very farut it's to a place where I be wasn't so young, being-lemme see that has seen squares broken and the

> "And after she died?" I asked. He drew down his mouth: "Well, he the consolation of the time.- N. Y give up all thoughts of studying for the Hereid

"Yes." I said. "I was born and ministry. You see, he never felt he had raised fifty or sixty miles from Niagara, a real call for it; but he would have but never went to see the Fails." studied to please her. After she was My companion slapped his knee: gone he did as his folks wanted him to,

he was a limb of the law, and nobody He smiled, and his eyes twinkled, but | could control him, he was always fight-

He said no more, but with a trembling about, these he laid on the grave. With track, wrecking one car completely; but school, and the old man and I rose and ----

brium of science. The latter insists that she can not live without eating and living without eating and drinking.

but when there is a consensus of belief part of the original, six inches in height, in certain facts among a number of in- the figure being made of bronze, the stowed a hearty kiss upon each, and, I started. Behind me stood the gar- telligent and reputable people, and pedestal of nickel silver, which they are wrenching himself free from their rulous old man, my companion in the when these have taken pains to sub- now delivering to subscribers throughclutches, got on the car just as the cars, looking down at me seriously, and stantiate their belief and to exclude error, out the United States for the small sum train began to glide away. He came without a word he seated himself be- it is difficult to regard the usual denial of one dollar each. All remittances slowly down the aisle, looking right side me on the sunken stone near of the facts as an adequate explanation. should be addressed to Richard Butler, and left toward the well-filled seats, Parna's grave. For awhile we were If the laws of physiology were as fully Secretary of the American Committee intil he arrived opposite me, when he silent, and the children in the school- and minutely understood as might be of the Statue of Liberty, No. 33 Mercer talted and glanced at the portmanteau house across the way began to recite inferred from the dogmat'sm of men of street. New York. The committee are hat had so far been a defense against something in a chorus, their voices science, there would be no excuse for also prepared to furnish a model, in struders. I made a place for him at rising and falling in a monotonous chant. the teeming failures of medicine. The same metals, twelve inches in height. nce, for my heart warmed toward him 'Poor Parna!' said the old man, verification of one such case as that of at five dollars each, delivered. Every Kate Smuller, however, would neces- subscriber sending one dollar will be sitate the admission of psychologic supplied with a miniature counterpart hypotheses in such cases, since it is evi- of this great and imperishable statue of dent that physiology does not furn'sh "Liberty Enlightening the World." "Thank you, young man," he said showed itself on a hill to the west, the solution of them. Considering the lot the window open, eh? Just lem- "That's where I'm going," he said. "It extent to which the study of mental n waive my handkerchief out of it to ain't three miles away, and, as we have conditions, and their influence upon to stay there till the track is c'ear for physical processes, is being carried at Something About Them and Their Great le leaned heavily on my knees and the train, I thought I'd just walk down present, moreover, the troadening of wied his handkerchief merrily to the and see the gravevard. My folks are the scope of inquiry here suggested should not seem either in a imissible or agitation begun by Riel about a year said, it has often happened that the rem. This ceremony over, my com- and I suppose I'll lay alongside of em irrational. In practice, every successful ago. Riel was the leader in the Red groom does not wait for the clergy man palon squared himself in the seat and some day. I told the girls to bring me. physician acts opon this view, and there River barrier of 1809, and for his to finish his question before he blurts great way towards preventing such frequent logd unnaturally grave. He wore a I'd rather be here than anywhere else, can be no sound therapeuties without recognition of the interaction of mind

> and body. In the fasting girl cases the old-fashioned Alexandran fashion of severing the Gordian knot is falling into disfavor. because it is felt to be an evas on and not a determination. In the effect, the indications are that some venerable theories regarding the conditions of vital et on may have to be discarded. The facts appear too stubborn to be dealt with o herwise than scientifically, in shor, and when this is realized it is quite possible that medical science may find itself upon the threshold of new and important discoveries .- N Y. Trib-

Shirts of Mail.

It seems that an officer of the Bengal cavalry had a remarkable escape during fighting in Egypt the other day. He owed his safety to a shirt of mail which Arab speared him, but the blow glanced His voice broke, but an absent smile harmlessly off. This is news for the ain't been a long time, though I have |-oh, he was nigh onto ten years older | best men thrown into pell-mell confusion by the fury of the Arab advance. The shirt of mail is the sensation and

THE BARTHOLDI STATUE.

Description of this Stupendous Work of Art and New Wonder of the World-Schewe for Securing the Completion of the Base and Pedestal.

The new Wonder of the World, which is now being loaded on the French country, is the largest statue in the forty persons found standing-room within the head. A six-foot man standthey seemed to be making a huge sugarcaldron, and they jumped with ease in and out the top of the nose. Fifteen people might sit round the flame of the stretched arm



stripped as bare, until we hide beneath friend to watch the progress of the how much he had told as we sat by LIBERTY ENLIGHTENING THE WORLD.

of it, says: "It is out and away the tended to "fetch" the Judge. Facts Showing That Science is Wrong Colossus of Rhedes was nothing to it. among half-breeds in Manitoba of been given to the readers of the Blade No at all. John didn't want to be When It Declares That One Must Eat It could carry the 'Bravaria' or the swearing interest out of court. The in Mr. Locke's letters. The modern fasting girl is the oppro- the skies from the yard of the Rue de the sale of infants' lands is not and has the North of England," the following and built an asylum for the poor little

maje and his up-turned nose and high thena, and Minervia. Far up on the therefore could not be. Thus it is an This imposing statue, higher than the half-breeds of Manitoba has not secured circing evebrows. From my window brow of the hill was a simple marble axiom of medical science that life can enormous towers of the great Brooklyn for them the great benefit that Riel ex-I saw on the platform two youngsh, slab, marking the place where Parna not be sustained beyond a few days querulous ooking women, who regards shelly was buried, who had died in without alimentation, and certainly if which is the loftiest in the city of New money that it has placed in their hands in the last lead of the contrary. Set head in the loftiest in the city of New money that it has placed in their hands anything this winter, and I can thear to see ed with aux.of interest a thick-set, 1846, aged eighteen. Set back in the physiology alone is concerned in the York-higher, in fact, than any of the has made many of them idle, shiftless white haired old men. Evidently he beadstone, and protected by a marble matter the soundness of this view must colossal statues of antiquity-by its rare and inactive. - Detroit Post. was about to start on a journey, for he flap that hung on a hinge, I d scovered be admitted. It is true that there are a artistic proportions, as well as by its carried a satchel which was as new and a daguerretype of the dead girl, and I few well-attested cases in which life stupendous dimensions, will add anshiming as his tall silk hat. He sprang looked long and earnestly on the pic- was sustained without the possibility of other to the Wonders of the World. A from the platform, not lightly, but gay- tured face. The expression was gentle alimentation, the most notable being word should be said of its artistic merit. A Minister Who Puts His Young People ly, and with a half-laughing half-frown- and winning. Her thick hair was grawn that of the Indian fakir who was walled The pose, stride and gesture, with its ing refusal of the aid eagerly tendered back from a broad intelligent brow, up in a vault at Lahore, and who two classic face, are pronounced perfect; the him by both the fusty women. They glanced at each other significantly and corners of her mouth. Her large eyes pursed up their lips.

and the shadow of a smile lurked in the weeks afterward was disinterred and drapery is both massive and fine, and found alive! In that case, however, in some parts is as delicate and silky met mine with a sort of entreaty, making there was a min mum of waste of vitali- in elect as if wrought with a fine chisel

whose generous impulses, which must

THE HALF-BREEDS.

The present upris ng is due to the complicity in the troubles of that time out the I will. was banished for five years from the Dominion. He returned to Canada last year and entered the Saskatchewan

is accorded other settlers. scene of trouble was coded to the ple was rounded up in her cheek, her Dominion in 1869 by the Hudson Bay eyes sparkled and turned toward him, Company, who until then had been and the young man knew without a sylgovernors of the country. The pre- lable what the answer weuld have been cipitation with which the Dominion in words. The bride's mother kissed sion by sending Hon. William Me- although the reception was a general Dougall to Winnipeg to enter upon the one, the young men held back for duties of Lieutenant-Governor had its awhile, till a sensible young man of natural result, and the half-breeds, thirty, with a blonde mustache, stepped to prevent his entrance into the settle- He enjoyed it, and said so. The little ceived for the rights of the inhabitants, polite usher was rewarded also. and the rebellion of 1869 was the result. he log-huts of the French half-breeds that the minister does not have time to lined both sides of the Red and Assina- salute the bride." A laugh followed. boine rivers for many miles up and but he did not get his kiss till later .down the streams from Winn peg. They Detroit Post. cultivated each man a few acres over a large proportion of the broken land, and for many years their large-wheeled was Hamilton's second in the fatal dual xx-carts were the only vehicles that

brought produce at all in large quantities to the settlements. Their fathers Some months aro, I need not mention where

had come to the Northwest many years before as servants of the Hudson Bay Company. They had married indian women, and many of the half-breeds. at the time of the transfer, had been hving in und sturbed possession of their transport I sere for shipment to this little farms for thirty or forty years and some for half a centry. Hitherto they world. Some idea of its magnitude had known no one bot the great corpomay be obtained from the fact that ration whose employes they were, Rome was their church and the Hudson Bay Company their State.

Suddenly word came up the river that ng on the level of the lps only reach the land upon which they had lived he eyebrow. While workmen were for so many years had been transferred employed on the crown of her head to the Dominion of Canada. Their Indian blood took fright, and they pictured their lands in the hands of Arangers, themselves turned out of doors and their homes gone. The arbitrary course of Mr. McDougall bore its legita imate fruit in Riel's rebellion. The rebellion did not keep the strangers out, but it had its effect in the half-breed Land act, which was soon after passed by the Dominion Parliament. In the first place there were 1,400,000 acres of land set apart for the half-breed infants; subsequent grants were made of land and scrip to the half-breed heads of families. Afterward came an order in council dividing the 1,400,000 acres of land among the infants per capita, and granting 240 acres to each child. Commissioners were sent about to take a ceasus of the families, and children were at a premium; each child was worth 240 acres of good land to its parents, and tradition says that children were "lent" from one family to another, those already counted by the commissioners being sent abroad to be counted over again in the interest of another family further on.

Children ten, eleven and twelve years of age were examined with the utmost gravity, and the farce was again and again enacted by obtaining their consent to the sale of their lands. Strange it was that these youngsters never withheld their consent. Lands were taken out of chancery and sold with such rapidity that to keep up with the times printed adidavits had to be struck off in great numbers uniformly deposing that the deponent was the father of such and such an infant; that he was hopelessly ill or disabled, that he was destitute and unable to keep his children; for some | "Destitution in the North of England," time after all effects of the Baie St. Paul floods had entirely passed away, injury from the floods remained an invariable The London Daily News, in speaking clause in every affidavit that was in- on "Trade Depression in the North of

in New York about the 25th of May, rather than work. When the interest building trade: that the granting of lands to the French

LESSONS IN MATRIMONY.

Through Their Facings. Rev. Mr. Sneath, pastor of the Salem United Brethren, gave an association sacred thing as marriage, but simply to points about how to proceed at the ceremony. He said there were so many blunders made by persons who were embarrassed and ignorant of how to act so as to make the necessary preparabride, and these retired to the ante-room to march in ahead of the pair. Four young ushers in ordinary visiting suits had been appointed. They were little holes. One young man acted as minister, and took his place at the pulp t-rail. The bride's mother was a pretty young blonde, and the one acting as father a fresh-look ng. healthy youth. The minister sa'd none of the party ever had any experience in marrage, and it was read ly believed. All being in readiness, the organist began the wedding march from "Lohengrin," and the pair, preceded by two ushers and the company of friends, entered and moved up to the young minister, where the bridal couple halted. No marriage ceremony was performed, but Mr. Sneath ex-"That is because he is so anxious

have her for his wife," said a young

man under his breath. After the lesson the pair marched country, when he advised the half- down the right aisle and up the left, with breeds as to the course to pursue to ob- two ush rs in a lyance, and took seats tain recognition of their rights by the in a corner of the room, where a "re-Government. The half-breeds claim ception" was held. The bride, a dazthat patents should be issued for the zling, beautiful brunette, wore a pure land occupied by them, and that each white dress, en train, but there was nan should have his homestead defi- no veil and no orange blossoms. sitely defined and be allowed to use the The groom was a fine-looking bloude, interest to those engaged in the war on imber on his claims. The half-breeds, and bore himself like a man. A young the whisky traffic, we give it in full: in short, demand the same treatment as man said to the bride as she passed

him: "Don't you wish it were real?" Manitoba and the territory now the As her lips were parted a little dimverament sought to assume posses- her and the groom very sweetly, but, under the least of Louis Riel, resolved forward and kissed the lady in earnest. ment until some guarantee was re- smacks were extremely musical. The

"It sometimes happens," said the At the time of the transfer of the ter- minister, "as in this case, that the

TEMPERANCE READING.

THE LITTLE SHOES.

There was a meeting in a Temperance ball And many working men assembled there; Among them sat a man well dressed and Who fistened anxiously to every word, Until one near spoke to him, saying thus: Come, William Turner, I have never heard

How that you changed so much; so tell to us Why you gave up the public house! Ah! few. I'm sure, can tell so stran era tale as you.

Glanced, confusedly, round the ball,

Cried, with voice of deep emotion: "The little shoes-they did it all! One night, on the verge of ruln, As I harried from the tap, I beheld the landlord s baby

Sitting in its mother's lap.

'Look here, dear father,' said the mother, Holding forth the little feet, Look, we've got new shoes for darling! " Don't you think them nice and neat? Ye may judge the thing was simple-

Datel eve me, if you chooset my friends, no fist e'er struck me sch a blow as those small snoes. · And they forced my brain to reason. Have blocothe another's children, And the my own go barer

It was in the depth of winter:
Bitter was the night and wild.
And outside the turing gin shop
Stood my starting wife and child.

Out I went and antehed my baby.
See its feet so cod and blue;
Fathers! If the small shoes smote me
What did those poor bare feet do? Oh, they were so lev on:

And their coldness, like a darger, Pierced me-1 can feel Amil Of money I had but a trifle. Just enough to serve my state I bought shoes for little baby.

And a single loaf of bread. That loaf served us all the Sundal And I went to work next day: Since that time I've been a tectoral That is all I've got to say.

WANT AND SUFFERING.

Caused by Improvidence and Drunkness Among English Workingsen.

-Our Little

The volume of United States Consular | foud out that all who build such Reports for January, which has just been issued by the Department of State, contains three reports by Consul Locke, of Newcatle-upon-Tyne, the first on the second on "Iron Workers' Wages in the North of England," and the third England." Many of the facts embodied | ment?" asks life Amy Arlott by his largest statue of modern times. The The custom still prevails very wide'y in these valuable reports have already side.

'Hermann' in its arms. It towers to money that remained in chancery on From the report on Destitution in have taken that fifty bousand dollars Chazelles, where it has been eight years not been allowed to lie and accumulate portion is given, showing the lament of ildren that have no home, and people in construction, and the view from its interest. The half-breeds know that able improvidence of the English would have called the asylum his monucoronet sweeps clear of the six-story inte est is accumulating. Some of them | laborers, and the part that the traffic | ment.

and themselves. But it seems impossible for the laborer, of the north of England at least, to benefit by these lessons. This is due to a number of causes, one of the chiefest of which

A few days a young man of perhaps twentyfive or thirty years came to me for assistance in finding one of his brothers in America. He wanted aid from him. He said:

peal to my brother in America for help."
What is your trade?" "I am a fitter, sir; but you know there is no ship-building here now, and will not be till spring at least, and by that time we may be

all starved to death. "I don't know anything else. I was brought up a fitter, and have always been a fitter; and now that there is nothing for fitters to do I am without any resources.

connected with his society an object every branch of a trade thoroughly, these able to do anything else when there is not The last few years have seen a great improvement in this district, but the fact still give the young people some useful remains that the working classes hereabouts

are frightfully improvident. building trade and it is the men in that trade who are suffering most to day; have been far above average wages, as there was a remarkable demand for high-class vessels, and build-At the meeting last week two persons workmen, not profiting by the experiences of had been selected as bride and groom, the past, seemed to imagine that such a condition of affairs' was to endure forever, and their money went as fast as it came, no protions. Mr. Sneath chose about a dozen vision at all being made for the possibility of ladies and gentlemen as friends of the a sudden and total stoppage of the flow of the golden stream. When work ceased from lack of fresh orders the men found themselves not only without means, but too frequently badly in deat. Then came the periodical visits to the

had been appointed. They were little pawn shop, and the floal appeal to the relief bunches of evergreen in the coat button-committee for the aid their prudence in times of plenty should have provided. SOUANDERED FOR LIGHOR.

And the Temperance question plays no unimportant part in this matter. In a city of the size of Newcastle, where there are so iquor and the amounts of money expended therein are not so noticeable as in smaller places, where the great proportion of the recopie are engaged in one branch of trade. Take, for instance, the town of Sunderland, in this consular district, whose population of 104.000 is very largely made up of ship-builders. There are in that town no less than 54 drinking establishments, and a careful estimate places the amount of money received direct from workingmen at £150,000 per an-

Where the men are paid off Saturday noon, the public bouses claim them from that hour till closing time at eleven o clock at night, and plained in a simple, effective way, only too often the next night also, the followeverything in reference to the ceremony. ing Monday being devoted to getting into condition to resume work on Tuesday. A thorough, practical Temperance reformation rially lighten the burden over which the tax-

"ANTI-TREATING" LAW. How Nevada Is Trying to Regulate the Drinking Habit.

-Tolodo Blade.

The Legislature of Nevada has enacted a law against "treating," which its advocates hope to prove a powerful blow at the drinking habit. As this bill is of

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to treat gratuatously any other person or persons to or with any spirituous or mait liquor or i quors, wine or coler, or any beverage whatever, or to or with any other article whatever, whereby any spiriteous or mait liquors, wine or eider, or any other beverage shall be obtained gratuitously in any public bur room, soloon, beer halt or grocery in this ctate, or in any other public place of

resort or amusement in this State.

SEC. 2. It shall be unlawful for any one to attempt to evade the practisions of this act by any chicanery or subterfuge whalever, such as precoming to sell one article and delivering another, or by falsely pretending to buy or sell one have

ing another, or by falsely pretending to buy or sell such heverage.

SEC 2. Any person or persons violating the first section of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty tollars and not less than four dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than ten days nor less than two days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sac 4. Any person or person violating the second section of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof. misdemensor and, upon convict on thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars nor less than ten dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than twenty-five days nor less than five days, or both by fine and imprisonment.

Suc. 5. In the ovent of the faiture of my more on any one fine outher that he this out

visions and by the authority of this a be paid into the general school fund county by which the conviction is had.

JOHN JONES' MONUMENT A Pulitical Structure Built to Thirty-Box Years - A Reckless Expenditure of

Health, Time and Money.

John Jones began at the agoof fifteen to build a monument and finished it at fifty. He worked night and day, often all night long and on the Sabbath. He seemed to be in a great hurry to get it done. He spent all the money he carned upon it some say \$50,000. Then he borrowed all he could; and when no one would toan him any more he would take his wife's dresses and the bed-clothes and many other valuable things in his home, and sell them't. get more money to finish the monu-

They say he came home one day and was about to take the blanket, that lay over his sleeping bally to keep it warm. and his wife tried to stop him; but he drew back his fist and knocked her down, and then went away with the blankets and never brought them back. and the poor baby sickened and died from the exposure. At last there was nothing left in the house. The poor, heart-broken wife soon followed the baby to the grave. Yet John Jones kept working all the more on the mounment. I saw him when he was about fifty years old. The monument was nearly done; but he had worked so hard at it that I hardly knew him, he was so worn; his clothes were all in tatters, and his hands and face, indeed, his whole body, were covered with scars which he got in laying up some of the stones. And the wretched man had been so little in good society all the while that he was building, that he had about forgotten how to use the English language; his tongue had somehow become very thick, and when he tried to speak, out would come an oath.

That may seem strange but I untats as John's prefer oaths to any

othe word! No come with me, and I will show you Job's monument. It stands in a beautiful part of the city where five streets me. Most men put such things in a cemete. But John had his own way and pure on one of the finest lots to be found. "Does it look the Bunker Hill monu-

remembered in that way. He might

drinking. She as stubbornly persists in living without eating and drinking. The weight of this stupendous statue there is the certainty of a few dollars ing the want and misery of their women. It is high and large. When Dr. Tanner made his experiment is 440,000 pounds, of which 176,000 being paid out of court to them in a few and children. The men whose con- with great halls and towers, and velves science was staggered, but that little pounds are copper and the remainder weeks or months they will live in utter dition is discussed are those engaged carpets, elegant mirrors and a plane. episode was a trifle to the feat of Kate wrought-iron. It is expected to arrive idleness and exist on almost nothing in the various departments of the ship and I know not what all; so rich and grand.

from such straits as those in which they now whisky he drank lives here with his family, and they all dress in the richest and finest clothes.

> Do you understand it? -Eli Perkins "Wit and Lumor of the Age."

A Terrible Story.

Under the title "A Child of the Prison" the New York Revald tells a shocking story of an episode of prison life in New Jersey. It is that of poor Rosa McCarty, ruined by drink, and of ber little five-year-old daughter and only companion. Mother and child "Why don't you go to work at something have just been arrested in Jersey City and consigned to the penitentiary for sixty days. Born in a prison, this little creature has passed four of her five That explains it all. Instead of learning years of life behind the prison bars with her drunken mother. The twain have "Now, pa, you have got to take some sort of care of yourself," said one of spect. At her throat an old-fashioned sort of care of yourself, said one of the said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address, in which he said that it should be an address. into that amputation of a tie which is, perhaps, not the less sacred that its only associations are vile. The picture of the little sunny-faced child accompanying her mother to and from the ocenes . of degradation and the scenes of inear-ceration within prison walls is one whose incongruity is its chief fesson to humanity-a lesson of fidelity, or natural love that not all sin and all wretchedpess can uproot, of mule, automatic self-sacrifice beyond mortal ken. It is an incident in the drak traffic whose mere relation conveys a moral that must appeal to the most common understanding .- Irish World.

Which Is Better?

Total abstinence never destroyed & home, blighted a wife or cursed a child.

Total abstinence never robbed a man of character, manliness or integrity. Total abstinence pever filled a jail or an alms-house.

Total abstinence never led a pure life into vice, nor blackened a pure heart with shame. Total abstinence never filled the land

with wailing nor its households with want. . Drinking habits destroy, blight and

Drinking habits rob and impoverish.

Drinking habits lead into vice and Which is better-total abstinence uf moderate drinking? - Christianat Bork.

THE Massachusetts Prison Commissioners, in their annual report on the new "Male Reformatory," ask for a longer imprisonment of inebriates, for purposes of reformation.

It is admitted that a large proportion of the crime in every community has its source in drunkenness, and that a large proportion of the taxes go to pay the expenses, direct and indirect, that result from the sale of liquors. - Portland (Me.) Advertiser.

THE American Express Company has decided to dismiss any and every employe using intoxicating liquors. This is a purely business arrangement. A great corporation serving the public as a conveyor of goods finds that its service is impaired by any toleration of drinking habits among its employes. When will the greater corporations, the city, the State, the Nation, learn the same truth? - National W. C. T. U. Bul-

THE Western Brewer six years ago stated that 432,720 barrels of beer had been consumed in Chicago during the previous year. That indicates a pretty thirsty city. It is a fact of awful import that eight thousand minors were ar-rested for drunkenness in that city. Little children only eight years old were sent to prison; two hundred under fourteen years of age were sent in one years and, in all, 1,782 boys and girls, among whom was one boy cleven years of ago who confessed that he had been com nitted seven times bei