

BILL ARP'S LETTER.

RESIGNATION OF HIS COOK REFLECTS HIS SERENITY.

Household Duties Paroled Out Brings Contentment.

Every good thing in this world has its dark side, its shadow, and every shadow is brightened by some compensation—some rift in the clouds that still makes life worth living.

But she has one fault. She will quit when she takes a notion—when the spirit moves her—and you never know when it is going to move her.

She might come back in a week or two or a month or so. We concluded to go along without a cook for a few days and see how it was, and it is not so bad, after all.

But there is no independent line. It is curious and somewhat humiliating to think how dependent we are upon one another.

We are dependent on the butcher and baker and grocer for our daily supplies, and they are dependent upon the farmers who raise them and on their customers who buy them.

The trouble with me now is that I am the only boy about the house and my legs don't obey me with that alacrity they used to.

day about happiness, and the writer said there was no such thing as present happiness, that when we are young it is just ahead of us, and when we are old it is behind us.

OUR ORIENTAL GUEST.

The Viceroy of China Royally Welcomed to America's Shore.

Li Hung Chang, Viceroy of China, ambassador to Russia and the world-renowned diplomat, arrived in New York Thursday and became the guest of the nation.

Li Hung Chang had of the harbor of the metropolis a pleasing one. Added to its natural beauties was the imposing spectacle furnished by the presence of the finest fleet of warships Uncle Sam has ever gathered together.

After Gen. Ruger and party stepped aboard the St. Louis they went immediately to the drawing room, where they were met by Vice President Wright of the American Line.

Li Hung Chang, after a delay of 15 minutes, was conducted to the drawing room by Vice President Wright, and his interpreter and secretary.

When the steamer came to Castle William a salute was fired. The viceroy asked what it was, and when told it was in his honor.

A detachment of the Sixth Cavalry, U. S. A., was in waiting to escort the envoy and his suite to the Hotel Waldorf. A star was made at 2 p. m.

All along the route large crowds were gathered. The name of Li Hung Chang was upon everyone's lips, and he received a great ovation, probably the like of which was never conferred on a foreigner in this country.

The English company owning Middleborough, Ky., figured their land worth \$2,250,000 in 1891. Now it appears in the balance sheets as worth \$799,814.

Pistols and Pestles.

The duelling pistol now occupies its proper place, in the museum of the collector of relics of barbarism. The pistol ought to have beside it the pestle that turned out pills like bullets.

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NORTH STATE CULLINGS.

FIERCE ATTACK ON THE ARKS.

Fierce Attack on a "Sanctified Band" Near Montrose.

One of the most violent demonstrations of the populace seen in Eastern North Carolina within a generation occurred recently on the Chawan river, near Montrose, forty miles from Suffolk, Va.

"The Sanctified Band" had been located at Montrose for several weeks, and members have been conducting meetings throughout the surrounding country for many miles.

The result was that their religion was gaining a considerable following, hundreds of men and women renouncing their allegiance to other churches and accepting the doctrine of the sanctified people.

After a time a committee of citizens started out to propose terms to the band, but they were ordered back by those on the arks, who, however, are said not to have fired a shot.

A Joint Canvass. Chairman Manly, of the Democratic Executive committee, and Chairman Ayer, of the Populist committee, have arranged the dates and places for the joint canvass between Cyrus B. Watson, Democratic nominee for Governor, and W. A. Guthrie, Populist nominee.

Secretary Nichols has had built at the State Fair ground, in Raleigh, what is probably the largest table ever built in the State.

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THE SEABOARD RESTRAINED. Injunction Granted By Judge Robinson Which Enjoined the Seaboard to Carry Express on Sundays.

Wife Murderer Arrested. Nathaniel Moore, white, who murdered his wife near Fremont a month ago by cutting her throat, and for whose arrest a reward of \$200 was offered by the Governor, has been captured at his mother's home near the scene of the murder.

Mr. Spriggins (softly)—My dear, a Boston man was shot at by a burglar, and his life was saved by a button which the burglar struck.

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