Many a woman has periodic crying pells. She meets her husband with eyes red and swollen and he cries out:
"What has happened?" "Nothing" his
wife replies. "I don't know what is the matter with me, but I just had to have a good cry." Men don't have crying spells. It would seem therefore that an affection confined to women must have its cause in the womanly nature. There is no doubt that a diseased condition of the delicate womanly organs, is in gen-eral responsible for feminine nervousness and hysteria.

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THE WHOLE THING.

Who causes all the crops to grow? Who makes the seasons come and go? Who shapes the current of events? Who regulates the elements? Who takes the place of Providence?
McKinley!

Who makes it rain when it is dry? Who shapes demand, also supply? Who caused the Indian famine, which Raised corn and wheat to such a pitch? It made the farmers all get rich? McKinley!

Who gives the people industry? Who gives the world prosperity? Who placed gold down in the ground, And then got on and scratched around Till Criple Creek and Nome were found? McKinley!

Who sailed into Manila Bay? Who sunk Cevera's fleet one day? Who fought against the war: then cam At a late hour into the game And took the glory for the same?

Who is the source of every good? Who wants that fully understood? If any benefit befall Somewhere upon this mundane ball Who is the creature sleek and small That has the monumental gall To claim the credit for it all?

McKinley!
—Denver News TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE

IN WEST VIRGINIA Explosion in a Coal Mine-Twelve Men Killed and Two Others Fatally

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. PHILLIPI, W. VA., November 3.-One of the greatest calamities in the history of Barbour county occurred this morning at 1 o'clock at the mines of the Southern Coal and Transportation Company, at Berrysburg, six miles from this place. As a result twelve men are dead and two wounded, both

of whom will die. The explosion was so great that mules were killed at the mouth of the mine and the cars were blown forty feet from the track. One man was blown in two at the loins and his body thrown against a pile of lumber at the

mouth of the mine. The explosion was probably the result of an accidental discharge of dyn amite, caused perhaps by the concussion of a blast. The property loss is light. No blame can be attached to to the officials of the company.

Ohe sight was a most horrible one. Strewn along the main channel and about the opening were the arms, legs, hands and other portions of the bodies of the dead miners. Fathers and mothers were frantically hunting for sons, and as fast as a body was recov ered they would glance at it and recognizing it would give hysterical screams. The hotel has been turned into a hospital and those still alive when brought out were taken there. There is great deal of comment about the cause of the explosion. The authorities refused to discuss the matter further than to say it was caused by an excessive charge of powder being be in good condition.

The report of the auditor of the Postoffice Department, covering the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1900, shows that the total revenues for the department for the period were \$102,354,579, and expenditures \$107,249,298; leaving a deficit of \$4,894,718.

Fire broke out in cotton which had bean landed on the dock at Liverpool from the British steamer, European, from New Orleans, and five hundred bales have been damaged by fire and



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BRYAN CLOSED

HIS CAMPAIGN.

Late Last Night He Left Chicago for His Home in Lincoln,

GREAT DEMONSTRATION.

Nebraska.

Tremendous Crowds at Yesterday's Meetings in Chicago-A Banquet in His

Honor-An Immense Parade of

Democrats Was Reviewed. By Telegraph to the Merning Star.

CHICAGO. November 3 -With four addresses in Chicago and one at Harvey, Wm. J. Bryan to day practically closed his long campaigning in the struggle for the presidency. To night, from in front of the Union League Club, on Jackson boulevard, Mr. Bryan reviewed, amid a din of can non and glare of fireworks, an im mense parade of Democrats, which marked the close of the campaign in Chicago, and late to-night he left over the Burlington road for his home in Lincoln, Neb., where with his family he will receive election returns next Tuesday.

To day, the third of Mr. Bryan's speech-making in Chicago, was marked by tremendous crowds at each of the five meetings addressed by him, and the parade to-night developed into one long ovation, the cheering for the Democratic presidential can didate being almost incessant from the time he stepped on the reviewing stand until, rather weary from his arduous work of the past three days, he stepped into his carriage and was driven to the Union station.

Banquet by Iroquois Club.

At noon to-day the Iroquois Club gave a banquet in honor of Mr. Bryan, at which many of the members who opposed him in 1896 pledged him sup port on next Tuesday. At 10 o'clock Mr. Bryan began his day's speechmaking at a big open air meeting in front of the Transit House, Fortysecond and Halstead streets, the centre of the stock yards district. Three other meetings were also addressed by Mr. Bryan during the afternoon. At 2.30 P. M. he spoke at an open-air meeting at Maxwell and Union streets and at 4 P. M. at an open-air meeting on the lake front, Washington street and Michigan avenue, From there Mr. Bryan took a suburban train to Harvey, where he addressed a big meeting of foundrymen and mill

The final meeting of the day and the last of Mr. Bryan's remarkable campaign outside of his own State, was at the Calumet theatre, in South Chicago. From there Mr. Bryan went at once to the reviewing stand on Jackson boulevard, where for over an hour he stood and bowed as the hosts of the Democracy marched by and cheered their leader.

The Closing Speech.

At the Iroquois Club, Mr. Bryan said in part: "I have had imposed upon me in this campaign a great duty, and I have performed it to the best of my ability and to the extent of my strength. My responsibility ceases,

so far as this campaign is concerned, on next Tuesday. If I have any further responsibility it will be the fault of the people; it will be for them to say whether I shall remain a private citizen or become a public ser-"I am glad in this campaign that we have the support of the many who were against us before. I do not criti-

cise them harshly, and I did not when they left us, because I believe that a majority of them left because they conscientiously believed that the country was in danger. I did not agree with them in that—I did not believe that the people or the country would be in danger because of my election, and I make the statement to you now that if I had been elected we would not now be confronted by the crisis that is before us. believe that those who voted against me were at least in nearly all cases men who voted against me because they thought that they were doing their duty to their country. When I heard, the night of the election, that an old gray-haired man fell upon his knees and thanked God that the coun try had been saved, I knew that he was expressing the sentiments of his heart. But, many who thanked God that I was defeated then, are now praying that I shall not be defeated again. It does not mean that they have changed their sentiments since then. It does not necessarily mean that they have changed in their opinions upon the questions which were paramount then, but it does mean that four years of Republican rule have brought them face to face to a greater question than has ever been pefore this country. I believe the issue used. The miners insist that it was to day is even greater than the issue of caused by fire damp. The mine was 1860, for then the question was whether recently inspected and pronounced to | we should have one republic or two republics; but now, the issue in this campaign is, whether we shall have a

"Our appeal has been to the conscience and to the judgment of the American people. I am glad that this is the only kind of an appeal that we could make. If it is my destiny to be the President of the United States I do not want to feel that I am President ecause some one was bought to vote for me or compelled to do it against his will. I believe with those who believe in the principle that we stand for—that if I am elected there is a great work before me; and if I am called upon to perform that work I want to feel that I have behind me the hearts of the American people as well as their votes, and if I have their hearts behind me and if I am elected, as I must be elected if elected at all, because they want me elected, and, thereafter, my one purpose in life will be to disappoint no honest man who

voted for me. "I cannot hope that my administraion, if elected, will be free from mistakes, for I contend that perfection is not to be found in this world, and that all that we can do is to approach it as We can with the light before us, and with a sincere purpose to do what is right. I cannot hope not to make mistakes, but I promise you that if I am elected there will be four years in this country when no citizen here or foreigner abroad will have any doubt that the Declaration of Indepenlence is the law of this land."

-- In April last President Jor-dan, of the Leland, Stanford, University, reported in a printed interview that Roosevelt had said to him privately the week before: "I wish we were off the Philppines and had them off our hands, and many other Republicans are thinking the same." Doubtless he and many more of them would confess that they are thinking the same to-day if they were at lib-erty to speak their minds.—Charleston News and Courier, Dem.

THE STORY OF LIFE.

Only the same old story, told in a different strain. pain; etimes a flash of sunlight, again the drifting

seems to borrow from the crimson times black with thunder, then changed to a brilliant blue; as satan, sometimes as heaven

Only the same old story, but, oh, how the changes Sometimes the warmest hand clasp leaves in the

Sometimes in the hush of even, sometimes in the etimes with dovelike calmness.

We dream it, write it, live it, this weird, wild -Pearson's Weekly.

CONKLING'S GREATEST EFFORT. Where the Famous Senator Made the

Speech of His Life. "The best political fighting is done in a convention where there is stubborn opposition," said an old delegate to many national gatherings. "The most effective oratory is heard where speakers realize that they must be convincing. The difference in the speeches of Conkling and Garfield in the Chicago convention was as marked as the personality of the men themselves. And yet undoubtedly each man caused intelligent and conservative delegates to halt in their opinions. Conkling, in nominating Grant, aroused the convention and the galleries to the summit of enthusiasm. It seemed as if it could never be subdued. The speech of Garfield, in which he presented the name of Sherman, had, however, exactly that effect. It was necessary that it should be so in order to quiet the tumult started by Conkling.

"Great as Conkling's speech is conceded to have been, the convention and the galleries did not hear his greatest effort, and unfortunately there is no record of it. It was unwritten. The day before the ballot there was a meeting of the 306, as the Grant phalanx is known in political history. Some attempts had been made to break it. Strong overtures had been presented to several of the 306. The meeting to which I refer was held in a room under the roof of the hotel. We met there secretly. We were pledged to say nothing to others about our caucus. It was a hot day, and a skylight was opened to admit air. Mr. Conkling got up to make his last talk to the 306 before they went to the convention. I was not a speech to convince those who heard it. There was no occasion for that. But it was intended as a warning against threatened combinations, and reassertion of fealty to our candidate Conkling was at his best, and I had seen

"Just as he was beginning there was a disturbance on the roof. A reporter who had got an inkling of the meeting had crawled up there and flattened himself so that he might hear the proceedings. A party of linemen on the roof at the same time, but ignorant of the meeting below or of the reporter's presence at the skylight, came along, and the reporter, think ing they were after him, skedaddled. It was this disturbance that caused Conkling to stop, and then the skylight was closed. The incident had no effect upon Conkling's effort, but it prevented the reporter from shorthanding what we all conceded to be a much greater effort than the one made by Conkling the night he placed Grant in nomination. I know this is saying a good deal, but I heard both, as did 305 others, and our opinion on the speech in the hotel room was unanimous. Several times a number of us asked Conkling to write the speech he made in the room, but he always replied that it couldn't be done; that it was an inspiration and that inspirations never repeated

him under all circumstances.

themselves."-Chicago Times-Herald. Brougham's Joke.

Lord Brougham was the author of a rather sharp practical joke, the victim being the London Times. The editor of that paper was a particular enemy of the great statesman, and it occurred to the latter that it would be a good joke to give out that he was dead and see what kind of obituary notice the great London newspaper would give.

Lord Brougham was traveling in the provinces at the time, and the report of his death was soon circulated. A representative of The Times called at his lordship's residence to verify the rumor There he was assured the report was in deed true and in proof was shown th coffin and pall, which had already bee

The next day The Times appeared with a notice of Brougham's death, in which the statesman's life and character were depicted in the most virulent terms. It was very small satisfaction to Lord Brougham when, a few days later, he exacted an abject apology from the editor.-Chambers' Journal.

A Nervy Publisher. In the "Personal Recollections of Sutherland Edwards," English music critic, the author tells of Tinsley, the publisher, who "came up to London in a billycock hat on the top of a hay cart." He proposed to begin as a publisher by buying a book from Miss Braddon and offered her £1,000 for it. Unfortunately, he had not any money, so he went to some paper makers, told them that he had made a contract with Miss Braddon, and they agreed to give him credit for the

Then he went to a large firm of printers and said that the paper makers would furnish the paper, and he would be glad if they would undertake the printing. This they agreed to do, whereupon he returned to the paper makers and borrowed the money to pay Miss Braddon. The novel in question was "Lady Audley's Secret."

"Because She Loved Him." "Will you always, love me like you do now?" he asked the Boston girl. At this juncture, dear reader, comes in the remarkable feature of the affair. She did not correct his grammar. She merely said "'M!" All of which foregoing goes to show

that love is a leveler beside whom a

steam shovel looks like 30 denarii.—In-

dianapolis Press.

Fairy Literature. It may be doubted whether those who have not been forced to a liberal reading of fairy stories after they have grown up altogether realize the objections which exist against many of them. On the other hand, it is quite unfair to condemn them all because so many of them carry the supernatural to an objectionable and harmful extreme. It would be a loss to literature indeed to blot out altogether the romance and chivalry which are bound up in the time honored stories of the nursery. Those who contemplate any departure so radical as this can only be counted among those enthusiasts who are always in favor of extreme measures. While there may be valid objections to some of the more bloodthirsty tales and to others of a ghostly and grewsome kind, no one can reasonably object to the land of enchantment, peopled with fanciful creations and miraculous powers, which

any child delights to hear about.-Cur-Lacking In Experience. "I don't see why there is all this opposition to women voting," said a beardless young fellow from his vantage ground beside the Lyceum, watching the women going into the equal suffrage meeting. "It just means that a man has two votes instead of one-his own and his wife's."

concluded the youthful sage. "Young man," questioned a gray veteran Benedict, "are you married? "No, no; I'm not married." "Well, then, you don't know anything about it. It means that the women will

have two votes and the men won't have any vote at all."—Memphis Scimitar. When you call on a friend in the evening and he keeps his fingers at the place in the book he was reading, take the bint.—Atchison Globe.

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MICROBE PROFESSOR'S THEORY.

Malady by His Shoes.

He Alleges That He Can Tell a Man's "Have you ever noticed," said the mi

erobe professor, "that people suffering from dyspepsia slide their feet when they walk? No? Well, they do, and I will explain it. After a lifelong study of the subject I am able to say that I know what I am talking about, and the medical books and doctors be blowed! "The microbes which cause dyspepsia enter the human system only between the toes. If a man had no toes or could walk on his hands, he would never be troubled with that nightmare of all diseases in the catalogue. The microbes entering the system through the toes as they do, the feet are first to feel the effect of them. When they reach the stomach, the entire body, of course, becomes affected, and the heavy feeling is general. But you will never see a dyspeptic who lifts his

feet in a sprightly manner when he walks. "I can sit here in my office and point out the ills of men and women as they pass along the street with as much precision as the best physician can after a careful and tedious diagnosis. Take a person with influenza or 'grip.' Just the opposite of the dyspeptic. Instead of dragging his feet he steps as high as a blind horse, all because the germs are in his head and his feet appear to be seven pounds each lighter than they ought to be. You have noticed it in your own case the morning after a celebration when your head is heavy. Your feet will go a foot too high when you attempt to

step upon the curb.

'Rheumatics always walk on the out side of their feet-that is, their ankles turn outward, while people affected with heart disease turn their ankles the other way. A man who has catarrh always wears the backs off the heels of his shoes and one with weak eyes turns his toes in A sufferer from any pulmonary disease walks largely on his toes. This comes from his continued gasping for breath. "A deaf person always stamps his feet when walking, and one who has liver complaint takes short, irregular steps I could go through the entire list of human ills and name the characteristic of each in relation to the feet. For the human citadel first begins to weaken at the bottom, and there the microbes make their first attack in many cases. Of course some microbes enter the system only through the palms of the hands, others through the eyelids, and others still under the finger nails.

"But give me a man's shoes in any case, and I will name his malady."-Kansas City Times.

FISHING IN POLYNESIA.

Natives Hook the Finny Tribes With Fishhooks Grown on Trees. A party of palu fishers are ready to se out from the little island of Nanomaga the smallest but most thickly populated of the Ellice group. The night must be windless and moonless, the latter condi-tion being absolutely indispensable, although, curiously enough, the fish will take the hook on an ordinary starlight night. Time after time have I tried my luck with either a growing or a waning moon, much to the amusement of the natives, and never once did I get a palu although other nocturnal feeding fish bit freely enough, notably a monstrous species of sea perch called la-heu.

The tackle used by the natives is made of cocoanut sennit, four or eight strandof great strength and capable of holding a 15 foot shark, should one of these prowlers seize the bait. The hook is made of wood-in fact, the same as is used for shark fishing-about one inch and a half in diameter, 14 inches in the shank, with a natural curve, the barb, or rather that which answers the purpose of a barb, being supplied by a small piece lashed horizontally across the top of the end of the curve.

These peculiar wooden hooks are grown. The roots of a tree called ngua, whose wood is of great toughness, are watched when they protrude from a bank and trained into the desired shape. Specimens of these may be seen in almost any ethnographical museum. To sink the line coral stones of three or four pounds' weight are used, attached by a very thick piece of sennit, or bark, which, when the fish is struck, is always broken by its struggles and falls off, thus releasing the line from an unnecessar, weight. It is no light task hauling in a thick, heavy line hanging straight up and down for a length of from 75 to 100 fathoms or more.—Chambers' Journal.

Out and Was Cut. A card sharper who had evidently bee doing the races joined a small group of farm servants in a public house. Failing to interest the company in the mysteries of the three card trick, he, in apparent sheer desperation, exclaimed:

"Well, look here, chaps, I'll bet any of you 5 shillings I can cut the ace of spades, any of you to shuffle and arrange a pack of cards as you like," at the same time producing the pack, which he pushed toward a likely victim, who agreed to accept the wager, took up the pack, shurfled them and then placed them on the

cut his pack clean through, at the same time saying: "There! I've cut the ace!"
"Nay, that you haven't," quietly replied the yokel. "The ace o' spades is up
my sleeve. See?"—London Answers.

An Actress' Gowns. Your gowns at this stage of your existence may cause you great anguish o mind. I do not refer to their cost, but to their selection. You will not be allowed to say, "I will wear white," or "I will wear pink," because the etiquette of the theater gives the leading lady the first choice of colors, and after her the lady next in importance, you wearing what is left. In some New York theaters actresses have no word in the selection of their gowns. They receive "plates" from the hand of the manager and dress ac ordingly.—Clara Morris in Century.

His Story "Goes" Until He Does. There is in Cowley county a big two fisted farmer who has the reputation of being the biggest liar in the township. But he will fight at the drop of the hat, and men are very chary of accusing him. The other day he went into Dexter and told that he had a 9-month-old calf that gave three quarts at a milking, and, after recounting this story, the local paper said, "Mr. Horrell is still in town, and we are convinced that that calf is a wonder."-Kansas City Journal.

The Harem a Prison. The western boast that every man's house is his castle is as nothing to the sanctity of the eastern harem. Notofficer of the law may enter a harem, and therefore there is no safeguard for the life and liberty of its inhabitants. One day they may be slaves, the next princesses and the next strangled or poisoned. An ill disposed man could carry off an enemy to his harem and kill him and none would be the wiser.

Getting Advice. The girl's father was rich, and the suitor for her hand was poor, buteremarkably persistent. she said to the old gentleman, "if Frank asks me this evening to marry him what shall I savin "Say whatever you think is best, my

child." "How best, papa? Best for me or best for Frank?"-Detroit Free Press. Rewarded. Employer-I have noticed, Mr. Johnson, that you, of all the clerks, seem to

out your whole life and soul into your work; that no detail is too small to escape your critical attention, no hours too long to cause you to repine.
Clerk (joyfully)—Y-yes, sir!
Employer—And so, Mr. Johnson, I am
forced to discharge you at once. It is such chaps as you that go out and start

rival establishments after they have got the whole thing down pat.—Judge. The seven provinces of Canada have a total area of 1,078,000 square miles and the nine territories 2,331,000 square miles, while the great lakes of the St. Lawrence system have an arcia of 47,000 square miles.

STORIES ABOUT OWLS.

The Birds Can Make Themselves Very Unpleasant Companions. They say all sorts of mean things about owls. If a man hasn't much respect for your gray matter or intelligence in general, he will say you are as stupid as an owl. On the other hand, if you are brilliant and he likes you it would be just like him to say you were as wise as an owl. And there you are. To come right down to the subject, an owl is not by any manner

of means the stupid bird many people

Mr. John A. Lord, a taxidermist, says

believe him to be.

the Portland (Mc.) Express, relates a story about how he had once gone out to look at some traps he had set for rabbits. When he reached his traps, he found that a rabbit had been caught, but something had carried it off and left no trace of its identity behind it. That night Mr. Lord took two or three traps and baited them about where the game had been stolen the night before. A rabbit soon got ensnared, and Mr. Lord proceeded to watch it from a nearby cover. For a long time everything was quiet, except for the frightened tugs and jumps the imprisoned rabbit made to get free. Suddenly there was a whir of wings, and, like a flash of lightning, a great horned owl pounced out of the gloom down on to the struggling victim. He killed the rabbit instantly and began to eat it. In his movements he got one foot into another trap and found that he in turn was a prisoner. He thrashed around for some time, when Mr. Lord

powerful claws in the fleshy part of his right hand. There was a very animated scene for a few moments, and about all that could be seen was a bunch of man and owl rolling about the ground. When the combatants were brought to their feet again by Mr. Lord, the owl refused to break clean, and his claws remained firmly imbedded in the flesh. The owl had to be killed and the tendons in the leg cut before the cruel claws could be opened and withdrawn from the man's hand. He learned something about

and a friend went to his release. The

friend did not know the peculiarities

of the great horned owl so well as Mr.

Lord did or he never would have at-

tempted to lift the bird by his well

foot. The owl wasn't feeling particu-

larly amiable and made one of its fa-

mous passes at the man, fastening its

owls, however. Mr. Lord relates how he once saw fully 50 crows after a great horned owl. They made it so hot for him that he dropped to the ground, where they began to dart about bim. The owl merely hunched himself up into a defensive position and let them play their game. He kept so still that they became bolder, and finally one came near. Like a flash that "irresistible right" shot out and fastened on Mr. Crow. There was one doleful squawk, and it was all over. The owl then deliberately pulled the dead crow apart and ate it before the screeching flock that was watching him. It is safe to say that they did not come near enough to both-

er him after that. Right here it might be well to state a little something about the manner in which an owl strikes its prey. If you ever noticed when owls pounce down on their victims, they usually stretch their legs out in front of them. They strike in with their sharp claws, throwing their bodies forward and literally sitting down on the unfortunate object upon whch they have fastened. This gives them a leverage and locks the sharp claws together in the flesh of the victim so firmly that it is impossible for them to let go again until they have straightened out their legs. They can generally put their claws through any flesh they pounce upon.

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- When a Christian begins to neglect his Bible he has already begun o blackslide.

- Honor is far superior to honesty. Honesty may be a policy, Honor is honesty spiritualized and hence removed beyond the possibilities of a policy. - In prayer meetings it is good

o have a sister lead one night, and a prother the next. In this way the talent of the whole church may be developed. - The supremacy of the interest of the spiritual life and welfare makes

any sacrifice, no matter how great,

seem small in comparison to the great good in the end .- Rev. H. A. Gobin. - Every man can help on the world's work more than he knows of. What we want is the single eye, that we may see what our work is, the humility to accept it, however lowly, the faith to do it for God, the perseverance to go on till death .- Norman Mc

- A good mother, when her son was leaving the home of his childhood and going out into the great world, knowing that he was ambitious, gave him this parting injunction: "My son, remember that, though it is a good thing to be a great man, it is a great thing to be a good man.

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