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The Easton Gazette.

SATURDAY, - - JANUARY 30, 1892.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

A humorous fact about Hood's Sarsaparilla—it expels bad humor and creates good humor. Be sure to get Hood's.

—Colder and more of it.

—Chancery term of court Monday.

—Days are becoming noticably longer.

—"You don't measure a girl's love by its sighs.

—Fodder or hay wanted Apply at this office.

—It is when the turkey is in the oven that the cook studies Browning.

—The Easton manufacturing boom should not be allowed to subside.

—Frozen oysters are among the latest remedies recommended for the grip.

—Women are likely to be defendants in breach of promise suits this year.

—Talbot ice houses received their first instalment of ice during the freeze last week.

—Of course it is possible for a woman to be "fair and square," but we like her better if she is round.

—A man will spend enough money warming himself by grogshop fires to buy out a coal and wood business.

—A man's character is like a photograph negative. It is blank until it has been subjected to the chemistry of circumstance.

—She—"Imitation seal jackets are going up." He—"Humph! When they're on other women, they're generally run down.

Men may come and men may go, but for coming and going the servant girl has a record that never will be broken except by herself.

—A man advertises in the *Talbot Times* for one lost gum boot. He must have accidentally put both feet in one boot when he started home.

—Primus—"Why is it that one half the world doesn't know how the other half lives?" Secundus—"The other half doesn't live it boards."

—"Let's go into this restaurant and get some thing to eat.' "But I'm not hungry" "That's no matter; you will be before you get anything."

—First Mouse—"Let's go out and break up the ballet." Second Mouse—"Pshaw! They wouldn't mind us. Wait till the skirt dancers come on."

—The girls of Odessa, Del. wear onions as a preventative of the grippe. Perhaps the scheme will also deter the young men from indulging in a grip.

—Guest (at restaurant, in moist weather) "Waiter, I can't get any salt out of this saltcellar." Waiter—"You've forgotten to unscrew the top sir."

—The world moves. Once upon a time they used to pitch scolds into the water on a ducking-stool; but now they pay them to write satirical paragraphs.

—The best way to keep a diary is to keep it clean. Never write in your diary, my son, unless you desire to be sorry at some future time in your life.

—The telephone between Paris and London has proved to be a great success. the circuit working clearly and perfectly. The tariff is $2 for three minutes use of the wire.

—More skating this week than the young people have enjoyed for some time, but after two nights of freezing, the moderating influences of warm southern breezes were felt.

—Among the "curios" recently displayed at an art exhibition in London was a pair of "dog-tongues" presumably used by old-time sextons for the capture of dogs which had strayed into the church.

—New spoons for olives retain the form of the teaspoon, but they have perforated bowls. Some of the new large spoons have bowls of silver in the shape of rose leaves. The latest craze is for Russian enamel.

—The great treasury vault at Washington covers more than a quarter of an acre, and is twelve feet deep. Recently there was $90,000 000 in silver stored there, an amount that weighs over 4,000 tons and would load 175 freight cars.

—An ambitious young lad of Easton, after cleaning the snow and ice from the front of a certain residence, threw it back on the pavement in just one half the time when he found the lady would not give him but five cents for his labor served.

—The Edison dolls, which intended for little people, are highly prized by ladies of social prominence. Now and then they pass for wedding gifts. They are three feet high, made with bisque heads, as blonds and brunettes and on being wound up recite: "Mary had a little lamb," "Twinkle, twinkle, little star," and other nursery ditties.

—In a New York cutlery store is exhibited a knife about seven inches long and nearly six inches square at the ends, from the four sides of which stick out in all directions 365 blades, saws, awls, screwdrivers, picks scissors and so on. The knife looks like a large magnet with iron fillings attached. It was made in the western part of the state and cost $2,000.

—A Chicago drummer, who has just returned from Madagascar, where he tried to sell mining machinery, says that a mine superintendent laughed in his face when he named the price of a drill, and said that he could hire a whole gang of men to work for him for a lifetime for that amount of money Laborers receive only 6 to 10 cents a day for four ten hours work.

—Explorer Buttikoffer says that a clock is rarely seen in the farm houses of Liberia, and many of the town residents have no timepiece of any sort. He adds that there are few civilized countries where a timepiece can be dispensed with so conveniently. The sun rises at 6 A. M. and sets at 6 P. M. almost to the minute the year around, and at noon it is vertically overhead. Many of the people become so expert in telling time by the sun that they are rarely more than a quarter of an hour out of the way.

—On Sunday a fire broke out in the Pennsylvania Railroad depot at Crisfield, situated on the wharf. In a few moments the office was in a blaze. The flames leaping up, caught on the roof, which was covered with tarred paper. For awhile it seemed as if the depot, with its contents, was doomed. The revenue cutter, Crawford, was lying alongside the wharf. In a few minutes two powerful streams from her fire pumps were in full play upon the building. The officers and crew worked manfully and in forty-five minutes the fire was under control, and before the town fire department appeared upon the scene.

Baltimore & Eastern Shore Railroad. A petition has been filed in the United States Circuit Court asking the abrogation of the order allowing Willard Thompson, receiver of the B. & E. R. R. Co., to operate a steamer between Baltimore and Claiborne, in connection with the railroad. The petitioners are George Burnham and others, who are represented by Steele Semmes & Carey. The order was passed last September upon the application of the receiver, who claimed that it was unprofitable to transport passengers and freight by way of Bay Ridge. The petitioners claim that the order is a nullification of the thirty-year traffic agreement between the Annapolis Short Line and the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad Companies. Judge Bond set the matter for a hearing on Feb. 20.

Get the best and cheapest; that means, buy Salvation Oil for twenty five cents.

"A prophet is no good in his own country," but there is an exception to this proverb. Dr. Bull has been of infinite good to his countrymen, and his Cough Syrup has become a national balm.

Personals.—Mrs. Chas. Wooters is visiting Mrs. Robt. Fountain in Washington.

Miss Stella Rathell is visiting in Baltimore.

Mrs. Dr. E. R. Trippe is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Miss Lillie White is one of Easton's most graceful lady skaters.

Col. Norris has had completed the Avon billard and pool room.

Mrs. Wm A. Pratt has just returned from a visit to Harford Co., Md.

Mr. E. H. Gibbs has been laid up for several days with grippe and cold which settled in his eye.

Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Todd will in a few days occupy the Price residence on Rail Road Avenue.

Gen. J. B. Seth attended the reception of Mrs. Gov. Frank Brown at Annapolis on Wednesday.

Brother Highley's office devil hasn't yet learned the boxes. He prints the official letter heading "The Calbot Cimes"

Miss Mamie W. Stewart, recently from Florida, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry M. Mason on Harrison & Dover streets.

Capt. E. T. Leonard, of the steamer Ida who besides being an expert navigator is quite an inventor He has patented several car-couplers.—*Dorchester Era.*

Rev. C. D. Harris is feeling much encouraged by the interesting manifested in the revival services now in progress at the Southern Methodist Church.

Mr. W. T. C. Norman, who elected last November as a member of the board of county commissioners of Queen Anne's county, has resigned on account of continued ill-health.

Mr. Wm. Collins was one of the committee to notify Mr. Chas H. Gibson of his election to the U. S. Senate. Mr. Collins is pushing the Mortgage Tax question before the House. Yesterday was assigned for its argument.

Our Furniture Man Abroad.—John M. Mason returned on Saturday from a business trip to New York. He attended the great furniture exposition, where over two hundred manufacturers of furniture from all over the country were represented. The exposition was for dealers, exclusively, who could not get in without a ticket. The building in which the exposition is held covers a square and is six stories high. Mr. Mason says it was the grandest furniture display he ever witnessed. All kinds of furniture was exhibited, from the common and cheap lines, to the most beautiful and costly that can be made. He went to New York to lay in his spring stock for his Easton business, and ordered largely from the exposition. The goods will be shipped direct from the factories where they are made, to Easton. When they arrive and get stored in Mr. Mason's rooms it will make an attractive furniture exhibition for this section.

Public Business.—Orphan's Court met Tuesday.

Letters of administration on the estate of Richard Frampton, were granted to Edna A. Frampton, who filed approved bond.

Dr. Chas Lowndes, administrator of Mrs. A. C Buchanan, presented inventory of personal estate. Authorized to sell and publish notice to creditors.

J. Lowery Martin, administrator of Charles Emory, presented inventory of personal estate Authorized to sell and publish notice to creditors.

Mary N. Cannon, guardian to Bernard A. Cannon, presented 4th guardianship account. Passed.

Mariana Benson, executrix of James Benson, presented certificate of publication of order nisi; and court passed final order on same.

County Commissioners.—Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday.

No receipts.

Bills amounting to $962.68 were paid.

Commissioner Brown who has examined the Fott's Mill bridge, which has washed away by the breaking of the mill dam, reported that he has a temporary passage way made over the stream, to serve for travel until a new bridge is built.

The Board bought 3000 bushels of shells in St. Michaels at 3 cents a bushel, delivered, to be used on the Miles River road, on both sides of the bridge.

Wrightson E. Price was appointed road supervisor in Trappe district, *vice* Capt. John F. Price, who declined the appointment.

Chas. F. Willis was appointed road supervisor in Trappe District, *vice* Chas. W. Sullivan, who declined the appointment.

The Board adjourned to meet on Friday.

The Furniture Plant.—The committee sent by the citizens of Easton this week to visit Bridgeport, Conn., left Monday morning. They were R. B. Dixon, John Mason and Wm. P. Chatfinch. Their official report is not yet ready for publication, but it is gleaned that they were highly pleased with all they saw in connection with the immense plant that is to be moved from Bridgeport to "somewhere." The property covers five acres and has been sold to a railroad, which compels them to leave in a few months. If Easton can secure this prize it appears to the enterprising citizen that our town could receive no greater impetus from one concern. Some even predict that in a few years we would number 25,000 inhabitants. Enterprise will do it when nothing else will. Give us the plant.

Death of James Madison Mullikin — At his home near Sumner, Lawrence county, Illinois, January 25, 1892 Mr. Mullikin was born September 21, 1809, near Trappe, Talbot county, Md. In 1830 he went to Louisville, Ky., and engaged in merchandizing. In a recent letter to his son-in-law, Rev. A. L. Reynolds, New Brighton, Penna., he stated that before the railroads were built, he had crossed the mountains by stage, forty one times. He was open hearted, generous, an earnest, uncompromising defender of the right. A man of much more than ordinary ability.

Royal Oak Items.—*From our regular correspondent* —Our young people have enjoyed some very good skating this week and are hoping for more next week.

La grippe is slowly departing. With much joy we say "Farewell."

Mrs. Richard Meeds died on Wednesday from the effects of burns received the previous week, and was buried in Clark's graveyard near St. Michaels yesterday morning.

On last Friday evening, an attempt was made to hold the first Democrat contest for silver medal, but on account of bad roads and the prevalence of the influenza, only four contestants were present, which, of course, rendered it impossible. The contest was postponed indefinitely.

"How to Cure All Skin Diseases."

Simply apply "SWAYNE'S OINTMENT." No internal medicine required Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, etc., leaving the skin clear, white and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for SWAYNE'S OINTMENT. e7

Lane's Family Medicine Moves the Bowels each day. Most people need to use it.

W. C. T. U.

Women's Christian Temperance Union meets every Sabbath afternoon at 3.30 o'clock in its hall (second floor) corner of Washington and Dover streets; entrance on Dover St. An invitation is extended to all who wish to attend these meetings.

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DRUNKENNESS.

Drunkenness is one of the worst vices. It does something more than degrade man to a level with the brute. It gives him the folly of the brute, but the madness of the demon. It corrupts every fountain of moral purity in the heart, and transforms the tender husband, the affectionate brother, the dutiful son, the constant friend into the unfeeling wretch whose heart no longer throbs with any sentiment of kindness and love, but who has buried the past, with its fond recollections, the present with its joys, and the future, with its hopes, in the damning cup of intoxication. There is not a law of man's nature drunkenness does not outrage. In a word it is man's evil genius

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The supreme object of the W. C. T. U. is to elevate the home and to protect its members, one and all—the stronger from legalized temptation, the gentler from oppression.—*Frances E. Willard.*

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THE MOTHER'S REASON.

The experience of the last ten years has taught us women many lessons, and one most easily learned has been that there is no power on earth that the rumseller dreads but law and law enforced. And they only dread us as we insist upon this at the hands of our brothers, and they are jealous of the influence we exert upon men. Is it any wonder women, knowing these things, feeling their utter helplessness in themselves, want the ballot as the short road to success? Moral suasion work is God-like, but we must not stop there. Crystalize our desire to save men into ballots for their protection, help to blot off our statute books the license laws which disgrace our civilization and put in their place wholesome enactments which will protect the innocent and throw around the tempted victim of the drink habit a wall of defense and safety.—Strange that the world cannot discern why women advocate the ballot. But they never can! No computator ever estimated yet the price of a boy to his mother.

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Cardinal Manning, in urging the formation of Juvenile Temperance Societies, says: If the children of to day are trained up in temperance, happy will be the homes and parents of the next generation. For these and other reasons, too many to give now, I will earnestly call on fathers and mothers to bring up their children without the temptation, or even the taste of any intoxicating drink. Prevention is better than cure. Keep them from the taste, and you will guard them from the temptation. Give to your children the leave and liberty to refuse all intoxicating drink."—*Young Crusader.*

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Dr. A. B. Leonard writes: "You will be glad to know that when the temperance question was before the Ecumenical Conference there was no word uttered in favor of the license system, in any form. All the foreign delegates were most pronounced in favor of the utter extirpation of the liquor license system, in any form. All the foreign delegates were most pronounced in favor of the utter extirpation of the liquor traffic. I did not expect to find them so radical. They are really in advance of many people here in the United States."

The best cure for rheumatism or neuralgia is Salvation Oil, used according to directions. 25 cts.

The news from the seat of war is constantly contradictory; but not so from Dr Bull's Cough Syrup; every report concerning it proves it to be the best Cough Syrup known. Only 25 cents a bottle.

Church Notice.—Preaching to morrow (Sunday) at Chapel church 10.30 A. M., by the presiding Elder, Alfred Smith. Preaching in afternoon 3 o'clock at Matthews and preaching again at night 7 o'clock at Cordova by the pastor. J. H. GROOMBRIDGE, Pastor.

A New Steamboat Line Projected.—The *Ledger* says a movement is on foot to procure a steamboat to run between Oxford and Tilghman's Island, making landings also in Broad Creek Neck and elsewhere. Four thousand dollars stock has already been subscribed at Oxford, and the movement towards procuring the stock is actively on foot elsewhere. The plan is to connect with all trains at Oxford.

Lucky Talbot—Unlucky Queen Anne's.

If good luck is the result of good management, as is universally asserted and believed, then the politics of our sister county—Talbot, has been well managed. The long list of good political plums which have fallen on their side of the fence since the war closed, surprises those who have only a meagre idea of the number. Upon the close of the war Gov. Thomas was honored by an election to a seat in the United States Senate. This was shortly followed by the election of Col. Hambleton to Congress for two terms. Later on Gov. Thomas got one term in the House of Representatives, and Hon. Charles H Gibson got three terms in the same House. This gentleman has also secured a term in the United States Senate. This only completes the national offices held by the distinguished sons of that county during this period. In the meantime Mr. J. Frank Turner has served two terms as Comptroller of the Treasury; Col. Thomas Hughlett one or two terms as Fish Commissioner; Gen. Seth one term as Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates, one term as Speaker of the House, and a term as Commander of the Navy. Mr. Geo E Haddaway several years as Internal Revenue Collector; Mr. Wm. S. Merrick several terms as Journal Clerk of the House of Delegates; Col. Lloyd two terms President of the State Senate; Capt. Hedge Thompson several years as commander of one of the police steamers. To this may be added many other minor officers, such for example as deputy Fish Commissioner by Mr. Hughlett, Jr.; Post-office Inspector by Mr. J. M. Wooters; Senators Private Secretary by Mr. Paul Winchester, &c., &c., &c., making a list such as the memory of man fails to recollect. It is but fair to say they have, one and all, filled their positions creditably

In the meantime Queen Anne's county, with its rousing democrat majority, as usual got left. Hon. Thos. J. Keating ably filled the Comptroller's office for three terms; Hon Edwin H. Brown has filled the office of State Treasurer for something over a year with great credit; Col. Legg held the position of Deputy Naval Officer at the Custom House and the late C. I. B. Mitchell for two years was commander of a police steamer. These four, except some minor appointments to clerkships, &c., completes the list for Queen Anne's, whilst our neighbor's list, as will be seen above, runs out to large proportions.—*Centreville Observer.*

Try to Say—"Thou wast'dst the rickety stiff over the mountain-height cliffs, and clearly saw'st the full-orb'd moon."

"Robert Rowley rolled a round roll round a round roll Robert Rowley rolled round, Where rolled the round roll Robert Rowley rolled round?"

"Bandy-legged Borachio Mustachio Whiskerituscus, the bald but brave Bombardino of Begdad, helped Abormilque Blue-Beard, Bashaw of Balmenbeb, to beat down an abominable Bumble Foafshaw."

"When a twister twisting, would twist him a twist,
For twisting a twist three twists he will twist,
But if one of the twists untwists from the twist,
The twist untwisting untwists the twist."

How the World is Governed.—The human family is subjected to forty-four principal governments, classified as follows: *Absolute Monarchies*, China, Madagascar, Morocco, Persia, Russia, Siam, Turkey; *Limited Monarchies* Austria Hungary, Belgium, British Empire, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Hawaii, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Servis, Sweeden and Norway; *Republics*, Argentine Republic, Bolivia, Brazil, Chili, Columbia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, France, Guatemala, Hayti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Orange Free State, Paraguay Peru, Salvador, San Domingo, Switzerland, Transvall, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela.

JOHN T. RATHELL
HAS REMOVED TO HIS
STORE ROOM
ON
MARKET SPACE,
(OAK FRONT),
Adjoining Samuel Norris.
YOU
ARE INVITED
TO CALL.

Weddings in Caroline County.—A double wedding took place at Grove M. P Church Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The contracting parties were Mr. G. K. Kelley, son of County Commissioner T. E. Kelley, and Miss Lone Patchett, and Mr P. S. Meseck and Miss Cara Butler. The Rev. Mr Bane, the pastor of Grove M. P. Church, officiated.

Mr. Gilbert Hogadone, son of County Commissioner Peter Hogadone, and Miss Zora V. Swann, daughter of Wm. T. Swann, Esq., of the Second district, were married at Ridgeley M. E. Church the same evening, Rev. J. D Reese performing the ceremony.

Didn't Want It Adulterated.—A group of men stood about an individual who had just been pulled out of the river as he was going down the third time. "Give him some whiskey," said one. A murmur came from the nearly-drowned man. Some one put his ear down and listened. He said, "Roll me over first, and get some of this water out. It'll weaken the liquor."—*Atlanta Journal.*

Asking Too Much.—A Georgia editor has a grievance against one of the railroads. He says that he is perfectly willing, in return for an annual pass, to throw on wood at stations, help grease the engine and assist in handling baggage; but when he breaks his leg while chasing a delinquent subscriber thro' the train he should be allowed reasonable damages.—*Atlanta Constitution.*

Some Other Reforms that are Needed. The fee system should be abolished in our public business as far as possible and replaced by fixed salaries for the offices. Clerks, registers and sheriffs should have fixed salaries, and whatever fees accrue to the office should be covered into the State or county treasury. Let the chief officers and their necessary assistants be paid salaries commensurate to the work required of them.

The Sheriff's term of office should be extended to four years. He is scarcely installed in office till it is time to begin to prepare to move out, under the present short two year's term.—*Midland Journal.*

Elkton Has Saloons.—The *Whig* gives the following record of Elkton's weekly drunks last week.

Saturday.—At night a number of drunken men staggering around on the street but no open breaches of the peace.

Monday.—At night an unusual amount of disorder and considerable drunkenness on the street.

Wednesday.—During the day several demonstrations of drunkenness on Main street.—In the early evening a drunken fight at a hotel, one man worsted.

Later, another drunken encounter down town, culminating in a demonstration with guns and pistols on High street, which although directly traceable to another cause, was augmented by bad whiskey.

What Cooks Should Know.—The soups and stews must be well skimmed before adding salt or vegetables.

The salt must not be put in corn starch nor custards until after the milk has boiled.

The coffee will not be good unless the pot is well washed, wiped and thoroughly dried.

That cucumber peelings or sugar and plaster of paris in equal parts scattered around will drive roaches away.

That the white of eggs unbeaten smeared over the bottom crust of berry pies will prevent the juice soaking through it or making it soggy.

That an ordinary pan or skillet ungreased, will broil on a wood or coal stove, coal oil or gasoline better than a wire broiler. The contents must be turned repeatedly.

Take a pod of red pepper, put in the pot when boiling cabbage or other strong smelling vegetables will do much to prevent the disagreeable odor arising. A pan of vinegar set on the back of the stove is a sure preventive.

What Religion Isn't.—It isn't going to church to see what the people wear, or to find fault with the preacher.

It isn't running into debt for things you don't need and never paying for them.

It isn't giving away a great deal of money publicly, simply because the people may speak well of you.

It isn't staying away from church when you know a special collection is going to be taken.

It isn't leaving one church and joining another when you do not like the preacher.

It isn't reading so many chapters a day, or say one prayer over and over.

It isn't sitting in the house and looking solumn, and refusing to eat anything cooked Sunday.

It isn't putting all the big sound apples on top of the measure and the little rotten ones on the bottom.

It isn't telling other people what to do in prayer meeting, and let the devil tell you what to do in business matters.

It isn't whipping your boy for smoking while you have a cigar in your mouth.

It isn't telling the servant to say, "Not at home."

Home Hints.—A towel wet at one end and pinned around the neck will cure sore throat.

What do you think of a man who sits near the stove smoking his pipe to the annoyance of his wife?

A teaspoonful of powdered alum sprinkled in a barrel of water will precipitate all impure matter to the bottom

To prevent colored stockings from fading put a teaspoonful of black pepper into the water in which they are rinsed.

Headache, toothache, backache, or most any joint ache, will be relieved by heating the feet thoroughly with the shoes on.

Pine may be made to look like some beautiful wood by giving repeated coats of hot linseed oil and rubbing hard after each coat.

According to the Medical Record, castor oil has not failed in any case to remove warts to which it was applied once a day for two to six weeks.

To wash calico without fading, put three gills of salt in four quarts of water. Put the calico in this while the solution is hot and leave it until it becomes cold, then wash and rinse.

Sharpened to a Point.—If nature abhors a vacuum," why should she create a dude?—Texas Siftings.

The emperor of Germany has his hat blocked over a hogshead.—New York Recorder.

The old fashioned pedagogue may not have fancied a gossip, but he liked very much to have a gad-about.—Boston Courier.

"There's a great art," says Mickey Dolan, "in knowin' what not to know woin yez don't want to know it."—Washington Star.

Man is a good deal like a fish. You know the fish would never get into very serious trouble if it kept its mouth shut.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Of what earthly use is chicory, any way?" exclaimed the Boston Post in a burst of unseemly passion. Chicory, my dear friend, is useful as rhyme for Terpsichore.—Chicago Tribune.

If you will investigate you will find that the reason some women are superstitious about allowing thirteen to sit down at their table is that they have only a dozen knives and forks. —Atchisson Globe.

A Word to Republicans.—The hope of the party lies in the expansion of a stalwart Republican press. The Republicans who read or otherwise help to support a Democratic journal to the exclusion of one of his own party newspapers is untrue to the Republican cause.

Unanimously subscribed to by the National Republican League.

J. S. CLARKSON, Pres.
A. B. HUMPHREY, Sec'y.
New York, Nov. 19th 1891

Political Proverbs.—This government dont cost any more than it's wurth.

Professional politishans keeps in the dregs of politiks.

An honest man in politicks gits allfired lonesome sometimes.

The Congressman that don't earn his salery is almighty skeerce.

You kin mostly jedge a statesman's ability by the size of his mouth.

Our army aint so much for fitin' as it is for givin' the officers a job.

A man that would sell his vote for a dollar would steal the dollar of he got a chanse.

That aint no hin much sadder in this glorious Republic of ourn than the man thet wants to hold offis and can't.—*Detroit Free Press.*

Sermonettes.—He who chases two hares will catch neither.

Self deception is one of the most deadly of all dangers.

Men are just as ready to hate you for your virtues as for your faults.

No man has a thorough taste of prosperity to whom adversity never happens.

Live as long as you may, the first twenty years are the longest half of your life.

An able man shows his spirit by gentle words and resolute actions He is neither hot nor timid.

We should all be great men if we could be measured by the great things we intend to do to-morrow.—*Lewiston Journal.*

Too Often True—Many parents who feel it a duty to do the best they can for their children have the painful experience of finding that the sons and daughters upon whom they have lavished their care feel quite above them. The mother who has diligently cooked, washed, sewed and darned in order that her daughter may devote herself to studies in art, cannot feel entirely happy when she finds that the one for whom she has toiled has become educated into a contempt of these humble vocations, and for those who pursue them. The father who has plowed and spaded in order to earn the dollars, with which to send his boy to college, cannot help feeling disappointed when he perceives that this boy regards such humble tasks with something of supercilious scorn. Such rewards do mothers and fathers frequently receive for their self-sacrificing labors. The placing of their offspring on a higher plane of life than that on which they have been moving is liable, and even likely, to weaken the bond of sympathy between them.—*The Sunny South.*

Lippincott's for February.—The complete novel in Lppincott's Magazine for February, "Roy the Royalist," is by Mr. Wm. Wes'al, and is a stirring tale of adventure in the war of Napolean. Though its events date back nearly a century, they are presented in the brisk and business like modern manner. The hero, a cashing young officer of the British navy, prompt and capable alike in friendship, love, and war, meets Bonaparte while a prisoner in France, distinguishes himself in the defense of Acre, recovers a treasure concealed in a chateau of the Jura by its *ci devant* owners, and finally settled in his native Virginia.

The Journalist Series is continued by Mr. Julius Chambers, of the New York *World*, in an interesting paper entitled "The Managing Editor." He duly magnifies the office of this potentate, discloses some of his secrets, and tells by what various means he attains his most profitable successes, as in two famous cases.—the *Tribune's* list of the firms burned out in the great Boston fire of Nov. 9, 1875, and the *Herald's* publication, in 1887, of the President's message before it reached the Senate.

Topics of national importance are handled by Julius Hawthorne, who has lately been interviewing the heads of departments at Washington.

Two papers deal with the past: Mrs John Sherwood's "Recollections" (the first of a series), and Mrs. Hester Dorsey Richardson's "Prince Gallitzin, Priest and Pioneer."

This number is full of excellent reading from cover to cover.

The New York Life Vindicated.—The New York Life Insurance Co., is one of the largest insurance institutions of the world, and its condition interests not only many thousands of policy holders, but vastly many more thousands who are prospective beneficiaries of its policies. It has been lately assailed and its direction and condition questioned; but these assaults have been fortunately for both the company and its policy holders, however unfortunate for its assailants, as it has turned on the light in view of the whole world and proved that the company has a surplus, over all present or possible liabilities, of some fifteen millions.

It would be a sad calamity to the country to have such an institution as the New York Life involved in financial embarrassment by incompetent or unwise direction, as it would directly effect millions of money practically invested in life policies; and it must be as gratifying to the policy-holders as it is to the management to know that the most complete official investigation of the condition of the company puts it on the soundest financial and business basis.

FOR DYSPEPSIA.
Indigestion, and Stomach disorders, take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
All dealers keep it, $1 per bottle. Genuine has trade mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

Starving He Stole a Loaf of Bread.—The terrible straits to which people are sometimes reduced in a great city were illustrated by a case in the New York police court the other day. An old gray haired man was arrested for stealing a loaf of bread from a baker's wagon. He confessed the theft and stated that he had no money, could not obtain any, and had not eaten for a day. The sight of the bread was too strong a temptation for him and he took one loaf. In sixty-nine years, he declared, he had never been guilty of a dishonest act. He had always worked hard at his trade, which, curiously enough, was that of a baker, but of late he had been able to do but little. For three weeks he had been out of work. It seemed almost incredible, with the various charitable organization in New York as in other cities, that such an incident should have occurred.—*Balto Sun.*

Poultry Pickings.—Ducks carefully handled pay better than chickens.

One trouble now is to get hatchable eggs when they are needed.

When possible procure two-year old cocks, as they are best for breeding.

A half dozen good Pekin ducks are worth a dozen of the common puddle breed.

While chickens can be raised at all seasons, the management should vary with the season.

If poultry are allowed to roost in the stables with other stock, they are sure to create filth.

Tobacco sprinkled in the bottom of the nests will help materially in keeping away the vermin.

Corn meal mixed with ground buckwheat makes a good fattening ration; mix with milk.

Young and old fowls need sufficient food to keep them in a good, thrifty condition all the time.

There is but little demand in the market for guineas, so that only what can be used on the farm should be raised.

Burnt bones fed to the poultry can often be made to take the place of lime, and can often be secured more conveniently.

On the farm at least, there should be no necessity for purchasing poultry foods or condiments, as a good variety can be supplied without.

It is an important item in raising young poultry in a brooder, to supply plenty of warmth. Keep at as near ninety degrees as possible.

If burnt corn or wheat is fed to the poultry it will pay to burn a part of it to charcoal. Given in this way it aids digestion and will be found very beneficial.

A Great Offer for the Ladies.—Common sense and good judgment are the qualities for which our American ladies are noted.—when they find an article which will add to the comfort of their homes or to their personal good appearance they speedily adopt it, being quicker to discover the superiority of the new over the old. It is to this trait that the firm of A. McDowell & Co. owes the wonderful success of their French Fashion Journals among American women. Whenever these Journals are critically examined their superior merit is at once recognized. They not only give the styles one month earlier than the American Fashion Journals; but the variety, originality and practicability of those styles lift them so far above all others that they are now recognized as the Standards of Fashion for this country, as they have long been in France. Many complaints having reached A. McDowell & Co. concerning the difficulty experienced in obtaining their Fashion Journals through newsdealers, who will often try to work off some other and inferior publication lying on their hands, this firm has decided to give the following premium offer: To each yearly subscriber who sends $3.50, the regular yearly price for either La Mode de Paris, or Album des Modes will be given *gratis*, as a premium, Book No. 1, "Dressmaking Simplified." This book is valued at $5. Book No. 1 teaches how to keep wrinkles out of dresses; how to join seams; how to finish a waist, the darts, the bone, the collar, etc; how to make and put in sleeves of all kinds; how to make the new sham skirt by rule; how to match plaids and stripes, etc. It is desirable to hand in your subscriptions through local newsdealers; but if any difficulty is experienced in obtaining the Journals send direct to A. McDowell & Co., 4 West 14th Street, New York.

Plantation Theology About Eden.

Would you like to know the reason why de snake shed his skin?
Kase he tuk de ole one off fur to let de debbil in;
An Eve she sot a-fishin wid a piece of meat an bread,
An de debbil he slip up and put de apple in her head.
An de way de debbil done it, he jist squat down by the ditch,
An he seed de crayfish bitin an he give de line a hitch;
An Eve, she tank him kindly, an de debbil blow his nose,
An say, "Ain't you got nuffin but your skin an har fur close?"
An she tell her, ef she eat up all de apple an de seeds,
She kin git a yaller josey an a string o' chaney beads.

Thar Was Jim.

Wildest boy in all the village,
Up to every wicked lark,
Happy at a chance to pillage
Melon patches in the dark.
Seemed a tarnal mischief Breeder,
For in every wicked whim
Put your hand upon the leader—
Thar' was Jim.

He was eighteen when the summons
Come for Union volunteers,
An the fifin's and the drummin's
An the patriotic cheers
Made us with excitement dance, sir,
Even old men, staid and prim;
And among the first to answer—
Thar' was Jim.

One day when the giner'l wanted
Volunteers to charge a place
Where the rebel banners flaunted
Impudently in our face,
Seemed as though the cannon's bel ers
Had no skerishness for him,
For among the foremost fellers,
Thar' was Jim.

How we cheered 'em at the startin
On that fearful charge they made,
For it seemed that death was sartin
In that fearful ambuscade.
Once the smoke riz up a showin
Them as up the hill they clim',
An ahead and still agoin
Thar' was Jim.

Git thar? Wal, yer just a shoutin,
Nothin could have stopped them men;
Each one seemed a howlin demon
Chargin on a fiery pen.
Purty tough when next I found him,
For with face all black and grim,
Dead with dead men all around him—
Thar' was Jim.

—CAPT. JACK CRAWFORD.

The Dismal Swamp.—The Dismal Swamp belongs to that group of inundated lands where the lack of drainage is due to an original deficiency of slope, combined with the flow retarding influence of vegetation on the movement of water from the land. The principal determining cause which has led to the formation of the Dismal Swamp is found in the character of the surface on which the marsh accumulation rests. The whole of this coast from New York southward has the form of an ancient sea bottom, more or less modified by river action, the measure of the modification being determined by the average hight to which the sea-flow has been elevated above the level of the ocean and the steepness of the slope toward the sea. In New Jersey the plain is tolerably elevated, and the slope from the interior toward the shore is steep enough to insure a swift discharge of the water.

In northern Virginia the height of the plain is somewhat reduced and the slope proportionately diminished. From the James River southward the elevation of the plain at equal distance from the shore is still further lowered the incisive action of the streams having yet further reduced it, leaving parts of the surface in the form originally belonging to the sea bottom. In this condition the surface for a considerable distance from the coast rises at an average rate of about eighteen inches to the mile. It is not a perfect inclined plane, for it is cast into slight elevations and depressions in a manner that reminds one of the ocean after a time of great storm when the waves have fallen to a height of two or three feet, retaining at the same time their original horizontal altitude.—*Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine.*

Scribner's Magazine for February contains eight illustrated articles representing the work of Robert Blum, W. L. Metcalf, Irving R Wiles, J. H. Twachtman, W. L. Taylor, and other skillful artists. In the group of Australian articles there is a vivid and picturesque description of pastoral life on the great sheep ranches which are peculiar to that country, fully illustrated from drawings by Birge Harrison, who has but recently returned from a long sojourn in that region. The notable group on Practical Charities is represented in this issue by "A Model Working-Girls' Club," the Polytechnic Young Womens Institute, of London, described by Dr. Albert Shaw, a close student of social and economic questions. The perilous work to which the Revenue Cutter Service of the United States is assigned during the winter months in relieving vessels in distress, is described by Lieutenant Percy W. Thompson, of the cutter Dexte, and some of the most notable rescues are pictured by Samuel A. Wood. Dr. Benjamin Sharp, who was one of the party of naturalists which accompanied Lieutenant Peary to Greenland, tells about the isolated race discovered in 1813, in North Greenland, by Sir John Ross and named the Arctic Highlanders. Mr. Coffin's second article on "American Illustration of To Day," discusses a notable group of artists, including Blum, Mowbray, Millet, Crane, and others, with examples of their work. Another art paper is the unpublished reminiscences of Henry Greenough, which concern "Washington Allston as a Painter." The fiction includes short stories by Octava Thanet, Edwin C. Martin, Bliss Perry, and the sixth instalment of "The Wrecker," which is midway in the progress of the story, and contains a chapter deepening the mystery in regard to the wreck. An amusing paper on an old Dutch Cookery Book of 1752, by the wife of Commander Chadwick, U. S. N., an essay on "The Illusions of Memory," by Professor William H. Burnham, poems by Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, Archibald Lampman and Eliza Woodworth, with the point of View, complete a number which appeal to a wide circle of readers interested in many things.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once.

Crown and Scepter.—The shah has a tobacco pipe worth $100,000.

The empress of Germany is resplendent in the traditionally imperial style of ornate elegance in public, but in private dresses very simply.

Empress of Russia wears everything small and neat to harmonize with her delicate personality. Pale blue, mauve and green are her favorite colors.

The Prince of Wales has the finest collection of tobacco pipes in the world. It includes every variety of pipe from the humble corncob to elegantly carved bowls.

Queen Margherita of Italy thinks a queen ought to remain young and beautiful for political reasons, as feminine loveliness is so essential to popularity, especially in the southern regions of Europe.

The empress of Austria is so devoted to the Greek language and literature that she proposes to build a theater adjoining her new villa at Corfu, the Achilleoin, where the ancient Greek plays may be given in the old style.

Prince Guenther, of Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt, in Germany, has become engaged to the Princess Louise von Waldenburg. With the exception of the mad King Otto of Bavaria he is the only unmarried ruler in Germany, and has now attained the age of forty years.

The seat of the coronation chair of England Queen Victoria's "throne," is made of a monster slab of sandstone. Brewer's "Dictionary of Phrase and Fable" says, "It was brought from Scone by Edward I, and is said to be the stone upon which Jacob rested his head the night of his famous vision."

Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India Missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by his motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge