

a herder at Merrill's ranch, out in Western Kansas, Ours was one of the most extensive ranches in the working the cattle back toward the State, and the e was quite a little tanch. army of men and boys in connection with it. One of the duties with which like Sampson announced as I rode up. we were charged was that of keeping "These blamed cattle air the most the range, which was government innel, free of settlers.

Winn you see a covered wagon," sail our manager, "keep your eyes on whole pack of 'em 'ud' go on a stamit, and take care that it don't stop on pede." our grazing lands."

But suppose." questioned one, othe owner of a wagon should refuse to move on. Then what are we to do

Old like scratched his head for a mo-"I guess there's enough of us here," replied the manager, who see that he ment, then slowly said: does move. If any man should be "Wal, here's a nice mess, shore foothardy enough to equal here after being no field not to do so, it will be any sech way, but I reckon we'll huft our business to rout him out. We'll to do it. Orders is orders, an' we've kill his horses, burn his wagon, and, got to obey or ease hunt ano her job." "That's a fact," replied Jabe Morif he's very obstreperous, we'll hang han a little. One instructions from gau. "The feller has got to go, or Mr. Merrill are to keep this range else we've got to go ' "Yep," agreed like. "That's the ctear of settlers, and we've got to do nize an' shape of it But, by guin, it it or able lose our jobs."

I did not look with favor on this arrangement, and neither did the maerity of the herders. Our sympathies like enough he'll pump some of us were with the poor home-seekers, and full of leadwe knew that both the law and pretice gave them the right to own the hand of which our range was composed. However, we said nothing at the time,

but continued af out our du ies. During the next month several wagons drove across our range, but none of them halted within our innit-Then one day, late in the afternoon there came an old canvas-covered wagon, dilupidated to the last degree, drawn by a span of poor, lony horses that could scarcely more than ercep. I saw the poor outfit crawling along the edge of the timber and I watched it until I snw it halt at a point less than a fourth of a mile from the ranch. I saw a man come out of the wagon, and after looking about for a minute or so, proceed to unkitch his team and turn them out to graze - 1 felf it my duty to warn him to move on, so I role down to the wagon for that purpose. The man was a tall, thin, tickly-looking person where enroundings proclaimed him a victim of extreme soverty I was touched by his appearance, and as gentle as I could. Linformed hun of the necessity of

found that we had the next little sum of \$150. - Enough," as Ike said, "to "I do," said I, as I turned away. I rode teisurely down in the direct tion of the herd and I found the boys sorter bridge over in case o' sickness or somethin". Old lke put the money in a purse, and labele 1 if with a card "There's gein' to be a storm," old on which he had scrawled with a pea-

cil these word-"A present from the cowpanchers of Mervill's ranch to the man who, restless an' oncasy critters I ever see, though a squatter, is a better man than au' that's a shore sign somethin' is any of us brewing in the air. For a cent the The purse was duty presented to the

equatter, with a little presentation I informed old lke, who was the speech from like which was as unique leader among the "boys," of what as appropriate. Merriii had said, and the whole force. Every man on the ranch received gathered around to listen. I also told strict orders from Merrill not to molest.

of my interview with the squatter. or interfore in any way with any homeseeker who happened to strike our part of the country, and we never del from that day .- [Detroit Free I'm aght runnin' them settlers off in Press

> An Elephant That Could Count. Mr. Arthur Uny sends the following instance of the sagacity of the ele. phant. It was fold me, he says, by Mr. Quay, at the time a non commissioned officer in the first battalion of manually a voomen of the guard. In-

mayn't be no casy matter to trot that 1853 his regiment was marching from cha; off. He 'pears sorter game, an' Peshawar to Kopalvic and was accompanied by a train of elephanis. It was the duty of the mahout in charge of The "boys" were still discussing

each deplant to prepare twenty chuthe matter, when before we were pattics, or that cakes made of conrechardly aware of it the whole herd thour, for his charge. When the twen broke is to a stampede and went crashty chapatties were ready, they were ing away, bugging close to the timber placed before the clephant, who durand making the very earth tremble being the process of counting never atneath their feet. Directly toward the tempted to touch one of them until the equattor's wagon they went, and it full number was completed. was a sight to sicken one when he

On the occasion related by Mr. Quay looked upon that vast sea of cattle and one of the elephants had seized the realized how irresistible was the madopportunity of his unabout's attention ush, and how defenseless was anyone being distracted for a moment to steal who stood in the way. I knew that and -wairow one of the chapatties. the old wagon and its contents would When the mahout, having finished the be literally blotted out of existence. preparation, began to count them out, and I knew no means of escape for he of course discovered the theft, and presented his charge with nineteen in Merrill saw the stampede and came place of the usual number. The elsriding down towards us, but all at plant instantly anneciated the fact of once he stopped as if rooted to the there being one less than he had a ground. He was near me, and I saw

a deathly whiteness come to his face them, expressing his indignation by while he stared fixedly in the direction loud transpettings. This brought the of the wagon. I looked, too, and at a conductor of the elephant line (with glance I comprehended it all. Mer- whom Mr. Quay had been in conversarill's little boy had evidently started tion; on the scene. Having heard the away from the wagon, and having explanation of the mahout the congone a dozen yards or so, and stopped ductor decided that the mahout was in in the partor every moraling Jack directly in the track of the cattic. He fault for not keeping a better lookout, flattered about his cage in evident deimmediately vacating the spot. As I stood gazing at the advancing herd, and ordered him to provide the light and in his londest, shriftest tones

spoke his pale, sharp features lighted making no effort to escape, and it twenticth case at his own cost. When would exclaim: up with the fire of indignation, and in seemed inevitable that he must be this was prepared and added to the

Those from Panama are small and Glick and are known in commerce as Obuillock shells." Those from Manilla are finest in quality, often as much as a foot in diameter, round and flat. There are two varieties, the white or silver-lipped, and the black-lipped.

Large quantities of these shifts are houdles of knives and parasots and or inlaying fancy woodwork, but by far the greater portion is required for the manufacture of buttons. At Jeruvalem there is a considerable

trade in curving and engraving motherof paul shells, which me sold to visitors as sourcenirs. These are known as configring shells." and the subjects idustrated upon them, as a rule, hearsome r lation to the incidents in the life of Christ. The Chinese cuve quaint devices in the same unsterial, and in some castern countries the

larger sheds are used in the construction of houses, panels, window blinds, etc., being made of them in muted on a framing of wood:

In fact, they are smony the most the sixtleth rifles, but now one of her useful as well as the most beautiful of the very large shell family .- (Detroit Free Pross.

> A TOUCHING LITTLE FUNERAL. Little Mabel is a bright, by able Brooklyn girl, who makes pets of binds. Cunaries are her delight and mocking birds her passion.

Among her collection was a splendid specimen of the somewhat rare. Orirutal pagoda mina. He was a black planaged little fellow, with a shrill voice and victous manners. He was not a songster, but an almost Incomparable minic. No sound securingly ceached his cars that he did not try to reproduce, and his efforts, if not always successful, were certainly gro. lengue.

When Mahel was a haby an old seasaptain on retarning from a voyage to the Indies brought the bird with him. It was a gift for Maile) and was at once installed in a hand-one cage. This was hung in the partor, and there he chattered, squeaked and whistled right to expect, and refused to touch all day. Among his most accurate imitations were the mewing of a cat, the cries of street venders, the harshdifferences of a hig African grav parrot in the dining room of the house and scraps of conversation.

tallest of tall buildings. It is a place where no one strolls, and where a man -n't as easily swing his cane as a woman could wear a train. Pedestrians do not walk steadily forward here, or in a straight line, but dodge is and out of railroad land are hought up like runners on a football field They all seem to be trying to reach the bank to have a check cashed manned in making card cases, before 3 o'clock. The man who stops to speak to a friend, or to gazi into a shop window, is justled and pushed and shouldered to one side; everyone seems to be trying to catch up to the man just in front of him; and everyone has something to do and something on his anal to think of, too, if his fine tells anything.

>) intent are they on their errands that they would not recognize their own wives if they passed them by, This is the spot on Broadway where the thermometer marks fever heat, It is the great fighting ground of the city, where the battle of business goes on from 8 o'clock in the morning nutil " in the aftern on, at which time the work flags a little and grows less and less hurried mutil 5, when the armies declare an armistice for the day and march off uptown to plan a fresh campaign for the morrow. The armies begin to arrive before eight and gather from every point of the compass. The ferry boats land them by thousands and hurry back across the river for thousands more, the elevate troads marshal them from far

uptown, gathering by companies at each station, where they are unloaded and scattered over the business districis in regiments. They come over the Brooklyn bridge by tens of thousands, in one long endless procession. and cross the City Hall Park at a quick step. It is one of the most impressive sights the city has to offer .-~ rituer.

The Pup Conciliated His Enemy,

I was recently in the stable-yard belonging to a friend of mine who lad a considerable collection of dogs, among which are a fierce terrier and a spaniel of tender age. The terrier had ill treated the pup on several occasions, so that the latter was very wary of him, and disposed to conciliate his enemy if possible. The terrier is found of playing with small sticks, which the grooms are in the habit of throwing for him, and the pup seems said "- [Boston Tran-right to have understood this famey, and to have acted upon it. I saw him take up a small stick in his mouth and advance toward the terrier with it, arching his neck and wagging his tail, as

til it was almost impossible to find a good piece of grazing hand accessible to water and timber. Most of the bottom lands are taken up and enclosed and thousands of acres and a feace put around them.

Every mining cannother is strong is sure death to the eattle that range near it, as all of the land that is of any value is barred up, and freighters' stock that have the supplies to camp e t up what little feed there is outside of the incloances. "Rooming ratile on a range, unless

we have a very mitd winner, is aching of the past, and to feed hav at what it is worth, considering the low market value of eattle, is running into dold.

Bay is worth from ten to twenty-five dollars in the study, cattle are worth from nine to twelve Jollars a level a dif the winter is not severe a ton of hay will winter a cost. You see it, would pay better to sell the hay and save the money loss as well us the

trouble of earing for the cattle " D does seem a sin," said Mr. Penhody, though fully sta ship heiter and calves at just all out what it costs for the freight, but we must do it. Cattle business in Montana is dead, but the sheep, they are good argold dollars."- (New York Telegram

ticneral Scott's Fiery Salad.

The late Chief Justice Chinese daughter tells this story of a visit to old General Wildfield Scott at Cozz us. West Point : "He gave us seats at his. own especial table, and was very kind to us, but I was terribly afraid of him-One of his greatest pleasures at the table was to mix the most flery of silads, which he would send by his own man awing always stood behind his master's chair; with the general's compliments, to the favored few. My gartronomic tastes were far from being developed, and the old gentle-

man's red pepper and mustard mearly killed me. I simply could not est the burning stuff Feeling the general's eve upon me, I vainly tried to swallow it, but faded ignominionsis, with tears coming into my eyes with the effort To add to my disconfect and mortification, a voice coared out in a deep tone from the general's ilcone, "The little Chase does not like no

Bearded Women.

Bearded women have existed at all periods of the workl's history. Herodotus has given us an account of Hallearnassus much as to say, "Please accept this among whom the chin of the Priesters slight token of my regard." The ter- of Minerva regularly builded with a Figure did accept it; he rushed up to the large beard whenever any great pubtittle dog, took the attes and went on the calamity impended. A woman of his way rejolcing, and the pup was Copenhagen. Buriel Garetji, had a justified in his wisdom.-[Boston beard reaching to her waist. Clearles Nil, of Sweden had a female group dier in his army who possessed the New spots were visible yesterday in brand as well as the contage of a manthe sun's northern bemisphere. An. Margaret, Duchess of Austria and other disturbance marked by two Governess of the Netherlands, had large spots is now seen in the sim's large, wiry, stiff beard on which she southern hemisphere. The two dis. greatly probed herself. Of have years, inclusives have progressed nearly to. Athert, Duke of Bavaria, reported gether across the sun's dok, and both having a young lady governmess in his have been very active. The magnetic bousehold who was the proof pressure r

Randolph streets, in Chicago, an eighteenston mars of iron, copper and other mends was discovered. A wholesale hardware store stood on the lot at the time of the great conflagration of 1871. and this mass of iron represents a por-

tion of the stock which was melted by

the intense heat and precipitated into

It is always fly time with abscond-

A steak is none the more costly for

There is a constantly growing de-

How can you expect to get informa-

The tenor's voice broke on G sharp,

"A man just had a fit up here on

If there is anything in names, the

two most polite languages of Europe

"Yes, the doctor has given him up,"

she said tearfully. "Well," said the

caller, "there's one hope yet. Let him

Watts-Poor Timmins! I fear he is

losing his mind. Forts-Well, there

is one consolution. When a man loses

Ten her-Tommy Slim on, have you

any good excuse for being late?

Tommy (beamingly) -- Yes'm. Teach-

"I believe in never breaking faith

with a child," said Mr. Grimm.

"Whenever I promise that boy of

mine a tacking you can let he gets it."

do for a living? Second Egg-Lex.

peet to become a spring chicken. And

you? First Egg-1 am going on the

wrote the poem for like it?" asked one

of his friends of Willie Wishington,

"She didn't say any bing," said Wil-

lie, sexcept that I ought to send it to

a chiropodist and have its feet attend-

Huge Chunks of Metal.

to for the foundation of the twenty

story Masonic temple, which is rapidly

going up at the corner of State and

When excavations were made recont-

"How did the young woman you

First I gg-What me you going to

er-What is it? Tommy-Waffles.

should be Polish and Finnish.

his mind he sever misses it.

Righ street ~ "Did you look at him?"

"Yes." "No wonder."

give the doctor up."

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the sub-basement. It will be exhibited at the World's Columbian Exposition

> helt. A. Stout. The Copper Queen Company, at Bisbee, Ariz, will exhibit at the fair a mammoth specimen of ore from their mines. The work of chiseling the piece out has been going on for some time, and great care is being taken in its extraction. It is estimated that when ready for shipment it will weigh five tons; and will be in the shape of a brick. The specimen is from the hig shope from which such beautiful specimens have been taken, and will contion about every known descator of copper formations and colorings. It will, without doubt, he the most attractive spectmen on exhibition .---[New Orleans New Delta

reply he said!

"Eve made my last move, unless I'm driven by force. I've been run useless, for we were near a half mile about from place to place by the cat. away from him while the cattle were themen till I've got nothing left, and but a few yards, and long before we Pm tired of it. This hand is open for could have reached him the mod herd settlement and I have a right to a would have swept by. claim here, and I propose to have it." "My God, men." Merrill eried.

the poor squatter.

"But you can't hold it," I reasoned. "They'll burn your wogon and kill child" If's swful, awful?" your horses."

"dust lot them try it," he replied, laying his hand on a pistol which hung at his side. "I've got this left, and I'm desperate enough to use it. Some of them wouldn't burn any more wagous."

I reasoned with the may as best I ran throughout our circle-a nurmar could, but he refused to move on, and wear-ely more than a whisper. Another at last I turned away from him hoping moment of suspense, then a shout his presence might not be noticed that evening by any of our people, and was safe. that by the following morning he might see the wisdom of moving on. wagon, and at the risk of his own life.

I had only gone a short distance when I met a little boy rouning across the prairie, and as he stopped to admire my gaudy "cowboy" affire and trannings, I spoke to bim and askel his mame.

'I'm Johnnie Merrill." he answered. "Me'n my pa just came down here to passed, and we were on the spot. The kest work. Chicago News day, an' my pa he's gone to look at the cattle an' I'm goin' down there to was less fortunate. He was bruised that wagon. My pa he owns this and torn by the horns and hoofs of ranch, you know, an' he let me come the cattle that passed near hun. The down here with him this time."

the boy, when I met a man cantering he was knocked down. His injuries, along on horseback, and as ho was a however, were not serious, as we doesn't are a cent for my smiles or stranger, and well d essed. I rightly were all glad to know, and none of as prowns either now. We're married ju igod that he was Mr. Mercili Just more glad than Mercili.

To attempt the child's rescue was ate them.-[Spectator,

The squatter had come around the

hast saved the clubb. He had rushed

under the feet of the cattle, and run-

ning back a few steps had taken shel-

ter behind a tree, pushing the boy up

The child was unhart, but the squatter

among the boughs beyond dauger

Makes Shoes Almost Indestructible. A German chemist claims to have discovered a preparation, which, ap plied to the soles of boots and shoes, increases their wearing qualities from scan't something be done to save my 500 to 1000 per cent. The soles are supposed to become more flexible by On and on swept the herd. Less the process, and poorly tanned leather

than twenty steps by between the after being a baseful to it is said to child and destruction. We held our texome as good as the best leather breath and waited in terrible suspense. made. The sole treated with this prep-Merrill covered his eves and groaned. aration becomes waterproof. Another in the deepest auguish. A moment invention having from Gormany is the passed. Then a murmur of applause cutting of shoe laces from scrap leath-

er, by which even the smallest dealer is said to be enabled to apply his offai to this use. The machine is simple. long built and hearty. The child and inexpensive. Scraps of all chapes can be utilized, the operation consist ing simply of putting the leather in position and then drawing it from the other sub- until the material is used apforward and snatched the boy from The plate of the machine is provided.

with three holes so adapted as to secure perfect rounding of the laces. which pass through them. The knife is admistable and permits of cutting Another minute and the heral had with equil case from the finest to the York Herald.

A Little Change.

Old Friend-Don't you remember owert Alice, who danced with delightown here with him this time." tree was small and afforded him but when you gave her a smill, and partial protection, and once or twice treadded with fear at your frowu? Mr. R. Bolt, Jr.-Oh, yes. Sho New York Weekly

"M'o'n, Milad," and roc trampled to death in another minute. pile the elephant at once accepted and always rewarded him with a lump of sugar or a bit of cake, which dack

> would devoue with much relish. For five years dack was the life of that home, but one morning when Matel came into the parlor Jack was sttent. To be sure, he was upon the perch in his cage, but his feathers. were rull it. his eves closed, his head drooped and he was institutiess. Mabel's fruitic entreaties evolved in re-ponse frem him. Jack was dead. That afternoon a tearful little groupof monuners shoul beside a shallow. grave at the fast of the flawer garden. apa, mamma, Aunt Elsie and Midel formed the group. Anat This held a true pasteboard box in her hand. It was duck's coffin. Temberly she placed it in its comb and pape, with a single showiful of earth, shut it from view No words were said, but the tears that fell were many-

Min all the other measures had gone away Mabel remained and imperfected by any one placed at the head of her pet's grave a small plushourd on which she had could's marked the words, "My Own Jack." It was his only headstone - New

An Inference.

" Poor Brown, he's lost all his mon-ey Averally hard up. Met nim to the suver. Food me all about it. "How much and you want to borrow ? - New York Recorder.

An Albany, Kanso-, paper publishes the following item Solar Thom son's dogs are all deal but tweive? stohn Thomp-

Post:

Sun Spots and Heart Failure.

di turbance has been marked, and the of a very large black beard - 18 sensitives have suffered seriously, Louis Republic Those inclined to inregular action of the heart have been great sufferers, and seven sudden deaths have becurrent. Last week was singular for

the number of such deaths. The can is a near neighbor, only ; bout one hundred of its own diameters away from us, and we feel the effects of its changing energy instantly. [Rochesser (N.Y., Democrat

The Buffalo Berry.

A professor of the North Dakota Esperimental Station save that the most preditic, and, in his estimation, one of the most profitable fronts is the Berald. Buffalo berry There flourish in the State three varieties of therries, two

-What are your qualifications as a of rasple ries, one of currants, one of hoys' reaches? Have you had nov exjuin derry, one of strawberry and one perience?" "Yes, sir, the very best." of wild grape, the fruitage being the "Mention dom, please." "I used to far est in North Dakots, where the hean animal inner in Jones' Meag. after this she saw a donkey it would plants are dwarfed. - [Boston Heraid. | erie."

The Lirst Oklahoma Boomers.

The first organized Oktobional ratif, it is said, was made at night on April 13, 1880, by thirteen men, two of whom as guides marked the trail by placing old buffalo-kulls at promount ridges, so that the route is known to this day as the Hog's Back Trail A location was selected on April 22 A city six miles square in area was survexed and three houses built, and then on May 10 came Lioutenant Pardee with twelve soldiers and twelve Indian scouts from Fort Reno and in reated the whole party .- Chicago

Hungary's Gullasch.

The paperes, a sharp pepper, found all over Hungary, is used extensively in the Magyar conferr, and the nation al disb, gublasely, is always reasoned with it. The latter is a stow made of round quantities of heef, yeal and hamb. The ment is cut in pieces about two inches source and not in a covered stow-pan with sufficient water to cover it and enough number to give it a shorp, baing insie, and showed to cook slowly. When the ment is thoroughly done the broch is thickened with flour and served - [New York J.mmi!

The Logic of Events.

Briggs You know that donkey story you told me? I told it to Mise Twilling the other day.

Griggs-What did she think of it? Briggs-She said that every time remind her of you - [The Continent.