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MARTYR AT THE GATE.

Trials and Tribulations of the Doorkeeper of the Chamber of Commerce.

[Cor. Cincinnati Times-Star.] I am going to champion the cause of a meek and lowly man, who is being im-posed upon. His name is Bob, and he earns his daily bread by standing at the entrance to the chamber of commerce and watching the people pass in and out. Robert, as every one knows, is a real nice because man in fact he is non nice for his young man, in fact he is too nice for his own comfort. This may not have been noticed by all who go on change, and so

I will elucidate. I stood beside Bob one day, talking to him. As I went through the gate I stopped to shake hands with him, and incidentally gave his hand a hard squeeze, just to show my kind feeling. I know it hurt, because I can squeeze hard, and the look of pain that flitted across Bob's face left no doubt but that he meant it when he assured me that I almost cracked his fingers. I felt gratified at the tribute to my grip, and took a stand by Bob's side. Before I had said a dozen words side. Before I had said a dozen words some one walked up, and, giving Bob a playful dig between the riba, asked if Mr. So and So had come in yet. Hardly had the answer been given them another man approached Bob from the rear, and, bring-ing his fist down on the poor fellow's back, inquired how he felt, anyhow? Then a big grain man who was learing

Then a big grain man who was leaving the chamber sportively trod on Bob's toes, and thought it funny, and a second later a stock broker grabbed Bob's coat and pulled it down so hard that the seams started: an insurance man came in and greeted Bob with a squeeze of the hand like unto my own expression of cordiality a young fellow sneaked up and began a rear attack on Bob's neck with a piece of rubber which stung like a hornet; a coal man rammed Bob's hat down over his eyes as a preliminary to the inquiry whether Mr. So and So was on the floor; a newspaper reporter strolled up and changed the date on Bob's stamp, while a grain elevator man turned Bob's arm around in the socket and was real glad when Bob begged for mercy. And during all this Bob had been cycing every man who passed through the gate, stopped several non-members that tried to in without having their tickets get punched and turned away one or two who

had no tickets. Then my heart began to go out to Bob. I understood his martyrdom. There he stood day after day, faithfully guarding the doors of the chamber, making friends by his unfailing good nature only to suffer such indictions as I had witnessed. I begged him to forgive me my thoughtless ness, and promised to sin no more. Go thou and do likewise.

Our Cattle Population.

(Chicago Times.)

Iowa ranks the highest of all the states in the number of cattle to the square mile. She has 2,014,484 head, or 35,09 head per square mile. Illinois has 1,471,191 head. or 26 head per square mile. Ohio has 1,017,820 head, or 24.8 head per square mile. Pennsylvania has 875,994, head, or 19.3 head to the square mile. New York has 877,181 head, or 18 head per square mile. Texas has the surprising number 1 4,234.9.8 head, or 15.9 to the square mile. This is the lowest ratio per square mile, although the largest number of cattle of any state in the Union, about as many as all france possesses. For all the states and territories the cattle popu-lation is 42,547,307 head, or 8 head per square mile.

IN THE BACKWOODS. 1 50 A Despondent Church Member - The "Ile" of Patmos-Primitive Religious

Customs-Impassioned Negro Melodies-Jubiles Singers. [Rev. H. W. Pierson in Christian Union.] A friend of mine, a New England pas-tor, made a visit to the army as a delegate of the United States Christian commis-

of the United States Christian commis-sion. Having occasion to call upon a family near the scene of his labors, he in-troduced himself as a clergyman, and ex-plained the object of his visit to the army. At once he was plied with the ever recur-ring questions as to the cause of the war, its probable continuance, results, etc., etc. After giving his own views from the portherm standpoint, he took occasion to northern standpoint, he took occasion to draw out the opinion of his questioners, which were substantially as follows: He had thought upon the question a long time, and was decidedly of the opinion that God had sent the war upon the coun try for their pride; that was the great sin in the churches, especially among the sis ters. "Once't they spun, wove, and dyed in butternut their own jeans and made their own dresses, which were good enough to wear to big meetings, barbecues, or weddings; but now they want store dresses. Once't every man car-ried his hides to the tanner to make ried his hides to the tanner to make leather for the family, and they were glad enough to get a good heavy pair of shoes made by free nigger Jim. Now they must have store shoes. Once't they male must have store shoes. Once't they made their own bonnets, which kept the sun from burning their faces and blistering their necks, with no such thing as a ribbon on them. Now they are ashamed of these and will hardly go to church unless they have a store bonnet all covered over with ribbons and posies. And they do say that when Sister Mason went to the city with her husband to attend the big

secession meetin', she got some new store teeth! My old woman here wanted store shoes and store dresses just as much as the rest of the sisters.

After this Jeremiah had gone through with his wail, he proposed that they should pray together. They knelt, and at the conclusion of the prayer offered by the delegate of the United States Chris-tian commission, his address to the Daity was in the same ad statis is making was in the same sad strain in which he had so long talked. He was burdened with the sins of others, especially the sins of his "old woman," and very free and voluble in confessing them. "Oh, Lord." he said; "here is my old woman. She is very proud. Proud as a worldlin'. Oh, Lord, make her more humble. Make her willing to bow low down at thy feet Oh, Lord, ile her knee jints, and make her bend and bow low." (Then with iaearnestness and emotion he con-1) "Oh, Lord! ile her knee-jints cluded.)

with the very ile of Patmos." To those familiar with the people in the brush, as I have described them, all these incidents are as simple and natural as is the sight of an omnibus in Broadway to a dweller in New York. In the vast army of illiterate adult whites, and in the communities in which they chiefly live, there are hundreds of thousands who have never read or heard of but a single kind

Those familiar with their religious and especially with their revival services are aware how long and how earnestly their preachers will exhort, urge, and plead with the whole congregation to kneel; to bow low before God. Usually the church members respond at once; and then came the long struggies with the "worldlings." the long struggle with the "worldlings." One would judge from their earnestness and persistence in this matter that they deemed their hearers well-nigh saved when they induced them thus to kneel. I recall an occasion of this kind when a

young lady from New England, a teacher, was for the first time present at such a meeting. It was near the home of the owner of the Rev. Nathan Eoard, the ve preacuer s soon as I saw her in

A Georgia Willow-Farm.

[Macon (Ga.) Telegraph.) A fiving trip the other day to the osler willow farm of I. C. I lant, a mile below the city, presented a surprise. In a building on the premises were a number of negro women and boys at work stripping the bark and leaves from the willow switches. This is the first cutting of the crop of two years' growth, and the yield will be two or three tons. These switches are from four to seven feet long, and are cut and placed in bundles like sheaves of wheat. They are then taken to the strip-ping building and placed in a vat filled with water. The large ends are then placed in a peculiar little machine which loosens the bark for a couple of inches. Passing along on the table they are placed one by the strippers a little machine which one by one in the strippers, a little ma-chine, the invention of Mr. Plant, and

with a pair of pliers are pulled through with one jerk. This process takes off all the bark and leaves The switches are then wiped off with The switches are then wiped off with a woolen cloth by passing them through the hand. They are then bundled and laid away to dry. The littlescontrivances used for stripping performs its work ad-mirably. Mr. I lant sent to Switzerland and the willow farms in the north and west for machines, but all were crude and worked unsatisfactorily. He set about and soon made one for the purpose, which does its work rapidly and effectually. All the leaves and bark are dried and baled, and command a price of 25 cents per pound. They are used for a certain kind of medicine.

of medicine. Mr. Flant has 400,000 willows now growing on his farm. He has within the last week set out 80,000, and they are growing finely. He will set out his en-tire levee with them, and will then have sixty acres in willows alone. A ton to the acre is the average yield, and the willows, when shipped dried, command \$200 per top in a dozen markets. In three years ton in a dozen markets. In three years all he has set out now will be enough to cut. The willow farm high success throughout, and Col. E. C. Grier, who was looking at it recently, says the bark and leaves alone, to say nothing of the valuable switches, pay better than cotton.

In the Depths of Africa. [New York Sup.]

It is to the credit of the natives that the white women who have entered the depths of Africa with their missionary husbands have almost invariably received kind treatment. If they could endure the climate they had nothing to fear from the aborigines. Mme. Tinue is perhaps the only white female traveler in Africa who has been killed. She wandered in safety among the blacks of the upper Nile, but fell a victim at last to Mohammedan fanaticism. Travelers say they would often be unable to make any progress whatever among the most savage tribes if they were not able to convince the natives that they possessed supernatural powers. A few conjurers' tricks will often open the way among savages, who would fight the explorer if they did not think he could bewitch them all. Young Thomson, who recently came back from the Masai country, traveled far on his reputation as a man who could take his teeth out of his mouth and put them back again. He had two false teeth on a plate. When argument and entreaty availed nothing, he had only to do the teeth act to get about everything he wanted. A chief south of Lake Nyassa, who had never seen glass, became the warm friend of a missionary where the warm friend of a missionary whose watch he was examining. He could see the hands right before him, but he couldn't put his fingers on them, and he thought the white man by some occult power kept him from touching them. Some petty chiefs have been in the

habit of appearing before explorers and personating their sovereign, the Big King for the purpose of getting a handsome present. The explorers have found a receive them, and stands revealed as a fraud. Consul Elkins carried a quan-



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Animal Vaccination in India [Foreign Letter.]

Pasteur's system of vaccinnation for anthrax, of which French farmers have so eagerly availed themselves, has been most successfully tried by the govern-ment of India-ponies, donkies, cows, bullocks, buffaloes, elephants, sheep, and guinea higs having been effectually pro-tected against fatal attacks of that de-terment of the second secon structive disease. A laboratory for the manufacture of the vaccine has been ated at Pengal, and, if successful, will be followed by similar establishments in other centers. A veterinary surgeon was some time ago sent to study with Pasteur, and it is recommended that others receive similar instruction.

Maiden and Mother. [Exchange.]

"Mother, did you say I can't go to the rink to night?"

" ves, Mamie, I did. " "Why, mother?"

"Because you have been there every day three times for the last three days, and so much exertion will ruin your constitution.

"Why. I'm not a bit tired, mother." "Well, if you are not, come and help me wash these dishes."

"O, pshaw: I'm that kind of tired, but not the skating-rink kind."

She helped wash the dishes all the same.

The Hosts of Heavens.

Scientific Exchange.) The number of stars visible to the naked eye is commonly greatly overesti-mated. Let one begin to count the stars and the faise impression is soon dispelled. The whole number of the stars down to those of the fifth magnitude inclusive, is hardly more than 1,500. Stars of the sixth magnitude are the tinlest specks of Light, visible only in a favorable state of the atmosphere, and these included will not bring the count much above 4,000, except for persons who have extraordin-erv hormess of stabt. "Lat the preachers bow low." " Lat the preachers bow low." Chorus ary keenness of sight.

Animal Extinction. [Arkansaw Traveler.]

The disappearance of animal life from earth must always be regarded with in-terest and concern. Apprehension is now beginning to be felt that we are now looking upon the linal struggle for existence of all the larger mammalla—the elephant, the gira ie, the bison, the whale, the seal, and many others-which must soon be extirpated unless protected from being hunted to death.

Naming Your Besidence. (Detroit Free Press.)

If you have a country-scat, fashion de-mands that you must name it after the maples or beaches. If you don't happen to have one, and can hardly pay your rent in town, fashion will permit you to call the old shanty "Idlewild," "Elm Hall," or something of that sort.

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M. Lauth, of Sevres, has, after ten years of experimentation, produced a por-celain far superior to the famous old Sevres. It will take all kinds of glazes, and is susceptible of the highest kinds of decoration. decoration.

One of Hugo's Whims.

It was one of Victor Hugo's whims never to wear an overcoat, no matter what the weather might be, and his fatal illness is ascribed to a cold contracted by thus neglecting to protect himself.

It has been said that swallows and spar-rows formake a district when cholers is about to appear.

the audience I knew that she was a stranger in a strange land. She looked ap alled, horrified, at the sounds and scenes around her. She did not kneel. scenes around her. She did not kneel. There were puddles of tobacco juice all around her. She was proud. Her knees had not been annointed with the "lie of Patmos." Thoroughly familiar with the people and all their ways of thinking, as I had been for so many years, I was sure she was all unaware how largely the long-continued appears were addressed to her continued appeals were addressed to her or how conspicuously the irreligion of New England was illustrated by her stubor how

born pride, her refusal to bow low. The same habit was almost universal among the colored preachers, with the addition that their urgert appeals with the ad-dition that their urgert appeals were sup-plemented with the most tender and im-passioned negro melodies. Some thirty years ago 1 dropped into the principal hotel in Richmond, va., and looking over the register saw the name of George B. Chooser He was on his stream for the set Cheever. He was on his return from Europe, had landed at a southern port Europe, had indeel at a southern port and was slowly taking his way north. I sent up my caid, and on calling found him absorbed in writing his "Wanderings of a Pilgrim," etc. I informed several of my friends of his presence in the city, who at once called on him, and he was soon after invited to spend the evening with a pleasant commany at the home soon after invited to spend the evening with a pleasant company at the home of the pastor of one of the largest churches in the city. At the conclu-sion of this pleasant social gathering the family servants were called in, as usual, to the evening worship. They united with the company in singing the hymn selected, and after the prayer sang several of their own becautiful melodies.

of their own beautiful melodies. I have never forgotten the pleasure and interest with which Dr. Cheever listened to one of these songs, which was of the

character I have just described. their songs, it was chiefly chorus, and the

"Bow low, bow low, bow low,"	
"Lat the preachers bow low."	Chorus.
"Let the brothers bow low."	Chorus.
"Let the sisters bow low."	Chorus.
"Let the mourners bow low,"	Chorus.
"Let the sinners how low."	Chorus,

Although the long-drawn-out song was little else but a repetition of the words "bow low." the vol.es were so rich, so melow and full of emotion, and the music so weird, impassioned and wonder-ful, that, with others I was completely entranced by it. I remember that as I left the house with Dr. Cheever he re peated, over and over, to himself. "Bow low, bow low, bow low." I only wish that the Jublice Singers might reproduce that, and others that I have heard on hundreds of relations. hundreds of plantations.

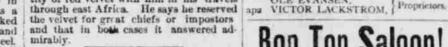
Sylders' Senses.

(Exchange.) A German entomologist, F. Dahl, claims that spiders have perfect sight only at very short distances. Their sense of touch is consequently remarkably well de-veloped, enabling them to locate disturb-acces in their webs. Their smell is so good that they can distinguish odors, and their hearing is excellent.

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"Marquis of Queensbury" Rules.

[Chicago Tribune] The marquis of Queensbury has ar-rived in New York, and speaking of the rules that bear his name, he says: "The rules were named after me because, some J. NASBURG, ----- Proprietor. twenty years ago, I put up some cups to be boxed for, and that was the first time that the boxing was conducted by those rules. It was a shame that one of your judges should have stopped boxing ac-cording to them, because where they are strictly observed it is impossible that any one could be badly hurt." The marquis one could be badly hurt. "The marquis opinion of his rules is shared by the American public. In repeated tests they have always proved perfective effective in reducing pugilism to a harmless amuse-ment. He hopes that before sailing for home he will have established them as the

pugilistic law and guide of every political, religious, and social deilberative body in this country.

Marie Antoinette's Ghastly Present.

[The Argonaut.] The canaille of Paris were in the habit of making strange presents. What a fan-tastic idea it was, sending to the royal family, in Marie Antoinette's time, a box of dominoes made out of the stones of the bastile. The lines which accompanied the gift are quite brutal, quite authentic, and characteristically French. How Marie Antoinette must have shuddered at this toy of doom: "These stones, from the walls which enclosed the innocent victims of arbitrary power, have been converted into a toy, to be presented to you, mon signeur, as an bohage of the people's love, and to teach you the extent of their power." power.

> Few Paupers in Japan. (Foreign Letter.)

There is a remarkable absence of pau-There is a remarkable absence of pau-perism in Japan, but a man with an in-come of \$1.000 a year is considered wealthy and a peasant or farmer who has \$100 laid by for a rainy day is ranked with capitalists. It is estimated that there are less than 10.000 paupers in the whole empire of 37,000,000 inhabitants.

For Soldiers to Piny With. Mrs. Bancroft, the London actress, has been asked to collect theatrical costumes, wigs, properties, and play-books to send out to the soldiers in Egypt, so that they may amuse themselves with theatrical [er formances

Some Outside Work. Rev. Edward Everett Hale thinks that "in these days the church has something to do be ides singing, reading, and pray ing." Among the other things he men tions "hospitality, education, and charity."

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