Why sit and dream in spring's sweet labor time Unreal dreams, whose sadness makes the sweet. And since we mar and break our life's full pr Deem that we rest contented at God's feet?
Why cry to heaven for lost and broken hours,
For faith and hope that faded long ago.
When still within our hearts new fruitful pov
Are budding now?

O eyes, turned inward on our darkened hearts, Open to see God's beauty on the earth. Self-pitying tears that flow upon His smarts Fructify all our barrenness and dearth; O folded hands, close claspt in dull despair, Grow bosy with God's work of love and peace O heart, forget to grieve, and rise to where O eyes, turned inward on our darkened hearts,

O heart, forget to grieve, and rise to where Misgivings cease. -Caroline North, in Sunday Magazine.

A NIGHT OF TERROR IN AFRICA.

THE qualifications of a perfect terror must be absolutely incomprehensible, and it must culminate like a nightmare. Once I had a terror which so perfectly fulfilled these requirements that no man

may hope to have a better.

This thing happened to me in the city of Pieter-Maritzburg, in the colony of Natal; and in order that I may tell my tale intelligibly I may be allowed to give some short description of the place. Maritzburg (as the name is commonly abbreviated) is the seat of government and the headquarters of the garrison. It lies on a shoulder of table-land surrounded on three sides by an amphitheater of hills, which, to a European eye, are singularly brown and barren of asare rose-hedges, and nearly all its trees are peach-trees; and thus, when peaches and roses are in bloom, there is red and pink enough to make the town look like a gigantic nosegay. One, two, or even three streams of bright, clear, swift-flowing water run down each street. A large head of water comes downward on the town from the top of the shoulder on which it is built, and this water supply is subdivided as it enters the town into a multitude of small Thus, a street in Maritzburg is formed in the following way: Each house stands well back from the road in its erf or plot of ground, then comes a thick and lofty hedge of roses, then a sluyt, then a raised footpath or causeway, then another sluyt, that divine particula aure had quite dethen the roadway. Now these sluyts, serted me. I now pursued my way, as however much they may add to the cleanliness of the place, are exceedingly awkward to the pedestrian. Every sluyt is about a yard below the footpath, and, being bridged over by innumerable slabs of stone and logs of wood, form in fact a series of traps and pitfalls. If I have drawn my picture rightly, the reader will see that to walk along a footpath in Maritzburg on a dark night, without the asone the -..... But I must proceed in

On the night when the terror came to though he could hardly walk quickly and not a light was visible in the street except an oil lamp hanging before the hotel, the glimmer of which, the street being quite straight, I could see in the distance almost as soon as I started on my walk. There was no wind. All was so still that the liquid warbling of the frogs in the view below the town sounded near and loud. Besides this and the multitudinous murmur of nature, which she never wholly intermits in her most

due order.

silent watches and which one hears and hears not, there was perfect quiet. I had got but a little way on my journey, walking cautiously along the the sound-very soft and gentle, but un mistakable-of a footfall made itself ever, and the sound-though so faint as to be almost like an echo of my own steps—had appeared to be close at hand; not more, in fact, than three or four mistaken and walked on again. Yes! again came the footfall, and-no-not an echo. Whenever an echo is heard there is a certain interval of time between the sound and its reverberation. This interval may be momentary-a mere fraction of a second-but is always appreciable; or, rather, to put it another way, if the echo is appreciable there must be an interval. Now the rhythm-the "time," as rowing men would sayof this footfall was exact. As my foot dence. The character of the sound was very remarkable. The path was hard and firm, with many small stones scatcrunching noise as I walked. footfall was evidently caused by feet that were neither shod nor (being unshod) of a horny or hoofy kind. And yet, on the other hand, there was nothing of the dull thud that would be made by the naked foot of yon describes it, " with a great padding pace." There was an undoubted impact on the gravel - of that I was sure-and beyond that I could liken the sound to that my follower was a beast was negatived by the too-evident mockery of the sound. No beast, surely, would go to the trouble of "keeping time" with a belated wayfarer, and the cessation and rewith mine proved that mockery was deliberately intended. I say no beast; but, perhaps, I ought to have excepted the e tribe. A monstrous ape, whose mind was just developing to a human enjoyment of mischief, might have pleased his genius with this hideous mimicry. But an ape always walks with a shuffling, shambling gait, and for him the tripping

you would. And if you believed his strangeness of the circumstance forced itself more and more on my attention my curiosity soon passed through fear to horror. I tried in vain to convince myself that I was mistaken. I stopped short at least half a dozen times, and then walked on with a quick in any them walked as fast as I could; I walked as fast as I could; I sauntered slowly (this was very difficult); but all to no purpose. Exactly as the strangeness of the circumstance forced itself more and more on my attention my curiosity soon passed through the feet hand was more honorable than the right, because it manipulated the father hand to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to open your door to a friend who might be arm intended to prevail the art is well known in Germany, and although their eggs are in great request than the left hand was more honorable than the left hand was more honorable when the left hand to prevent the art is well known in Germany, and although their eggs are in great request than the left hand to be count of the art is well known in Germany, and although their eggs are in great request the art is well known in Germany, and although their eggs are in I stopped, and keeping perfect time with my varied paces. Only one thing I noticed, and that was a slight hesitation when I suddenly changed my steps from when I suddenly changed my steps from I felt that, if I ran, all self-continuous into a sent for the first Smith and ordered him to run. I felt that, if I ran, all self-continuous imagined that the best way of carrying out the misst smith and ordered him to run. I felt that, if I ran, all self-continuous imagined that the best way of carrying out the wishes of the deceased was to cut something. The most stylish college that is worn now is the sent for the first Smith and ordered him to run. I felt that, if I ran, all self-continuous imagined that the best way of carrying out the wishes of the deceased was to cut something imagined that the best way of carrying out the wishes of the deceased was to cut something. The most stylish college that is worn now is the sent for the first Smith and ordered him to run. I felt that, if I ran, all self-continuous imagined that the best way of carrying out the wishes of the deceased was to cut something. The most stylish college that the most into a sent for the first Smith and ordered him to run. I felt that, if I ran, all self-continuous imagined that the best way of carrying out the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the marry the old young lady or be distributed in the m I did so did the footfall; stopping when ground I can hardly tell. I did not dare hilate them together. The young man when I suddenly changed my steps from fast to slow, from long to short, or vice powered by some force which could only be kept in check by the exercise of a could not instantaneously accommodate of the country. I should be overly with the violin into the river. He seemed surprised at being interrogated by the police, and has been discharged. But he is nevertheless closely watched, me have the youngest boys in his school.

satile quickness with which its gait was | yards away. every mode of puzzling alternation was ever had such command over the rhythm

In the surprise and terror now graduthe broad road itself. Having gained their fire I turned round. Then I heard my own jump exactly re- air, a large crane-not one of the ordiare three. It must be unexpected; it peated in faint, ethereal mimicry. I hary species, such as is seen in Europe, heard the same stumbling jump, the but the great, gaunt "Katir crane," as he longer. "Who's there?" I shouted.

after diligent study of Mrs. Crowe and bearing, it was, perhaps, a little conceit. spondent was one, proceeded to explore other approved writers, I have been able as though he felt that he had done a the cave. We had heard a great deal to arrive is that it is bad, fatally bad, clever thing in keeping pace with me so about it, and were anxious to see a little policy to speak to anything unlong; but I cannot say that he displayed of it ourselves. On arriving at the place canny—a ghost, for instance. If much emotion of any kind. As I came we discovered, to our surprise, that the ever you meet with a companion to the fire he walked up to my side, hold- entrance was fifteen feet above the corner of bogeydom, remember that he gave one or two drives or ducks for- The rock rises almost perpendicu-"Silence is golden," and that speech is exceedingly base metal. * * * By speaking you personify, where it is speaking his beak a few times the rock rises almost perpendicularly 150 feet above the mouth and for several hundred feet on each side. Having been provided with ropes, one pect. In the midst of this great, ugly borders of your sanity that perbasin Maritzburg absolutely blossoms. Sonality should be out of the question. Kafirs with great contempt, evidently projects over the mouth of the cavern, All its roofs are of red tile, all its hedges | Treat, then, a ghost with the insular not thinking much of their hymnology. pride of an Englishman. Consider him Meanwhile the Kafirs looked at me and gained. Lighting our pitch-pine torches not be sure. Domineer over him by not light for my pipe, but something in the large mining tunnel. The ceiling was saying "How d'ye do?" If you so much | nervous haste of my manner gave them | from ten to fifteen feet high in this disas "pass the time of day" with him an inkling of the truth, for they all with tance, after which it narrowed down to a rapidity into intimacy of the closet. I had made a shocking blunder in But not so much as a Hem! was vouchrivulets, or sluyts, as the Dutch call them. safed in reply; there was not the faintest whisper of a voice; it was nil, et præterea nil-absolute nothingness, made sensible by a footfall. There was noth-

> Coleridge says: Like one that on a lonesome road Doth walk in fear and dread, And having once turned round, walks on, And turns no more his head. Because he knows a frightful fiend Doth close behind him tread.

ing for it but to talk on. But now I had

not the smallest remnant of reason left;

Just so I walked, and the tootfall pattered softly behind me. The question "What is it?" had by this time tenfold horrors. It may, pernatural explanation. The thing that dogged me was, I was compelled to me I was returning from the fort at the think, either, first, a visitor from supetop of the town to the hotel where I was staying, which was at the lower end. I had a distance of about one mile to walk. It was midnight. The night was dark, but not with a thick, murky dark. cock crew. Oh, for the welcome sumness. There was no moon and the sky mons of an ear-splitting cock-a-doodlewas clouded over; but the edges of the doo! Oh, for a steam-fire-engine fed by horizon could be just distinguished and a river of holy-water! * * * I was roadway and hedges made out with little thus reduced to the last hypothesis, In short, the night was not one namely, that a ghost was dogging me. I in which a man has to grope his way, the rush of course, to assert that in though he could hardly walk quickly the rush of excited surmises which and boldly. Everyone had gone to bed passed through my mind I actually reasoned as consecutively as I am now setting down my thoughts. I only wish it to be understood that, after taking leave of my scientific senses by the unpardonable folly of speaking, I came finally to some such conclusion by some such

I was now walking with all my speed, but my utmost speed (though I have always been reputed a pretty good stepper) seemed that awful no-speed of dreams, when one is agonized with an imaginary need for haste or flight, and is yet ridden by the inexorable nightmare at a snail's pace. I was very warm raised footpath, when I became aware in front, but cold chills shivered down that I was followed. Close behind me | my spine. The distance still to be traversed seemed interminable and hopeless. What with the darkness, and what with heard. I stopped, and the footfall the dire necessity of turning my head stopped also. I could see nothing what- every moment to look backward, walked a dreadfully zigzag course. The footsteps I never ceased to hear; regular when mine were regular, irregular when mine were irregular. Again and yards distant. I thought I had been again I called, but no response ever came. Once, in a fit of desperation, I stopped, flung my arms about, stamped violently, and shoo'd with all my might, like one attempting to trighten away intruding bats or birds. When I had made pause, and then the footsteps disdainfully and slowly danced round me in a half-circle, from right to left and back

again. When I proceeded they followed,

as they had done, directly behind.

Walking in this way I came to a part touched the ground so did that other of the road where it became a little wider, and also there being fewer trees to overshadow it. Now for the first time backward glances I saw that the foot tered here and there, and with gravel steps were accompanied by a globular sprinkled on it. My boots made a apparition. It seemed about a foot in diameter, and of a dusty gray color This dim, undefined ball of misty hue moved with the footsteps, but not, as far as I could distinguish, having any other connection with them. On the contrary, it moved through the air at the distance of about a yard from the a man, or by any animal with a soft paw going pit-a-pat over the ground, as Bun- "moved," because I could just discern a sort of undulatory rise and fall, and because I could not but notice that the interval between me and it was never diminished by my greatest efforts. The nothing earthly. Again, the supposition arry phantom neither approached nor receded. Soon after I saw this apparition I also heard something I had not heard before. It was a rustling noise, repeated once or twice, and most like a quick snudder passing through stiff drapery. newal of these footsteps concurrently If any doubt remained, if any accession of terror was possible, that doubt now fled, and that accession of terror now

It occurs to me that some reader may ask why in the name of fortune or misprotection. Pride, my dear reader, pride, stronger than all terror, strongest shambling gait, and for him the tripping levity of these steps would have been impossible. An ape is not accustomed to walk on two legs, and the creature that pursued me was so accustomed; there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature that the creature the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature the creature that the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature there was a regularity and firmness in the creature the creature that the creature that the creature the creature that the creature that the creature that the creature the creature that the creature the creature that the creat what I may call the accentuation of the horsewhip, unchain Pincher, and (while round and slid down beneath the water, caterpillars with relentless energy. A with phosphate of lime in ferm of bone tread, however gentle, light and aerial that tread might be, which left no room for doubt.

When I first became conscious that I When I first became conscious that I their cots) go forth to drive the intruder rary, and the young are released at their expedient of having an ant hill, or ail, he said he could conceive of many was being pursued of set purpose by a from your curtilage? Of course you footfall I was startled, but scarcely terrified. A savage beast was out of the question, and Maritzburg was entirely discontinuous and from whose emissaries and footfall to his cabbage plat. A savage beast was out of the process of digestion."

A savage beast was out of the process of many from your curtilage? Of course you ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontents of having an ant hill, or ather nest, such as abound in pine for ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontents of having an ant hill, or ather nest, such as abound in pine for ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontents of having an ant hill, or ather nest, such as abound in pine for ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontents of having an ant hill, or ather nest, such as abound in pine for ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontents of having an ant hill, or ather nest, such as abound in pine for ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontent ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontent ways in which the poor animal might ways in which the poor animal might would. Would you not tell the discontent ways in which the poor animal might would free from crimes of violence; the white shadowy liegemen he was seeking deinhabitants were too well off to become liverance? Of course you would. If you highway robbers; while to attack one of the Superior race was quite alien from the habits and ideas of the Crolie or Kafir population. I began, then, by being more curious than alarmed. But as its inhabitants were too well off to become happened to know the disturber of your peace, would you not reproach him the discovery in the river of a hand, cut off at the wrist, holding a violin. The generally wonder at him? Of course you would. If you had been inhabited in the police of Nantes have been inhappened to know the disturber of your vestigating a curious matter, namely: the discovery in the river of a hand, cut off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and generally wonder at him? Of course you would. And if you believed his teacher of the violin named Sotta lived the caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was quite alien from next morning, hint at soda water, and off at the wrist, holding a violin. The caterial was a superior race was a superi

But I had a foreboding made to correspond with mine through that I should never reach it before anevery mode of puzzling alternation was other phase of the horror was disclosed. something marvelous. No drum-major The thing was growing on me. Some

denouement must come. It did come. I had by this time arrived at a large building used as a Kafir chapel by those | boldt range of mountains. ally stealing over me it will easily be natives who had been brought by various magined how difficult it was to keep a civilizing agencies to wear trowsers and about three miles northeast from Star footing on the raised causeway. More sing hymns. Turning the corner of the City, and about 2,000 feet higher than than once I all but slipped into the sluyt, chapel I came upon a party of devotees the town, in the Humboldt range, eight and whenever I did stumble a feeling of seated round a fire, and even at that late miles from the Central Pacific Railroad. insurmountable alarm came over me hour in full tide of song. How it was It has been known to the Indians perthat, if I fell, something would be on me that I had not heard them before, nor haps for ages, and they say that many and at me. It was better to be upright on seen the reflection of their fire, I cannot years ago it afforded a passage through two shaky legs, which might be called say; but when I did hear and see I felt on for instant flight, than prone in a with a thrill of conviction that the Zulu the Humboldt House now stands. A ditch, helpless, and with I knew not is indeed "a man and a brother." They Piute legend says that it has been the what stalking jauntily around. No; I were a party of six or seven. One or home of the evil spirit for many generawas sure I could walk no longer on the two were Hottentot wagon-drivers and tions, and the bravest warrior of the causeway. With a sudden resolution I the rest Kafirs. As soon as I saw the tribe will not venture near its mouth for jumped a floundering, stumbling, head-long jump from the path, over the sluyt sluyt and rushed toward those dusky fore the whites came among them they that ran on the roadway side, and got on | brethren. As I got within the light of | put bad Indians in the caye to appear

to the darkness with a hop and a skip of teathers, much as an ancient dame of -1 emple Bar.

A Raffle for a Beautiful Young Lady.

One of the most novel as well as exciting raffles that ever took place in Seymour came off on Saturday evening Miss Minnie Clarence made the novel proposition of putting herself up and in less than one hour every chance | they screamed like wild-cats when they away, and in fact almost any unfavorable was taken, and heavy premiums were saw our lights. paid by young men anxious to win the beautiful and lovely prize.

Miss Minnie is a most bewitching beauty of eighteen summers, an orphan, of respectable parentage, and a member of the best society of the State. She was decidedly the belle of Seymour, and bly envied just the least bit by the young ladies. She is a bright blonde, perfect in form, fair complexion, and has most ravishingly beautiful eyes. Ever since she came to Seymour she has been the center of attraction and the admiration of the men. In justice to Miss Minnie we should state that she gave the winner the privilege of accepting or refusing her, and reserved the same privilege for herself. There may have been several in the crowd whom she would have refused, but there were none, we venture to say, who would have refused her.

How could they? The hour set for the raffle came and found all ready to try their luck. Miss Minnie was there in person, dressed in the height of fashion, to lend a charm to the scene. She stood leaning gracefully against a show-case, never speaking a word nor betraying the least emotion, or showing the slightest preference for any of the contestants, excepting there was a perceptible twinkle in her eyes when young and handsome "lovier"

Name after name was called and each one in turn would shake the box with nervous hand until all but three had thrown and nothing higher than thirtyeight had been thrown. Then came Lynn Falkconer's turn. Lynn is a blonde himself and a clever, hard-working young man, and perhaps the twinkle of her eyes nerved him to the work. At any rate he tossed the ivory with steady this silly demonstration there was first a hand and the scorer called forty-six, The other two throws were made amid too much excitement to be counted and the prize was awarded to Lynn. Minnie came forward and took Lynn's arm and excited no attention and to have been the two went out together amid the followed by no hammer. To Nasmyth cheers of the crowd. She accompanied him to his father's hotel, where she was presented to his relatives, who had not its being used in England until after it had the pleasure of her acquaintance I same something. In one of my terrified before, after which she was escorted appreciative persons whose attention had home. We of course do not know, certain, but as Lynn is a good, clever young man, and she would be an honor to any household, we are inclined to think neither of them will back out .- Seymour

put herself up to be raffled for at fifty Enquirer, Jan. 16.

Habits of the Alligator.

A Southern naturalist has made some observations on the habits of the alligators. Among them he records the following: "That alligators swallow their | made as heavy as 250 tons weight .- E. H. young I have ocular demonstration in a Knight, in Harper's Magazine. single case. I was engaged in making a survey on the banks of the Homochitto Lake, near the Mississippi River. The day was warm and sunny, and as I

A Mammoth Cave in Nevada.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Winnemuccs (Nev.) Silver State writes to that journal a description of a mammoth cave which has recently been discovered in the Hum-

The entrance to the cavern is located

the mountain to a point opposite where the wrath and hunger of the spirit that the middle of the road, I stood still and | Out of the darkness there stalked sol- inhabited it. The last Indian put in listened. At first there was a silence. emply, with a grave and self-possessed there was not as bad as represented, and was guided to the opening on the other side by the spirit. The cave was partially explored in 1863 by Capt. Prescott, same long strides, the same little run of is called in Africa (I know not his scien- James A. Banks (who was since killed recovery on the road. I could bear it no liftic name), which is at least twice as by the Indians near Camp Scott), and A. longer. "Who's there?" I shouted. large. He did not seem in the smallest J. Simmons (now an Indian Agent in The only certain theory respecting degree abashed, nor was he disconcert- Montana Territory). Some time ago a "The Night-side of Nature" at which, ed. If anything was discernible in his party of four, of which your correwho seems likely to turn round the ing his head absurdly far back, though ground rock on which we stood. by means of which the entrance was a foreigner and therefore a suspicious also at the crane, which they knew quite | we proceeded cautiously in single file character, of whose social status you can- well. I tried to mutter that I wanted a about 100 feet in what appeared like a your acquaintance ripens with awful one accord rolled over on their backs in crack just large enough to get through agenies of laughter, and I was derided Suddenly we came to a square jump-off by sets of black toes in ecstasies; and or perpendicular drop of thirty feet. speaking. And yet I almost think I therefore I withdrew with that dignity Again the rope was brought into requishould have been relieved by an answer. one of the higher Aryan race can always sition, and by means of it the bottom one of the higher Aryan race can always sition, and by means of it the bottom assume, and sought my hotel, still ac- was reached. Immediately under the companied by the mimetic crane. When road we had traversed we found large I reached the door of the hotel, I grieve | chambers, the largest of which I should to say that in a sudden wrath I shied a judge to be forty feet square [and sixty stone at the crane, who went off again in- feet high, the entrance to which was scarcely large enough to crawl through. offended pertness and a flourish of his | Here in this chamber we noticed a verification of the adage that "constant dropuality might trot over a muddy street | ping will wear away a stone." In several ho ding up and shaking out her flounces. places drops of water from the ceiling, which continually fell in one place-there being no air current to change their course-had worn holes in the solid flinty floor from five to seven inches deep. We explored the cave to a distance of a mile from the entrance, and our lights burning well showed that the cavern is well ventilated. We did not find a passage through though we traveled for three sistance of a single street lamp, requires some care, even if the mind is unoccupied and the senses under control; but to walk there on a dark night, hearing behind the senses of the sense was a bona fide one chances went rapidly. It may, perhaps to be raffled off at fifty cents a chance. At first the matter was treated as a joke, but when it became known that the offer was; only, by my insensate rashness of was a bona fide one chances went rapidly. was a bona fide one chances went rapidly, fourths of a mile from the entrance, and

Hydrophobia. A LITTLE over two months since Tommy Kelly, a boy of fourteen years, while playing with a puppy only a month or two old, received a bite that barely broke was loved and admired by all who ever two old, received a bite that barely broke became acquainted with her, and probasons receive every day when playing with dogs. One week later the puppy died in spasms, but as this scratch had healed and disappeared nothing was thought of it. Tommy went on with his work and his play the same as usual until Sunday evening, when he came in the house complaining of a high fever. He was at once put to bed. A glass of water was brought him, as his lips were parched. The mere sight of it threw nim into convulsions. Dr. Frayser, the attendant physician, was called in, and at a glance saw that he had a genuine case of hydrophobia before him. Dr. Willett was sent for and a consultation was had. There is no cure known for this horrible disease when it is fully developed, as in the case of the boy. that could be done was to administer powerful soporifics and sedatives, so as to deaden the paroxysms as much as possible. The poor little fellow lingered in untold agony until Monday evening, when the kind angel of death came to his relief. One of the physicians, who has had years upon years of practice. says that the scene was the most heartrending that he was ever called upon to witness. A negro was bitten at the same time the boy was, but no symptoms have shown themselves as yet in the case .-Memphis Avalanche, Dec. 30.

The Steam-Hammer.

1838, and patented in 1842. It is true that there existed a description of Devereau's hammer in 1806 which recited the main features, but it seems to have we are indebted for it; even he had to work against prejudice which prevented had been tried in France by some more been in some way directed to it.

The helve of the steam-hammer is the piston-rod of an overhead steam engine, by which it is lifted. To drop it, the steam which lifted it is allowed to escape from below the piston, and the force of the blow is, in some hammers, increased After all the virtuous comments of by admitting the steam above the piston, the newspapers on that young lady who which adds the force of the steam to that due to the weight and fall of the cents a chance, at Seymour, Ind., on hammer. The sizes vary, having a very Christmas night, it turns out that she wide range, the weight of the hammer was only a large-sized doll .- Cincinnati varying from fifty pounds to 80,000 pounds, the stroke from six inches to six feet. They are single or double acting, have single or double frame, according to size, and all have a capacity for giving a blow of any required fraction of their full power and using any part of their range of stroke. The anvils are

Ants Enemies to Caterpillars. halted near the margin of a pond nearly dried up to pick up some shells I started stroy all kinds of birds and insects indisretreating some twenty yards to the to distinguish between useful and noxbanks of the La Homochitto I saw them lous insects, and thus to exercise their ling of the bone, caused by the reabsorpants was obtained, and its contents teamster, or being stepped on by a neigh-strewn around the infested cabbage boring animal while lying down. In such THE police of Nantes have been in plants. The ants lost no time, but im-

agreed to do so, provided he would let his office.-Chicago Tribune. itself to the change. But this hesitation was only momentary. Indeed, the ver- of my hotel—not more than 300 or 400 bis mind. casting about in my mind as to what shoes for full dress nowadays.

could be said to the little fellows I went to a village hard by and bought a quantity of sugar-candy. This was my only assembling the class had arrived I began by describing the way in which sugarcandy and other artificial crystals were formed and tried to place vividly before their young minds the erchitectural process by which the crystals were built up. They listened to me with most eager interest. I examined the crystal before

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sugar-candy in the usual way."

An English missionary found himself amid an extremely remote and savage tribe, who conversed with each other by means of hard and rude sounds. The missionary tried long to get hold of the sounds in such a way as to represent them in signs. Having, after a year or so, obtained a clew, he had neither pen and a knife, and he cut on his leg t letters which he thought corresponded to the signs. He then taught the savages the art of connecting sounds and written signs. The missionary, I believe, died or left that region, but he left his wooden leg, and after a time the savages worked out from it an alphabet and a written language. By some mysterious means, to they got hold of a printing press, and an English traveler got hold of a few printed leaves, which he could not understand, but brought home to Mr. Norris. The Orientalist examined them carefully and was struck by the fact that the sentences were printed in single and paragraph style.

It struck him that they might be copied from the Bible. He counted the number of paragraphs or verses in one of the unmeaning chapters, and then searched for a chapter in the Bible which had the same number of verses. He found that there was only one-a psalm-and on comparing the words of the savage writing with those in the psalm, he made out the alphabet of the tribe, and laid a complete translation of the pages before the Oriental Society .- Cor. Cincinnati Commercial.

Facts Concerning the Horn-Ail in Neat Cattle.

Most farmers recognize the "horn-ail" in neat cattle as a disease of common occurrence, while intelligent and scientific veterinarians aver that there is no such disease. At a meeting of stock-breeders and farmers recently held at Amberet and farmers recently held at Amherst, terial universe we have laws capable of congregated in large numbers in the Mass., the subject of horn-ail was brought up and thoroughly ventilated. A number of dealers in neat cattle, who ernment of our bodies there is an equalare advocates of the belief of the existence of the horn-ail, gave the prevailing symptoms of the disease, which are loss of appetite, loss of cud. coldness of the of appetite, loss of cud, coldness of the its equilibrium disturbed, and exsymptom which the cow-doctor cannot account for is referred to horn-ail and treated accordingly; but the sure indica- finally result in total loss of strength tion is the finding of the horn hollow when boring into it with a gimlet, and if attacks," or sudden cases of disease, and it doesn't bleed upon boring into it that seek in vain for the cause. The cause is another sign of the disease, but if it is has been a series of wrong-doings, exfound full of matter, which rups out of tending through a long period of time, this hole, this is still another symptom. and showing the effect of the whole by The treatment usually consists of boring one grand manifestation of suffering the horn and stuffing it with salt, vinegar, to which the wise (?) give some wonder cayenne pepper and spirits of turpentine, ful name that savors more of superstiand the correctness of the diagnosis is inferred from the fact that horns are hollow and the liquid runs out at the nostrils. Some get better and some die. may be perpetuated from generation to One gentleman stated rather a hard story generation, it is never too late to begin to believe, but he said it was true nevertheless. He said he knew of a case of the victims of prenatal ignorance or horn-ail where the cow was taken by shaking the head while being milked, of legitimate rules, greatly modify evil and she shook it until she shook both horns off close to the head. Mr. Dillon them from the system.—Science of Health. described two cases which had come under his notice in which most of the Primitive Plowing. symptoms described were present and he had great difficulty in preventing

zealous cow-doctors from boring their ville Courier-Journal writes: horns. But upon examination after death "On our way back to Temisco we had it was found that one died from tubercu- an opportunity of observing, more closelosis and the other from the effects of a ly than diligence or railroad can permit, hair-pin in the reticulum. Prof. Noah Cressy, M. D., took his practiced in this country. The plow itplace at the desk, on which a student self is almost a fac simile of the pattern had in the meantime placed several used by the Egyptians in the time scores of horns and a skull of a steer. Abraham, and certainly commends itself He said he was glad of the opportunity to all agriculturists on account of its of showing the farmers how prevalent great simplicity and cheapness. It con the disease, called horn-ail, is in this sec- sists of a wooden shaft about four feet tion of the country, and many of the old long and four inches thick, armed at its believers in the disease sat in the most lower extremity with an iron point, breathless horror as the doctor took from | slightly flattened and sometimes pre the basket horn after horn, and every senting a feeble forward curve. The one of them hollow. "Imagine," said other end is provided with a round stick he, "the consequences of eating beef passed through a hole to serve as a hanfrom cattle diseased with the horn-ail! dle. The pole, consisting of the stem of and every creature that is killed in the a small tree, from which the bark has Connecticut Valley, according to your been peeled, is fifteen feet long and at-symptoms, has this disease." Then tached to the shaft by means of mortise taking up the skull with one horn entire and peg. The implement thus constiand the other sawed down the middle, tuted is fastened at the extremity of the he said: "This is a skull of a two-year- pole to the middle of a very light woodold steer. This animal was never sick in en voke about seven feet long, which his life, yet you see his horns are almost rests immediately behind the horns of a entirely hollow." In stating that he pair of oxen, and is fastened there by never met with horn-ail, he wanted it to be understood that he never met with a roots of the horns. Not less than fifty disease for which the name seemed def- such contrivances were crawling at a inite and appropriate. Had known so- snail's pace over the field which we called horn-ail ever since he was a boy. stopped to notice, scratching up the His father always doctors for that disground to the depth of two or three ease; but instead of stuffing the horns he inches-certainly to us a very novel pours the medicine down the nostrils. sight." The doctor here exhibited the formation of the skull of the ox, illustrating his re-Winter Treatment of Stock. marks by his specimen, calling attention to the position and use of the frontal bone, sinuses, diploe, etc., and the inner stock should be allowed to lose now and outer horns. He then proceeded in what they have made in the summer. detail to account for the symptoms of the | On the contrary, they should be kept

sult from a thousand causes. About There should be no waste but as much disease called moltities ossum, or soften-

If the fire in the stove does not burn

throw the burning match-no matter Always read in bed until you fall asleep with the candle burning near you. Especially for builders: Put the ends of the wooden beams into the flue walls; and if you build hot-air furnaces be careful to use as much wood as possible in

and Spinner discharged them all four to make sure that he had no bigamists in his office.—Chicago Tribune. the Improved Warwick. It fits better than any other on a low-cut shirt. All the edges being folded, and the surface looking so much like finen, we recommend all to try it. Ask

Keep the Pump from Freezing.

Ose or two nights recently Jack Frost teaching apparatus. When the time for gently hinted that we ought to be ready for him when he comes in earnest. On going to the pump in the morning I found the water frozen inside so that it required quite an effort to break the ice. But I am ready for him and I want to

managed !t. At home on my father's farm we had thin laminet with shining surfaces of first winter after I had married and They had no notion that the thing they | not used to freezing pumps, and so one | indispensable family medicine. Its office had been crunching and sucking all their | bitter cold morning I found both pumps | is to attack a lazy, torpid liver and im lives embraced so many hidden points of beauty. At the end of the lesson I pump-locked tight. I will not describe proper flow of bile and a prompt disemptied my pockets among the class and the annoyance that followed-every charge of effete matter. A good diges permitted them to experiment upon the farmer who has a pump has had some tion and appetite are restored to the sufexperience of the kind at some period ferer. Pure blood, the 'life of the flesh, of his life.

It took three days to thay those pumps out, and I was compelled to take my stock to a neighbor's, half a mile tain water at the same place for house hold use. I never get caught the second benefactor of his race."

In man who had a are extracted therefrom without the use of Alechel (Place) time on the same trick. As soon as the pumps were clear of ice I procured two good brass faucets, and boring holes in the pumps, five feet below the platform inserted the faucets in them securely ink, nor paper; but he had a wooden leg then procured a narrow strip of board of sufficient length, and bored a hole in one end large enough to slip over the handle of the faucet. With this I could I have never had any trouble since.

weather, besides being inconvenient. The faucets are better every way. Care the morning.

weather, when the pumps have been day. The water above the platform is then unfit for use, but it is usually emetic for himself .- Cor. Ohio Farmer.

How we Treat Our Bodies.

paired the abnormal processes go on very dealers in medicines generally. rapidly. When checked in some impro priety how often we hear people say: "Oh, this never hurts me! I have done it thousands of times." But I tell you there is no margin allowed to any of gaged in malarial districts. The highest tes mathematical demonstration that the lapse of ages never varies; so in the govpenditure of vitality must occur for its restoration to normal action. But as one of our exchanges, some pretty severe renished at the outset these exposures and action, and we talk about "acute tion and alchemistic empiricism than of common sense or even reason. Now, while habits of body and effects thereof the remedial efforts of reform, and often

A MEXICAN correspondent of the Louis the process of plowing as commonly

LIBERAL feeding is now needed. No believed horn-ail, and to demolish the growing. And they may be by proper impression drawn by them. The hol-feeding. "He becometh poor that deallow horn was a natural, healthy condi- eth with a slack hand" is very true in ufacturing and household recipes, 25. Of booksell low horn was a natural, healthy condition; the presence of matter he attrib- this respect. There must be close attenuted to catarrh: the failure to bleed tion to this matter or money is lost in feed when bored was the result of the tearing and in weight of stock. Don't trust too process of the gimlet: the running of much to hired men or boys. Have exact the liquid out of the nose a matter of course; dryness of the nose was a symptom of fever; loss of appetite and cud bin. This makes a fair allowance for indicate dyspepsia, cough a sign of pneu- one ox or horse, or for two cows, or four monia, while coldness of the horns calves, at each feed. A bushel basket would indicate a lack of free circulation of fine-cut hay is an average for one of the blood, and losing flesh might re- horse orcow, or two calves, at each feed. shaking off the horns, he said he would feed given as will be eaten up clean. fortune, there being houses on both sides of the street, I did not seek shelter and scampered off, yelping like puppies, and children in primary schools being taught dent did occur he attributed it to a or have it accessible to the animals.

How to Burn a House.

their construction

cases the bones might be and often are

broken apart, and never grow together again, which leaves the part below the

fracture a dangling nuisance, and in such

cases it may as well be cut off as not; but he considers it cruel and even wicked

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