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COLORED WOOL

44-inch fine French Dress Goods, in good colors, at 79c; reduced from \$1.50.

42-inch French Novelty Dress Goods, with stripe to match, at 89c; reduced from \$1.35.

42-inch Cashmere Serges in all the new shades at 65c; regular price 85c.

40-inch Outing Flannels at 29c; regular price 45c.

24-inch Half Wool Dress Goods for Monday only at 71c per yard; regular price, 20c.

Colored Henriettas at \$1.25-46 inches wide.

DEPARTMENT.

We have a stock of Hamburg Embroideries that must be reduced, and we have made the prices right to do this. No sale of Embroiddery has ever been made that can compare with this one on prices. These goods must be sold.

LOT I. AT 51c-In this lot will be found Embroideries that we have been selling from 7 to 10c. LOT II. AT Sic-This lot is made of

Embroideries that we have been selling from 11c to 15c. LOT III. AT 111c-All the Embroid-

eries we have been selling from 15c to 20c go at 11tc. LOT IV. AT 19c-We sell all of our

25c and 30c Embroidery at 19c.

LOT V. AT 27tc—This is a big lot and the price is wonderful. They are worth from 35c to 45c. LOT VI. AT 39e-None in this lot is

worth less than 50c. LOT VII. AT 59e-All worth 75c.

UCONOIS

Black Goods Department. Special.

We hove just received a large shipment of Priestley's Black Silk Warp Henriettas, which we place on sale Monday. These Henriettas are the finest manufactured and have a world wide reputation for finish and durability.

42-inch Priestley's Silk Warp Henriettas at \$1, worth \$1.25, 42-inch Priestley's Silk Warp Henriettas at \$1.15, worth \$1.35. 42-inch Priestley's Black Silk Warp Henriettas at \$1.25, worth \$1.65. 42-inch Priestley's Black Silk Warp Henriettas at \$1.35, worth \$1.75, 44-inch Priestley's Black Silk Warp Henriettas at \$1.50, worth \$2.25, 44-inch Priestley's Black Silk Warp Henriettas at \$1.75, worth \$2.40.

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.

Lawns, 2c .- 1 case Printed Lawns at 2c, worth 64c.

terns. Not more than 12 yards to each customer.

Batiste, 81c .- 30-inch Batiste, in

only 12 yards to each customer. New patterns in Domestic Sateens

at 121c; regular price 171c.

Dress Ginghams, 5c .- All new pat-

all the new figures, at 81c; worth 15c. Black and White Calicos, 3jc.

Silk Jersey Mitts at 25c; worth 40c. Ladies' Undressed Kid Gleves at \$1.29; regular price \$2.00.

worth 75c.

We have a complete stock of Ladies' Kid Gloves by the following makes "Frefousse," "Courvoisier" and Foster Lacing Gloves, in all the

SUN UMBRELLAS.

Our stock of 26 and 28 inch Silk Sun Umbrellas is too large, and we must unload. We make prices on these two sizes of Umbrellas that will make them go with a rush.

\$1.39. 26 inch Silk Sun Umbrellas with silver tipped handles, at \$1.39, worth

28 inch Silk Sun Umbrellas, silver tipped handles, at \$1.69, worth \$3.00. \$2.35.

26 inch Heavy Silk Sun Umbrellas natural wood handles at \$2.35, regular price \$3.50.

28 inch heavy Silk Sun Umbrellas, natural wood handles, at \$2.75, regular

200 26 and 28 inch fine all Silk Sun Umbrellas silver tipped handles at \$4.19, regular price \$6.00 and \$6.50. \$5.15.

26 and 28 inch all Silk Sun Umbrellas with gold and silver handles at \$5.15, reduced from \$7.50 and \$8.00.

DEPARTMENT. Drawers. 19c. Drawers.

Monday we place on sale 12 dozen Ladies' Muslin Drawers, with tuck and hem, made of extra good muslin, only 19c. This is the greatest bargain ever offered; Monday only at this

Skirts, 25c.

12 dozen Ladies' Skirts, with deep hem and tucks at 25c. These goods have been selling as a bargain at 42c.

Gowns.

6 dozen Gowns, embroidered and tucked yoke, on Monday only 69c. Aprons. 15c. Aprons.

15 dozen Ladies' Tucked and Hem-stitched Aprons at 15c. This price barely covers cost of material. Special bargains in Aprons at 35c, 50c 60c and 75c.

Children's White Dresses 49c.

6 dozen Children's White Dresses at 49c each. We offer a very choice line of Children's White Dresses at 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

At 49c. 10 pieces 62-inch Cream Damask at You, worth 75c.

At 49c.

1 case 60-inch Turkey Red Damask (fast colors) at 49c; worth 65c. At 25c.

100 dozen elegant Damask Towels. Broche borders, at 25c; worth 35c.

MARSEILLES QUILTS. At \$3.00.

50 12-4 Marseilles Quilts, assorted patterns, at \$3.00; worth \$5.25. These are imported goods.

NAPKINS.

8-4 Double Damask Napkins at \$4.621

50 dozen 3-4 fine Double Damask Napkins at \$4.621; worth \$6.00. 8-4 Double Damask to match these Napkins, at \$1.50; worth \$2.00.

UNDERWEAR DEPARTMENT.

A BARGAIN. MEN'S FRENCH BALBRIG-GAN SHIRTS AND DRAWERS

AT 75c, WORTH \$1.25. This is the best bargain we have ever been able to offer our customers in men's underwear. JERSEY FITTING RIBBED

VESTS 75c. These lisle vests were bought to retail at \$1.50 and we have sold many at this price. We bought all the importer had and will sell them Saturday at 75c. They come in white, ecru, light blue, and pink, and in all sizes. LADIES JERSEY FITTING

RIBBED VESTS 50c. We have just bought from an importer 200 dozen of the finest Jersey fitting vests made. They are made of strictly genuine Egyptian cotton and will always retain their rich, cream color and are beauti-fully trimmed. These vests have never been offered at less than 85c; Saturday we will sell them at 50c each.

AT \$1.00. 100 dozen ladies' basket braid balbriggan vests at \$1, regular price \$2.50.

Black Goods Department.

44-inch Black Drap De Alma at 89c; reduced from \$1.25.
44-inch Black All Wool Melrose
Cloth at 89c; reduced from \$1.15. 42-inch Black Sicilian Cord, 69c;

regular price 90c. 44-inch Black French Serge, 78c; reduced from \$1.20. 40-inch Black Albatross at 50c; regular price, 75c.

42-inch Silk Warp Henrietta at 75c; worth \$1.00. 44-inch Silk Warp Henrietta at \$1.25; reduced from \$1.75.

HOSIERY DEPARTMENT.

100 dozen Misses' Black Ribbed

100 dozen Misses' and Boys' Derby

Ladies' Fast Black Cotton Hose at

Ladies' Colored Lisle Thread Hose

Cotton Hose, white feet, at 15c; regu-

Ribbed Cotton Hose at 25c; worth 40c.

lar price 35c.

25c; regular price 40c.

GLOVE DEPARTMENT

Silk Lace Mitts, 15c; worth 25c.

Ladies' Silk Jersey Mitts at 50c;

new colors.

LACE CURTAIN DEPARTM'T

On Monday to inauguarate the Curtain season we will offer 100 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains at 85c per pair. These curtains are full size, taped edge and very desirable. 98c.

Also on Monday 100 pairs of Lace Curtains at 98c. These Curtains are our regular \$1.50 quality, and we make this price for Monday only.

Madras Curtains. \$1.57. 50 pairs Madras Curtains at \$1.57

per pair; worth \$3.00. \$3.50. 25 pairs Madras Curtains, 31 yards 54 inches wide, at \$3.50; choice pat-

12 pairs Turcoman Portier Curtains at \$2.50; worth \$4.00. Special! Special! We have about 10 pairs of Burmah Curtains which we have been selling at \$17.50; we make the price

on Monday \$7.50. Chenille Portiers. 6 pairs Chenille Portier Curtains, former price \$13.50; on Monday only

WHITE GOODS

DEPARTMENT.

Figured and Dotted Swiss odd lengths, and some slightly soiled on the edges; also Ecru, Swiss with Colored Figures that we have been selling at 35c, on Monday at 19c. This is a bargain that cannot be duplicated. Lace Scrim, 42 inches wide, at 10c;

egular price 15c. Corded Pique at 33c; worth 50c. Corded Pique at 39c; worth 55c. Corded Pique at 47c; worth 75c.

We wish to call special attention to our India Linons at 25c. They are equal to any sold by other stores at 35c and 40c. We have them in three makes-heavy, medium and sheer.

Ladies' fine Fast Black Cotton Hose at 50c, sold by other dealers at 75c. MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY AND CAREFULLY FILLLED

N. B. FALCONER. MONDAY, MONDAY.

THE MIRROR HELD TO NATURE

How Wit Drove the Pain Away.

HOW PATTI KISSED A

General Notes of Plays and Players-The First Dramatic Performance Booth Loves Colorado-Poems and Paragraphs.

The minstrel gay to the wall has gone-With cranks and debts you will find him; His show is "bust," but he's goaded on By the bills he's left behind him. "Man of song" cried the landlord hard, "Though all the world bepraise thee,

Thy trunks and props my right shall guard, Until somebody pays me."

The First Dramatic Performance. Where was the first public dramatic performance in America given? Authorities have differed, but Colonel T. Allston Brown is chief of them, and he provides new evidence that New York city has the honor. Colonel Brown has begun to publish in the Clipper a series of historical articles on the theater in this country, and the first deals with the question of priority. M. Dunlap, in his "History of the American Theater," says: "On September 15, 1752, at Williamsburg, the capital of Virginia, the first play performed in America by a company of comedians was represented to a delighted audi-James Rees says that "a portion of Hallam's troupe combined with several artists engaged for America by John Moody, arrived in Philadelphia 1746-7, and opened the first theater dedicated to anddramatic muse with a well organized company in the colonies." . But Colonel Brown brings cler proof of his claim for New York city the honor of being the first place in America where the English drama was brought oft by professional actors. The truth of history compels him to dispel the illusion under which these historians have so long rested, and to set forth the case as it really is. In September, 1732, a company composed of regular actors just arrived from London organized themselves for dramatic entertainments. They secured a large room in the upper part of a building, which was fitted up with a platform stage and raised seats, capable of seating about 400 people. Getting a number of amateurs, they

opened the last week in September, 1732, and played three times each week. Wit Drove the Pain Away.

Upon the occasion of Kate Field's first appearance in New York, says the Brooklyn Eagle, she sent for all the reporters to meet her at Chickering hall and hear her in a morning rehearsal. As it happened, Mr. Hassard was one of these. The house had been occupied the previous night by some concert amateurs, and one of the singers had dropped a bit of her false hair on the stage. The little band of reporters formed themselves into a small, human cluster about the press table be-low the stage, and Miss Field, somewhat nervous, swept out from a side door upon the platform with a roll of manuscript and much flutter of The wind from her waving raiment blew the light roll of false hair forward and over the edge of the platform. Miss Field, in her agitation and near sightendess, failed to see it clearly, and believing it to be a fearful, fero-

cious mouse, screamed and clutched at her skirts. Hassard, catching the whole situation in a glance, nipped it from the table and held it aloft, crying reassuringly: "Don't be alarmed, Miss Field; it's not a mouse. It's a puff, and from the reporters' table." Every one laughed, the ice was broken, and Miss Field scored a success.

Patti Kissed By a King.

El Diluvis: Adelina Patti, who has been lately celebrating her triumph in Madrid, her native city, the other day craved the honor of being admitted into the presence of the queen's mother, Christina, of Spain. On this being granted, the artist expressed a wish to see the little king, "for," she jocosely added, "he is the only European sovereign with whom I have not yet had a personal interview." At a sign from the queen Altonzo XIII. was brought into the room. Mme. Patti made a low courtesy and pressed his chubby little hand to her lips. The queen regent then pleasantly remarked: "My son shall not be the first Spaniard who conducts himself so ungallantly as to suffer his hand to be kissed by a lady. Pray allow him to make amends by kissing you in return." Promptly obeying, Alfonzo XIII. threw his arms around the diva's neck and kissed her right

heartily on her cheek and lips.

Booth Loves Colorado.

Boston correspondent. not generally known, a fact nevertheless, that Mr. Booth came near leaving the stage about twelve years ago and removing to Colorado. He had invested heavily in mines, and during his vacation in 1879 came to Denver and spent a couple of weeks looking after his interests. He was charmed with the new city and made up his mind that it was to be a great one. He considered the advantages of living here, and set about arranging his affairs and starting a school of acting and a real republican newspaper, which the state has always needed. His friends and business associates would not hear of the proposal, however, and he was compelled to put aside his own desires and fulfill his contracts. But he has already regretted

They are still giving "Pinafore" in San The Emma Abbott Opera company closed its season last week in Albany.

The Lester Wallack benefit in New York on May 21 will not about \$22,000. Manager John Stetson is said to have invested \$300,000 in a Boston daily paper. Anita Harris has been re-engaged for next season by the James-Wainwright com-

Mr. Edwin Booth, the tragedian, who has been a sort of idol of the American theatre-going public for some years. says the Denver News, is going to leave the stage forever after one or two more seasons. The engagement of himself and Mr. Lawrence Barrett at the opera house this week is a sufficient evidence of the popularity of both, and they are as inseparable off the stage as on it. There was a story circulated a few months ago to the effect that Mr. Booth was to marry Mr. Barrett's daughter. s believed to have been the invention

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC. .

died recently, left 100,000 lire to charitable Rice's "Corsair" burlesque company will closing attraction at the Chestaut struct theatre.

Mrs. E. L. Davenport, the mother of

Fanny, will be a member of the Florences H. R. Jacobs has offered Corinne \$50,000 and all expenses for a five years' contract,

which she has not accepted. R. M. Hooley has renewed his lease of his Chicago theatre for ten years. He is at his summer residence, Stamford, Conn.

Amanda Fabris, late of the National Opera company, has been engaged for the Carl Rosa opera company in England next season. A young man in Syracuse has ruined his sight by looking through opera glasses. A heap of homely girls must attend the theater

in Syracuse. Mrs. Jennie Kimball is in negotiation with H. R. Jacobs, looking towards the purchase of a one-half interest in the Grand opera house, Buffalo,

Katalya Herrin, a San Francisco, Cal lady of society is to be in Fanny Davenport's company and will open with the troupe at the Baldwin theater. Patti celebrated her forty-fifth birthday in Madrid, recently, with a large dinner party. It is the first time she has been in Madrid on

that day since 1843. The new opera M. Massenet is writing for the Paris Opera Comique is called "Perti-nax" but the book does not deal with the Roman emperor of that name. Italia makes the profound statement that

the performance at a certain opera house recently was "not an excellent one, especially for lack of good singers and good rehears-Richard Mansfield will sail for London in July, and will remain abroad until Decem-

ber next. His closing engagement in New Karl Formes, the famous basso, lived in America for the last thirty years, has been engaged to sing at the approaching London season of Italian opera. He is sev-

enty-three years old. A divorce has been given to Jane Hading and Victor Koning, the manager of the Gym-nase theatre, Paris. The lady has sailed with Coquelin for Rio, and will appear in New York in the fall. Della Sager, of the once well known Sager

Sisters, attempted suicide by drowning at North Beach, Cal. Della was the favorite of the sisters, and once traveled for several seasons with Modjeska. Harry G. Cariton, of the Carlton-Lyons company, has secured the Putnam opera house, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., and is organizing a strong dramatic company to play there during the summer season. Mr. William H. Sherwood, the American

pianist, who has done so much to popularize American music, is now on a tour through western states. His recent series in the south was attended with great success. Colonel Mapleson is reported to have put on tights recently and to have sung the part of Monrico when Ravelli refused to appear. The colonel had a voice once, though his best friends could never tell exactly what it was.

Edward Lloyd, the English tenor and con-

Vert, his manager, arrived in New York

May 6, and will sing at the Cincinnati music festival, opening May 21 He will return to England June 2. Ballet dancers live to great age in France Mile. Ferry has just celebrated her ninetieth birthday, and it is said that she still holds her place in the front row. Her mothe the O. P. entrance.

Miss Gertrude Griswold, the first Amer-

ican singer who took the first prize at the Paris Conservatory of Music, arranged a concert for the St. George's Seaside Home for the Poor, which took place at Chickering hall last Monday evening. A New York free trade organ is in favor of placing a small tax on actors. A heavy tax should be placed on those actors who tax our patience. Or a few small tacks under them would be better, perhaps. They need something to put some "go" into them.

A combination manager recently back from a tour of the south stated that Mme. Rhea and Fred Warde have played on several occasions to about \$75 a night, and that Hallen and Hart's variety company became thoroughly familiar with \$12 and \$15 houses. Manager Mate Klaw says that Fanny

next season, and that she will do "Fedora" only in a few places where a production of "La Tosca" is not practicable. This disposes of the rumor that she would shelve 'La Tosca.' Sheridan's "Critic," which has not been seen in this country since the combination system drove stock companies to the wall, will be produced among other high class edies at McVicker's theater, Chicago, by

E. J. Henly and a company specially formed for the work. Henry F. Lecarock, playing with Corinne's "Arcadia" company under the name of Tony Williams, has fallen heir to \$50,000 by the death of his brother-in-law at Boulogne, France. He received the dispatch while on the stage at the Grand opera house, Newark, last Saturday night.

A Vienna paper is responsible for the state ment that up to March 14, when Verdi's "Othello" was performed for the first time at the Court theater, nineteen other operas by the same maestro had been performed 1,055 times at the said theater. The "Nabucco" was the first to be performed on the th of April, 1843. Zazel was taught for years in an old con demned church in London with shattered windows and mossy doorstones. In the

chancel was hung her perch for jumping, while across the nave were stretched wire varying in height from one foot to ten feet while high in the dome was hung her mam moth cannon from which she was fired down into a net near the altar. Charles McGcachy, representing the Hay-man-Gilletes "She," and Brady & Thompson, managers of another "She" company, had trouble at St. Paul, Minn., owing to

former's somwhat pronounced advertise-ments, declaring the Brady-Thompson ver-sion to be unauthorized. As a result, Brady & Thompson charge Mr. McGeachy with criminal libel. The case will come before the

grand jury.

IMPIETIES. Descretion is the better part of valor. The

Methodist clergymen seem to be afraid of the A Vermont minister has preached 12: funeral sermons, with net returns of two barrels of apples and a silver dollar. William Sherwood, of Baltimore, Md., will spend one year in prison for stealing a bible, He had heard that the gospel was free.

Preachers never strike for higher salary They are generally too busy trying to get what has already been promised them. In the midst of a fervent exhortation to sinners a Portland revivalist, who is by business an auctioneer, exclaimed: "Twentynine I've got; thirty—shall I have 'em' Bless the Lord! Twenty-nine are saved. Who will come next! Shall I have thirty!" A minister overtook a Quaker lady and politely assisted her in opening a gate. As she was a comparative stranger in town, he said

"You don't know, perhaps, that I am Mr.

Haven't you heard me preach?" "I have heard thee try," was the quick reert singer, accompanied by Mrs. Lloyd and Deacon (to divinity student)-If you were called now, what would you do! Student (somewhat absent minded)—Why, show down my hand, of cours—I-I-that is-I-Deacon—That's right; always show down your hand. Don't pull a gan. The other fellow might get the drop on you.

The conversation was about bishops, and one fervent dame said: "How good the dear bishop of —————is! What a good man!" Instantly a gentleman replied: "There is no merit in that. Bishops ought to be so. They get \$5,000 a year for being good, while we are expected to be good for nothing." Kentucky Sunday school superintendent to pastor-See here, I'm not going to teach this school any longer if I've got to leave my revolver at home. Only yesterday Coionel Kilgore wiped the floor with me because I contriducted his statement that Moscs was found in a clothes basket at the battle of Bull Run.

They were contributing toward a fund for the extinguishment of the church debt in a New Jersey town the other evening. "I'll contribute \$20," said one brother. "I'll go contribute \$20," said one brother. "I'll go \$30 better and make it \$50," said another. And then first contributor, is the excitement

Davenport proposes to play "La Tosca" all of the moment, shouted: "I'll call you; what have you got?" A new Georgia revivalist, the Rev. J. B. Culpepper, is credited with observing, in the course of a sermon: "I would rather be a iegro with red eyes, kinky wool, boncless nose and a hollow of the foot that makes a hole in the ground, than play poker till one o'clock in the morning and go home and de-

ceive my wife about it."

circulars declaring himself to be the watch-man spoken of in the twenty-third chapter of Ezekiel. Among other assertions he alleges his ability to prove that the bible shuts out all unmarried persons over twenty-one years of age from the kingdom of heaven unless a good excuse can be shown. Sam Small is not only preaching against salons in Georgia, but is savagely denouncing the home jug. The effect of this is that he is getting himself strongly disliked by the people of that state, who, however much

they may deprecate saloons, do not think that temperance agitation should invade the sacred precincts of the home. If these Methodist ministers who want to keep women out of their conference in New York were to also exclude the fair sex from their church meetings, what would become of the strawberry festival? And about hov

many young men would listen to their ser-mons? Brethren, without women, church worship would fall into in—us d——e. Let the good wives and mothers of the Methodist Episcopal church who are struggling for representation in the general cour clis of that denomination firmly resolve that the ministerial brethren shall henceforth kill and cook their own chickens unless th

will be only a short time until victory perche on their banner. A practical revivalist requested all in the congregation who paid their debts to rise. The rising was general. After they had taken their seats a call was made for those who didn't pay their debts, and one solitary individual arose who explained that he was the editor, and could not pay because the rest of the congregation were owing him

their subscriptions.

EDUCATIONAL. The Yale boys are determined that the ancient and historic fence shall not go. On that question they are not on the fence. Topeka is well supplied with literature The Topeka free library contains over 8,000 volumes; the Washburn college, 5,000; and

The catalogue of Howard university shows a total of 503 students distributed as follows In medical department, 131; in law, 17; col lege, 29; theological, 38; preparatory, 46 normal, 205; and in the industrial depart The alumni and friends of the Oberlin col-

he State library, in the capitol building,

25,000.

lege are attempting to raise a fund for the college of \$50,000 for a professorship, to be named after President Fairchild. That sum ught to secure five professorships, unless he graduates of Oberlin are richer in good works than during the last session. Queen Magaret college is in Glasgow, the only woman's college in Scotland. The college buildings, which cost \$60,000, were purchased by Mrs. Elder, widow of the well-known Clyde ship-builder, but will not be absolutely conveyed to the trustees of the

sollege till the endowment fund reaches President W. W. Smith of the Randolph Macon college, the leading Methodist school in Virginia, is rushing vigorously ahead the work of raising a sufficient endowment for the college. He has secured a hundred thousand dollars for this purpose. There are about fifty more students attending the college the present session than during the last

A Kansas school ma'am has hit upon a brilliant scheme which gives sansfaction to her pupils. When one of the girls misses a word, the boy who spells it gets permission to kiss her. In acquiring a knowledge of orthography, the kansas school ma'am appears to think that two heads are botter than one, but, as might be supposed, the girls are getting to be mighty poor spellers.

The students of the Wisconsin state uni versity says played a rather amusing prank and at the same time probably laid the found ation of a legal test of the right of students not residents of the town where they are at tending school, to vote there. There was an election in Madison at which aldermen were

to be chosen. The students united in favor

of a member of their junior class and elected him. There is great excitement among the "townies" and there will be a contest in the courts of course. Prof. B. T. Washington, of Tuskegee, Ala., who is a graduate of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, started some seven years ago the Tuskegee Normal school, with twenty pupils. To-day he has four hundred A Dallas county, Texas preacher has issued dred and five young men from all parts of the south receiving training in this school. At present there are twelve industries taught in

the school. All materials used in the build ing are manufactured on the place by the The course of study extends over a period of four years. Race Prejudice.

San Francisco Examiner. San Francisco Examiner,

I grinda de org' and I plays de fid'
And I sella de ripea banan'
No steala, no rob, I never did;
But I work like de honesta man.
I buy me de monk' wid de leeta red hat
And I tie 'im a string by de neck,
I grabs de org' and I t'inka me dat
I makea de mon' by de peck

I makea de mon' by de peck.

I play de tune from Il Trovatore
And "Tom By His Mudder He Stick,"
And de monk' he climb up to de seconde story. Where de leeta gal gib 'im de nick, worka t'ree day and I make four dol And I feel me so rich like de king, When—sacra diavlo, estrito chrystal!

De Irish kid cutta de string -what you call 'im? Ah, yes, de blue streak. De De monk' break away and was hid. find 'im no mo' and I go busted dat

Dat's why I hatea de Irisha kid. NYE ON THE TARIFF. Anti-Billious Bill Has a Talk With a

Good Old Farmer. New York World: "What are the prospects for farmers in your state?" "Well, they are pore. Never was so pore, in fact, sence I've been there. Folks wonder why boys leave the farm. My boys left so as to get protected, they said, and so they went into a clothing store, one of 'em, and one went into hardware and one is talking protection in the legislature this winter. said that farmin' was getting to be like fishin' and huntin'—well enough for a man that has means and leisure-but they couldn't make a livin' at it, they said. Another boy is in a drug store, and the man that hires him says he is a royal

"Kind of a castor-royal feller," I said, with a shrick of laughter. He waited until I had laughed all

wanted to and then he said: "I've always hollered for high tariff n order to hist the public debt, but now that we've got the national coopered I wish they'd take a little hack at mine. I've put in fifty years farmin I've never drank liquor in any form. I've worked from ten 'to eighteen hours a day; been economical in cloze, and never went to a show more'n a dozen times in my life; raised a family and learned upword of 200 calves to drink out of a tin pail without blowing all their vittles my sleeve. My wife worked alongside o' me sewing new seats in the boys pants, skimmin' milk and even helpin me load hay. For forty years we toiled along together, hardly gettin' time to look into each other's faces or darin' to stop and get acquainted with each other. Then her heelth failed. Ketched cold in the spring-house, probably, skimmin milk and washin' pans and scaldin' pails and spankin' butter. Anyhow, she took in a long breath one day while the doc-

tor and me was watchin' her, and she says to me: 'Henry,' says she, 'I've got a chance to rest,' and she put one tired, worn-out hand on top of the other tired, worn-out hand, and I knew she had gone

where they don't work all day and do chores all night. "I took time to kiss her then. I'd been too busy for a good while previous to do that, and then I called in the boys. After the funeral it was too much for them to stay around and eat the kind of cookin' we had to put up with, and nobody spoke up around the house as we used to. The boys quit whistlin' around the barn and talked kind of low by themselves about goin' to town and

gittin'a job. They're all gone now, and the snow is four feet deep on mother's grave up there in the old berryin' ground." Then both of us looked out of the car window quite a long time without say-

ing snything.
"I don't blame the boys for going into something else, long's other things pays better; and I say—and I say what I know-that the man who holds the prosperity of this country in his hands, the man that actually makes money for other people to spend, the man that eats three good, simple square meals a day and goes to bed at 9 o'clock so that future generations with good blood and cool brains can go from the farm to the senate and congress and the white house -he is the man that gets left at last to run his farm with nobody to help him but a hired man and a high protective tariff. The farms in our mortgaged for over \$700,000,000. Ten of our wester n states, I see bythe papers have got about \$3,500,000,000 mortgages on their farms. The government is rich, but the men that made it, the men that fought prairie fires and prairie wolves and Indians and potato-bugs and blizzards, and has paid the war debt, and pensions and everything else and hollered for the union and republican party and high tariff and anything else that they was told to, is left high and dry this cold winter with a mortgage of \$7,500,-

000,000 on the farms they have earned and saved a thousand times over.' "Yes, but look at the glory of sending from the farm the future president, the future senator and the future member

of congress.' "That looks well on paper, but what does it really amount to? farmer boy gets in a place like that he forgets the soil that produced him, and holds his head as high as a hollyhock. He bellers fer protection to everybody but the farmer, and while he sails around in a highty-tighty room with a fire in it night and day, his father on the farm has to kindle his own fire in the morning with elm slivers, and wear his lawn-tennis suit next to him or frezee to death, and he has to milk in an old gray shawl that has held that member of congress when he was a baby, by gorry! and the old lady has to sojourn through the winter in the flannels that Silas were at the riggatter be-

fore he went to congress.
"So I say, and I think that congress agrees, with me, dam a farmer, any-

He then went away. BILL NYE.

One Reuben Carey has been living for some years near Goodrich, Genesee county, with a woman supposed to be his wife. George Alcott and Carey quarreled about the woman and finally fought for her. The new man won. Then he and the woman were regularly married, but this did not please the people of the vicinity at all, and they gathered at the house of the happy pair, and, calling Mr. Alcott out, administered to him a gose of tar and feathers and advice to get out of that country. They both got out.