## The Meekly Star.

BOBBY BURNS. The Darkest and Most Critical Days In the Life of the Post.

As it is always darkest before the dawn, the year which was the most critical in Burns' life and which was destined to give birth to his better fortune opened with peculiar and unmitigated dreariness. The Kilmarnock edition of 1786 appeared while the poet was "skulking from covert to covert" to avoid the jail with which Jean Armour's father threatened him; its raison d'etre was the earning of sufficient money to pay his passage to Jamaica. Hav. ing "pocketed, all expenses deducted, nearly £20," Burns took a final farewell of his friends. He says: "My chest was on my way to Greenock when a letter from Dr. Blacklock (of Edinburgh) to a friend of mine overthrew all my schemes by opening up new prospects to my poetic ambition."

His fame was, in fact, spreading rapidly. Farm laborers and servant girls expended their hardly earned A cream of tartar baking powder. wages on the purchase of his poems, Highest of all in leavening strength. and the name of the "Ayrshire -Latest United States Government Plowman," began to be noised among members of wealthier and more cul-

edge that the obligation was not all

on his side, but that Mrs. Dunlop

and her friends had reason to be in-

After two winters spont in Edin-

I thought by the glimmering of my

own prudence the excise was my

most eligible scheme, but all my

debted to his poet's spells.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Co. tivated circles. The first person to extend to him the right hand of fel-New York. lowship was Dugald Stewart; the SUNDAY SELECTIONS. second was Mrs. Dunlop. Their friendship came with all the charm - Three things to cherish-virof a novelty which is yet not strange,

plaint:

tue, goodness and honor. but supplies a long felt though in-- They are never alone that are definable need, while, in the latter accompanied with noble thoughts -- Sir case, Burns' proud and independent spirit was gratified by the knowl-

Philip Sydney. - A good man's piety and virtue are not distinct possessions; they are himself.-W. E: Channing.

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- The enthusiast imagines that he alone has the courage of his convictions; but there is a faith, and perhaps a deeper faith which can stand still and wait till the fruit is ripe, when it can be gathered without violence .- Froude.

- Do not refuse the employment which the home brings you for one more ambitious. The highest heaven of wisdom is alike near from every point, and thou must find it, if at all, by methods native to thyself alone .-Emerson.

- If, on self-examination, I find that I am not upright, shall I not be in fear even of a poor man in his loose garments of hair-cloth? It, on selfexamination. I find that I am upright, I will go forward against thousands and tens of thousands .- Mencius.

great friends, and particularly you, -True charity has become a matter of sound business administration, were decidedly, and therefore decidand until voluntarily or under pressure ed me, for farming. My master, local charities are put on a sound ba Mr. Miller, out of a real though sis, they will fail to do the best work for the poor or to be safe intermediaries between the donors and the recipients of charity .- Citizen. - It is reported that in the Tamul language there is no word for hope. Alas! poor men, if we were all as destitute of the blessed comfort itself, as ventured on a bargain that, instead these Tamul speakers are of the word! of being comfortable, is and will be What must be the misery of souls in a very hard bargain, if at all prachell, where they remember the word, ticable. I am sorry to tell you this, but can never know hope itself .- Spurmadam, but it is a damning truth.' geon -Fortnightly Review.



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have accomplished in fields hitherto occupled only by the other sex they have fought hard and long for, and success has been secured only by dint of great perseverance and determination. That those who come after them -will not have such a struggle is equally self

evident. The clearing away of the underbrush of ublic opinion has followed close upon the elling of the first mighty sentinels of the forest that guarded the way to the regions of knowledge and "avenues of opportunity," and such obstacles as remain cannot hinder progress. They amount only to wholesome opposition, making effort more valuable. At the present time we are witnessing the admission of women to the bar and the opening of the law classes to the gen-

eral woman for general information. This, it must be acknowledged, is a most liberal acquiescence, and the grace of its accomplishment is by no means its least interesting side. It has been altogether a chivalric performance-this admission of vomen to the study of law in the uni-



DR MARY E. GREEN.

versity of our own city as well as elsewhere. It has presented a marked contrast to their slow scaling of the ramparts of the medical laboratory. Yet the pursuit of legal knowledge seems less characteristic of the womanly temperament than the study of medicine, the one being an acguisition of dry theories and dusty facts. the other a development of her natural capacity and her retention within her special realm of ministration and service to the suffering.

The history of some of those pioneer women physicians is replete with valiant struggles against repeated defeat and discouragements. That of Dr. Mary E. Green, now of Charlotte, Mich., but formerly of his city, exemplifies this statement. She is a woman whom New Yorkers may well be proud to claim as a fellow citizen. In the face of opposition, persecution

and ridicule in the early sixties she won her victory in 1868 by graduating with disinction from the Woman's Medical college of Philadelphia. Discouragement assailed her on all sides during her course of study. When she wished to become a member of the New York Medical society, that body fairly shouted with indignation

## SAILORS' PETS.

Animals Which Vary the Monotony of Eristence For Jack Tar. Three things, writes a naval con-

tributor, there are which do more than anything else to lighten the burden of existence such as it is borne by Jack Tar, says the West-

minster Gazette. These three are grog, the hornpipe and a pet animal, and the pet animal is the greatest solace of the three. There is scarce. ly a vessel afloat, from one of our line of battle ships down to a canalboat, that has not a two or four footed pet on board. Sailors proverbially

make pets of almost any animal they are shipmates with-elephants. bears, sheep, goats, monkeys, gazelles and raccoons among the mammalia, bantam cocks, parrots, cockatoos, magpies and sea gulls among bipeds, and even inhabitants of the ocean, such as seals and turtle, have been laid under contribution to pro-

vide amusement for our bluejackets! An elephant seems "a large order" as a sailor's pet aboard ship, but who of the senior naval officers does not remember the vessel called by the nickname of H. M. S. Menagerie, and the elephant on board of that paddle wheel frigate when they were on the Indian station. The elephant was regularly stationed and harnessed to the jib halyards, and when the order was given to "Make all plain sail," he made a triumphant bellow and ran along the waist until the pipe was sounded to 'Belay !'' to the delenda est Carthago of any toes that got into his way!

Admiral Sir G. W-- told me that when he commanded an Indian troopship a full grown tiger was embarked for passage to England as a present from some Indian prince to the queen. It was a magnificent animal, and for many years afterward was exhibited at the zoological gardens. One morning, about 5:80, the captain was awakened by a messenger, who said, "Please sir, the tiger has broken loose!" His reply was, "Lock my cabin door, and call me when he's in his cage again." It appears that in cleaning the cage, the men being then washing decks, the door of the cage had been unfastened and the beast had escaped, causing a regular stampede, the bluejackets forward running up the rigging and the soldiers taking to the hammock nettings and the hurricane deck. The tiger ran aft; the men had not heard of its escape and were throwing buckets of water about. The scene appeared to puzzle the tiger. At any rate, an old quartermaster realized the situation, and taking his lastern flashed it full in the face of the figer. He then took the animal by the scruff of the neck, ran it forward to its cage and slammed and fastened the door in a jiffy. Here is another anecdote of a real pet, this time in the same ship. GALATIA, ILLS., Nov. 16, 1893. Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo. Gentiemen:-We sold last year, 600 bottles of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC and have There are several officers now alive who can vouch for the truth of this bought three gross already this year. In all our ex-perience of 14 years, in the drug business, have never sold an article that gave such universal satis-faction as your Tonic. Yours truly, ABNEY, CARB & O story. The first lieutenant had a very jolly little monkey, quite a general favorite. One evening, just For sale-Wholesale and Retail, and guaranteed by R. R. Be lamy. Retail by J. H. Hardin and all other Druggists, Wilmington, N. C. ap. 30 D&W 6m before dinner, on a guest night, the ship being in harbor, the first lieutenant went into his cabin with the monkey, and, opening a box of very choice Havana cigars rather hastily, by accident smashed two of themthe parts of which he threw overboard out of his cabin port. Then,



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night." "What difference does that make? I haven't noticed many extra encores to night."

"But there's more laughing tonight. The house laughs oftener than usual and keeps it up longer?" "Would that make much difference in the length of the performance?"

"Anywhere from 5 to 15 minutes. An ordinary laugh at some joke on the stage lasts 2 or 3 seconds. When the house laughs for 6 seconds, it is a good, long laugh, and 10 seconds is almost the limit. I don't mean the applause to call some one back, but the laugh sprinkled thorugh the dialogue. A good natured and cordial audience will laugh 6 seconds at every 'gag.' Ten 'gags' will prolong the show a minute, and when you figure that three acts are well filled with funny lines, you will understand why the show sometimes lasts until 11 o'clock and on chilly evenings is over at 10:40 or 10:45."-Chicago Record.

### SIGHTING ATLANTIC LINERS.

### How the Big Steamers Are Distinguished by the Fire Island Outlooks.

Six hours before an Atlantic liner is nade fast to her moorings the news that she has passed Fire island is announced in New York. Fire island, the first land sighted by most ocean liners, lies about 40 miles from Castle Garden. The observatory is 40 feet high and stands nearly 200 feet from the beach. On a small table in the top room is a telegraph

Union office in New York city. The superintendent identifies the steam ers by their outlines and by other details that his experience suggests. The number of times that he has been able to read their names may be counted on one hand, and so exclusively has his acquaintance of ships been made at long range that he has expressed doubts whether he would be able

to recognize them at close quarters. At night all steamers send up a signal when opposite Fire island. The Inman signal is a red and two blue lights, followed by a rocket showing blue and red stars. The Cunarders burn two roman candles, throwing six blue balls. These signals merely indicate the line to which the vessels belong. To distinguish the particular steamer, therefore, the side and stern lights need to be carefully observed. By daytime colored flags are used, but as colors cannot be detected beyond a few miles they are not of much value. The superintendent, therefore, depends almost entirely on the outline of the vessel, the

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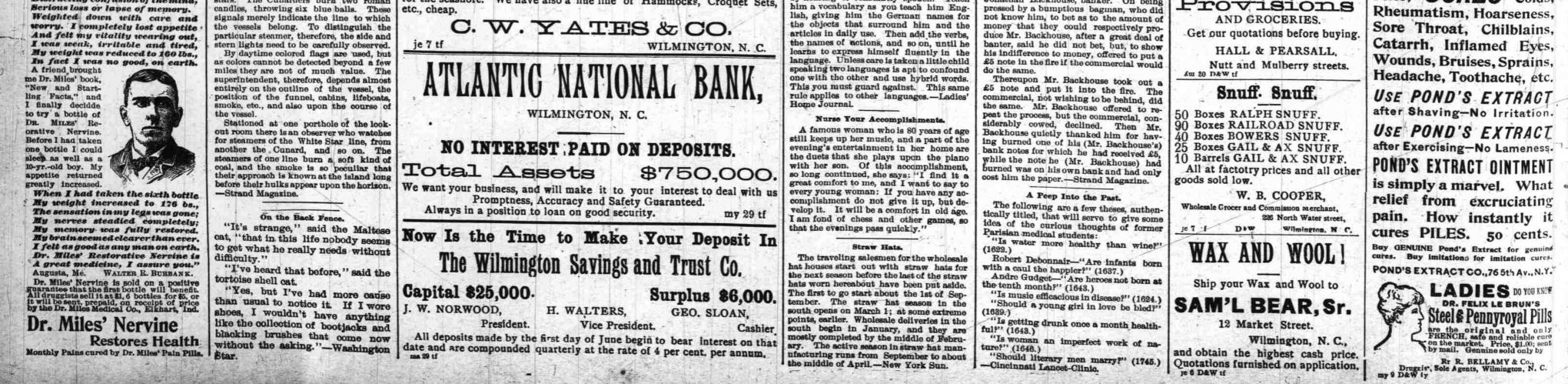
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sociations and institutions with which she has been associated. After graduation in Philadelphia she came to New York, where she made rapid headway in her profession. She received the appointment to be visiting physician at several charitable hospitals. Here, too, within a short time she became the wife of a prominent lawyer. From the beginning of her practice Dr. Green has been deeply interested in dietet-

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Hints to Stout Women.

It has been discovered that a double chin can be banished by correct breathing. The woman with a short neck must hold her head high, even stretching her neck until conscious of the tension of the cords. She should also practice dropping her head and letting it roll listlessly about. This will give a graceful poise to the head, and the exercise of muscles will help consume the extra amount of fat. Lung excreises In breathing are the best cure for excessive stoutness. The best time for this is before dressing in the morning and after undressing at night. Five or ten minutes' exercise every day will reduce the flesh in a wonderfully short time. Stand erect, with the head and chin well up, and rise upon the toes at each inspiration, holding the breath a moment, then expelling it forcibly and completely, coming down upon the heels at the same time. Another good breathing exercise is to draw in a full, deep breath. Retain the breath while counting 15, and then slowly expel it. Sometimes stout women move the arms gracefully, but the body has an utter lack of liberty and free motion or suppleness. Drawing her corsets tighter never did make a stout woman less stout in appearance. The first care is not to lace too tightly, the second is to banish all ideas of being stout from your mind, and let the muscles have as free play as possible. All women can learn to use their bodies gracefully, even if there is a predisposition to stoutness. Stout women are acknowledged to be the lightest dancers, and there is no

reason why they should not be graceful in pose and motion. If a woman draws her Teaching Young Child German.

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filling his cigar case, as dinner was already on the table, he left the box on the table and hurried to mess. It had been the custom for his monkey to follow him and wait by

the table for a morsel of food now and again. This evening, after some little time had elapsed, and the monkey did not appear, his owner, excusing himself for a minute, ran back to his cabin to see what his pet was doing, knowing besides, having a strong imitative trait of character, it was generally up to some mischief or other. Alas, he was too late! The monkey had only too well imitated his master, for as the first lieutenant entered the cabin, he was just in time to see the last of his cherished weeds taken out of the box and thrown out of the port overboard.

Bitter Jerrold.

Among the sayings attributed to Douglas Jerrold is a very bitter one he applied to Mark Lemon, then editor of Punch. Lemon was deeply attached to Dickens and showed it in a very open fashion, which perhaps aroused the great satirist's jealousy. At all events, as Jerrold was walking out one day with Lemon and another friend, and Dickens with several more behind them, Lemon sudtenly dropped away and turned back. "What has become of Punch?" asked Jerrold's companion. "Did you not hear Dickens whistle?" was the cynical reply. "Dickens pays the dog tax for Lemon."

#### More Fortunate Than Most. "Do you know that Snigley is the father of twins?"

"Yes, I heard it last night at the club. Did you hear what he said about it?"

"No. What?" "He said that they were the first duplicate wedding presents that Mrs. Snigley and he had received." -Brooklyn Life.

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