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OLD DAN.
Farmer Henderson came from the
farm one morning with his hands and
clothes covered with mud, his face red,
and his eyes flashing.
"Ned," he shouted, as he entered the
kitchen, "old Dan must be killed! Just
see the state I am in, and all for that
him about the house another day.
He's good for nothing but to make
trouble, and he must be shot before
midnight!" added the farmer wrathfully.
"Well, Jehediah," said Mrs. Henderson,
coming into the kitchen, and
shaking with mirth, "what could you
have been thinking of to let an old
man, 'most twenty years old, knock
you into the water-trough?"
"Dat," explained the husband, "he
took me unawares. I had just filled
one pail to carry to the barn, and was
stepping to dip the other, when the old
man came at me like the wind, and
knocked me completely into the water!
He scampers! I tell you, before I
could get out. He knew he had done
mischief. Anyhow, he's got to be
killed to-day, sure. He's only a nuisance,
and I'll shoot him to-night, when we
come back from town, if he's on the
farm."
Two hours later Mr. and Mrs. Henderson
drove away to be absent from home
until night.
Ned and Carrie were the only children.
Leaving Carrie in the house
alone, after they had considered for a
time whether there was any way of
averting old Dan's sad fate, Ned
shouldered his hoe and marched off to
his work, planting potatoes.
Time fled. The dishes stood in
shining rows upon the pantry shelves,
the bread had perished in the oven, and
Carrie was preparing the vegetables to
be boiled, when there came a faint
knock at the door. Supposing it to be
one of the neighbors, the little girl
said—
"Come in!"
The door was slowly opened and a
man stepped in. He wore a long black
coat, buttoned to the chin, and very
black and shiny, and much too short
for him. On one foot was a boot,
while the other was graced by a ragged
shoe. His face was long and solemn,
but quite red, his eyes beamed, his
hands very dirty, and altogether he
was a queer looking visitor.
"Is your ma at home, miss?" said he,
in a low whine, as he glanced sharply
about the room.
"No, sir," said Carrie, wondering
why he asked; "she has gone to
Underhill. Do you wish to see her?"
"Oh, no," the man replied, "I
only asked out of politeness, you
know," and he smiled solemnly at the
little girl, and winked one eye. "No,
I can't do business with your pa,
particular, urgent business. S'pose
he's round, is he not?"
"No, sir, he went to town with
mother," said Carrie.
"Now, that's too bad!" exclaimed
the visitor, as he seated himself, "and
I have come so far too see him! But
perhaps your brother or sister will do
as well."
"I haven't any sister," said the little
hostess, laughing, "and my brother's
over in the back lot. He'll be in,
though, if he'll do."
"Well, I don't think he hardly will
after all," said the man, shaking his
head thoughtfully; "and I can't wait
to-day anyway; I ain't the time. But
I'm terrible hungry; if I could, I'd
stay to dinner, miss. However, under
the circumstances, you had better give
me a light lunch before I go; a piece of
pie and a cup of tea, and a little cold
meat, or something of the sort."
"Oh, certainly, only I can't give you
the meat, for we haven't it in the
house," said Carrie, rising, "but I will
find something." And she brought
from the pantry a whole apple pie,
which she placed before him, with a
knife and fork.
"If you help yourself, I'll have the
tea ready in three minutes."
"All right, my dear," said the man,
seizing the knife and drawing the pie
toward him. "I will eat upon your
slices. The last time I took dinner
with general Grant," he continued, as
he cut a great piece and began to eat,
he said to me, 'governor, governor,'
said he, 'never disregard a lady's
advice,' and I have always remembered
what he said; and he checked merrily,
and nodded his head at the delicious
looking pastry before him.
Carrie watched a little at the table
manners of the man who had dined
with Grant, but she stepped his tea,
flavored it with rich cream and sugar,
and passed it to him.
"I ain't much of a hand for tea,"
said the man, "but my doctor says I
must drink it for my digestion. Ruled
my question while I was in the
army, you see," and he winked solemnly.
"By the way," he continued,
picking up the silver teaspoon from his
saucer, "have you any more of these?
They are as neat a pattern as I ever
saw, and odd, too. I should like to see
the rest of the dozen, if you have them."
"Mother has only eleven," said Carrie
in her innocence, "and she is very
proud of them; but I will show them
to you."
Then she brought the little box with
the precious table silver—eleven teapoons,
four tablespoons and an ancient
cream-jug—all pure silver, and shining
brightly—and placed them before her
inquisitive visitor to admire.
He had finished his "right lunch."
That is, the pie was demolished and the
teapot empty. As the little girl
handed him the treasures, he arose,
took the box to the window, examined
its contents with a critical eye for a
moment, and then as if in joyful surprise
cried:
"I am right! They are the very
spoons! The very same identical
spoons that my friend Ned used when
he was a boy! How lucky it is that I
have found them at last!"
With these words, and a very low
bow, the rascal opened the door and
slipped away with the spoons and silver
cream pitcher down the path toward
the gate.
For a moment Carrie stood motionless,
then, rushing after him, she
shouted:
"Give me those spoons! They are
my mother's spoons, and you are trying
to steal them! Just as you are a thief!
Bring them back!"
The man, however, paid no attention
to the child's cries, but ran rapidly
down the path, carrying the box in
his arms; and the spoons and pitcher
had not been seen for ever since a new
party had not appeared on the scene.
Old Dan was slowly nibbling the
grass near the gateway. Hearing his
little mistress's voice, he looked up at
the very instant the tramp passed.
What he saw about the man that
disturbed him, is not known, but ere
his head with a hoarse "Ba-a-a!"
he shot after him like a cannon ball.
The man turned to receive him and
defend himself but the ram struck him
fairly in front, knocking him flat on
his back, rendering him nearly senseless,
and scattering the silver in all directions.
For an instant the fellow remained
sprawling in the dust, then he slowly
rose, limping and groaning, and without
a glance at his enemy began to
gather up his stolen spoons.
He had hardly completed this task,
when old Dan, who had been watching
all the proceedings from behind his
shaggy eyebrows, shook his long beard,
and with another tremendous "Ba-a-a!"
dashed at him again, and over he went
a second time.
And now began a strange battle.
With cries of rage and pain, the man
recovered his feet and turned upon the
ram, kicking and striking at him furiously,
while Dan, accustomed to such
warfare from years of experience with
the boys of the country-side, easily
eluded him, and in return batted him
to the earth again and again.
The spoons and cream pitcher were
knocked hither and thither, as the
combattants struggled, the road was
trampled into something like a racetrack,
the air was filled with very bad
language, very angry bass and a cloud
of dust.
But after some five minutes' victory
declared itself upon the side of the
tramp, and he, bruised and bleeding,
with clothes in rags, minus hat and
shoes, the vanquished man suddenly
turned away and ran limping down
the road, leaving his antagonist in full
possession of the field and the stolen
silver.
Old Dan remained motionless, gazing
after his enemy until he disappeared
around a sudden turn in the road;
then, shaking the dust from his coarse
coat, he gave utterance to a low growl
of satisfaction, and, wagging his
tail, he returned to his dinner in front
of the house.
Half an hour later, as Carrie washed
the coveted spoons and the bright little
pitcher and laid them carefully away
in her room, she told the story to her
brother, and how the rascal was killed
and Ned, full of enthusiasm, cried:
"We will not kill old Dan at all, for
I do not believe father would shoot him
now for a hundred dollars."
And the boy was right. The old

man wore more than he knew when he
got the tramp and conquered him.
He won his master's regard, and a free,
happy life the remainder of his days.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE PRESS.—The
newspaper press does a great deal of
good. There is no doubt of the truth
of this assertion. For example, what
would truck-makers do if there were
no newspapers—the supply of new
poems being notoriously insufficient to
line one-fourth of the annual truck
crop. What would the Vassar girls do
without those invaluable *Tribune* extras,
which conveniently combine stiffness,
elasticity and lightness? Then,
newspapers, that is to say the better
class of them, sometimes contain information
of real value. A striking instance
of this is afforded by the recent
publication of the story of the Massachusetts
man who was encouraged to Tennessee,
and preserved his chickens by conveying
his chicken-coop into a colored citizen
trap. His example had just been
followed, with some difference of
detail, by a New England lady, residing
in North Carolina, and she has since
declared that had she not read the
Times she never would have thought
of planning a colored trap.

Miss Turner, the lady in question,
was of the school-teaching species.
She went to North Carolina soon after
the civil war, and took charge of the
Jonesville district school. She was
between 40 and 50, and her reputation
for fairness and decision of character
in connection with the kitchen
poker made her a terror to tramps and
evil-doers generally. While she could
not be said to be actually popular, she
was not disliked by the Jonesville people,
except, of course, by the poorer
class of negroes, to whom she gave
food and tracts, and who naturally
regarded her as a hard and unfeeling
person.

The pleasant little cottage in which
Miss Turner lived alone, without even
a servant, had a small yard attached to
it, which seemed eminently adapted
to chicken culture. Miss Turner had
made several attempts to keep chickens,
but the magnism of the colored
element was altogether too strong, and
she had definitely abandoned the
undertaking when she read of the Massachusetts
man's trap. It was clear to her
that whatever could be done by
the aid of a trap was to be done
far better by an intelligent woman,
and accordingly she resolved to stock
her empty chicken house, and to set a
new and original trap. After much
thought, she hit upon the plan of a
noose trap. She procured a long rope,
which she passed through a pulley
placed on the limb of a tree near the
chicken-house. To one end of the rope
was attached a weight of two hundred
pounds, and to the other end a noose,
and the weight was so arranged that
it should pull on the noose would cause it
to slip into the air, dragging with it
the unfortunate colored man whose un-
lawful foot had entered it.

One afternoon she received a supply
of chickens, which she placed in the
chicken-house, making no effort to
control the admittance of the negroes.
Just before dark she set her trap and
repeatedly tested it by poking the noose
with a stick. Every time the noose
was poked the weight fell, and the stick
was caught and hoisted some ten feet
clear of the ground. Confident that
the trap would prove a success, she
retired and went back to her house.

About 9 o'clock that evening she
fancied that she heard a noise in the yard,
and it occurred to her that some one
might be prowling about the chicken
house. She therefore laid aside her
copy of "Edwards and the Will," took
up the poker, and crept stealthily into
the yard. It was a bright moonlight
night, but no one was visible, and, after
making sure that her chickens were
safe, she was about to return to her
bedroom, when she accidentally stepped
upon the fatal noose.

The trap did credit to her inventive
genius. The noose caught her by both
ankles, and in an instant she
found herself swinging with her head
just clear of the ground. With great
presence of mind she put her hands on
the ground, and thus in some measure
relieved her ankles of the strain of her
entire weight. It was, however, im-
possible for her to release herself, and
it was with difficulty that she could
either breathe or see.

There was clearly nothing to be done
but to wait until some early chicken-
stealer should arrive, and to appeal
to him for aid. Mr. Turner did not
have long to wait. By half-past 9 Mr.
Hannibal Blue approached the yard on
chickens' feet, but of an unfortunately
timorous mind. When he came in

sight of the mysterious and appalling
spectacle presented by Miss Turner,
he remarked "Golly!" in accents of
great terror, and fled away, convinced
that he had seen a ghost, while Miss
Turner, with a voice sufficed by emotion
and daniel, in vain besought him
to come back.

Meeting a dozen of his fellow-citizens,
who were on their way to the
chicken-house, Mr. Blue explained that
he had been driven away by a peculiarly
frightful ghost, dressed entirely in
white and holding both its arms
upright above its head. He could not,
however, induce his friends to share his
fears, and strong in the consciousness
of numbers, they pursued their way to
Miss Turner's yard. At the first sight
of the alleged ghost they were unhesitatingly
alarmed, but finding that it did
not attack them, they gained courage
and drew nearer. In time they recog-
nized Miss Turner's voice, and were
able to comprehend that she had been
hoisted by her own petard, that is to
say, noose.

Some men in like circumstances
would have left the unhappy chicken
proprietor to pass the night in misery.
Not so did those kindly colored men.
They first carefully removed all the
chickens, and then investigated the
contents of the kitchen ladder and the
smoke house. Having thus done their
whole duty, they explained to Miss
Turner that they would send her a
colored lady to release her within the next
half hour, and then bade her a respectful
farewell, confident that in the circum-
stances she could not identify her
benefactors. They kept their word,
and before 11 o'clock Mrs. Dinah
Washington arrived and lowered Miss
Turner carefully to the ground, un-
injured, except by a few slight bruises,
and a somewhat excessive tendency
of blood to the head.

This teaches us the value of the
newspaper press as a disseminator of
useful knowledge, and conveys besides,
a useful and affecting moral.

THUR LACINO.—The circumference
of the waist in a woman of medium
height and dimensions measures, on an
average—when not crumpled and dis-
torted—about thirty inches, but it
may measure no more than twenty
inches, and sometimes even much less.
Now, when comes, in the latter
cases, of the several organs contained
within the chest and abdomen? They
are, of course, compressed and pushed
and squeezed out of their natural
shapes, and made to protrude in places
where they have no business, because
never meant to occupy such places. It
was intended by nature, as a matter of
course, that the chest and abdomen
should respectively hold their various
contents in their allotted and relative
positions, occupying certain portions
of space, and having ample room for
the due performance of their individual
duties, without that jostling and inter-
ference with one another which neces-
sarily accompanies disorder and bad
arrangement. But, on the other hand,
there is no vacuum or empty space in
either of the two cavities—there is no
region without its own particular organ
or part; and each organ or part
thoroughly provided by nature with ample
room for the useful and unobstructed
discharge of its special function, has
not yet much to spare. When, then,
any one particular organ is, by the
system of tight lacing, etc., unduly
squeezed upon and pushed and pressed,
it must, like a man in a crowd—since
he cannot get out of the way—be seriously
impeded in his movements, and its
important duties imperfectly discharged
to the no small injury and suffering
sooner or later of the foolish self-tor-
turer. And this in proportion to the
natural pressure and squeezing to
which the organ has had to submit.
The excessive crumpling, however, which
results from this method to be de-
plored, as well as the consequences
arising from it, is not confined to one
organ only, but it is transmitted to
those lying in its immediate proximity
—these having to bear the pressure
from the organs which are directly im-
plicated, though they themselves may
be entirely removed from the direct
load. The practice of tight lacing
brings about this crushing and displace-
ment of organs most completely and
effectually—hampering and thwarting
them in the performance of their as-
signed and indispensable duties, and
with the consequent production of a
whole host of very serious troubles,
and as a result of real and grave diseases,
which are far too natural diseases, indeed,
which so thoroughly displace and jam
and wedge together so great a number
of the internal organs, and so generally
affect the system, as to be generally
fatal.

disseminate among them incapacity for
the discharge of their multifarious du-
ties, as does this positively sinful prac-
tice of tight lacing. Shortness of
breath, congestion, and even inflammation
of the lungs, congestion of the
liver, of the kidneys, etc., palpitation
and subsequent diseases of the heart,
fatigues, bronchitis, indigestion, jaundice,
obstruction of the bowels, erysipelas,
etc., are a few only of the many evils
arising from the custom which we so
emphatically condemn; a list,
one would think, quite formidable
enough to cause the most thoughtful
and the most fashion-beridden subject
to immediately renounce all allegiance
to a practice so fraught with mischief;
and one, moreover, which has not a
single redeeming point, even in the oc-
casional foolish eyes of the sterner
sex, in its favor.

NOT SO VANDASZ AS HE LOOKS.—
The other day, as a keen-looking busi-
ness man, with his hat worn on the
nape of his neck, was standing on
Clark street, a simple, gawky looking
country lad of nineteen, with a big en-
velope in his hand, and his mouth and
eyes wide open, came sauntering along,
looking anxiously at all the signs,
which he was apparently spelling out,
and desiring to do a friendly turn to a
stranger, said to the boy:
"Hi, sonny, what are you looking
for? Let me see that letter."
"No, I can't let you have that let-
ter," the boy's bonds in it," said the boy;
"but p'raps you can tell me where Mr.
Mr. Smith lives around here. The
boss told me the number, but I've for-
gotten it, and the letter has got bonds
in it, so I ain't to give it to anybody
but him."
"Why I've been waiting for you
this half hour," said the keen busi-
ness man, as his face brightened up;
"waiting for you to bring those bonds
which I bought of What's-his-name."
"Be you Mr. Smith," said the boy;
well, no, I'm so glad I met you, be-
cause I clean forgot to was the num-
ber where the boss said you lived, and
I wouldn't have liked to go back to
him without finding you; it would
have looked as if I were careless."
With these remarks the lad took
out a big envelope marked: "J. B.
Smith, Esq., Present," in the upper
corner "\$2,500 U. S. 5-20's" and in
the lower corner "Commission due, \$5.
Please remit by bearer."
"That's all right sonny," said the
keen looking business man, as he laid
out a scantily furnished purse, gave
the lad a \$5 bill and a quarter, and
said:
"There, sonny, that quarter is to re-
ward you for your cleverness and fidelity."
"Putting the envelope in his breast
pocket, he walked leisurely around the
corner, ran to Dearborn street with
the speed of a deer, skipped lightly around
to Madison, and, halting a car, was
whisked away to a comparatively light-
ing speed. Not till he had reached
Union Park did he draw the precious
envelope from his pocket, and with the
remark: "Pray heaven they are not
registered!" tears it open. He then
found that the envelope contained a
copy of the *Chicago Tribune*, which
he could have purchased at the office
for 5 cents.
Meanwhile the simple country lad
entered a saloon in the vicinity of the
Sherman house, has absorbed a beer,
sattered away the \$5 bill with seven
others in his pocketbook, and with the
remark, "The fish is biting rather nu-
merously to-day," takes another big
envelope from his pocket and once
more sallied forth in search of a
looking business man.—*Chicago Trib-*

THE CHARM OF THE JOKE.—A
mischance boy had laid a trap in his
mother's drawing room to make her
visitors come indignantly into his
presence. One of them tumbling over
the unseen cot, rose to his feet trem-
bling and furious. "Oh," said the
foolishly indulgent mother, "do pardon
dear little Tommy; he is full of inno-
cent mischief, but without an atom of
malice. He's very cream of im-
mense." The angry guest replied: "Of
all cream, I would prefer, in this case,
whipped cream."
A hand holding a bottle from which
electric rays proceed, and on which is
inscribed "Thomas' Electric Oil," is
the trade-mark of the renowned specific
for outward-hurts, and pain in the
limbs, affections of the throat and
lungs, piles, bowels and liver complaints,
kidney and other troubles, discovered
by an eminent physician years ago,
and called after him—Dr. Thomas'
Electric Oil. See advertisement. For
sale by C. H. Kirkwood.

HARDWARE!
CUTLERY,
Stoves, Nails, Etc.,
TIN, SHEET IRON AND COPPER
WARE.

The most complete stock of Goods in the
Hardware Line to be found in the City.
MAIN STREET. (1877) ISHPEMING, MICH.

THE WEEKLY AGITATOR.

ISHPEMING, MICHIGAN, APRIL 24.

The Carp River furnace is being supplied with two boilers.

The report reaches us that Gibson & Doyle have made a discovery of specular ore on lands owned by Ambrose Campbell, about a mile southeast of the Republic.

Born the Excelsior and Deer Lake furnaces are running steadily and gradually increasing their daily production, and both are fully meeting the expectations of the owners.

The Republic company have been shipping ore to Cleveland via Escanaba during the past week, this step being necessary in order to fill existing contracts which could not await the opening of the Lake Superior route. About 3,000 tons in all will be shipped over that route.

The Bessemer mine is in splendid condition for a handsome season's work, though just at present very little in the way of mining and hoisting ore is being done on account of the "blowing out" process to which all hematite mines are subject at this season of the year. Shipments from the mine commenced Tuesday.

This discovery made some time ago by the Pioneer company on the property of the Jackson, continues to improve as greater progress is made. The opening has been provided with a derrick for hoisting purposes, and a good wagon road has been made to the mine. The ore is hauled direct to the Pioneer furnaces and smelter.

A new mining company, to be known as the Pine River Iron company, has been organized in this city within the past week or two. The property owned by the company is situated on the Wisconsin side of the Menominee river, forms part of the Menominee range, and is said to be very promising.

A CHANGE has occurred in the management of the Penfill mine, situated near the union depot, Negaunee, the lease under which it was operated by the McComber company having expired, and the mine reverted back to the original owner, who now it bears. What disposition Mr. Penfill intends to make of it we are unable to definitely state, but it is more than probable he will work the property himself, for the present season, at least.

A LOCKY strike was made on the McComber property last week by a Swede miner, who was doing some exploring on his "own hook." The find is on the hill just west of the old Grand Central mine, and is said to be a valuable one. At the suggestion of the discoverer, Morse Bros. entered into a contract with the McComber company to mine the ore at so much per ton, and have already commenced work, a cut being driven into the side of the hill through which the ore can be economically taken out.

A PRELIMINARY survey of the proposed extension of M. H. & O. railroad, from near Michigamme to the Ontonagon river, has been completed, and the engineers are now engaged in preparing their report to be submitted to the board of directors of the company. It is stated that a perfectly feasible route has been found, and that the distance is only forty miles. That the company intend completing its line at an early day admits of no doubt, and we would not be at all surprised to hear of active work being begun within the next few months.

The shipping season, so far, at least, as the port of Escanaba is concerned, is now fairly inaugurated, a large fleet of vessels having loaded and cleared during the past week. The ore now being sent forward comes mostly from the hard ore mines adjacent to Ishpeeming, though some of the more convenient hematite mines have also commenced. By the end of next week shipping will have been commenced from Marquette and L'Anse, and the activity of the railroads increased accordingly. A prohibition at this time as to the product of the season's work could hardly be placed at less than 1,500,000 tons, and would probably be safer at 2,000,000.

The different surveying parties on D. M. & O. railway line are making rapid success. Party No. 2, in charge of Mr. Picton, located at Au Train River, has been obliged to discontinue work for the present, owing to high water in streams and swamps over and through which they have to pass. No. 1 party, in charge of Mr. Briggs will finish its section in two or three weeks. Chief Engineer McKinnon has gone to Mackinac to look after Mr. Armstrong's party, whose work is also nearly completed. The opening of navigation will undoubtedly give the contractors all the men they can employ, and en-

able them to procure supplies along the line with greater ease and convenience.

The Northern Iron company's furnace, situated at Harvey, three miles south of Marquette, was sold at public sale Monday last, the purchaser being Mr. J. M. Wilkinson, and the consideration \$500, subject to encumbrances. We learn that there is a fair prospect of the furnace again going into blast, after having enjoyed an illness of thirteen years, having shut down in the spring of 1871. In 1873 the stack was changed from a charcoal to a bituminous furnace, new machinery added, and everything got in readiness to resume the blast, but the panic or some other obstruction, caused the company to again suspend work, since which time nothing whatever has been done on the location. The property is in a good state of preservation, and can be started up at a comparatively small outlay. That it should be a consumption devoutly to be wished.

MARQUETTE.

The circuit court will adjourn *sine die*, Monday next.

Mr. A. R. Fay, of Houghton, was visiting friends in this city during the week.

Tugs are steaming around in the bay, and it looks as if Marquette was to get a nip at the boom.

Now see that the back yards and alleys are cleaned up. Cleanliness is a virtue that should be possessed by every resident of the city.

The ore pockets of the Cleveland block are filled with ore ready to ship on the arrival of the first vessel, which is expected within the next week.

That part of the Hurley block on the corner of Front and Superior streets, is to be occupied by Edward Hogan, who will run a saloon.

Shepard, the Chicago florist, who makes annual trips to this section, is again in town with a most beautiful collection of plants. He can be found at Westlake & Bronson's ordinaries.

Married—Richard Barney and Miss Lizzie Wheeler, both of this city, on Wednesday last. No cards. Harry Vigers and Miss Ellen Treatley, also of Marquette, on Wednesday, by the Rev. E. R. Bishop.

A necktie party, under the auspices of several of the young ladies of this place, was held at the residence of George Wagner, on Tuesday evening last. The affair was a success in every particular, and a good time was had until the small hours, when "the day began to break."

Samuel Cooney was brought before Judge Hardy, Wednesday, under a warrant issued by one Greenwood. The boy, it seems, had been engaged in a game of ball, the day previous, when some dispute arose between them about the game, which ended in blows and the breaking of Greenwood's arm—the arrest.

John E. Ward, county treasurer, and captain of Co. G, 3rd Regt. M. S. T., left for Bay City on Monday to attend an election of a colonel for the regiment in the place of O. F. Lockhead, resigned. The boys of Co. G. are sanguine of their captain's election to the colonelcy.

J. P. Penfill's delivery team took a lively run down Front street on Monday. Just as they got opposite Markwell's clothing store they turned to the right, the tongue of the wagon striking against the railroad bridge girders, making a dent in it about a foot deep, and a half deep. Luckily, no damage was done.

Hon. Peter White and family are expected to arrive home to-day, having arrived in New York city last week. They have been absent in Europe for the past eight months, and people here had just begun to think he had forgotten that there was such a place as Marquette.

Harvey B. Whipple, of the engineer corps, D. M. & O. Ry., and one of the most genial and whole-souled young men to be found anywhere, is again pursuing his duties out on the line, and is stationed with his friends under Mr. Briggs. His many friends in this city miss his smiling countenance.

We will comply with the request of a local paper and correct the injustice done by us to Mr. Reed, when we spoke of his connection with the Bart House affair, if we fear the correction we make will not be as acceptable to him as he might wish. We will say that the horse was not kept in Mr. Reed's barn for treatment, as before stated, and that it will be correct. Whether he was kept in Mr. Reed's barn or not does not figure in the case whatever. The question was not with reference to his keeping, but to his treatment. Mr. Reed himself admits that he was called to Mr. Bart's barn, that he took the horse out with a chain on the head, and that the horse was not yet quite dead when he arrived, although he had been pronounced dead by the Bart family horse doctor. Now,

the manner in which the horse was dragged out, and the length of time that he lived after Mr. Reed's arrival to the barn, is the rock upon which we split. We will say that we have numbers of witnesses to bear us out in every material particular, with reference to the manner in which the horse was dragged. That he did at times lift himself from the ground as far as his strength would permit, to prevent his being tortured further, and did not raise one hind leg, drop it, and expire. With reference to the length of time he lived after he was taken from the barn, we will inform Mr. Reed that had he remained at the place where the horse was left, for an hour, he, as well as others who were there about that time, might have seen the horse pawing the snow under and around him, and that he laid long enough so that the heat of his body melted the snow about him nearly to the ground before he died. We say nothing now, and have said nothing about Mr. Reed's skillfulness and kindness in his treatment of horseflesh in other instances, neither do we care, but have confined ourselves to this one instance. We would ask Mr. Reed to answer these questions: Why did he and the "doctor" drag the horse with the chain around his neck if he knew that the horse was not yet dead? Did he know that the horse would raise one hind leg and expire as soon as they began to drag him out? Was it humane; was it kind treatment of horseflesh to do as he admits he did, knowing that the horse was not yet dead?

MONTANA MINES AND MINING.

As this is the initial letter from my pen, and as others will probably follow, describing the mineral wealth of this and our sister territory, Idaho, I shall not confine myself to any particular mine or mining district. About the 15th of April or the 1st of May, I expect to start out and visit every mine and mining camp of any importance, and my letters will be written from actual observation and inspection of the mines described. Montana, as many of your readers well know, has been from the time of the first discovery of gold within its borders up to the present time, too remote from civilization to be easy of access. Although twenty years has elapsed since the whites first began settling the territory, to-day the population does not exceed 30,000 persons. The territory embraces over 92 million acres, interspersed with mountain ranges, valleys and hills, and with in its borders lies the source of the Missouri and Columbia rivers. This season the Utah Northern narrow-gauge railroad will penetrate the territory about 150 miles south, and it is expected that, on the east, the Northern Pacific will be pushed forward to Miles City, at the mouth of Tongue river, on the Yellowstone. Our day of isolation is therefore nearly past. We welcome the iron lanes that unite us with the outside world.

We have mines here that need no puffing to sell them; they show for themselves. As a natural consequence of our country being so far removed from the line of travel, capital has been slow to make investment in our mines, although some has come. Like other mining countries, we have had our success and our failures, but the greater portion of our enterprising business men who have invested capital in Montana have been rewarded. One peculiarity I have noticed in Montana ores, the ease and cheapness of reduction, making available a low grade of mineral. Scattered all over the mining district of the territory, one sees the primitive arrastra, here run by an immense overshot wheel, there with eight power, and containing from one to eight grinding stones. By this slow and old-style process nearly every mine (except the galena mines) in the territory has been tested. The ores, both gold and silver, lying above water-level, are of such a free character that, with no other manipulations than pulverizing, as much as from 60 to 85 per cent. can be saved. Below the water-level, the ore is generally associated with baser metals and sulphur, and therefore requires roasting and chloridizing. I have known instances, however, where the ore continued free far below the water level.

Smelting is an important industry which, during the past year, has begun to assume promising proportions. The most unparalleled success of the Hecla Consolidated Mining and Smelting company, Glendale, in Beaverhead county, has influenced others to use that method for reducing the base or refractory ores. Last season a smelter was started at Butte City—a branch of Professor Hill's works, of Black Hawk, Colorado—and has been working copper, manganese, and galena ores very successfully. The New York Copper company, which has purchased several valuable copper-silver mines, has a smelter under way at Butte City, and will probably begin operations as soon as spring opens. There are several refining works connected with the

New Advertisements.

I BELIEVE YOU!

T. & P. J. NORTON

The Boss Clothiers of this or any other county, have just received the grandest stock of

CLOTHING

Ever brought to this Peninsula, from the best makers of the country, containing the best material with the very latest styles, which they are enabled to sell at old-time prices, and guarantee to fit you out with as noble a suit of clothes as can be had anywhere. In

HATS AND CAPS

The stock is more complete than ever, and sufficiently large to furnish the whole county. Any Hat or Cap, of any desired style, not found in the stock will be cheerfully ordered from the most experienced Hatters of Chicago or New York. The stock of

FURNISHING GOODS

Now on the shelves eclipses all previous efforts, and there is no article in their stock but what will add to the elegance of the toilet. Dealing exclusively in the above lines, our stock will be kept full at all times, making our store the most desirable in the county to select from. Our

Merchant Tailoring

Department is also complete, having received the same attention as the other departments. Perfect fits with first-class workmanship guaranteed in every case.

Remember the place, and call while the stock is new and complete. Corner Main and Pearl streets, Ishpeeming.

T. & P. J. NORTON.

OUR OPENING!

We respectfully invite the people of Ishpeeming and vicinity to call and look over our

NEW STOCK OF GOODS,

Which we fully believe eclipses all our previous efforts, and is equal to any to be found in the county.

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS,

DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,

CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS,

Boots, Shoes, Furnishing Goods, Crockery, Glassware, etc.

J. SELLWOOD'S NEW STORE,

POSTOFFICE BLOCK, OPPOSITE NELSON HOUSE.

C. H. SEABORG, Manager. 1st JOSEPH SELLWOOD, Prop.

above-mentioned works. At present they only reduce to a net.

Lode mining can only be considered in its infancy in Montana. For many years after the discovery of gold the "gum-booter," with his pick, shovel and pan, washed the rich dust from the gravel in the many places. Although many of the richer gulches have long ago been turned over to the Chinaman, there are thousands of acres of placer ground that will pay for decades to come. Yet the placer interest has subsided in a measure with the rapid developments of the lodes.

The first enterprise in reducing ores by stamp-mill process was tried near Bannock over a dozen years ago. The stamp-stems were made of wood and the wheels and dies of wagon tires shodded together. The next trial was at Phillipsburgh, where everything was made of wood. The first trial demonstrated that the wood was softer than the quartz. From this small beginning, one stamp mill after another has been built, until to-day the number of stamps keeping up their ceaseless pounding can be counted by the hundreds. The Alice, Silver Bow and Dexter, of Butte; the Algonquin, of Phillipsburgh; and several others we might mention, are models of beauty and convenience.

We have comparatively few mines represented on the stock-boards of the east; but when the railroads get a little closer to our doors, we expect the mining boom of Montana to commence.—Cor. Eng. and Mining Journal.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

A GOOD BUSINESS chance—I offer for sale my entire saloon stock and fixtures, with lease of building, known as Johnson's Billiard Hall, in the village of Michigamme, Marquette Co., Mich. The location is one of the best in the village, and the place is doing a good business. This is an excellent opportunity for any one wishing to engage in that business. The best of reasons given for selling. Enquire of A. A. JOHNSON, 28th Michigamme, Mich.

SPRING GOODS!

Now in stock and I invite your inspection.

FINE GOODS

MADE TO MEASURE. ISHPEMING, MICHIGAN. 267.

GI PRON AND IRON ORE,

No. 130 Water Street, Coal and Iron Exchange Building.

F. BRAASTAD & Co., Ishpeeming, Mich. 21st

Clothing, Dry Goods, Etc.

New Invoices of Spring Goods

Comprising the latest and best patterns, which we have not time to enumerate, are being received daily at the

ROCK STORE.

Every article in the old stock not suitable for the season has been laid aside, and customers can depend upon being shown nothing but what is

TASTY! GOOD! CHEAP!

As usual, our Grocery and Provision Department

STANDS WITHOUT A RIVAL

In point of variety, quality, excellence and purity of goods.

The Boot and Shoe Department is fully as well represented as ever, and

CONTAINS ALL STYLES

Known to the trade, and cannot fail to give the best satisfaction.

WILL FIND THE STOCK BETTER

And more complete than heretofore, it having received our best care.

An inspection of our different lines will convince all that the OLD RELIABLE ROCK STORE performs just what it promises and will use you well.

MYERS, WRIGHT & CO.

Miscellaneous.

THE BOOM HAS COME!

We have opened up a bright little store in Robbin's Block, on Cleveland avenue, formerly occupied by the Novelty store, which we have filled with new goods just from the market, consisting of

CHOICE GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS, FRESH CRACKERS AND CAKES, SWEET CONFECTIONERY,

Fine Fruits and Vegetables!

STYLISH DRY GOODS, FANCY NOTIONS, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

And everything that can be found in a first-class establishment. Don't fail to call and examine our stock. We will spare no pains in waiting on whoever may favor us with their patronage. Don't forget the spot—Robbin's Block. 27yr R. COULTER & CO.

PAPER

Everything you want at lowest figures. Call and examine. 1st ISHPEMING, MICH.

Boots & Shoes.

THE ONLY EXCLUSIVE BOOT & SHOE STORE ON LAKE SUPERIOR.

SPRING GOODS!

The Spring styles of Wall Paper are beautiful and very stylish, and to see the finest assortment in the county go to

F. P. TILLSON'S,

Who's samples are all made up and who takes great pleasure in showing them to you. My stock consists of

GILTS, BRONZES, SATINS, FLATS, FRIEZES, WHITE, BUFFS AND BROWN'S,

And an elegant line of Borders from one to ten bands wide. I have also a line of strictly pure Colored Lead in 15 different shades, all ready for use. Give me a call before buying.

21st F. P. TILLSON.

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CITY AND COUNTY.

HEMATITE.

Will we have our Fourth of July on the 3d or 4th? Is it the poundmaster's job? If so why is he?

The speaker told cannot be weighed with money. The old wood underneath isn't kicked about such yet.

The spring rains are coming out on the elbows and knees. The book agent is among us, and diners are late and floors unwarped.

The men who said "Look not upon the girl when her hair is red," could not see the girl. The speaker can soon have a chance to get into his shell and lay in the little bed for about four months.

Something will be burnt up at the Milwaukee house if they don't handle stocks, a little more carefully. Not a hydrocarbon explosion in the country for a whole month, and four factories in full blast. Somebody is neglecting his duties.

The house that built itself in all directions, and the stator is happy; but the man who gave a Penechale glass for an ill at ease. We want to see you, Mr. Yee, as you are found it yet, but are willing to sell cheap, for cash, and the purchaser can't put it up at the moment.

We have been called a "striped" in the columns of the Neganue paper. By heavens! "Striped" doesn't "Guesse you got hold of the wrong spot."

It is said that industry tends to happiness. It is said that industry tends to happiness. It is said that industry tends to happiness.

The meeting for fully organizing the Ishpeming Baseball association for the month of Esch is held at the hall on Monday evening next. All who take an interest in the game should not fail to attend.

WM. MCKELLY'S horse and dry arrived Wednesday last, and since that time has been kept quite busy. He is an energetic young man, deservedly popular, and will most assuredly meet with success in his new departure.

C. McNAMARA, proprietor of the pioneer hardware shop, carries the largest stock in his line in the city. He has just received a large and elegant lot of trunks and valises, which he is offering at prices that cannot be beaten.

The members of the Good Templars' lodge of this city, are to give a grand supper at their hall on Wednesday evening next. The affair is to be indulged in only by members of the order above named and those of other temperance organizations.

NORTON has a change in his advertisement this week, which people in want of fine clothing should not fail to notice. He has just got in his spring stock, and it is no pretension to say that it is the largest and best which he has yet offered to the Ishpeming public.

Miss N. McKENNA returned to the city last week from Chicago, where she spent some weeks. Her spring stock of millinery, selected with great care, has since been daily arriving, and her store now looks as neat as a new pin. The ladies will please call and examine for themselves.

G. H. ARTHUR & Co., merchant tailors, corner of Main and Third streets, avenue, are at present doing a rushing business, as they should. They have in stock a large and excellent variety of fine piece goods, employ none but the best workmen, and never fail to give satisfaction.

The culinary department of the Commercial house is being improved by the introduction of a new improved cooking range, which will prove to be a great convenience, and enable Mr. Choquet to more readily provide for the great number of persons who make the Commercial their home.

The Nelson house grounds are being cleared of the sheds and rubbish, walls built, new fence built, and every vestige of the fire which destroyed the old barn removed, and a general air of neatness made to pervade the premises. It is the proper thing for everybody to do at this season of the year.

J. O. ST. CLAIR & Co., are receiving spring stock by the car load, and will in a short time be in readiness to exhibit to the astonished gaze of the people of this section a store full of goods, the like of which they never saw before. They are a large and steady business, and are constantly increasing their trade.

MONDAY last witnessed a heavy rain shower in this city, though only a few minutes duration, and Wednesday evening we were favored with a heavy fall of snow. The weather, as a general thing, is very pleasant, the air is cool and bracing, and it may be said that the season of spring, in all its beauty, is with us at last.

ESLABROG, Charles Kirkpatrick, the popular druggist, corner Main and Third streets, Cleveland avenue, is adding an addition to his store, which he intends to fill with a stock of mixed paints, oils, etc. It is desirous to note his extensive and increasing business, and we would not be sorry to see it expand until it covered the entire block.

A NEW millinery store was opened in the rooms over D. F. Wadsworth & Co.'s, a goods being the property of the proprietors, and such like is rather high up to be admired with any degree of comfort by lady passers-by. The proprietors of the new establishment will undoubtedly do a good business.

JAMES BELLWOOD has something new to offer to the people of this city in his to-day's paper. His store is one of the largest in the city, and the stock about as large and complete in every particular as it is possible to make it. H. S. Senberg, manager of the house, allows no customer to go away dissatisfied, but is sure to please you all.

THE IRON CHINA COMPANY.

The Iron China company commenced paying yesterday and will finish today. The city of Marquette will be credited with the proceeds of the sale of the company's property, which can be formed from the fact that it requires two days in each month to pay its employees.

It is more than probable that at least two brick business blocks will be erected in the city during the coming summer, and by individuals whose business qualifications are such as to reflect great credit upon the town as a business place.

J. P. Penfold has been charged of the Penfold mine, the lease of the McArthur having expired, and has at present quite a force employed to develop the property. The mine continues to develop in richness and will undoubtedly prove a source of profit to the owner.

The first step in the great political drama to be enacted this fall, so far as Marquette county is concerned, is to be taken on Wednesday next, when the regular county convention for the selection of delegates to the state convention, is to be held at Ishpeming. Neganue is entitled to six delegates.

We are pleased to note the reappearance on our streets, of city recorder E. J. Brown, who has been many months confined to his room during the past winter by illness. His recovery is now almost complete, and he has again taken hold of his business with his former vigor.

David Foley, who has been rusticated in the far west for the past three years, returned to the parental roof last Saturday. Dave has traveled over most of the country, and has been made a member of the Grand Army of the Republic during his absence, remaining in its western chapters at Leadville, Dave and Pryor will hereafter conduct the beer business carried on by the "old man" in which they are bound to succeed if popularity is any criterion of success.

A number of Neganue men have associated themselves together and formed a company for the exploration of what is known as the "Iron Range," Washington north of Teal Lake and extending to the western limits of the county. The indications are that if ore is found at all it will be of the hard variety, the formation of which they are bound to be identical with that of the Champlain and other valuable prospects.

The new company have obtained favorable leases of land from the railroad company, in the form of a guarantee company, was in the city a couple days the past week.

C. M. Merryweather and lady, of Stoneville, arrived home Tuesday last, after having spent a couple weeks in cities west of the city.

Prof. C. A. Fohman left the city yesterday's train for Chicago, where he goes to buy stock for his new music store. He was accompanied by Minnie Marter, who is attending a school of music at Chicago.

Byron Jones, Esq., of Neganue, paid his respects to the AGITATOR office yesterday. Mr. Jones' fellow-citizens showed their appreciation of his services by presenting him to the office of city recorder at the recent election, and by an exceedingly handsome majority, too.

Will A. Jellison, the genial and open-hearted bonifier of the National hotel, Marquette, was in the city the fore part of the week, and, of course, made a call at the office. Jell's fame as a landlord is rapidly spreading, and if he doesn't stop and attend to his duties, because the public can't appreciate good treatment.

NEGATIVE. Navigation still remains closed on Teal Lake. Some your seats for Clifford's entertainment early.

The Bessemer commenced shipping on Tuesday last. Clifford Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of next week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kirkpatrick have been spending the past week in Chicago, and their return may be expected to-morrow.

H. J. Colwell, our former townsmen, returned from Kansas the past week, and will again resume business, either in the city or at the famous mining range.

Charles Peter Olson, brother of August Olson, with his family, arrived in the city last week, direct from Sweden, and will take up his residence in this county.

Scena is everlastingly raving on the new hotel. The work of putting in the gas water and steam pipes is nearly complete, and the plastering well under way.

The hall fever does not seem to have struck our boys as yet this spring. There is, however, ample time for a large crop.

It is stated, however truthfully we are unable to say, that the running time of the M. & C. P. will be changed to-morrow. The present arrangement is certainly inconvenient.

The present system of running trains the passenger trains north and south and east and west passing here, makes this about the liveliest point in the city, and Neganue is greatly benefited thereby.

The Red Foot store led the trade in a few of strawberries this season, having received the first invoice last Saturday. They came in by the way from Mississippi, and retailed at 50 cents per box.

The season's amusement among railroad people was inaugurated Tuesday by dishing some twenty odd cars loaded with the "old man" below the city on the Northwestern road.

Mrs. Della Kruse, who, nearly a year ago, entered St. Mary's convent at Milwaukee, returned to the home of her parents in this city a very young woman, and necessitating a change.

S. F. Gilmore, the irrepressible restaurateur, was in the city one day the past week, having come direct from Minneapolis, by feeling around a buzz saw which he is disposing of very rapidly and at reasonable prices. Julia's and Deser's of the uptown block, and Deser's of the east side block, are receiving.

John McGrath, a resident of Spurr, arrived in the city on Monday last, with a car load of new potatoes, which he is disposing of very rapidly and at reasonable prices. Julia's and Deser's of the uptown block, and Deser's of the east side block, are receiving.

THE AGITATOR LEARNS WITH REGRET.

THE AGITATOR learns with regret of the death of the late Mr. C. H. Kirkwood, of this city. She has been illing for some weeks, but not ill a few days ago was her condition considered at all dangerous. That an all-wise Providence may spare her to her home and to her loved one, and speedily restore her to her former health and cheerfulness, is the earnest wish of all who enjoy her acquaintance.

MR. FRANK AUSTIN has closed his affairs in this section and on Thursday last left, with his family, for Howard, Wis., where he will take up his abode, having already purchased a residence (dwelling) in that city. He has also purchased an improved farm in that city, and he will no doubt be engaged in raising and market gardening. Inhabiting people will always hear with pleasure of Mr. AUSTIN'S success.

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REMON has it that Mr. P. Oudekrick, who has during the past five years so well and acceptably filled the position of engineer of the city fire steamer, is about to resign his charge with the intention of engaging in business in the city. Peter himself is somewhat reticent in regard to the matter, but if he does continue to leave the fire department and start a business, his chances of being successful beyond that he will meet with the most signal success in his new departure.

NOW that the new council has got fairly down to business, and the old street commissioner, who did such good service last year, has received his appointment at his hands, may not we be permitted to forward to the speedy inauguration of a general system of street and sidewalk cleaning, and also to the repair of the streets, but there are places here and there which badly need attention, and that right speedily. Set the ball rolling, gentlemen!

THE residents of Deer Lake are of an agricultural turn of mind, and a number of them are engaged in blasting operations on the mountain side. In the neighborhood, to prepare them for the season of plant growing, now so nearly upon us. A few dollars expended in garden seeds, and a few more in an hour or so of extra labor each evening, for a month or two this season of the year, by the laboring men of this section, would return to them next fall increased by at least ten fold.

THE fire department held their regular monthly meeting on Monday evening last. W. F. Swift, Esq., tendered his resignation as foreman of the company, which being accepted, Mr. Leary, the former first assistant foreman, was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. W. H. Root was then elected first assistant. Three new members were admitted, and one stricken from the roll for nonattendance. A report of the fire which occurred during the months of February and March, and thus far in April, with the amount of loss, was read, and the meeting adjourned.

THE Old Rock store continues to be as popular as ever, and the amount of business done there, and the number of people flocking to it, is a large number of clerks who are constantly kept busy, is wonderful to behold. The largest spring stock that ever graced the interior of the Old Rock has just been received and put in place, and is being sold as rapidly as possible. At the clothing store of the establishment, too, in McKay's block, all is bustle and activity. With a large stock of goods, and varieties in piece goods, and a large and competent force of workmen, the merchant tailoring department never fails to give satisfaction.

ON Monday evening last quite a few rumpus occurred at the Milwaukee house, and the party of people who rushed wildly through the streets in search of the officers. Night policemen Harbour and Quinn at once went to the scene, but the party of people, who were a number of persons, had vacated the premises—vanished, as it were. Before going, however, they had maulled a policeman who was in the house at the time, and left a row of eggs with the proprietor in the shape of a broken mirror and broken window glass and bar fixtures, besides throwing the stove down, nearly setting the place on fire. The parties were not discovered, consequently no arrests were made.

FOUR—On Monday morning last, on the Northwestern railroad track, by the pretty attacks of the AGITATOR office, a beautiful and costly, ivory-handled parasol, or youthful umbrella, belonging to the property of a young lady, was found. The aged lady, p. will take exquisite pleasure in restoring the said parasol to its former owner upon application at a certain hour. The reward for proof of ownership. Otherwise it will be folded up and put away among other souvenirs of our youthful days.

THE Escanaba Iron and Steel of the 17th, comes to us in a new and enlarged form, having been printed on a new Taylor cylinder press which the enterprising proprietors, Messrs. W. D. and J. R. Taylor, have just added to their already very complete establishment. The paper now is a six column quarto, neatly printed, and containing large live reading matter, and generally, that is to say, the paper is a most excellent paper, though still bearing a friendly relationship to "the lands," and should be considered the liberal patronage which it fully deserves from the residents of the town in which it is printed.

N. VORLAWER, formerly the agent in this county for the sale of the same, has again taken the agency for Schlitz' Milwaukee lager beer, and one day during the past week received a horse and wagon from the brewer, which are to be used in the delivery of the beer. If the beer made by this brewery is as good as the horse and wagon appears to be, we have no reason to doubt it. Mr. Yoelker will undoubtedly do a thriving business. We learn that the horse and wagon were delivered to the city and Neganue, has accepted a similar position with Mr. V., the change to take place May 1st.

FRANK MILLS, agent for the bell telephone in this section, has just entered into a contract with the Chicago telephone company, of Marquette, to erect a telephone line from the Carp furnace, in this place, to the Excelsior furnace, in this city, which is now being operated under a lease by the above named company. The line is to touch at the following places, in order as named: Carp furnace, Rolling Mill furnace, A. A. Burt's furnace, and the residence of Mr. O. B. Irony's company, and Marquette, the Excelsior furnace and C. & N. W. telegraph office. Mr. J. E. Sullivan, formerly telegraph builder and agent for the M. & C. P. R., has charge of the work of construction.

THE roof from L'Ance to Houghton is said to be in a horrible condition—so much so that it is impossible, for every spring, at the time of the break up, this roof is in such a condition as to prevent, in varying its amount, as such, succeeding seasons of the year, the erection of new buildings. The iron roof, is of course, but little interested in the road, one way or the other, but the AGITATOR can't help wondering why the residents of Houghton county don't take enough interest in the road which affords them all the connection they have with the outside world during six months of the year, to keep it in permanent repair. The chances of being killed outright were exceedingly good. The horse broke loose from the post to which he was tied, and started on a keen jump down the street. Mr. G. was his effort to catch him, but he fell, but instead got hold of the lines, and losing his foothold, was dragged the distance of nearly a block, the horse in the meanwhile repeatedly striking him with his feet. When rescued he was senseless. His injuries, though painful, are not serious, and are confined to his lower limbs, with a couple of slight scrapes on the head. He is keeping up the loss of a pair of pantaloons and an overcoat, both garments being torn beyond repair.

NEW STORE—Prof. C. A. Fohman has secured the store room recently vacated by J. Mallanue, and will open up therein a complete stock of miscellaneous goods for the sale of the people here. To say that the company is a good one, and fully deserving of such an attention, is but giving expression to the simple truth, and while the plays proceed, we will not fail to mention the person to conduct an institution of the kind. He proposes to make the stock complete, keeping every article pertaining to the trade, and will endeavor to make it to the interest of the people to adjoining towns to trade with him. One side of the store is to be occupied by Mr. Robert Wilson as a jewelry store, who will give his stock in readiness to be left for Chicago by yesterday's train. As there is an exclusive music store in the county, the field certainly seems to be for the success of the people here, and in our opinion, the great benefit to the person to conduct an institution of the kind. 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THE WEEKLY AGITATOR.

It Will Never Be Played.—By gum!

M. and Mrs. Defoe sat before a cheerful fire in their home the other evening. There had been a long period of silence, when Mr. Defoe suddenly exclaimed as above.

'What is it, dear,' she responded. 'Say, we've got tired of playing games and what do you say to private theatricals?'

'How?'

'Why, we'll get three or four of the neighbors to join in and we'll meet at each other's houses and have regular plays.'

'That will be splendid,' she gasped. 'Hanged if it won't! Wonder we never thought of it before. Twenty dollars will buy us all the scenery we want, and each one can furnish his own wardrobe. By gum! we've got the idea now!'

'What sort of a play could we play,' she asked, as he walked up and down with tragic step.

'I have it—aha!' he exclaimed as he stopped short. 'Don't you remember I started to write a play about five years ago? I'll finish it, and we'll bring it out! Now let's see how the characters run. There is the Count Dumdoff, who is in love with Geraldine, the Fair. I'll be the count, of course, as he is the hero. He kills four men, rescues Geraldine from several dangers, and there is a good deal of kissing and love-making and a happy marriage!'

'And I'll be Geraldine.'

'You, oh, you couldn't play that part. She must be young and virginal. Let's see, I think I'll cast you for Hannah, who keeps a bakery near a park in Paris.'

'I'd like to see myself playing Hannah in a bakery, I would,' she defiantly answered. 'If you can play Dumdoff I can play Geraldine.'

'Oh, no, you can't, my love. You are a little stiff in the knees, and how you'd look throwing yourself into my arms as the willows pursue. I shall cast that little Widow for Geraldine.'

'Then there'll be two Geraldines of us! If you can play Dumdoff with your lame back and catarrh I know I can play Geraldine with this little lameness in my left knee.'

'Now you listen to reason, Mrs. Defoe. You are not built for a Geraldine; you are too fat; your feet are too large; you have not got the voice for it.'

'And you would make a pretty Count Dumdoff, you would!' she fired back. 'You want to get that crook out of your back and that bald head shingled over, your mouth repaired, and your eyes touched up with a paint brush. I see you killing four villains—ha—ha!'

'Woman, do not anger me!' he said in a deep-toned voice, as he rose up.

'And do not anger your Geraldine either!'

'Geraldine! Why do you do not know a sky-terrier from a flat!'

'Dumdoff! And you do not know a sky-terrier from the big fiddle in the orchestra!'

'The wall! We'll have no playing here.'

'Then you needn't. When I play Hannah in a bakery to let you hug and kiss the Widow D. or any other woman all over the stage you'll be two or three Count Dumdoffs!'

'I'll burn the play, jealous woman! If you don't I will, vain man!'

Then they sat at once and resumed their former occupation of looking into the fire, and the disturbed cat went back to her rug and her dreams.

POSITION OF WOMEN IN CHINA.—Mong Edwin, a Burmese, who has been educated in this country with the view of sending him as a Baptist missionary to Burmah, lectured last week in Baltimore. Speaking of the deplorable condition of women in the East, owing mainly to peculiar religious teachings, he says: "Girls in China are believed to have no souls, and to kill them is not murder, and therefore not to be punished. Where parents are too poor to support the girl children, they are disposed of in the following way: At regular intervals an appointed officer goes through a village and collects from poor parents all the girl children they cannot, when they are about eight days old. He has two large baskets attached to the ends of a bamboo pole and slung over his shoulder. Six infants are placed in each basket, and he carries them to some neighboring village and exposes them for sale. Mothers who desire to raise wives for their sons buy such as they may select. The others are taken to the government asylum, of which there are many all through the country. If there is room there they are taken in, if not they are drowned."

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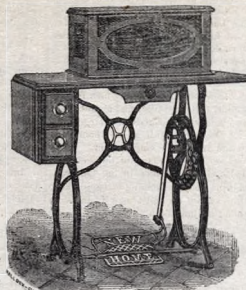
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