

FIELD AND FIRESIDE.

DODGE'S RAILROAD GUIDE.

GENIUS IMMORTAL.
So works the hand of just reward.
On men, when centuries have flown;
For what a good man would attain,
The narrow bounds of life restrain,
And this the sum that genius gives—
Man dimmed in darkness, born to die.

[Goethe.]

A LONG ISLAND HOMESTEAD.
Miss Lucinda Conklin, Brewster, &
Perkins' Plum-Blossom & Brown-
ing Homestead.

From the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Union.

On Friday afternoon, John Mason, who is connected with the gravel pits at the hamlet of Eaton's Neck, but Huntington Bay, L. I., went with a friend to Caire's store, which is near Huntington Harbor, to lay in his weekly supply of provision. Having made his purchases, he and his friend embarked in their frail skiff and started for home. To pass from the harbor into the bay, they had to go through a narrow strait, known in Long Island vernacular as the "gut," and then row close to the shore of the bay for several miles. They passed the gut in safety, but hardly so in point about half way between Eaton's Neck Light and the bay, when the boat became entangled in a line of ice.

The skiff being heavily loaded astern, notwithstanding the fact that bow was now out of water, the frantic efforts of the men to pull out of the ice only made matters worse, and, instead of getting into clear water, they showed more than half of the boat on top of a large cake of ice. Then both dropped their oars and made an effort to push the boat off the ice, but in their hurry and excitement, they capsized her, and a second both of them were floundering in the water. Mr. Mason's companion, being able to swim a little, gained the boat, which was floating bottom upwards, and got around the keel, yelling lustily for help. Meantime, Mason, who could not swim a stroke, was clinging to a calve of ice which was broken off enough to sustain his weight, and was rapidly becoming exhausted.

Directly opposite the place at which the boat was capsized is the residence of Mr. Conklin, a seafarer. When the cries for help were heard Mr. Conklin was away from home, and there were only three women and a little boy in the house.

All rushed to the beach and saw the struggles of the drowning man, but for a moment they were so paralyzed that neither of them had presence of mind enough to make a movement to aid him. Then Miss Lucinda Conklin, without stopping to consult her mother or sister, waded out into the bay, determined to make at least one effort to save Mason. At this part of the bay the beach is broad and shelves out very gradually, so the brave woman was enabled to wade within a few feet of Mr. Mason. But as she moved forward, clearing the ice from her path with her hands, she gradually deepened little by little, until at last, when she was only eight or ten feet from the man she sought to save, only her head was above water. By this time Mason showed positive signs of exhaustion. He had clung to the ice for so long a time that his hands had become numb and trembled. However, and Miss Conklin saw, from his efforts to relieve his hands by placing one of his elbows on the edge of ice, that his chances for life were not worth a minute's purchase.

With a heroic soldier-like example, she plunged into the deep water, and with a few vigorous strokes, reached the drowning man. Although exhausted, she was still sensible, and faithfully obeyed the instructions given by the brave woman. She had warned him again, seizing hold of her in such a manner as to impede her motions; so, when she reached him, he placed his hands on her shoulders, and in a few seconds, thanks to her good swimming, both stood neck-deep in the cold water, and began wading shoreward.

As Miss Conklin reached the shore she fainted away, and was carried to the house by her relatives. Mason, nearly frozen to death, following in their wake. Miss Conklin was thoroughly exhausted by her exertions, as well as by the tremendous excitement under which she had labored, and did not recover for two or three days. Mason's companion survived fully to the shock of the house, and in due course of time was hauled ashore.

Miss Conklin is a young lady of about the average height, and her country training has made her much more than the average strength of her sex. Although not beautiful, she is spoken of as interesting and piquant in style, and is very popular in the neighborhood in which she resides.

JANAUROVSKY.
Janaurovsky is winning general opinions from all sorts of people at the *Sough*, & much of the popularity and complimentaries of the like kind, are lavished upon her. The fact is, her intense, eloquent, and forcible speech, impresses the minds of all her audience. She is the opposite of Rissova, who does not impress Americans at all, though praised by the press upon which her high reputation had previously depended. Janaurovsky, however, has a much more decided and commanding manner, and makes more to the popular taste.

BEE JOURNAL.
Prakas, the bee-keeper, has sold his property's sake, given up his apiary, and removed to New York. He may be assured it will not hurt her. She has made your house comfortable, your heart bright and shining, your food agreeable; her pity's sake tell her you thank her if nothing more. And don't forget it. It will make her open her eyes wider than ever before. And when you see her, you will be glad to say that, *she you too.*

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

The Dream of Our Common Man.

THE WILMINGTONIAN VAN WESSE.
The *Baltimore Gazette* concludes an article on the failure of the jury in the poisoning case of Wharton and Van Ness in these words:

When, therefore, the doctors—whether as medical practitioners or as analytical chemists—differed, both as to the nature of the disorder by which Mr. Van Ness was so suddenly and so mysteriously struck down, and as to the causes from which it originated, how was it possible for twelve Jurymen to decide, as of one mind, between them? The four jurors represent the doubt that had been infused in the case, and whether that doubt was vague and shadowy, or of纤细的, they entertained it; the accused was entitled to the benefit of it, and the legal proof, to that extent at least, was insufficient to conviction.

It is deeply to be regretted that a clear and decided verdict, one way or the other, could not be had. The State has seen fit to a very great expense in the prosecution of these Barton cases, and the cost to the accused must have been proportionately heavy. These repeated failures of justice satisfy no one. They bring out upon the jury system, and particularly upon the testimony of rival experts.

WOMEN'S FINANS.
Says the *Baltimore Sun*: The late decision of the House of Representatives to restore the names of South Carolina soldiers of the war of 1812 and of their widows to the pension list is more important as indicative of a readiness to look over 1861 to 1812, than from any great benefits it will confer upon the number of persons in the Southern States likely to be affected by this action of the House. It is now full sixty years since the soldiers of that period bore arms in defense of the country, and the number of survivors must be very small. But the money compensation of these survivors is the very smallest part of the matter. If the action of the House may be regarded as indicating a returning sense to justice, and if we play to the Southern communities, it conveys a significance which is of interest to the whole American people.

The *Baltimore Sun* adds: The men who could not swim a stroke were clinging to a calve of ice which was broken off enough to sustain his weight, and was rapidly becoming exhausted.

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A Frenchman on the South.

In case you are acquainted with any person in Metz or Strasburg, pray write him warmly on this subject, and urge him to direct attention to the courage, & of all others the best suited to the Frenchpeople. The Southern people of the American Republic are nearly allied to the French in tastes and cast of mind, though they are the vivacity of manner and politeness which so highly mark our people. The Southern people are bold, passionate, enterprising, hospitable, generous, & kind, & noble, if nobility consists in contempt of death, and of money. Letter in Mobile Register.

MISCELLANEOUS.

QUEEN INSURANCE CO. Liverpool, England.

North British Insurance Co. Liverpool, England.

London Assurance Company. Liverpool, England.

National Fire Insurance Company. Liverpool, England.

Marine Capital. Liverpool, England.

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