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I've seen a white-robed maiden With flowing gold hair laden, As heavy-burdened body as she could bear, And then came a wild black raven, So eager and so craven, And hid binself all silent in her fair gold

When she cried, "Thou misbehaven!" "Caw!" said the wild dark raven, And all her tedious life he only said "Caw!" let sate be on her shoulder, This heavy black bird-bowlder, And moved not, would not leave her, for patience or for law.

Now, on her tomb was graven "The Maiden of the Raven, Who peered from her long tresses for all to

Some said that it was pride Gave the bird so long a ride."

But he left her when the church-bell rang sonorously

LITTLE PEOPLE

Something About Professional Dwarfs and Midgets, [Cleveland Herald.]

"I have been looking all over the world for a woman no bigger than I am," said Che Mah, the Chinese dwarf, at the museum last evening, "and if I could only find her, and then marry her, I would be happy." Che Mah is about the smallest man of his age living. He is 46 years old, and only two feet four inches high. But Che Mah is rich, with a regular income of \$200 a week, and is anxious for a wife with whom he can keep company during his long hours on exhibition. Che Mah is a particular friend of Chang, the Chinese giant, who is eight feet tall, but who admires Che Mah, not so much for size as for his nation dity.

Che Mah has written a little book about dwarfs, himself in particular, in which he tells of the high social position of his family and explains the cause of his peculiarity of form. His mother, while walking the streets of Ningpo was greatly shocked and frightened by seeing a very small child crushed to death by the falling of a ently stowed away in a cabinet on the self to use money that is not mine, how-tree. She was greatly affected, and stage about a quarter of an hour. The ever sorely pressed I may be - and I in-

Abraham Lincoln, while a resident of New Salem, Ills., followed various with Horses, Dogs, Etc. avocations. With all the rest he was [New York Sun.] "Among the riskiest of risks in a "store-keeper" and postmaster. On a theatre," said an old property man, certain occasion, one of his friends, "live properties go to the front. It having learned that an agent of the doesn't take much to set an audience postoffice department and a "drummer"

tittering, and there is very much dan- were in the village-the former to colger that live properties will mar the lect what was due the government success of a piece at the critical mo- from Lincoln, as postmaster; the latter ment by doing the wrong thing. Con-sequently, from time immemorial all he was owing the firm represented by sorts of imitations of live properties himself-and knowing Lincoln was never overburdened with spare funds, have been in vogue. "Babies, for instance, cannot always went to the store and offered to loan be depended upon to be good-natured him a sum sufficient to meet the claims

and pretty at precisely the right mo- he was so soon to be called upon to ment. Paregoric and soothing syrup have the disadvantage of making a real baby look like a counterfeit. Of "but I do not think I shall require your

course if it were necessary to produce assistance." a crying baby you could be sure of it every time, but no play ever produced tered their presence, and Lincoln took required a real baby to cry in the an old stocking from a drawer, out of presence of the audience. It is only which he poured a lot of copper and the counterfeit babies who do that, and silver coin-the latter mostly in pieces

they generally do it in a very unnatural of a small denomination. way. In many pieces where the point "There is the very money I have of the play turns on a baby, the effect taken on account of the postoffice," he is lost by the use of a dummy baby. remarked to the agent, "and I think Thus in 'Young Mrs. Winthrop,' when you will find it the exact amount due the doll baby is brought on, it is ask-ing too much to expect the audience to It was, to a cent.

get up much emotion over a mere This business had hardly been conbundle of rags. 'Two or three irrever- cluded when in came the "drummer." ent persons in an audience can always Lincoln had recourse to another old turn into ridicule any act where a stocking, with a sim lar result. dummy baby is the prominent actor. So soon as the two were again by

But as between the chances of the real themselves the friend said : baty misbehaving and the chance of the dummy baby causing ridicule the present himself, a third stocking general rule has been to risk the latter. would enable you to settle with him," "Real babies, however, have often smiling. been introduced with great success.

been introduced with great success. "Yes," returned the future president. There is, for instance, a real baby in-"Look here," and he held up three troduced in "Confusion," and it al other stockings." "In each of these is ways excites the admiration of all the the sum I severally owe to three parties nose," quoth William Brown; "no bay rum up with the excited throng, and then women and most of the men in the audience. The women always marvel whom I am, pecuniarily, indebted. I at the wonderful patience of the baby, see you are amused at my method of which although wide awake, is appar- transacting business. I never allow my-

How a Chicago Barber Avenged Himself on His Rival in Love.

[Chicago News.] Paul Varzerau is a barber employed on the north side. Theresa Barsaloux, a comely tonsorial Paul. But while reciprocating the affections of the young barber, she was fully aware that a few thousand dollars which she possessed in her own right in a measure placed her above a barber beau. While her feelings were thus nicely balanced, there appeared upon the scene a young man bearing the prosaic cognomen of William Brown. He was a traveling man. His bold methods of wooing were more than a match for the Simil advances of Paul Varzerau, and he bid fair to win the young maiden and her wealth. Paul saw this with many forebodings.

One of Brown's attractions was a remarkably handsome nose, which was a noticeable feature. Without it he would have been nobody. It was of the Grecian style, white as a pillar of marble, and as smooth. Young women have been known to lose their hearts to a pair of eyes, to a handsome head of hair, and, in instances of intellectual and scrutiny. spectacled young females, to a forehead. But Theresa fell in love with a nose-the

nose of William Brown. She confided this fact to Paul Varzerau, and with words, every one of which rasped his feelings as he was wont to rasp the beards of his customers, ately in front of him. His progress expatiated upon the wonderful influence

which this nose had over her. When Paul left that evening he made a fiendish resolve. Two days later Paul Varzerau stood behind a chair in the barber shop where he had which this nose had over her. When Paul in momentary surprise, and in a minute a chair in the barber shop where he had Joarned William Brown was in the habit of getting shaved. It was on the afternoon of the third day that the ill-fated William Brown entered the shop and seated himself in Paul Varzerau's chair. There was his nosecold, white, symmetrical and smooth. "Ah! a few short seconds and I shall be avenged,"

hair in twain. "Be careful and don't get any lather on my member of the procession has caught on my face, either."

"The puppy! how proud he is of his nose. But I must be calm and control myself," thought Paul. He mixed his lather and But I must be call and control hysel, thought Paul. He mixed his lather and spread it over the face of his customer, who had closed his eyes and seemed to be indulg-ing in the luxner of a doze. He shaved one apparently under the strictest disciside of William Brown's face and dulled the pline. Scrutinize the leader, and you back, and when the audience imagine when they become due, without delay razor. Paul stropped the razor back to an will recognize in him the very same the baby to be lying in its dark and un- or inconvenience to those whom I owe. edge. He then elevated the chin of the chief that marched at the head of the column before the rupture. unfortunate man and laid bare his throat. nursed in the arms of its mother be adopted-using a stocking to represent The eyes did not open. Paul held the razor hind the scenes, and is put back in the each creditor and placing in it the aloft a second. Then with a skillful swoop time a pitiable mob will resolve itself it descended and cut off the nose of William Brown, who did not even open his eyes. Paul razor fell from his grasp, his knees gave way beneath him, and he tottered out of the door. The nose was wax. trice.

One of the things which I found of absorbing interest to me in Singapore, as well as here in Malacca, was the study of the ants. There are various kinds, of course, most of them armed

ant follows exactly in the steps of the and, one in front of him, never turning to side, the right hand nor to the left under shoe any circumstances. As the leader us- the ually select a circuitous route the column is an exceedingly winding one,

and every corner is turned at just the same angle by the last member as it members of the ant colony upon close Having fasten d the identity of leader in mind, it is one of my favorite

experiments to suddenly I ring down the end of a cane or umbrella immedithus suddenly checked, he recoils of mind to check themselves with e jual quickness, and begin to accumu'ate in a frightened throng, the leader being lost somewhere near the center. The ants run hither and thither in great consternation, searching blindly

for their lost guide. The latthought Paul, and he ground his teeth as he ter is, of course, so surrounded stropped the razor. The keen blade cut a that he cannot make his escape for some time. By and by the last confusion reigns supreme. Turn your head the other way for two minutes, and then look around again. Instead

How a Lady Lawyer Acted.

Josou'n Miller,

A Philadelphia Lawyer Tells How He Crept Out on an Ice Projection. [Philadelphia Press.]

"Did you ever hear of a man standnorth side. Theresa Barsaloux, a comely young woman has long been the idol of the with "stings." That kind which has losing his life?" asked Mr. C. P. Sherfurnished me with the most entertain- man yesterday. "Well, I did. You have ment is a black species, less than a heard of the magnificent ice bridge bequarter of an inch in length. They low the falls. Having business at Bufmove in processions, single file, under a recognized order. I have seen them The ice, which had poured down from crossing the street in processions eight or ten feet in length, with four or five or ten feet in length, with four or five ants to each inch of ground. Fach spray. I clambered over the bridge, full uniform, with a large concourse of going up on the Canadian went down under the Horseshoe fall into the Cave of having worn that day a plain suit of brown cloth, coat, waistcoat and breeches of home manufacture, even to were there; reaching from roof to floor, with the thundering curtain of the fall between us and the light. After United States. White silk stockings was by the leader himself. The leader may be distinguished from the other sion bridge I crossed the bridge above and his shoes, according to the fashion the American fall to Goat island, which was covered with snow and deserted. buckles. His head was uncovered and The shrubbery and trees near the falls his hair dressed and powdered, for such were coated with ice, in places, on some of the trunks, several inches in thick-ness, looking as if they had been cut out of marble, or were the ghosts of dead trees. Wandering across the John Adams, a shorter figure, in a simi-

> swiftly. Going back to Goat island, I went down to the foot-bridge to Terrapin rock, where the old tower used to stand, and out on the rock. When I stand, and out on the rock. When I got there I observed that a quantity of ice, covered with snow, had by some means become fixed upon the project-ing rocks on the edge of the Horseshoe fall beyond the rock where I stood,

The First Inauguration.

[Ben: Perley Poore's Reminiscences.] William Dunlap, the artist, graphic-ally described the appearance of Washington and other dignitaries at the first inauguration. The oath was administered on the balcony of Federal hall, in Wall street, New York, where a statue of Washington now marks the spot. This building had been erected for the accommodation of congress under the direction of Major L'Enfant, a French officer of engineers, who citizens.

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Gen. Washington is described as breeches of home manufacture, even to past which the water was rushing opposite to the president-elect stood

forming a bridge on the extreme edge of the fall, and about 100 feet long by perhaps ten or fifteen feet wide. In-stantly the desire to go upon this

when Che Mah was born shortly afterward he bore a most striking resemblance in face and figure to the little one that was killed. The child killed was but 2 years old, and Che Mah has neve, grown bigger than a child of that age. Attention has been called to the resemblance of Che Mah to the baby killed by the mother of the dead child meeting Che Mah when he was 4 years of age, and exclaiming, as she seized him, that her little one had returned to life. The circumstances attracted wide-spread attention and led to a judicial investigation, wherein all the peculiar facts of the case were brought out.

"The most attractive little woman as a curios t ... " said Mr. Elliot, of the museum, "who was ever on exhibition, is Lucy Zarate. She is the smallest of them all, being but twenty-one inches and weighing fifteen pounds. She can command a salary of \$750 a week, and is quite wealthy.

Mrs. Gen. Thumb is probably the most intelligent dwarf living. But the only real live doll baby is Hop o' My Thumb, the little Novia Scotia midget, who weighs scarcely more than ten pounds. Martha's Vineyard has recently sent out two little people, the Adams sisters, who are each scarcely three feet tall, and who are valuable as curiosities because of their intelligence. "The trouble with little people or midgets," said Mr. Elliott, "is that but few of them are intelligent, and many of them almost brainless. A large number of the children midgets on exhibition about the country are repulsive monstrosities. But when a diminutive specimen of humanity is discovered who has a well-developed intellect he is indeed a rarity. Tom Thumb found himself a large man when compared with other mites during recent years. But he was one of the first ever exhibited. and his prestige gave him a lasting fame. There wil never be another Tom Thumb. People have become so accustomed to curiosities, and have seen so many little people, that mites, midgets or dwarfs have ceased to create the great sensations they formerly did."

The Value of Shade Trees.

[Dr. Felix Oswald in Lippincott's Magazine.] That our ancestors emanated from the shades of a tree land is one of the few points on which Moses and Darwin agree, and it seems hardly probable that the descendants of a forest should be damaged by a little tree shade, especially where that shade is confined to the six warmest months in the year. After October, when sunshine becomes preferable to shade, trees do not obstruct the rays of the sun. They merely moderate its summer glare, and at noon offer the best possible refuge from the brooding heat. No human contrivance can rival the anti-caloric arrangements of a leafy canopy-free access to all the win ls of heaven, and a warmth, which is felt through a single roof as plainly as though a flimsy sunshade. But a shade tree, with its hundred strata of light-absorbing leaves, interposes an effe tual barrier to the

fact is that the cabinet has a hole in the tend to be prepared to pay my bills comfortable quarters, it is really being The simple system which I have cabinet only when the cue is given. money, to be passed to the creditor

"Boucicault would not risk a real dog himself, at some future day-renders in the play of 'The Shaughraun,' but the former unnecessary and the latter Varzerau stood for a moment paralyzed. The his dog Tatters, who was purely imag- possible." inary, became quite a feature of the

Trade in Hum n Hair. piece, especially in the description of [Pall Mall Gazette, the famous attack in the rear causing

Addison, in one of his quaint articles the destruction of a very considerable part of a pair of pantaloons. Now, on fashion, gives a humorous descripthere are plenty of dogs who could be tion of the rise and fall of the hairy relied upon to do this and more with towers of ladies' heads. As fashion promptness and accuracy every night. willed it, the structure varied in size The boys who go to the Bowery thea- and shape, and as it was with the ladies Richmond said to me a day or two since: tres know all these dogs and have of Queen Anne's time so it is in the known them for 'years. Nothing but days of Queen Victoria. Not many real bloodhounds will do to pursue the years ago huge "chignons" and enorfleeing slaves over the ice of the Missis- mous plaits distigured the heads of all ing of his own valor and achievements sippi in 'Uncle Tom's Cabin.' It be- womankind, the dealers in human hair Carp was a character, and no mistake. He comes really thrilling when the dogs and their accomplices the hair-dressers spring at the throats of their victims. grew rich, blessing the latest whim of That is the sort of live properties that the most whimsical among the deities. may be relied upon to give a realism to But men, or, rather, women, grew a play which can be produced in no wiser, and all at once the heads, but other way. Such trained dogs do not recently bowed down by the weight of give the property man much trouble, artificial hair, were lifted up, and hideas their owners alone can manage them. ous "bangs" and classical coils took the "Emmet has a dog in 'Fritz,' which place of the former monstrosities. The

is said to be worth \$2,500, but he was change seemed radical, and hair-dealers never half as famous as 'Rip Van Win- were on the brink of despair. kle's' dog Schneider, which never had But by-and-by the discovery was any existence except in the vivid de- made by one woman and another that scription of Joe Jefferson. That was so not all hair would "friz," and that even life-like that I could imagine I could a plain knot of hair at the back of the both see and hear the dog on the stage, head could not be produced without and I wondered he did not come when the aid of the hair-dresser. The appar-Joe whistled for him. And yet when ently simple shape required, in fact, a real nice dog like the big one that much more attention than all the was lately used in 'The Romany Rye' is abandoned wealth of plaits and tresses. used, it never fails to go straight to the Hair-dressers could no longer be numheart of an audience. The house would bered among the simple workmen. To always ring with applause when the satisfy their fair customers they had to shaggy old fellow obeyed the commands become artists, producing bangs of of his mistress, and he used to sit upon his haunches and look over the audience cial partings, vying with nature as if he liked it. Then the scene in perfection of workmanship. in the bird fancier's shop in this Long hair had formerly been replay, with real birds in the cages, is quired, and high prices are paid for it, always interesting, for the birds flutter | whether it came from a fair-haired Gerand hop about in a very lively way. "Horses, too, have formed a consider- an Italian convent, or whether it had

able portion of live properties. Adah been the pride of a Chinese, who had Isaacs Menken and Miss Hodson used only parted with it after death. Now, to create an immense furor in however, it was no longer quantity but 'Mazeppa,' and when they were bound quality that was required, and soft to their foaming steeds and started on glossy hair, though short, grew to be their perilous ascent of stage carpen- highly valued. More attention was ters' crags the effect was startling, and also paid to color, golden hair, the adnot to be approached by any mere de- miration of poets and painters of all scription such as Lady Gay Spanker times, becoming the favorite hue, gives of an imaginary race. There is a which, however, like pure white and telling scene in 'Taken from Life,' reddish-brown hair, it is difficult to where the hero takes a real horse from procure.

the stable and make a fortunate escape. "Maggie Mitchell makes a feature of the use of chickens-real live chickens

The cloister was really the living -which she chases about the stage with hoydenish glee, and they form a place of the monks. Here they pursued very important part of her properties. their daily avocations, here they taught Humpty Dumpty never fails to bring their schools, they transacted their roof impervious not only to the direct out a real live donkey, who kicks up business, they spent their time, and light of the sun's rays, but also to their his heels and throws his rider at the pursued their studies, always in society, right moment. No Humpty Dumpty co-operating and consulting, and, as a would be complete without a real don- rule, knowing no privacy. But a monk key. In 'Around the World in Eighty Days' a real elephant is introduced, and be inclined to object. The sooner you "We are not all uncivilized there, master," in such plays as 'The Black Venus' and get rid of that delusion the better. Unhottest sun; and, moreover, plants have a direct refrigerating influence, analo-bortunity for the display of a whole gous to that of animal bodies in gener-gous to that of animal bodies in gener-menagerie of live properties. Here, better posted on fire-making than the work him with guestions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acquaintance of one of your family there. I haved, she urging him with questions acqua

"Call Me Robert."

[Towle in Boston Traveler.] Even some of the native Virginians find

time occasionally to make fun of the swaggering braggadocio of some of the citizens was a sort of challenge to battle. of the "Old Dominion." A gentleman from "The most eccentric character in the Conspeckled hen that had lost her last lit-tle chicken. federate army, so far as I know, was Sergeant John R. Carp, a man always boastclerk, slammed down some books, and said to me one day: 'I did more to frighten the Yankees at Chancellorsville morning,' proceeded to unroll papers than any other one man. Why, sah, I and write furiously. had sixteen niggahs, sah, yes, sah, sixteen niggahs, sah, loading guns for lady lawyer was at once on her feet, me, sah, and I mowed the Yanks and, shouting out her purpose to be down like I was using a scythe, sah. Yes, heard on the momentous Mormon quessah, they laid out in front of me in heaps of dead men. While I was doing my level best, and enjoying the results of my execution, an officer, sah, yes, sah, an officer, sah, in a general's uniform, rode up to me and exclaimed, "Is this Sergt. Carp, of Goochland county, Virginia?" I responded by saying, "It is, sah." He raised his head and said, "Sergeant, why this indiscriminate slaughter; will not your revenge ever be satisfied!" I saw, sah, that the whole d-d Yankee line was wavering, and I said, "'Gen. Lee, only the look on his face when he glanced at me

A Light from "Uncle" Rufus. [New York Times.]

and said, "Don't call me general-call me

Robert"

A thick-set man, just a little below the trimmed overcoat and a silk hat somewhat mussed. His lips and teeth were closed lighted end of which fairly blazed at intervals. "I beg your pardon, Cap., will you oblige me with a light?" said a breezy youth who had just succeeded in rolling a cigarette, The thick-set man stopped, removed the cigar from between his lips knocked off the ashes with a movement of his little finger, and passed the weed over to the breezy youth. The latter lighted his cigarette, meanwhile snuffing the agreeable fumes of minutes!" the cigar, and as he thanked the thick-set man for the accommodation he added patronizingly, "That's a very good cigar, 'Cap." The features of the thick-set man never

moved a muscle during the incident. He bowed slightly as he received back his cigar, and, replacing it in his mouth, walked on up the street puffing gently. The breezy youth had not recognized him, but many other persons looked after him with interest, saying, "That's Rufus Hatch!"

O'Donovan and Dumas. [Tinsley's Magazine.]

As O'Donovan was taking his leave Dumas complimented him on his French, saying that said O'Donovan, "and I am proud to meet

It is simply marvelous in what a short into an orderly procession, each indithe rather trying journey. The snow peared delighted. vidual ant scrambling for his proper which covered the ice was itself covered place in the ranks, but all in the greatwith a thin coating of ice, which est harmony. When the leader is once broke beneath my feet, thus giving me found, the snare untangles itself in a a good foothold; and as to my

oughly tested its anti-dizziness the pre- markable changes made in this city. ceding summer on shipboard and Even trial by jury is becoming regarded among the Swiss glaciers and precipices. as an obsolete institution, too cumbrous "She came with a whirr, a snap, con-Prodding my staff or alpenstock heavily and uncertain for modern administrasciousness and self-assertion that at once into the snow before me to try the way, I walked out unt 1 I had reached about away from their work to decide a case "She ran around among the chairs the middle of my ice bridge, and then I that three judges can understand in a and tables and men like a little stopped to look. The sight was the limited time and settle more justly? grandest and the most awe-inspiring Here are the courts crowded I have ever beheld. As I looked up every day with, jurymen waiting to "Then she fluttered down beside the the river the curve on the on-coming get on a case and all ardent to go home. water seemed almost as high as my They regard themselves in a measure as saying, 'I'm here to make a spee-h this head, and steadying my eye upon some injured by having been summoned, and floating particle, the whole mass seemed they often find verdicts according to coming down upon me with an irre- the delays lawyers relatively interpose. "The chairman called to order, the sistible power that must inevitably When they go out to deliberate, if there carry me over the brin; and into is a disagreement they do not wait

A Western Duck Story.

[Carson (Nev.) Appeal.]

As the storm somewhat subsided

would go out and see if he could kill a

a snowstorm, are found abundantly in

tion, on motion of some one fifteen mining, swept back and over me. and laying down the papers, she crossed

her pretty hands and looked at us tranquilly, triumphantly, a long time under quietly upon my knees, then stretched and by the end of the trial forget what her gold-rimmed glasses. This woman, famous in the annals of this city, stand-ing there with folded hands, had it all her own way at once. She was pretty, would clear away, the water, rushing so let me kill a few more of 'em, only a few to begin with. No bangs, no frizzles, swiftly as to appear to be drawn into cases, some of which take a week or more, I implore you." I shall never forget the look on his face when he glanced at me Her heavy gray hair was combed back under my very face, could be seen to in the old chaste fashion, and showed a fall, at first a solid, greenish mass, then day to a day. splendid brow and fine, earnest face. | broken into foam, into a chaos which

All leaned forward and listened eagerly the eye could not penetrate. I could as she began, and as she went on for feel my bridge trembling with the rush the first few minutes her English, her of the water, and realizing that any momedium height, was walking slowly up articulation, her elocution, all seemed ment might see it and me following the the gavel he has used, to keep as a relic Broadway yesterday. He wore a heavy fur- perfect. I doubt if any man in con- descending flood, I arose, took one look in his family; so a new one must be gress could use better language, or use up and down-a look to last for a lifeit with more grace and precision. For time-and retraced my steps. As I firmly over a long and fragrant cigar, the the first fifteen minutes no man moved passed the rock I lal thrown on the or spoke, but at twenty minutes she be- bridge, I could not resist the temptagan to fail, flounder about and blunder. tion of dislodging it and seeing it whirl She had forgotten her piece. And then, away over the liquid precipice."

poor dear, she had undertaken to settle the whole stupendous Mormon question, the morality and immorality of it, to expound the constitution, compare congress to king George, all in fifteen last Monday, Quin Fletcher thought he

Vinnie Ream's Farragut Statue. [Chicago Tribune.]

When Vinnie Ream was modeling her statue of Farragut the admiral's old boatswain visited her studio. She asked springs. As he was slipping along over him to look while she worked, and tell five or six feet of snow, his eye on the her if there was anything he liked, "and lookout for game, he heard the distinct anything you don't like, either," she quack of a duck nearly beneath his feet. Surprised, he ran his snow shoe added. He stared and stared, and presently he began to laugh softly to himinto what appeared to be a cave. Imself. She turned quickly: "What's the mediately a big mallard flew out, which matter?" "Why, you've gone and left was quickly knocked endwise with his out the trumpet, and the old man pole. Another big duck then came, never would 'a left it off that day." which he caught in his hands and The first idea was to represent the hiswrung its neck. Then another popped toric "swear-word" scene at the pasout, which met the same fate; then ansage of the forts. "Why, to be sure," other, until thirty-eight ducks lay dead she said, "and what else?" But Jack's at the hunter's feet. Being curious to

as far as I dare, threw it with all my kissing it. The chancellor then made force upon the bridge, which stood proclamation, "God save George Washfirm, the stone sticking fast in the ington, president of the United States snow. Then I ran back to the island of America." A shout went up from and broke off a good staff, and, com- the multitude, cannon were fired near ing back to Terrapin rock, commenced by, the music played and every one ap-

Trial by Jury. ["Gath" in Philadelphia Times.]

I would not be surprised if in the head, I was sure of that, as I had thor- next few years there were some reeternity, but with a swift, hissing rush, about it five minutes, but one side or it swept under me, leaped out, and with the other gives up or they compromise. utes was alloted for her speech. Catch-ing up her books, bag and manuscript, hastening to the far end of the room, bike the smoke of its torment, ascend-Hence the principle involved in the trial is lost sight of entirely. Besides, these juries of twelve men are composed of some exceedingly ignorant per-"Steadying myself by my staff, I sank sons, who sleep and nod during the case, myself flat upon my stomach, and the beginning was. Three judges would

The Speaker's Gavel. [Washington Letter.]

It has become customary, by courtesy, for a retiring speaker to take with him made for each speaker elected. The new one made for the present speaker has a very plain, stout round hickory handle, about ten inches long. Its mallet is a stout piece of ivory, about five inches in circumference, and on either end are two blue circles. The first handle made for this new gavel was a fancy one of ebony, with various projections and indentations; making it very weak in certain places; so at the last moment a new handle had to be few of the ducks that, immediately after made, lest the new speaker should break the ebony one the first time he the spring holes in different parts of used it with emphasis. He is not a the valley. Mounting his anow shoes, he proceeded to the vicinity of the hot vicinity violent impulses or easily provoked to anger on any occasion. Two of those, however, whom he has within a few weeks called to take his place in the chair have broken the strong handle of the new gavel. Once the mallet-end flew off the handle and just missed striking one of the clerks at the table in front of the speaker's desk upon the head. Such a blow from the heavy piece of ivory would have been painful if not serious in its effects.

English Women as Fire-Builders. [T. Goodman in Cleveland Berald.]

There are no women in the world

Monks Had No Cells. [Ninet senth Century.]