THE OMAHA BEE.

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MINOR MENTION.

Council Bluffs Lumber Co., coal. D. Ferguson was arrested last evening for exposing his person and creating a dis-turbance on the street.

The members of the Iowa Legion of Honor are requested to attend the lodge this evening. By order of the president.

Lens Stubbs has secured a divorce from Charles Stubbs on the charge of intexication, failure to provide and desertion.

Mrs. Alfred Norman will receive some valuable information pertaining to her welfare if she will call upon the chief of police.

J. W. Bacharneh has leased a store at Rockford, Ill, and will remove his clothing es-tablishment thither about the 1st of July. Judge McGee holds the first session of the police court at 7.30 a. m. in order that night

olice may attend court. A second session is o be held each day at 5 p. m. Charlie Bates and Oscar Roper, two boys, were arrested last evening for discharging fire arms inside the city limits, but were re-leased by order of the Judge.

The grand jury dismissed the cases against Charles Mitchell and Lewis Criss, charged with bribery and receiving a bribe respectively, there being no evidence to warrant the return of indictments. E. A. Harcourt died yesterday morning,

aged twenty-six years. The funeral will take place today at 2 p. m. from his late residence, corner of Eighth street and Avenue C. All friends are invited to attend without further

The Gospel temperance reform union will meet to-night at 7:30 o'clock in Hughes' hall for the transaction of business. At 8 o'clock an adjournment will be had to allow all who wish to attend the entertaiment at Masonic All lovers of dancing were given an oppor-tunity to enjoy themselves last evening. The plumbers' ball at the Maconic temple and that

of the Schentzer Verein at Hughes hall were both very enjoyable affairs and were largely Annie, daughter of Iver and Keren Anderson, died Sunday morning, aged twelve years, of diphtheria. This is the third death in the family in the last ten days from the same

use. The funeral took place yesterday May, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs F. J. Klaker, died at 2:45 yesterday morning. The funeral will take place this af-ternoon at 2:30. Owing to the serious illness of another daughter the services will be held

at Walnut Hill cemetery. The Pottawattamie County Fruit Growers and Horticultural society is advocating a county fair to be held next fall, and has appointed a committee to confer with the board of trade and Union Driving Park association with reference to the matter.

Tonight in the Masonic temple will be given the "Crowning of the Queen of Fame," under the auspices of the Women's Christian association. Elaborate preparations are made for rendering this pleasing entertainment and it will doubtless prove a great success,

Sunday afternoon the residence of A. E. Wordworth in Garner township near William Garner's home was destroyed by fire. The loss was about \$2,000, insurance \$700. Cause, defective flue. The family had a very narrow escape, and only about twenty dollars' worth of their apparel was saved.

The case of the state vs Nicholson for assault and battery was set for trial in Justice Barnett's court yesterday afternoon, but owing to a rush of other business the case was not reached, and the hearing was contin-ued until Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Webster-Jensen assault and battery case will be heard today in police court, Jensen having sufficiently recovered from his in-juries to be out again, although his left eye is still on crutches and his pristine beauty is somewhat marred. One of the interested parties, Lee Stephenson, is still at large. It s alleged that it was Stephenson who kicked Jensen in the face, instead of Webster as was at first reported.

A committee composed of W. W. Sherman, D. W. McDermid, John T. Fidd and T. E. Cavin has been appointed by Fidelity Council R. A. to arrange a series of entertainments to be given at their hall. Beno's block once a month. The object is to bring the members and their ladies together in a social way and at the same time enjoy an excellent programme. Invitations will be issued for the first concert, which will be given Friday,

Judge McGee rendered his decision yes-terday morning in the case of Lyons vs Lyons for the possession of their two-year-old boy. The case was tried Saturday and all of the evidence introduced, but the arguments were not made until vesterday morning. The court decided that the mother was the proper party to have the child, but stated that the father must be allowed to see it frequently if he desired. Judge Aylesworth appeared for the mother and S. R. Snyder presented the father's claims.

Two drunks were levied on in police court resterday morning. John Crow, S. E. Nutt-ing and John Myers, the trio of Sunday budge dispensers, who were rounded up on the preceding evening, were also trotted out for inspection. Myers and Nutting were each fined \$10 and costs, but Crow had his case continued until afternoon, when he stated that if the information was changed so as to make Mrs. Crow the de-fendant he would plead guilty and pay her fine. This was done and he was fined \$8 and

The wholesome regard that the general public entertains for the electric motor wire shown at Streetsville yesterday noon, when the wire over the north track became loos-ened from the cross wires for a distance of several hundred feet and dropped nearly to the ground. A motor train stopped there and the passengers lost no time in getting out and securing stations some distance away. No one was allowed to touch it until the linemen arrived and the break was repaired. Travel was not delayed by the accident.

The gasoline stove is more dangerous than the unloaded gun. Save life and property by using the C. B. Gas and Electric Light Co.'s

The Leaders

of fine watches and jewelry in the city, and the place to buy the best goods at the lowest prices, is the establishment without rivals, the most reliable firm of C. B. Jacquemin & Co.

Drs. Woodbury have removed their dental office to 101 Pearl street, up stairs.

Choice residence property centrally located for sale by E. H. Sheafe & Co.

J. C. Bixby, steam heating, sanitary engineer, 943 Life building, Omaha; 202 Merriam block, Council Bluffs.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

W. J. Trotter, of Avoca, was in the city

Lieutenant Charles Palmer left for Chicago yesterday. I. Woodbury, Jr., returns this evening to Grinnell, Ia., where he is attending school.

A. J. Dyer was called to Rock Island Saturday night in response to a telegram announc-ing the serious illness of his wife. Mrs. John Davis, on First avenue, is ser-iously ill with malarial fever, and will be un-

able to appear as Maud Muller at the "Crown-ing of the Queen" entertainment at Masonic temple this evening.

The Manhattan sporting headq'rs, 418 B-

S. B. Wadsworth & Co., 207 Pearl street, loan money for Lombard Investment company. Important to Horsemen: Large line horse and turf goods. Probatle, 552 B.—y, C. B.

Very Low.

Without doubt there are many persons now building houses here who want to use the city water, but are unable to pay the usual price for introducing the water into their premises. Appreciating this fact, the New York Plumbing company will locate a yard hydrant six-teen feet from the carb line, and connect the same with water main, with everything com-plete and the water ready to use for \$15. Cash with order. This offer applies to unpaved streets where mains are laid.

IN AND ABOUT THE BLUFFS.

The Poteel Divorce Case Promises to Loom Up Suddenly.

A WARRING JEWISH QUARTETTE.

The Council Meets-A Saloon Keeper Gets Too Gay-Work of the Grand Jury-Superior Court News -- Personal.

The story of Mrs. Poteet's divorce has already appeared in these columns and it was stated that the divorced husband was liable to make trouble. He is now on hand and ready for business.

Last Friday morning Poteet was released from the asylum because he was not insane, having been kept there the two months required by law. He returned to this city and told his side of the story to THE BEE this morning. It is a sad story of wrong and intrigue and promises sensational developments in the near future. What he says is corroborated by others who have interested

themselves in the case. Potcet says that he was married to his present wife in Marshall county, Iowa, in February, 1876. He lived on a farm for over six years and everything went smoothly till one day he found his wife in flagrante delictu. To avoid the searcal attendant on the dislosure of the matter he then moved to Crab Orchard, Neb. There his wife again went wrong, and he was compelled to move away and came to this city, where he has resided ince. He came here about six years ago. of his wife's behavior since he came here coteet has no fault to find up to last fall. In October a well known ex-justice of the peace commenced boarding with Petest and his wife. It was shortly afterward that Petest gan to suspect that everything was not as ought to be between his wife and the boarder, and his suspicions having been aroused he finally became convinced that the relations between them were highly improper. Naturally he objected and thus aroused the animosity of Mrs. Potcet.

Last summer while at work he was par-tially sunstruck and as a result of the attack his mind was temporarily affected. This fact was seized so by Mrs. Poteet, who secured a letter from a prominent physician of the city to Dr. Hart regarding Poteet's mental condition. When Poteet was brought before the insanity commission this doctor, who was wanted as a witness, was conspicuously absent, but nevertheless the man was adjudged insane. He was at that time living at 14 North Sixth street, but after he had been taken away Mrs. Poteet took rooms over 200 South Main street, and the ex-justice of the ence also took a room at the same place and he two are now occupying these quarters. Since Potcet's return he has been looking the matter up and finds enough to assure him that his wife is living in adultery with her former boarder, though she is ostensibly in the dress making business, and that she is supported partially by the ex-justice of the peace, who as given her money and presents

Mrs. Poteet told one of her neighbors after Poteet had been sent away that she knew he was not insone, but she had got him out of

the way for a time.

After she had thus got her husband out of After she had thus got her husband out of the way a charge of passing counterfeit money was preferred against Potcet before the authorities in Omaha. Potcet says that the charge was instigated by a woman who came to his house with another man, and whose improper actions caused him to kick her out of the house. She declared at that time that she would have revenge, and the counterfelling charge was the method by which she sought to attain her end. Detectives were sent to this city to investigate the matter, and Mrs. Poteet and Mr. Biggs were taken to Omaha for examination, but all that was found was a small sack of plaster of paris, and the matter has been dropped so far as Poteet knows. He says, however, that if the authorities want to find him he is here and will not try to get away.

In refutation of the charges which Mrs.

Poteet makes in her petition—for divorce, Poteet says that he is not and never has been a drunkard, that no man has ever seen him drunk. He has provided abundantly for his wife while he was living with her and refers Younkerman and Bell & Hall, with whom he done his trading. As to his character he re-fers to E. L. Shugart, for whom he formerly worked. The most serious charge that his wife had made was that he had asked her to sell her virtue to support him. This he de-nies and says further that she had sold the article in question long ago and very cheaply Poteet is very much in earnest and is seek

ing out all the facts in the matter and threat ens to put somebody on the rack when he gets ready. The authorities at the asylum advised him that he had good grounds for an action against the county for damages for his arrest and detention at Clarinda, and he is contemplating the prosecution of his wife and her paramour for adultery.

J. G. Tipton, real estate, 527 Broadway.

Elegant gold center pieces, full size, for 10 cents, former price \$1. Three band border only I cent a yard at H. P. Niles, 406 Broad-

We want you to list your rental property with us and we will secure you good, reliable tenants. Rents collected and special atten-tion given to care of property. E. H. Sheafe & Co., Broadway and Main st., up stairs.

Warring Merchants.

There was quite a breeze yesterday morning. A couple of merchants were engaged in dividing the profits of a business venture, at their headquarters, No. 707 Broadway, and failed to agree as to the respective share due each. Words soon led to blows, in which wives and friends of the interested parties joined, and in a very few minutes a healthy and well developed row was in progress. It was interrupted by Officer Doyle, who telephoned the station for assistance.

As soon as Doyle entered the warring factions united and made common cause against

the new comer, who was having all that he could attend to when Officer Bowling appeared on the scene. The reinforcements proved adequate to all demands, and the com-batants were jerked out to the sidewalk, with nore vigor than care. In the meantime the noise made by the women, who divided their time between screaming and pounding the officers, had attracted a large crowd. A. Gillinski, S. Yaltsman and M. Yaltsman and wife were hustled into the patrol wagon, and quiet was unin restoral.

vas again restored. Friends followed them to the station and put up the necessary money for their appearance. A vigorous kick was made against the manner in which Officer Doyle used his club. The elder Yaltsman's head was cut and bleeding, and it was charged that the officer had payingled him (more search). had pounded him unnecessarily. On the other hand, it is claimed that the wound was made before the officers arrived. Judge Mc-Gee will adjudicate on the contested claims this morning.

Several desirable dwellings with modern improvements for rent in vicinity of the Presbyterian church. E. H. Sheafe & Co.,

Finest photo galiery in the west-Sherra-ien's new place, 43 and 45 Main street.

City Council Council Proceedings. The city council met in regular monthly ession last evening with the mayor and all

the aldermen except Everett present.

The reading of the monthly batch of bills vas taken up, and occupied two hours and a half. The bill of ex-Mayor Rohrer of \$54.90 for incidental expenses for the inaugural blow out. Alderman Caspar made the first kick, and stated that he would donate the flowers furnished, and would return the check given him for the amount. Alderman Lacy was in favor of allowing the bill, and stated that he would like to see just such a blow out occur every month, as it helped to advance the city. He believed that the city received more than the amount of the bill from every paper that published an account of the pro-ceedings and was of the opinion that the newspapers could all be paid for the space devoted to it and the city would still come out ahead. Alderman Mikeseil made a plea for the widows and the orphans, and said they should not be taxed for something that they did not enjoy. Mayor Macrae thought the bills should be allowed. On a call of ayes and nays, a motion to recall the bill was lost, Caspar, Mike'sell and Woods voting aye, and Lacy. Knepher, Wind and Smith may.

George Graves' bill of \$1 for election coal

Hays & Bell's bill for \$4.20 as discount on a general fund warrant was rejected.

Alderman Lacy stated there was not a merchant in the city who was not willing to take general fund warrants at par, as they drew 6 per cent from the time they were presented, which was better than any merchant's outstanding accounts were doing and he was apposed to discounting them. E. T. Waterman's bill, amounting to \$89.15

cents, for posting notices from April 1888 to August 1989, was laid on the table. Bill of the waterworks company for rental f a hydrant in the driving park was laid on

The city auditor was instructed to present company, to the company for payment.

The city treasurer reported that the sum of \$125.40 was in the treasury payable to the public library and the auditor was instructed draw a warrant for the amount. Report of ex-City Clerk D. A. Farrell was

eferred to the finance committee of City Clerk Stevenson was re-Request of Cary Ciera Stevenson was re-ferred to the finance committee. Request of Auditor Lange for further time to make report was granted.

BOSTON STORE.

Attractions on Our Second Floor for Monday and the Week. 300 pair sample corsets, including French sateen, coutil, jeans and summer corsets, goods sold from 69c to \$1.25, all to go at 45c,

sizes from 19 to 27 in ecru, white, creme and MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

In three lots for Monday and the week. LOT 1 AT 25c. A full line of corset covers, plain embroidered and lace trimmed in all sizes, 25c each. Night gowns, full size, ruffle trimmed, 25c

Chemise and drawers, lace and embroidered, trimmed, 25c each.
Misses' and ladies' white skirts 25c each.
Children's and infant's white dresses, 25c

o \$1.69, a bargain. LOT 2 AT 35c. Corset covers, V shape and square neck, Night gowns, trimmed with feather edge raid and ruffled, 39c. Chemise and drawers, embroidered and

Chemise and drawers, tucked, 39c.

LOT 3 AT 50c.

Corset covers, with full yoke of embroidery and torchon lace, 59c.

Mother Hubbard night dresses, beautifully

rimmed, 50c. Chemise and drawers, trimmed with embroidery and torchon lace and finished in feather stitch braid, 50c.

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All the above goods will compare with goods sold at 75c and \$1.

BOSTON STORE,

FOTHERINGHAM, WHITELAW & CO.,

Leaders and Promoters of Low Prices,

Council Bluffs.

Have your family wash rough dried and tarched, 35 cents a dozen. Cascade laundry company. Telephone 290.

A Saloon Keeper Called Down. John Scheffler, who runs a saloon at No. 503 Broadway, was subjected to discipline vesterday. The chief of police found his place open Sunday and called on him vesterlay morning with reference to it. He informed Scheffler that he was satisfied that he had not been complying with the order, and more trouble was occasioned by him in that respect. Scheffler retorted in indecent lan-guage, and said that the chief could not shut up the place if he wanted to. His opinion however, seemed to be slightly "off," as it was less than half an hour until the place was closed, and Scheffler and his bartender. Brooks, were behind the bars in the city jail. Late in the afternoon Mayor Macrae visited the jail, and after reading the culprits a severe lecture, ordered them re-leased. He told them that they were only allowed to run by the grace of the city coun-cil, and admonished them that a little less independence would be advisable. He also informed them that things are not as they used to be, and that policemen must be treated with respect. Before they were released, they were vividly impressed with the idea that they were very lucky to get off as easily as they did.

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Field & Estep, heretofore engaged in the undertaking business, is dissolved, H. H. Field retiring.

W. C. Estep having purchased the entire business will conduct the same at the old stand, No. 14 North Main street, and collect all dues and pay all debts, if any exist, of the

Council Bluffs, Ia., April 7, 1890. Send your soiled clothes to the Cascade aundry company. Prompt delivery. Tele-

Work of the Grand Jury.

The grand jury has made as its final report to the court. Indictments were against Frank Kane on a charge of assault with intent to kill a man named Phillis at Manawa several months ago: Ira McCallom for for gery, using the name of N. Lewis to secure clothing and shoes: Iva Kring for burglarizing a car in the yards of the Rock Island road, and several minor cases whose names are withheld, the parties not being in cus-

The jurors also visited the city and county jails. The latter was found in good shape, and as has been the custom for months, the city jail was found in bad condition. The grand jury adjourned until a later period in the term, when another session will be held to dispose of such cases as may accumulate.

Ladies! Call at McAtee's store today and try a cup of Van Houten's cocoa.

Store your stoves with Cole Bres. Little Giant Safety bicycle for boys, ladies and men is the best. Get our prices. The wonderful "New Process" vapor stove; no generator; no small pipes to clog; no smoke or soot; lights at once with a blue flame. Cole & Cole, 41 Main street.

District Court Doings.

In district court yesterday the case of De Graffe-Vierling iron works vs O. P. Wickham et al. was on trial. This is a suit brought to forcelose mechanic's lien.

I. N. Flickinger appeared in behalf of J. R. Snyder, McCord, Brady & Co., M. Duquette and O. W. Butts, creditors of Lainson Brothers, and an order was issued for them to appear and show cause why they should not be resecuted for attempting to defraud their reditors by illegally disposing of their prop-

The Whittlesey divorce case will be taken The Whittlesey alvoree case will be taken the property of it relating to the motion for a continuance, which will be argued. The defendant, Mrs. Martha Whittlesey, has sued out a commis-Martha Whittlesey, has sued out a commission to take the deposition of her sister, Mrs. J. M. Griffith, who was recently brought into such unpleasant notoriety through this suit. The motion for a continuance is based on the illness of A. F. Flickinger, the plaintiff's counsel, and the plaintiff also claims that it will be uncomfortable for him to secure material witnesses from Abilene, Kan., and Indiana this term. For this reason it is sought to this term. For this reason it is sought to have the case continued until the June term.

We have special machinery for table and bed linen. Cascade laundry company. Tele-

Card. Having sold my interest in the undertaking business to my former partner, Mr. W. C. Estep, I bespeak for him the patronage here-tefore extended to us, assuring those in afflic-tion that he will kindly and tenderly care for their dead.

H. H. Field.

Supervisors in Session. The board of county supervisors met in quarterly session at the court house. All of the members were present with the exception of Chairman Hetzel, who was detained at his ome in Avoca by the serious illness of his wife. Commissioner Graham was made chairman pro tem. The day was mostly taken up with routine business. The board attended to one matter which does not come

ment. The mileage is of course the same in the various townships as last year, but the valuation being different made a difference in ie apportionment.

There is considerable business to be disposed of this term, and the session will last during the entire week. Mr. Hetzel is expected here tomorrow if there is sufficient improvement in his wife's condition to warrant his absence.

WHY HE TREATED.

Curious Agreement Between a Thirsty

Man and His Rich Wife. New York Sun: One of the familiar figures in a certain up-town hotel is a tall, well proportioned young man who nightly goes out on a jamboree, and who

as regularly as the clock turns up again at the hotel at II o'clock every nightt The other night he came in ten minutes earlier than his regular hour. He walked into the corridor, which at that nour was pretty well crowded. Then as he started, a little unsteadily, toward the cafe the crowd fell in behind him and followed like so many sheep. Not a word was spoken. The cafe reached, everybody lined up against the bar. The young man put his hand in his pocket and pulled out a big handful of quarters, dimes and nickels. Then he took out several \$1 bills from his waistcoat pecket, put the whole lot on the bar, bowed to the "bartend" and walked out of the room. The gentleman behind the counter counted the change and then pro

claimed: "There's just \$6.76 here, He didn't spend much tonight. Let's see. There's just six drinks apiece. What'll it be, gents?" "Why and wherefore is this thus?" queried the greenhorn of the party after the sixth drink had been concealed by

verybody.
"That, sir, is Mr. Blank, who married rich. He hasn't a cent of his own, and he lives with his wife here in fine style. He would spend every cent of her for-tune in a week if she would let him, and she knows it. So she allows him \$15 a day for pin money. Every night when he comes in she goes through his pock-If he has any money left in his pockets the next morning she gives him only enough to make up the \$15. He thinks that a pretty mean trick, so every night he comes in here and empties his pockets to treat the crowd. Next morning he gets another \$15 to carry him through the day."

John Jacob Astor's Liberality. Shortly after the close of the war of independence John Jacob Astor came from Waldorf, near Heidelberg, Germany, to seek a fortune in the new world, and by thrift, integrity, energy and untiring industry he at length secured the object of his ambition, having ultimately become the wealthiest merchant of his time in the United States. Grateful for his brilliant success, he did not forget, among his benefactions abroad, this, the city of his adoption, says a writer in the New England Magazine. After confer-ring with his friends, Washington Irving and J. G. Cogswell, he devised, in August, 1836, the munificent sum (for that day) of \$400,000, for the founding and endowment of a free public library, to be ocated in Lafayette place, New York. Mr. Astor also designated Washington Irving, J. G. Cogswell, and William B. Astor, his son, as constituent members of its board of trustees. These gentlemen subsequently became its executive officers—Mr. Irving its president, Mr.W. B. Astor his successor in that office, Mr. Daniel Lord its treasurer, and Mr. Cogswell its librarian, or superintendent. The act of the legislature incorporating the institution took effect January, 1849, and the first library building was opened

to the public January, 1854. Dr. Austin Flint, the well-known American authority on physiology, thus writes: "I could never have written my work on physiology without the aid of the Astor library. That work is now completed after nearly eleven years of ry the original edition, of 1628, of Harvev's immortal work, in which the circulation of the blood was first described, as well as the original edition (1647) of his work on generation. This edition of the book on circulation is unique in this country, and is found in but few European libraries. I value it more than any work I ever possessed. It is the greatest and one of the rarest works in physiological literature." This rare donation to the library is regarded as one of the most decisive of testimonials as to its great value to the professional writer that could be rendered.

A TOUGH CUSTOMER.

The Interesting Experience of a Col-

lecting Agent with an Artist. "I struck the hardest game of my life today," said the agent of a very succe ful collecting firm to a San Francisco Examiner reporter. "I tackled my man for \$20 that he owes a restaurant. an artist-paints landscapes and portraits-and you see his name all covered with taffy in the newspapers week in

and week out.
"I'm sorry,' said he, stopping work on his picture and pushing his velvet smoking-cap onto the back of his head, while he looked lazily at the bill, 'but I can't pay this for a few months yet.'

"Why not? says I. "Because, said he, 'I have a more pressing liability. "More pressing than a board bill?"

says I sareastically. "Yes, a good deal,' says he. 'I'm buying a pair of shoes on the installment plan, and the second shoe is to be delivered today if I can make a partial payment. The coin's here,' says he. tapping his vest pocket.
"'All right,' says I, 'but you just give

that coin to me on account or I'll sell you up.? "Sell what up? says he.

"'Why, these here pictures,' says I, sweeping my arm in a comprehensive way around the studio. "These pictures? says he. 'All right, my boy, go ahead. If you can sell them much obliged to you. Its a

darned sight more'n I can do.'
"'With that he lighted his pipe and went on painting as tranquil as a summer's day. I admired him and asked him out to have a drop of something, "Excuse me, said he, standing back and regarding his picture with one eye closed, but not evening gladeing at me, 'I never have any social relations with

any tradespeople. "I was faint when I got down to the

GLADSTONE'S WONDERFUL MIND. His Capacity is Little Short of the Marvelous.

Mr. Gladstone's remarkable success in life has been due in no small degree to his health, his capacity for work, and his prodigious memory. When one sees him now, one sees a venerable figure, bearing the marks of age. The outer skin of the face is almost like parchment, so pale is it and finely lined. But twenty years ago when I first saw him, he was a splendid-looking man, the very picture of health. Not an ounce of superfluous flesh or fat on his body; all well preserved and in perfect condition. From his earliest days his health has been marvellous, says a writer in the New England Magazine. He could sleep at any mo-ment, casting aside easily the weight of public cares, and slumbering as softly as a little child. Like Sir Walter Haleigh, he could "toll terribly;" and cial democrats by reason of his autofor the widows and the orphans, and said they | up but once a year-the railroad apportion | like all first-rate statesmen, he has been | cratic tendencies and policy.

endowed with a good memory. A friend told me that at a dinner-party a fe years ago at Oxford, at which Mr. Glad tone was present, the conversation has pened to turn upon some obscure matte connected with the incomes of some of the Oxford colleges, about which non but an expert could be expected to know.

The experts present, however, knew nothing, while Mr. Gladstone came out with the desired information. The same informant told that a friend happened to call in on Mr. Gladstone two or three days after the revised version of the New Testament came out. Gladstone had been through the new version, comparing it critically with the original Greek text, and spoke learn edly on the subject. Yet he was then it his sixty-third or sixty-fourth year, and held the double office of prime minister and chancellor of the exchequer, and was holding the threads of debate in the house of common ever night. Ever now he can repeat much of Homer and Dante by heart. He has recently given a French speech in Paris and Italian speeches in Italy, and in every case without special preparation. For leisured man to do this is not easy For a busy man, with the affairs of the great globe in his mind, a man arrived at fourscore years, to do it well, is little short of the marvellous.

BREAD FROM WOOD.

The Remarkable Possibility for Which Science is Striving.

Science has already enabled man to extract flery beverages and many other things of more or less value from wood, and it is now proposed to go a step farther and produce bread from wood, says the Milling Record. In an address re-cently delivered in Heidelberg, Germany, by no less eminent an author than Victor Meyer, it is announced "that we may reasonably hope that chemistry will teach us to make the fiber of wood the source of human food." What an enormous stock of food then, would be found if this becomes possible, in the wood of our forests, or even in grass and straw? The fiber of wood consists essentially ceilulin. Can this be into starch? Starch has essentially the ame percentage composition, but it differs very much in its properties, and the nature of its molecule is probably much more complex. Cellulin is of little or no dietetic value, and it is not altered, like starch, in boiling water. It really gives glucose when treated with strong sulphuric acid, as is easily shown when cotton wool, which is practically pure cellulin, is merely immersed in its Starch gives the same product when boiled with weak acid. The author further quotes the researches of Hellriegel, which go to show beyond dispute hat certain plants transform atmospheric nitrogen into albumen, and that this process can be improved by suitable treatment. The production, therefore, starch from cellulin, and the enforced increase of albumen in plants would, he adds, in reality signify the abolition of the bread question.

Match Making in Russia.

Marriages solemnized in Russia are not supposed, as with us, to be made in heaven. The manner in which they are frequently brought about is simplicity itself, says a Russian letter to the London Daily Telegraph. Instead of the matrimonial agency, which has not yet acquired the right of citizenship in Rusgossiping match makers perambulate the country, each keeping to his or her district, and, like Irish hedge schoolmasters two generations ago, everywhere sure of a welcome. In Bakhmoot, for instance, you have scarcely taken possession of your room in your hotel when a well dressed man walks in, makes a profound bow, and asks you bluntly: "Would your nobility think of marrying?" If excusable curiosity or a less excusable desire to exchange single for married misery prompts you to give him labor. As a token of appreciation of a civil answer, he lays album after album before you with the photographs of eligible brides and bridegrooms, accordto your sex, on which are inscribed marginal notes containing brief but interesting details about the social position, fortune, expectations and drawbacks of the origi nal. He discusses the "points" of his clients with charming candor and objectively-many of these matchmakers have been horse dealers before—and refers you to prosperous married couples who are as happy as the day is long since he brought them together. Heretofore, the matchmaking profession was monopolized by women, as it is still in the northern and central provinces. In the south, however, men are taking it methodically and completely cutting out

their sisters. PLUCKING AND SHEARING GEESE. A Habit Practiced that is Profitable.

But Quite a Cruelty. A curious case came before an English court for adjudication recently, says the American Agriculturist. A poulterer was charged with cruelty to forty-eight live geese by plucking them of their feathers, and the owner of these geese was charged with procuring the commission of the offense. The proceedings were taken by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. A witness swore that "after the geese were plucked their skin turned a purple color, and they seemed to be in pain. They walked about with their backs up, and

shrank when touched:" The practice was shown by defendants be very prevalent, and the society nominal fine to put a stop to asked for a it. The defendants said it was the custem of the district to pluck the feathers every six weeks, and if they were stopped from doing so many people would discontinue from keeping geese, as much more money was realized by the sale of feathers than by the geese. The court imposed a fine of eighteen shillings upon the defendants, and expressed the hope that it would be a warning to other peo ple! Plucking live geese and ducks pre

vails all over the United States. There is a species of large water-fowl whose habitat in winter is the open lakes of the interior, and their feathers are so firmly set that they cannot be plucked. Shearing is resorted to, and many housewives have beds made of the feathers, which almost equal those of eider down, as the stiff, troublesome quill ends are absent. Shearing geese ducks could be made to supersede plucking.

The Imperial Socialist. The present Emperor William may be something of a socialist; but he is

certainly the reverse of a democrat, writes a Paris correspondent of the Philadelphia Telegraph. The German movement, however, is at once socialistic and democratic. It is, indeed very difficult to tell which of these two currents is the strongest. Prince Bismarck himself was wont to say, when his friends pointed out to him the growing strength of the social democrats that their inherent weakness would become manifest when they were sufficiently numerous in the parliament to attempt legislation. As a simple opposition, a protest against the existing order of things, they united a great many votes, but when they began to construct them quarrels would break out in their own ranks. Are all social democrats convinced socialists? This is doubtful; but it is quite certain they are all democrats. Thus the Em-peror William, in spite of his tendency



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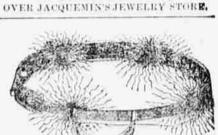
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