editorial rooms and propounded the

above interrogatory in a very loud and declamatory tone of voice.
"I suppose you can," said the horse reporter, "unless you are afflicted with some constitutional malady which prevents your putting one foot in front of the other, or have got a pair of hobbles on. There have some daisy fellows come up here lately, but you are the first one that wanted to know whether he could go through an open door."

"I didn't mean exactly that," continued the young man. "What I wanted to know was if I could come into the

room for a few minutes. "Certainly you can; only don't say anything to the effect that we ought to have a pleasant summer after such a rainy spring, or you may find yourself a pallid corpse in the donjon keep beneath the moated turrets of the castle. If you are looking for the Hawkinsville Clarion or the Grundy County Palladium, you will find them in that pile of papers over in that corner. If you are aweary, and fain would woo the drowsy god, ask the man in the next room for the Boston Advertiser. A Boston paper will make insomnia flee away as the black wraiths of despair and desolation vanish before the golden rays of hope. Don't mistake you haggard paste-pot for a cup-custard, because in its contents there is a generous admixture of deceased cockroaches that but a few short days agone were members of happy family circles-now, alas, sundered by the cruel hand of a darksome and unrelenting fate."

"I didn't want to read any exchanges," said the young man. "The object of my visit was to see the principal editor-the one who makes engagements with journalists." "The what?"

"The editor who makes engagements with journalists.' "O, you mean the man that hires the hands. He's in the other room. Do

you want a job?" "Well." said the young man, in s rather haughty manner, "I have some thoughts of entering the journalistic

"You mean that you want to hire out as a deckhand on a newspaper, don't

"Perhaps that is your way of expressing it, sir," said the young man, but our Professor of Rhetoric always told us that--

"O, you're a college graduate, are you?" said the horse reporter. "I thought you had a kind of I-shall-nowgo-forth-and-take-charge-of-affairs air about you. I suppose you graduated

"Yes, sir," was the reply, "and I may say that my orationhorse reporter. "You spoke a piece about 'Life's Mission,' or 'Our Country's Future,' or something like that, and when you had finished it the young lady in the percale dress whom you have been taking to the weekly meetings of the Platonian Literary Society for the last two years sent a big bouquet up to the platform for you with a little piece of rose-tinted note-paper in the center of it, with From One Who Admires Genius' written on it. And then a lot of Teutonic musicians blew themselves black in the face playing the Star Spangled Banner. And in the evening you went to the President's reception with the female admirer of Genius, and on the way home you told her that now you were about to enter upon a new sphere of action, to go forth and do battle with the world, and carve for yourself a niche high in the Temple of Fame, you felt that you must tell her that would never falter or fade as long as life remained. And then she laid her head trustfully on your series of the laid chief.—N. Y. World. her head trustfully on your manly breast, and said that she would not try to conceal from you the fact, ever present in her heart, that you were the one whom she could freely bestow that most precious of all gifts-the tender, true and all-absorbing love of a pure woman. But in about five years things will look different. There are now more young men who started out to carve a niche high in the Temple of Fame chasing large red steers over the arid plains of Texas or delivering mackerel to the first families than you can shake a

"But surely, sir, you do not mean to insinuate that a college education is in any way a hindrance to the accomplishment of those ends which it should ever be the aim of all who have the welfare of their country at heart to bring

"That's just the trouble," said the horse reporter. "Your college graduates always start out with the idea that it is your mission to manipulate the entire universe, when as a matter of fact the most of you wouldn't do to leave in charge of one small back-yard. Because a young man knows all about the square of the hypothenuse, and can reel off chunks of Roman history, it does not necessarily follow that there is a wild competition among business men for his valuable services. If the employers of America never go lame until their legs give out from running after college graduates there will be the soundest lot of underpinning on record in this country. Erudition is a fine thing, but you can't get much board on it in this town.

"But, sir," said the graduate, "the annals of every country in which the highest civilization has obtained show that it is the men of letters who shape

"There you go again." said the horse reporter, "talking about shaping destines and all such gruel as that. Don't you worry about destiny. The chances are that even if you were to fall over what you don't know and break your neck to-morrow somebody would look after the destiny-shaping business all right. Your best hold for the next year or two will be checking off barrels of won't get left any in the meantime." "Then you do not think I will be able

to make my mark in the journalistic profession? "You might," replied the horse re-

porter, "if you were to go up-stairs and fall over some type, but not otherwise at present.' But I might do some preliminary

work," suggested the young man-"write some sketches and things of that

"Yes, you could do that."

"What would you suggest for a nom de plume?

"Well," replied the horse reporter, "I should say that 'Affable Imbecile would about fill the bill for you." "Good day, sir. I will keep my eye on journalism and await an oppor-

tunity to join its ranks." "All right," said the horse reporter, but in case the street-car conductors get up another strike you had better remove your optic from journalism and head for the car-barns." - Chicago Trib-

bread and tea, they came down to bread, -The granary of L. M. McIntosh, on At the end of six years they came to the bank of the Sacramento River, at the bread and tea plain. Then they for-Chico, was mysteriously robbed night sook house, land and all their little after night. A watch was set, and then a large flock of wood ducks was seen entering the granary through a broken window pane in regular line. After the last duck had got inside, the watchers secured the window, and, going inside armed with sticks, killed 198 ducks which had been feeding on the grain.

The Biggest Liar on Long Island.

He got on the front platform of a car going to the cemetery. Under his left arm he held a paper box of flowers, and in his mouth was stuck a nickelplated pipe, from which, ever and anon, fumes of tobacco-smoke stole in through the open door and windows, gyrating under the nose of a passenger in black, causing him to beat the air with his hand, as if driving off Jersey mos-

The conductor, after treading on a policeman's corn and tripping over several wreaths, reached the front plat-

"Say, you there! Put that pipe out. or I'll ate ye!" The man struck the bowl of the pipe

against the dashboard, sending the sparks over the hands of the driver. "Conductor, you oughtn't talk to a man like that when he's buried in sorrow. No, sir; you oughtn't;" and he came into the car and crowded himself into a seat between a middle-aged man and a thin woman.

"I'm goin' to the cemetery with these flowers." he remarked to the middleaged man. "I have three wives out there; every year I make this journey. This rose I raised in the flower-pot that Rebecca used to fire around when she was here on earth, poor soul. She was as good a woman as ever wore a corset. Very fond of flowers, too. Cost me more for her bonnets than the other two put together. She just wore a hangin' garden of Babylon on every bonnet she wore. Rebecca did. This flower they call a cameler.'

"A camellia," spoke the middle-aged passenger, feeling that he ought to say "It's for the grave of my third wife. She read a book called 'Camille,' and

seen the play lots of times. She coughed herself into a consumption. Her stronghold was in imitatin' the day I'd come home she'd have a new tion, though.'

"She was your last?" "Yet bet I'm not in the market any more. Retired from the marrying business, so to speak. She read all about Blue Beard, and was terribly uneasy about goin' before me," he continued. "Any flowers for the grave of your second wife?"

"She was a strong-minded woman, talked about woman's sphere and all that. Hated flowers bad. Why, she killed my first wife's canary, sold the second-hand organ I'd bought, and wouldn't have a flower around her." "Why are you going to put flowers over. But wherever and whenever one on her grave now?

could call my soul my own when she certain insects and birds to assist him lived. I had to consult her about what | in his warfare on the grub. No doubt pants I should put on every mornin'." the much-abused crow is as often in

didn't spite her. O, no. When I put for human ailment, the medicine is as these flowers on her grave I know it'll | bad as the disease. There are certain make her turn in her grave with anger. | vegetable parasites likewise that prey Not for love, just for spite." The man upon the grub, and when such are tucked up his box under his arm and found do not destroy them as they may got out.

the strap as he said: "I suppose that skunk, which, if allowed, will dispose fellow that got out was doing some of large numbers.—Springfield (Mass.) more of his lyin'. I seen him talkin' to Republican. you. He's the biggest liar on Long Island. He's a sort of burn that works for a nursery man down here. Although he's rode on this car a hundred times he always stuffs the passengers with different tales. "He told me he has three wives

"Three grandmothers. The fellow never had but one wife, and she left him long ago. Them flowers belong to his boss, the nursery man.' "How he could slander women as he

did," ejaculated the thin lady passenger

# Roughing It.

vince us that life in the backwoods of

Canada has hardships greater than

those very severe ones of our own pioneers. It is difficult to decide which s more distressing to see, the roughness and toughness of the successful settlers, or the heroic vain courage of delicately-bred men and women who have mistakenly left the society where alone they could be of any use. There was a gentleman who went out from England with his wife and child and two servants to undertake the clearing of a farm in the remote forests of Canada. He writes of their housebuilding and housekeeping in the Corn-hill Magazine. First he cleared half an acre of land, and summoned his neighbors to help raise a log house, according to the custom. He had to supply whisky, and they all got furiously drunk. The house consisted of four walls with openings, where the logs were crooked, large enough for a dog to jump through. The roof was of "scooped out" timbers, and let in the rain. The floor was of split (not sawed) planks, and had holes wide rain. enough to put your foot in, boot and all. The crevices of the wall were stuffed with grass, moss and mud. From first to last, he says, it cost him the price of a decent house, and was a sort of open shed. Housekeeping be-The man-servant whom they brought with them looked about for one day and disappeared, and may now, for aught his old master knows, "be President of the American Republic, or member of (Canadian) Parliament." The woman-servant, after three or four days, could not resist the innumerable offers of marriage she received. So the wife had to do the cooking for the family, and for half a dozen to a dozen men-servants. They all slept in one room. The men stretched themselves out on the floor before the fire, not undressing at night nor washing ever. The emigrant family slept behind a shawl on a two-story bed, built of poles mailed to the sides and roof of the house, father and mother above and child beneath. The food was Al sugar for some wholesale grocery bread, tea and salt pork. There was a cocks too large, and let them be as nutiny among the men on account of the bread, for the poor lady did not know how to make it. It was as heavy as lead, as dark as oatmeal, and had to be cut with an ax. Poor lady! how she cried and sighed and did her best, but over and over again this cold plum pudding without sugar or raisins, figured or our board, or rather trestles. At last she got hints and made a regular "hop rising" with dried hops and hot water, and her bread became palatable, to out infinite relief and the benefit of their

> property and drove their horses back to Ottawa. The ticket boxes used by our rail-road general agents and in all our offices were invented in 1840, and there has been no improvement made on them mince. - N. Y. Heraid.

> health. The pork and flour soon ran short, which forced him to go to the

nearest store, about thirty-five miles

away, over a road that was no

road at all. His wife was left

alone all night with the back-

woodsmen, and, coming home, the

wagon tipped over and the whole load of flour-bags and pork-barrels was

pitched on to the man. This was, as he

truly says, more dangerous than being

in battle. They got no game to eat,

excepting for a short time of the year.

From salt pork, milk, butter, eggs, and

milk nd tea, and then the milk gave out.

The White Grub.

It may seem unnecessary to call attention to so common an insect as the white grub. Yet a summer never passes without complaint from one or another quarter of the destruction which the white grub causes. The fact that it is so common and so destructive warrants a consideration of it. It is commonly known that the so-called June bug o dor bug is the adult or beetle form of the white grub. This beetle may be often seen in summer flying about the rooms just at dusk, if the doors and windows have been left open, and the presence of a few in such a place means that there are larger numbers at no great distance off upon bushes or trees. Some have thought the beetle itself per-fectly harmless, but its presence on various trees in the night-time will account for the dropping of the foliage which is without apparent cause, as it would seem. Yet the damage they do in this state is but small as compared with what they may have already done in the larval state. The female insect burrows into the ground soon after pairing, when she deposits about fifty eggs and then dies. The young grub hatches out in about a month or so and does not attain much size or do much damage the first year. But look out for it the second! Woe to the young shoots of corn, grass, lettuce, cabbage, strawberries, potatoes and the garden flowers, when it attacks them! Working near the surface it cuts off the young, tender shoot and the plant, of course, withers and dies. Dig down now as soon as the wilting is discovered and, if it be soon after the plant was cut, the stealthy

enemy will be found. It is then a good time to "stamp out" the plague. The grub becomes full grown in the third or fourth year and then has a smooth, greasy or dirty-white appearance. It changes into a beetle some time in May or June. The question heroine in all the books she read. Every | may arise, will it do to haul manure upon the garden or field containing name for me what she got out of a such grubs as are sometimes found novel. She could write poetry, but I | there? This is another insect altodon't think that brung on the consump- gether, although not dissimilar in appearance, and can do no harm, as feeds wholly on decayed vegetable matter. It is the grub known as the muck-

Remedies: The beetle of the de structive white grub is commonly captured by setting several lanterns in places where "they most do congregate," and over a tub containing water. They are attracted by the light, and flying against the lanterns, they are thrown into the water beneath and drowned. The grub is a hard insect to fight. You don't know where to look is found, kill him on the spot. Nature, "Not for love. Not much. I never too, has favored the farmer by giving "Still, you will decorate her grave?" | search of his "grub" in the corn-field "I do it for spite. When she lived I as he is for corn, yet like some remedies be of much assistance later. Among The conductor came in and hung to the animal enemies of this insect is the

### The True Art of Haymaking.

In cloudy weather grass dries but slowly and is liable to be stacked or housed without sufficient curing. Therefore the wisdom, when practicable, of cutting meadows in fair weather. The precaution should also be observed of cutting only so much grass at one Grasses dry much more rapidly if cut

time as can be properly handled. after the morning dew is off than they will if cut when the mowing is done. Rapid drying is an absolute necessity when the best quality of hay is desired There is nothing that assists in quick curing more than a good tedder; farmers who have much grass to harvest will do well to provide themselves with so More than once have tales of pervaluable an implement. sonal experience been told which con-

The true art of hay-making consists n curing grass just up to the point at which it will do to put into the barn, and no more, in order to arrest the loss of sugar and starch at the earliest possible moment. Grass quickly cured is, other things being equal, more nutritious than grass longer exposed to shift-ing winds and scorching sunshine.

Some farmers consider one good hay day sufficient in which to expose the grass before being housed, while others equire two, even three, days. Some prefer to let it lie on the ground just as was left by the mower; others cure it n the windrow, and still others cure it

in the cock. This difference of practice in the method of curing results chiefly from the difference existing in the curing quality of the various grasses. Timothy, for instance, cures more readily than herds-grass, while the common grasses require still longer time than the herds-grass. Timothy will dry sufficiently in one day if the weather be propitious. During the early part of the season two days are usually required for properly curing heavy grass. Later, when the grass is nearly ripe it can be

cured in one day. Clover contains more water than other grasses, consequently it requires a longer time to cure it properly. Curing better accomplished in the cock than in the sun, for the succulent leaves and tender blossoms of clover, if exposed to the scorching heat, are quickly browned and lose their sweetness. Previous to storing in the barn, the cock ought to be turned over and exposed

long enough to dry the hay which lies close to the ground. Clover, as it lies scattered by the mower, will be injured if the dew falls upon it. Clover hay will not shed rain. and hence when stacked out in the fields should be protected either with patent covers, thatching, or a thick top-

covering of wheat straw. Great care should be exercised in properly forming the cocks, in view of wet weather, when meadow hay is to remain in the cocks for an indefinite time. First of all, do not make the sharp at the top as possible, with the sides nearly perpendicular, and finally provide them with cloth caps .- N. Y.

-The odor of flowers sometimes comes from the petals, as, for instance, from the petals of the rose. The petals or floral leaves of the rose give out an odor long after they have been gathered. This is not the case with most flowers. A recent writer has called attention to the fact that the sweetest carnation is odorless soon after it is cut, as are most of the sweet flowers used in cut flower work. The mignonette and heliotrope were supposed to be exceptions, but as these continue to open new flowers

—Breaded Eggs: Boil hard and cut in thick round slices. Pepper and salt; dip each in beaten raw egg, then in fine bread-crumbs or powdered cracker, and fry in nice dripping or butter, very hot. Drain off every drop of grease, and serve on a hot dish. Have ready some veal gravy or chicken broth, heat to boiling parsley, salt, pepper, and three table-spoonfuls of cream to a cup of broth. Boil up and pour smoking hot over the eggs, serving for the table in a covered dish.—Boston Transcript.

Is or an inferior quality, and so long as the great Pennsylvania reservoir holds out, can only supply a local demand in the vicinity of the wells."—E. V. Smalledo and is all right! Three dollars is ley, in the Century.

The Color of the city to give me that amount in cash and not take any steps at all, for I shouldn't a bit wonder if Henry ran away to Tolledo and is all right! Three dollars is quite a sum to a poor widow like.

In some parts of Siberia a wife costs

FARM AND FIRESIDE.

-If the harrow were drawn through when young over one-half the turnip fields the final yield would be one-third

more. - Prairie Farmer. -A little oxalic acid put in the water in which you wash your hands will reberry stains. - N. Y. Times.

-Giving the pigs a little charcoal occasionally corrects acidity of the stomach and insures a healthy condition. If charcoal is not at hand, give charred cinders of the stove coal .-Chicago Journal.

-Vinegar sauce: One and a half cups of sugar, one and a half tablespoonfuls of flour in a little water, two table-spoonfuls of vinegar, a quarter of a grated nutmeg, and a pinch of salt. Over this pour one and a half pints of boiling water and boil ten minutes. Just before taking from the stove add one desert spoon of butter. - The House-

-How to detect bad eggs: Dissolve 120 grammes of common salt in a litre of water. An egg put in this solution on the day it is laid will sink to the bottom; one a day old will not reach quite to the bottom of the vessel; an egg three days old will swim on the surface. This is an old recipe, but it is worth remembering.—Boston Post.

-An easy way to make pretty white dresses for small children is to make the upper part of white goods which is woven in such a way that it has the appearance of insertion and of puffs; the bottom may be a ruffle of Hamburg. These dresses are so easily ironed and is takes so little time to make them that they are highly recommended, -N. Y.

-It is a creditable state of mind which impels one to always buy the not always so. For some kinds of cooking a moist brown sugar is preferable to the best white. In soft gingerbread this is especially true. Then for gingersnaps and cake and bread the old dark molasses is preferred by all good cooks to the best New Orleans. It is impossible to make ginger-snaps both erisp and yet tender without this .- N.

-The Massachusetts Ploughman says that "every orchardist should be urged | -Philadelphia Press. to destroy the small apples as fast as they drop, and to try to catch the do good, if frequent examinations are pository notes on it before. made, and the moths killed. No doubt the most effectual and probably the cheaper way to get rid of the codling moth is to turn pigs enough in the orchard to eat the apples as fast as they

#### The Secret of Success in Farming.

The success which a man achieves in life cannot be measured entirely by the amount of money he accumulates; were this the case, success in agricultural would be far below that of mercantile. commercial or speculative pursuits, in these (as in lotteries) the many blanks and failures make the few prizes and millionaires.

It would be narrow-minded to claim for agriculture all that enthusiasts do when they say that in it only can perfect development of mind and body be attained, or that farmers are of more importance to commerce and the trades than these to them; still, the fact remains that man, with his wonderful physical, mental and moral composition, cannot maintain and reproduce his full powers in the artificial existence which he leads in a city, or in a sedentary life. Without the country, cities could not continue; the health, the strong body so essential to the sound mind, is furnished by recruits from the sons of the soil. Mother Earth gives the vitality which no artificial means can supply, and the grandson of the country boy who goes to the city and makes his fortune is, nine times in ten. the clerk of some other country boy who has come with his bundle on his back. the dirt must be immediately removed but with the vim in him which soon leaves far behind his enfeebled city contemporary. From these facts we argue that life and success in the country are more comprehensive, and are far beyond mere money making. While in this busy world, whether in town or country, on land or sea, each has his duty to perform, and many minds make | Keys. - Pittsburgh Telegraph. willing hands at all times, still he is most blest, and has the full scope of happiness and life before him, who makes all that he can make of a country home. For the race depends not only for health and energy, but for morals, truth, integrity, purity and religion, upon the influences around its

A young man beginning the business of life on a farm, should have a little capital, not too much-just enough to give him heart to work. He encounters and overcomes difficulties, improves his farm, his stock, his buildings, and is not neglectful of his own moral and mental culture; his gains, though slower han those of his city brother appear to be, are far more sure, and his chances of future almost none; he may be cering hand when circumstances will per mit, and sees as he goes, that his own prosperity is identical with that of hicommunity and his country; he feels that he is a responsible factor in the general good. He is somewhat conservative; the contact of the land seems to develop conservatism; he and his fellows are the great political balance-wheel, which does not let the engine. of the State respond too quickly to the fiery effervescent heat which may flame forth in the nervous city centers. After a while, independence crowns his efforts, and he moves on in life toward its close, active and interested in everything; glad, not jealous, of the pros-perity of his neighbors; large-hearted, oving his fellow-men, and in turn beloved and respected by them. If he does these things, and thus fills the measure of a man, he has succeeded, and his success has brought a conten ment and a peace that hoarded millions could not give .- Charles F. Kirk.

The Petroleum Fields of the World "Nearly all the petroleum that goes into the world's commerce is produce in a district of country about a hundred and fifty miles long, with a varying breadth of from one to twenty miles, lying mainly in the State of Pennsylvania, but lapping over a little on its northern edge into the State of New York. This region yielded, in 1881, 26,950,813 barrels, and in 1882, 31,398, 750 barrels. A little petroleum is ob tained in West Virginia, a little at various isolated points in Ohio, and a little when cut and placed in water, it is in the Canadian province of Ontario. probable the odor comes only from the | There is also a small field in Germany. a larger one, scantily developed, in Southern Russia, and one still larger, opening blossoms .- N. Y. Independent. perhaps, in India. The total product the body?" tion of all the fields, outside of the region here described, is but a small fraction in the general account, however, and has scarcely an appreciable influence upon the market. Further more, the oil of these minor fields,

The Salt Lake Herald believes that city is to become a great railroad con-

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

The school authorities of St. Louis, after a long discussion, have decided not to abolish corporal punishment in public schools. - St. Louis Glob:

-The railroad department of the Y. M. C. A. work last year required an move the stains caused by cutting potatoes. Lemon juice will take away was subscribed by railroad companies. was subscribed by railroad companies. -There are only eight cases of sui-cide mentioned in the Bible: Abimelech, Samson, Saul, his armor bearer,

Ahithophel, Zimri, Razis and Judas Iscariot. - Detroit Post. -Dr. Jennie Trout, of Toronto, Canada, a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, has donated \$10,000 to that city to establish a

medical school for women. -Fermented wine has been banished from the communion tables of all the Methodist and Baptist churches in Chicago, and of all the Congregational churches except two.—Chicago News. -Prof. Charles E. Anthon, who for thirty years was Professor of English

New York, died of a complication of diseases at Bremen a few days ago. -Wellesley College has a beautiful room named in honor of Mrs. Browning, and containing Story's bust of the poet and the manuscript of her poem, "Little Mattie." This manuscript was the gift of Robert Browning.

-The Providence (R. I.) Journal re-

History in the College of the City of

vives the story that, when Brown University conferred the LL. D. on its benefactor, Mr. John Carter Brown, the modest gentleman exclaimed on hearing the news: "What! After all I have done for them!" -The number of students in the Presbyterian Theological Seminaries

during the past year is as follows: Princeton, 125; Union, 129; Allegheny, best, but the highest-priced things are 74; Auburn, 42; Lane, 36; Chicago, 27; Danville, 7: San Francisco, 6; making a total of 449. -Good advice was given to the grad-

uating class at Allegheny Theological Seminary when Dr. Wilson said: "Younggentlemen, study Hebrew roots, pore over Greek verbs, read Latin, and, if you have time and desire, translate ancient heiroglyphics; but I charge you when you go into the pulpit to preach the Gospel to use plain Anglo-Saxon.'

-John Wesley once wrote to one of his followers a letter, which contained a moths as they ascend the tree to lay | bank note and the text: "Trust in the eggs for a second crop of worms, for it | Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell is the second crop more than the first in the land, and verily thou shalt be crop that does the injury. To catch | fed." His follower replied that he had the moths a band of cotton around the often been struck with the beauty of the trunk of the tree near the branches will text, but had never seen such useful ex-

-Some of the Hindus believe in 8,-400,000 successive varieties of existence for each mortal after death. How they arrive with exactness at this number is not definitely known by our theologians. The great question which just now agieologians is whethe or is not a state of probation after death, in which a sinful soul may repent. Authorities on this point seem to be strangely mixed.—N. Y. Sun.

#### PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

-A time-honored court-room-The front parlor. - N. Y. News. -A shopkeeper having had a stormy discussion with his better half, put the shutters up and affixed the following

notice: "Closed during altercations. -Brooklyn Eagle. -If you should find a diamond as big as a lemon no one would buy it of you at its true value and you would be miserable. Don't find one larger than

a marble.—Detroit Free Press. -Of the three cyclones in Michigan this year none of them has carried a cook-stove seven miles and tenderly sat it down at the back door of some poor but worthy widow.—Exchange.

-The spelling reform mania which raged a short time since has passed away, and the man who spells cow with a k can no longer pass for a Greek scholar.—Philadelphia Chronicle. -The crier in a village announced to the inhabitants by proclamation that

authorities would take it into their own hands .- Chicago Tribune. -In digging a canal across Florida it is found that the work will not require any locks. And even if it was full of locks and the locks wouldn't work, they could send out and get the Florida

from the streets, or otherwise the parish

-"Woman's rights!" exclaimed a Philadelphia man, when the subject was broached: "What more rights do they want? My wife bosses me, our daughters boss both, and the servant girl bosses the whole family. It's time the men were allowed some rights."-Philadelphia News.

-School committeman (examining a scholar) -- "Where is the north pole?" "I don't know, sir." "Don't know? Are you not ashamed that you don't know where the north pole is?' "Why, sir, if Sir John Franklin, and Dr. Kane, and Captain De Long couldn't find it, how should I know where it is?" -Chicago Times.

-A New York editor recently sold some of his oil paintings and bric-atain that if he sows with perseverance, brac, the sale aggregating about \$100,he will finally reap; he lends a help- 000. An editor's art treasures accumulate so rapidly that he is obliged to have a clearance sale now and thenespecially if he wants to spend a month or two at Newport or Long Branch .-Norristown Heraid.

-"Then, if I understand you," said merchant to a customer, "you do not intend to pay me the amount you owe.' "Your understanding is correct, cap'n." "And you call yourself an honest man, do you?" "Yes, sir. If I were not honest I would tell you that I intend to pay; but, being honest, I do not wish to leceive you."-Arkansaw Traveler.

-Heard in the suburbs: "Good morning, Mr. Blank. Pa told me to bring back your snow-shovel, which he borrowed last fall, and says he will be | display in the harbor, arrive at Old Point very much obliged if you will lend him | Comfort and Fortress Monroe early the your spade and rake and wheelbarrow. He says he will send the spade back in time to borrow your lawn mower."—

Mystic Pageant.

following morning, spend the day and be back in Baltimore again bright and early on the morning of the night of the great Mystic Pageant. Philadelphia News.

# True Economy.

A day or two since a Detroit woman called at police headquarters and gave notice that her son, a young man of seventeen, had suddenly disappeared and she had reason to think he had been drowned.

"Where do you think drowned?" asked the clerk. "Well, I think it was off the foot of St. Aubin Avenue. "We will send an officer to investi-

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