SPECIAL NOTICES.

ATTENTION—Painters, to special message of 1788, K. of L., on FRIDAY EVENING, at 7:30 p. m.; business of importance. By order W. L. BAILEY, Master Workman. dec5-2t

THE Republicans of the District will hold a mass meeting at Odd Fellows' Hall, M st., bet. 16th and 17th sts., on Thursday evening, Dec. 5, to indorse L. C. Baily as the candidate for the national Republican convention. 1t

HELP WANTED—MALE.

WANTED—Two Industrial Insurance solicitors; $7 salary and commission; no lapses. Apply GUARDIAN LIFE, 1313 F st. 1t

WANTED—Steady man; light work. Call all day. MILLER'S, 321 Pa. ave. nw., 2d-floor. 1t

WANTED—A good, sober young man not afraid of work, to drive milk wagon; must have good reference. Address N. G., this office. 1t

WANTED—A young man as collector; must be acquainted with all parts of the city; must understand the care of horses. INSTALLMENTS, this office. 1t

WANTED—Colored boy to be useful in store; $2.50 per week. Address WORK, this office. 1t

WANTED—Reliable white boy. Apply with refs., 924 F st. nw., bet. 10 and 12, Thursday. 1t

WANTED—First-class advertising solicitor; steady employment. Room 8, 611 7th st. 1t

WANTED—For the city, canvassers for two new books. Apply room 34, Washington L. & T. building. 1t,em

WANTED—Intelligent canvassers; liberal commission. Apply at 1222 H st. nw., from 6 to 8 p. m. dc4-3t

WANTED—First-class solicitor for the "Standard Dictionary." R. A. DINSMORE, 628 G st. nw. dec3-3t,em

WANTED—Several good insurance agents; good pay to reliable men. NATIONAL MUTUAL AID SOCIETY, of Virginia, 617 F st. nw. no30-6t

WANTED—For the marine corps, boys, as apprentices to learn field music (drum and trumpet); must be between fourteen and sixteen years of age; of good moral character and sound health, and able to read and write; consent of parents or guardians necessary. Apply to the COMMANDING OFFICER, Marine Barracks, Eighth st. se. no27-1mo

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

WANTED—An experienced young lady as cashier; none other need apply; ref. required. Apply to UNIVERSAL HOUSE-FURNISHING STORE, 512 9th st. nw. 1t-em

WANTED—A white girl for general housework, in a small family; German preferred. Apply 503 G st. nw. 1t-em

WANTED—A girl for general housework; references required. 2018 H nw. 1t

WANTED—Good, plain, white cook; small family. 614 13th st. nw. 1t

WANTED—Young white girl for light housework. Apply 225 8th st. ne. 1t

WANTED—White girl to assist in housework mornings from 8 to 12; $2 a week to capable worker. 1251 M st. ne. 1t

WANTED—Settled colored woman, kind to children; general housework; small family. Call after 5 p. m., No. 911 Florida ave. nw.; refs. required. 1t

WANTED—Young lady specialty artist to do sketches with advertiser. Address M. X. Z., this office. 1t HELP M & F

WANTED—Lady of good address can secure employment. Room 8, 611 7th st. 1t

WANTED—Colored cook; private family; no washing. 614 13th st. nw. 1t

WANTED—A light complexioned girl as housemaid and waitress; must come well recommended. Call at 1765 Q st. nw. dc4-2t-em

WANTED—A good cook with thorough boarding-house experience; none other need apply. 216 C st. nw. dc3-3t,em

WANTED—Office work of any kind; typewriting and mimeograph work done at lowest rates. Address INFELICE, this office. no19-4t

HELP WANTED—MALE AND FEMALE.

WANTED—For honest, willing workers send to Mrs. MOORE, 306 G st. nw. 1t

SITUATION WANTED—MALE.

WANTED—Positions for 5 men cooks, dishwashers, waiters, etc. BROOKE, 712 13th st. nw. 1t

WANTED—Intelligent man would like employment four hours a day; clerical or otherwise; remuneration not considered. Address L. M. J., this office. 1t

WANTED—Place as cook in cafe or restaurant. Address A. M. P., this office. 1t

WANTED—Man wants situation; watchman or anything; best refs. Address HONEST, this office. dc4-2t

WANTED—By young colored man with family, any kind of work; greatly in need of food, etc. Address B. M. X., this office. dc4-3t

WANTED—By a first-class baker; on pastry, fancy cakes and ice cream; high refs. given of leading hotels and caterers. Address Box No. 5, this office. dc3-5t-em

WANTED—Free! Free! Free! Mechanics of any kind furnished by us; also we have a few men suitable for driving a team or something similar; best of refs. furnished. WORKINGMEN'S LIBRARY AND BUREAU OF LABOR. Tel., 260. 600 13th st. nw. M. D. SHENK, clerk. tf

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

WANTED—Positions for white country girls; Southern trained cooks; ladies should call. BROOKE, 712 13th st. nw. 1t

WANTED—Positions for 4 experienced white waitresses, 3 chambermaids, and 2 nurses. BROOKE, 712 13th st. nw. 1t

WANTED—2 white women cooks for restaurant. BROOKE, 712 13th st. nw. 1t

WANTED—A place by a colored girl to do light housework. EDITH BUCKNER, 61 P st. ne. 1t

WANTED—Place as cook in private family. Address 408 O st. nw. dc5-2t

WANTED—Colored girl wants employment to do housework. 53 B st. sw. 1t

WANTED—Place to care for house for a private family. Address J. D. BRICE, cor. 30th and M sts. nw. 1t

WANTED—Place as laundress or cook; references furnished. No. 1634 Fla. ave. 1t

WANTED—By a first-class dressmaker, a few engagements by the day or week; references given. Address A. C. K., Postoffice, West Washington. 1t

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—Those having furniture needing reupholstering to call or drop postal; all work promptly executed. H. RIESEBERG, 920 22d st. 1t,em

WANTED—A W. F. & John Barnes lathe; also Md. hand bicycles; pneumatic tires. CROVES & WYMAN, 512 G st. nw. 1t-em

WANTED—A coffee mill at once. Address FUES & BRO., 98 Center Market. 1t

WANTED—Child about six months or one year old, to adopt; prefer boy. Address GOOD HOME, this office. 1t

WANTED—Lucy Williams, colored, who lived with Mrs. V. Baldwin Johnson, during last August and September, to call or send address. dc4-3t-em

WANTED—A shipper for ten or fifteen gallons of milk per day. Address MILK, this office. dc4-3t-em

WANTED—Life preservers, rubber sole, we put them on ladies and gents' shoes, at J. M. HALL'S, 1331 F st.; also rubber boots. dc3-3t

WANTED—100 pictures to enlarge; $5; portrait and frame, only $2.95. A. MILLER, 620 Va. ave. sw. dc3-3t

WANTED—Girls to be self-supporting; married ladies to lessen dressmaking bills by learning to cut by Merchant Tailor Square; particulars at school, 718 13th st. se14-tf

Wanted—Try Rubber Roof Paint.
WE STOP ALL LEAKS FREE
And charge only for painting; work guaranteed 1 yr. NAT. RUBBER ROOF PAINT CO., 1023 8th nw

LOST.

LOST—Yesterday, a package of papers addressed to self; finder will leave at address and get reward. A. L. PHILLIP, 1351 U st. nw. 1t,em

LOST—Diamond earring; set in Tiffany setting. Liberal reward if returned to PRUDENTIAL LIFE INSURANCE OFFICE, Times Building. dc5-3t-em

LOST—On Nov. 27, 1895, black and white male dog; with tail cut; answer to name of "Duke;" liberal reward given if returned to 209 8th st. se. 1t

LOST—Tuesday morning, black pocketbook containing $26 and change, and night key. Liberal reward if returned to A. SEABRIGHT'S Oyster House, 11th and M sts. ne. 1t

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE—Dining room and bakery; opposite two public buildings; cheapest rent in city. Address Box D. R., this office. dc5-1t-em

$90.00 cash, $200.00 on time, will buy furniture of 10-room house; rooms all rented. Address M 84, this office. 1t

FOR SALE—Dining and lunch room, on business thoroughfare; fixtures almost new; no reasonable offer refused. Address DINING, this office. dc3-3t

FOR SALE—Oyster house in ne., $50; chairs, tables, pictures and 12-ft. marble counter. Address SNAP, this office. dc3-3t

FOR RENT—Feed store, 236 7th st. se.; opposite Eastern Market; also groceries for sale and store for rent, next door. dc2-3t

MISCELLANEOUS.

COLUMBIA cable cars and herdics pass the door; 50 cents down; see personals. 1t

A HORSE, young and gentle, would put in charge of a responsible person, to be fed and cared for for his use. A. M. RICH, 226 ind. ave. dc5-2t

STANDARD DICTIONARY—Prices will be increased one-third January 1; buy at once; sold cash or installments, defines 301,865 words, while Webster's International only defines 125,000.—R. A. DINSMORE, 628 G nw. dc3-3t,em

CANCERS cured without the knife; ample references. Sanitarium, 1320 G st. nw. CHARLES ALLEN, M. D. no20-3mo

JUST RECEIVED—Fine lot young Cuban parrots, guaranteed to talk; also monkeys, canaries, mocking birds, gold fish, dogs, and fancy pigeons. SCHMID'S, 712 12th st. nw., branch 1221 Pa. ave. my10-tf

GUNS, Rifles, Revolvers, loading tools, hunters' outfits, watches, jewelry, guitars, violins, banjos, mandolins, at about one-half regular dealers' prices at PAWN SHOP, No. 1009 E st. nw. oc1-6mo

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

FOR SALE—Kimball organ; cheap for cash. 805 E st. se. dc5-1t-em

FOR SALE—$150; cash grocery; $10 a day. Address CAR, this office. dc5-3t

FOR SALE—Suitable for a nice Christmas present, an iron gray greyhound one year old. Address 1326 Riggs st. nw. 1t

FOR SALE—Bicycle—Singer, '93; good condition; $25. DORSEY, Postal Telgh. 1t-em

FOR SALE—High grade bicycle of '95 model; celebrated make; weighs 21 lbs. will sell for half; has been used only a month. Address WHEEL, this office. dc4-2t

FOR SALE—Best oyster stand and dairy; in northeast; good reason for selling; good location for any business. Address Box T. J., this office. dc4-3t

FOR SALE—Soldiers' additional script; size and quantity to suit. WILLIAMSON & SMITH, Lawyers, Warder Building. dc4-2t

FOR SALE—Pure, white Pekin ducks. Inquire T. J. STALEY, 615 F st. nw. dc3-3-em

FOR SALE—Grocery store on the cor. of Vermont ave. and V sts. nw.; will be sold cheap to buyer. dc3-5t-em

FOR SALE—Furniture of a house, full of roomers, cash only; central and first-class neighborhood. G. A. G., this office. dc3-3t

FOR SALE—The 14th Street Steam Laundry, 1817 14th st. nw. Inquire at Room 2, 1406 Pa. ave. nw. dc3-3t

FOR SALE—To whom it may concern: to be sold Saturday, Dec. 7, 1895, one Coupelette, to pay repairs and storage. GEO. H. SHANKS, 212 7th st. sw., at Ratcliff & Sutton's auction rooms, on Pa. ave. nw. dc3-4t

PIANOS AND ORGANS.

Organs from $24.50. Pianos from $175 up. Cash or easy monthly payments.

W. H. SHOEMAKER & SON, dc1-30t 422 Ninth street.

ORGANS. $25 UP.
$1 DOWN. $1 WEEK.
$1 down and $1 week for any organ in stock. Greatly reduced prices. Organs from $25 up. Best standard makes.
F. G. SMITH, 1225 Pa. ave. nw.

FOR SALE—A small steam launch; Herreshoff engine and boiler; can be seen at Ritter's boat house. oc8-tf-em

FOR SALE—Best make of incubators, brooders and fresh green bone; call and see the incubators in working order. Schmid's Bird and Pet Animal Stores, 712 12th st. nw. and 1221 Pa. ave. oc5-tf

WANTED—FLATS.

WANTED—A flat of 4 or 5 rooms; n. m. i.; nw. section; moderate rent. Address R., this office. dc4-2t

WANTED—A 5 or 6 room modern flat; convenient to 14th st. car line. Address MODERN FLAT, this office. no16-3t

WANTED—ROOMS.

WANTED—Two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping. BUECHLER, 3019 M st. nw. 1t

RAILROADS.

Pennsylvania RAILROAD.

STATION CORNER OF SIXTH AND B STREETS.

In Effect November 17, 1895.

10.30 A. M. PENNSYLVANIA LIMITED.—Pullman Sleeping, Dining, Smoking, and Observation Cars, Harrisburg to Chicago, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Cleveland, and Toledo. Buffet Parlor Car to Harrisburg.

10.30 A. M. FAST LINE.—Pullman Buffet Parlor Car, to Harrisburg. Parlor and Dining Cars, Harrisburg to Pittsburg.

3.40 P. M. CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS EXPRESS.—Pullman Buffet Parlor Car to Harrisburg. Sleeping and Dining Cars Harrisburg to St. Louis, Cincinnati, Louisville, and Chicago.

7.10 P. M. WESTERN EXPRESS.—Pullman Sleeping Car to Chicago, and Harrisburg to Cleveland. Dining Car to Chicago.

7.10 P. M. SOUTH-WESTERN EXPRESS.—Pullman Sleeping and Dining Cars to St. Louis, and Sleeping Car Harrisburg to Cincinnati.

10.40 P. M. PACIFIC EXPRESS.—Pullman Sleeping Car to Pittsburg.

7.50 A. M. for Kane, Canandaigua, Rochester, and Niagara Falls daily, except Sunday.

10.30 A. M. for Elmira and Renova, daily, except Sunday. For Williamsport daily, 3.40 p. m.

7.10 P. M. for Williamsport, Rochester, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls daily, except Saturday, with Sleeping Car Washington to Suspension Bridge, via Buffalo.

10.40 P. M. for Erie, Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls daily, Sleeping Car Washington to Elmira.

For Philadelphia, New York, and the East.

4.00 P. M. "CONGRESSIONAL LIMITED," daily, all Parlor Cars, with Dining Car from Baltimore. Regular at 7.05 (Dining Car), 7.20, 9.00, 10.00 (Dining Car), and 11.00 (Dining Car from Wilmington) a. m., 12.45, 3.15, 4.20, 6.40, 10.00, and 11.35 p. m. On Sunday, 7.05 (Dining Car), 7.20, 9.00, 11.00 (Dining Car from Wilmington) a. m., 12.15, 3.15, 4.20, 6.40, 10.00, and 11.35 p. m. For Philadelphia only, Fast Express 7.50 a. m. week-days. Express, 12.15 week-days, 2.01 and 5.40 p. m. daily. For Boston without change, 7.50 a. m. week-days, and 3.15 p. m. daily.

For Baltimore, 6.25, 7.05, 7.20, 7.50, 9.00, 10.00, 10.30, 11.00, and 11.50 a. m., 12.15, 12.45, 2.01, 3.15, 3.40 (4.00 Limited), 4.20, 4.36, 5.40, 6.05, 6.40, 7.10, 10.00, 10.40, 11.15, and 11.35 p. m. On Sunday, 7.05, 7.20, 9.00, 9.05, 10.30, 11.00 a. m., 12.15, 1.15, 2.01, 3.15, 3.40 (4.00 Limited), 4.20, 5.40, 6.05, 6.40, 7.10, 10.00, 10.40, and 11.35 p. m.

For Pope's Creek Line, 7.20 a. m. and 4.36 p. m. daily, except Sunday.

For Annapolis, 7.20, 9.00 a. m., 12.15 and 4.20 p. m. daily, except Sunday. Sundays, 9.00 a. m. and 4.20 p. m.

Atlantic Coast Line. Express for Richmond, Jacksonville, and Tampa, 4.30 a. m., 3.46 p. m. daily. Richmond and Atlanta, 9.40 p. m. daily. Richmond only, 10.57 a. m. week-days. Accommodation for Quantico, 7.45 a. m. daily, and 4.25 p. m. week-days.

For Alexandria, 4.30, 6.35, 7.45, 8.40, 9.45, 10.57, 11.50 a. m., 12.50, 1.40, 3.20, 4.25, 5.00, 5.37, 6.15, 8.02, 10.10, and 11.39 p. m. On Sunday at 4.30, 7.45, 9.45 a. m., 2.45, 6.15, 8.02, and 10.10 p. m.

Leave Alexandria for Washington, 6.05, 6.43, 7.05, 8.00, 9.10, 10.15, 10.28 a. m., 1.00, 2.15, 3.00, 3.23, 5.00, 5.30, 6.18, 7.00, 7.20, 9.10, 10.52 and 11.08 p. m. On Sunday at 6.43, 9.10, 10.28 a. m., 2.15, 5.30, 7.00, 7.20, 9.10, and 10.52 p. m.

Ticket offices, corner Fifteenth and G streets and at the station, Sixth and B streets, where orders can be left for the checking of baggage to destination from hotels and residences.

S. M. PREVOST, Gen. Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen. Passenger Agent.

PERSONAL.

FREE help of all kinds. 306 G st. nw. 1t

PERSONAL—Washington, D. C., Oct. 25, 1895. I have used Crump's Tonic for Indigestion and Constipation and have been greatly benefited. Within two months I gained over 25 pounds in flesh. MYRON M. PARKER.

NIGHT CLASSES in oil and water color painting. THE ART ROOMS, 1001 G st. nw. dc5-3t

50 CENTS down; new credit system; lace curtains, portieres, rugs, table linen, blankets, quilts, table and piano covers, china dinner and toilet sets, silver plated ware, banquet lamps, onyx tables, clocks, window shades, albums, etc. Send postal. We bring samples. NORTHEAST CREDIT HOUSE, 1210 H st. ne. Open till 9 p. m. Columbia cable cars and herdics pass the door. 1t

WANTED—Singers for amateur opera; good voices. Room 26, 934 F st. 1t

"SUNSHINE OF PARADISE ALLEY." 20c. WORCH'S, 924 7th st. nw. dc3-10t

A BETTER professional mendication we have concluded to sell overcoats and suits "splendid custom made ones," that are just worn a little, at hard times' prices. JUSTICE' OLD STAND, 619 D st. nw. dc3-7t

QUICK cure, either sex; any ailment, by the new electric treatment; relieves at once; consultation free. MEDICAL INSTITUTE, 937 F st. nw. dc3-14t

RUPTURE and kindred diseases cured at the National Hernial Institute; removed from 1421 G st. to 1415 F st.; consultation free. THOMAS ROBINSON, M. D., Operating Surgeon. dc3-7t

SQUARE piano, $150; $5 cash, $3 per month. HUGO WORCH, 924 7th st. dc3-1w

THE "3 DAYS" CURE—Dr. McKEEHAN, 716 12th st. nw.; 5 p. m. to 6 p. m. dec1-10t

"UNDER the Double Eagle," latest two-step; 50c. HUGO WORCH, 924 7th st. nw. no26-10t

PIANOS tuned by Wm. C. Frizzell at lowest rates. 623 6th st. sw. no26-7t,em

DR. TAYLOR, 906 F st. nw., makes full sets of teeth for $5; satisfaction guaranteed; teeth extracted without pain; gold filling, $1; amalgam, 50c. oc4-tf

LADIES needing confidential treatment. A safe and sure relief in all female trouble, constipation, irregularities, tumor, cancer, opium habit, fistula, etc. Separate rooms for patients before and during confinement, and find homes for infants if required. Strictly confidential. MRS. DR. RENNER, 16 Fourth st. ne., near E. Capitol st., Washington, D. C. je3-tf

PROFESSIONAL massage. Parties suffering with chronic rheumatism and nervous ailments speedily cured by Mme. Colford, 1210 F st. nw. Hours, 10 a. m. to 9 p. m.; Sundays, 2 to 6 p. m.

FIRST-CLASS mechanics can be secured at 600 13th st. nw. Paperhangers, painters, bridge and structural iron workers, carpenters, lathers, plasterers, and laboring men of any kind. WORKINGMEN'S LIBRARY AND BUREAU OF LABOR, 600 13th st. nw. Telephone, 260. M. D. SHENK, Clerk. no6-tf

J. T. WALKERSONS, 2041 0th st. nw., carpet lining, felts, fire brick and clay, asbestos, paints, brushes, lime, cement, two and three-ply roofing material. apr21-tf

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OF THE
Twenty-fourth Annual Sale,
By order of the
TAUNTON SILVER-PLATE CO.

Elegant Silver-plated Ware, great variety of styles; Rogers' Celebrated Cutlery of every description; French Mantel Clocks, Banquet Lamps, Bronzes, Opera Glasses and many useful articles suitable for presents,

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Those intending to purchase should call early, while the stock is large to select from. Ladies are particularly invited, and chairs will be provided for their comfort. Out-of-town purchasers can have their goods packed free of charge. Every article strictly guaranteed as represented or money refunded.

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AND FOLLOWING DAYS.

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UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SALE OF A LARGE STOCK OF DRY GOODS, UNDERWEAR, &C., AT NO. 1502 SEVENTH STREET NORTHWEST.

By virtue of two writs of fieri facias, issued by Lewis L. O'Neal, justice of the peace, and to me directed, I will sell at public sale for cash, at No. 1502 Seventh street northwest, on Tuesday, the 10th day of December, A. D., 1895, at 11 o'clock a. m., the large stock of dry-goods, underwear, &c., seized and levied upon as the property of Sol Peyser, and sold to satisfy executions Nos. 18225 to 18234, inclusive, in favor of Isaac Garner, Natalie Peyser, Chas. Friedlander, Ray Dux, Emanuel Dux and Adolph Fiabel.

ALBERT WILSON, U. S. Marshal, D. C.
DUNCANSON BROS., Auctioneers.

A Decree of Silence.

(By Mr. M. L. Payne.)

When Allen Davis married Luella Clark persons who were not consulted in the matter—as very few were—wondered what he saw in that girl to fall in love with; not her beauty, certainly, since she had none; nor her intellectual graces, which were few and far between; nor her amiable character, for she had a sharp tongue, and they left the matter as one beyond their comprehension. But if any of them had asked Allan himself he could not have told them. It was enough for him that love goes where it is sent, and that he did love Luella with his whole true heart, no one knew better than he.

So they were married, and I wish I could add the dear old story book formula, "lived happy forever after," but as this is a true story and not a romance it must follow out the beaten track of real life, even to the bitter end.

Allan knew when he married his wife that she had a complaining tongue. He had heard her talk to her old father, and not even his great love for her could make her stinging words, spoken without any apology of passion, seem other than discourteous and unfilial. And when the meek old man bent his head to the word that was more cruel than a blow he—Allan—blamed him for submitting so tamely to a woman's invective, promising to himself a different state of affairs when he should have the right to object.

For a brief time Allan was as happy as any of us are permitted to be in this transitory life, and Luella, pleased with her new estate, and her handsome, loyal husband, was like a creature of different nature, and the old father, having passed peacefully away, left an interim of suspended hostility, in which Allan established a kingdom of happiness, which he imagined to be on a firm foundation. He was never more mistaken.

For the ruler of this kingdom was the queen of discontent. Allan had never been nagged, but Luella was perpetually nagging. Having found the vulnerable point in his armor of peace, she thrust the javelins of anger in, with the slightest pretext, and smiled to see him wince. It gave evidence of her power. The old father had escaped; but her husband was hers, he must stay and hear.

I know this is not a pleasant story, and readers need go no further unless they are interested in a curious psychological fact. I myself am a believer in heredity. I am sure that somewhere in the past this woman had an ancestor with a sharp tongue, which she had never tried to bridle. If there is sympathy for the man who inherits a consuming thirst for drink, why not for the woman who has had bequeathed to her a bad temper, which she took with her hair and eyes?

Luella had everything to make her happy, from the standpoint of any reasonable being, but she never ceased complaining, and at last the good nature and fortitude of her husband deserted him, and he turned, not as the worm turns, but rather like a raging lion, and Luella held her peace in sheer astonishment.

"I wish you were dumb," he said, in a voice of concentrated wrath and scorn. "I wish I might never hear the sound of your voice again."

Like all evenly balanced natures, when he overstepped boundaries, he went too far; but there was this in extenuation, his words came from the lips and not from the heart, they sounded far worse than they intentioned, and they recoiled on himself, even before he had seized his hat to leave the house. He turned to see their effect on Luella, and found, to his horror, that she had fainted.

Then he called himself a brute, sent for friends and a doctor, and hung over his wife, prostrate with grief and remorse, until she opened her eyes and recognized him.

He begged her forgiveness, but to all his entreaties she only shook her head feebly, until at last, when he pleaded for one word, she made a motion which indicated a wish to write, and, with a horrible fear taking possession of him, he gave her paper and pencil, and this is what she wrote:

"You have your wish. You will never hear my voice again. I am stricken dumb."

It was noised about the community, and people talked—old, people especially—of what they called "a visitation of God."

The doctors had another name for it. They called it acute paralysis, and said it was reflex and would pass off presently, but they were wrong in their prognostications. Luella went about her work again, the light household duties which devolved upon her, but no word came from her mute lips. Allan, who was beside himself with grief and disappointment, urged her to learn the labial language, indeed, offered to forego speech for her sake and learn the lessons of silence with her, but she would not listen to the suggestion. And then began the martyrdom of Allan Davis.

Luella could hear perfectly, so that her husband and friends were not constrained in their speech, but any word she had to say, any message or answer in their conversation coming from her, must be written. She was always provided with the means of communication, and writing tablets of the daintiest sort were scattered around the house like some new bric-a-brac of speech.

The devotion of Allan Davis to his afflicted wife was something marvelous. He never wearied of love-like attentions, and he never demanded the slightest recognition of them. He spent every hour of his existence not employed in his business in devising pleasures for Luella, and on those unfortunate days when a dumb devil of ill nature asserted itself he met her mute reproaches with a self-abasement that was neither manly nor servile, but Christ-like. His bonny brown locks turned gray, his laughing, boyish face took on the shadows of early age, but his spirit remained serene and patient, and the love he held in his heart for this woman grew brighter and more fervent toward the end. And the end came before the fire of youth had quite turned to ashes—the end for Allan Davis.

It was a simple case of influenza at first, with no suggestions of danger, until one day the doctor looked grave, and he called the wife aside to say to her: "Your husband will die!"

He watched her sharply, but no quiver of an eyelid told him what he wanted to know. She wrote a question on her tablet:

"How soon?"

"At any time—tonight, perhaps," answered the doctor, and again he watched her narrowly. Did he surprise a flash of joy in her cold eyes, a strange tense drawing of the lines around her severe mouth? It might have been his imagination, but at any rate he was glad for Allan Davis.

The end came at night, when Luella watched with her husband alone. He had been sleeping and dreamed something that awakened him with a wild start, and made all things look unreal—all except his wife, who bent over him with a new solicitude in her face. He saw it, and was grateful.

"I am going to leave you, dear," he said in the slow, precise tones of those who are nearly done with human speech, "will you not let me take with me as my last glad heritage a word of forgiveness for the great wrong I did?"

Luella looked at him and an unmistakable gleam of triumph shone in her eyes and expressed itself in her movements as she seized her tablet, and wrote something upon it in plain, distinct letters. Allan saw the look and the hope that had sustained him so many years seemed now about to be realized, and he lifted his head eagerly to read for the last time that beloved handwriting.

But God, more merciful than his creature, had anointed his eyes with a film, and with the written words he so longed to see held before him by an unfaltering hand, he loosed his hold on earthly love and hate, and despoiled the last sting of a terrible revenge.

For this was what Luella had written for her dying husband to read:

"Since you are about to die I will tell you that I have never for one moment been incapable of speech. I assumed a misfortune to punish you as you deserved. I have succeeded."—Detroit Free Press.

LIVED ON SNAKE STEW.

New York Man in the Woods Experiences Fearful Things.
New York Press.

Binghamton, Nov. 30.—Henry Boyd, a New Yorker, who recently went into the woods by order of his physician, has returned to that city improved in health, but with his faith in woodland cooking destroyed. Boyd engaged the services of a half-breed Indian trapper named Starlight, whom he found near Hancock, and the two men entered the Pennsylvania woods at the State line, just above this city.

After a two-days' tramp they established their camp in the heart of a forest. Boyd would shoulder his gun and start off in search of game, leaving his companion to prepare the meal. Partridges and other game were plenty, but after the first day's sojourn the trapper prepared a highly-flavored and palatable dish, which he termed "katouchie." It consisted of fish and other things, with a savory mixture of herbs. All inquiries as to its composition were met with the explanation, "Oh, it's just katouchie."

One day Boyd wandered a short distance from the camp and sat down on a pile of leaves beneath a large tree to have a smoke. He dozed off and was suddenly brought to an unpleasant realization of his position by a sharp whirring sound. With horror, he observed not five feet from his face the ugly waving head of an angry rattler ready to strike. A move would but hasten the fatal blow; to remain was sure death.

Dazed by his predicament, Boyd did not notice the black glistening folds of another reptile on a limb directly over the rattler. It was a black snake, the rattler's deadly enemy. As the brown head raised itself to strike, a swift black streak shot through the air, and the black snake's folds were coiled about the neck of its poisonous antagonist. Then the sinuous bodies twisted and writhed, while the limb to which the black snake clung bent and cracked beneath the weight of the combatants.

At last the struggles of the rattler grew less and less. It was evident it was losing its wind, and as the coils of its body relaxed, the grip on his throat tightened until it hung straight down like a piece of rope. Then the black snake making sure his enemy was dead, dropped to the ground and glided away, leaving the rattler in the road.

Boyd carefully examined the remains to assure himself that life was gone, and, procuring a stick, proceeded to carry the reptile to camp for the purpose of preserving the skin. As he drew near the camp fire a bright smile overspread Starlight's face. Seizing a knife he removed the skin and began to cut up the body into lengths of two inches.

"What are you going to do?" asked Boyd.

"Katouchie," was the laconic response; and the awful truth dawned on the huntsman that this was the principal ingredient of the delectable dish he had been enjoying every day for two weeks. Even now, in New York, the spectre of that ingredient rises before him to spoil his appetite.

WRATH IN A PULPIT.

Minister Almost Anathematizes Boston and Makes Reference to Sodom.
New York Press.

Boston, Nov. 30.—The Rev. Dr. I. J. Lansing, the clergyman who made himself notorious not many months ago by calling President Cleveland "a drunkard," has again made somewhat of a stir. Dr. Lansing is "down" on the subway, that great ditch which mars the appearance of the retail business district of Boston, and last Sunday he so far lost his head that he used in his pulpit language which has caused no little comment since.

When the doctor arrived at the Park Street Church on Sunday morning, prepared to measure out good advice to his flock, he found to his dismay that only one entrance to the temple was accessible.

In their irrevent haste to forward the work on the great excavation the laborers had delved the subway itself up to the very doors of the church. An accident occurred just before the time to commence the service which came near stopping the meeting, if not destroying the edifice itself.

An uncovered water main burst. The water shot out with great force, breaking the window of Dr. Lansing's study, and in just about one second the room was transformed into what was little better than a mudhole. The stream carried with it dirt and stones, scattering them all over the apartment, together with the broken glass. Before the water could be shut off the church was flooded. Dr. Lansing's desk and everything on it was covered with mud and the elegant upholstered furniture forty feet from the broken main was practically ruined.

The subway hole filled with water, and as it surged and washed about the foundations of the church laid bare by the excavation, it was feared that the steeple, which is directly over this section, would fall, because of the weakening of the underpinning.

The distracted pastor and his nervous church assistants had about decided to dismiss the congregation, when it was found that the water had been shut off. The service was held, and then it was that Dr. Lansing got square with the subway. He said it was an outrage to have such work going on at the "portals of the house of God on His holy day," and he called the subway "an infernal hole in more senses than one." He said that when he complained about the noise to one of the laborers that worthy had replied that "the boss" had ordered it.

"Who is the boss?" cried Dr. Lansing, fiercely.

"It is the devil," came his response, after waiting for a few moments to make the situation dramatic.

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