BLAND TO AMEND HIS BILL.

To Permit Certificates to Use Discretion in Issuing Certificates in Excess of Coinage.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Mr. Bland announced in the house today that he will move an amendment of the seigniorage bill, providing that silver certificates shall be issued only as fast as silver dollars are coined and giving the secretary of the treasury discretion to issue certificates in advance of the coinage. In the first section of the Bland bill it is made mandatory on the secretary to issue silver certificates in an amount equal to the seigniorage of the silver bullion purchased under the Sherman act. Mr. Bland's proposed amendment to this feature of the bill will read as follows:

The secretary of the treasury may, in his discretion, if the needs of the treasury demand it, issue silver certificates in excess of such coinage.

MAY BROOKYN COMMITS SUICIDE.

Leading Lady of the Palmer Company Ends Life With Carbolic Acid.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—May Brooklyn, the leading lady of the Palmer company, now playing at the Baldwin theater here, committed suicide early this evening with carbolic acid. The news did not reach the theater until 7 o'clock, when Louie Eustis, her understudy, was put on to take her place as Mrs. Pulse in "Alabama." The other members of the company were kept in ignorance until after the play was over. The only reason for the act given by her friends is bad success some ago the manager of some theater in New York, who was a great friend of hers, committed suicide and since then she had often discussed her destruction. She had even talked of it here when depressed. Professionally she met great success here, as all the critics predicted her would.

TO PROMOTE MANUAL TRAINING.

By Associated Press.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 18.—One of the results of the international congress on education in Chicago last July is the organization of the Manual Training teachers' association of America to secure cooperation in the study and experiment for the development of manual training, and promote the professional interests of its members.

At a meeting in the class room of teachers the plan and scope of the association was considered and the committee on constitution was appointed. The constitution was adopted. The officers of the association are George E. Hilliar, Springfield, Mass., president; Georges S. Wright, Toledo, vice president; George Bubbins, Pittsfield, Ky., secretary and treasurer.

[illegible] these gentlemen constitute the executive committee, which is now [illegible] arrangements for its annual meeting.

[illegible] IT, BUT IT W[illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Harris.

Hackensack, N. J., Feb. 18.—A New York newspaper contained a long story today, said to have come from Hoboken, Bergen county, setting forth that Miss Bernard Greene, of Jersey City, a fresh farm girl, [illegible] had been housed out of a [illegible] Day and Miss Fiske, [illegible] Lindsay, brother and [illegible] married with Miss [illegible] the summer. A World reporter [illegible] this afternoon to find Miss [illegible] on her farm near Jackson [illegible] Mr. H. B. South of Park Ridge, who was dragged into the story, denied that he gave any information [illegible] says he does not know Miss Greene [illegible] Rev. Henry Little, [illegible] Zion church at Saddle River, [illegible] each person ever attended [illegible] and he does not know any [illegible] the name of Greene.

BADLY HURT.

The Sheriff of Madison County Felled by Four Dynamite Men Escape.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 18.—A hard fall delivery, in which a sheriff was nearly killed, occurred tonight at London, Madison county, twenty-five miles west of this city. While a bonanza, the sheriff, unlocked the door of the jail to bring supper for the prisoners, four masked men kicked one of them aside, leaping over the head with a piece of the door falling due to the blow. He held on to his revolver, however, and as the prisoners took turns at beating and kicking him to the floor and used quite he was on number. They taking he were they on locked in cell doors and escaped. All the fugitives are armed and desperadoes. One is Jim Mills, a horse thief of the worst character, and another Charles Fowler, 20 years old, short and heavy set. Sheriff Chenoweth is in a very serious condition, having been horribly beaten up.

HURRIED HIM TO HIS GRAVE.

Pain, Hallucination Sudden Death and Quick Burial Sensation.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 18.—Sheriff Drexel is investigating the circumstances connected with the sudden death and apparently hurried burial of Heinrich Jurgen Christian Hohlbaum, a German sailor who arrived in Omaha Wednesday, February 7. The following day he was taken sick and was removed to St. Joseph's hospital. It was found that the man had been for a [illegible] suffering from frontal fever, and after [illegible] of four days the man died. Hohlbaum was buried at Laurel Hill last Tuesday. Letters and papers found among the man's effects [illegible] he was possessed of a valuable estate [illegible] near Dannebrog-on-the-Danube [illegible] sailor by occupation [illegible] several years in the [illegible] marine service and [illegible] rank of capitain. On [illegible] Quarles about one year [illegible] Chicago last summer. [illegible] connected [illegible] the death of the [illegible] as are [illegible] speedily.

[illegible] WIVES.

Henry [illegible] Comes to Grief at Fort Wayne, Ind.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Feb. 18.—Henry [illegible] and Henry Koplin, a Russian, [illegible] in the county jail here on a charge of vagrancy. A few days ago a woman with two children, claiming to be his wife, visited him, and he refused to recognize her and even assaulted her. He was taken before Justice Atkinson today on a charge of assault preferred by his alleged wife. During the hearing of the evidence it was developed that the man was a bigamist.

Ida Harris, a pretty young lady, who has not reached her 16th birthday, swore that she had married Copeland in Detroit a few months ago, after only a three days' acquaintance. She lived with her mother in Detroit, and Copeland, representing himself as a single man, ingratiated himself into the confidence of mother and daughter and finally married the latter. A few weeks later he deserted the young bride and came to this city, where another wife and two children were living. He was arrested and sent to jail for vagrancy.

Miss Harris followed the man here and has been working out as a domestic. Today she swore a complaint against him and told her story. Copeland was sent to jail for 23 days on the charge of bigamy. The prosecutor is preparing an affidavit to have him arrested for bigamy. It is said that he has another wife and children in Russia.

A STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

By Associated Press.

Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 18.—This afternoon Oliver Hodgerswell, a young lawyer, was killed and two others slightly injured by the breaking of the wire cable which propelled a street car. The cable snapped and struck the car with such force as to partly demolish it and leave it suspended in the air 200 feet above the river. Eight persons were in the car. All escaped without serious injury except Hodgerswell, who fell down by ropes into a boat in the river.

HE THAWED DYNAMITE.

By Associated Press.

Olathe, Kas., Feb. 18.—Jacob Smith, wanting a stick from some dynamite, placed a stick of dynamite in the cookstove oven to thaw out today. It thawed and exploded, blowing the stove to atoms, wrecking the house and fatally injuring Mrs. Smith and daughter.

BOUND TO HONOR THE TAX.

Citizens of West Hammond Remonstrate the Action of the Town Board.

Hammond, Ind., Feb. 18.—Citizens of West Hammond, Ill., refuse to honor a special tax levied by the village board to pay for a system of water pipes, which had been laid and connected with the Hammond system. The citizens will not refuse to take the water when turned on. After trying in vain to draw bonds to pay for a system of waterworks the commissioners of East Chicago, on the city to the north of them, [illegible] They ask to tap mains and pay for their own service of meters. This an arrangement will probably be made.

SAINTY HURRY.

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 18.—The [illegible] president of the Royal [illegible] Sir Henry was [illegible] who helped to [illegible] Kruger's attitude was characterized as [illegible] Chamberlain in the West [illegible] Transvaal and that when [illegible] Pretoria the Queen [illegible] "Good boy, Harry." [illegible] M. Cecil, showing the wire [illegible] pleased to be [illegible] "Had Harry [illegible] I should have [illegible] expect a letter so dry cheer."

Harry, interrupting: [illegible] harm would have [illegible] M. Etienne [illegible] you would be [illegible]

Harry: [illegible] Sir Henry [illegible] Sunday [illegible] Sir Henry [illegible] Sunday [illegible] the number was [illegible] I should have [illegible] satisfaction in being [illegible] the message, I rather [illegible] for a course."

TRAIN ROBBER CAPTURED.

By Associated Press.

Denver, Col., Feb. 18.—F. H. Jones' detective agency and Deputy Sheriff Tonk of Texarkana, arrested a man resembling the name of James Hoffbold as the arrest of the Santa Fe train robber. It is the opinion of a number of Pinkertons who have seen Detective Jones' man.

Hoffbold is suspected of being one of the band who robbed the Santa Fe train near Chillicothe, Oct. 9, and it is said he resembles the man who shot and killed Conductor McNerney. The officers who arrested were suspicious of Hoffbold because he had a large amount of money. Detective Jones expects to arrive in Denver tomorrow and are afraid if wounded if Hoffbold's arrest they will escape.

EARLY ASTONISHES HIS DOCTOR

By Associated Press.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 18.—[illegible] surgeon of the physicians and [illegible] Gen. Early, he today left [illegible] and made the circuit of the street car line. Despite the [illegible] accident of Tuesday and [illegible] ago, the old gentleman [illegible] quite good for several years.

[illegible] BROTHER.

By [illegible]

[illegible] Feb. 18.—Cashier [illegible] killed his brother James [illegible] O. T., yesterday during a [illegible] over the ownership of a horse. The murderer was cold blooded in the extreme. Reed is in jail.

A DIRECTORY OF ANARCHISTS.

By Associated Press.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 18.—Chief of Police Dodge of this city, who visited the street of Anarchist Lemmer last night, has in his office a complete directory, giving the name, occupation, residence and personal history of every anarchist or person of anarchistic tendencies in the city. The directory also classifies the anarchists as extreme, moderate and conservatives. There are, all told, 120 in the city, and all their movements are watched. They have no separate organization.

REYNOLDS GOING TO CHICAGO.

By Associated Press.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 18.—A special from Lansing says Grand Commander D. G. Reynolds of the Ancient Order of Loyal Amorphans will go to Chicago the first of the week, where he expects to organize seventy-seven recruits of the order. He also expects to do considerable in that line in Kansas and other western states.

SUES HIM FOR SLANDER.

Elmira, Feb. 18.—Emeline, the divorced wife of Alexander Dawson, aged 19, one of Elmira's oldest residents, a real estate dealer and having extensive oil interests in Pennsylvania, has begun suit against him for $10,000 damages for slander. The couple were married a few months ago, but there is a great disparity in their ages and domestic affairs did not go smoothly.

HERR DUDDENT.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Feb. 18.—The terrible Beuthenburg, which was [illegible] school by the explosion of the [illegible] while on the trial trip [illegible] day, an accident which resulted in the death of over forty men, has been found this morning and this morning the chief engineer, who has been missing since the explosion, was found dead and three more sailors have succumbed to their injuries, bringing the total dead up to forty-four. Of the wounded, one more is severely injured and the others are [illegible]

The Reichstagsrat publishes the official account of the explosion on board the cruiser Baden-Wurtemberg. The account says the wounds were outside the harbor and that all her engine hatches were being used. The engine's indication was that about 1000 horse power was being used. It is therefore claimed there was no forced draught, as under forced draughts over 10000 horse power would have been developed.

Continuing, the paper says, "The accident happened through the breaking away of the forward apparatus for raising all the stores of the starboard engine, and all the stores from the lockers then found free access into the engine room, which was filled with people.

"The steam spread instantaneously through the room, scalding every soul present and penetrating the south door leading to the port engine room and thence through the stokeways into the upper rooms, where the electrical machinery, distilling apparatus and stores were situated, continuing the work of destruction. Almost every person, busily at work in these rooms, met with instant death, as the steam was pouring from the boilers at a pressure of 150 pounds, and it is not likely that it had much heat in passing.

"Nothing is yet known of the cause of the breaking of the apparatus for the raising off of steam in the starboard engines, and to thoroughly investigate the matter the admiralty department has dispatched its chief constructor, Kirt, with instructions to investigate the cause of the disaster.

Attaching [illegible] that such [illegible] carry, and [illegible] guard against them. [illegible] It is [illegible] to learn [illegible] of the probable of the [illegible] of the commandant of the [illegible] to report that the [illegible] engine room staff, the [illegible] disaster may be developed [illegible]

The coroner, accordingly [illegible] opportunity to [illegible] Cecil Rhodes [illegible] in God, we must [illegible] working of the inscrutable [illegible] to the future to comfort [illegible] and comforted. I will cause a [illegible] to be placed in the parish church at Kiel in memory of the killed."

[illegible] Kiel to night [illegible]

"The Hessenburg was brought from Port Arthur Monday in order to be [illegible] for a series of trials. On Tuesday, of the current week she was accordingly ordered on Wednesday and made a successful trial trip."

On Thursday afternoon, an engineer who was on board states positively contrary to the Reichsanzeiger's official account that at the moment of the explosion 2300 horse power was indicated. The engineer, moreover, states in previous trips to which is 10,000 horse power has been developed.

It is reported that a new copper tube was pierced before the disastrous trip by Hin Valcan company, builders of the vessel, who had the greatest interest in showing the security of the engines at their best, because the vessel had not yet been given to the government.

The report of the explosion was so high that it was at first thought that such an enormous quantity had burst. The cylinder in the engine room after the disaster was horrifying. The dead were heaped one upon another, dressed in clothing, their partly flesh hanging in rags, while a thick fume was to seen at the mouth. Surgical assistance was quickly summoned from Kiel.

At the Berliner theater yesterday, Herr Barnay produced a free version of Shakespeare's "Timon of Athens," by Professor Bulthaupt of Bremen, who has completely yielded the scenes and characters. The magnificent acting of Herr Barnay as "Alcibiades," the eloquent support of Herr Kramenschi in "Timon," and Fraulein Beyers's "Kyria," received tremendous applause from the audience, which crowded the theater.

LITTLE ITEMS.

Genuine Osage McAlester coal at Fort Worth coal company.

Phone 184-[illegible]-205 for all coals and prices. Fort Worth coal company.

Dr. M. M. Barnes has resumed dental practice in the Hendricks building.

For grates try the Victor lump or Nigger Head. Fort Worth Coal company.

Thomas L. Gaines, funeral director and embalmer. Full assortment of undertakers goods on hand. Takes full charge of funerals and furnishes all necessary requirements. No. 314 West Weatherford street, Fort Worth, Texas. Telephone No. 157.

Mrs. Clara Hoffman delivered an excellent lecture at city hall last Thursday evening to an appreciative, though not large audience. She will be in the city again next Tuesday and by request will speak at the Christian church Tuesday night. Everyone should hear this sweet-tongued woman. No admission fee.

SAYS HE WAS DAMAGED.

Replies to the Tabor Company Suit by Presenting His Own Claims.

Denver, Col., Feb. 18.—David Henderson of the Chicago opera house, has filed an answer in the suit brought against him by the Tabor Amusement company. He states that there is no Austrian Extravaganza company, as alleged in the complaint, the name simply being assumed by him. He denies that his absence upset Beatrice ever told him the Tabor orchestra was incompetent. He denies that he had any previous knowledge of the trouble between the Tabor company and the union musicians, and allows the amount of his damages because of the removal of his stage effects from the Tabor to the Broadway was $2500, and for this and other losses he asks for $5000.

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WHENEVER I see Hood's Sarsaparilla now I want to bow and say

'Thank You'

I was badly affected with **Eczema** and **Scrofula Sores**, covering almost the whole of one side of my face, nearly in the top of my head. Running sores discharged from both ears. My eyes were very bad, the **eyelids so sore** it was painful opening or closing them. For nearly a year I was deaf. I went to the hospital and had an operation performed for the removal of a cataract from my eye. One day my sister brought me

Hood's Sarsaparilla

which I took, and gradually began to feel better and stronger, and slowly the sores on my eyes and in my ears healed. I can now hear and see as well as ever." MRS. ADAMS FALSEY, 176 Lander Street, Newburgh, N. Y.

Mrs. Falsey.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills, jaundice, sick headache, biliousness, sour stomach, nausea.

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THE LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTMENT OF

Heavy and Light Spring Wagons, Floats, Carts,

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EVER BROUGHT TO THIS CITY, NOW ARRIVIN[illegible]

Fort Worth, Tex. - - E. H. Kelle[illegible]

208, 210, 212, 214, THROCKMORTON STREET.

AERONAUTIC SPIDERS.

They Can Build Balloons and Make Journeys in the Air.

There is a certain species of spider which is moved by instinct at certain seasons of the year to travel, and to travel distances that no one would suspect him desirous of covering. What, then, is his method? The spider selects the right kind of a day, one on which there is almost a calm in the air, or rather one when there is just the slightest breeze.

He crawls up a tree, or a flagstaff, or a bulrush, or anything that will give him a free position. He then begins to emit the free end of a web from his filament bag, and this is so light and fresh that it floats away in the air and is carried along by the light breeze.

He may emit 100 or 200 yards, and every now and then he tries whether there is enough out and floating to buoy him if he lets go his grip on the tree or other elevation. By a nice system of calculation he ascertains just what will buoy him, and then, letting go his hold, the filament is borne off by the wind, and he himself at the end of it, and in this way he can travel miles and miles.

If he finds himself running near the water, he pays out more of his cable, and in that way he obtains more floating filament to bear him up. If, on the contrary, he finds himself going too high he draws in his cable and descends by lessening the amount of floating filament.

If you anchor a pole in a body of water, leaving the pole above the surface, and put a spider upon it, he will exhibit marvelous intelligence in his plans to escape. At first he will spin a web and hang to one end while he allows the other to float off in the wind, in the hope that it will strike some object.

Of course this plan proves a failure, but the spider is not discouraged. He waits until the wind changes and then sends another silken strand floating off in another direction. Another failure is followed by several other similar attempts, until all the points of the compass have been tried.

But neither the resources nor reasoning power of the spider have been tried. He climbs to the top of the pole and energetically goes to work to construct a silken balloon. He has not but air with which to inflate it, but he has the power of making it buoyant.

When he gets his balloon finished, he does not go off on the mere supposition that it will carry him, as men often do, but he fastens it to a guy rope, the other end of which he attaches to the island pole upon which he is a prisoner. He then gets into his aerial vehicle while it is inside fast and tests it to see whether it is capable of bearing him away.

He often finds that he has made it too small, in which case he hauls it down, takes it all apart and constructs it on a larger and better plan. A spider has been seen to make three different balloons before he became satisfied with his experiments.

Then he will snap the guy rope, and suspended from a filament will sail away to land as generally and as supremely independent of his surroundings as could be imagined.—Toronto World.

A Headache Cure.

A heavy dull headache situated over the brow and accompanied by languor, sickliness and a feeling of general discomfort, with distaste for food, which sometimes approaches to nausea, can generally be completely removed by a two grain dose of potassic salt dissolved in half a wineglassful of water, and quickly sipped, the whole quantity being taken in about 10 minutes. In many cases the effect of these small doses has been simply wonderful. A person who a quarter of an hour before was feeling mad sick and refused all food, wishing for quietness, would now take a good meal and resume his wonted cheerfulness. The rapidity with which the bottle acts in these cases constitutes its great advantage.—Alienist and Neurologist.

A Business Proposition.

Colonel Longhorn—How much do you charge to take me through Central park?

Cabby—One dollar and a half for the first hour and $1 an hour for the rest of the time.

Colonel Longhorn—I tell you what, it will take me about an hour to get through dinner. Come around at the beginning of the second hour.—Texas Siftings.

Insurance Against Blindness.

Insurance against blindness is, in England, at least, an actual fact. A company there will insure persons between the ages of 16 and 45 at a rate of 3 shillings a year. In the event of losing their sight this sum entitles them to a sum of $250 a year, payable in quarterly installments, for so long a period as the blindness continues.—New York Times.

A Disgusted Quail.

"Talk about your expressions on the faces of animals," said the sportsman, reaching for the tobacco jar, "I saw a quail once that exhibited disgust on its countenance as unmistakably as a man could. I was out in the woods sketching, when I heard a quail give its whistle of challenge. I returned the note and soon got an answer. Then I gave the bird's flocking signal. I kept up my whistling, giving first one signal and then the other and getting replies every now and then which came nearer and nearer.

"I kept on with my sketching, and in fact didn't pay much attention to the bird. I was sitting against a rail fence. Suddenly the quail, which had been following up my signals, flew on the fence just a little way from me. I looked at it, and the expression of its face was too funny for anything. It had been expecting a good, rattling fight, and instead of finding an enemy had come upon me. I was certain from its look of disgust that it uttered mentally a string of quail profanity. If it met another quail within an hour, I miss my guess if there wasn't a fierce battle."—New York Tribune.

The Wine Fly.

It may be the "invisible spirit of wine," which Shakespeare speaks of, that materializes in the worm and subsequent fly called the bibio, or wine fly. These worms are born in the sediment of wine, in empty casks and in droppings from wine vessels and presses. They grow for about seven weeks and then enter into the nymph state. After about 10 days their shell breaks, and the fly comes out. The insect is extremely small; when its wings are not extended not exceeding the size of a pin's head. The breast and body are yellow, the reticulated eyes are red, and the wings possess all the colors of the rainbow. They prove very interesting to microscopists and are found to have all the regular parts of common flies. Their antennæ are oval and flat, and their legs and every other part are perfectly formed.—Detroit Free Press.

The Wonderful Grass Eating Turtle.

Paradoxical as it may seem, the only known species of grass eating turtle in the world (Xerobates agassizii) lives and thrives on that all but barren waste the Mojave desert, in San Bernardino county, Cal. This queer creature grazes after the fashion of an ox or a horse, and notwithstanding the natural scarcity of grass seems to keep moderately fat and happy. He is about 10 inches in length when full grown and is sold at $5 by west coast curiosity dealers.—St. Louis Republic.

Willing to Kick.

The major was telling how he had won battles which others had claimed the glory of when suddenly one of his nurses said, "I saw a man yesterday who would give the world to kick you."

"Kick me?" shouted the major. "I demand his name, sir!"

"Well, if you insist on knowing—but, mark you, major, it may go no further—the man was old Sergeant Billy Waters of the First artillery, who lost both his legs by the explosion of a shell. Faith, he'd give all he has or hopes to have to be able to kick anybody."—London Tit-Bits.

The Oldest Lunatic.

As a general thing lunatics do not live very long. There is, however, one notable exception. The oldest lunatic on record is Time out of mind.—Texas Siftings.

SOMETHING THAT GROWLED.

A Story Showing Just What Should Be Done With an Escaped Lion.

A circus train had been smashed up at the junction, many of the cages had been broken, and their occupants had had a chance to escape to the woods and fields. While we were waiting for the wrecking crew to clear the debris away, an old darky with a business look about him approached the circus manager and asked:

"Boss, do I git anythin if I catch de giraffee what got away last night?"

"No giraffe got away," was the reply.

"Wasl, I cotched sumthin o'er on my place dat must have got away from somebody. My ole woman dun says it's a giraffee, but mebbe it's a elefant."

"Our elephants are all here, but one of the camels is gone."

"Mebbe it's a camel. I neblier seed no camel. He ain't got no wings nor nuffin."

"Does it look like a horse or a cow?"

"No, sah. My boy Huey say it's a moseeros, but I'zu a leetle suspishus dat it hain't."

"We have no rhinoceros, but it may be our escaped bull from Dallas."

"Does yo'e'scaped bull growl like a dawg an show his teef?"

"No."

"Does he walk around a nigger's cabin an take a dog by the neck an snake de life outer him an roar an roar?"

"No. It must be one of our lions! You don't mean to say you have captured a lion?"

"Can't say, boss. It's sumthin dat growls an roars an switches his tail. Him didn't wanter cum along, but I jest tied a rope around his neck an made him. He's tied up to dat tree ober dar, an I reckon yo' orter gimme 'bout two bits fur my trubble."

About 50 of us went up the road with the old man, and a quarter of a mile away, tied to a persimmon tree and looking mightily disgusted, was the biggest lion of the menagerie.

"Dunno if it's an elefant, or a moseeros, or a giraffee," said the old darkey as he went up and began loosening the rope, "but yere he am, an bein as he killed roy dawg, an bein as I had to drag him all de way ober, mebbe yo' will make it fo' bits."

"Great Scott, man!" gasped the manager as he gave the darky a silver dollar, "didn't you know this was a lion and the fiercest one of the whole lot?"

"No. Nebber dun knowed what he was. Jest got a rope an made him cum along, an when he growled an roared I hammered him wid dis stick. Much obleeged, sah. I will now go out an see if I can't dun catch sumthin wid wings on it!"—New York Sun.

The Colon and Its Uses.

A son of Horace Mann, who lives in Washington, has an unusual fashion of signing all documents. He is Mr. B. Pickman Mann and is well known as a writer. Mr. Mann is a graduate of Harvard and holds an important position in the patent office. The colon which follows the first initial would be Greek to the wayfaring man, but it is only a symbol for Dedimus. Some years ago the American Librarian association, of which Mr. Mann is a member, was much exercised over some manner of abbreviating names so as to decrease the work of cataloguing, which in large libraries is enormous. They adopted a list of common names of persons which should be abbreviated by using the first letter of the name followed by a colon. For the sake of consistency, and believing the reverend would be a good one, they adopted the fashion.

The late Mr. Ben Perley Poore, known so long and so favorably in Washington, used this style long before the company of learned librarians approved it. The list now in use is a large one. Some of the most common signs are W: for William; H: for Henry, and J: for James.—Washington Post.

The Word Vim.

According to my opinion, the use of this word as a synonym of energy, vigor, etc., has arisen in this way: Some pedantic journalist, considering perhaps the Anglo-Saxon word "strength" too vulgar, and wishing to overawe his readers with a Latin se-

[illegible] in connection with a very [illegible] accusative case, but [illegible] against the sacred rules of [illegible] he employed the accusative "vim."

This mode of expression [illegible] repeated several times, and [illegible] liked the sound of the word, [illegible] knowing what it meant, [illegible] ployed it in instances in which [illegible] tive was required, and thus [illegible] word became a current expression [illegible] and Queries.

Disposal of Dead Beasts in [illegible]

Dr. Sykes, medical officer [illegible] cess, calls attention to a [illegible] nuisance which shows [illegible] slate and yet is passed over [illegible] reports. It arises from the [illegible] animals, of which there is [illegible] of disposing.

In towns there are always [illegible] large number of small animals [illegible] cats and dogs. When these [illegible] ed, paved streets and paved [illegible] facilities for their interment. [illegible] more, many like domestic animals [illegible] into such a state of health [illegible] numerous as to require [illegible] and householders have great difficulty [illegible] destroying them as well as in [illegible] of the carcasses.

Dr. Sykes suggests the setting [illegible] some place where these animals [illegible] painlessly put out of existence [illegible] bodies disposed of without [illegible] would, he thinks, tend to prevent [illegible] cumulation of large numbers of [illegible] mals in the Regent's canal, [illegible] spaces and in the thoroughfares, [illegible] great boon to perplexed ratepayers.—London News.

Odd Recollections.

In her interesting volume of [illegible] tions, Miss Louisa Twining [illegible] lowing curious anecdote [illegible] with her home for workhouse [illegible] of the earliest inmates, residing [illegible] Strand union, here the [illegible] Queen, being a foundling [illegible] the queen's birthday. On leaving [illegible] she obtained a situation [illegible] and while there became engaged [illegible] pester with the appropriate [illegible] bert Edward, to whom she [illegible] married.

Another long forgotten [illegible] vived by Miss Twining is [illegible] year 1856. The Thames [illegible] in course of being [illegible] tions had to be suspended [illegible] owing to an numerous [illegible] Whereas the French, always [illegible] amused at our expense, [illegible] English are making a [illegible] in Temps."—London Globe.

SHOCKING TRUTHS.

Body of a Sacrilegious Parent [illegible] Left Unburied for Two Days.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 18.—[illegible] mains of Luther Sherwood, [illegible] Otsego of smallpox were [illegible] Riverside cemetery, where [illegible] left beside the grave only [illegible] night, the parents had been [illegible] anyone who would help [illegible] mains into the grave. The [illegible] succeeded, however, in [illegible] during the night and [illegible] ties. All the cases are [illegible] suffered, and no new cases [illegible] reported. These facts are [illegible]

KNOTTS TO BE [illegible]

Officials of Window [illegible] Thought to be Insane.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—[illegible] board of District [illegible] of Tabor, [illegible] in the charge of [illegible] brought against Knotts [illegible] Burt and Sawyer [illegible] of the National window glass [illegible] sociation. The bond will [illegible] at a special meeting [illegible] when it is expected the [illegible] be examined. The [illegible] of window glass [illegible] officials are [illegible] secrets of their [illegible] derived from preceptors [illegible]

The Lord Mayor of London [illegible] asked to open a subscription [illegible] former unknown at Ascot.

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