A Courteous Rival.

This is a tale of a courteous gentleman, an impetuous lover and a fickle maid. The scene is in the gay Crescent City, twenty years or more before the war, when New Orleans promised to be the largest city on the continent, when its shipping was enormous and when dueling was the gentlemanly and

approved method of settling disputes. The services at the large Catholic cathedral had just been concluded, and, through the entrance, out into the public square, sauntered a middle-aged man with a young woman, as fair as any desired to look upon, at his side. Her cheek had the hue of the sunkissed peach and her sparkling glance showed that she was by no means a demure madonna, although she had just come from the church. Her companion was tall and distinguished-looking, dressed in the height of fashion and carrying himself with a military erectness. Everyone admired Mr. Marsden, the eloquent lawyer, the superb orator and the brilliant soldierstatesman. Kindly, but impetuous; with generous instincts, but a flery temper, he was the ideal type of a gallant, chivalrous southerner. The tender regard he exhibited for the young girl with the sparkling glances was in keeping with the attention he had bestowed upon her for twelve months past, giving rise to much speculation as to whether or not he would carry off the prize. Many disappointed suitors for Helen Manville's hand felt extremely vengeful toward the gallant statesman, none more so than Jack Culvert, a rich, talented and extremely reckless young man. For several months he had sighed before the shrine of the divinity without making marked progress, and then the statesman had appeared and seemed to be carrying her off, despite the young lover's most strenuous efforts. So it happened that Jack, no better than he should have

been, resorted to the consolation of

mint juleps and similar beverages, be-

coming a constant frequenter of the

terranean resort, where were found

men of all nations, it might be said,

he made the vain attempt to drown his

sorrow and his chagrin by means of

the beverage he so persistently drew

through two straws. He even plunged

into greater dissipations. Helen once

saw him driving to the races (there

were two great tracks in operation

then) with the prima donna of the

French opera, whereupon the society

belle deliberately looked the other way.

St. Charles cafe. In that great sub-

And many were the evenings passed at the cafes, where hock, burgundy and the more sparkling beverages flowed in abundance. But the sorrow wouldn't drown and the chagrin always floated on the surface. As the soldier-statesman and Helen crossed the square whom should they encounter but Jack himself, who looked somewhat pale and fatigued. She bowed to him very coldly, and then ignored his presence, smiling her sweetest upon her companion. Jack ground his teeth, gazed vindictively

after them and then strode toward the

St. Charles, where he drank three mint

juleps one after another. At a fash-



onable ball 'hat night he again met his divinity, who looked simply indescribable. Jack forgot his resentment in a sudden spell of admiration, and,

pen around," said Jack, savagely. "You, too, have certain engagements,

Jack thought of the prima donna and was silent. As he turned away Mr. Marsden carried off the young lady. Feeling the most profound aversion to witnessing his rival's happiness, Jack plunged into the smoking room and immediately ordered a bottle of champagne. Then he lighted a cigar and cogitated bitterly, trying to shut out the rhythmical melody of the orchestra. The more he drank and the more he smoked the more enraged he became. When, after a considerable interval, his rival entered. Jack arose and deliberately jostled against him in moving toward the door. A flush of anger crossed the other's face, while the lover stood there with an insolent smile. "You jostled me, sir?" said the ri-

"Oh, did I?" said the lover.

"Beneath the Oaks, at your conven-

apologize." lence." "Very well; I will send a friend to

"I will be glad to receive him. The sooner we meet the better. There isn't room for both of us in New Orleans." Twice more he danced with the belle. while Jack resumed his attentions to the fine wines of his host. Late that night, or rather early next morning, when the French maid was disrobing ber mistress, the girl appeared anxious

to impart certain information. "Mademoiselle, the butler at the ball told me something."

"What is it?" indifferently. "He served Monsieur Jack with much wine and many cigars. Monsieur Marsden entered; Monsieur Jack jostled him: Monsieur Marsden responded with anger; they exchanged words and are to meet early this morning at the

dition has never been forgotten. In "At the Oaks!" exclaimed Mademoiwithout exception, all careers are as softe. "Oh, this cannot be. Are you open as in the United States .- London Spectator.

"The butler saw it all."

"It is terrible; it is terrible!" "Well, mademoiselle," said the girl, consolingly, "Monsieur Marsden is one of the best s wordsmen in New Orleans. It is not be, but Mensieur Jack who

Jack found himself beneath the Oaks, with his second. His head felt a little heavy and his hand shook, but not with

"Here they come," was the response. Mr. Marsden was soon, on the spot and the swords were brought out. Afar was another group and they knew that another dispute was being settled in this popular and gentlemanly fashion. The elderly contestant drew the lover aside.

"Sir, must this matter go on? An apology-"

"I have no apology." "Very well."

The rival smiled rather pensively. "Are you ready, gentlemen?"

"To him who survives she shall be

"We are." They were about to throw themselves into position when a carriage was heard in the road near by and the next moment a figure rushed forward. It was the young woman herself. Impetuously she threw herself, not upon the breast of the rival, but into the arms of the bewildered young man, then confronting with commanding

"Stop," she said. "You shall not kill him. It is all my fault. I have coquetted with him. Do you forgive me, Jack? Promise you will not fight." "I cannot honorably do otherwise," replied the confused lover, who imagined himself in the seventh heaven with her arm upon his shoulder.

gesture the soldier-statesman.

"You must, for my sake," she pleaded. "I love you, Jack. I have always loved you. I have been cruel, but lay it to waywardness, not to my real self. Hereafter, I will be different. And now,

"I cannot. I am at the service of this gentleman."

The rival regarded them with a melancholy smile. He had passed that period of volcanic youth, but now he felt suddenly as if the hand of age had grasped him and made him twenty years older. How fair she was with the dew of early morn upon her hair! How impassioned she was when she told her love to another! Those words she had led him to believe, were to have been addressed to himself one day. But they were a handsome couple! And he had imagined her all his? Then he spoke to her gravely.

"I am at your command," he said. "This duel shall not go on."

"But," began Jack. "Sir, I was in your way last night and naturally you jostled me. You had the right to feel offended, I presume. I am convinced now that I should have apologized. Having neglected to do so, this lady has made me feel the error of my position and I now do apologize for having been in your way. My apology, I trust"-with a melancholy smile-"will be accepted." "Yes, do accept it, Jack," pleaded the

cung lady. The lover was about to make a shame-faced response when the rival saluted them courteously and turned away. Jack returned in triumph, in his divinity's carriage, while the rival drove back slowly, telling himself that one is never too old to learn.

Dickens' Dummy Books. "'Gad's Hill' was a merry house."

writes Stephen Fiske in fondly recalling incidents of his visits to Charles Dickens, in an article telling of the personal side of the novelist. "Dickens was a wellspring of mirth and his humor affected the whole party. Often, when I came down from Lonon, he would walk out and lean against the doorpost, while I was at the gate, and we would shout with laughter over the fun that we had had and were going to have. When everything else failed, the library was an unending amusement. The room was lined with books from floor to ceiling, that it was useless, until at last only ers.—Exchange. even the backs of the doors being bookcases, but the books on the doors approaching, begged the privilege of a and along the floor were bogus. Dumpolka. She responded that she was my books had been lettered with titles and pasted on the glass, and the ti-"You are always engaged when I hap- | ties had been selected by such wits as | ed little home to live the thing out with | Dickens, Yates, the Collins brothers, Albert Smith and Mark Lemon of I believe," she retorted, with biting Punch. We used to sit on the floor to study this mock library and roll over with delight at some clever satire. I remember 'The Virtues of Our Ancestors,' a volume so thin that the title had to be printed lengthwise; 'Five Minutes in India, by a British Tourist,' in two volumes as large as an unabridged dictionary; 'Lives of the Poets,' a mere pamphlet: 'Eggs on Bacon,' to match 'Coke on Littleton:' 'Statues Erected to the Duke of Wellington,' fifteen portly volumes, and there were dozens of other quips and cranks. A catalogue of these bogus books should have been preserved, but nebody thought of writing it out: nobody realized that Dickens would ever die."-Ladies' Home Journal.

The Czar as a Social Autocrat. The Wiener Tagblatt, an influential Austrian journal, has found an extraordinary reason for praising the deou imply intention. You shall meanor of the czar. He actually allowed Mme. Faure and Mme. Brisson, who are not even hoffahg, to dine at the same table with himself and the czarina. Such a concession to republican principles would, the journalist continues, be absolutely impossible in Vienna, where, though a low-born man might be admitted to the empe-The rival bowed and left the room. | ror's table, his wife never could be. The fact was correct and was once the occasion of a curious scene at the Hofburg when the emperor had to exert his personal authority to obtain partners for his premier's daughter; but our contemporary surely mistakes the feeling of the czar. In his mind, as in that of every true autocrat, there is no rank except that derived from his favor. His notice, in fact, as Nicholas I, once openly said, of itself confers rank. The well-born in Russia have social advantages, as everywhere else, but Peter the Great's ablest min-

> Silver Coinage. The first deposit of silver buillion to be coined was by the Bank of Mary- he was asked where he lived only anland, July 18, 1794, that institution sending in \$80,715,735 in French coins. | mother and father.

ister was a cook or butler and the tra-

Russia, as in every oriental country

to the evening, for he worked in a his hands as forefeet. bituminous coal mine some little distance away. One day about noon, while Hans was away at work as usual and his wife and little boy were in the the abrupt entrance of two men. She was thoroughly alarmed when she recognized in one of them a former lover whom she had rather unceremoniously thrown over when she married Hans Yorst, and who had made some obscure threats which those who knew his dark, sullen temperament did not regard quite so lightly as did Mrs.

How Fritz Was Stolen. The moment the startled mother recognized him and saw the fixed, vicious determination that was in his face she grabbed up her child and made a feeble, quavering effort at bravado, demanding to know what the intruders brothers, who are devoted to the black in Tracadie of a peculiar disease and wanted.

we're goin' to have him." screaming and kicking from his moth- Amoy, China, predicts that the island parallel case, but he was unable to find versalist creed is not up to date. One

against the overwhelming odds against

her. Mrs. Yorst then fainted away, of

course, which was a great help to the

villains when it came to binding and

gagging her, a ceremony to which they

devoted so much skill and care that it

was several hours after she came to

before she managed to free herself,

and then she was too much exhausted

from the shock and fright to do any-

thing save lie moaning and sobbing on

In this plight poor Hans found her

when he came home from the mine at

night, and when he learned what had

happened his fury knew no bounds.

It took only a glance to see that his

wife had not been seriously harmed,

Yorst himself was left, and he losing

THE BEAR PUT TO DEATH AND

heart with every dragging day that

passed. Finally he, too, gave up in

despair and settled down in his blight-

his heart-broken wife as best he could.

The Father's Vain Search.

was heard either of the boy or the men

who stole him until one day recently

when old Cal Fisher and Jim Boone.

of humanity anybody hereabouts had

were bare and his legs were bare. He

new and then made efforts to scratch

But through all the hideous plight he

was in the mother recognized her lost

Fritz. Jim Boone went off to fetch

Hans home from the mine, and old Cal

meanwhile remained behind and told

the mother how it was he had found

It was in a deep, savage recess in

the mountains about ten miles away,

Cal said, and he and Boone, who were

bear-hunting, had halted for a rest.

Suddenly they heard what sounded like

a child's laughter. Going in the direc-

tion whence it came they saw Master

Fritz, and with Master Fritz was a cub

bear, and between the two they were

having a high old time. They rolled

and played together, and now and then

Fritz varied the performance by

chucking the cub into a pool of ice-cold

mountain water close by and laughing

loudly as his playmate floundered

In the Bear's Den.

boy fled in terror, with the cub lumber-

ing and stumbling at his heels. Both

disappeared in a dark cleft in the

rocks, and when Cal and his companion

got there they were met at the en-

trance by the grim muzzle of an old

she bear who gave them a hot fight be-

fore she was killed. As she fell dead at

last both the cub and the boy ran out

and nestled up against her body, whim-

pering and snarling at the common en-

emy. The cub was killed, and Fritz

was captured, although he fought like

a little demon. At last he was coaxed

and soothed into quietness, but when

swered by crying in German for his

The instant the hunters appeared the

spluttering to land again.

and even bite his captors.

the floor of the house.

turned three years of age, who was found him, and set out for the Yorst kidnapped from his parents six months home to see if he could be identified. ago in a manner strongly dramatic, if All the way on the journey the boy says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The not melodramatic, has just been found talked a strange jargon, half words and not melodramatic, has just been found under circumstances as startling as was the event of his taking off.

Fritz was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Yorst. a thrifty, happy Mrs. Hans Yorst, a thrifty, happy tor's care, however, he is slowly resum- time every day of the year and inble but comfortable little home back in er is still shocked now and then to the mountains near here. Have was been him utter force inhuman growls with alarming rapidity. Norway is said the mountains near here. Hans was hear him utter fierce, inhuman growls to be the most leprous country in absent from home from early morning and to see him drop on all fours, using

ccsy little kitchen eating their mid- cleft in the rocks for shelter and was and Portugal there are numerous lepday meal, Mrs. Yorst was startled by adopted as her own offspring by the ers' hospitals, which are never without she bear who lived there with her cub. patients, and in Turkey and the Ionian It is even believed that he not only islands it gains ground annually. There became attached to his savage foster are over 500 lepers in Crete, and the mother, but that he and the cub both latest statistics show that there are got their sustenance from the same ma- 100,000 lepers in India. China, Japan, ternal fount. The doctor who has had Hayti, Trinidad, Guiana, Venezuela,

WM. T. M'INTYRE.

THE CHILD RECOVERED.

boats.

afteen years ago. To-day the institute his name and address on his wheel, on

house of lords

appear in uniform.

4,872,000 eggs.

is a millionaire

the sea of Okhotsk.

a few minutes. Let what sticks to the of Italy, 2,300; Germany 1,700; Eng-

face with cold water, and dissolve a lit- to say that a man is extremely ex-

tle alum in water and squirt it up the travagant, he expresses himself this

nostrils. If this does not succeed, send | way: "He has money to burn, and car-

straight home!" He realized that she married woman, the mourning color is

would probably throw it up to him .- scarlet. The coffin, the hearse, the

425 pounds.

ries matches."

ish muşeum,

ly in about five days.

A Fatality.

asked the idle person of Mr. Barnes

Tormer. "I guess I worked him too

hard," replied that eminent tragedian.

"I killed the goose by pulling his

golden leg, as the proverb goes."-In-

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The romantic gondolas of Venice are

being rapidly displaced by little steam-

Over 1,250,000 acres of the earth's

surface is devoted to the cultivation of

Fully one-third of the land in Great

Britain is owned by members of the

Every bicyclist in France must have

All males who sell newspapers in

Large deposits of asbestos have been

Anthracite coal, from China, is sold

in California, and is crowding out the

average in Spain is 3,000 hours; that

Lulu and Flossie Sleppy of St.

respectively, sixteen and fourteen years.

When a real New York boy wishes

The cats in North Gainesville, Fla.,

are suffering from a peculiar disease.

They froth at the mouth, their eyes

turn red, and the malady results fatar-

In Brazil, at the funeral of an un-

trappings of the horses, and the livery

Three copies of the Bible, written on

of the driver, are all scarlet.

awarded to a French brewery.

found in the Ferris mountains, Car-

the streets of Moscow are compelled to

"What has become of your backer?"

Americans Use Green Tea. "We want that brat of Yorst's," said the United States gets most of its tea the Roman Catholic church. The phy- in all the churches. One of the clergy the jilted lover, "and what's more, from Japan, which produces very little sician who attended the case went to deprecated preaching evolution and So poor little Fritz was dragged Bedloe of Philadelphia, ex-consul to all of the foreign hospitals to find a new revelation, and that the old unier, who fought furiously but idly of Formosa, under the Japanese gov- any one suffering from the same mal-

so he left her to console herself as ernment, will put out the best teas in | ady. While visiting in Norway he

best she could and plunged furiously the world and that the product of this saw several lepers and upon his return

into the darkness to hunt for his stolen island, which formerly sent its tea to to Canada he unhesitatingly pronounced

boy and the scoundrels who had taken Amoy and Hongkong before shipping the strange case of the dead woman to

pay fabulous prices for the kinds they

Booker Washington's School.

Institute has become one of the most

of the negro, and its president, Booker

T. Washington, is recognized as one of

the ablest leaders of the negro race.

seven buildings, some of which repre-

perty is nearly \$300,000. For the year

industrial departments where practical

laving, stone cutting, blacksmith work,

shoemaking, plastering, plumbing,

trimming, and other trades. For female

students there is also training in such

In Emergency Cases.

has had a terrible fright by a child

face all smeared with blood, but you

will find most probably when you have

washed with cold water that the

amount of injury is a mere trifle. If it

is difficult to stop the bleeding, a most

valuable remedy is the common whit-

ing or pipe clay. Put a thick coating

of either of these on the wound, then a

bit of dry lint, and press it closely for

wound remain there, and cover with a

bit of plaster. Bleeding from the nose.

unless it goes too far, need not alarm

you-nay, in many cases it may prevent

something much more serious-but

when it requires to be stopped let the

child sit upright, bathe the neck and

for the doctor.-Boston Traveler.

New York Press.

A Tragedy for Mother Goose

The crooked man had gone a crooked

mile, when he suddenly stonned.

"Holy smoke!" he exclaimed. "And I

promised my wife I would come

French two-cent postal cards, issued

for the ezar's visit to Paris, are now

sold for \$1, if they bear the postmark

of the day of the czar's arrival.

running in with its clothes, hands and

Many a mother, says a physician,

lines as are appropriate to them.

ever seen. It was a little, begrimed, ended May 31, 1896, the income of the bon county, Wyoming.

clothing were hanging to him, and the amount. The number of students Pennsylvania product.

The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial

famous of the schools for the education | tobacco.

owns 2,460 acres of fine land, thirty- a metallic plate.

him away. The neighbors for miles it out to the western markets, will soon have been leprosy.

napped boy, but as the days ran into for a kind of tea which they particu- dianapolis Journal.

around, when they heard of the out- ship directly from its own ports.

rage, were almost as angry as poor, English and American tea buyers

distracted Yorst himself, and joined say that it is impossible to secure the

mountains in every direction, but with- production of the finest qualities and

For days Yorst and his friends want. The official classes of Russia

searched far and wide for the kid- are said to pay as high as \$15 a pound

weeks and the weeks into months one larly prefer-an almost white quality,

by one the kind-hearted neighbors which has a peculiar, oil-like flavor

dropped out of the chase, convinced that is not at all relished by foreign-

So six months passed and nothing The school had a very puny beginning

two famous hunters hereabouts, ap- sent large expenditure, 265 head of live

peared unexpectedly at the Yorst home stock, an abundant supply of wagons,

carrying with them the strongest mite tuggies, etc. The total value of its pro-

briar-scratched, inconceivably dirty and institution was \$97,716, donations from

besmeared boy. Only the remnants of various sources making up \$62,835 of

even that rotted and in spots leaving in attendance was 867. Besides the aca-

the body bare. He had no hat, his arms demic department, there are twenty-five

was trembling with fright, yet every instruction is given in carpentry, brick-

readily in the search, scouring the best teas, as the Russians watch the

GROWTH OF LEPROSY.

streets of Paris a few days ago and car-

exhibit as much concern over the mat-Europe and it is estimated that over 800 are suffering from it there, while A Bear as a Foster Mother. in Sweden the progress of the disease

The theory is that the boy was abar- has been so rapid in recent years that doned to die, that he crawled into the there are 462 victims of it. In Spain charge of the boy professionally since Brazil, Paraguay, Tonquin and Indohis restoration to his parents is fully China are all infested with leprosy. But convinced of this and that in no other when we come nearer home we find manner could the child have been kept that the disease has made alarming progress in certain quarters. The oldest leper colony in this country is located at Tracadie, in the province of New Brunswick, Canada. Here probably occurred the first death in North In a general way Americans use America from leprosy. It was nearly green tea more than do their English sixty-five years ago that a woman died

THE LAST OF BOODLE'S.

disappear. Boodle's is one of the historical clubs of London, a connecting Special: Gordon Heights, Pa.: Lit- | Then Cal and Boone remembered found that six leper patients were al- fox-hunting squires, says the Saturday

Praed wrote: In parliament I fill my seat Along with other noodles:

In Jermyn street I lay my head And sip my hock at Boodle's. The proprietress of Boodle's is dead, and, as there is now no one to carry on the club, it must come to an end unless the members acquire the property. But there are only some 500 members and this number would have to be doubled in order to run it as a members' club. But, then, Bcodle's would lose its distinctive charm, which lies in the fact that in its lefty, eld-fashloaed rooms one is really at home. It is the only club in London where one is unelbowed by a crowd and where one is never asked to pay for anything. A member's house account is sent to him only when he asks for it. Some enterprising gentleman like Mr. Algernon Bourke may possibly reorganize the club upon the lines of White's, but it will be the old Boodle's no more. Electrict light and cash payment will supersede wax candles and the convenient "slate."

The Universalist Creed. At the Universalist convention, in Portland on Wednesday, the subject of a new creed was debated with warmth, indicating that schools of dissentient thought exist in this as in other denominations. Conservative liberals of the darker qualities. Dr. Edward. Europe shortly afterward and visited science. Another said evolution is the issue was whether God created man holy and he backslid from previous holiness or from a state of undisciplined youngness and innocence; but (Maine) Journal.

> Summer Heat in Various Countries. The following figures show the extreme summer heat in the various countries of the world: Bengal and the African desert, 150 degrees Fahrenheit; Senegal and Guadaloupe, 130 degrees; Persia, 125 degrees; Calcutta and Central America, 129 degrees; Afghanistan and the Arabian desert, 110 degrees; Cape of Good Hope and Utah. grees; New York, 102 degrees; Spain, India, China, Jamaica, 100 degrees; Sierra Leone, 94 degrees; France, Den- well set and compact figure; rather mark, St. Petersburg, Shanghai, the short limbs; the complexion not very Burman empire, Buenos Ayres, and the | clear and oftentimes freckled; the hair Sandwich Islands, 90 degrees; Great | dark and of luxuriant growth; you are Britain, Siam and Peru, 85 degrees; Portugal, Pekin and Natal, 80 degrees; and keep your business secrets to Siberia, 77 degrees; Australia and Scot- yourself; you are ambitious, stirring land, 75 degrees; Italy, Venezuela and and energetic and inclined to take the Madeira, 73 degrees; Prussia and New lead in anything in which you become Zealand, 70 degrees; Switzerland and Interested; you are not very yielding Hungary, 66 degrees; Bavaria, Sweden, in your disposition and when opposed Tasmania and Moscow, 65 degrees; are liable to lose control of your tem-Patagonia and the Faikland Isles, 55 per; you are fond of anything that is degrees; Iceland, 45 degrees; Nova Zem- of a mystical character and easbla, 34 degrees.

Illiteracy in the United States. The 1890 census enumerates 36,761,-607 persons of ten years of age and upward. Of this number 4,923,451, or 13.4 per cent, are returned as unable to read, and 6,239,958, or 17 per cent, as unable to write. The following states show over 40 per cent of their population as unable to write: Alabama, 60; Florida, 43; Georgia, 50; Louisiana, 49; Mississippi, 50; New Mexico, 65; North Carolina, 48; South Carolina, 55; and Virginia, 41; and the following states Montana, 5: Nebraska, 216: New Hamp-

At the Baden exhibition the prize for the best lager beer, a gold medal, was Little Toes to Go. It seems that there are to be no A fifteen-pound codfish, recently exmore little toes. A comparative anatamined by the fish warden of London, omist declares that the little tce must was found to have a roe containing go and announces gravely that already it is showing signs of degeneracy. About a year ago Ben Reed, a Chi-Once upon a time it seems that the cago policeman, bought a small interhorse was the possessor of four wellest in a Cripple Creek mine. Now he developed toes, whereas now he has but one to save his life. But that toe Rich gold fields have just been disis a great one. And man's toe that is covered by government surveyors on to survive "the crash of matter and the east coast of Siberia, bordering on the wreck of worlds" is to be the great one, too, so this wise scientific anat-A school of carpentry for boys and omist says. But if man is to own an girls is to be established at Highland evolutionized foot at all, like that of Falls, N. Y. The entire expense will the horse, it does not appear that the be borne by Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan. coming race is to pride itself on its Spain has more sunshine than any pedal extremities.-New York Tribune. other country in Europe. The yearly

He'll Get Caught Some Day. A smooth bachelor in Kansas City keeps himself arrayed like the lilies Joseph county, Mich., are sisters, aged, of the field, by betting suits of clothes with the other fellows that they will Lulu weighs 435 pounds, and her sister | be married before he is. He hasn't been caught yet, but that's no sign that he never will be.

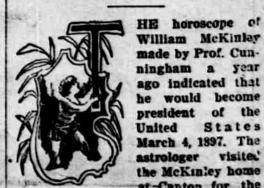
> He Stood for Seven Days. When the seal of a lumber car was broken at Plainfield, N. J., recently, 2 much emaciated man tottered out. He had been in the car for seven days in a space so small that he was compelled to stand continually. He entered the car in Ottawa, Canada.

Churches Offered at Tax Sale. Fourteen of the local churches, half of all in the city of Ishpeming, Mich., are advertised for sale because of delinquent sewer taxes. The congregations have temporarily joined hands leaves of the fan palm are in the Brit- in an effort to find some way out of the trouble.

PLANETARY POINTS

Another old landmark is about to SOME HOROSCOPES MADE DY PROF. CUNNINGHAM.

> and Have Their Indications Printed Free-Planets Indicate Events, but Do Not Cause Them.



ningham a year ago indicated that he would become president of the United States March 4, 1897. The MAURA SIGHT DRAFTS ON astrologer visite. the McKinley home at-Canton for the purpose of obtaining exact data. He

was cordially received by Major Mcley, Mrs. McKinley and the presidentelect's aged mother. Prof. Cunningham is at present making a horoscope of the McKinley administration, beginning at nooh March 4. It will be printed in March. Persons wishing to have horoscopes made should remember to give Christian name, place of birth and residence, date and year of birth, hour and minute if possible. If you do not know the hour, send two two-cent stamps for particulars. Correspondents should also bear in mind that the astrologer wishes it distinctly understood that he treats the position of the planets at time of birth merely as indications and not causes. A planet may signify an event, like the star of Bethvariety. This accounts for the fact that was buried by a missionary priest of are as plenty as radical conservatives lehem for instance, but of itself it has no other connection with it. Correspondents are answered free in these columns. Address Prof. G. W. Cunningham, Dept. 4, 194 Clinton street, Chicago, Ill.

Answers printed in order as received. Here are some for this week:

Frank, Notre Dame, Ind. ent old enough to determine this issue rising, with Sagittarius intercepted on except on hearsay. Another one of the ascendant, and Mercury, Venus and Authorized Capital of - \$500,000 the brethren denounced the three ar- the Sun also there, consequently you Paid in Capital, ticles of the creed as "abominable" have Mars, Jupiter, Mercury, Venus amid applause, that no one should teach folks to do things because they but nobody ad
teach folks to do things because they complexion, hair and eyes; the eyes the eyes the proportion of the eyes to the proportion of the eyes to the utilitarian philosophy, and declared, and the Sun for ruling planets. You cause they are bad for them. The sight. You are stirring and energetic, speaker said: "Do right, though you and will always have an ambition for be ground to powder." The Rev. Mr. a large business, with plenty of rush Ropes declared that four-fifths of the | to it. You are fond of anything that Universalists like the present creed, has a mystery connected with it, and and there was applause.-Lewiston are very original and inventive in your ideas. You are also fond of anything pertaining to chemistry and pharmacy. You have good command of language. and you are also a deep thinker, and do not always tell everything you know. You have strong intuitions, and have a good knowledge of many things without ever having had to study to ronage. learn about them.

Miss Mary K., Galva, Bl. 100 You have the zodiacal sign Scorpio. 105 degrees; Greece, 104 degrees; Ara- which Mars rules, rising at your birth bia, 103 degrees; Montreal, 103 de- and therefore Mars is your ruling planet or significator. Scorpio usually denotes a person of medium height; reserved and secretive in your nature ily become interested in anything relating to chemistry; you are a great admirer of surgeons, soldiers, firemen, etc., when they perform any operation that requires skill or any act of bravery, soldiers on dress parade, etc.; you also take quite an interest in war and navy news and all kinds of military affairs.

> John M., Brooklyn. You have the zodiacal sign Leo, which the sun rules, rising at birth and

therefore the Sun is your ruling planet with less than 5 per cent unable to or significator. The sign Leo usually read: Connecticut, 4; Dakota, 3; Illi- denotes a wiry, muscular, slender fignois, 4; Indiana, 5; Iowa, 2; Kansas, 2; ure, with wide shoulders in proportion Maine, 4; Michigan, 4; Minnesota, 4; to the rest of the body; the complexion fair and ruddy; the hair and eyes light; shire, 4; New Jersey, 5; New York, 4; the eyes are large and in some cases Ohio, 4; Oregon, 4; Pennsylvania, 5; they would be called "popeyes." You Utah, 5; Virginia, 5, and Wisconsin, 4. | are of a sunny, cheerful temperament; you are charitable and generous, toe much so for your own good; you are very restless when not busy at some thing; you are very apt to borres trouble in some way or cross bridges before you get to them; you are apparently quick tempered yet seldom get your deep anger aroused; yet when you do you become very fierce like the lion; when your enger is once aroused you will give somebody that was the cause of it the full benefit of your opinion regardless of their position or rank. You have more than average pride and ambition and have a natural gift of

> A Towel of Blotting Paper. Paper has been put to a variety of uses, but its most curious employment is foreshadowed in the recent patenting of a blotting-paper towel. The idea is that a person on stepping out of his morning bath, instead of rubbing himder in the orthodox manner, envelop his body in a towel of

ing-paper, which will, without the, and in a few seconds, absorb all the moisture upon his skin. The idea is ingenious, but it does away with that wholesome friction which many believe to be so beneficial to the skin.

A cri ions note of explanation accompli ! some poetry received by a Michigan editor. The note ran thus "These lines were written fifty years ago by a man who has, for a long time, clept in his grave merely for pas-

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