# KEPT THE SKELETON.

UEER REVENCE OF A MAN WHOSE FRIEND WAS MURDERED.

'le Took the Bones of the Murderer From the Grave and Hung Them on the Wall of His Onthouse-A Tragedy of the Civil War.

vas leaning over the fence.

vere wholly southern. One of the visit- brand new stock of ginghams which back his ears, and one can feel his sudrs knew him and had told the other had just the night before been taken den resolve to brave the worst and have adly fastened together and hanging particularly nice new piece of pink hands, and they get a heavy fall; if in o the wall by the neck. The Missourian gingham at 20 cents a yard. id not object to telling the story.

"That fellow," he said, motioning with his thumb to the skeleton, "was, her purse catch. nce an acquaintance of mine, and I iked him so well"-this with a laugh- clerk. "It just last night came out of heart that he comes down. He may be "that I have kept him by me ever since, the box from which it came from the fatally wounded, but hobbles out of the that I can come out and stir him up factory." whenever I feel disposed," and he gave the skeleton a dig in the ribs.

"It was this way," he continued, losing the door on his acquaintance. "During the war I lived in one of the outhern states, where I was about the only northern man. They took nearly his scissors from his vest pocket. everything that I had as time went on, killed my stock, killed some of my peole and finally announced that they were going to kill me. Nearly all the which he called the cashboy was not of but he will dodge them, if possible, and country was terrorized at that time by the gentlest, but the shopper, at least, in any case leap over them. When he a good for acthing chap whom we will call Jim Conner ; that was not his name, at it will do-one name is as good as :nother now.

"When the war broke out, he started How the Animals Managed to Get n as a sort of independent guerrilla and

## THE POOR SALESMAN.

One of the Ways He Is Tortured by Exacting Shoppers.

On the shelves of nearly every dry goods store in the city are rolls of goods from one to a dozen times a day to be same as his rider. As the column swings exhibited to possible purchasers. The into line and waits the horse grows exacting shoppers have become firmly nervous over the waiting. If the wait convinced that such exhibitions of the is spun out, he will tremble and sweat open ends of rolls cause them to become and grow apprehensive. If he has been "Morning, sir," replied the man who shepworn. The result is they ask the six months in service, he knows every clerk to cut their order from the inside bugle call. As the call comes to ad-He was a short, thickset man, with end. This means the unrolling of the vance, the rider can feel him working a clear and piercing eye, his face shaved entire bolt for a possible three-quarter at the bit with his tongue to get it bemooth, with not the suggestion of a yard purchase, but it has to be done. tween his teeth. As he moves out, he vrinkle; yet his hair was as white as A fashionably dressed woman stepped will either seek to get on faster than now. He had a slight southern accent, into one of the Nicollet avenue stores he should or bolt. He cannot bolt, howand his hearty manner of inviting the the other day and asked to be shown ever. The lines will carry him forward, isitors in and his cordial hospitality some ginghams. On the shelves was a and after a minute he will grip, lay

hat there was a man with a bona fide from the boxes in which they were done with it as soon as possible. keleton in his closet and that the skele- | shipped from the factory. They hadn't | A man seldom cries out when hit in ton had a story. It did not require any been shown to any one except possibly the turmoil of battle. It is the same ersuasion to obtain a glimpse of the the buyers down east, and then these with a horse. Five troopers out of six, keleton. The owner presently led the particular pieces had not been exhibit- when struck with a bullet, are out of vay to an outhouse, and, opening the ed. Bolt after bolt was shown to the their saddles within a minute. If hit door, displayed the skeleton of a man, shopper, and finally she picked upon a in the breast or shoulder, up go their

> "It looks a little shopworn," she re- and roll off. marked as she began to fumble with Even with a foot cut off by a jagged

"It can't be," replied the obliging is only when shot through the head or

"Well, I'd prefer it if you would cut it from the other end."

The clerkgroaned inwardly, but proceeded to unroll the 80 or 40 yards of gingham. "How much?" he asked as he took

"Two yards."

was satisfied. -Minneapolis Journal.

## THEY ALL GOT IN.

Admitted to the Show.

## THE HORSE IN BATTLE.

Even When Mortally Wounded He Will Try to Remain Standing.

A veteran cavalry horse partakes of the hopes and fears of battle just the

the leg or foot or arm, they fall forward

piece of shell a horse will not drop. It fight to right or left and stands. with drooping head, until the loss of blood

brings him down. The horse that loses his rider and is unwounded himself will continue to run with his set of fours until some movement throws him out. Then he goes galloping here and there, neighing with fear and alarm, but he will not

His scissors snapped viciously as they leave the field. In his racing about he clipped off the goods, and the tone in may get among the dead and wounded, has come upon three or four other riderless steeds, they fall in and keep together as if for mutual protection, and the "rally" of the bugle may bring the whole of them into ranks in a body.-Public Opinion.

### WHAT WILL THE CENSUS BE? Random Guesses About the Number

of People In the Union.

Some of our thoughtful statisticians are predicting that there will be great disappointment when the population of the United States is announced at the close of the next census. It will be remembered that there was great surprise when the returns of the census of 1890 came in and gave us only 62,000,000 instead of the 70,000,000 we had claimed. No good reason exists for believing that the growth during the last ten years has been more rapid than from 1880 to 1890. In fact, there has been a considerable falling off in immigration. The total number of immigrants during the ten years from 1880 to 1889 inclusive was 5,248,568, and the total nnmber arriving from 1890 to 1898 inclusive was 3, 539, 435. Estimating the arrivals during the present year to equal

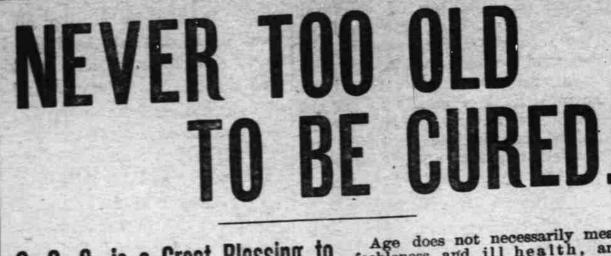
those of the two last and adding 280,-000 to the above total, the population has been increased 3,769,435 from abroad during the last decade.

Public speakers are in the habit of proclaiming our population to be about 75,000,000. The treasury department, in making its percentages of commerce, circulation, etc., bases its calculations upon an estimated population of 75,-465,000 on the 1st of January, 1899. Last year an almanac maker in New York obtained estimates from the governors of all the states, which aggregated 77,803,231. The almanacs and statisticians ,vary all the way from 70,000,000 to 85,000,000 populaiton.

The increase from 1870 to 1880 was about 12,000,000, the increase from 1880 to 1890 was about 12,000,000, and, adding 12,000,000 to the total returned by the last census, we have 74,622,250. -Chicago Record.

#### A Trick of the Camera.

One of the many camera fiends of this city has recently been showing his friends a very unusual photograph of himself, caught in the act of falling from a ladder, and seeming to be a winning candidate for a broken neck. In spite of the fact that the injury seems so certain the tumbler's face wears a cheery smile, and on close inspection of gravity. In reply to questions he explained that that was an accomplishment acquired only after long practice. "I could pose for that picture all day long with no serious injury to myself, except waste of time and a little physical fatigue," he insisted. But the less credulous of his friends refused to believe that he took pleasure in such acrobatic performances, and finally he had to tell the whole story. "It's all very simple. First you place your camera in some way about 10 or 13 feet from the floor, with the lens pointing downward. A picture taken with it in this position will make the floor appear to be a side wall. Lay a sheet of white cloth on the floor and then arrange your ladder and yourself upon this sheet, and the posing is done. A strip of carpet tacked to the wall and a couple of chairs deftly arranged adds to the illusion, but the whole thing is so simple that I am ashamed of myself for explaining it to you instead of making you think it out for yourself."-Cincinnati Enquirer.



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the appetite, builds up the energies, and sends new lifegiving blood throughout the entire system

Mrs. Sarah Pike, 477 Broadway, South Boston, writes: "I am seventy years old, and had not enjoyed good health for twenty years. I was sick in different ways, and in addition, had Eczema terribly on one of my legs. The doctor said that on account of my age, I would never be well again. I took a dozen bottles of S. S. S. and it cured me

completely, and I am happy to say that I feel as well as I ever did in my life."

Mr. J. W. Loving, of Colquitt, Ga., says: "For eight-een years I suffered tortures from a fiery eruption on my skin. I tried almost every known remedy, but they failed one by one, and I was told that my age, which is sixty six, was against me, and that I could never hope to be well again. I finally took S. S. S., and it cleansed my blood thoroughly, and now I am in perfect health."

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egan a system of looting and killing. It appears that one idle day the frog. knew him well, and he sent me word the duck, the lamb and the skunk started hat he was coming my way and was forth together to visit the show. Just oing to burn my house and hang me what sort of show it was the chronicler to a tree in the yard. I sent word doesn't state. Anyway, it was someack that I was ready for him. We thing that the queerly assorted quartet seard of him all around-men shot, was anxious to attend, and they hopped niggers killed, houses burned-so that and waddled and gamboled and trotted the name of Jim Conner became a thing toward the big canvas inclosure with er, whose income cannot be less than to scare children, not to speak of men. delightful throbs of anticipation. I was always trying to help northern men, and one time had two or three with me, passing them on as occasion Affered.

"I had not heard from Conner or his raids for some weeks, when one day he frog. ode into the yard and swore that he vas going to burn the house. We had to means of protecting ourselves exwpt by using a rifle, and with that I ried to pick him off from the top story ; hat he had picked up one of my friends who had been in the field, and they put him on a horse and stood behind him and a hoop snake rolling along at a lively -hot at the windows of the house, at rate toward the show. The skunk greetthe same time gathering brush with which, they said, to burn the house.

"But no one dared to approach the house, as I was a sure shot. I supposed that they would wait until night and along. then creep up and burn me out. I kept out of sight and could not believe that they would murder a man in cold blood. But, hearing a shout, I glanced through a bullet hole in the shutter and saw the matter?" them driving my friend's horse up to a tree-a fine old tree that I had planted as a boy. One of the limbs crossed the drive, and to this they fastened the rope and drove the horse away, leaving my friend dangling there, and I watching the operation totally helpless, while they were looking on.

"Some United States troops finally came along and drove them off and cut the body down, and we joined in the chase. I hunted the gang for weeks, then gave it up, as it was evident that they had given us the slip. After the war I moved to California and came here. I soon heard of a curious character who lived up in one of the canyons the life of a hermit. I never connected his name with Conner, it being more or less common. But when he died one day the story was that he had had a bad record back in Missouri ; that he had been a murderer, etc., and it occurred to me that it might be my old enemy, the man I had been after for so many years.

"I can't say that I have a particularly revengeful disposition," said the skeleton owner, "but he had murdered my friend, and I had never given up the hope of finding him and was always on the lookout. The old fellow was alone and homeless, it seems, with no friends, and they had buried him by the side of his hut. I heard of it a few days later and employed some men to aid me in the investigation.

Finally they reached the doortender,

the frog leading the line. Well, the frog had a greenback and

passed right in. The duck had a bill and followed the

The lamb had four quarters and followed the frog and the duck.

But the unfortunate skunk was left on the outside. He had only a scent, and that was bad. Naturally he turned away, feeling pretty blue. As he was slowly going back over the hill he met ed him, but the snake did not stop. "Don't interrupt me," he cried over

his shoulder. "I've got to do a turn, and I'm a little late," and he rolled

At the top of the hill the skunk noticed another old friend approaching. It was the sardine. "Hello!" cried the sardine. "What's

So the skunk told him.

"I can guess how you feel about it," said the sardine sympathetically. "I belong to the smelt family myself. But, say, old fellow, you come right back and go in with me-I've got a box." And the skunk and the sardine went back together. -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Washington and General Howe's Dog.

While the British occupied Philadelphia and the American force lay in winter quarters at Valley Forge, one day as Washington and his staff were dining, a fine hunting dog, which was evidently lost, came to seels something to eat. On its collar was the name, druggist, grocers, shoe stores and general "General Howe."

Washington ordered that the dog in stamps. Trial Package FREE, Address, should be fed, and then he sent it to Allen S. Olmsted, LeBoy, N. Y. Philadelphia under a flag of truce, with a letter reading: "General Washington's compliments to General Howe. He does himself .the pleasure to return to him a dog which accidentally fell into his hands and by the inscription on the collar appears to belong to General Howe.

The British commander, in reply, sent a cordial letter conveying his warm thanks for this act of courtesy of his enemy .- Paul Leicester Ford in La- room. Having heard of Mr. Reed's exdies' Home Journal

When a man dies they put a tombstone over him and carve compliments on it. But they don't tell what killed him, If they did you could go into any cemetery and find on one stone in every six the words-"consumption," "pneumonia," "diseased lungs." And if the truth were all told most of them would say also - "due to carelessness," More men die of consumption than are killed in battle. Consumption is more deadly than rattlesnakes, and yet men run from the snake, and invite consumption. The time to cure consumption is before it starts. A "little cough" is easy to cure. Weak lungs may be made strong his presence; to renounce, when that before disease gets in.

PLAINT OF A MILLIONAIRE. No Fun In Life For a Man Who Has

Acquired Enormous Wealth.

What is the smallest income on which a man may live in New York? was the question I asked today of a noted bank-\$100,000 a year. "Well," he replied, "my household expenses alone amount to \$25,000 a year, and I do not see how I possibly could live on less than that."

Then a reminiscent smile began to cross his countenance, and, heaving a little sigh, he said: "But the happiest time of my life was when my wife and I and two children lived here on \$2,500 a year. After all, happiness doesn't depend on the amount of a man's income. "I was quite intimate with William H. Vanderbilt when he was considered the richest man in the country. I met him one day in Fifth avenue and said to him that he ought to be the happiest man in the world. 'I am not.' the great millionaire replied. 'My health is shattered, and all the money I possess cannot restore it. I cannot even drive cne of my fine horses. It is painful for me to sit down. My only possible exercise

is for me to walk down the avenue. I receive threatening letters daily, and my nerves are so unstrung that I am constantly afraid that some assassin will waylay me. I am overrun with people who want to get money. I am the most wretched man in New York, and I tell you that after a person has accumulated enough to secure him against poverty and gratify his reasonable wants every dollar in addition is a burden and weighs him down.' "-Philadelphia Ledger.

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of the late Thomas Allen Reed a correspondent sends a curious anecdote. The late shorthand writer was once on professional business in Liverpool and staid in the same hotel as Charles Mathews, the actor. The latter had appeared in "My Awful Dad," and after the performance he strolled into the smoking pertness as a note taker, Mathews challenged the reporter to jot down certain passages from the character of Puff in Richard Brinsley Sheridan's "Critic." Reed expressed his willingness to





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rhœa, falling of the womb,

nervousness; pains in the head,

back, breasts, shoulders, sides,

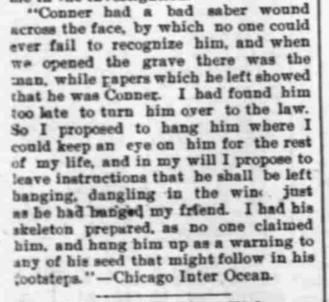
hips and limbs. By regulating

the menses so that they occur

every twenty-eighth day, all

those aches disappear together.

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A Queer Ohto River Fish. Not many persons know what a spoonbill is, but all those who do know that every spring this fish is the especial prey of Shippingport fishermen, who catch them in great numbers below the falls.

The spoonbill is probably the largest fish that swims the Ohio river. He is anywhere from a foot long to six feet, but also half of him is bill. The bill is spoon shaped, but is a single one. The lower lip is short, the bill being used much like a spade. . The spoonbill has no scales, but is covered with a tough hide. Altogether he is an uncanny object and far from a delicacy in appearance. He is also called by some "shovelnose cat."

Every spring spoonbills in schools visit the falls of the Ohio. It is a tradition that they come up all the way from the gulf of Mexico every spring to spawn at the falls, but more credit is given the theory that they live scattered in the river right along and only congregate in the spawning season .-Louisville Ccurier-Journal

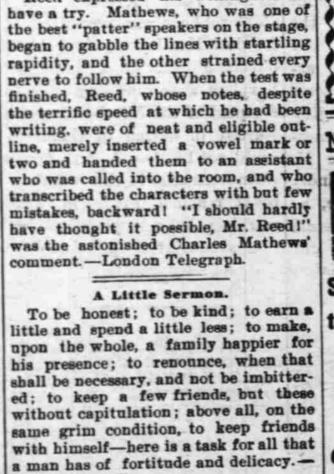
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Don't take a substitute. Mrs. M. Hartrick, of Demster, Oswego Co., N. Y., writes: "I have lost two daughters in less than five years with consumption and scrof-ula. My eldest son was taken, two or three years ago, with hemorrhage from the lungs. It troubled him for over a year. He took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and has not had a bleeding from the lungs in over a year. Your medicine certainly saved his life."



Robert Louis Stevenson.

Vehicular Persifiage.

"Is your new clerk automobile or a perambulator ?" "I don't understand you." "You're dull. An automobile is full of push and a perambulator has to be pushed."-Detroit Free Press.

Deafness is more common in cold countries than in warm climates, the ear being very sensitive to atmospheric changes.

The Bank of England will not take small sums. It requires private depositors to maintain a balance of £600.



