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To strive to secure the establishment of right and justice to ourselves and our pos-To labor for the education of the agricul-tural classes in the science of economical government in a strictly non-partisan spirit. To endorse the motto, "In things essential, unit; in all things charity." To secure purity of the elective franchise, and to induce all voters to intelligently exer-

cire t for the enactment and execution of laws which will express the most advanced public sentiment upon all questions involving the interests of laborers and farmers. To develop a better state mentally, morally, socially and financially.

To constantly strive to secure entire harmony and good-will among all mankind, and brotherly love among ourseives.

To suppress personal, local, sectional and national prejudices; all unhealthful rivalry, and all selfish ambition.

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To assuage the sufferings of a brother and sister, bury the dead, care for the widows and educate the orphans; to exercise charity toward offenders; to construe words and purpurposes in their most favorable light, granting honesty of purpose and good intentions to others, and to protect the principles of the Alliance unto death.

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Charters granted since last issue of

the paper: No. 657, J. B. Carnes, secretary. " 658, E. F. Winter,

" 659, J. L. McRoberts, " 660, Miss Adda McCallum, "

" 661, Geo. M. Snyder,

" 662, Robert Hesselgesser, " " 663, H. W. Kessler,

" 664, John F. Kyle, " 665, A. W. Hunt,

Secretary Henry Crandall, of Plainview, sends us two subscriptions from his place this week.

Bro. John C. Spencer, of Mason City, Neb., sends a club of six subscribers to the paper.

Bro. John H. Brown, of Cumro, sends a list of five subscribers along with quarterly report of their Alli-

The Alliances of Frontier county have formed a business association, with Bro. L. H. Fitch, of Curtis, as

crops are good.

Bro. J. H. Kletz, president Coughman Alliance, Memphis, Neb., reports an addition of four new members at last meeting.

Bro. L. S. Orcutt, of Hansen, sends two subscriptions to the paper and says we can look for more soon. Thanks to Bro. Orcutt.

Bro. Evans, organizer for Loup county, sends application for a charter for an Alliance in that county to be called Gracie Creek Alliance.

writes for the necessary blanks for organizing an Alliance in his locality. They have eleven farmers ready to become charter members.

Secretary C. F. Huenefeld, of the newly organized Alliance of Harmony, Aurora, says: We have a membership of

Neb., sends four subscriptions to the it. We are certainly under obligations to Bro. Lies.

Bro. W. A. McDonald, of Homestead Alliance, Cambridge, reports that they are going to work with a will and expect to accomplish something. A good will and strong determination never

Organizer Sam'l J. Plymesser, of Pierce county, is getting ready to take the field and sends for all necessary blanks, constitutions, etc. The secretary forwards them and we bid Bro Plymesser god speed in the work.

pected, and have added another new busy bees, you will find them in the Frontier county hives.

Bro. J. J. Baker, of Orafino, reports their Alliance progressing finely. Their quarterly report shows an addition of seventeen new members during last quarter. Bro. Baker also says that they have received copies of THE AL-LIANCE and are all pleased with it, and are getting up a club for it. Thanks brothers.

Organizer John A. Hogg, of Buffalo county, sends names of officers of Elm Island Alliance as follows: President James F. Lippincott; Secretary, Harry Kessler; Treasurer, Frank Griffers; Lecturer, Joseph Switzer; Chaplain, Jerre Miller: Doorkeeper, Harry Peck. Bro. Hogg also reports the Alliances of Buffalo county progressing nicely. They contemplate organizing a County Alliance.

located in Kearney county, sends ap- visions against this crying evil, plication for charter with eight charter | your hard work in the primaries may members to start with. This Alliance serve for naught. The honest, unsusis northwest of Kenesaw, which is pecting farmer may have some hay opening up a new field in the work. down, or some business to attend and Bro. John. A. Hogg, of Shelton, was think it all right to give his proxy the organizer. We tender this Alli- to some person who has more time ance our best wishes for its utmost to attend the convention-and God

Vice-President, Geo. M. Cady; Sec-Doorkeeper, E. M. Pratt; Sargeant-atarms, C. C. D. Maulsby; Chaplain, John Donovan. Executive committee, delegation have power to cast his or C. C. D. Maulsby. R. Williams.

Hayes county last week where he organized Antelope Alliance No. 660 and appointed Mr. E. D. Glaze as depfrom meeting many of the farmers. but he reports that county as ready for complete organization this fall. The entire western half of the state will soon be supplied with organizers and ready for a vigorous forward move.

ANSLEY, NEB., Aug. 4.—EDITOR ALLIANCE:-Please find enclosed three subscriptions to THE ALLIANCE. I will send more soon, as several have said they want the paper as soon a they could raise the money, and some of our members subscribed with other condition and increasing. At last re- ones that pay honest, personal propport we had twenty-one members. erty tax; they are the majority in this Have not heard from state secretary in reply to report yet. Your paper is just what we as farmers want, and I think it; hand it to your neighbor. every farmer should help the wheel Yours fraternally,

J. C. ZIMMERMAN, Sec'y 520.

Centre Alliance, sends application for feet Jan. 1. 1892, which makes it charter for an Alliance in Holt county | necessary for all R. R., corporations to be called Deloit Alliance, and says: to provide their engines and coaches "I think this Alliance will be a strong with patent self adjustable couplings, one. The people are fast awakening to a sense of their duty to themselves and their families. They have been squeezed by the iron hand of the money power so hard that at last they have to cry out and own up that they were ployees and will saye hundreds of Bro. Chas. A. Price, of Adams, re- on the wrong track and call on us for lives and a multitude of physical ports that they are all very busy with help. It is like the cry from Macedo- wrecks that the present barbarously their harvest and threshing, and that nia, and we gladly help. Send this Alliance a good supply of the necessary papers. Also, I would like if you could, send them a few copies of THE ALLIANCE, for I find it to be a great eye opener to the people. Everybody likes it. Old republicans and democrats alike are beginning to think that there is some other way be opened up for their relief, and it is strange how fast they are turning. is fearless and outspoken in this mat-Men who once ridiculed the Alliance are now its strongest supporters. Let the grand work go on." This is a good letter from Bro. Clifton, and we take the liberty to publish it. We'll do as Mr. Niels C. Sorenson, of Minden, he requests, and cheerfully send our brethren of Deloit Alliance sample copies of our paper this week.

BROKEN BOW, NEB., July 27, 1889. -J. M. THOMPSON: Will you please send me some supplies such as constitutions, applications for charters etc.. as we are sadly in need of them; also nty-eight, and a number of others | send me a few sample copies of our pas their wishes to join, for every per for distribution o various Sub-Aleels the heavy burdens that liances. We are progressing nicely as s and trusts are placing upon an organization and expect to have one Surely it is time farm- hundred Sub-Alliances in the county selves for action before by January 1st. Not only is the first passed into the work of organization going on, but edneation on the objects and aims and REFERENCE:-Metropolitan Nation Bank, Chicago.

Bro. W. P. Filbert, of Stratton, grand purposes of the Alliances. The writes and encloses a subscription to camp fires of liberty are being kindled the paper. Our friends are doing well on every hilltop and great interest is by the paper and we appreciate their being manifested by the "plowholder," and they are seeking the truth and Bro. John S. Leis, of Atkinson, delving deeper and deeper into the sciences of economic and civil governpaper and says he will do all he can for ment, and are trying to solve some of the problems that confront them, and effect the perpetuity of civilized society. I am, at present making a tour among the various subordinate Alliances of the county, and find them all in good working order so far, with perfect harmony and unity of purposes and sentiment which is very encouraging. Open meetings are being held which is an important factor in educating public opinion and has resulted in an increase of membership almost in every instance. We as an Alliance in Custer county, have adorned anew the armor of cur cause, and, are determined, to never Unity Alliance, of Frontier county, lay it down on the field of human rights has at last "swarmed" just as we ex- until every unjust law that disgraces our statute books is righted; high hive which will be known as Lincoln freight rates, high interest, high taxa-Alliance No. 661. Talk about the tion. Combines and trusts, high prices for what we consume, and low prices for what we produce. Until this is accomplished in a measure that will be the greatest good to the greatest number the Alliance will have a grand

> mission to perform. JOHN G. PAINTER.

THE PRIMARIES.

The Laborer Gives a Suggestion -- Think It Over.

Fix the Delegations so there can be no Proxies f 1 Sale ... The Ring are Relying on Buying up Proxies as the Only Means of Getting Some of Their Big Guns in the Convention---Their Wards and Precincts Will Not Elect Them --- The War is On.

The LABORER gives its friends in the different wards and precincts in Lancaster county the following timely knows that the Lincoln ring has any Organizer W. J. Holly, of Cam- supply of this crawling rotten set on bridge, reports the organization of hand-thinking that his place will be North Ridge Alliance with the follow- filled all right-"maby it will, and ing officers: President, C. S. Corwin; maby it won't," but, maby's won't do in Lancaster county conventions. The retary, J. L. McRoberts; Treasurer, remedy is, elect your number of dele-E. M. Pratt; Lecturer, Geo. M. Cady; gates, at the same time (having already Doorkeeper, R. Williams; Assistant chosen them) elect alternates with a delegate or alternate fail to attend the convention, that the balance of the their's-the absent delegate or his alternate's vote. This is the only way President Powers made a trip into of keeping the State Journal, railroad influence and the Clark crowd out of uty organizer for that county. Ex- politics have decended so low in Lancessive wet weather hindered him caster county that we are cursed with "sleek element" in the different wards and precinsts—who have not the manhood to have an opinion of their own, but who are frequently elected as delegates to our convention but invariably sell their right for which there is good demand. Save all this annoyance; anything that is worth doing is worth doing well. Do not work hard in the primaries without you protect that work by this safe-

guard-no proxies. will require to watch its delegation closely. Labormen and farmers are determined to have something to say in parties. Our Alliance is in a good this county. They are about the only county, and they intend to have some-Read the LABORER; send for it; read

THE SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN of a re cent issue says, an act passed by the W. C. Clifford, secretary of Garfield New York legislature to go into ef under a penalty of from \$500 to \$1000 fine for every offense. This is a most humane and charital le law that will prove a blessing to roilroad emconstructed cars are every year causing to be recorded. Let the other states now follow the lead.

> Read the article in regard to Lincoln assessments which we take from the Nebraska Laborer. The Laborer ter and commends itself to the support of all fair minded people of the city and county.

Some of the Property

Assessments of Lincolns Big Guns as Compared with Others that are Honestly Struggling. No Wonder the City is Short of Money. No Wonder Our Poor Clerks, Book Keepers and Labor men are Called upon to Pay a Poll Tax. No wonder the Dog has to Wear a Collar with a City Tax Card Thereon.

H. T. CLARK & CO. Compared with Herman Keonig, Sarah T. Donnelly and Mary Bliss. all In Block 31 and 32 this City.

H. T CLARK & CO. Assessment on Personal Property Compared with Mrs. J. H. Blair, Milliner, on the Equalization Of Lincola.

Incidental to the changes made

this week in our office, this co'umn

must necessarily be cut down. How-

ever, we have selected the First ward

for our camping ground and no less personage than that of H. T. Clark & Co., the druggist. To commence with we find that our Lincoln equalization board gives H. T. Cark & Co. reductions on four lots, amounting to \$5,200. The lots and property upon which this immense wholesale house stands, are reduced by equalization board as follows: 11, from \$5,000 to \$3,500; lot 12, from \$7,000 to \$4,000. Just think of it, on that immense building and property on Q street, \$4,500 in assessments struck off by the equalization board with one scratch of the pen. But that is not all. Then comes lots No. 10, 11 and 12, block 31. The first fronts Q street and is Nothin' else 'ud do him! Mis' Jones. known as the Daily property, for do have another lump o' sugar in your which H. T. Clark & Co paid \$6,000 | tea?" some time ago, and upon which stand two houses. This is assessed at \$700.00. Then come lots 11 and 12 upon which stands a large foundry, these were assessed respectively, H. W. Kisler, secretary of a new warning, viz: Proxies are to be bought \$1,300 and \$1,600 but the Lincoin pork." Alliance called Elm Island Alliance, right and left, so if you make no pro- equalization board cut them down to \$1000 and \$1200. Another slice for H. T.Clark & Co. of \$700 making in all, on | but your vittles is so good, they kind o' four lots, a reduction of assessments as against the other tax payers of this city of \$5,200. Labormen and farmers of Lancaster county what do you think? In the same block we will take poor Mrs. Bliss who has struggled hard to hold her property on Eighth and Sstreets. She has three apologies for shanties on her lot in this block, the three not worth \$100. Mark it! facing S street she assess-d \$900. and must take it. Again there is Sarah Donnelly, Mr. Keonig and Con Bresnahan in this block 31. The two former are assessed for their shanties \$600 each, while Mr. Bresnahan that of \$900. The distinct understanding that in case the LARORER contends that as between the location, improvements etc., H. T. Clark & Co. is not paying his just portion of tax to the city and county. If Mrs. Bliss, Mr. Keonig, Donnelly and Bresnahan's assessments are correct it is then patent that the reduc. the covention. It is said that if one of | tion made in those of H. T. Clirk & them gets there, it will be through a | Co., by the Lincoln assessment toard proxy. It is a WELL KNOWN FACT that is wrong, in other words, as the same assessor assessed both parties we hold that \$5,200 should not be taken off of H. T. Clark & Co., without taking the same proportion off of these poor reople above mentioned. and in the same block. Some sav H. T. Clark & Co's private secretary's political influence secures favors from the powers that be. The write: denies that but informs those who make these charges, that instead of following every wire puller in the ward, it they would attend the council meetings, attend the ward meeting, elect their own delegates, in short actend

> over to Tom, Dick and Harry their eve teeth would soon be cut. _ The same ring that caused all this are to day trying to get the honest men of this ward to vote for a "rotten ring candidate" for county treasurer assisted we are sorry to say by honest but mislead men, we mean Maxey

to their own business, not hand it

In the personal property assessment of H. T. Clark & Co., we find on this immense wholesale drug business with their thousands of dollars worth of spirits, wines and brandies, (and their private secretary one of the license commissioners of this city) not to speak of their sundries, drugs etc., that they are assessed for personal property only \$4000., while honest Mrs. J. H. Blair (milliner) 18 assessed for \$1000. Is it not patent to every man that if this wrong of Mrs Blairs is correct, and we doubt it. then H. T. Clark & Co's should at least be ten times as much. Or on the Unless business takes me, I shall never other hand if Clark &Co's is rect, Mrs. Blairs should be reduced. The LABORER will go on publishing the aasessments, only asking in return that our friends will pass the information gained therefrom to their neighbor. Feeling as we do, that it is our duty to wain the poor men about his chances of getting justice,

next week we will take another ward. Is it any wonder that the city council passed the poll tax and the dog tax by-law? Coupled with the above and the late white-washing of themselves the end is evidently approaching. Read this paper, subscribe for it and hand it to your meighbor.

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The way to do this is to ship your Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Veal, Hay, Grain, Wool, Hides, Beans, Broom Corn, Green and Dried Fruits, Vegetables, or anything you have, to us. The fact that you may have been selling these articles at home for years is no reason that you should continue to do so if you can find a better market. We make a specialty of receiving shipments direct from FARMERS AND PRODUCERS, and probably have the largest trade in this way of any house in this market. Whilst you are looking around for the cheapest market in which to buy your goods and thus economizing in that way, it will certainly pay you to give some attention to the best and most profitable wa; of disposing of your produce. We invite correspondence from INDIVIDUALS, ALLIANCES, CLUBS, and all organizations who desire to ship their produce to this market. If requested, we will send you free of charge our daily market report, shipping directions and such information as will be of service to you if you contemplate shipping. Let us hear from you.

COMMISSION MERCHANTS, 174 S. WATER, ST., CHICAGO.

TWO LOVERS

Two lovers once a maiden woold, One was prosaic, one Byronic; One in a business manner sued, The other's suit was histrionic

Orlando to her sonnets made, And tore his passion into tatters; Eilas discussed the state of trade, Consulting her in money matters

When e'er in maiden won't, she frowned— Their too great ardor to repress meant, Or ando wished that he were drowned, And Silas named some new investo O. swore he would a pistol take,
And give his seething passion a vent-hole
While 8. invited her to make

Inspection of his yearly rent-roll Long time the baluner hung between
One lover's purse, the other's passion
At last the poems "kicked the beam,"
As Silas coolly poured the cash on.

Her indecision don't deride,
Orlando's vein quite fine she thought, or
She really feared his suicide,
And Silas' ready money bought her.

A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW

BY MATTIE DYER BRITTS. Oh, come now. Nancy! if I was you I

wouldn't take on! Maybe it'll all turn out right," said the sociable neighbor, who had dropped in to take a dish of tea, as Mother Hawkins wiped her eyes with her apron.

"Wal, mebbe 'twill!" sighed the good lady. "But it don't seem so now, Sit up, Mis' Jones; the cream biscuit'll spile with waitin'. Poor Will! he was so fond o' them biscuits! I'll bet she can't make 'em! 'Taint his marryin' I mind so much," she went on, as she poured the fragrant tea into the thin, old, china cups. "If he'd a-married a decent country gal, an' let her come here to live long o' me, I wouldn't a-cared. But no! he must go taggin' after one o' them finified city gals!

"No. Mis, Hawkins, the tea is jest right now." "Wal, take a slice more o' this briled then! It's our own home-cured

"Thankye, I don't care ef I do take a bite more. I don't eat much in general;

give one an appetite."

"Wal, yes," said Mother Hawkins. with another sigh. "Will always lowed I was a fair cook. And he was that fond o' good eatin'! And I'low he'll git none o' it now. "Mebbe he will, Mis' Hawkins. I've knowed some o' them city folks what

country, too.' "Oh, yes! they all like to come out fur a week or so while the berries is ripe. But you fetch 'em out an' set 'em to cookin' fur harvest hands when it's

was fust-rate cooks, an' liked the

right hot, an' you'd see!" 'Will's wife may not be one o' that

kind, Nancy. "Bet she is! He found her boardin' in one of them big hotels, frere they go to bed at midnight, and eat breakfast next day after decent folks has cleared up dinner. I know 'em. An', ain't going to have anything to do with 'em, that's flat! And I told Will so, when he writ for me to come and see 'em married."

"La. Mis' Hawkins! didn't you go? "No, I didn't. Here, have another spoonful o' this honey, Mis' Jones-do! It's made o' white clover, and as clear as can be. There! No, I didn't go, and I writ to Will he needn't fetch ber here, neither.

"Now, Mis' Hawkins! you didn,t

"Yes, I did," said the old lady dog gedly. "I know the hull lot o' them gals-a-switchin' an' a-dragglin' their long-tailed gowns, an, a-bangin' their hair when they ought to have their heads banged, an' a-humpin' themselves up with bustles, to look like a camel, an' the Lord knows what allfur I don't. But I set my face agin 'em Will is a-makin' money there, and there he'll stay till she spends it all. Then he'll want to come back to his old mammy. But he can't do it. He left his mother an' took up with her, an' now he may jest stick to her, an' make the best o'his bad bargain! "Tain't any use

to talk to me!" Mrs. Jones knew the stubborn old lady well enough to believe that. So she said no more. But after she got home she said to her own family: "If I had as likely a son as Will Hawkins, I wouldn't go back on him fur no gal that ever drawed breath; and

I'll bet a pretty penny Nancy Hawkins lives to wish she hadn't!" Meantime, in his cosy home in the city. Will had been gloomily reading his old mother,s last curt letter. "Don't let it worry you, Will," said his bride, soothingly.

"I can't help it, Lily," was his reply. "She has always been such a good mother to me that it hurts me to have her be so wrong and obstinate." "Go out and see her, and talk it over,"

suggested Lilv. "Never!" answered Will, firmly. enter my old home, anless you go, too. If my mother cannot receive my wife,

she cannot receive me. It is no use

talking to me about it." There was a touch of the old lady's stubborn spirit in the son. von see!

Mother Hawkins was a stout, fleshy old lady; but she did all her own work, except for a few weeks in summer, except for a few weeks in summer, when having and harvesting came on.

This sesson, right in the midst of haying, Mary Jane, the hired girl, fell out of the haymow, where she was hunting for eggs, and broke her arm.

Of course, she had to go home. Not another girl could be got for love or money, and so Mother Hawkins had to do all herself

The two hired men could get the wood, and do the milking and churning.
But Mrs. Hawkins bad to sweat over the stove, and the weather growing

do all herself.

hotter every day. And one morning Mother Hawkins couldn't get up. The hired men got the best breakfast they could, and then Mrs. Hawkins sent one of them after the doctor, bidding him stop on the way home and see if Lucy Jones wouldn't come and stay until she could find a girl.

Now it so happened that important business brought Will Hawkins out to Downport that very morning. He did not intend to visit his mother; but he saw John coming out of the doctors office, and he stopped him and learned how sick his mother was.

Then he felt in duty bound to call on her. He went, and the old lady was

greatly surprised, and, as he could see somewhat pleased to see him.
But not once did she ask for or even

allude to his wife. "Mother, you orght to have a girl,"

said Will. "Well, goodness, so I ought!" groaned the old lady. "I told John to get Lucy Jones a few days, if he could. But she ain't no manner o' 'count, if she comes.

And where to get anybody the mercy knows-1 don't! I've tried everywhere." "I think perhaps I could send you out one," said Will. "Good girls can sometimes be found in town.

"Well, for pity's sake, do it, then! I'll pay her well if she's werth her salt." "I'll try it," said William. "I may not succeed, but if I can find one, I'll send her out on the noon train. If you don't like her, you needn't keep her, you know.'

"Oh, I'll be glad to get anybody!" groaned the sick old lady, tossing restlessly.

John came back just then, saying Lucy Jones was away on a visit, and could not be hired; so Will, who must leave at once to catch the up-train. promised again to do his best to find a "I reckon I'd orter asked after her," said the sick woman to herself, after he

was gone, and she had not even asked him to come back. "But I couldn't get the consent of my own mind to do it, nodinner, and about one o'clock he came up-stairs, and said: "There is a lady

down-stairs to see you, mum." "A lady? Good gracious! and me in this fix! Who is it, John?" "I hain't an idea who, mum. "Well, fetch her up, since it's got to be; there's no help for it. But I hope

can't keep her if 'tis." with a tall, handsome lady, in a stylish black cashmere.

"Good-morning," said Mother Hawkins, seeing she did not know the lady. "Good morning," said the lady pleasantly, advancing toward the bed.

suppose you are Mrs. Hawkins?"
"Yes, I be." And the sick woman wondered what was coming next. "I hear you are in need of a girl, said the stranger.

"Well, your son, Mr. Hawkins, sent me out from the city to see if I would

"Lord knows I am!" groaned Mother

"You!" Mother Hawkins sat up bed, in her surprise at this elegant woman asking for the place of a servant! "Look at your hands," she said. "They are not very black, I know. But they are used to doing housework,

"You came from the city," said Mother Hawkins, without answering the question. "Do von live there?" 'Yes, madam!'

madam, I assure you. Will you try

"Then what do you know about farm-"Everything," answered the stranger,

three years. "But them fine clothes!" sighed Mother Hawkins.

farm, and have only lived in the city

"I have plain calico ones in my satchel," said this odd girl. "What wages do you want?"

"Whatever you usually pay." "I generally give two dollars and a "Very well, that will suit me." "What would you do first, if you

"The first thing, I would make you a cup of tea and a bit of toast. Then I would change my dress, go down-stairs, and get to work.

"For pity's sake, do it, then!" said Mother Hawkins, as, with a sigh of intense relief, she dropped back upon her pillows. The stranger left the room. And in a short time she was back with the tea

and toast temptingly arranged on a waiter, and as nice as hands could make the wound should be immediately prought fresh water and towels, bathed oughly cauterized. By so doing the

and brushed her hair back neatly under | most to a certainty.' "There, that's better, .isn't it?" she

asked. "Yes, indeed," sighed the sick woman.
"What's your name, child?" "Mary Sherman."

was the Lord's massy that sent you "I shall try to be useful, but it will

take me a few days to learn about things "Mebbe I'll be down by that time!" ighed Mother Hawkins, as she settled

herself for a nap. But she was not down in a day or could be helped down to the sittingroom. But everything had gone on as sick woman, who felt that she had inbear to think of the time when Mary

William had written twice to ask how his mother was, but he had not been down again.

The day that Mother Hawkins went to the table for the first time since her sickness, a note came, saving that he was coming to see her by the evening Not a word about his wife did he

write. And Mother Hawkins, as she locked at Mary moving about with such a bright face, though that if Will had married a girl like that, they could

have been so happy!

But her sickness had softened her hard old heart toward her only son. And she wanted to see him very much

She heard the whistle of the train

"That's him! that's my boy, Mary, come to see his old mother!" she said, eagerly, "Open the door and let bim in!"

eyes! Was Will, a married man, kissing and hugging her hired girl, with all his might, right before her face? The scandalized old lady sprang right up in her chair, crying out:
"Why, Will!—William! stop that! You, a married man! For shame!

That's my Mary!" "Yes, mother," answered William. brightly, "and she is my Mary, too." And he took the new girl to " with his arm around her waist. "Mother, this is my wife!"

"Your wife!" And the old lady sank back in her chair, overcome with sur-prise. "But your wife's name is Lily." "Yes; so is this lady's. Lily Mary Sherman Hawkins. I sent her to take care of you, so you would learn to love her. You have learned, haven't you,

"Well, that stubborn old lady, who had vowed she never would have anything to do with her daughter-in-law, just put her arms up around Lily's

neck, and cried like a baby! And now, when Mrs. Jones goes over to take tea, Mother Hawkins can talk of nothing half so much as the perfections of her daughter-in-law.

Bowie and His Knife.

'Henry Clay once told me," said Mr. Davis, with a smile, "of his first meeting with Bowie. It was in the early days, and Clay was traveling in a stage coach, where the only other passengers were a pretty girl, a big, rough looking countryman, and a limp little figure in a greatcoat. With the consciousness of his own perfect physique. Clay said he was congratulating himself on not being the limp figure bundled up in the corner, when he became conscious that the pretty girl was begging the rough country-John scraped up what he could for | man not to smoke, as it made her ill. The fellow replied with a savage oath, that he had paid his fare and would smoke when he-pleased. Mr. Clay said he was just trying to screw his courage up to the point of remonstating with the country giant, 'tain't no company come to stay, for I | when the limp little figure undoubled itself like magic, and, with a quick John departed, presently returning | movement, reached down its collar brough out a knife that in the excitement of the moment looked a yard long, and with another cat-like movement seized the fellow by the throat. 'Throw that pipe out of the window, or by-, I'll-' A comprehensive sweep of the murderous-looking blade finished the sentence and sent the pipe shattering on the ground. In another minute the knife had again disappeared down the capacious collar, and the limp figure had resumed its former verterbraless condition, 'but the rest of the jourey,' said Mr. Clay, 'I spent wish I was the little man in the great coat, who was none other than Bowie, with his famous knife.' "-St. Louis Republic.

It is a "Zymotic."

"The disease called rabies in the lower animals, and which is known as hydrophobia when communicated to a man, is a zymotic," said Dr. Lansing. "It differs from others of its own class chiefly by the long period during which the virus remains confidently. "I was brought up on a latent. To the characteristic it owes most of its terrors, for, although dog bites are common, hydrophobia, at least in this country, is exceedingly rare. Furthermore, a person who has been bitten by a dog scarcely knows when he may venture to consider himselfsafe. The canine malady differs much in severity in different cases, and there is reason to believe that many dogs recover from its milder forms. Of persons who have been bitten by unquestionably rabid dogs, many have escaped hydrophia, but there are authentic instances in which the disease has remained dormant for many years, and there is no authentic instance of the recovery of a human subject in whom it has once appeared.

"The result is that every one who has been bitten by a dog has hanging over him the possibility of a lor rible death. Upon receiving a lifte. laid wide open and all the surplus After they were disposed of, she blood extracted and the flesh thor-Mother Hawkin's hot face and hands, life of the victim can be saved al-

Smooth-Faced Statesmen.

In the reception-room at the state department hang pictures in crayon "Well, Mary, if you do as well for the of the different secretaries of state rest as you have for me, I shall think it from the beginning of the government to the present day. Looking at them the other day I was struck with a curious feature. Of the entire list Mr. Blaine is the only man who wears a mustache or beard. Mr. Calhoun and Mr. Frelinghuysen wore a deep fringe of hair about their throats, but nothing on their chins two. It was four weeks before she or upper lips. Hamilton Fish and Martin Van Buren wore side whiskers, but no beards. It was only a few orderly under Mary's hands, as if years ago that the beard began to Mother Hawkins had been mistress her- | be regarded as at all tolerable. Our self. And no sister or mother ever had forefathers wore clean faces, and more untiring care than she gave to the many of them regarded a hairy cheek as an evidence of savagly. The deed found a treasure, and could not first president to wear a beard was Abraham Lincoln. No president before his time wore either beard or mustache, and most of them were smooth of face. After Lincoln. Grant at times wore full beards and the present chief executive has hair all over his face. Mr. Harrison's grandfather shaved his face clean every morning.—Washington Letter to Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Moon's Influence on Sleep. New York Sun.

"The most singular case of insomnia of which I ever heard," said a physician, "is that of a friend of mine in a neighboring town, a lady of middle age. With the exception which brought him down. It was only a half-mile from the station to the farm-house, and she waited, listening to every sound, until see heard his step upon monly sound sleeper in the dark of the moon, but as the new moon approaches its first quarter she is attacked with wakefulness. She can sleep only at long intervals during in!"

the night, and only a few minutes at a time. The sleeplessness increases with the fulling of the moon, and by the time that stage in the moon's course is reached, she is unable to obtain even the slightest slumber. She remains in a state of utter wakefulness until the moon begins to wane, when she gradually grows sleepy again, and is able to sleep longer and sounder as the moon disappears. When the period of dark moon has arrived, she resumes her unbroken slumber. This condition has prevailed for more than ten years."