One man out of every twenty-five oocupies his own house in England.

One child in every five in the north ern half of the United States dies before it has lived a year.

The number of fires in London has increased fifty per cent. since 1882; twengy-five per cent. of the fires occur in un-Ensured premises.

Reports from savings banks in New England and the Middle States show an ducresse in deposits, without the corresponding demand for funds.

As Auchison (Kan.) bride is not only supporting her husband, but is paying comething every month on his first wife's funeral expenses.

The Furmers' Review says that the Water States produce 300,000,000 mounds of wool per annum and use swice hat amount.

The aim of the University Settlement Society of New York is to aid the citizens of a neighborhood, "without infringing on their self respect," and no pairousing airs are assumed.

Burial at sea is to be abolished for who have the money to pay for the emassioritation of their remains in case of death on board ship. Airtight steel castels for the transportation of bodies are now a part of the equipment of all the best steamers.

There are at present in the Gobelin's manufacture two large State carpets valued at \$50,000 and \$19,000 respecgavely at least. They were made during the Empire, one being ordered by the Italian Government and the other being tetended for the palace of Fountainebleau.

France points with pride to its Tunis-Han colony, where there are now 32,000 French citizens and persons claiming French protection. Great results are expected from the opening of the harbor of Tunis next year and of Bizerta the year following.

Housekeepers know "boneless colfish," and now a member of the United States Fish Commission announces that the bonoless shad is in process of evolution and well advanced toward completion. He does not lose his bones in the some way as the cod, to wit, after death, but by careful breeding and crossing.

The Secretary of the Pressury has requested the Secretary of State to instruct the United States consular officers everywhere to refuse to certify invoices of goods on and after September 1st ugless the merchan lise is invoice I after the metric system. This action is taken of information received from the consuls at Paris and Lyons, who say that the staune" system of measurement now is use in France on invoices of goods intended for the United States, facilitates frauds on the Custom House, and that the metric system would greatly simplify commercial transactions and facilitate a semparison of invoices and prices.

Pays a well knowe accurred in the Polla lebilia Press: "The days of towering steeples on churches and public buildings will soon be droppe I, and well they should be. For years a tall steeple on a church was only a mark of competition to enable the next congregation if possible to erect their steeple a peg or two higher. They are very expensive things at best, and in a few years become very dangerous and are always targets for the highest winds and the lightning stroke. Many serious accidents have occurred in their repairing, and a first class sky high ornamented steeple costs often as much as one-third of the whole build. ing. How they originated is a matter of some doubt, but the general belief is that in the earliest days both in this country and in foreign lands, the church sleeple was the lookout tower to watch the enemies of the settlers for miles around."

a man up from Venezuela, where they have been cutting one another's throats in a revolutionary matinee, says of that unhappy country's warriors: "Falstaff's ragged regiment wasn't in it with the soldiers down there. They are the hungriest looking creatures you ever saw. I've given pennies to them on the street. They wear linea breecies and an undershirt, and when they come into town they was their blankets around them to cover their nakedness. They carry old flint-lock muskets. There are a few Remingtons and Winchesters, but mighty few. They have machetes. A machete is a sort of big butcherknife without a point. It is about three inches wide and thirty inches long, and pretty heavy. They cut wood and kill snakes and enemies with machetes. Some of them have shoes, but the most of them wear a leather sole with a strap across the heel and toe. The bare heels and toes stick out."

THE DREAD CHOLERA.

U. S. Government Precautions to Prevent its Coming Here.

People Dying By the Thousands in Germany. Persia and Russia.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The State Dep rtment received further advices relative to the cholera, of a very disquieting nature. The vice consul general at Teheran, Mr. Fox, son of a prominent newspaper man at Washington, D. C., says the esti mated deaths in Persia are 35,000; 5,000 in Mesched, 12,000 in Tabriz, 8,000 in Teheran and 10,000 in other places His appeals for assistance to the American hospital in Teheran have already been made public.

The consul at Hamberg telegraphs that the auth rities of that city admit that Asiatic cholera has been prevalent there since August 18th, and that up to August 23d there were 291 cases and 75 deaths. Nevertheless, the fact of the existence of cholera there was denied, up to August 23d, just as it is now also denied at Havre. The attempt to suppress accurate information occasions much uneasiness to health officers here.

THE DREAD PESTILENCE IN HAMBURG. HAMBURG, GERMANY. - One hundred and sixty-nine bodies of cholera victims are awaiting burial in this city. So great is the terror caused by the cholera that it is deflicult to get men for the work of burying the dead and many assistants of undertakers have deserted their places. Business is prostrate and shipping is go ing to other ports.

So serious is the panic that Russian immigrants now in the city find it difficulty to procure food, as everybody tries to avoid them.

At Altena the army surgeons have been ordered by their superiors to assist the civilian doctors in caring for the cholera

ANTWERP IN A STATE OF TERROR.

ANTWERP, HOLLAND,-The excitement n this city over the outbreak of cholera s increasing. There little doubt that the disease was brought here by vessels from eastern Europe. The first victims were dock laborers. They were taken to the hospitals, where the doctors stated that it was ordinary cholera and that nothing was to be dreaded from it. The disease, however, spread and the public became alarmed. The first victims died almost immediately after entering the hospital and the appearance of the bodies showed the disease to be Asiatic cholera. LONDON MOVING AGAINST THE CHOLERA

LONDON. - The health committee of the municipality held a meeting to consider precautions against the cholera. It was announced that all the steamship lines proposed to suspend their immigration traffic until the danger from cholera should be over.

IT HAS REACHED ALBION'S SHORES. London.-The Asiatic cholera has arrived in England. The steamer Gemma from Hamburg has entered at Gravesend bringing several cases of the plague. Two women on the steamer have died from the cholera and another victim, a man, is improving. The news causes great consternation at Gravesend.

PARIS .- At Havre forty-eight fresh ases of cholera and 21 deaths are re-

RUSSIAN TRADE CUT OFF. KONIGSBERG. - The government has or dered the suspension of all traffic on the Russian frontier except at Eydtkumen and Prostken. A multitude of intending emigrants have been stopped at points on

the frontier and driven back to Russia.

FEARFUL CHOLERA MORTALITY IN RUSSIA. Sr. Petersburg,-Thursday, according to the official returns, there were 6,322 new cases of cholera against 5,670 on Wednesday. Yesterday there were 2,977 deaths reported against 2,743 for Wednesday, In St. Petersburg there were reported 103 new cases and 24

STEAMSHIP VOYAGES AFFECTED LONDON. - The Hamburg American steamship Columbia will not proceed to Hamburg She is unloading here and will start for New York on Saturday The steamship Normandie, of the same line, will not be allowed to land, it is said, although she declined to take on board 400 emigrants who applied for pas-

A CLOUD-BURST AT ROANOKE Over \$100,000 Damage Done and a Man Drowned.

ROANOKE, VA .- A cloud burst over this city at 9 30 Monday night and rain fell in torren's over four hours, filling cellars and lower floors of business houses on Campbell and Salem avenues and Nelon, Jefferson, Henry and Commerce streets. Doors were burst open, windows crushed in by floating debris and goods washed away. The loss in goods damaged will reach \$100,000. Many buildings are seriously damaged by the un d rmining of foundations.

Barney Smith in trying to cross Salem avenue st-pped into an excavation for a sewer and was drowned. Policeman Peck lost his to sting there and fell in and was pulled out insensible. It is said that other people have been drowned, but the report cannot be verified. Men nd horses travelling the flooded streets were compelled to swim.

The electric light station was flooded The electric cars are not running, and it will be a week before lights and power for the operation of machinery in many establishments can be supplied.

The storm was confined principally to Roanoke. Six miles westward there was only a sprinkle. Farme s two miles South of the city were ploughing, and north and east the rainfall was very light

Was Afraid He'd Be Elected.

JACKSON, Mrss.-The Rev. J. H. Gambrell, the Baptist minister who was some weeks since nominated for Congress in this district by the People's party, has withdrawn. He gives the strange reason that he thinks he will be elected if he remains a candidate He says he cannot afford to give up his church and go to Congress, and that his former condidacy was for the purpose of assisting in the reform moveme t. His reason is the theme of much diverse criticism.

PRETTY POLITICS.

Interesting Events From All Over The Field.

Nominations For Congress and State Tickets Made at a Lively Rate.

A convention of Ohio Democratic colored men will be held at Akron on September 15-16.

LYNCHBURG, VA .- The Democratic nominating convention for the Sixth District nominated Hon. Paul C. Edmunds for re-election by acclamation.

At Richmond, Va., the Third party district met and nominated Walter E. Grant for Congress.

At Martinsville, Va, the Democratic Congressional convention for the Fifth nominated Claude A.Swanson of Pittsylvania county.

RALEIGH, N. C .- John S. Henderson was renominated for Congress by acclamation by Democrats of the Seventh District. Frank Koonce is nominated for Congress by the Third party in the Third District.

The number of voters registered in Mississippi and entitled to take part in the November election is about 80,000, of whom 9,000 are negroes. It is esti-mated that 94 per cent, of the negroes failed to register.

Col. W. C. P. Breckenridge has been officially declared the Democratic nomi nee for Congre-s from Ashland district in Kentucky, no candidate having ap-peared against him. Senator Hale stated in an interview

that Mr. Blaine will, if physically able, deliver two or three speeches during the campaign in Maine; otherwise he will express his views in a letter. The Washington Democratic State

convention at Olympia nominated H. J. Snivelly of Yakima, for Governor; J. R. Munday for Congress; H. C. Wi son for Lieutenant Governor, and B. K. Hanna and H. W. Brinker for the Supreme

During the session of the Kentucky Legislature a Senator said that any man who said the journal was incorrect "lied from the tip of his lying tongue to the bottom of his black, bribe-taking heart,' and that he was astonished that the Senate would tolerate such a member who came into the Senate "bleary eyed and incapable of comprehending the business before it." When he was called to or der he "disclaimed any intention of being personal."

It Was A Mean Trick.

That was a mean trick played on Southern stranger in a Vine street saloon the other evening, says a writer in the Cincinnati Times Star. The said stranger iloat ed in and opening the aperture in the face of the knot on which he carried his hat and perfumed locks, ordered a glass of His dudish appearance and air of ineffable wisdom attracted the attention of a well known ward politician, who, slipping a chunk of ice from the lemonade he was sipping, hastily deposited a bright silver dollar on it. Keeping the dollar on ice out of sight he engaged in conversation with the Southern gentle-man and finally led the talk to the coinage of silver. "And do you know," said the W. P., "that the dollars coined in the North are colder than those struck off at New Orleans?" "No." replied the S. G. "Well, it's a fact. Look there." and the cold and carefully dried dollar was placed in the Southerner's sweaty palm, where it felt like a chunk of ice. A look of wonder passed over his face, and all he could say was: "By luckers, ain't that strange?" Then commenced a dicker, which resulted in a brand new \$2 bill being given for the cold dollar, and the Southern Gentleman departed happy as a boy at the circus. Laughter long and foud filled the saloon as soon as bis locklets vanished, and "Well, boys," exclaimed the politician; "I'll have set 'em up on that." Ninety-five cents worth of beer went by the board and the \$2 bill was passed to the bartender, who was about to hand back the change, when he seemed struck with a funny idea, "It's counterfeit," he giggled as he passed it back. Then followed more laughter, but in a more subdued tone chan at first, and when the gang weat out to look for the long-haired Southern gentleman he could not be found anywhere.

Er. Talmage As a Lion.

BIRMINGHAM, Eng. - Dr. Talmage Sun-Jay addressed the largest assembly even g. hered in Birmingham. The town hah was crammed with an audience of 8,000 persons, and outside there hovered 19,000 more people, whom Dr. Talmage addressed 'om his carriage after the services in the All.

On his way ck to his hotel Dr. Tal mage was informed that 10,000 persons were still waiting on the other side of the town hall to hear him. He immediately turned and briefly addressed them, and the immense crowd, estimated at 20,000, sang "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." The main doors of the hotel had to be bolted against the surging crowd, which ran ahead of the doctor's carriage

To Invite Senator Hill to Topeka.

From the Kansas City Times. TOPEKA, KAN .- The Kansas Democrat ic Flambeau Club of Topeka at a meeting voted to invite Senator David B. Hill of New York to visit Topeka this fall and be their guest. For this purpose the following committee on invitation was appointed with orders to report at the next regular meeting: Judge John Mar.in, Mayor R. L. Cofran, C. K. Hol liday, Jr.. Eugene Hagan, Eugene Wolfe, S B. Isenhart, the Hoa. M. Heery, Rankin Mason, John Mileham, and A. J. Arnold.

Believed to Have Been 125 Years Old.

THOMASVILLE. - The oldest woman in Georgia died at the poorhouse on Sun day morning. It will sound like fiction to state Aunt Peggy Slater's age, but all her acquaintances and her cid master say that her age was 125. Aunt Peggy did not date events from the civil war, as many do, but from the Revolution, Aunt Peggy had outlived all her children except one, and there were quite a number of them. The one living is is her 97th year.

THREE STATES' BRIEFS.

Telegraphic Dispatches From Many Points of Interest.

The Fields of Virgina, North and South Carolina Carefully Gleaned For News.

VIRGINIA.

There are about 1,000 miners out on a strike at Pocahontas at present.

The national archery tournament began at Old Point Comfort Thursday, an nearly all the clubs in the United State have representatives present.

Col. John M. Brockenbrough died at his residence in Richmond. He was 62 years of age and a native of Richmond county. He commanded the 40th Virginia regiment in the war up to Gettys

Mrs Ye, wife of the Corean secretary, has not been well for some months past, and will leave Washington September 5th for a visit to her home in Corea, to which country she will be accompanied by Miss Davis, of Abingdon, Va., who will go as a missionary. They will sail September 17th from San Francisco.

A faral and singular accident occurred on board the train after it left Quantico for Fredericksburg Saturday evening, by which a colored woman had her neck broken She was on her way from Washington to her home, near Brooke station. After the train left Quantico she attempted to pass through the car, when by a sudden lurch of the train she was thrown viol ntly against the back of one the seats and her neck broken.

The residence of Sheriff R. D. Ross at Asheboro was burned Tuesday. The Rowan County Fair will be held

in Salisbury October 4-7. Guy Maxwell, aged 23, was drowned

in Lake Forsyth at Charlotte, Friday. A young lady, Miss Kate Patter, was killed by lightning at Farmer's Turnout, Brunswick county.

The aggregate valuation of the property in Forsyth county, as shown by the taxlisters, is \$7,579,318. The property held by the white citizens is rated at \$7,456,593, and the colored people at

\$122,725. Dr. Kemp P. Battle, of the State Un versity, has accepted an invitation to deliver the historical address at Raleigh's centennial celebration on October 19th His subject as assigned by the committee will be "The First Hundred Years of Raleigh."

The convention of oyster growers was held at Ocracoke last week. Resolutions were adopted and ordered to be presented to the Legislature next winter that the oysterman were oppozed to scraping or dredging of any kind on oyster grounds.

Two Second Adventists, a man and his wife, have been conducting a meeting at Christian chaple, in Lenoir county, about three months past. Their church now has a membership of about 140. The meetings are very sensational, the people falling on the floor in trances, etc. Three young men of that section have been orlained ministers of this church.

SOUTH CAROLINA:

Charleston has quarantined against the cholera.

Lieut. Commander Wm. W. Rhodes has been ordered to duty at the naval station at Port Royal, S C.

The acresge of sea island cotton in the State is 12 to 15 per cent, less than last vear

A little boy named John Meldow was drowned in Colonial Lake at Charleston. hursday Fairfield county fair will be held at

Winnsboro October 27-28. The Richland fair will open at Columbia on Nov. The Geo getown Rice Mill has recently

put eleven Engleburg rice hullers in its mili at a cost of \$4,000. The acreage in rice is increasing. OTHER STATES.

A coroner's jury at Nashville, Tenn investigated the killing of J. H. Taylor, a horse thief, and returned a verdict that Sheriff Hill was justified in killing the

A man at Macon, Ga., has a \$10 note of the State of North Carolina, printed in 1788. While he is rather proud of his treasure as a curiosity he cannot help calculating the compound interest he has lost by the money lying there unemp oyed.

JUMPING FOR LIFE.

The Big Hotel at White Sulphur Springs Destroyed ASHEVILLE, N. C .- The Belmont

Hotel, at White Sulphur Springs, five miles from the city, was destroyed at midnight by a fire which broke out in the laun 'ry and spread with great rapidity. There were nearly 200 guests in the house a the time, many of them jumped from the windows. Mrs. Dr. Von Ruck. of Asheville, was badly injured, and died Thursday morning. Charles Green, of New Orleans, had a leg dislocated. Clerk Henderson also had a leg dislocated, and a colored nurse a leg broken. A few others were slightly bruised, but none seriou-ly hurt. All the guests lost their baggage and some of them other personal belongings. A good many diamonds and a good deal of money were lost in the fire, numbers of those in the building escaping only in their night clothes. The guest- made their way, as best they could, to Asheville, where they were made comfortable,

The hotel property was owned by a corporation and leased to Dr. Von. Ruck The building was erected at a cost of \$65,000 and there was insurance of \$22,-500 on it.

Ran Away With His Mother-in-Law.

SALEM, VA .- A citizen of this place has been placed in a curious predicament by the action of his son in law. The latter, who lives with his father-in-law and works at the mines of the balem Furnance Company, returned home a few nights ago and eloped with his mother-The father-in-law has ins ituted suit for divorce on the ground of de-

sertion. In May Boston exported 200,000 pounds of oatmeal to European coun

BILL ARP'S LETTER.

The Philosopher Lapses Into a State of "Inocuous Desuetude."

AND JOTS HIS RANDOM THOURTS ACCORD INGLY - HE HAS SOMETHING TO SAY OF MR. CLEVELAND.

When a patriarch has peen on the road for two days and missed the connection at Mem-phis and had to bum around in a strange place waiting for the next train, and then sets and sets and sweats all day for 300 miles until his back sches and one of his kidneys gets restless and tries to get out, and his eves and ears and the back of his neck are full of cinders, he desn't feel like penning his random thoughts to please anybody. All he can do is to rumina e and jump from one thing to snother, and think about home and its blessings. His content, the content of t stant prayer is that he may live to return to those who love him best and for awhile to rest fr m his labors. Now, while I write, I am in that state of "innocuous de neunde" that Mr. Cleveland told about, and that causes me to think and to won-

der. der. When he used that curious, original ex-pression I reckon 100,000 r aders turned to the dictionary to s c what he meant. It fit the case all right, and the public was satisfied. But it won't do for ordinary men to venture upon such pigeon English. I've been reading his speeches and his late utterances, and I would like to know when and where he got his scholarship. Chaunces Depew sets him up v-ry high as a typical American, and the New York Tribune in a late editoria; admits that he has the happy faculty of saving what he means and saving i in the very lest manner. He leaves no room for doubt. The August number of the Review of Reviews which is the best and fairest of all on mouthlies, less a splendid biography of Mr. Cleveland. Mr. Albert Shaw, the editor, is a conservative Republican, but is opposed to the terce bill, and cares to say so in unmistskable language. He is also epiposed to any political interference with the sta us of the negro, and declares that it i a Southern burden and may be a Southern danger, and the South is fat more capable of dealing with it than the North. It is good for us to read after such high-toned, It is good for us to read after such high-toned, candid men. The July number had an excellent biography of Mr. Harrison, and if I was away off in Europe and anybody should sp-ak dise-pectfully of him I would resent it. He is no little man, and his success proves it, but he is a man of prejudice. He believes the Southern p ople are heretics, and he is such an old-tashioned Caivinistic Presbyterian that he would rather torture us a little than not. This hiography says that he was a soldier after Sherbiography says that he was a soldier after Shermants pattern, and that Sherman said he did not have a more capable general. It says that Harrison especially distinguished himself in the battle of Ca sville while marching through Georgia. We are sorry to know that. We never did know before what vandal destroyed that beautiful town. We supposed that it was done by Sherman's orders, but it seems now that Harrison was the man. He ordered all the women and children away and then applied the torch. Two sarge colleges were burned and every church and every dwelling—nothing was left but tottering walls and lonesome chimneys. Old Cassville was the county seat of our county and was the nursery of clucation for our boys and our girls. The Duke of Alvanovariant and the county and the was in hopes that the shame of it centered upon Sherman, and to at gentleman, like Harrison, turned away and wept when they saw the fires and the homeless women and children. But let that pass. Let by gones be by gones.

Mr. Cleveland's "innocuous desuetude" reminds me of Henry Grady for he enjoyed it immensely. How much he enjoyed revelling in big words himself just to perplex the boys. How heartily he would laugh when he had them bothered with his jawbreakers. Shockley was our two countries and had will be a supported by the countries of the was our town constable and had waited atten-tion on the court and listened to the lawyers until he began to affect some large words and very frequently made some awkward misfits Henry was fond of perusing Shockley, and one day called him to one side and said seriously "Shockley, I want to ask your opinion on a very private matter. Suppose you were just stand-ing by yourself on the sidewalk not doing anything to anybody and a stranger was to come right up to you without malice aforethought and was to 're-cog-nize' you—what would you

"Say that again, Henry-say it slow," said

Shockley.

When Henry repeated it Shockley said, "Henry, I wouldn't take the likes of that from nobody. I should just haul away with my stick and take his interrogatories." And this reminds me of the original Bill Arp,

whom the boys about town elected to the office of coroner just out of mischief. Bill felt highly honored, and, as he couldn't read the law about coroners himself, he got the boys to read it to him, and they garbled it so as to make Bill believe that he must sit upon the dead body in order to make it a legal inquest. He was told that he held a very responsible posi-tion, and that he must do his duty at all haz-ards. A few days after his election a travel-ing showman came to our town with an Egyp-tian manny that he placed on exhibition at tian mummy that he placed on exhibition at ten cents a sight. The devilish lawyers sent for Bill, and told him with great solemnity that he had a case—a very remarkable case, and that he must do his duty; that there was a dead body in town that nobody knew how or when it became dead and he must summon a jury and set upon it. They read him the law again, which said the coroner should hold an inquest upon the bodies of all dead p rsons where the cause of death was maknown, or where there were suspicious of foul play surrounding the death. The law also authorized the coroner to exhume any dead body that had been buried, and to bury it again after the examination. Bill was advised to sehe gentleman first and interview hip before the gentleman first and interview fill. Defore summoning a july, which he did. The show-man claimed to be a prescher, who had been a missionary in foreign lands, but he had a spec-ulative turn of mind and the gift of language. and made the same little speech to all visit-

ors, When Bill called on him and made known hi tusiness the showman was amazed, astounded and indigment, but Bill was solution and r solute, and informed the gentleman that f he didn't at once produce the dead body he should arrest him, and Bill meint what he said He feared no man when in performance of duty. There was fire in his eye, and the showman saw it. He sent for the mayor, but that gentleman was one of Bili's best friends, and didn't seem

und rstand how an inquest could be prevent d if it was the law. The argument got warm and then hot, and Bill demanded to view the

"But it is a mummy," said the showman "and she has been dead 3,000 years.
"My Lord," sail Bill, "is it a woman you have got, and are toting her around. She ought to be buried, sir; decently buried. That is what the law says."

"But she has been buried," said the show-an, "Entombed in the catacombs—embalm-d. She is a mummy, I tell you," "What's that?" said Bill. When the showman explained Bill shook his head and declared that it was all very suspici-

man.

need and declared that it was all very suspici-cions; that no dead body would keep more than a week in the country, and as for 3,000 years that was away before Christ was born, and he didn't believe a word of it.

"I must view the body," said he, "and I'll be doggoned if I'm gwine to wait on you any become."

The mayor advised the showman to yield and let the coroner see it, which he refuctantly did, and Bill was bewilde e t.

"Is she folks are a monkey?" said he. "Is she white folks or an Injun? Looks like a Chinee What you got her wrapped up in all this barky stuff for? How in the diagnation is a kurriner to tell what killed ber while she is sea ed up in this way? The law says I must view the body and you don't show nothing but

her fingers and toes and a part of her face."
"She was embalmet." said the showman.
"Frankincen-e and myrrh......" "What did he have

By this time several of the town boys had slipped in and were dying with the fun. preach r became desperate and declared that he would protect his property; that he had to Rockland county jail for two brought that mummy all the way from Africa. for hugging girls on the street.

"Thought she was a mulatter," said Bill. After much tribulation the mayor took Bill aside and advised him to hold up and let the aside and advised him to hold up and let the poor fellow off if he would pay the coroner's fees, and so he consulted his lawyers, and as they concurred, he concluded to drop the proceedings for \$3. He said the law allowed him \$5 where he set on the body, but as he didn't set he would take off a couple.

Never was a poor missionary more greatly re-lieved than when this one got rid of Bill Arp, He wrote a receipt and Bill signed with a K R at the end of his name, which he said was for county coroner, but the preacher said it was for kuklus.

But farewell for the present -oh, my back!
But Aug. in Sunny South.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

ALASKA is raising hops. CHICAGO handles 1360 trains daily. UNCLE SAM has 8,955,812 dwellings.

A GREAT corn crop growing in Texas. Or Waterloo veterans France has eight

THE United States contain 45,000 oil MILAN is to have an electrical exhibition

in 1594. SWITZER AND is erecting its first sugar

CHUROHES built in America in 1891 numbered 8508.

London has now over 700,000 houses inside Its city limits. CAUCASSIA is said to be infested with huge swarms of locusts.

A TWIN watermelon is a fruit freak in Ware County, Georgia.

A porato weighing twenty-six on acres is a curiosity of Gastana, N. C.

SEVEN-EIGHTS of the bread made in London is made of American wheat,

THE real and personal property in Philadelphia is assessed at \$752,763,882. A MINER of Silesia has been unconscious for four mouths, says a medical paper.

A DEALER in artificial limbs estimates that 300,000 Englishmen have tost one or open Newsoundland is rejoicing over the catching of 400,000 seals by her deed this

FRENCH speaking Canadians now an attempt 29.3 per cent. of the population of the Dr.

A society has been organized in fawa whose object is to push the pansy as the flower of America. MRS. WATSON M. SMITH, of Bonn, Mich.,

has given birth to four sets of twins in ten years. The eight are all healthy. A man in Maine lost nearly 6000 lobsters lately, that he had confined in a post, by a quantity of fresh water flowing into it and killing them.

THE highest via just in the world has just been eracted in Bolivia, over the Rivaria, 9833 feet above the sea level, and 405 care

above the river Ruponts from all over the North wastern wheat belt show good prospects on the wable, with an average crop certain, and above average with good weather.

These are seven brothers and sisters in New London, Conn., whose combined ages are 512 years. Their family name is in-store, and their Christian names are E file, Oriando, Cordelia, John, Frank, Ezra and

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

GLADSTONE'S first book was published fifty-four years ago.

Louis Kossura, the Hungarian patriot, is just eighty-six years old. FRESIDENT HARRISON and David Swing,

the great Chicago preacher, were classmates at Miami University. It is said that the Sultan, of Johore, who is to visit this country, observes the tenets of Mohammedanism so strictly that his only beverage is pineapple juice.

MR. CLEVELAND writes all his letters between 10 o'clock at night and 2 o'clock in the morning. This habit the ex-President con-tracted at the White House.

been the first man to conduct a courtship by telegraph. This was in 1852, and the mes-sages were to his future wife. THE Queen of Greece is President of a sis-

GENERAL LEW WALLACE is said to have

terhood devoted to the reformation of crim-inals, and visits personally the condemned prisoners in Athenian prisons. MISS ELLA M. KNOWLES, whom the People's Party of Montana has nominated for Attorney-General of the State, is a success-

ful practicing lawyer in Helena Mrs. Guillo, an American sculptress, has recently completed a bust of Mr. Gladstone, which is very highly commended by the critics as a portrait and a work of art.

JOHN G. WHITTIER writes in a bold, dashing, but irregular and uneven, style, as dif-ferent as you can imagine from the plain, precise, unassuming Quaker that he is.

In Europe the two most conspicuous public personages to day are Gladstone and Bis-marck, both of whom have passed for be-yond the mark of threescore years and fea. WILLIAM H. RICE went from Massic in-

setts to Texas in 1835. He has given the city of Houston \$200,000 in cash, \$40,000 in securities, and 9000 acres of good Texas farm land to found a college. SQUIRE MASSIE BEASLEY, of Aberdeen, Ohio, has made that town famous as the American Greina Green. For many years he has been marrying all comers until now his record is between 5000 and 6000 couples.

THE adjournment of Congress completed a thirty years' service in the House for Mr. O'Neill, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Holman, of Indiana, comes next in length of representa-tion, as ne has been for twenty-eight years

a Congressman. Two Roads Didn't Sign.

ATLANTA, GA. - The Southern Steamship and railway Association adjourned after nearly all the roads of Virginia, the Carolinas, Tennessee, Georgia and Florida signing, the Cincinnati Southern and the Alabama Great Southern having failed to sign the agreement. Major Fink has seven days in which to make up his mind The impress on among the members is that there will be a bitter boycott of these roads unless Major Fink gives in.

Big Fire in Norfolk.

NORFOLK, VA .- Fire broke or at 7 o'clock in the carriage manufactory of A. Wrenn & Son on Union street and deroyed all the work shops together with he shops of the agricultural implement house of Wrenn, Whitehurst & Co. adjoining. The entire fire department vis in service and after hours hard work subdued the flames. The loss is estimated at \$20,000.

Richmond's Chamber of Commerce.

RICHMOND, VA .- The corner-stone of the chamber of committee was laid in due Masonic form at 5 o'clock. The grand odge of Masons at 5:30 proceeded to the te, corner Main and Ninth streets, the K-lights Templar acting as escorts. The address was delivered by Colonel John B Purcell in behalf of the chamber.

To Prison for Hugging Girls.

NYACK, N. Y .- Justice Matthews of this place sent John Lampke of Brooklyn to Rockland county jail for two months