Items of General Interest Gleane From the Thriving Pacific States.

Salmon Trust Being Formed. A seattle dispatch says a large Chideal by which it will secure all, or time. most all, of the fishtraps of Puget sound. The organization has secured options on traps which catch seventenths of the fish found in Puget sound. on two canneries, and it is understood that an effort is being made to secure others. In fact, the ultimate purpose of the syndicate is said to be the absolute control of both salmon catching and salmon canning.

The Woolgrowers' Convention. The Pacific Northwest Woolgrowers' Association, which meets in Pendleton. March 7, 8 and 9, promises to be a very interesting event. R. C. Judson, industrial agent for the O. R. & N Co., has secured the attendance of leading sheepmen of the East, while the president, Dr. James Withycombe, vicedirector at the agricultural experiment station at Corvallis, and Secretary J. W. Bailey have been working on a programme that will be interesting and instructive.

A Novel Japanese Project. S. Odagaki, representing the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and other interests of the Mitsui family in Japan, is on the Pacific coast for the purpose of securing a number of bright American boys to be sent to Japan and China and educated in Oriental business methods, with a view to extending trade with the United States. The Mitsui family, it is said, is the richest in Japan, and their various interests are capitalized at over \$50,000.000.

Coldest in Nine Years. The recent cold weather at Alba, in Umatilla county, Or., was the coldest experienced in nine years. At Ukiah the thermometer registered 40 degrees below zero, and 28 at Alba. The Altitude of Alba is about 150 feet higher than that of Ukiah. The cold weather killed many horses on the range. Cattle so far are in good condition, al-

though the cold weather has been severe on them. Tusk of a Mastodon. C. M. O'Leary, who is at Dawson City, has written to a friend at Portland that he has found the tusk of a mastodon, which he will ship from his claim to Dawson if the Portland museum will defray the expenses of shipment from there. This tusk is 8 feet 6 inches long, and 26 inches in circumference. It was found 30 feet below the surface. The estimated weight is

from 450 to 500 pounds. Portland's Government Building. There are 120 men engaged on the street, Portland, Or., and work is pro- \$25@26; whole, \$22. gressing rapidly. Forty-six calroads of Flour-Patent, per in small mountains. Granite will continue to arrive from now on.

Prizefighters to Be Prosecuted. All who were connected officially with the boxing match in Teutonia hall, San Francisco, recently, when John Farrell was knocked out and seriously injured by a blow on the jaw from John O'Brien are to be prosecuted for prizefighting.

Hops Sold at 13 Cents. Julius Pincus last week purchased 14 bales of hops from James Harvey, and 8) bales from George Wilson, in Yakima county. The price paid is understood to have been 13 cents. These are about the last of the good hops left in

the county. Leased the Buckley Mill. The Van Horn Lumber Company, of Tacoma, has leased the Buckley Lumber Company mill for one year. The new owners commenced operation February 1. They employ 70 men, 35 in the mill and the rest at the camp. The capacity of the mill is about 60,-

Capture of Opium Smugglers. John McCloud and J. Allen were ing suspected of smuggling opium. They had in their possession 90 cans of the drug, unstamped. They are believed to be old hands at the busi-

No More Special Service Men. Orders have been issued on board the United States ship Albatross that no more men will be enlisted for special service. All those now enlisted for one year will be transferred to the general service on application.

Shore Duty for Captain Glass. Captain Glass, late commander of the cruiser Charleston, who returned from the Orient on the steamer Rio de Janeiro, will take charge of the naval training station now being constructed on Goat island, San Francisco harbor.

Eagle of the Bald Tribe. Last week S. White, of Deeming. eagle that measured seven feet from tip to tip. The eagle is supposed to have belonged to the "bald" tribe.

Senator Foster Starts East. Senator-elect Addison G. Foster has started from Tacoma for Washington. Thomas Sammons, a Tacoma newspaper man, has been selected by Senator Foster to serve as private secretary.

A Kitchen Accident. "Grandma" Perkins, of Pine Creek, Lake county, Or., while at work in her kitchen the other day, tripped and fell upon a stick of wood, breaking both bones of one leg just above the 20@22c.

Ice in His Well. Recently Mr. Burns, who lives near Lakeview, Or., found ice lying like truth at the bottom of his well. He was compelled to use a 20-foot pole to break his way to fresh water.

The Coquille Creamery. The Coquille Dairyman's Union held creamery for the season of 1899.

A sailing boat with four persons capsized outside the Narrows near Vancouver, B. C. Three men swam over a mile to reach shore.

The Indians' Spring Harvest. The Indians have begun bringing into Antelope, Or., wool and pelts, of which they sell tons every spring. They gather them from sheep that die on the ranges during the winter. It is not an uncommon sight to see 20 or 30 horses packed with wool and pelts in charge of two or three old squaws, cago syndicate is just about to close a upon the streets in Alrington in spring

To Build Evaporating Plant. N. A. Waldahl, of Albany, is mak-Italian prunes, the age of the trees, It is believed it will continue to pur- and the number of driers in the vicinchase other traps until it will have controlled the total output. In addition erecting a large evaporating plant in to the fishtraps there are options held the vicinity of Sheridan this summer.

For a Hopgrowers' Union. A movement is on foot to organize a hopgrowers' union in Polk county. The object of the union will be the markets of the United States.

Will Maintain Its Hospital. Acting on advices received from Manila by cable, the California Red Cross Society has decided to continue the maintenance of its hospital station in that city as long as the California volunteers remain in the Orient.

Point Wilson Fortifications. About 150 men are at work on the government fortifications at Point Wilson, at the northern city limits of Port Townsend. The force is to be increased as the work proceeds.

Fruit Trees Killed. W. H. H. Miller, who has 30 acres of 3-year-old prune trees three miles north of Eugene, Or., has had them examined by experts, who report them all killed by the recent cold weather.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets. Onions, 80c@\$1.10 per 100 pounds. Potatoes, \$18@20. Beets, per sack, 75c. Turnips, per sack, 50@75c. Carrots, per sack, 45@55c. Parsnips, per sack, \$1. Cauliflower, 75@\$1.00c per doz. Celery, 35@40c.

Cabbage, native and California 1.25 per 100 pounds. Apples, 35@50c per box. Pears, 50c@\$1.50 per box.

Prunes, 50c per box. Butter-Creamery, 26c per pound; dairy and ranch, 15@20c per pound. Eggs, 18@19c.

Cheese-Native, 12@121/c. Poultry-Old hens, 14c per pound; spring chickens, 14c; turkeys, 16c. Fresh meats-Choice dressed beef steers, prime, 8c; cows, prime, 7c; mutton, 8 %c; pork, 7c; veal, 6@8c. Wheat—Feed wheat, \$20. Oats-Choice, per ton, \$23.

Hay-Puget Sound mixed, \$7.50@ 9; choice Eastern Washington timothy \$12.50@13. Corn-Whole, \$23.50; cracked, \$24;

feed meal, \$33.50. new government building on Park Barley-Rolled or ground, per ton, granite have arrived recently from straights, \$3.25; California brands, Snake river, and the stone is piled up \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$3.50; graham.

per barrel, \$3.60; whole wheat flour. \$3.75; rye flour, \$4.50. Millstuffs-Bran, per ton, \$14; shorts, per ton. \$15. Feed-Chopped feed, \$20@22 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$17; oil cake

meal, per ton, \$35. Portland Market. Wheat-Walla Walla, 57c; Valley, 59c; Bluestem, 61c per bushel, Flour-Best grades, \$3.20; graham,

\$2.65; superfine, \$2.15 per barrel. Oats-Choice white, 41@42c; choice gray, 39@40c per bushel. Barley-Feed barley, \$22@23; brewing, \$23.00 per ton. Millstuffs-Bran, \$17 per ton; mid-

dlings, \$22; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16.00 Hay-Timothy, \$8@9; clover, \$7 @8; Oregon wild hay, \$6 per ton. Butter-Fancy creamery, 50@55c;

seconds, 45@50c; dairy, 40@45c store, 25@30c. Cheese-Oregon full cream, 12160; Young America, 15c; new cheese, 10c per pound.

Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$3@4 per dozen; hens, \$4.00@5.00; springs, \$1.25@3; geese, \$6.00@7.00 for old, arrested in South Portland recently, be- \$4.50@5 for young; ducks, \$5.00@ 5.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 15@ 16c per pound.

Potatoes-65@75c per sack; sweets, 2c per pound. Vegetables-Beets, 90c; turnips, 75c per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabpage, \$1@1.25 per 100 pounds; cauliflower, 750 per dozen; parsnips, 75c per sack; beans, &c per pound; celery 70@75c per dozen; cucumbers, 60c per

box; peas, 8@31/c per pound. Onions-Oregon, 75c@\$1 per sack. Hops-15@18c; 1897 crop, 4@6c. Wool-Valley, 10@120 per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@12c; mohair, 26c per pound.

Mutto.:-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4c; dressed mutton, 71/4c; spring lambs, 71/2c per lb. Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$4.25; light and feeders, \$3.00@4.00; dressed, \$5.00@5.50 per 100 pounds.

Beef-Gross, top steers, 3.50@\$3.75; Whatcom county, Wash., killed an cows, \$2.50@3.00; dressed beef, 5@6 %c per pound. Veal-Large, 61/67c; small, 8@9c

per pound. San Francisco Market.

Wool-Spring-Nevada, 10@12c per

pound; Oregon, Eastern, 10@12c; Valley, 15@17c; Northern, 9@11c. Millstuffs-Middlings, \$20@22.00; bran, \$18.00@19.00 per ton.

Onions-Silverskin, 50 @ 90c per sack. Butter - Fancy creamery. 27c; do seconde, 24@25c; fancy dairy, 23c; do seconds, 20@21c per pound. Eggs - Store, 160; fancy ranch,

Hops-1898 crop, 13@15c Citrus Fruit-Oranges, Valencia, \$3 @2.50; Mexican limes, \$5.50 @6; California lemons, 75c@\$1.25; do choice,

\$2.50 per box. Hay-Wheat, £18@17.50; wheat and oat, \$13@16; oat, \$14@16; best barley, \$12@13; alfrifa, \$12@14 per ton; straw, 40@70c per bale.

Potatoes-Early Rose, \$1.00@1.10; its annual meeting recently, and decid-ed upon the operation of the Coquille Burbanks, 75c@\$1; Salinas Burbanks, \$1@1.10 per sack.

Tropical fruits-Bananas, \$1.25@ 2.50 per bunch; pineapples, \$2.50@ most instantly. He was found at mid-4.50; Persian dates, 6@6%c per night with a wheel on his back between

## PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

Now Lies Dead From an Attack of Apoplexy.

HE SURVIVED BUT A FEW HOURS

ing inquiries of the number of acres of Fears of Disturbances in Paris-Measures Taken to Prevent Disorders.

Paris, Feb. 18 .- President Faure

died from apoplexy tonight. It has been known for some time that his health was weak, but the first intimation that he was sick was given at half past 6 this afternoon, when protection of the growers and the establishing of agencies in the central mier, M. Dupuy, announcing that the president was ill. M. Dupuy immediately repaired to the Elysee. All medical efforts proved futile and the president died on the stroke of 10. It was not until 12 o'clock that the

news began to become known to the general public in Paris. From this time began a continuous arrival of public men. Strict orders, however, were issued, and only members of the cabinet were admitted to the Elysee.

The report spread rapidly throughout the city, and large crowds soon assem bled in the vicinity of the palace. It is reported that the recently formed league, known as La Patrie Francaise, will actively push M. de

Beaurepaire's candidature. Under the present exceptionally exciting conditions, anything may be expected to happen. Much depends upon what General Zurlinden, military governor of Paris, as the head of the military element, may decide to do. M. de Freycinet has ordered the

troops confined to barracks today. THE TREATY APPROPRIATION

It Caused a Long Debate in the National House. Washington, Feb. 18.-In the house

the house went into committee of the whole, and resumed consideration of the sundry civil bill.

When the paragraph appropriating \$20,000,000 for the payment to Spain under the treaty of Paris was reached, Wheeler made a point of order against it. His point of order was that the paragraph was obnoxious to rule 21, invoked yesterday against the Nicaragua canal amendment. If the treaty of Paris was completed, if it was vitalized by the ratification of the Spanish cortes and the exchange of ratifications had taken place, he confessed that the treaty would be the law of the land and the amendment would be in order. He cited numerous decisions of the su preme court in support of his position.

Then followed a long debate on that portion of the bill, and without getting beyond that point the house ad-

In the Senate. Soon after the senate convened today the house joint resolution authorizing the secretary of the navy to pay certain

laborers, workmen and mechanics at the United States navy-yards and naval stations 50 per cent additional for work performed in excess of eight hours per day was called up and adopted. The military academy appropriation bill was passed without debate, and

consideration of the naval personnel bill begun. Morgan offered the Nicaragua canal

bill as an amendment to the river and harbor bill, and had it referred to the committee on commerce now considering that measure.

The military affairs committee re ported the army reorganization bill, which brought out an extended discus-A house bill setting apart a certain

tract of land, containing 10 acres, in Oklahoma to the Stella Friends Academy and Church Association was

Consideration was then begun of the postoffice appropriation bill. Practically the only obstacle encountered by the bill was the committee amendment providing for special mail facilities on the trunk lines from New York and Washington to Atlanta and New Orleans, and from Kansas City, Mo., to Newton, Kan.

The amendment which appropriates \$171,238 special mail facilities from New York and Washington to Atlanta and New Orleans, was then agreed to, 42 to 10. The amendment appropriating \$25,000 for special mail tacilities between Kansas City, Mo., and Newton, Kan., was also agreed to. Mantle of Montana, presented the credentials of William A. Clark, and Turley of Tennessee, presented the credentials of Hon. William B. Bate, each elected as senator from his state for the term of six years from March 4, 1899.

allowed to go over. A bill providing for an additional circuit judge in the third judicial cir-

cuit was passed. Washington, Feb. 18. - General Brooke today cabled from Havana, reporting three deaths among the American soldiers in Cuba since February 14.

The Rebels Retreated. Manila, Feb. 18 .- A large body of the enemy, presumably reconnoitering, was discovered on the right of Brigadier-General King's position, near San Pedro Macati, this morning. The entire bigade turned out, and after an exchange of volleys, the rebels retreated into the jungle and disappeared.

Washington, Feb. 18.-The department of state has been officially ad-vised of the settlement of the great relatives (now in the old vault), and such strike at Colon.

A Navy Yard Fire. New York, Feb. 17 .- Over \$1,000, 000 of government property was de-stroyed by a fire which started tonight in the large machine-shop of the Brooklyn navy-yard known as machine-shop No. 28, and the workings of the navy-yard have received a seri- with the same care as the new tomb. In ous set back.

Stanley Brewer, single, aged 30, was thrown under his wagon, loaded with key of that tomb was thrown into the Powood, near Eugene, Or., and killed al-



Oh; brave and wise and steadfast soul, Whose nation decise thy tomb to-day! So long as this vast globe shall roll. Thy proises shall not pass away. And we, whose fathers felt thy hand. Before whose blade they broke and fied, Will honor, with thy native land. The noble memory of the dead!

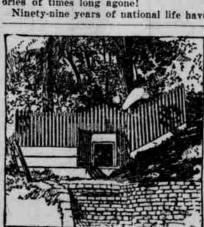
For more than fame, or patriot pride— Before all things desired and fair— Is freedom! Stand thou there beside fler beauty in that native air Thy lightnings cleared, that we might see The tranquit splendors of her eyes Smile down on all thy race to be, And its unrivated destines:

Men spread the feast and pour the wine In memory of thy stainless name, And honors ever shall be thine — Enduring love and deathless fame! But though thy glory through the sphere Were carved and spoken, harped and sung. Thy ghost would not disdain to hear One tribute from an English tongue.

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S DEATH.

Centenary to Be Observed by What Was Called a "Mock Funeral." On that December day, nearly a century ago, when the body of Gen. George Washington was laid away in the vault at Mount Vernon, "mock funerals" were held in many towns and cities east of the with all solemnity. From these sights of childhood springs the conviction in the minds of centenarians here and there that they were witnesses of the real funeral.

Such is the trustfulness of old age in memories of times long agone! Ninety-nine years of national life have



WASHINGTON'S FIRST TOMB. passed since then, and America has given its first President-than to the yearly re-

currence of the day of the funeral. This year, however, the centennial of that day will take place, and the observance at Mount Vernon will be on Dec. 14, the anniversary of the day of the death, instead of on the 18th, which was the date of the funeral. It is intended, ground as in 1779. So elaborate are the contemplated ceremonies that already plans are being put into shape for the under the direction of the Grand Lodge | mankind.

The state of the s

with all. nevertheless, that the observance shall all governments, more or less stifled, contake the form of a duplication of the trolled or repressed; but in those of the funeral services, going over the same popular form it is seen in its greatest great event. As Gen. Washington was a and the sons and daughters of this would Mason, the services over his body were employed in more pleasing and innocent conducted, in part at least, by the Masons, and so the anniversary services will and exercising them for the destruction of

Rather than quarrel about territory,



TOMB HOLDING WASHINGTON'S BODY SINCE 1831. dris, and, escorted by Lodge No. 4 of the earth, and those who want land, re At the conclusion of the reading of the postoffice appropriation bill, it was ceived his first degree; Washington Lodge country, the second land of promise, and dissolved in a new burst of tears.— No. 22 of Alexandria, of which he was there dwell in peace, fulfilling the first Judy. the first master, and Federal Lodge of and great commandment. Washington and representatives of every Grand Lodge in America will go to Mount Vernon and there repeat the services of Dec. 18, 1799. It is expected that President McKinley, himself a Mason, will make an address, and after the ceremonles a banquet will be given in Washington.

The march to the tomb will pass, of course, the old tomb in which Washington's body was buried, and in which it rested for more than thirty years, though the objective point of the procession will be the new tomb, where the coffin now is. In his will Washington stated that "the family vault at Mount Vernon requiring repairs, and being improperly situated, I desire that a new one, of brick, and upon a larger scale, may be built at the foot of what is called the Vineyard Inclosure, on the ground which is marked out, in which others of my family as may choose to be entombed there, may be deposited." Not-withstanding his request, it was not until 1831 that the new tomb was built and Washington's body placed therein. And then the old vanit was allowed to fall into a state of decay. In recent years it has been rebuilt from a drawing in the Congressional Library, and it is now surnded by an iron fence, and is kept up forehead. When the timber was elevated 1837, when the marble sarcophagi in which the coffins of Washington and his

At the request of Martha Washington have not men enough, send for the comtime of the general's burial, instead of It was Washington.

wife rest were placed in the new tomb, the

closing it with brick, as had been the cus-

tom at previous burials. The widow was

sure that she would soon follow her hus-

ter the death of Washington, keeping en-

tirely, it is said, to her room on the third

floor of the mansion, and upon her death, in 1801, her body was laid beside that of

was buried in a mahogany coffin, lined

with lead, which was put in a case cov-

ered with black cloth.

band. She lived only eighteen months af-

erty in Washington. He had valuable er, and when he was a boy he got \$5 personal estate was then put down at \$532,000, and this included a vast amount wooden box, the top of which is covered with glass. It was torn in two some time ago by some careless sightseer, and since then no one has been allowed to handle it. The account books which are kept in the State Department show that Washington was very careful about keeping a record gallery contains three bodies-the of his expenditures. He put down every-

Washington's Golden Words. Interwoven is the love of liberty with very ligament of the heart.

is the best answer to calumny. Without virtue and without integrity, the finest talents and the most brilliant became a picture dealer. Then Stanis- shop in the same way as the lightest of accomplishments can never gain respect laus, King of Poland, commissioned vehicles, but with the use or conciliate the esteem of able part of mankind.

Promote as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffufar more attention to anniversary celebra-tions of that happier event—the birth of structure of a government gives force to public opinion, it is essential that public opinion should be enlightened.

all nations; cultivate peace and harmony Let me warn you most solemnly against the baneful effects of the spirit of party.

\* It exists, under different shapes, in The bequest was conditional. He wishrankness, and is truly their worst enemy.

My first wish is to see this plague to mankind, war, banished from the earth,

WASHINGTON A RICH MAN. Owned Thousands of Acres of Land and Stocks and Negroes.

To persevere is one's duty, to be

Observe good faith and justice toward

cause you to weep? Did a loved son

During the American Revolution, an officer, not habited in the military costume, was passing a company of soldiers at work making repairs on a redoubt. The ommander of a little squad was giving orders to those under him, relative to a stick of timber which they were endeavor- performing the most ordinary duties, ing to raise to the top of the works. The and causing a large number of mishaps timber went up hard, and on this account the voice of the little great man was often heard in his regular vociferations of "heave away! there she goes! heave ho!"

horse when he arrived at the place, and seeing the timber sometimes scarcely move, asked the commander why he did not take hold and render a little aid. The latter appeared to be somewhat astonished, and turning to the officer with the pomp of an emperor, said: "Sir, I am a corporal."

"You are not, though-are you?" said the officer. "I was not aware of it." And taking off his hat and bowing, "I ask your pardon, Mr. Corporal." Upon this he dismounted his elegant steed, flung the bridle over the post, and lifted till the sweat stood in drops on his

to its proper station, turning to the man clothed "in a little brief authority": "Mr. Corporal Commander," said he "when you have another such job and

QUEER BURIAL PLACES.

Strange Requests Made by Eccentric Decedents.

The most extraordinary of all burial requests was that of the celebrated Jeremy Bentham. The great philanthropist and exponent of the doctrine of utilitarianism, dying in 1832, left directions that his body should be disected and that the skeleton should be put together, and, after being clothed in his old vestments, should be seated in a sort of glass house on wheels. The first part of the program was performed by his faithful disciple, Dr. Southwood Smith, who, in endeavoring to preserve the head, deprived the face of all expression. Seeing this would not do for exhibition purposes, Dr. Smith had a model made in wax by a distinguished French artist, who succeeded in producing a most admirable likeness. The skeleton was then stuffed out to fit Bohemian's clothes and the wax likeness fitted to the trunk. The figure was placed, seated on the chair in which he usually sat, with one hand holding the walking stick which was his constant companion in life, called by him (like a dog) "Dapple." The whole was inclosed in a mahogany case with a glass front, covered by folding doors, and presented to University College, where it can be seen in the south gallery of the college museum,

her husband in the old tomb. Washington The strange request of Anthony Ettericke, who was a prominent lawyer and once Recorder of Poole, is notewor thy. Having some cause of offense against the people of Wimborne, England, in which town he lived, he de clared that he was to be buried in a consecrated spot, but not above nor be-When Washington died he was one of low ground, not in the church nor out the richest men of his time. He owned of it. To make certain that this was lands and stock and negroes, and his es- done he got permission to build a coffin tates amounted to thousands of acres. He into the wall of Wimborne minster, so had houses in Alexandria, Va., and prop- that it is half in the church and half out, half above the ground and half belands near the present site of Pittsburg.

He was throughout his life a money makto be made, and for the repair of this a day and upward for his surveying. He arch and the coffin Anthony Ettericke put his surplus money into lands, and an advertisement in a Baltimore paper of 1773 states that he had 20,000 acres of the church level with the pavement today the senate amendments to the agricultural bill were nonconcurred in, and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some a some and many of them saw these "mock functions are to a some a s land for sale on the Ohio rivet. His will, was opened and the body deposited in sessed down to the calves and sheep. His and 1703—one over the other, so as to render both almost unreadable. He was fully convinced that he should die of tobacco, large numbers of cattle, sheep and horses, nearly all of which he willed date placed upon it. But he did not die to his wife. This will is now kept in a till 1703, and so the second date was cut over the first.

An art gallery seems a queer place in which to bury bodies, and probably few of the inhabitants of Dulwich are aware that Dulwich College picture collection of pictures owes its existence. Noll Joseph Desenfans was a native of Doual, in France, but settled in London, first as a teacher of languages. He became possesses of a valuable picture by Claude, which he sold the benefit of the public. Accident directed his attention to Dulwich College. The bequest was conditional, He wished a mausoleum to be erected in the was accepted.

Tender Recollections. The balloon was tugging at its rope and bouncing about clumsily in the puffs of wind. A widow stood regard- along. ing it with streaming eyes. She was alone, but a crowd gathered about her, attracted by her untimely tears. She sobbed for ten minutes, while the crowd restrained themselves, but at last an old gentleman, whose long white hair and saintly face declared his belief that he was privileged to thrust bimself into anybody's business, stepped forward and said:

"Madam, why do you weep? Why, oh, these tears?"

The woman snuffled loudly and then replied: "It's the balloon." "But," queried the old gentleman why does the spectacle of a balloon

once perish as an aeronaut?" "No," replied the weeper, "it wasn't son-it was my husband." "Ah, your husband was killed while

ballooning?" "No, he wasn't; my husband died in his bed, but he weighed twenty-one stone, and that jumping balloon reminds me of just how Henry looked the last time I saw him a-dancing. His figure was like that!" And the widow

Russia's "Spanish" Navy. The Reichswehr gives an almost comic account of the Russian naval maneuvers which were held in the Bal tic recently. Every ship engaged in the operations was not only shorthanded, but such men as they had were perfectly untried hands, incapable of by their bungling carelessness. There was a special lack of engineers and firemen, to an extent, indeed, which endangered the safety of the ships. The allowance of ammunition which had ben placed on each vessel was absurdly insufficient, and rendered any kind of systematic gun practice impossible In the auxiliary squadron of thirty ships no less than twenty broke down so completely as to be entirely hors de combat, "This," remarks the Reichswehr, "is the fleet of the power which desires to dispute England's supremacy of the seas. Anything more ridiculous can hardly be conceived. If this squadron was in the least degree representative of the Russian navy Russia's competition for the supremacy of the world may be regarded by England as a neg-

"Parson Tough." A story of Hobson's early days at Annapolis shows that the lads who made heroes are not always the reck-

ligible quantity."

the youths who have already made their companions respect them for high moral qualities.

Young Hobson's loyalty to the Christlanity he had learned at home won for him at Annapolis the name of the parson. One day his companions discovered that the parson possessed qualities not to be despised.

With the rest of his class he was taking a swimming lesson. He was far out along the rope in the breakers, so far out that life depended on his grasp of the rope. He pressed out farther still, doing his very best.

Then, as mischance would have it, he found he was not alone. He met a classmate coming in, clinging for life to the rope. Safe passage for both was almost an impossibility. One must yield to the other, but which?

It was a trying moment for the youths, but it did not take long for Hobson to decide. He gave way to his classmate, keeping the merest touch on the rope; but somehow, at the moment of passing, even this hold gave way, and he fell into the breakers. The boy left on the rope got in and

sent ald to Hobson, who was brought to shore-dead, as all supposed; but he was not dead, and in time he revived. "Nobody but Hobson could have come out of that alive," said his classmates, and from that time they changed his name. It was a parson still, but it had now become "Parson Tough."-Youth's Companion.

WHEN AN AXLE BREAKS.

How Damaged Vehicles Get to the The common way of getting a vehicle to the repair shop when an axle breaks close to the hub, as it usually does, is in the case of a rear axle, to get a piece of joist or other timber from the nearest convenient place, make the forward end of it fast to the front axle, and let the other end trail under the broken axle, which rests upon it, the end of the joist dragging on the pavement behind. Thus supported, says the New York Sun, the broken end of the axle is kept clear of the pavement, but not so high as it would be if in order and with a wheel on it, and so the vehicle thus drawn off to the shop has

a decided sag. A better way of getting the vehicle with a broken axle to the shop, and one often used on heavier vehicles, such as coaches and large wagons, is to make fast to the broken axle a short section of axle with a wheel turning on it, such as repair shops keep ready for such use; wheels of different sizes, as front wheels and rear wheels, turning on a short length of axle, which is secured to the broken axle by means of clips. This temporary wheel may perhaps be of a different color from the bodies of the three people to whom that other three, but it holds the vehicle up to its usual level, keeps it from racking, and by this means it is drawn easily

and safely to the shop. It may be, however, that for the very largest vehicles such spare wheels and axles are not kept; and, in that to George III. for 1,000 guineas, and so case, this vehicle would be got to the him to purchase pictures to form a na- heavier materials. Thus, when the tional gallery for Poland, and in this rear axles of one of those long fourwork Desenfans was helped by his wheel trucks, such as are now used for friend, Sir Francis Bourgeois, R. A. the transportation of ponderous from When the Pollsh King was overthrown | beams, was broken off at the wheel, the the collection of pictures came back to axle was supported on a long, square, Desenfans, who on his death left his heavy stick of timber, the forward end pictures to Bourgeois, who decided to of which was secured to the front axle, hand them over to some public body for To raise the rear axle up to about its ordinary level, blocks were placed between its under side and the top side of the timber. From the under side of the end of the timber, as it dragged over the paving stones, little smoke wreaths gallery, where his own remains and now and then floated out. Even with those of his friends M. and Mme. De- no load at all the weight of the massive senfans, might repose. The candition | truck was so great and bore so heavily upon the supporting timber that the end of the timber, where it dragged upon the ground, had been worn down almost to a point and it was almost set afire by the friction as it was dragged

The Duplex Questioner. The treasurer of a theater wrestles with many phases of humanity, all of which are more or less interesting. Hugh Quarles, the Bijou's treasurer, claims to have had an entirely new one in the person of a duplex question asker. Late Saturday afternoon a gentleman stepped up to the box office and asked if Mr. Aronson was in. "He is in Chicago," replied Mr.

Quarles. "He is in Chicago? When do you expect him back?"

"To-morrow, sir." "To-morrow? He won't be in before?" "Not until Sunday," said the treas-

"Not until Sunday? Well, have you any good seats for to-night?" "Yes, sir." "Yes? Are they front seats?"

"Fifth row," answered the treasurer. "Fifth row? Can't you give me seats in the second?" "No. sir." "No?" Are they alsle seats?"

"Alsle seats," answered the treas-"Alsle seats? On the side or in the center?"

"Right side," said the treasurer, rather impatiently. "Right side? Can't you give me cen-

"Not center, sir." "Not center? Have you the first row in the balcony?"

"Second row, we have center." "Second row? How much are they?" "Three dollars, please." "Three dollars?" As the treasurer handed the gentle-

man \$2 change out of \$5 the duplex question asker said: "Thank you." By this time Mr. Quarles had acquired the duplex habit and said,

God."-New York Telegram, Not the Whole Thing. "What do you think that girl said when she refused me?"

thoughtlessly: "Thank you-thank

"I'll never guess." "She said she had so many similar experiences lately that she couldn't offer to be more than a half-sister to

A man tells a girl that she is pretty, and forgets it in five minutes; the remembrance still warms her heart when she hears his name when she is 60.

Cold weather naturally makes the less ones of the company, but rather alcohol thermometer low-spirited.