HARRISON IN EUGENE.

Benjamin Harrison was the only in the office. The train conveying Press as follows: him stopped a few minutes at the did not appear to greet the thousand or more people who were there with the understanding that he would called to the seeming discourtesy, the arrangement, had been made knowledge of the facts, while the party who attended to the dates and details took the responsibility on himself, absolving President Harriton from any blame.

Of course there were many disappointed people, some of them trusts, and believed that the probmore or less angry. The explanation of the President, though, was telegraphed back during the day and alfayed the bitter feeling.

THE LAST OF LIFE.

Associated Press dispatch March 14.

The last intelligible words spoken by General Harrison were to his wife l'uesday afternoon, shortly before he lapsed into total unconsciousness. At that time Mrs Harrison asked him if he recognized her, and he replied that he did. At noon of the same day he recognized his aunt, Mrs Newcomer, feebly greeting her as "Aunty' when she came to his bedside.

became totally unconscious Tuesday afternoon, his mind wandered back over the great scenes of bis life. Now he was a soldier charg was the statesman speaking before and expressed by his predecessor. the convention that named him for president.

built for rent in Eugene and made a profitable investment. There is class of houses for rent.

The Hillsboro Argus says a Portland church treasurer has been found fifteen hundred dollars shore in his accounts. He has been treasurer for five years, and he friends do not know, neither does he, where the money has gone. The Argus suggests that this being the case, the church might lay claim to the fifteen hundred that statehouse swipe swiped, and, when brought into court, no owner for the "evil" could be tound. This might clear up a mystery, and, at the same time, put the congregation in good standing with itself, to say nothing of the unfortunate brother.

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The pleasures and profits of fruitgrowers find exemplification in the present state of the citrus fruit market in New York. Tuesday and Wednesday one hundred and thirty-two carloads of oranges had to go on the auction market, realizing but little more than freight charges. Growers, packers and the mine is wonderfully rich in the commission men had to stand the large loss. As an instance boxes of oranges on which the freight rate was ninety cents sold for thirty cents each.

A Portland slot machine owner "some sort of an agreement can be horse and cow. made with the officers whereby the law will not be enforced." He bis share indirectly through fines.

SOME OF HARRISON'S VIEWS,

President McKinley can find little comfort from expressions of opinion of the late ex-president, General Harrison, only a few days before his death. A conversation held with a personal friend, A L president who visited Oregon while Mason, is given to the Associated

He talked for a time about the Eugene depot, but owing to the Presbyterian creed. He was the early hour, four a m, the President chairman of the committee on question. His point on this was that we had placed ourselves in a position before the world where our say a few words. When the atten- sincerity in dealing with Cuba tion of President Harrison was could justly be questioned. He was emphasizing, his former statement that the moral law bound the honor of nations as well as of infor his reception , he disclaimed any dividuals. His reference to Philippine and Porto Rican matters expressed surprise that the supreme court of the United States had not yet handed down its decision.

Later the conversation turned on trusts. He said he had very definite ideas on the regulation of lem was one which was fairly within the reach of legislation that would commend itself to the common sense of all good people. He quoted at length from memory from the articles of incorporation of the steel trust, and expressed a belief that a corporation should not be admitted to do business in the days and nights numbered thirty any state un'ess it carried on its principal business in the state where it was organized, and unless it was a bona fide corporation of that state. He remarked that many of the great trust combinations organized under the laws of New Jersey transact no business in gas!" that state, and are not intended to transact any business there.

Had General Harrison lived it is In the sick man's delirium, which not improbable that some of his lasted from Sunday night until he former political associates and supporters would have sought to squelch him by calling him a Popu list, President McKinley must log with his column, and again he have been aware of the opinions held With such knowledge his attendance at the funeral certainly was We believe new houses could be perfunctory and unpleasant.

Andrew Carnegie has so much not a decent house for rent at the wealth that he hardly knows what present time. What will the situa. to do with it. Now it is announced tion be when the fall terms of the that he will endow a school for public school and State University technical instructions at Pittsburg begin? On a lot 80 by 160 feet in to be the most complete in the size two or even three residences world. The endowment, it is recan be built. That would reduce ported, will be \$25,000,000. There the ground cost. Then with pre is one good thing about these Carsentable, fairly roomy houses we negie school endowments. They isfactory, but here is the cash, and I believe the investment would double are all on practical, technical, ordinary rates of interest for profit. mechanical educational lines. He There is plenty of idle capital in is not giving money to be wasted Eugene. Some of it should fine on Greek, Sanscrit dead language investment in the building of a fair acquirement and not a littl emore of similar higher education foolishness. Our universities need a reformation.

> Portland politicians, who sought o control county affairs by specia legislation regarding the commissioner's court, have got the county in a pretty muddle. The courts will be called upon to settle the dispute as to the parties who are entitled to administer the office. Of course there was a chance for a graft else Multnom ah county would have been left to run her affairs similar to the rest of the state.

> They do some things on a big scale up in Montana. For instance there is a dispute over one of the big Anaconda mines and, as a result, one of the parties thereto seeks to recover the pretty sum of five and one-half million dollars. It is not a suit on paper, either. The contestants are among the wealthiest men in the United States, while precious metals.

This is the time of year when the chicken question makes enemies of former friendly neighbors. There is but one side to the oft waged controversy. The chicken-owner says he is allowing the dust to ac- should keep his chickens on his cumulate on his machines until own premises, the same as his

The lie was given on the floor of reason for his faith. For years the state of Washington senate the the heads either of the police depart- other day, followed by a blow from ment or of the city were in the party giving the lie. He then partnership with other games. The apologized. Apologies made after police officials got their part of the such assaults aggravate the offense. swag direct. The city took its They are perfunctory and are so understood by all parties concerned.



THE GAS BILL.

A Legend Done Into English by Your Uncte Elt.

Once upon a time an eminent citizen entered the office of a gas company and threw down the month's bill he had received that day and shouted:

"Now, by the beard of my father, but I am wroth and want gore!"

pathetically queried the young man at sides. the window.
"Wrong! Wrong! Can you read? Can't you get that sum total

through your young and innocent

"Of a surety I can, sir. I see by this bill that you are charged with 50,000 feet of gas at \$1.50 per thousand for the last month-total, \$75. Prithee, sir, but why this fervidness of speech?"

"I never burned that gas!" "But the meter, sir-the meter makes no mistakes. It runneth night and day, like a brook to the sea. It hath business to do, and it doeth it. The meter records that you burned 50,000 feet of gas during the last month. What the meter records is recorded. However, I will summon here the secretary, who is a man of more fluency of speech than myself."

"Why this kick, my dear sir?" kindly asked the secretary as he appeared.

"Because of the size of this bill." "But you must remember that last month was a long one. You have but to glance at the calender to see that and one. 'Tis the calender you should blame. You will easily recall that the days were dark and dreary and the nights long and full of lonely shad-

"But I was away on a visit, and my house was deserted. I did not even burn one foot of your infernal old

"'Tis passing strange," quoth the secretary. "I will summon hence our president, who hath the knack of unraveling strange things."

"Man, bath thy better senses left thee?" severely asked the president as he looked upon the kicker. "Hath news of war or the excitement of politics turned thy head? Hath escaped from some insane asylum and come here with wheels in thy head?" "Not by a jugful! How could I burn

your gas in my house when it was shut up? I was away with my family on a visit, and I will make a thousand affidavits that no burner was left lighted as I went. 'Tis robbery, sir; 'tis bold faced, cold blooded robbery!"

"'Tis a song that is ever being sung!" exclaimed the president as a look of sorrow crossed his face. "Prithee, fellow man, but no one says you burned the gas, and no one denies that your house was shut up. This bill is simply for the leakage which always takes place in a house when the family is absent. 'Tis but a trifle, and if thou art inclined to raise a great row and"-

"Oh, no, no, no! I simply did not understand. It looked like highway robbery. Your explanation is not only satbeg your pardon for my unseemly con-

And he counted down 75 big dollars. shook hands all around and wished them peace and prosperity, and his shadow had hardly turned the corner when a woman came in and said they might take the shoes off her feet before she'd pay the outrageous bill of \$1.75 they had sent by the same mail. M. QUAD.

She Ought to Strike For a Raise. "The manager doesn't like you? How do you know?" asked the girl at the revolver and cartridge counter.

"Because," answered the girl at the bleyele goods counter, "just as the holiday trade is beginning and I am geting ready to take a rest he tells me I've got to trade places with that girl that's been in the toy department all summer."-Chicago Tribune.

The Wicked Little Germ. "Microbes attack their victims when they are worn out."

"That's so. We read about them until we are dead tired, and then they take a mean advantage of us."-Indianapolis Journal.

An Epoch. man who has been cross for 30 years recently looked pleasant. - Atchison regularly variable star.



"HE WAS RIGHT THERE WITH THE GOODS." -Chicago News.

My Silent Love. My love is lying still, y love has gone to rest; kands are lightly crossed Upon her gentle breast. Tread softly! Whisper low, While I my vigil keep. Ry love is nine months old!

Bow sweet she is asleep

HIT BY AN EARTHQUAKE.

Man Was Treated by an Upheaval in Venezuela. Mrs. Charles Middlekauff of Hagers-

town, Md., is in receipt of a letter from asked. her son, Frank Middlekauff, at Caracas, Venezuela. Mr. Middlekauff describes the recent terrible earthquake things are going up and sell when they in Venezuela as follows:

"It is startling to see the earth rolling like the sea. People cannot stand which way they are going?" he in-The first shock came at 4:45 o'clock quired. UD. on Oct. 20. I was awakened. I got up and was thrown back into bed. I got she answered. "It does make a differup again and was knocked to the floor. ence, I finally succeeded in reaching the Post. street. There everything was confu-"Anything wrong?" kindly and sym- sion, and buildings were falling on all

"For five nights I slept in the plaza. Everybody has been sleeping in the parks since the first shock. Everybody is sick and very nervous. It is depressing to see people praying, expecting every moment to be killed. There have been from four to six shocks every day for five days.

regular that a person could set a watch by them. They came at 2, 5 and 11 a. m. and 4, 7:30 and 10:30 p. m. One shock would stop a watch, and the succeeding shock would start it again. "People are really going mad. Nearly all the towns along the coast are total

"For three days the tremors were so

wrecks. There are over 400 dead in one small town along the coast. authorities cannot even estimate at this time how many are killed and injured. The earth opened where the land was low, and that is the reason the coast towns were most affected.

"The earthquake created terrible havoe in Caracas, though the city is very highly elevated. The city is in ruins. About 80 buildings out of every 100 are wrecked. The large capitol is split in four pièces. All the large churches have been demolished. What have not fallen down will have to be torn down. Every place is closed up. Business of all kinds has been suspended. There were not many killed in Caracas, but many were injured.

"The trains cannot run to Caracas over the mountains, therefore the mail has to be taken to the coast by mules." -Baltimore Sun.

Overcrowded London.

At the present moment, writes Sir Walter Besant in The Century, those parts of East London inhabited by the workingmen of all kinds, from the respectable artisan in steady employment down to the casual hand and the children of the street, are suffering from the dearth of houses. There are not enough houses for the people; there are not enough single rooms for the families which would gladly occupy them if they could. The rents of the lowest tenements are going up higher and higher. The working people compete with one another for rooms. The landlord has only to put up his house or his rooms in his house to the highest bidder. A room that used to be let for 4 shillings a week can now command 6, while the fine, or the sum paid on taking the key, which was formerly a few shillings, now runs up to a pound or even £2.

The houseless used to be considered the very poorest. Among them now are families where the head is in good WOLK. They are houseless because there are no houses for them. The vast increase of population has a good deal to do with this. For instance, the outlying suburb of East Ham, 20 years ago a mere hamlet, with a few houses and an old church in the fields, now numbers 90,000 people, all of the working class, while its neighbor. West Ham, which 20 years ago consisted of two or three scattered hamlets, is now a great town of 270,000 people, all of the working class.

Is the Lost Pleiad Found?

One of the most beautiful legends relating to the stars is that of "the lost Pleiad." It would appear that in anclent times ordinary eyes saw distinctly seven stars in the group of the Pletades, although now only six are thus visible. The lost Pleiad has been a subject not only for poets, but for astronomers, who have frequently discussed the question whether such a star ever really existed. Recently the question has been revived, and the English astronomer, Mr. W. T. Lynn, after declaring that there can scarcely be a doubt that in former times seven stars were clearly visible in the Pleiades, quotes approvingly the suggestion of Professor Pickering that the faint star known as Pleione is the lost Pleiad. This opinion is based on the peculiar It is rumored that a certain Atchison appearance of the spectrum of Pleione, which indicates that it may be an ir-

The Gypsy Moth.

Because a Boston man forgot to close his window the state of Massachusetts has lost \$3,000,000 and is still losing \$500,000 a year. The man was a silk grower. He sent to France for some gypsy meths, which he intended to experiment on with a view to a new brand of silk. One day he sat at his table examining some of these moths, when he was called out of the room. He left the window epen, and the draft blew the moths out. Two years later caterpillars ate the leaves off every forest and fruit tree for miles around. Thex were gypsy moths, and the state has spent over \$3,000,000 in fighting the pests.

Science's Alarming Strides.

In a recent lecture Dr. Hoffhauer claimed that the age of fishes can be told by their scales. These show under the microscope stripes similar to the bands in the crosscut of a tree, which indicate the age of the fish. We are now able to approximately state the age of borses, fishes and trees. Tremble, oh, ladles, but that some scientist will make a discovery enabling a lay observer to determine the human age at sight! Would life be worth living then?-Vienna Tageblatt.

Living and Learning. "I don't see how any one can lose money in speculation," she remarked thoughtfully.

"Do you consider it so simple?" he "Why, certainly. As I understand it,

all you have to do is to buy when are coming down."

"But how are you going to know

"Why-why, I never thought of that," &dise. ence, doesn't it?"-Chicago Evening

Clever Boy.

"If I tell you, Johnnie, that I have fust seen twoscore years, what does that mean?"

"It means, teacher, dat yer ain't a bit like George Washington, who never told no lie."-New York Journal.

Unbiased Opinions Some people wouldn't even gr

if it required an effort. ed when the former is given.

The absent wife who gets a letter that she has him scared.

One nice thing about a president's Horseman. message is that you can say you have read it without being afraid the other fellow will pursue the subject for the purpose of catching you in a lie.

No Real Dislike.

"You announced that you had no dislike for the young man who threatened to dominate your party and depose you from your leadership. "I did," answered the professional

"And you really meant every word of

"Every word. There was no reason

in the world why I should dislike him. I knew I could keep him from winning if he seemed to be getting dangerous." -Washington Star. The Dealer's Idea.

"That's odd," said Mr. Pitt, who was reading the paper.

"What's odd?" asked Mr. Penn

"The demand for coal is said to be slack." thought."

"How so?" "I ordered coal, but what he sent me was mostly slack."-Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Retort Courteous.

"Really-er"- stammered the gossip afraid you overheard what I said about you. Perhaps-er-I was a bit too se-

"Oh, no!" replied the other woman. "You weren't nearly as severe as you would have been if you knew what I think of you."-Philadelphia Press.

A Brilliant Success

A .- How did your automobile journey turn out?

B .- Beautifully! Although I ran over two pedestrians and three bicycles and knocked two wagons into a ditch, my motor was not at all injured, and I arrived just on time.-Fliegende Blatter.

Found Out, He-Will you marry me, Eveline? She-Sir!

He-Rejected again!

"Certainly. I only wanted to see whether you were in earnest or not."-Harlem Life.

Six Days Enough. Mrs. Nexdore - We consider plane

playing wicked on Sunday. Mrs. Snapp-Glad to hear it. That's what we consider your daughter's on week days .- Philadelphia Press.

Can't Take the Medicine. Bobbs-Laughter is a cure for indi-

Dobbs-But a man can't laugh when he has dyspepsia.-Baltimore Ameri-

The Home Guard's Close Call. We were on our dress parade last night; The boys looked spick and span,

And their rifles all were shining bright: In his place stood every man. Our colonel marched us around the hall Till my feet today feel sore: With his orders, which I can't recall, He drilled us an hour or more.

We stood in line; then the colonel said, "It is plain to me, my men, For Uncle Sam there is trouble ahead; He will need defenders again, And so perhaps we may get a call To shoulder arms, march away. To fight for the flag and maybe fall."

A feeble voice yelled, "Rooray!" When he said, "Boys, we may go, perchance, To a faroff foreign shore," ach man gave him a most killing giance, For they all seemed mighty sore.
"We may be sent to the west," said he,
"Or go down south for awhile
To help keep intact our liberty."

Each man then began to smile. "Or," then continued our leader grand, "We'll stay by our own dear shore

To face any foe that dares to la To tace any toe tost dares to land;
It is then that our guns will roar,"
Before he could say another word
The men were cheering away;
For fifteen minutes all to be heard

Was a mighty "Hip, hip, hooray?

Hoppies will be barred at Readville

TAKING THE REINS.

Metellas, 2:18%, is said by many good judges to be a sure 2:10 trotter.

The \$100 harness made for Robert J four years ago sold at auction for \$55. The 3-year-old trotting stallion John Ball, by Dr. Hooper, has been gelded.

The former champion trotting gelding Azote, 2:04%, is at Demarest's "par-

Bumps, Connor and Searchlight, all 2:03%, are the fastest pacers bred in Kentucky.

The Abbot will be prepared for his next season's work at the Jewett covered track.

John Durrett, 2:2014, pacing, by Greenlander Boy, was not beaten the past season

It is said that Ed Geers declined a mpting salary to drive for J. Malcolm Forbes next year. The New England Trotting Horse

Breeders' association distributed a total of \$85,870 in 1900. Paulding Boy. 2:151/4, owned by Vogel Bros., Dague, O., has shown a mfle

in 2:12 on a half mile track. Nathan Straus, the present owner of Robert J, says the champion pacing solding will have a permanent home. Hopeful, 2:211/2, the blind pacer from

Providence, is now being driven on the

New York speedway by W. P. Duran-The 2-year-old Allerton-Bourbonlight, 2:18%, filly has shown a mile in 2:24% or the three-quarter mile track at

Laris, Ky. Mystic Girl, by Walkill Prince, the The difference between praise and mare recently sold by a Barre (Mass.) flattery is that no reward is to be ask- man, is credited with trotting speed around the 2:12 notch.

James Gormully, owner of Georgena, from her husband every day, although 2:071/2, has had her shoes taken off, and they have been married for 15 years, she has been turned out on the farm may think it is love, but the truth is for the winter. She will not even be used on the Brooklyn speedway. -

STAGE GLINTS.

Sir Arthur Sullivan was knighted by the queen in 1883.

Odette Tyler is to play Katherine in 'The Taming of the Shrew. Mrs. Jessie Bartlett Davis has made

Florence Rockwell has been engaged as Henry Miller's leading actress in "Richard Savage."

a successful start in vaudeville.

Richard Mansfield has decided to proluce Stephen Phillips' play. "Herod," n New York about March. Nat Goodwin once aspired to play Shakespearean tragedy, but the near-

est he ever got to it was a burlesque of "Richard III." The dramatization of "When Knighthood Was in Flower" was made by Paul Kester, the author of Ada Re-

han's "Nell Gwynn" play. Betsy Ross, who is given by history the honor of taving sewed the first "That must be what my dealer American flag, is to be the central figure of a new play by the author of "My

Friend From India." Egerton Castle, whose novel is the foundation of the play "The Pride of Jennico," is an authority in England fencing and written several books on the subject.

American dramatists must be workwho had been caught red handed, "I'm ing hard. Miss Grace George has had 200 plays and to her since her enccess in "Her Majesty," and Miss Crosman had more than this offered her.

> Billy Emerson is a minstrel who in his day and generation amused an infinite number of people. It has been estimated that in his career be earned over \$1,000,000, but now he is ill in Cincinnati, and his condition is said to be one of destitution.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

The object in mulching is to preserve as even a temperature as possible. Do not apply a mulch until the

ground is frozen reasonably hard. Plant a tree just as deep as it stood in the nursery, allowing for the soil to settle. A tree will rarely do its best with its

collar much too high or much too low in the ground. A newly transplanted tree should oc-

cupy a bed of fine mellow soil, with ample room for every root. It should always be remembered that whatever tends to build up or promote

the general health and thrift of the trees will also aid materially in keeping them free from disease. At this time a general cleaning up of the orchard and garden should be made. As far as possible leave noth-

ing on the ground in the garden or orchard where insect pests can harbor. If there are any of the fruit trees not bearing as they should, stir the surface of the soil thoroughly and apply a good dressing of manure. Stir this well into the soil, and a few days later apply a good dressing of wood ashes.-St. Louis Republic.

APHORISMS.

It is worse to apprehend than to suffer.-Bruyere.

No man was ever so much deceived by another as by himself.-Greville. Doing good is the only certainly hap-

py action of a man's life.-Sir Philip Sidney. Of all the evil spirits abroad in the

world insincerity is the most dangerous .- Froude. Where there is much pretension much

has been borrowed. Nature never pretends.-Lavater. The more we do the more we cado; the more busy we are the more lei-

sure we have. Hazilit. Nature has written a letter of credit on some men's faces which is honored wherever presented.-Thackers.".

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