

religion they should class together.

I never made any mistake about my choice of a partner for about my choice of a partner for the dance of a life, but I've thought of it a thousand times that if Mrs. Arp had hnown I loved codfish and got up at day-break every morning, she never would have had me. It was nip and tuck to get her anyway, and that would have been the feather to break the camel's back. Well, I'm mortal glad she didn't know it, though I am free to say that if I had known she slept until the second ringing of the first bell for breakfast and was fond of raw oysters, it would have first a daynessing effort me have had a dampening effect upon my ardor for a few minutes, only a few, But I have seen some mighty clever people eat oysters raw and sleep late in the morning. But still a man and his wife can harmonize and com-promise a good many of these things, and it is a beautiful illus-tration of this to see Mrs. Arp cooking codfish for me and fixing it all up so mice with arow and t all up so nice with eggs and cream, add it is a touching evi-dence of my undying devotion to her to see me wandering about the house lonely and forlorn every morning for an hour or two, and forbidding even the cat to walk heavily while she sleeps. That codfish, business comes to me honestly from my father's side, and my mother put up with it like a good considerate wife, and we children grew up with an idea that it was good. I've heard of a couple who got marnearo of a couple was got mar-and went off to Augusta on a tour, and the feller stuck his fork into codfish ball and took a bite. He choked it down like a hero, and when his beloved asked bim what was the matter, re-plied: "Don't say anything about it, Mandy, but as sure are you are born there is something dead in the bread."

was weighed, and the scriptures abound in such figures of speech It will take miracles of grace to save us, anyhow and we must all help one another, for the devil is doing his best. David comitted murder; Solomon worshipped idols; Cain killed his brother; Jacob cheated Bsau out of his birthright; Noah got drunk, and Peter denied his Master, but they all repented and got forgiveness: and if there is any difference be-tween folks now and then I don't know it. Then let us all love our Maker and be good to our

Who Will be the Candidate? Vashington Dispatch to Philadelphia

fellow-men.

"I think the contest in the next national Democratic conven tion for the presidential nomination will be between Mr. Gorman, Judge Parker, of New York, and Mr. Olney, of Massachusetts," said Representative Richardson, Democratic leader in the house, to day. "I think I can see a leaning in Mr. Bryan toward Mr. Olney. There is no question that he is being boomed in the west. He will make a formid-able candidate. Mr. Gorman's friends will not let the nomination go to another without a contest, and Judge Allen B. Parker, of New York, is forging to the front very rapidly. From what I hear of him he would be entirely acceptable to the south-

the good wife of Mr. Brown took some of her own children's clothing and made the little one as comfortable as possible. A number of people have been to pay their respects to the little stranger to-day to see if they could discover any traces of favor, but so far no one has been able to recognize any feature that would lead to the identity of the mother. Mr. Brown is an employe of the Goldsboro Buggy Co.

## **Unsolicited Testimonial.** ago Tribune Chie

"Mesars. Shewer Kewer & Co.," writes I Wurkover, "one of our agents presented me a copy of our Family Almanac for 1903 the other day. I don't think much of the medical part of it, but I have enjoyed the anecdotes and stories very much. They are the kind I have always used."

Dr. Lorenz, the famous Aus trian surgeon sailed from New York for home last week. He likes this country so well that he will return and make a tour of it with his family



Hutto in Lexington County, S. , last Saturday. Fact the first; It doesn't pay to fool with men's families in the South. Fact the second: 'The rifle is not in it with the double barreled shotgun when it comes to serious business

at close quarters. The story, as given our special dispatch from Columbia, S. C., is very simple. Mr. Spires is a mild-mannered amiable, easygoing citizen with an attractive wife. Mr. Charles Hutto was a gay Lothario, who wasn't wise enough to get a wife of his own,

but must pay attention to somebody else's — Mr. Wesley Spire's wife, in fact. Mr. Spires approached the late Mr. Hutto one day and suggested to him in the pleasantest way imaginable that he had better drop it. Hutto couldn't bring himself to take that view of the matter, and ad-vised Mr. Spires accordingly. Then Mr. Spires, still speaking without beat or haste, opined that Mr. Hutto had better have a gun with bin next time he called, there being just a chance of his seeing something queer. In due course Mr. Hutto called agaia. and having Mr. Spires injunction in mind, brought a gun over his shoulder. Mr. Spires saw him approacing and issued forth, carrying a gun also.

They buried Mr. Hutto yester-day with the usual ceremonies, He was a prominent citizen, and his decease cast the usual gloom over the community. We ven-ture to say, however that every family man in Lexington County blames Hutto for having invaded blames Hutto for having invaded Spires home, and that every marksman thinks he practically committed suicide when he went up against a shotgun with thir-teen blue whistlers in each bar-rel and nothing but a rifle in his hand. The Manser is a good enough thing in its way. So is the Krag-Jorgensen. But private quarrels are not settled at a dis-

## \$25 Worth of D. D. Charlotte Observer.

As an illustration of the Southern negroes, Rev. D. J. Sanders, the negro president of Biddle University, this city, related the following incident to some members of the Presby-

terian General Assembly at a recent meeting. The story is reported by the New York Times:

"Negroes are great lovers of pomp and ceremony, of titles and decorations, and the memand decorations, and the mem-bers of a large but ignorant negro congregation in North Carolina conceived the notion that it would add v. ry much to their infinence as a church if their pastor could append the initials D. D. to his name.

"One of the brethren learned that a certain institution in the North would confer such a degree for a price. He wrote, and got a letter from this in-stitution stating that \$50 would secure the desired honor.

"Meantime the members of the congregation went to work to raise this \$30, but their ut-most efforts failed to secure more than \$25.

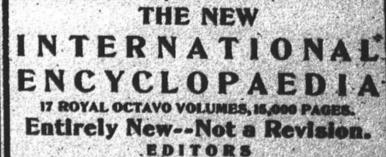
"The committeemen put their heads together, and it was finally decided to send the money, with this measage, to the Northern institution:

"'Please seud our pastor one D. as we are not able to pay for the other at this time.'"

Marconi is quoted as saying that when his wireless system is completed messages can be sent across the Atlautic for one cent a word. Cheap talk that. Mr. Marcoui should be encouraged by all persons who are not inter-ested in the copper cable busi-ness.-Wilmington Star.

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