

shrinkage in the supply of gold at the New York sub-treasury \$500,000 had been shipped there from this city by order of Secretary Carlisle. A similar amount has been transferred from Baltimore to New York by the same means. Bigger said this afternoon that he would probably be ordered to send more gold to New York tomorrow, as it is a very large amount that will be exported on Saturday.

**LIBEL SUIT COMPROMISED.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Secretary Carlisle today compromised the case against the Spanish steamer Conde Wilfredo, libeled at Savannah, Ga. The vessel ran into a wharf while making a landing and was libeled by the wharf owners to pay the damages done by the vessel. The Attorney General of Georgia recommended that the case be compromised with the stated result.



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We sell it at \$1.00 per quart, and guarantee it equal to any brand sold elsewhere for \$1.25, or even \$1.50.

If not perfectly satisfied with this Whisky after giving it a trial, return it and we will refund the money.

We guarantee everything we sell.

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THE POLL LISTS

For Birmingham, Bessemer and Elton Demanded by Truman H. Aldrich of Judge Porter Now Ready.

Some time ago Mr. T. H. Aldrich, the defeated republican candidate for congress from this district in the November election, demanded of Judge Porter a certified copy of the poll lists of the following beats: Elyton, No. 9; Birmingham, Nos. 21 and 37, and Bessemer, No. 33. These he desires to use in his court for a seat in congress, he having alleged fraud on the part of the election officials at each of the election boxes above mentioned.

The lists were completed yesterday and are now ready to turn over to Mr. Aldrich or his agent.

The number of votes cast in the four beats mentioned aggregate nearly 3000, with a majority of nearly 1000 for Mr. Underwood, the democratic nominee.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

We have bought 2300 pairs sample shoes from eastern factories, and offer them at 50c on the dollar.

The Smith Shoe Co.

Yard-wide Fruit of the Loom bleached domestic, 5c; yard-wide French percales, 10c; 10c quality Nainsook checks, 5c, and the cheapest embroideries you ever saw today at the George Passe Company.

COLD WEATHER. Ward's coal yard is prepared to furnish you with Carbon Hill or Galloway coal on short notice. Buy your coal from them once and you will have reason to become a regular customer. Supply of stove and kindling wood on hand. Telephone 457. 11-29 tf

Fresh bread and candy made daily at C. W. Cody's, 1820 to 1826 3d avenue. 105 tf 2p

700 pairs men's sample shoes at 50c on the dollar—no joke—at

The Smith Shoe Co.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SWEAR OFF, says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture, in an editorial about No-To-Bac; the famous tobacco habit cure. "We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one, a prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by Nabers, Morrow & Sinnige. No cure no pay. Book free. Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago. 12-25-alt-13t

Stock-Taking Is Over With Us... We find lots of goods and sold quickly, so we've marked them down to a point where they are sure to go. Our space is small, consequently we can't quote many prices, but if you come to see us and price our goods you'll surely buy.

To show you the way the wind blows here's a few pointers:

About 1200 yards 25c Dress Goods reduced to 13c.

About 250 yards \$1.25 Dress Goods reduced to 69c.

About 750 yards \$1.00 Dress Goods reduced to 49c.

About 800 yards 75c Dress Goods reduced to 39c.

Ladies', Children's and Gents' Winter Underwear and Hosiery reduced nearly one-half.

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IN THE COURTS.

The fight between the Berney National bank and the Coalale Brick and Tile company bids fair to become an interesting, as well as a hotly contested one.

It will be remembered that a few days ago a bill was filed in the chancery side of the city court by the Berney National bank vs. the Coalale Brick and Tile company, praying the court to set aside a deed of trust executed by the Coalale company to the Trust company to cover an issue of \$50,000 of bonds. Fraud was alleged by the petitioner, who claimed that the Coalale company was indebted to the bank in the sum of \$8525.

Yesterday Gen. Fred S. Ferguson and Ward & Campbell, attorneys for the Coalale Brick and Tile company, filed the following suit in the city court.

The Coalale Brick and Tile company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Alabama, plaintiff, claims of the Berney National bank of Birmingham, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, J. B. Cobbs, W. P. G. Harding, Walker Percy, Robert Jemison and James A. Going, defendants, the sum of \$17,639 for the breach of the condition of a bond made by the defendant, to wit, the 14th day of January, 1895, payable to the plaintiff in the sum of \$17,639, with condition as follows, to-wit:

The condition of the above obligation is such that, whereas the above named Berney National bank of Birmingham has on the day of the date hereof prayed an attachment at the suit of said bank against the goods, furniture, lands, tenements and effects of the above named Coalale Brick and Tile company for the sum of \$8525, and hath obtained the same, returnable to the city court of Birmingham, Jefferson county, within thirty days from the service of the writ of attachment in said cause, now in the hands of the said court, that the said Coalale Brick and Tile company shall prosecute said attachment with effect and pay said defendant all such damages as it may sustain from the wrongful or vexatious suing out of said attachment, or otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

And the plaintiff avers that the condition of said bond has been broken by the defendants in this:

1. That said attachment was wrongfully sued out.

2. That said attachment was vexatiously sued out.

3. That said attachment was maliciously sued out.

4. That said attachment was wrongfully and vexatiously sued out.

5. That plaintiff had not, prior to the suing out of said attachment, fraudulently disposed of its property.

6. That said attachment was wrongfully, vexatiously and maliciously sued out.

7. That said attachment was sued out wantonly or recklessly, without probable cause.

And plaintiff further avers by reason of the wrongful, vexatious or malicious suing out of said attachment it has been compelled to suffer special damages in and about the sum of \$1500, and the trouble, time and expense of plaintiff's officers, agents and witnesses in attendance upon the trial thereof to the amount of \$500, the damage of the plaintiff as above stated.

The Francis-Chenoweth Hardware company has filed a bill in the chancery court against the Coalale Brick and Tile company similar to the one filed by the Berney National bank a few days ago. The Birmingham Trust and Savings company is made party defendant.

In the second division of the city court a very interesting damage suit is on trial. It is the case of Hubert Terbeere vs. the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company. The plaintiff claims that the purchased of the defendant certain property on the South Highlands, and that prior to the purchase a certain portion of said property had been deeded to the city for street purposes. The defendant denies this.

B. M. Allen vs. John Booker, defendant, S. M. Allen vs. John Booker, defendant, judgment for \$5.

In the first division of the case of Hubert Terbeere vs. the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company is still on trial.

CRIMINAL COURT.

"We, the jury, find the defendants not guilty," was the verdict rendered by the jury in the case against John W. Gordon and Claude McDaniel yesterday afternoon. John Gordon, Claude McDaniel and Ed Langford were arrested nearly a year ago and charged with robbing a passenger train, a railroad, near the gas works, on Third avenue. They had been confined in the county jail ever since their arrest until their acquittal yesterday. Their trial was begun Monday afternoon and the case went to the jury Wednesday afternoon. The jury was out nearly twenty-four hours.

The case against Langford was not pressed before the jury retired. Owing to the tardiness of the jury in the Gordon and McDaniel case to agree on a verdict yesterday morning the cases against the Pratt mines rioters were continued, that against John Kelso going over until February 4. All the jurors, defendants and witnesses were excused from further attendance on court this week.

TRUE BILLS.

The grand jury reported the following true bills yesterday:

Anderson Howard, burglary and grand larceny.

Joe Scott, assault with intent to murder.

Charley Johnson, alias Henry Garner, grand larceny.

Marshall Smith, murder in the second degree.

Laug Cherry, alias Tom Griffin, alias Will Rogers, grand larceny and embezzlement.

Nettle Bell, grand larceny.

West Williams, assault with intent to murder.

Marshall Smith, who was indicted for murder in the second degree, it is alleged, killed a fellow convict named George Rose in Pratt mines about a year ago by striking him across the head with a pick. The two men quarreled over some matter, and in the row Smith used the pick. Both were colored.

CIRCUIT COURT.

J. Friedman & Co. vs. S. H. Coggans; judgment against the defendant for \$2.65.

Edward Taylor vs. John Hill; under advisement.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

Frank Watkins of Livingston was bound over to the United States court in the sum of \$200 by United States Commissioner Wilson for selling liquor without license.

J. M. Ledlow of Tuscaloosa county will be tried for perjury before United States Commissioner Wilson today. Ledlow was a witness against Robert Turner, who was tried some time ago on a charge of selling liquor without license. He was brought in by Deputy United States Marshal Perkins yesterday.

RECORDER'S COURT.

In the recorder's court yesterday morning Will Hall and Ed Johnson, two negroes, were given five days each on the streets for escaping from the street gang.

Wash Weason, who committed assault and battery on Carrie Stinson, was fined \$2.50 and costs.

John Jackson was fined \$5 and costs for stealing coal.

Floyd Bozeman, a barrel thief, was fined \$5 and costs.

Tom Bakeman, Otto Shuman, Fred Brown, George Frider, Jim Willburn and George Barclay were fined \$6 each for being tramps.

Charlie Cooper was fined \$2.50 and costs for trespassing on the property of the United States and for carrying concealed weapons.

Fletcher, a drayman, was fined \$2.50 and costs for obstructing the street.

Levi Howard and Ed Patton had a fight in the city prison and were fined \$6 each.

JUSTICE COURT.

The preliminary trial of Emma Graham and Charles Joseph, charged with being

implicated in the murder of Pinkie Hardy two weeks ago, came up before Justice I. H. Bennis yesterday morning.

After the evidence had all been taken Judge Bennis decided that the evidence was not sufficiently strong to hold them. He ordered them released.

BREWTON INDUSTRIALLY.

BREWTON, Jan. 16.—[Special Correspondence.]—The first annual meeting of the Brewton Canning company was held at the court house last night, and 304 shares of stock out of 370 were represented in person or by proxy. The directors for the past year made a report that was indeed flattering. Every thing except a few bills around town has been paid, and they reported that they had canned tomatoes on hand ready for market of about \$1700 in value. O. F. Luttrell, C. L. Sowell, Sr., W. W. Downing, A. F. Johnson and T. W. Curry were elected directors for the ensuing year. This was the old board with one exception. Today the directors met and re-elected T. W. Curry president, W. W. Downing vice-president and A. F. Johnson, treasurer. The prospects for the coming year are very flattering, and Brewton is as proud of her little canning factory as Birmingham is of her rolling mills and cotton factory. The union fence closed the Cedar Creek Mill company down by bursting some of the pipes, etc. The broken parts were ordered by wire and shipped by express, and they will run again in a day or two. Mill men with the energy and push of W. W. Downing don't sit down and pine over little things, but get things together at the first moment, regardless of cost. Such men make live towns when you get enough of them together.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Most Perfect Made.

Young man, \$5 sample shoes at \$2.50.

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Yard-wide Fruit of the Loom bleached domestic, 5c; yard-wide French percales, 10c; 10c quality Nainsook checks, 5c, and the cheapest embroideries you ever saw today at the George Passe Company.

TO THE PUBLIC

We are now offering pure and delicious wines, such as claret, 50 cents per gallon; sherry, 75 cents per gallon; port, 75 cents per gallon. We can do this because we are agents for the largest wine producers in California. We also keep a large stock of imported wines and liquors, which we will sell at reasonable prices.

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St. Pierre, Ladies' entrance 303 Nineteenth street. Gents' entrance corner Third Avenue and Nineteenth street. oct 14 tf

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A stock of shoes at a bargain. Address P. O. Box 584, Anniston, Ala. jan 18 tf

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"To pay big prices for common shoes these hard times when it is so easy to find good shoes at low prices. The Boston Shoe Store, 107 Twentieth street, sells shoes and makes a regular customer out of every person who makes a purchase there. There is a reason for this. Buy your next pair there and you will soon find out the reason. 11-8 tf

Get your winter shoes now. Sample sale of shoes at 50c on the dollar.

The Smith Shoe Co.

If you feel weak and all worn out take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

His Prize Essay.

Author (to his wife)—Rejoice, O wife of my bosom! I have gained a prize of 500 marks for my latest effort.

Wife—Which article was it?

Author—Oh, that essay of mine. "The Defects of a Wife; A Study from Nature."

—Werner Hagen.

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In Combination, Proportion and Process Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses peculiar curative power. Its record of cures is unequalled. Its sales are the largest in the world.

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Hundreds of dollars worth have been given away. On and after the 1st day of February, 1895, we will suspend the silverware tickets, but will continue to give our former low prices.

25 Cents.

Get prices on Flour, Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Smoked Meat, Sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Bulk Meat, Meal, Soap, etc. We sell the celebrated Magnolia Ham at 11c per pound.

25 Cents.

For every purchase of 25c or more you get tickets for 25c and when you have tickets amounting to \$2.50 you get a set of triple-plated Silver Knives, Forks, Spoons or Tea Spoons. Biscuits and Crackers.

N. B.—We are also selling away Pitchers, Sugar Bowls, Spoon Holders, Butter Dishes, and many other things. Give us a trial and you won't forget us.

Bogdan Grocery and Commission Co., 2021 Second Avenue.

We carry a fine lot of select canned fruits, which we will sell cheaper than any other house in the city. We will appreciate a trial order and are satisfied we will so serve you as to command a share of your patronage in the future. Very respectfully,

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Money loaned on Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry, Plats, etc.

Have a large lot of unredeemed watches on sale at an astonishing low price. 10-15 tf

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BIRMINGHAM LOAN COMPANY, 112 North Twentieth Street.

See our bargains in diamonds, solid gold, filled and silver watches, charms, rings, jewelry of all kinds, adjustable watches, pistols, cartridges. Money loaned on all articles described above at reasonable rates. Business strictly confidential. Private entrance from rear.

WANTED—To borrow \$1000 on good collateral for ninety days. X. Y. Z., this office.

WANTED—Board and room for single man near business portion of city. Address Boarder, care of this office.

AGENTS WANTED.

WANTED—Agents to take orders by sample at home or travel; expenses and good salary or commission to right party; samples sent on application. Address with stamp, Box 120, New York City. 4 3y 7 su we fr 1y

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—Gentleman or lady to sell Dobbie's Aluminum Coffee Economizer. Fits any pot; saves one-third the coffee. Arthur L. Dobbie & Co., Grant building, Atlanta, Ga. 1-12 tf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Columbia bicycle. Been ridden only about 200 miles. In first class order. A bargain. Address, "Good Thing," care Age-Herald. 1-12-2p

FOR SALE—A clean stock of general merchandise, including \$1000, on line of railroad, thirty-five miles from Birmingham. Also building, mortgages, notes and accounts. A discount given on mortgages, notes and accounts that will be money to purchase. M. R., care Age-Herald. 1-12-10t

FOR SALE—A well established retail dry goods business, making a clear profit of \$5000 yearly over and above all expenses. This statement will be proven or no sale. Reason for selling, parties are going out of business. Address this office, V. Y. N. 12-9-1m

MISCELLANEOUS.

LOST—On 15th street, between 2d and 5th avenues, pair gold spectacles. Liberal reward paid for same if left at Age-Herald office. 12-15 tf

THE LOOSELY CYCLE COMPANY—Will buy, sell or repair your old wheels. We are headquarters for cycle sundries and fittings. 18th street, Birmingham, Ala. 12-15 tf

MONEY TO LOAN—On furniture, without removal, from \$10 up. S. S. Seale, 17th street, between 1st and 2d avenues. 12-25-3m

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Trustee's Sale of the Birmingham Age-Herald.

Birmingham Trust and Savings Company, a Corporation, vs. Age-Herald Company, a Corporation, et al.—In the City Court of Birmingham—Equity side.

IN pursuance of and as ordered and directed in and by a decree of sale rendered, made and entered in this cause on the 16th day of December, 1894, the undersigned, Birmingham Trust and Savings Company, a corporation, as complainant in the above entitled cause and as trustee in a certain deed of trust, will, on

THURSDAY, THE 10TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1895,

at 12 o'clock, noon, sell at public outcry, for cash, before the door of the court house of said county, in the city of Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit:

All and singular the estate and property, real, personal and mixed, all fixtures, rights and privileges, income, franchises, rights under contract of all and every kind, held and owned by or belonging to said Age-Herald Company, or which may be at the time of such sale held or owned by said Age-Herald Company, and the accounts and claims due or to become due to said Age-Herald Company and to the receiver herein as such, which may remain uncollected at the time of such sale.

Also the Age-Herald newspaper plant and property, consisting of engine, printing presses, type, furniture and iron safe, and all other property now in the building occupied by the said Age-Herald Company, or by said receiver as such, in said city of Birmingham, Alabama, belonging to said Age-Herald Company, or said receiver as such.

Also the Southern Associated Press franchises and the United Press franchises now held and owned by said Age-Herald Company, or by said receiver as such.

That certain property consisting of press, type and other newspaper and job office fitting, formerly owned by the Herald Company and now claimed by Silas C. Force, der mortgage or deed of trust, and which never been in the possession of the receiver in this cause, will not be included in said sale. Said sale will be made as follows:

First—Will be sold all the accounts and claims due the receiver and created since the appointment of the receiver, remaining uncollected at the time of such sale, in bulk and for a gross sum.

Second—All the accounts and claims created since the execution of said deed of trust to the said Birmingham Trust and Savings Company and prior to the appointment of the receiver in this cause, and which remain uncollected at the time of such sale, in bulk and for a gross sum.

Fourth—All the stocks and bonds owned by said Age-Herald Company, in bulk and for a gross sum.

Fifth—All the press franchises owned by the said Age-Herald Company, and also all the presses, type and machinery and all other property of every kind and description belonging to the said Age-Herald Company or to the receiver as such, including good will owned by the said Age-Herald Company, except the property herein before stated as claimed by said Silas C. Force, in bulk and for a gross sum.

This December the 18th, 1894.

BIRMINGHAM TRUST AND SAVINGS COMPANY, a corporation, as complainant and as trustee.

Hewitt, Walker & Porter, solicitors for the Birmingham Trust and Savings Company.

The above sale is postponed until Monday, the 11th day of February, 1895, at 12 o'clock m.

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"No queerer fish swims," exclaimed the tall Missourian who was talking fish and fishing in the office of one of the downtown hotels the other evening, "and no fish that will give a more furious fun for an hour or so than our homely old shovel cat of the west."

"In all the creeks and branches tributary to the Mississippi and Missouri one may catch this awkward, heavy fish, and if one be only out for cats alone he will give rare sport. But to the crapple fisherman he is a great nuisance, stealing the bait as fast as it can be put on the hook and seldom allowing himself to be hooked. Despite his clumsy shape he is agile to a remarkable degree."

"From a side view the fish is not ungraceful, its long broad nose showing an edge and appearing as slender as a swordfish's weapon. His tail is sharply forked, and his fins large and of rakish cut. He often attains a length of 6 feet and weighs as much as 50 pounds. A stranger whose dugout has drifted into shoal water or up into one of the shallow bayous where he is angling for crapple, will suddenly be startled by a loud splash hard by, and if he is quick enough he may turn and catch a glimpse of a shovel cat at work. The great fish will throw its entire body out of water, double over in midair and descend headforemost, like a professional diver. He is feeding, and as he lives mostly upon the tiny animalcules and creeping things hidden in the soft, muddy bottom this leap is necessary to give him impetus enough to make the deep plunge. He drives his widely set fins far into the mud, and, turning up a long furrow, catches whatever food is washed out in the process."

"O, a light rod one of the big fellows will give a lively tussle, but it requires the patience of a Job and the enthusiasm of an Leo Walton to sit a whole afternoon and broil under a hot Mississippi sun in the dreary hope of hooking a cat. The fish are too tickle in hissing to make the deep plunge in that way, and the market fishermen generally resort to nets to insure a catch."

"But the real hair raising, line stretching, bubble tossing fun is rearing. We used to always choose a gray day, when the sky was overcast and no breeze blowing to ruffle the surface of the water. Two of us would set out for the branch about two hours before sunset, armed with a slight homemade harpoon, consisting of a steel barbed head loosely set in a hickory shaft. To a ring in the lance head was made fast about 100 feet of heavy line. Arriving at the bank of the creek, we would cut off a cottonwood limb to lash to the end of our line, to act as a float if we had to let the whole business go overboard. Then one would paddle the dugout while the other stood in the bow watching for the shovelers. Of course we had to hunt only in the shallows, not only because the fish were more plentiful there, but because the spear was uncertain in more than four or five feet of water. When we had located our victim, who would be turning splashing somersaults far ahead, the man at the paddle would make for the spot where the shoveler went down. The spearman, peering over the side, could dimly make out the huge fish at his mud plowing toll and waiting until the steel a-whirling."

"What a foam of yellow mud then, and if he had struck a big one how our leaky old dugout would roll and jump as we were dragged up creek by the mad shoveler. The flurry is short, however, for the steel soon exhausts the energy and courage of the fish. But the first few moments of excitement are wild. Many and many a time our dugout upset, and we would swim and wade through the water and mud to shore, dragging our shipwrecked craft and our yet unconquered captive behind us."

"Once I remember leaving school with my cousin Jed at noon time recess and hooking off to the creek for shovelers. We would both be well flogged if it were found out, but that danger only added another charm. We had hidden our spear under a willow root the day before, and in a few moments we had it and were afloat on a raft of old boards. We were only small shavers—Jed 10 and I 13 years old—and could pole our vessel only very slowly. For a long time we saw no game. Jed remarked uneasily that we were drawing near our house, which then stood on the bank of the creek about a mile above where we had started. We had both taken off our trousers for fear the swash of the river would wet them, and thus betray us at supper time, and stood with our shirts flapping in the breeze—two eager sportsmen if such ever lived."

"Just as I sighted the house around the bend through the young cottonwoods and the dreaded form of my mother hanging out clothes on the line Jed gave a long 'shah,' and bending forward sent his spear flying with all his might. An angry splash answered, and I was terrified to see Jed's blue shirt and white legs tumble headlong from the raft. He had struck a monster and was being towed down stream at a lively rate. We could both swim like ducks, and I, like a flash, dived after him. After being yanked along for 200 yards or more we struck a shoal sand bar, where we got a foothold. Just as we had begun to get a bit and were hauling

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the giant and backward we heard a yell from the shore and were both petrified to see mother standing there with a switch. At every plunge of the shoveler she gave another shout, and it was the greatest relief my heart ever knew when, as we came nearer, she shook her fist and screamed: "If you two young uns let that that shovel nose get away, I'll come over till you both walk bowlegged. I will, I say."

"And," concluded the big man, rising and knocking the ashes out of his corn-cob, "you can wager we lended that fish, for my mother never broke her word."—New York Sun.

## An Odd Bird's Nest.

The oddest of all birds' nests is the one built by the tomtom, a South African songster. It is built of cotton and always upon the tree producing the material. In constructing the domicile the female works inside and the male outside, where he builds a sentinel box for his own special use. He sits in the box and keeps watch or sings nearly all the time, and when danger comes in the form of a hawk or a snake he warns the family, but never enters the main nest.—Exchange.

## Polite.

Judge—Your innocence is proved. You are acquitted.  
Prisoner—Very sorry, gentlemen, to have given you all this trouble for nothing.—Fliegende Blätter.

## WATCH YOUR WEDDING PRESENTS.

If You Don't, an Honored Guest May Mysteriously Walk Off With Them.

Here is a story that illustrates two facts—first, the foolishness of persons making bogus wedding presents, or if not bogus presents pretentious gifts, and second, that no matter how carefully you may invite your guests to your marriage it is well to watch them, for people in good society will steal.

As far back as 1855, in a small Hudson river town, a young woman was married to her father's confidential clerk. In addition to winning his bride the young man secured a partnership in his father-in-law's concern, and on the day of the wedding there were displayed, as was the custom in those days, the presents. Among them was a check for \$10,000 from the bride's father.

The couple lived happily together for nearly 30 years, when the husband died. At intervals the wife visited her old home, met and conversed with her old friends, reared her children in the fear of the Lord and was in every way a good member of society. A few years after the death of her husband, her father, then a venerable old man, died. When his estate was settled, the daughter and widow found herself charged in the will with \$10,000, to be deducted from her portion of the estate.

"But," said she to the executors, "I never received this money, and it is not fair to deduct it from my portion of the estate. I don't care to contest the will, but I think there must be some mistake about it. I recollect the check among my wedding presents, but I never saw it afterward. I supposed my husband took it, and if he did it was all right, but I have no proof of it either way."

The executors were in a quandary, and in some way the news of the missing check became known in the village. Then a surprising thing happened. One of the most respectable citizens of the town, a prominent member of the church, came forward, and after a good deal of hesitation drew from his pocket a faded slip of paper.

"See what my wife found in an old suit of clothes," said he. "I—I—I—don't know how it came there, but I thought it might be some service to you." It was the \$10,000 check. Whether in jest or with the intention of stealing it, the respectable citizen had put it in his pocket. Having it once in his possession, he found it an awkward instrument. He was equally afraid to use it or mention the fact of his having it until 30 years later when the discussion regarding the will made it possible.—New York Herald.

## Cold Stones From the Sky.

The prodigious speed with which aerolites are traveling at the time when they come in contact with that portion of our atmosphere heavy enough to give friction to the flying body is beyond human comprehension and the power of the mathematician to calculate. It only takes them a few seconds to pass through the thicker portion (say, the last 60 miles) of the air stratum which surrounds our globe, but even that short space of time is sufficient in most instances to destroy the surface of the stone and leave well defined waves of the melted mineral distributed over the aerolite, besides many pits and holes where softer constituents have burned out entirely or been torn away by the resisting medium.

There are instances on record, however, which appear to set all laws of the effect of resistance and friction at defiance—cases where the stone seems to have instantly passed from the cold outer regions of space to the warm surface of this earth. This was the case with the celebrated "cold aerolite" which fell at Dhumsala, India, July 14, 1860, which had a temperature lower than any known degree of artificial cold, and which was three or four days warming up sufficient to admit of being touched with bare hands. Another of this class is reported by a priest as having fallen in Mexico in 1809, and a third, of the same cold variety, fell at Ulgid, Sweden, in 1852.—St. Louis Republic.

A boy, reading the verse, "And those who live in cottages are happier than those who sit on thrones," startled the crowd by reading thus, "And those who live in cottages are happier than those who sit on thorns."

## TIP TO TIMID SWAINS.

Propose While You Are Waltzing, and It Is Hard For Her to Refuse.

A certain ballroom belle tells how she received an offer of marriage during the dance.

"My last proposal, she says, was from a man at a ball. On his dress coat, as he claimed me for a waltz, was a long white thread."

"I smilingly called his attention to it and took it off. My sister saw me, and knowing things were in that interesting condition when a word would precipitate matters thought to tease me by saying:

"Who is it that says if a woman will take the trouble to pick a thread from a man's coat that man may have her for the asking?" She laughed gleefully at our discomfiture and floated away."

The first time we stopped to promenade my partner glanced down at me, and there, caught in the flower of my gown, was the same long thread. He bent down to take it off just as we came to a clearing among the dancers."

"What are you doing?" I said.

"I'm picking a thread off your coat," he replied, stepping in front of me. "Will you?" I thought he meant would I go on with the waltz. I laid my hand in his, and we glided into our places.

"Did you understand?" he whispered.

Now, it was had enough to have to refuse a man on the sofa, but to have to do it when you are in his very arms; when, while he tells you over and over that he loves you, he can emphasize with a hand pressure without reproach, when every second you are imperceptibly being drawn closer and closer until the wretched truth dawns upon you that the music and the dance are secondary things, and that in reality you are being hugged—actually hugged by a man you are not going to marry—you must resist the impulse to put both hands against him and push him with all your might. You simply get tired suddenly and are taken to your chaperon, where at least you can refuse him properly.—Sheffield Telegraph.

## A Reminiscence of Alboni.

Mme. Ziegler, better known by her stage name Marietta Alboni, lived to a ripe age as the result of good care of herself and plenty of exercise. She was a great walker and made errands of mercy among the poor at a distance so as to have a good excuse for her out of door life. She was particularly fond of Rossini's music. A few days before his death Rossini was enduring intolerable suffering, which nothing could assuage. Among the number of intimate friends who were near him were Mme. Alboni and Director Vaucorbell of the Paris grand opera.

"If you were to sing something it might soothe him," said Alboni.

M. Vaucorbell immediately sat down at the piano and sang the part of Assur to the Arace of Alboni. Immediately the face of the master was illumined by a tender smile, and it may be said that that was the last musical sensation of Rossini.—Kate Field's Washington.

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Concerns Which Do a Systematic Business In Supplying Lists.

Unusual demands are sometimes made upon that class of men who conduct what is known in the city as a "mailing and advertising" business.

Under ordinary circumstances the concerns furnish to persons desiring to send out circulars lists of prospective customers. For instance, some one may have devised a new surgical instrument which the patentee or manufacturer desires to have known to the surgeons of the country. The addressing agencies have complete lists and can easily bring the attention of the profession to the article.

The same is true of dry goods, hardware, notions or almost any other conceivable line of merchandise. The business has grown in recent years, and so one is almost excusable for expecting the concerns to be able to supply anything in the line of addresses. So thought a man who invented an artificial leg not long ago. He wanted lists of all the one-legged men in the country, and was very much disappointed at not being able to secure them.

Demands have been made in the same way for lists of one-eyed men, in order to bring their attention to a new glass eye; of persons committed to insane asylums who have been discharged as sane, and a variety of other impossible requests have been preferred. The lists are made up in all sorts of ways, from club lists, city directories, business directories, clergymen's yearbooks, college catalogues, medical registers, pension lists and scores of other sources of information.

This will explain how it is that a man often receives circulars from sources that seem almost mysterious to him. He wonders how the person ever hit upon his name, but it is an easy matter to understand when once the magnitude of the "addressing" business is known. The politics of a man can be obtained from the lists of political clubs, which fact is taken advantage of during an exciting campaign. —New York Herald.

### What Russia Owes France.

One obstacle remained to the formation of a Franco-Russian alliance, and that was a financial one. Hitherto Russia has been in the habit of going to Berlin for her money, and Russian stock was largely held by German banks. It was a circumstance which, though apparently trivial in itself, made the Russian government more dependent on the German financiers than it liked. So that when a French syndicate, with M. Hospier, a Paris banker, at its head, made advances to M. Wischnegradski, the Russian finance minister, the proposals fell on very willing ears. Of the financial details, of the prolonged negotiations and the German opposition it would be wearisome to speak. It will be enough to say that in 1888 a Russian loan of 500,000,000 francs and again in 1891 a further loan of 360,000,000 francs were raised in France and subscribed for many times over.

It was one of the most brilliant financial operations of modern times, and if any proof were wanted of French confidence in Russia it would be found in the fact that no less a sum than four milliards of francs of Russian stock is calculated to be now held by the cautious French investor, who rarely travels beyond a home security. This is one of those substantial facts which mean a great deal more than the florid and bombastic declamations in which international amities are frequently expressed. —Macmillan's Magazine.

### A Very Sensitive Lady.

A young lady, endowed with the most sensitive nerves, mentioned one evening to a few friends assembled in her drawing room that she had a horror of the rose. "The perfume of this flower," said she, "gives me a severe headache and faintness." The conversation was interrupted by the visit of a fair friend, who wore a rosebud in her hair. Our fair heroine turned pale directly, tossed her arms and fell gracefully in a swoon upon the ottoman.

"What a strange nervous susceptibility! What a delicate and impressionable organization!" cried the spectators. "For mercy's sake, madam, go away! Don't you see that you have caused this attack?" replied the astonished lady.

"Yes, of course it is the perfume of the rosebud in your hair."

"Really, if it is so I will sacrifice the guilty flower, but judge before you sentence."

The flower, detached from the head-dress, was passed from hand to hand among the spectators, but their solicitude soon gave way to a different emotion. The fatal rosebud was an artificial one!—London Quiver.

Clouds Have Solid Globules of Water. M. Van der Mensbrugghe, member of the Academie des Sciences, Brussels, has been investigating the true nature of clouds. It is supposed that clouds are an assemblage of little hollow vesicles, or of little full globules of water, but there is a doubt as to which, and M. Van der Mensbrugghe is in favor of the latter hypothesis. If the globules are very small, they float in the air, but if relatively large they fall, and in traversing warmer layers of the atmosphere are evaporated to a small size until they are able to float at a lower level. It is, in fact, unnecessary to suppose their interior to be filled with water.

of extracting poison from the common honey bee. There are two ways in which this is done: In one operation the little insects are confined in bottles and enraged by being "poked" with a stick until they deposit the tiny drops of the venom; in the other the poison is simply squeezed into glass tubes. It is said to be an infallible remedy for rheumatism, dropsy, ague, etc. —St. Louis Republic.

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A flag, carried in the war of 1812, is a relic prized by Mrs. E. C. Blount of Waynesboro, Ga. The flag bears but 15 stars.

### SPIDER IN A DIVING BELL.

A Curious Insect Which Spends Much of Its Time Under Water.

There is, it appears, a small spider, such as may be called the diving spider, although rather rare. Like all its kin, it is an air breathing creature and dives below the surface of ponds and spends a large part of its life under water. It manages to do this much in the same way that a man in a diving bell is able to live and work for a considerable time at the bottom of the sea. It surrounds the whole under part of its body, where its breathing organs are, with a bubble of air, and, incased in this crystalline bell, it keeps the water out and is able to breathe freely.

Exposed to the attacks of many enemies above water, it seeks to escape from them by making a hiding place for itself at the bottom of the pond. This it does by drawing together the tops of some of the weeds growing there with a few threads which it spins, so as to make a little bower. It then ascends to the surface and brings down a bubble of air with it, part of which it squeezes out and leaves in the inside of the bower, whose stems, meeting over it, prevent it from getting out of its place and rising to the top, as air bubbles always do when disturbed or released.

The spider, then, with the part of the bubble which it has kept to itself, ascends to the surface a second time and fetches down another bubble of air, part of which it secures in the same fashion, and with the remaining part ascends to the top to bring down some more air. It repeats this curious proceeding until within the bower it has succeeded in forming a bubble of air as big as a plum, concealed and kept in its place by the silken meshes of the weeds, like the network of a small balloon.

Thus the spider, in the same way that a mason carries stones and lime to his building, carries down bells of air from the surface to build for itself a crystal palace, whose clear, transparent dome and walls, thin as the finest film, are yet sufficiently strong to keep out the great body of water and to enable the creature to live at the bottom of the pond as easily as if it were on dry land. In this "luminous nest" it lays its eggs and rears its young in perfect security, and when the air within threatens to be exhausted it is renewed from time to time by the visits of the creature to the surface of the pond.—Brooklyn Eagle.

### E. S. Toot, Had Grieved.

There lived down in Cambridge, Ind., a well known old gentleman by the name of Josiah Nixon, who in early boyhood had acquired the habit of gross exaggeration. The habit had grown upon him so that he believed everything he said was the truth, no matter how great the exaggeration. After he had reached the ripe old age of three score and ten some of the deacons in the church thought it was too much like lying to pass unnoticed, and it was decided, after a great deal of consideration, that the old gentleman must be churched.

One evening, while he was seated in front of his door, telling a small circle of neighbors about the way the pioneers had to live, the gate opened, and the delegation of deacons filed in.

"Yes," the old gentleman was saying, "we had hard times then. I lived two years on grass and hickory bark on Sundays. We used to call Sunday's 'bark days' on that account, and that's the only way we could tell when Sunday came. Bears! I see 1,200 great big varmints one't around our camp, and I killed 'em!"

"Uncle Josiah," broke in one of the deacons, "we have come to see you about this habit of yours. You have the unpleasant habit of forgetting the truth when talking, and we have come to remonstrate with you."

"I know it, deacon," replied the old man, as he looked round. "I know it, and I want to tell you that I have grieved over that fallin' of mine 500,000 times a day for the past 200 years." —Indianapolis Sentinel.

### Objecting to Venus.

It was a christening business. The parent wanted the child to be named Venus. "Venus? I suppose you mean Venus. Do you imagine I am going to call any Christian child after that abandoned female, and least of all a male child?" cried Dean Burgon.

The father of the infant urged that he only wished to name it after his grandfather.

"Your grandfather?" cried Burgon. "I don't believe it. Where is your grandfather?" He was produced. A poor old soul of 80 or so, bent double, and certainly not looking in the least like the goddess in question. "Do you mean to tell me, sir, that any clergyman ever christened you Venus, as you call it?"

"Well, no, sir. I was christened Sylvanus, but they always call me 'Venus.'"

How dear old Burgon enjoyed it! His tempest of indignation was stilled at once, and his queer face, always the gravest of the grave during an ecclesiastical ceremonial, puckered into an irresistible smile. —James Payn in Cornhill Magazine.

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