ECHOES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Opinions of Legislators on Certain Important Questions.

SUPREME COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The Recent Appraisement of School Lands Approved By the Board —Gossip From the State House.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMAHA BEE, 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, Jan. 11.

There are statesmen and things. But the thing of it is states.men think they are things, and things think they are statesmen. Lincoln is peculiarly afflicted with the latter class just at this time. They circulate freely during the recess hours of the general assembly. They can be found in all parts of the state house and in the corridors of the various hotels, talking nonsense, magnifying their importance, button-holing and boring the good natured, blistering common sense and otherwise proving themselves a general nuisance. This hurts intelligent people worse than a nest from the business end of a wasp, and it must be borne every two years. "It would be better," remarked a broad-minded legislator last night, "to quit monkeying with sumptuary law making and secure the passage of an act providing for an amendment to the constitution, fixing legislative sessions every four years instead of two. This would stop more leaks in the affairs of state than anything else that we could do."

Another one said: "The primary strikers are responsible for the infliction of so many ignorant legislators upon the state. I am in favor of a law to compel every citizen of the state to attend the primary elections. Mark my words, it would do more to down railroad strikers than anything else, and intelligence would dignify legislative halls. But I must say that I believe there are more intelligent members of the house this year than ever before."

"My mission will be performed," remarked still another, "if I can secure the passage of a submission act. My people want to vote on the question. So far as I am personally concerned I do not care whether it carries at the polls or not. The question ought to be removed from politics. I shall also favor a high license plank to go side by side with it. There are two sides to the question, and citizens ought to be permitted to vote as their conscience and judgment dictates."

The opinion prevails in Lincoln that submission will be defeated, and that railroad legislation that promises anything for the people will go the way of all things cartaly.

SCHOOL LANDS MORE HIGHLY VALUED.

The late meeting of the board of educational lands and funds resulted in the approval of the appraisement of the school lands in Colfax, Antelope, Harlan, Hall, Jefferson, Adams, Custer, Dawson and Fillmore counties. The average raise upon the old appraisement is about 200 per cent, and the temporary school fund is correspondingly benefitted. For some reason the board refused to approve the new appraisement of the school lands in Furnas and Franklin counties. It is understood that a majority of the board are inclined to believe that their value is not yet sufficiently high, and the county commissioners or supervisors of the respective counties will be asked to reconsider their report. It can be seen by the increased value of the lands reappraised and approved that their worth is now more fully appreciated, and especially the fund they are intended to support and maintain.

STATE HOUSE NOTES.

The truce said to have existed between the secretary of state and the attorney general again hangs upon a willow twig. Laws sticks to the railroads and Leese to the people.

Mr. Thomas Benton, the boyish auditor of public accounts, says he is not under any obligations to the railroads, and that he intends to labor for his constituency as in his judgment seems best. A prominent citizen of this city remarked this morning that if his judgment prompted him to maintain such men as Ager and Waring, on the state board of transportation, that the general public would have very little respect for it after the 1st of April.

"My official actions," said Secretary Laws yesterday, when the state board of transportation contemplated going into secret session, "are open to public criticism and, so far as I am concerned, reporters are welcome to remain in the room and make their records of what we do." "That is manly," naughtily remarked a bystander, "but the secretary has got so used to public criticism that he keeps his nerve and cheek on the surface all of the time. He is grim, but I know that he winces once in a while when truths are forcibly told."

Treasurer Hill evidently intends to serve the people of the state at every hazard. "I would like to see the old bitterness on the board of transportation buried," he remarked to THE BEE man last night. There is no need of it. Some of the members of the board fail to understand each other, and are too apt to treasure personal idiocyncracies and hold them responsible for real objects and purposes, when they are not, and ought to be put out of mind. It would have been the fair thing to have at least respected the feelings of the attorney general on one of the questions under consideration yesterday. Right is right, and it won't do for majorities to be too exacting. It ought to be remembered that a single man once upon a time pulled down a temple and destroyed a nation of people. The attorney general is backed by a power that ought to be held as sovereign, and continued slaps at him will be rebuked if they are persisted in, at no distant day."

SUPREME COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The following gentlemen were admitted to practice: W. P. Hall and F. M. Dorrington.

Runge vs Brown, W. T. Burbanks allowed to file briefs; Ashy vs Greenslade, dismissed for want of prosecution; Isard vs Kimmel, revived.

The following causes were argued and submitted: Stetnische vs Lamb, Filley vs Billings, Southard vs Bryant, Reid vs Colby, state ex rel. Van Etten vs sheriff.

The following cases were filed for trial ty-day.

Samuel G. Damon vs City of Omaha et al; appeal from Douglas county.

H. E. Searles et al vs Albert Averhoff; error from Franklin county.

State ex rel. David Van Etten vs sheriff Douglas county et al; habeas corpus.

Burrell vs State; error from the district court of Frontier county. Reversed and remanded. Opinion by Cobb, J.

CITY NEWS AND NOTES.

Commissioners Heye, Campbell and Daken, of Otoe county, were in the city today to see about refunding the bonds of that county. Mr. Heye states that they are not yet ready to repudiate them.

It is loudly rumored that Mr. Hopkins will not become the permanent warden of the state penitentiary. But the governor has not yet spoken.

It is stated that third party prohibitionists and women who have voting inclinations have formed a pool to press the submission question. The opinion lives here, however, that outside noses will fare better if they keep out of the fry.

The horticultural meeting to be held next week promises to be one of the most interesting ever held in the state. Fine specimens of "king corn" are arriving, and the exhibit will surpass that of the late state fair. It is understood that the corn exhibit will be forwarded to Paris to become a part of the international exposition.

It is a fact. Lincoln is now indulging in the luxury of pure, sweet water, than which there is none better. The Antelope well is a dandy. Brine no longer preserves the effects of Lincoln "bret gut," and topers will have to let up or be wounded.

An Absolute Cure.

The ORIGINAL ABIETINE OINTMENT is only put up in large two ounce tin boxes, and is an absolute cure for old sores, burns, wounds, chapped hands, and all skin eruptions. Will positively care all kinds of piles. Ask for the ORIGINAL ABIETINE OINTMENT. Sold by Goodman Drug Co., at 25 cents per box—by mail 30 cents.

The Tremont House Closed.

The Tremont house at Sixteenth and Burt streets was closed by Deputy Sheriff Stryker Thursday afternoon under the replevin process.

The most remarkable cures of scrofula on record have been accomplished by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it. Sold by all druggists.

FREE FIGHT IN THE QUARRIES.

Reports of a Lively Time at Quiet Louisville.

Wednesday the town of Louisville, Neb., was the scene of a sanguinary row, not to say open riot. It appears that there are employed in the quarries which have recently been reopened there, about one hundred and fifty men divided into three nationalities, viz.: Irish, Swedes and Germans. The foreman of the quarry, William Fitzmorris, is as his name implies, a son of the Emerald Isle. Some bad feeling has existed between the different gangs for the last few weeks on account of favoritism shown to the Irish. This reached a climax Wednesday when Fitzmorris openly declared he would discharge every foreigner and replace them by men of his own nationality. The Swedes and Germans who heard the threat formed an offensive alliance, and having armed themselves with picks, shovels, and crowbars, proceeded to belabor Fitzmorris and the Irish faction.

For sometime the scene was one of considerable bloodshed. Fitzmorris was attacked by six of the enemy, knocked down and terribly illtreated. One man was about to finish Mr. Fitz with a pick axe when a ourly son of Erin from behind caught the weapon that was to send him across the great divide. The graders at work in the vicinity saw the state of things and came to the rescue as peace makers, and after a while succeeded in quelling the fight. On examining the wounded it was found that Fitzmorris had two very severe scalp wounds, a broken arm, and was otherwise badly cut and bruised. Several of the fighters bore marks of the melee, and will likely carry them for some time. Mr. John B. Rowland was summoned to the scene, and went down by the first train leaving here, which was THE BEE newspaper train. The powder magazine which contained two barrels of powder, was blown up during the fight, and an adjoining house shattered to pieces by the explosion. No one was hurt, however. The ringleaders have been discharged by the quarry company, and those who were able began work yesterday morning. The damage done to property and stock is estimated at from $3,00 to $500.

To the Proprietor of Salvation Oil.—
Thou has built a living monument,
A cure for hurts with little money spent,
Salvation Oil, the greatest liniment.

No one now thinks of a domestic or foreign trip without a supply of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. 25 cents.

COUNTERFEITERS AT WORK.

Passing the Spurious on Newsboys and Saloonkeepers.

Two little newsboys with tears streaming down their checks and trembling with fear walked from a Douglas street saloon Thursday night, and Officer Cullen put two counter feit silver half dollars, dated 1869 and 1870, in his pocket, and went to the central station, and handed them over to Captain Cormack. The little fellows had exchanged them in the sales of their papers, and innocently went into the saloon to have them changed into different coins, when their spuriousness was detected. After hearing the boys' statement Cullen satisfied himself that they had been imposed upon, and gave them their freedom.

Shortly after the newsboy escapade Saloonkeeper Hornberger and Doty & Darst, of Farnam street, made information that they had been imposed upon by the distributors of the "queer." Their's were in the shape of dollars, and before the trick was discovered they had taken in many of the coins. The dollars bear the same dates as the halves, and are a very clever imitation of the genuine.

Pears' is the purest and best soap ever made.

Pleaded Insanity.

James Raney, a member of the Salvation army, was arraigned yesterday morning on the charge of stealing a number of knives, ribbons, etc., from the damaged stock of the New York store lately purchased by the Fair store company. Raney was employed by the company to help gather the stuff up in the burned building and he put a number of articles in his pocket instead. Some of them he gave to his best girl, Miss Nellie Lewis, also a member of the Salvation army. Raney pleaded that he put the articles in his pocket to keep them from being stolen by boys who were hanging about. His attorney presented the plea of insanity and the testimony of the young man's father showed that Raney had once been treated for insanity. As the prosecution could not disprove this the prisoner was released.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate.
Relieves indigestion, dyspepsia, etc.

A Reported Suicide.

A report reached THE BEE yesterday to the effect that W. L. Miles, formerly of this city, and an old employe in the Union Pacific telegraph department, suicided on the evening of January 2, in San Antonio, Tex., by shooting himself in the heart with a 44-calibre revolver. It is reported also that he left a note addressed to the mayor of San Antonio, stating that the affair was premeditated, and that he was tired of life, and also requested that word be sent to his wife in Omaha. Inquiry was made at the headquarters of the Union Pacific, in the telegraph department, but no such an individual was known, neither had any report of this nature reached that place. A W. H. Mills was once with the Union Pacific in the telegraph service at Green River, but he was not married at the time he left the Union Pacific, which was about one year ago.

They are trying in Germany to find a substitute for India rubber. No one who has used Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cure desires a substitute, as it is eminently successful in coughs, colds, and all throat and lung diseases. Goodman Drug Co.

He Was a Tough One.

Sheriff Ellis, of Harris county, Texas, started for Rusk Thursday evening with young Bohannan, the escaped convict. A. L. Carmichael, a sergeant of the guards at the Huntsville penitentiary, who was to accompany Ellis, did not arrive until yesterday but left on the next train for Kansas City, where he will meet Ellis. Mr. Carmichael says that while young Bohanan was in the penitentiary he was a member of the gang that mutinied. Through outside parties revolvers were smuggled into the penitentiary and the convicts arming themselves with these made a desperate effort to escape. Carmichael says Bohannan fired at him three times. The convicts were finally quelled. After this Bohannan was transferred to Rusk penitentiary.

I cheerfully recommend Red Clover Tonic to those suffering from troubles of the stomach and liver. I am now on my second bottle and it makes me feel like a new man. C. M. Connor, Nashua, Ia. Goodman Drug Co.

The Pedestrians Arrive.

A coterie of pedestrians, composed of the following, arrived in Omaha yesterday morning en route to San Francisco, and were under the management of Frank Hall: Robert Vint, six-day record 578 miles; Thomas Howarth, six-day record 547 miles; E. C. Moore, six-day record 534 miles. They will be followed in one week by James Alberts and Dan Hearty, the famous steppers. They will engage in a great six-day walking match at San Francisco, opening February 21, and closing March 2, for the championship 216-hour race of the world. They will be met at San Francisco by the California Athletic club in a body. While in Omaha they visited THE BEE and expressed their surprise to find such an enterprising city. In the afternoon they were the guests of Ed. Rothery and Prof. Arthur Rothery.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

RESERVATION LEASES.

How Aliens Pasture Thousands of Cattle.

W. S. Decker, county attorney of Hemphill county, Texas, was in Kansas City the other day, and in relation to the manner in which foreigners control ranches in the territory, spoke to a Times reporter as follows: "I noticed a communication from Camp Supply charging Amos Chapman with 'renting' the western part of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation to cattlemen. This is true, and to begin at the beginning, let me state that there are two large cattle companies who hold their cattle on that reservation, and as Chapman and other persons make periodical visits to that section and interview the managers of these companies, it is not at all strange that there are suspicious of irregular dealing.

"The Texas Land and Cattle company, an association of Scotchmen, who reside in Dundee, and incorporated under the laws of Great Britain, control the range on the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation south of the Canadian river, and have camps and men who ride lines to keep their cattle on this range forty miles inside the reservation. They have a range on the Washita river and on Sergeant Major creek. The company have their home ranch two miles from the territory line in Hemphill county, and hold all their cattle—some 10,000 head—on the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation on the Canadian and Washita rivers. They also have a large ranch in southern Texas, and drive from that ranch to the territory, where the grass is much better to winter.

"The ranch north of the Canadian river is claimed by the Dominion Cattle company, which is composed of men who live in Canada, and is incorporated under the laws of that country. They lease a few acres of the Cherokee strip, have their ranch house about a mile inside the line, and graze their cattle—some 11,000 head—inside of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservations.

"It is commonly stated there that the managers of these companies paid Chapman a good round sum two winters ago for 'not seeing' any cattle when he was on a scout over the reservation. But how they manage to pull the wool over the eyes of the officers at Fort Elliot, who have orders to scout up and down the territory line once a month, is not known. Of course nobody would accuse them of being blinded by the glitter of gold.

"Here is something else for you to ponder over. You will recollect that in 1885 Hon. A. S. Hewitt, Ed Fenlon, Senator Plumb, Calvin Hood, Hunter & Evans, Tom Bugbee and a number of Kansas men made a lease, ratified by nine-tenths of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians. On the strength of that they wire fenced their tract, put up good ranch houses and went to an expense of three-quarters of a million dollars, and then had to get out at a dead loss within forty days. How did it happen? Why, this way: Chapman had been leasing the country just as he is doing now, and this lease interfered with his source of revenue. Of course he set up a howl that the Cheyennes were opposed to the lease and would take the warpath unless the lease was annulled. President Cleveland ordered General Sheridan down to investigate. The general went to Reno, sent for Chapman and Chapman came down with his 'family' and told the story that suited them best. The general, without waiting to hear the other side from the agent, Colonel D. B. Dyer, now of this city, and without inquiry among the Indians, telegraphed Cleveland that the Indians were not in favor of the lease, and advised him to order the cattlemen off and give them forty days in which to evacuate the tract or there would be trouble.

"A number of gentlemen prominent in politics and business, headed by Abram S. Hewitt, visited Washington and called on the president, stating to him that if he issued this order it would bankrupt a large number of men who had all their money invested in cattle on the reservation, and that he (Hewitt) had $100,000 in stock of one of the companies. Mr. Cleveland gave them no satisfaction, but said the order must go forth and that they must remove their cattle in forty days. The committee begged for an extension of time for six months, but without avail.

"And now that Americans have been driven out, British companies are allowed to do just about what they please, without let or hindrance. It fatigues me.

"By the way," continued Mr. Decker, "John Sheridan is post trader's clerk at Supply, and he and Mike are more or less intimately connected with Chapman in his dealings. Of course that can not be said to account for General Sheridan's haste in the matter.

"As an illustration of Chapman's character I will simply add that he captured some sportsmen from Kingman, Kan., the other day for hunting in the territory, and it cost them $60 apiece."

Catarrh Cured.

A clergyman, after years of suffering from that loathsome disease, Catarrh, and vainly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this dreadful disease sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Prof. J. A. Lawrence, 88 Warren St., New York City, will receive the recipe free of charge.

The Electric Storage System.

New York Post: An electrician connected with the Julien Electric company said that in his judgment there was no doubt that the Julien system would be adopted by the Fourth avenue company of New York city. The great advantage of the system, he said, was that it could be introduced gradually on any line at the same time that the old stock of horses and cars were being used up. In systems where the power was supplied from a wire run over the cars or laid in a track beneath them, the cost of the original plant was so great as to deter an established company from adopting the system. In the system being tried on the Fourth avenue line the cost was just in proportion to the number of cars purchased to replace the old horse cars as the latter were worn out. The machinery of the electric motor cars made an additional expense at present of about $1,000.

One hundred and forty-four Julien cells are now stored in each car on leaving the Eighty-sixth street station, sufficient power to accomplish at least three round trips; power enough in other words, to propel the car for forty miles on a level. Owing to the steep grades at some points on the line the greater friction at the curves and the variable weight of passengers carried, the expenditure of energy varies greatly at different points.

The electric car is said to be much safer for the general street traffic than the horse car, as by a simple appliance the power can be immediately reversed and the speed of the car checked more promptly than is possible with a horse car.

Advice to Mothers.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. 25c a bottle.

How the Little Dog Got Even.

Lewiston Journal: "Years ago there lived in Parkman a doctor who was the owner of a small dog that sometimes accompanied him when visiting his patients. One day the doctor drove on to the village of Sangerville, about three miles distant from his home. He took the little dog along with him. When he reached the home of his patient, sad to relate, a big dog, nearly twice as large as the doctor's dog, pitched in without a moment's warning and gave the little pet visitor an unmerciful drubbing. But the little dog had plenty of courage, and evidently made up his mind that there was a dog in Parkman that could punish his assailant about as effectually as the latter had done him, much to his delight. When the doctor had completed the call and started for home he overtook his dog, already on the way. He trotted along briskly by the wagon side over the three miles between Sangerville and the doctor's home in Parkman, but when the doctor's team turned in and drove into the stable the dog kept right on, turning not to the right nor yet to the left. The doctor wondered at first at so strange a proceeding, but bethought himself that away about three miles on the track on which the dog was on lived a relative of his who was the owner of a big bulldog, and, at it was not an uncommon occurrence for the two dogs to interchange visits, he supposed the intelligent little dog was on his way thither, and so gave the matter no further thought. It was not more than an hour from that time before the doctor and his family noticed his dog and that of his relative three miles away running down the Sangerville road together. Neither dog stopped to look up when passing the house, but appeared, on the contrary, in a deep study, and two more solemn dogs never ran together. His dog came home about two hours later and occupied his accustomed place for the night. The doctor heard nothing that night nor the next day. It was but a few days, however, before he went down to Sangerville to visit his patient, and it was then that the mystery was solved. The folks told him all about it. In about two hours after the doctor had left the house, his dog; accompanied by the big bulldog, made its appearance, and as the dog which had drubbed so unmercifully his visitor came down to meet them the bulldog made a rush at him and gave him one of the most complete punishments ever given a dog.

Vestibuled Trains to Washington.

The only vestibuled trains to the national capital are those run via Baltimore and Ohio railroad from Chicago and Cincinnati. A daily vestibuled train service is maintained via B. & O. from both those cities. All cars in these trains are vestibuled, including baggage cars, day coaches and Pullman's buffet sleepers. The trains are heated by steam drawn from the locomotive. Porters are in attendance in the day coaches as well as in the sleepers to wait upon passengers. No extra fare is charged for passage on these trains.

The Limited express leaving St. Louis at 8 a. m. daily, via the O. & M. railway, makes direct connection in Union depot at Cincinnati with B. & O. Vestibuled limited, which leaves Cincinnati daily at 7:30 p. m., arrives in Washington next afternoon at 1:55, Baltimore at 2:55, and Philadelphia at 6 o'clock. The vestibule limited from Chicago leaves that city at 7:05 p. m. daily, arrives at Washington next evening at 9:35, and Baltimore at 10:45.

Newspaper Circulation.

Current Literature: The number of publications having circulations exceeding 25,000 copies is only 168, and these are distributed as follows: New York, 66; Pennsylvania, 21; Ohio, 15; Massachusetts, 13; Illinois, 11; Maine, 11; Canada, 6; Michigan, 4; California, 3; Missouri, 3; District of Columbia, 2; Kentucky, 2; Wisconsin, 2; Connecticut, 1; Georgia, 1; Indiana, 1; Iowa, 1; Minnesota, 1; Nebraska, 1 (THE BEE); New Hampshire, 1; New Jersey, 1; Vermont, 1. Nevada is credited with no paper issuing so many as 2,000 copies. Mississippi fails to get credit for a paper issuing 4,000 copies. Florida and North Carolina are without any paper credited with issuing so many as 5,000 copies. In neither Arkansas, Delaware, West Virginia or any of the territories is a paper credited with so many as 7,500 copies. Neither Kansas nor South Carolina gets credit for so many as 10,000 copies; or Colorado or Virginia for so many as 12,500. Oregon and Tennessee each issue a single publication credited with more than 20,000 readers, and Maryland, Rhode Island and Texas have one publication each credited with issuing more than 22,500 copies. Although the average edition of daily papers is more than three thousand (3,141), only 313 dailies are rated above 3,000 and 1,199 are rated below; 660 dailies are rated as issuing less than a thousand copies and 259 as having not to exceed 500 regular issues. No tri-weekly publication in the United States is credited with 2,500 subscribers.

Our charming countrywomen are not only acknowledged to be among the loveliest of their sex, but capital cooks. They declare unanimously that Van Duzer's Flavoring Extracts are the only ones that impart to pies, puddings, cakes, etc., the genuine flavor. Why? Because they are made from the finest fruit, without any doubtful aid from cheap and hurtful chemical used to simulate the real taste. Grocers everywhere sell these extracts.

Yanked in By the Boots.

New York Herald: Many and divers are the ways in which the members of the fair sex evince their surprise when they happen upon a bold, bad burglar concealed within the sacred precincts of their apartments. Some faint "dead away;" others reserve their fainting and scream, open mouthed, until assistance arrives, and then sink languidly into the arms of their rescuer; but scarce indeed are those who endeavor to effect the capture themselves.

To Mrs. Minnie Brophy, the wife of a blacksmith, belongs the honor of attempting the last named method, which, combined with truly feminine shrieks for help, prevented the escape and effected the detention of two men who went a burgling on Sunday evening in the Brophy's apartments on the second floor of the tenement house No. 551 Ninth avenue.

Mrs. Brophy, who is a pronounced brunette, pretty and petite, was putting her two little children to bed about 7 o'clock on Sunday, when she heard a neighbor scream, "there's a man in the passage!" She ran into the adjoining room, which is used as a parlor, and there, sure enough, was the burly figure of a broad shouldered ruffian, who was just in the act of climbing through a window which opened upon the hallway. Mrs. Brophy did not hesitate a moment, but rushed to the window, and grabbing the burglar by his boots upset his balance and brought him to the floor.

The burglar scrambled to his feet despite the efforts of Mrs. Brophy, who was nearly upset herself in the attempt to keep him down. Then she clutched his coat and hung on with the tenacity of a bulldog, screaming lustily all the while. The burglar got "rattled" over this unexpected reception, combined with the noise, and as Mrs. Brophy partially controlled his arms he did nothing but swear and rush about the room endeavoring to loosen his fair captor's hold. But he could not do it, although he dragged her all over the place, upsetting chairs, table, sewing machine and Mrs. Brophy's pet cat. However, he had an accomplice lurking in the hall, and realizing that the racket would soon bring assistance to the plucky little woman, this fellow dashed into the room, caught hold of her hands, wrenched them away from his "pal's" clothing, and giving her a push, which sent her staggering into a corner, hurried off after his companion, who had vanished the moment Mrs. Brophy's hold was released.

The precious pair did not go very far. The neighbors had been aroused by Mrs. Brophy's screams and were flocking into the hallway just as the first "crook" came rushing out. He ran right into the arms of a stout lady, and the shock of the collision knocked them both over. He scrambled to his feet, and, missing his footing at the top of the stairway, rolled nearly to the bottom. This gave his "pal" time to catch up to him, and the two dashed into the street only to collide once more with another weighty female. She delayed their progress sufficiently for some men to catch hold of them, and a moment later Mrs. Brophy came running out of the house. She helped hold the biggest burglar until a policeman arrived, and then accompanied them to the West Thirty-seventh street police station. When searched nothing was found upon them, with the exception of a small lath hammer.

What "Peculiar" Means.

Applied to Hood's Sarsaparilla, the word Peculiar is of great importance. It means that Hood's Sarsaparilla is different from other preparations in many vital points, which make it a thoroughly honest and reliable medicine. It is Peculiar, in a strictly medical sense: First, in the combination of remedial agents used; second, in the proportion in which they are prepared; third, in the process by which the active curative properties of the medicine are secured. Study these points well. They mean volumes. They make Hood's Sarsaparilla Peculiar in its curative powers, and it accomplishes wonderful cures hitherto unknown, and which give to Hood's Sarsaparilla a clear right to the title of "The greatest blood purifier ever discovered."

Rats in the White House.

Chicago Herald: "Rats!"

Those terrible four letters produced a scare in the white house long before the victory of the G. O. P. was announced. So at least said the Washington correspondent of the Courier des Etats Unis, the organ of the French population of New York city. Graphic accounts were given of the first discovery of this unpopular quadruped in the president's mansion; how Mme. Cleveland's dreams were haunted by the shadow of an enormous rat ghost; how his excellency himself had to give up the sleep of the just and hunt rats.

This piquante historiette was eagerly read in France, all over, it seems, because the Courier publishes the following letter which was received in the white house;

"A Monseur le President Cleveland:

I have seen with a heart full of sorrow that the white house, the residence of your excellency and your esteemed lady, is infested with those abominable 'rangeurs' commonly called rats. I take the liberty of sending you a package which will in a short time deliberate you of the terrible plague. I have tested it.

"In case you desire it, I will send a special man over there to superintend the cleaning process. I hope you will pay him traveling expenses and a good salary.

"Hoping to receive a favorable answer, I remain your excellency's mos devoted servant. ALLEX ALLIER.

"Gannat, France, Dec. 10, 1888."

The enterprising Frenchman has not yet received an answer. It is supposed that Mr. Cleveland will refer the matter to Mr. Harrison.

Many men of many minds,
Many pills of various kinds.
But for a mild, effective, vegetable purgative, you had better get Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets. They cure sick headache, billious headache, dizziness, constipation, indigestion, and billious attacks; 25 cents a vial, by druggists.

Choctaw Theology.

The Choctaws believe that the spirit lives in a future state; that it travels a long distance after death towards the west; that it has to cross a rapid and dangerous stream on a long and slippery log, with the bark peeled off, to the "happy hunting ground beyond."

On the other side are six persons from the good hunting grounds who throw rocks at all as they near the middle of the log. The good get over in safety to a home of joy, contentment and peace. But the wicked get struck by the rocks or dodge them, when they live forever in sight of that happy ground, which they can never, never reach.

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