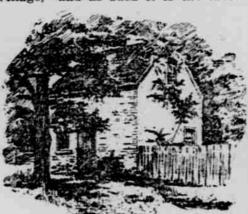
MYSTERY SURREVADS PEROUS MINIJERSEY FORM.

the town of Allaire, in Monmouth made there. county, New Jersey, which, in the eary days of the last century, was the most important industrial center of was elected president. In 1831 the com-

Village," and as such it is the mecca



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A TYPICAL RESIDENCE of the guests at the seaside resorts. who love to ponder over the secrets of its past and the mystery of its future, says the New York Press. The town, or, more properly speaking, what is left of it in the shape of dwellings and ruins, for it has not all gone to decay, is located on the line of the Freehold & Jamesburg branch of the Pennsylvania railroad, thirteen miles south of Freehold and six miles west from Sea Girt.

Among the crumbling houses lives the owner of the land, son of the man who founded the colony and made a

fortune there. Whether he has any dreams of reviving the once gay village no one knows, but the allurements of city life have not tempted him and he lives and Occanport, where piers were con- | will do nobody harm. There are thoupeacefully among the ruins.

Giant trees, which have witnessed the storms of a century, form a pretty tractions of the place. Cultivated the Isis and the 1818.



OLD CHARCOAL HOUSE. meadowland slopes off to the old river bed, now almost dry in places, and deep ravines filled with an abundance of natural foliage present nature at its wildest and yet most attractive

In the early days of the past century the town was one of the largest industrial centers in the East.

All roads led to Allaire, and they were traversed by heavily laden wagons carrying crude materials to the town or taking away the manufactured product.

This continued for a period of twenty odd years. The town grew and prospered.

For half a century, however, it has shown little activity or life, and if it were not for the many visitors who, prompted by curiosity or real interest. visit the place the town would be both dead and deserted.

Although the natural beauty of the location would suggest the idea that works in New York city, suffered in there was some utopian scheme behind | the panic of 1837, and the plant in its founding, it was a plain business New York passed into other hands.

Picturesque and mysterious in its | The stone for buildings was brought lonely grandeur stands what is left of | from Nyack and the brick needed was

In 1828 the Howell Works company was incorporated and James P. Allaire pany was sold out and bought in by It is known today as "the Deserted James P. Allaire as an individual.

After acquiring the property Mr. Allaire made further improvements. A strong as it was the day it

On Sunday he conducts a Sunday school in the old school building.

DEMAND FOR HOUR GLASSES. Some Are Used for Keeping Tab on

Piano Practice.

"Most people think that hour glasses went out of style years ago," said a clerk in a Twenty-third street store to the New York Sun, "along with perukes and knee breeches, but as a matter of fact we have more calls for them today than we have had at any time within the last ten years. That this renewed popularity of the hour glass augurs its universal acceptance as a timepiece by the coming generation, I am not prepared to say, but if modern furnace for smelting iron was such a renaissance were to become asbuilt, which is standing today as sured it would be no more surprising than some of the other recent fads based on a revival of lost customs. Roads were improved to Red Bank Aryway a brief study of the hour glass



TOP OF FURNACE.

structed and a line of sloops was operated to New York City.

The first steamboat built was the grove which today is one of the at- Yolas, the second Osiris, followed by

> Comfortable houses were built for employes and from 1834 to 1837 Allaire was at the height of its prosperity. The big furnace was in operation, there was a grist mill, a bakery, store, carpenter shop, screw factory and about five hundred men were employed in the various industries which made up the town.

A canal was dug three miles to bring water from the Mingemahone, a stream near Farmingdale, and five large farms were bought to have the right of way for the water. Lines of stages were operated daily

to the more important towns and goods were brought from New York by a steamboat line which succeeded the line of sloops. Much of the iron was shipped to market by the Manasquan a mahogany frame comes to \$1.50 or works of art, more interesting prob- song of birds, as "sweet as children's

Currency was scarce in those days and in 1834 a lot of bronze coins, one to this extra expense, but most people and two cents, and bills from six and are satisfied with the cheaper grades." a quarter cents to \$15 were placed in circulation.

The right to put the money in circulation was discussed by the lawyers of His Ghostly Job Drove Him to the Madthat time, but it was accepted, and passed by the people of the town as good as the currency of the federal government. The name of Allaire on hangman, who went mad as a result tions. Their acts are those of good firm, to whom he owed \$900. "Give me it was considered a sufficient guarantee that it would be paid.

Mr. Allaire, who had extensive Napa, Cal. The career of Lunt as a

sands in this generation who have not the slightest idea what an hour glass looks like, and it won't hurt them to broaden their education a little along certain lines. Of the hour glasses sold at present the three-minute class is in the lead. This glass is used almost exclusively to measure time in boiling eggs and its usefulness naturally places its sale a little in advance of the more sentimental varieties. Next come the five, ten and fifteen minute and full hour glasses, which are bought chiefly by musicians for planc practice and by lodges and secret societies. The sand used in an hour glass is the very finest that the world affords. The western coast of Italy furnishes most of it, as it has done for ages past. The cost of hour glasses is regulated by the ornamentation of the frames. A glass set in a plain rose

FAMOUS HANGMAN INSANE.

It was recently announced that Amos Lunt, the famous San Quentin have made a fine art of personal relathe State Asylum for the Insane at hangman was a remarkable one, and a full history of his life at the prison would read like a ghastly romance. For seven years he filled the office of state executioner, and nineteen murderers were hanged by him. It was Lunt who threw the noose about the neck of Theodore Durant and hastened an execution already unduly prolonged, while the murderer from the scaffold was making his protestations of innocence. On this occasion Lunt was reported as being the coolest man in the room, with the possible exception of the condemned man himself. On other occasions Lunt showed a nerve of iron. In one morning he hanged three men and then sauntered from the execution room smoking a cigarette. But despite his apparent utter indifference concerning his work as a mankiller it was known my many of his intimate friends that in secret he brooded over it. Therefore it caused little surprise when on falling into a brooded over it, and suddenly one morning the iron nerve snapped and he became a hopeless madman.-Utica

Claims Discovery of Perpetual Light. John P. Magrady, a Chicago photographer, claims to have discovered a perpetual light. The secret of this light is the combination of chemicals piration of the legal period of mourn- in the house belongs to the guest."in a vacuum. These chemicals, which ing for such relative, any person casts Rocky Mountain News. are four in number, when brought away the mourning habit and resumes into contact in a glass or porcelain ais wonted amusements, he shall be globe, dissolve and throw out a strong punished with sixty blows. When any and beautiful white light. The globe officer or other person in the employ will continue to give light so long as | of the government has received intelliit remains perfectly sealed. The in- gence of the death of his father or ventor has had one of the lamps burning steadily for seven months. The light is of dazzling brightness, a test | the office during the period of mournshowing it to be of thirty-six candle ing, if, in order to avoid such retirepower. If the claims of the inventor be fully substantiated a revolution will be wrought in the methods of illumina-

Wheat as Animal Food. Elaborate experiments in feeding wheat to farm animals and swine have been made this year at the Kansas experiment station, and also in other When Mr. Allaire took hold of the try farmer, and because of the many states of the corn belt. The experts either crushed, mixed with oats or

> The "Era of Alexandria" was adopted Christ to have been 5,509 years.

Fads of Collectors

MOST OF THEM ARE INDEED **CURIOUS**

Of all mild forms of mental eccen- a "man of blood and iron." It would tricity, the mania for "collecting" for have seemed much more appropriate collecting's sake is the most wide- 1.ad Bismarck collected the elephants spread and, as a rule, the least harm- tusks and alligators' teeth and the ful. France, as might be expected, is Princess Maud had gone in for the the collectors' own country. In a pop- thermometers. But that is one peculiulation of about 39,000,000 there are arity of collectors-they never collect 3,000,000 collectors. The French have what you would expect them to. a mania for collecting in every line ex- | Carmen Sylva, Queen of Roumania cept families. Even the offer of large who prides herself on her knowledge prizes to fathers and mothers for the of art and literature, has a fancy for largest collection of children cannot collecting perfumery bottles, and the make that sort of collecting popular or | Queen Dowager of Italy collects old fashionable. But when it comes to shoes. The modern teapot collectorsbuttons or corks, why, that is another and their name is legion-are fathered matter. One Frenchman has a much- in their fad by George IV. of odorous prized collection of corks labeled and memory, who was the first collector of classified with the greatest care-sou- the sort of whom there is any record. venirs of hundreds of dinners, lunch- Meyerbeer's brother collected theater eons and suppers with his friends. An- tickets and programs until he died, out other wrappers, which somehow seems and out insane, His body was wrapped to be about "the limit" for pure use- in the papers and had collected, and, lessness. Then there is a collection of as in life he had been figuratively burbirds' eyes which another Paris dandy | ied in his collection, so in death he shows with vast pride and vaunts as was literally buried in it.-New York being superior in interest to a collec- Press. tion of suspenders possessed by a bated rival collector. Paris, however, nclines to the suspenders. One collector boasts of a collection of garters contributed by popular actresses and another of a collection of funeral invitations, such as are sent out in France after a death. The French poster collectors are innumerable, and there is one man who has a mania for gathering up old advertising bills and posters, which he obtains by constantly haunting the shops of the city, especiaily the grocery shops. In thrifty France the luxury and extravagance of paper bags for carrying articles home from the shops are almost unknown. The grocer, the huckster and the fruiterer use old newspapers. leaves from old ledgers-any piece of old paper big enough to wrap their the watery world alone.-Florida goods in. This collector, Dablin by name, goes about the shops fussing over these wrapping papers, and when he finds anything like a postor or an advertising bill he buys a cent's worth

a harmless fad, but a strange one for -Washington Star.

Florida Lobsters.

Below Miami we have a substitute for the lobster that lives in the crevices of the coral rock till his season comes, and then he sprawls over acres of sand, fat and fine. This Florida sen crawfish is of excellent flavor, grows to four pounds in weight, is abundant and easily taken. He is not only the equal of the lobster, but better, it only remains that he be introduced to the gourmand, with proper preparation and he will immediately become a favorite. We would much prefer to see some Floridian grow rich on this Florida dainty, but if none of us will do so, let the fishers of the North Atlantic come down and take possession; it is not well that such good eating be left to Times-Union and Citizen.

A Superabundance of Intellect.

"Has your country any really great of something and has it wrapped up in thinkers?" asked the tourist, skeptically. "Too many of 'em," answered The Princess Maud of England has the Kansas agriculturist. "Every once a collection of elephant's tusks, walrus in a while we run across a man that's teeth and the teeth of alligators. Bis- masquerading as a farm hand, but who marck used to collect thermometers- doesn't want to do a thing but think."

Tokyo a City of Pleasure

In Some Ways Japan's Capital Is More Fascinating Than Paris.

Of all the lands in the world none, Paris can fail to miss the underlying exerts the peculiar fascination of Ja- sadness, the pity of it all. The spirit pan. Others have equal beauty of scen- of Tokyo-not of all Tokyo, but of its wood case can be bought for \$1, while ery, greater grandeur, more noble life as a whole-is as fresh as the river from a deck two miles below the \$2. Of course, the price can be brought lems of society, writes David Starr prattle is," and it is good to be under up still higher by fancy carving and | Jordan in the Humanitarian, But none | its spell. decoration. Swell lodges sometimes go possesses an equal fascination. No one who has been in the real Japan, which lies outside the treaty ports and the foreign hotels and railways, ever could or ever would forget his experience. years a debt has been paid to Spregins, No one, if he could, would ever fail to Buck & Co., of Hopkins Place, by J. J.

No one who catches the spirit of Sun.

Paid a Debt 25 Years Old.

After having run for twenty-seven Hoblitzell of Myersdale, Pa. Twenty-The great secret of this charm lies seven years ago the latter failed and with the people themselves. They was unable to pay a large number of creditors, including the Baltimore of his grewsome duties, was dying in taste and good humor. Two cities of time," he then said, "and I will pay about the same size and relative im- every cent that I owe." And faithportance are Paris and Tokyo. No fully has the Pennsylvania merchant two could show a greater contrast in kept his promise. Year after year, he spirit. Both are in a sense cities of has tolled, paying off the obligations pleasure. Tokyo is a city of continu- that he had contracted in former years ous joyousness, little pleasures drawn and cancelling debts with firms that from simple things, which leave no had forgotten all about them. None sting and draw nothing from future was more surprised than the Baltimore happiness. Paris is feverish and feels firm when he walked into the office the "difference in the morning" and announced that he had come to the "hard, fierce lust and cruel deed" pay the long overdue bill. Beside the which go with the search for pleasure \$900 he also paid another sum to cover that draws on the future for the joys the lawyer's fees which his creditors contracted when he failed.-New York

Mourning of the Chinese

Laws on the Subject and the Punishment Inflicted.

fortune about two years ago he prompt- the deceased, such neglect shall be down to a bountiful feast, at the close ly resigned his position. Some months punished with sixty blows and one of which the cigars were brought out later he returned to the position and year's imprisonment. If a son or wife and we enjoyed ourselves until dayresumed his duties as hangman, al- enters into mourning in a lawful man- light, according to the custom of the though the prospect of arranging the ner, but, previous to the expiration of country. A fine variety of wine was rope on another man seemed to appall | the term, discards the mourning habit, served during the night. The next him. He constantly talked about it and and, forgetful of the loss , sustained, day I learned that the party consumed eighty blows.

the first degree than the above menmother, in consequence of which intelligence he is bound to retire from ment, ne falsely represents the deseased to have been his grandfather, grandmother, uncle, aunt or cousin, he shall suffer punishment of 100 blows, be deposed from office and rendered incapable of again entering into the public service.-The American Law

Dinner with a Don.

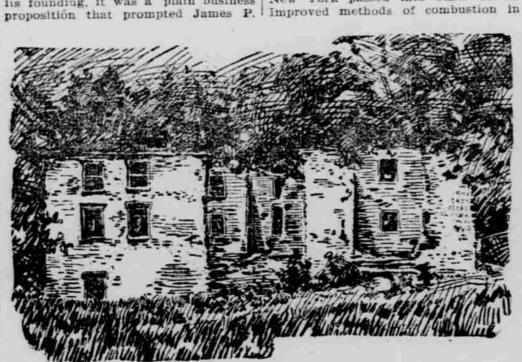
stopping at a town 110 miles from the Galveston Daily News. nearest rallroad. This town is reached of the patient beasts. On the day be- South Union stations in Boston.

If a son, on receiving information of | fore I left a leading citizen invited me the death of his father or mother, or to his house, where he said a reception a wife, suppress such intelligence, and | would be given in my honor. I found omits to go into lawful mourning for about thirty people present. We sat plays upon musical instruments and 180 bottles of champagne. This wine participates in festivities, the punish- had been shipped 10,000 miles by water ment shall amount for such offense to 250 miles by railway train, and had been packed 110 miles into the town. Whoever, on receiving information | The cost of transportation was appaliof the death of any other relative in ing to an American, but the natives seemed to think it a mere bagntelle. tioned, suppressed the notice of it, and The wine for the feast probably cost omits to mourn, shall be punished with \$1,500. When a man is a guest of a sighty blows; if, previous to the ex- South American gentleman everything

Tortoises Like Melons.

G. Carson, a farmer near Eufaula was on the streets the other day and tortoise. If there was I would be in good shape financially in a little while, I have a large patch of muskmelons and the vines have been loaded with the fruit, but as they got about ready for harvesting, something began eating them at night. Several nights were spent in laying for the intruders, and late one night there was a rattling or dry bones, or sounds that somewhat resembled that, and before taking a run for the house I took a farewell look and beheld a herd of tortoises all over the cantaloupe patch. I made a dash among them and bursted the A young scientist who visited South hulls of some dozen, captured two and America was telling of the hospitality have them captives." To make sure of the citizens of the far-away republic | that he was not mistaken in the meion and their method of entertaining their thieves, he now and then drops a means of which the old furnace had Mr. Allaire is highly esteemed by his corn, or in connection with straw in in the interest of the Columbian Expo- | confined and he says they rush upon sition," said he. "At one time I was it and eat nearly as fast as a hog .-

> only by pack animals and everything is | More than 45,000,000 passengers a carried into the place on the backs year go through the North Union and



THE OLD SCREW FACTORY.

was such a busy place.

serted village was due, in a measure, Reluctantly Mr. Allaire announced to a peculiar combination of circum- in 1846 that he could make no more Globe. stances, and not attributed to any lack | iron and the death-knell of the town of foresight or ability on the part of was sounded.

In fact, had he not been dissuaded followed by the closing of other facfrom carrying out some of his plans, tories in the town and gradually the notably, that of building a railroad, Allaire might still have retained some | who held on to the old place. of its former glory.

The establishment of an iron smelting works at Allaire marked its in- was dissuaded from undertaking its lowed some years later by the discovery of improved methods of combustion in the refining of iron ore. These were the beginning of the downfall of different. to three feet six inches deep, and six the town, which resulted ultimately in the enforced abandonment of a is a graduate of Columbia and a man plant which at that time contained of much learning, yet he, for some one of the finest iron smelting fur- unknown reason, has buried himself

> naces in the world. It is still standing, a silent and majestic monument to the methods of the early days, and through its agency was contested. In 1876 the New York courts cast some of the iron which revolu- decided in his favor and he was left tionized water travel and created a in undisputed possession of a strange new era in the method of transporta- legacy.

Monmouth county was a wilderness.

Transmission of electric energy at

Niagara Falls, a distance of twenty-

three miles, has induced a company of

A woman may-love flattery and yet

over a distance of ninety miles.

15 36 despise an awkward flatterer.

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English capitalists to engage in a plan | been operated, and this was greatly | friends, and while the ruins undoubt- | time of extreme scarcity. to utilize the rapids of the St. Law- improved. The pine trees in that sec- edly remind him of the greatness of rence for electric power, and apply it tion had been stripped by the charcom! the past, yet he takes an active interest burners. A tract of land comprising in the affairs of the county and acts by many early Christians, who asone thousand acres was purchased and as postmaster for the present town of sumed the interval between Adam and more charcoal was made.

Allaire, its founder, to establish the | the smelting of ore followed and it colony which for a number of years was not long before it was evident that iron could not be produced in the That the town finally became a de- Howell plant as cheaply as elsewhere.

The closing of the iron furnace was

population dwindled down to a few In 1836 Mr. Allaire projected a railroad to the town of Allaire, but he

ception. The panic of 1837 crippled erection by some of his friends who Mr. Allaire financially and it was fol- feared it could not be carried through successfully. Had he carried out his ideas the history of Allaire might have been far

Hal Allaire, the son of the old man,

He was left the major portion of the estate by his father and the will was He has lived the life of a quiet coun-

old Howell furnace that section of difficulties to be surmounted he never conclude that wheat has greater nutriattempted to restore the town to its tive value than corn, and may be used

Allaire.

among his ruins.