

Found Him at Last. She had been away all summer. The mountains had felt her stately tread; the sea had taken her to its ever changing bosom and folded her in its billowy arms.

Now she is at home again. Home, the Mecca of the weary pilgrim; the Canaan beyond the wilderness; the altar around which we all kneel in thankfulness; the dear walls which take us to their loving embrace and hide us from the comfortless world without.

At the front door her dear old father, who had been at his desk ten hours daily all the weary while she was away, met her.

"My daughter!" he said, holding out his arms to her. Like a tired wanderer, footsore and heartick, she came to him.

Trustingly, confidently, restfully, she laid her soft white face, in its frame of golden hair, upon his bosom.

"At last," she murmured, "at last I have found some one to be a popper to me."

And the dear old father, in the tumultuous joy of having his darling child again, didn't catch on.—Detroit Free Press.

Three Costly Hothouses.

This is the season of the year when the great army of gardeners employed by New York's millionaires who have a fad for flowers are putting their hothouses in shape for the winter. I met Jay Gould's chief gardener yesterday and he told me that everything was in excellent shape at the railroad king's \$500,000 hothouse up the Hudson. A lot of choice plants and exotics have just arrived from India and other eastern countries.

John Hoey's difficulties have not deterred him from looking after his pet flowers in his grand hothouses at Hollywood, N. J. I am told his chief gardener has had several conferences with Mr. Hoey during the past two weeks about his favorite flowers and their care. Mr. Hoey is passionately fond of flowers, and selects the seeds and bulbs himself, and at times superintends the work of his gardeners.

Another man who has a half a million dollar hothouse is the Standard oil king, John D. Rockefeller, who has a palace on the Hudson. It has not been completed long and his gardeners are constantly receiving new additions. Mr. Rockefeller says he will have the finest flower show in the world in a year or two.—New York Telegram.

Crime Decreasing.

All the criminal returns published of late have happily tended to show that crime is decreasing. The judicial statistics for the past year bear the same testimony. Whether under the head of "criminal classes at large" or "in local and convict prisons and reformatories," the figures show a steady decline. The same is true of the houses of bad character, by which is meant such as are the resort of thieves, predators and suspected persons. In England and Wales there are 2,688 houses of this description.

It seems rather odd to be told that of these 345 are public houses and 285 beer shops, because if they are known resorts of such characters, why are their licenses not withdrawn? Is it for the reason once given by a French administrator that they serve the ends of the law by providing places where those who are wanted by the police can easily be found? The known houses of receivers of stolen goods had declined from 778 two years ago to 724 last year.—London Telegraph.

Rewards to the Good and Bad.

Every schoolgirl and boy in Bellmore, L. I., knows Lawyer George A. Mott. A few days ago he visited the village school in that place with the pockets of his overcoat bulging out with prizes for the pupils. The prizes were for good conduct and excellence in different studies. More than a dozen boys and girls were made happy. Two prizes still remained, and then Mr. Mott requested the teacher, Miss Fish, to call up the worst boy in the school. A bright eyed urchin named Clinton Moore was produced by Miss Fish in response to Mr. Mott's request. He was presented with one of the remaining prizes and promised to try to do better. When Mr. Mott asked for the worst girl in the school sassy Jennie Hicks raised her hand. She received the other prize.—New York Sun.

What is "Trotty?"

I ask for information. I have been reading lately a very clever novel about English artist life and English smart society. Twice over in the story a smart young woman is made to describe certain articles of costume in a bride's trousseau as "quite too awfully trotty for words." I have never to my knowledge heard the phrase "trotty" used in that sense. Is it an epithet of London smart society? If so, what is its supposed derivation? Is it imported from America, as most of our slang phrases lately are? Any information on this point kindly supplied will be rewarded with the best thanks of this writer, who feels a considerable interest in slang, but likes it genuine when he can get it.—Justin McCarthy in New York Herald.

Robert Shaw, of Snow's Falls, Me., went to sleep in a field the other day, and when he awoke he was minus a good pair of trousers. Field mice, which swarm in Oxford county, had gnawed the garment into shreds and carried it away.

Recent experiments upon the electro-lytic generation of pressure from gases formed in a closed space have been very successful, and a pressure of 1,200 atmospheres has been obtained.

During one year alone Philadelphia has devoured 185,475 slaughtered and dressed calves, 511,142 sheep, 548,940 hogs and 59,290 barrels and 97,890 boxes of poultry. The hens who were spared from the hatchet had to lay for the city 15,984,600 dozen eggs. Over 312,183 barrels of apples had to be shaken from the trees and 3,063 carloads of potatoes dug up from the ground. During the twelve months the city made havoc of 11,118 packages of dried green peas, 119,521 packages of dried fruit and 355,337 packages of berries. The cooks consumed 16,489 tierces and 75,031 tubs of lard, and in the kitchen and on the table disappeared from view the tremendous amount of 256,591 tubs, 33,384 firkins and 87,846 boxes of butter. A huge heap of crackers must have been swallowed along with the 226,459 big boxes of cheese.

During one year Philadelphia consumed nearly 3,500,000 bushels of grain, including nearly 1,500,000 bushels of corn, 877,508 bushels of wheat, 66,425 bushels of rye, 1,056,800 bushels of barley and 208,600 bushels of malt. Out of these 877,508 bushels of wheat were manufactured 195,002 barrels of flour, and from this flour were baked 52,650,540 loaves of bread. Most of the flour used by the bakers and the good housewives is shipped from the northwest, already barreled. This manufactured into bread would easily swell the total to nearly 150,000,000 loaves, or their equivalent to a certain extent in rolls, buns and bakery.

Philadelphia eats daily an enormous barbecue of 510 calves, 1,410 sheep, 1,510 hogs and 7,550 poultry, besides a huge banquet of at least 6,000,000 oysters, 525,528 eggs, 856 barrels of apples and 9 carloads of potatoes.—Philadelphia Rec.

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Table with 2 columns: County Name and Number of Representatives. Includes Baker, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Crook, Curry, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, etc.

It is recommended, unless otherwise ordered by the local committees, that the primaries in the various counties be held on Saturday, the 9th day of April, and the county conventions on Thursday, April 14, 1892.

By order of the democratic state central committee. B. GOLDSMITH, Chairman, A. NOLTEER, Secretary.

Call for a Republican State Convention.

A republican convention for the state of Oregon is called to meet in the city of Portland on Wednesday, the 6th day of April, 1892, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of Supreme Judge, two congressmen, presidential electors, members of the state board of equalization, and other district officers, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention. The convention will consist of 233 delegates among the several counties as follows:

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