lambs, $5.00@5.50; Canada sheep, $4.75@5.25; Western sheep, $4.00@4.50.

Hogs—Receipts to-day, including reported arrivals, 8,400 head, making a total supply for the week thus far 44,700 head. The market is slow and dragging at 10@15c per cwt decline from yesterday's prices. Sales, 1,600 head Ohio and Michigan hogs, averaging 180 and 260, at $4.00@4.20.

EAST LIBERTY, PA.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Oct. 31. — CATTLE — The receipts of cattle at these yards for the week ending Oct. 30 were 485 cars, or 8,245 head, against 386 cars for the same time last week. The supply of cattle for yard sales has been larger than the demand, though there were plenty of buyers, consequently prices have lowered a trifle from last week's quotations, excepting stockers. Extra, 1,200 to 1,500 steers, $5.90@6.65; good to prime, 1,100 to 1,200, $4.25@4.80; common to medium, 1,000 to 1,100, $3.50@4.20; bulls, stags, and cows, 800 to 1,500, $2.00@3.50; stock steers, 800 to 1,000, $2.75@4.00. The sales for the week amounted to 3,192 head.

Hogs—The receipts for the week ending Oct. 30 were 225 cars, or 24,750 head, against 243 cars for the week before. The supply has been lighter, and, of course, has improved the market a good deal, and stock is selling brisk at the following prices: Extra Philadelphia, $4.70, top price; good Philadelphia, $4.60; light Yorkers, 180 to 200 lbs, $4.50; rough Yorkers, $4.30; common and coarse hogs, $3.50@4.00. The prices appear to fluctuate as the arrivals are heavy or light.

SHEEP—The receipts for the week ending Oct. 30 were 50 cars, or 10,000 head, against 74 cars for the week before. The run of sheep has not been as heavy, yet it is much larger than the demand. There are too many common that don't sell for any price scarcely; 95 to 100 lbs, extra, $4.75@5.00; 85 to 90 lbs, good, $4.25@4.50; common, $3.00@3.25.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—BEEVES—The receipts were 31 cars, or 527 head, making 3,300 for the four days, against 2,100 for the same time last week. The market is quiet and unchanged, at 6@9c per lb for Texans, and 8½@12½c for native cattle. Sales include 6 cars common Ohio cattle, 5¼ cwt average, at 8½c ₮ lb, to dress 55 lbs; 1 car do, 5½ cwt, at 9c; 1 car do, 6 cwt, at 9½c; 2 cars do, 6¾ cwt, at 10c ₮ lb, to dress 56 lbs; 2 cars of mixed do, 6¾@8¾ cwt, at 10½c ₮ lb; 2 cars of fat do, 7¾ cwt, at 11c; 4 cars of Illinois steers, 7@ 7¼ cwt, at 10¼c, to dress 56 lbs; 6 cars do, strong 6 cwt, at 9¼@10c; 1 car do, 6 cwt, at 9c; 5 cars of Kentucky steers, 6¾ cwt, at 10@12½c; 7 cars do, 5@8 cwt, at 9@11c; 3 cars of Texans, 4¾ cwt, at 6c ₮ lb.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Arrivals 21 cars, or 4,400 head, making 12,731 for four days, against 14,126 for the same time last week. The market was a shade firmer and a little more active at 4@6c per lb for sheep, and 8½@9¼c for lambs. Among the sales were 3 cars of Ohio sheep, 95 lbs average, at 5¾c per lb; 3 cars do, 83 lbs, at 5c; 1 car do, 82 lbs, at 4¾c; 2 cars of Kentucky do, 90 lbs, at 4¾@4¾c; 2 cars of Michigan, 88 lbs, at 5¼c; 1 car do, 97 lbs, at 5¾c; 2 cars of Canada sheep and lambs, 71¾ lbs, at 5c; 1 car do, 97 lbs, at $6.13 per 100 lbs; 1 car of Canada lambs, 67 lbs, at 7c; ¾ car of State, 77 lbs, at 6¾c.

SWINE—Receipts 38 cars, or 4,500 hogs, making 27,950 for four days, against 24,050 for the same time last week. No sales on live weights; city dressed hogs dull at 5¾@6¾c.

Pittsburgh Oil-Market.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 31.—Refined spot quoted at 16¼c; crude firm at $1.05@1.10.

The Produce Markets.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—COTTON—In moderate request; middling uplands, 16c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour quiet and unchanged. Rye flour quiet. Corn meal firm; fair to Western, $3.10@3.65. Wheat irregular and unsettled; prices generally unchanged; receipts, 102,000 bu; No. 3 spring, $1.31@1.32; No. 2 Chicago, $1.33@1.35; do Milwaukee, $1.36@1.39; Iowa spring, $1.31@1.35; No. 1 Milwaukee, $1.42; other grades unchanged. Rye quiet at 88@92c. Barley and malt unchanged. Corn opened firm and closed dull and declining; receipts, 93,000 bu; steamer Western mixed, 60c; sail do, 60½@61c. Oats heavy and lower; receipts, 78,000 bu; No. 1 Western mixed afloat, 46@47c; white Western, 48@50½c.

EGGS—In fair request and steady; Western and Canada, 25½@26c.

HOPS—Unchanged.

GROCERIES—Coffee quiet and firm; Rio, 19¾@22½c. Sugar dull and heavy at 6¼@7¾c. Molasses dull. Rice dull.

PETROLEUM—Refined, 15½@16c.

TURPENTINE—Weak at 47c.

PROVISIONS—Pork dull; new mess, $14.90@15.00. Beef and cut meats unchanged. Middles scarcely so firm; long clear, 8¼c. Lard heavy and lower; old Western steam, 7 3-16@7¼c; choice, 7½c.

BUTTER—Steady.

CHEESE—Dull at 13@13½c.

WHISKY—Inactive at 91@91½c.

BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Wheat inactive and scarce. Corn active; sales 8,000 bu No. 2 mixed Western at 48¾@49c. Oats neglected; asking 42c for No. 2 Western. Rye neglected. Barley in moderate demand; 7,300 bu Canada at $1.40; 2 cars do at $1.37½.

FREIGHTS—Easier on corn at 11¼@11½c; wheat, 13c; oats, 7½c.

CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour quiet and steady at $6.75@7.00. Wheat quiet at $1.30@1.35. Corn quiet; new, 40c; old, 42@44c. Rye quiet and unchanged. Oats quiet at 33@43c. Barley dull and unchanged.

PROVISIONS—Dull. Pork, $12.25@12.50; sales at $12.35@12.50. Lard dull; kettle jobbing at 7¼c; steam, 6¾c bid, 7c asked. Bulk meats dull; winter cured shoulders, 6¾c; new, fully cured, offered at 6c; clear rib dull at 5¾c; clear, 5¾c. Bacon dull; shoulders jobbing at 7½c; clear rib, sales at 6¾c; clear, 6¾c.

WHISKY—Steady at 86c.

TOLEDO.

TOLEDO, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat dull; amber Michigan, $1.30 cash or November; $1.34½ December; No. 1 red, $1.38, cash; No. 2, $1.25@1.26½; cash, $1.31@1.31½. Corn—Full prices asked, but no demand; high mixed, 42½c; low mixed, 41@41½c. Oats dull at 35c.

FREIGHTS—Dull; to Buffalo, 4½@5c; to Oswego, 8¾@9c.

CLOVER SEED—$4.80.

RECEIPTS—Flour, none; wheat, 5,000 bu; corn, 8,000 bu; oats, 1,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, none; wheat, none; corn, none; oats, 22,000 bu.

CLEVELAND.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour unsettled and irregular; prices nominal.

PETROLEUM—Steady and unchanged.

DETROIT.

DETROIT, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat steady; extra, $1.40½@1.47; No. 1, $1.40¾@1.42; amber, $1.34. Corn and oats—No sales.

MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat steady; No. 1, $1.07¾; No. 2, $1.03¾ cash or November; $1.04¾ December. Corn dull; No. 2, 39c. Oats quiet; No. 2, 29c. Rye dull; No. 1, 64c. Barley irregular; No. 2, $1.40.

FREIGHTS—To Buffalo, 8c; to Oswego, 13c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 brls; wheat, 192,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,000 brls; wheat, 134,000 bu.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and heavy. Wheat steady and unchanged. Corn quiet; mixed Western, 63@64c. Oats steady and firm; Western, mixed, 48c; white, 49c. Rye quiet at 80@88c.

PROVISIONS—Dull. Mess pork, $15.00@16.00; bulk shoulders, 6¾@6¾c; clear rib, 6@6¼c. Bacon—Shoulders and clear rib, 8¼@8¾c. Hams, sugar-cured, 13@14c. Lard, 7¼@8c.

COFFEE—Unchanged.

BUTTER—Unchanged.

WHISKY—Quiet at 94c.

OSWEGO.

OSWEGO, Oct. 31. — BREADSTUFFS — Wheat quiet. Corn dull at 56@58c. Barley quiet.

PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull; Wisconsin and Minnesota extra, family, $7.00@7.87½; State, Ohio and Indiana, $7.25@8.20. Wheat—choice grades in demand; others neglected; red, $1.58; amber, $1.52; No. 1 spring, $1.39@1.40. Rye steady at 85c. Corn in better demand at 63c; mixed, 62@63c. Oats dull; white Western, 48c; mixed, 44@45c.

PETROLEUM—Dull and nominal.

WHISKY—94c.

LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 31.—BAGGING—Firm and unchanged.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour quiet.

PROVISIONS—Quiet; prices nominal; mess pork, $13.50@14.00. Bacon—Shoulders, 7½c; clear rib, 6¾@7¼c; clear, 7¾c. Sugar-cured hams, 11c. Bulk meats nominal. Lard, tierce, 8@8¼c.

WHISKY—Quiet at 87c.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat quiet and unchanged; No. 2, $1.00; No. 3 red fall, $1.26; No. 2 do, $1.55. Corn dull and lower; No. 2, 38@39¾c on east track; 39@ 39¾c regular; 38¾c November. Oats firmer; No. 2, 32@32¾c, in elevator. Barley dull; No. 3, 95c; choice to prime, $1.50.

WHISKY—Steady at 90c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, small sales at $13.50. Bulk meats lower. Round lots loose clear rib at 5 1-2c, with 5¾c bid for 1,000,000 lbs. Bacon, only small order trade. Lard, only peddling lots sold.

HOGS—Quiet at $3.50@3.75.

CATTLE—More demand. Common to medium, $2.00@2.75; fair to good wintered Texans, $3.00@3.75; fair to extra natives, $4.00@4.85.

NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 31.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour—Buyers holding off on account of the last day of the month; XXX, $7.12½@8.00; family, $8.87½@9.75. Corn—Supply light; mixed, 76c; yellow and white, 78c. Oats firm at 52@54c.

BRAN—Quiet at $1.10.

HAY—Dull; prime, $24.00@25.00; choice, $27.00.

PROVISIONS—Pork dull and lower; mess, $15.25. Dry salt meats dull and lower; shoulders, 7c. Bacon firm; shoulders and clear rib, 7½c; clear, 8¼@8½c. Hams—No demand. Lard dull; tierce, 8¾@9c; keg, 10½c.

GROCERIES—Sugar firm; good to fair, 9¼c; seconds, 10@10½c; yellow clarified, 10¾@10¾c; white, 11c. Molasses coming in more freely; poor, 53c; fair, 60@61c; good to strictly prime, 60@70c.

WHISKY—95c@$1.02.

STOCKS ON HAND—Pork, 5,112 brls; lard, kegs, 3,133; tierces, 874; bacon, clear, 205; clear rib, 667; shoulders, 170 casks; hams, tierces, sugar-cured, 1,222; plain, 208; dry salt meats, 192 casks.

COTTON—In active demand; sales, 4,450 bales; good ordinary to strict good ordinary, 14@14¼c; low middling to strict low middling, 14½@15½c; middling to good mid'g, 15¾@17c. Receipts, 9,200 bales; exports to Great Britain, 2,535 bales; coastwise, 1,937 bales; stock, 56,919 bales; week's sales, 23,500 bales; receipts, net, 24,062 bales; gross, 28,346 bales; exports to Great Britain, 14,607 bales; to the Continent, 5,882 bales; coastwise, 3,201 bales.

MONETARY—Gold, 107¼@108¼; currency, 111¼@ 112. Sterling, 113@113¾, for private; bank, nominal; sight, 1@1¼c premium.

The Transit of Venus.

UNITED STATES NAVAL OBSERVATORY,
WASHINGTON, Oct. 25, 1873.

Prof. Joseph Henry, LL. D., President National Academy of Sciences:

DEAR SIR: Your letter of the 24th inst., conveying an invitation from the National Academy of Sciences to attend their meeting on Tuesday, the 28th, at Columbia College, New York, with a request to favor the Academy with a report as to the plans and progress of the preparations for the Transit of Venus, just received, comes unfortunately at a time when the officers of the Observatory members of the Commission are most busy upon that very matter, in conjunction with the arrival of our great Equatorial; so as to preclude the possibility of either of them being present at the meeting next week. Nor would it be possible in so short a time to make an extended report of progress.

We can only say that all the instruments are contracted for and in progress of construction, and being delivered as they are completed; all are expected to be finished during the winter, except possibly some details in their construction which may require trial and experiment. The photographic trials are being made under the direction of Profs. Newcomb and Harkness. They have been somewhat retarded, owing to the absence of Mr. Walker, photographer of the Treasury Department, of whose experience we hoped to avail ourselves, and the examination of candidates for the position of photographer has been necessarily postponed for the same reason. Mr. Rutherfurd has kindly offered to train such photographers as we may send to him, which offer we shall thankfully accept in the case of such candidates as live in or near New York.

One transit instrument is already here, and is about being put in operation in its temporary hut for practice, and in the course of a few weeks we hope to begin to select from the applicants so as to organize the parties and initiate the practice which is deemed necessary for the proper discharge of their duties. All things have made progress so as to assure us that the parties with their outfit will be ready some time before it will be necessary to leave our shores for their destination. Very respectfully, your obedient servant, B. F. SANDS,

Rear-Admiral and Superintending President of Commissions on Transit of Venus.

PERSONAL.

THE CITY.

O. P. Keith, of St. Louis, is at the Gardner.

J. M. Kaywood, of Oregon, is at the Sherman.

J. P. Acker, of New York City, is at the Pacific.

T. H. Eastman, of Yankton, D. T., is at the Gardner.

C. W. Porter, of Meadville, Pa., is at the Gardner.

J. H. Raymond, of Springfield, Ill., is at the Pacific.

Richard B. Knapp, of Portland, Oregon, is at the Pacific.

Gen. William A. Aiken, of Connecticut, is at the Sherman.

Judge G. D. Hiscuck, of Lincoln, Neb., is at the Sherman.

R. T. McCabe and family, of Scranton, Pa., is at the Pacific.

The Hon. E. P. Ferry, Senator from Michigan, is at the Sherman.

D. A. Brown, of the State Board of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners, is at the Pacific.

Mr. A. P. Burbank, late Principal of the Douglas School, leaves town in a day or two to fill engagements to give readings in Boston and other Eastern cities.

A correspondent tells of a mean young man in a Wabash avenue omnibus who, when handed 10 cents to deposit in the box as fare, put the scrip in his pocket, and gave the Company a ticket, which cost him only 5 cents, instead. The correspondent places this speculation on a par with stealing newspapers from a door-step or picking pockets in church.

The *Staats-Zeitung* in its daily reports of political events, includes among those prominent in the German movement, the following: Herr Dan O'Hara, Herr Barney Caulfield, Herr Mike McDonald, Herr Austin Doyle, Herr Patrick Tracey, Herr Michael C. Hickey, Herr Hughey Reed, Herr John Garrity, Herr Tom Foley.

IN GENERAL.

Some of the Paris journals say that Prince Napoleon is about to undertake a journey to the United States.

An Episcopal clergyman, who objected to the singing of the John Brown song on board a Cunard steamer because there were Southerners on board, was politely reminded of his own indiscretion in urging the claims of the Savior upon the congregated passengers, a large number of whom were Jews.

Gail Hamilton, writing of Biblical men, remarks: "We should say that Esau was far the more agreeable, interesting, and gifted person; and that Jacob, with his sly ways, and his meanspirited willingness to work seven years longer for the man who had cheated him out of one wife, and into another, was not a man to be held in esteem of gods or men or women."

According to a New York paper, the illustrious bovine who whilom called himself Governor of Georgia, by name Rufus B. Bullock, is enjoying his *otium cum dignitate* in his native borough of Albion, in that State, where it is feared by the respectable portion of the community he will make his home for the future, unless, perchance, he should get his deserts and be sent to the Penitentiary.—*Savannah News.*

Judge Dillon goes to Little Rock, Ark., to hold Court. Judge Love will preside over the Federal Court at Des Moines the remainder of its present term. The papers in the Union Pacific Railroad mandamus case were received by Judge Dillon yesterday. His opinion thereon will probably not be filed until next term.—*Davenport Gazette.*

Col. T. J. Pickett, a gentleman well known to the Masonic fraternity of Illinois as a Grand Master of this State in 1852-'53, and well known as a member of the press gang and lately of the Quincy *Whig*, was elected, last week, Grand Master of Masons of Kentucky. This, we believe, is the second instance of any person reaching that position in two States. He is now publisher of the Paducah (Ky.) *Commercial.*

We are glad to know, as we now learn on good authority, that the report which gained currency in this State last month, from the statement of J. E. White, Western Superintendent, that George S. Bangs, General Superintendent of the railway mail service of the United States, intended soon to resign, is not true. Mr. Bangs has had no intention of leaving the service.—*Des Moines Register.*

Suicide and Life Insurance.

From the Dubuque Times.

A case of great importance has just been decided in the United States Circuit Court of Iowa. The facts we condense from the Des Moines *Journal*, which devotes over a column to the details of the case. The deceased, one C. L. Hogan, was about 40 years of age. For five years he had been express-agent at Boone, Ia. He was a jovial, light-hearted man; a careful, correct, energetic business man; a man of good habits, never in his life known to have been sick. Oct. 18, 1871, he committed suicide. The Coroner's Jury found that he died from the effect of a revolver-shot fired by his own hand. At the time of his death he held two policies of insurance upon his life, one issued by the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. This policy contained a clause providing that the policy should be void if the assured should die by his own hand. Proof of death was forwarded to the Insurance Company. They refused to pay, on the ground that the assured had died by his own hand within the meaning of the proviso in the policy. Suit was brought against the Company by the administrator, who, in his petition, alleged that the said Charles L. Hogan, "while temporarily insane, and being incognizant of the act, took his own life." The defendant admitted that the deceased died by his own hand, but denied that he was insane, and the case was tried upon that issue. Before proceeding to trial, the counsel for the defense, after stating the case to the jury, asked them if any of them had the preconceived opinion that a man was conclusively insane merely because he committed suicide. Some of the jurors answered in the affirmative, and these men were, on defendant's motion, excluded from the jury, and their places filled from the panel. The plaintiff produced several witnesses who testified that a great and marked change had come over Hogan the latter part of his life. That for the last six months prior to his decease he had been moody and despondent at times. That he acted as though he "had the blues." That from an affectionate parent and husband he had changed to a morose, irritable man, subject to fits of anger. That during the latter years of his life he had complained of heavy pains in the back part of his head quite frequently. That at such times he was very violent in his manner, striking his wife, threatening her life, and treating her harshly, and afterwards denying all remembrance or knowledge of such actions. Physicians were also introduced, who, as experts, testified that in their opinion Hogan was insane. The defense admitted that decedent was at times despondent during the last year of his life, but explained the cause by showing that his family relations at home were very unpleasant, and that his pecuniary embarrassments alone were of so severe a character that they were sufficient to account for his moody and melancholy fits. That he was a defaulter to a large extent to the Express Company for which he worked; that he had embezzled a $500 money package, and that the Express Company were tracing the matter up, and that exposure was imminent at any moment. That he tried to borrow the money of various persons to make up his deficit to the Express Company. That he stated to one of his most intimate friends, the day before his death, that he must have this money, or he was a ruined man. That he failed to get it. That the morning of his death a Superintendent of the Express Company came to Boone, very unexpectedly to Hogan, to examine Hogan's accounts. That at about 11 o'clock that day he committed suicide. That he gave as a reason that his family relations were unpleasant; that he had no money and no friends, and had made up his mind to end his life.

The jury were out about half an hour, and returned a general verdict for the defendant, and answered as special findings that Hogan voluntarily and willfully took his own life, and that he knew at the time he shot himself that the act would result in his own death.

The plaintiff made a motion for a new trial, which came up before court on the 18th inst., and was overruled, and judgment entered upon the verdict.

This settles an important point as to suicide and insurance in Iowa, and is, in fact, the first barrier that has been interposed in the West to the common plea of insanity in actions on insurance policies.

DEATH IN THE BOTTLE.

A Deadly Poison Mistaken for Sherry Wine--Two Men Killed and One in Peril.

From the New York Sun, Oct. 29.

Giles Taylor, aged about 21, and John Donohue, aged 30, both laborers on the North River piers, and both unmarried, were boarders at 101 Hudson street. On Sunday evening Taylor and Donohue went to their couches. Taylor drew off his clothes and went to the closet to hang them up. In looking through the upper shelves he discovered a black bottle. He put it to his nose, and imagined he smelled sherry wine. He handed it to Donohue, who also pronounced it sherry wine. They were in high glee over their discovery, supposing it to be the private property of some other boarder. They conceived it a good joke to drink it up. They each took a long pull at the black bottle, and then called in Magner, another boarder, and a friend, Michael Coples, of Washington and Watts street. There was but little of the stuff left in the bottle, and they got but a sup or two each.

The company separated, and Taylor and Donohue went to bed. Soon after Taylor said, "That's mighty bad rum, John." Donohue replied, "Oh, it's good enough." They soon began to grow uneasy, feeling burning sensations in their stomachs. It acted directly on their bowels, and they grew very sick. They purged and vomited. They were up and down and in and out of their room all night, and continually called for water, which they drank in great quantities. But their stomachs would not retain it. They shouted that they were burning up.

Magner, in the adjoining room, suffered almost as severely as they did. The landlord got up once, and after fussing about a short time without doing them any good, retired to his drowsy couch again. No attention was given the men—nothing was done to prevent the purging or to relieve the pain. Although they were absolutely dying, no physician was sent for until 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon. Then a dispensary practitioner went to the house. He gave them no relief. Their pulses were weak and fast declining. They had had no stimulants of any sort. The dispensary physician went his way, and troubled himself no more with the cases.

At 8 p. m. Dr. Van Kleeck, of 160 Franklin street, was sent for. He found Taylor and Donohue rolling in agony.

The pulses of the sufferers were scarcely perceptible; their eyes were sunken; their skin had assumed the livid hue of poisoned men; they suffered from intense thirst and fever, and both had dry tongues with a brown coating. The membrane from mouth to stomach was destroyed; their excremities were cold. In short, Taylor and Donohue were dying. It was then twenty-four hours after they drank the liquid from the black bottle, and they were entirely helpless. Dr. Van Kleeck sent for brandy, and administered it to to them, and followed it with mucilaginous drinks to relieve their pain.

The physician procured the mysterious black bottle and examined it. As he turned it up quantities of colchicum seed ran from it. Shaking it well, he poured out nearly a quarter of a pound of the seed. He asked the sick men whether they did not notice the seed when they drank the liquid from the bottle. They said they did, but "supposed it to be flies." The bottle contained a laxative remedy for the rheumatism, and, bearing an odor similar to sherry wine, was easily mistaken for it. The quantity which they took was enough to kill four men. At 11 o'clock on Monday evening Dr. Van Kleeck made another visit to the dying men. The house was dark, and the landlord was comfortably in bed. Three dying men were within twenty feet of him. To the physician, who aroused him, he said he must have his sleep, as he could not lose his next day's work. Dr. Van Kleeck was satisfied that no remedies or attention could save Taylor or Donohue, and his doubts were strong as to Magner. He encouraged the sick men as much as he could, but told the landlord that preparations must be made for their death; that if they wished religious ministrations a priest should be sent for soon. This was done.

Taylor and Donohue lingered until yesterday at noon, when they died within a few minutes of each other. Magner still lived up to a late hour last night, and the prospects of recovery were favorable.

Caples, who drank but a sup of the liquid mixed with water, went home. He soon complained to his wife of gripes in his stomach, but next morning he went to his work as usual, and has felt no inconvenience since.

A Man of 74 Sued for Breach of Promise by a Woman of 55--Damages $1,000.

A suit for breach of promise has recently been attracting attention in Baltimore County, Md., the importance of the case being enhanced by the fact that it is the first and only case of a similar character that has ever been tried there. The suit was instituted by Mrs. Elizabeth Halbert, aged 55, and quite gray-haired, against Isaiah Baker, aged 74. Elizabeth declares that in December last Isaiah promised to marry her on the 1st day of January following, but failed to do so. Elizabeth swore that Baker visited her very often, and proposed marriage by declaring that his home was so lonely that he did not like to go there. He kept on proposing until she accepted him, and, though he was old in years, he was very fond of making love, and was as good at caressing as any young man she ever saw. Before she accepted him they talked over property matters, and it was agreed that each party was to have the full enjoyment of their respective properties during their lives, and to have the right to dispose of the same at death. The third evening before the appointed day the defendant brought to the plaintiff a marriage-contract to be signed, which she would not sign, as it cut her off from all interest in his property. She sent for Baker twice to come and talk the matter over, but he would not do so, and had never been in her house since that evening. In reply to these charges Baker swore that he was ready and willing to marry Elizabeth in January if she had signed the paper he took to her. He had ordered his wedding-suit, and made arrangements about the preacher and license, but when the old woman got mad and called him "old Baker," and made away with her property, and refused to sign the agreement, he thought he would let her go, and that day he swore he would never believe in another woman. The jury, with true Southern gallantry, awarded the forsaken Elizabeth $1,000 damages.

Juvenile Savings.

The people of Ghent, in Belgium, have been particularly successful in impressing upon the young the adoption of the habits of economy. Without government influence, and mainly through the exertions of the school-teachers, five-sevenths of the children who attend the schools, no less than 13,032, have become savings banks depositors, the aggregate sum deposited by them, according to a paper read before the British Association by J. G. Fitch, being 274,602 francs. In the infant schools (the habit of saving begins thus early) there are 3,039 children, of whom 1,920 are depositors of 66,523 francs. In the primary schools for the classes who pay for instruction, there are 1,079 scholars, 640 of whom deposit 22,687 francs; and in the schools for adults, held evenings and Sundays, out of 3,285 men and women, 2,889 are depositors to the amount of 99,252 francs.

—It is related of Bismarck that when at the peace preliminaries, the sum of milliards—which sat so lightly on France—was mentioned, Jules Favre appeared utterly speechless with horror. When he had recovered from the paroxysm, all he could say was, "that even if one were to count from the time of Christ till now, one could not manage to count such an enormous sum." Upon which Bismarck replied, with a smile: "Don't let that distress you; I have thought of that, and therefore brought this gentleman," pointing to Bleichroder, the Jewish banker, "with me. He counts from the creation of the world."

MR. ARCH AT CASTLE GARDEN.

Visit of the English Labor-Reformer to the Immigration Depot--His Favorable Opinion of the System.

From the New York Tribune, Oct. 29.

Mr. Joseph Arch, accompanied by Arthur Claydon, of Farringdon, England, and one or two other friends, left the Metropolitan Hotel yesterday noon for the purpose of visiting and inspecting Castle Garden, and acquainting himself with the American system of receiving foreigners and forwarding them to their destinations. On their arrival at the Battery the visitors were received by the officers and such of the Commissioners as chanced to be present, and were invited to thoroughly inspect every department. After a brief interview with Mr. Hurlburt, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Emigration, the party set out on its tour of inspection with Supt. Webster as guide. Descending from the offices of the Commissioners the visitors entered the great rotunda, which was thronged with foreigners of all nationalities and of all ages, awaiting the registry which all must undergo. Mr. Arch and his companions passed to the wharf at the rear of the building where the immigrants are landed, and where several hundreds from the steamship City of Montreal were on the point of disembarking. They were then shown the method of receiving the strangers, and the rigid discipline which begins at this point, and which is necessary to protect the ignorant foreigners from swindling of every description, by which they would otherwise suffer. They passed through the guarded gates to the office of registry, where all necessary particulars concerning name, age, nationality, circumstances, and destination are carefully recorded. The boarding-house runners, all of whom must possess a license from the Commissioners, were present in full force, awaiting the signal which allowed them entrance within the gates and access to the new-comers.

The party next passed to the Employment Bureau, where situations of all descriptions are furnished to both men and women, though not till the parties applying for servants are known to be of good character. Here, too, the books were examined containing the complaints made both by employers and employed, which are received and duly investigated by the proper authorities. The waiting-room, filled with friends of the new-comers, who are not admitted to the rotunda, and the hospital and Ward's Island department, received due notice. Every department was visited and carefully examined, and Mr. Arch, before leaving, became thoroughly acquainted with the practical working of the system. He expressed himself very greatly pleased with the discipline everywhere manifest and the precautions taken to prevent any unlawful dealings with the immigrants while under the supervision of the Board, and remarked that it was useless for Englishmen to maintain that nowhere but in England were life and property safe. The party then visited the Board of Commissioners, who were holding their regular meeting at Castle Garden.

The President, Mr. Hurlburt, at once introduced the visitor, and a short recess was taken for the purpose of affording the Commissioners an opportunity of a personal introduction. Mr. Arch thanked the Commissioners for the courtesy shown him, and after five minutes' conversation withdrew, and returned to the Metropolitan Hotel. Mr. Arch will leave this city for Boston immediately, but will return next week, and will sail in the steamer Republic for Liverpool, Saturday, Nov. 8.

ILLINOIS NEWS ITEMS.

Corn-husking is the chief occupation of farmers at the present time.

—Mr. Page has shipped over 1,000 hogs to Chicago during the past week; which looks like business, in times like these. Hogs are about the only things that will pay at present prices.—*Princeton Republican.*

—Betting on the coming county election is getting lively, and enough money has been put up within the past few days to relieve the stringency in the money market if put into circulation.—*Pontiac Sentinel.*

—A load of turnips came in town the other day. Tell you our people went for them like hungry pigs for scattered corn. Let a man drive into town this fall with a load of either turnips or potatoes, and he is pounced upon with "stand and deliver;" your vegetables or your life, sir; never were such things so scarce before.—*Lacon Advocate.*

—The suit of Mrs. Percival, of this city, against the Chicago & Alton Road, for $20,000 damages for injuries received by the Lemont disaster, came up for trial in the Circuit Court at Edwardsville, yesterday, and a change of venue was taken by the defendants to Jersey County. J. W. Coppinger appeared for Mrs. Percival, and C. P. Wise for the Company.—*Alton Telegraph.*

—There has been considerable mortality among hogs in this vicinity the past season. George Ellsworth, a farmer living a few miles north of town, has lost over 100, William Patten about forty, and others have lost a good many. Mr. Patton's hogs did not seem to be attacked by any epidemic, but occasionally through the whole season since last winter one would be found dead from some unknown cause. Mr. Ellsworth imputes the disease among his hogs to their eating acorns freely.—*Yorkville News.*

BUSINESS CHANCES.

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MUST BE SOLD ON ACCOUNT OF CHANGE IN business, one of the best dining-rooms in the city, near the Northwestern Depot. Will sell for cash. 210 South Water-st., corner of Fifth-av.

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THE "MARBLE PILLAR," ONE OF THE FINEST sample-rooms in the city, on the corner of LaSalle and Randolph-sts., two doors east of Hooley's Theatre, for sale, on account of my health and change of business. ALBERT MICHELSON, proprietor, 155 East Randolph.

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