PUBLISHED BY

PENN'S GROVE, N. J.

TERMS:

One Year, in advance \$1.00 Sample copies sent free.

Subscriptions received at any time.

WILLIAM A. SUMMERILL,

Our Large Stock of

Agricultural.

.....

..

Work the Wheat Land.

land in too good a condition. Plow it,

Gains Per Bushel.

ascertained in feeding tests at the In-

diana Experiment Station, and to be

sure that the pigs are purely bred.

One of these facts of the test show

that thirteen and one-third pounds of

weight was secured in feeding one

bushel of corn when the pigs were six

to seven months old, and when eight

months old a bushel made 12.6 pounds.

The factors involved were pure breed-

ing and young shoats. As pigs grow

older there is a rapid reduction in

weight to the bushel of corn fed. This

is the experience of feeders generally,

both in feeding pigs and cattle.-Indi-

The English Sparrow Nulsance.

There are thousands of farmers

troubled with sparrows. In England

and Germany they hire boys to drive

the sparrows away, or trap and kill

them. A man in this city makes a

business of trapping them to sell to

sportsmen. He sells thousands of

them, but they do not seem to be

thinned out much. There seems no

way of getting rid of them effectually.

Wherever there is food for them, as

in the harvest field or around the ele-

vators, they will go and multiply.

ventive genius to make a fortune, by

devising some means of entrapping

the pests by the thousand .- Indiana

The Best Hens.

Farmer.

There is a chance here for some in-

It is well to keep in mind the facts

roll it, harrow it, roll it, drill it.

Don't be afraid of getting the wheat

JOB PRINTING Done Neatly, Cheaply and

Advertisements

Expeditiously

Published at reasonable rates

in a rich agricultural region

and the head fishing center on Delaware River and Bay.

AT THE RECORD OFFICE.

Daniel V. Summerill, Jr., Attorney-At-Law, Master-in-Chancery, S. E. Cor. Market & Third St., Camden, N. J.

At residence, Penn's Grove, in evenings.

B. BOYNTON FILER, Resident Dentist,

Main Street, Second Door Below R. R. Croossing, FENN'S GROVE.

MR. A. S. CLARK, TEACHER OF PIANO, ORGAN AND YOCAL THEORY,

will be in Penn's Grove Wednesdays and Saturdays. Address, 63 Centre St.. Woodbury, N. J

HENRY M. FLANAGIN,

Corner Main and Broad Streets, PENN'S GROVE, N. J. Commissioner of Deeds, Notary Public Legal Papers and Pension Vouchers carefully

AVING moved into our new and commodious Building on West Broadway, near the Post Office, we offer to the public increased facilities for the transaction of business, both public and private, and hereby extend a most cordial invitation to all to call and see us. Tables and room can be found in the front room of the Bank for the public accommodation, and where meetings can be arranged. tion, and where meetings can be arranged.

Deposits Thankfully Received.

Coupons and Interest collected without charge.
Deposit boxes in our fire and burglar proof
safe to rent on moderate terms.
GEORGE HIRES, President.
H. M. RUMSEY, Cashier.
WALTER W. ACTON, Notary.

HUDSON S. TITUS,

MILL-WORK, Sash, Doors, Blinds, Mouldings And Everything Used In This Line.

I will buy these goods direct from Western very low prices for first-class materials. **Building Contracts** taken to erect buildings all complete.

FLOUR AND FEED,

constantly on hand at my feed mill on Oak Street, adjoining the Railroad Station, Penn's **GRINDING on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS** OF EACH WEEK. ROYAL GEM FLOUR also MILL FEED

AT LOWEST MARKET PRICES. Baled Jersey hay, oak and pine wood, rock salt and Baum's Poultry and Stock Food con-stantly on hand. I solicit a share of your or-ders. ARTHUR H. GREEN.

FRESH AND SALT MEATS ALWAYS ON HAND, Fruits and Vegetables

Poultry, Game and Live-Stock BOUGHT EVERY MONDAY AND THURSDAY at highest cash prices. Patronage solicited G. V. DOLBOW & SON,

JEWELRY and SILVERWARE Before buying elsewhere. Best makes and prettiest designs Always on hand. Glasses Made and Fitted. Eyes Examined Free WILMINGTON,

Chas. S. Feil, S. W. Corner 4th & Market St.,

ROY FRYER'S **PICTURES**

> SATISFY EVERY DESIRE AND EVERY PURSE. PICTURES | Unlimited Variety. Popular Prices.

ART 101-103 E. 3d St.,

Headache

Wilmington,

and Eye Strain

C. A. LONGSTRETH, 228 Market Street.

Poultry Wanted.

The market affords for all kinds

of first-class Poultry and Game

AT UNION CORNER,

PENN'S GROVE, N. J.,

Mondays and Tuesdays.

A trial of your patronrge solicited.

DR. F. C. SMITH

MATTHEW MITCHELL

HIGHEST CASH PRICES

I WILL PAY

Estimates on building houses given and contracts taken. Log Sawing.

Building Material,



HEADQUARTERS for over 25 years manufacturing all worthy Optical every convenience and careful personal service is given at a very low cost. Centrally located, a few doors Reading Terminal Station. We recommend glasses only when needed Solid Gold Spectacles, as low as....\$2.25



Teeth Extracted, 25c. Without Pain, 50 New Method Vitalized Air, perfectly harmless, 50c. Teeth Filled, Gold \$1, Up.

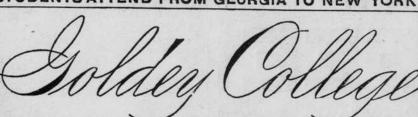
Platina, \$1. Silver, 75c. No charge for extracting teeth when best

Beautiful Sets of Teeth, \$5, \$8, up.

NO. 811 MARKET STREET,

THERE must be something SPECIAL about a Business and Shorthand School that has 110 GRADUATES with a firm in its own city, 25 with a firm in Philadelphia, and which receives students from ten states and the West Indies.

STUDENTS ATTEND FROM GEORGIA TO NEW YORK



AN EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT FOR GRADUATES YOU WILL BE INTERESTED in reading our new 64-page illustrated catalogue—it tells how we train our students for "BUSINESS" SUCCESS," Write for this book to-day--it is free. Address; GOLDEY COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, Wilmington, Del.

Established 1873

Camden Safe Deposit & Trust Co. 224 Federal Street, Camden, N. J.

Banking by mail can be done safely and satisfactorily. Correspondence invited. Safe-deposit Boxes in fire- and | Trust Department. Acts as Exburglar-proof vaults for valuables and ecutor, Administrator, Trustee, Guarimportant papers, \$2.00 and upwards. dian, etc. Wills kept without charge.

ALEXANDER C. WOOD, President.

BENJAMIN C. REEVE, Vice-President and Trust Officer.

JOSEPH LIPPINCOTT, Treasurer. PETER V. VOORHEES, Solicitor.

GEORGE J. BERGEN, Assistant Solicitor.

WILLIAM S. SCULL
WILLIAM S. SCULL
ALEXANDER C. WOOD
GEORGE REYNOLDS
PETER V. VOORHEES
WILLIAM S. PRICE
DIRECTORS:
JOSEPH H. GASKILI,
EDMUND E. READ, JR.
WILLIAM J. OYCE SEWELL,
WILLIAM J. BRADLEY

Carfare to Philadelphia

We bring Philadelphia and its best Clothing Store to your very door This is How:

You pay excursion railroad or trolley fare. Come to our store; tuy your Clothes, your boy's, your girl's, your wife's. Same price to everybody. Show your railroad ticket for fare paid. We pay you exactly its cost if you buy a certain amount. How much? Can't tell—depends upon your carfare.

Wanamaker & Brown

Outfitters to Men, Women, Boys and Girls

Oak Hall, Sixth and Market Sts. Philadelphia



Wear Proper Glasses and Help Your Eyes

If your eyes hurt or your head aches don't wait for them to get better of themselves. Eyesight once ruined can never be recovered Don't triffic with so important a matter, come to us, we are specialists and make a special study of eye troubles. Examina tion Free. Satisfaction guaranteed.

S. L. MCKEE, LEADING OPTICIAN 816 Market St., Opera House Bldg,

Wilmington, Del. At Robbins' Pharmacy, Penn's Grove First Thursday of Every Month. Stop in and get one of our Eyeglass Cleaners They are free.

OLD AGE PENSIONS. Important Ruling To all survivors of the Rebellion, age 62, \$6; age 65, \$8; age 68, \$10; age 70, \$12. Write us at once for application and blanks. Mention this

JOHN WAINWRIGHT & CO., No. 3 West 7th St., Wilmington, Del. The successful climax of 20 years experience

Contractor and Builder.

Having a saw mill I am prepared to all kinds of timber sawing as well as plan-

such as sash, doors and blinds, furnished on CHARLES E. BARBER.



21 North 11th St., Philadelphia



Vrite C. A. SHOW & CO. Patent Lawyers. WASHINGTON, D.C.

To Printers:

We manufacture the very highes Leads and Slugs

Brass Leads Brass Leaders Brass Galleys Metal Borders

Spaces and Quads

L. S. Metal Furniture

Send us a memo, of just what you re quire, and let us quote you prices.

We are not in any trust or combination, and you will be agreeably surprised at what we can save you over the regular

Old column rules refaced and made good as new, at a very small cost.

Highest prices paid for old type, leads

DHILADELPHIA CO. RINTERS' SUPPLY 908 Filbert Street, Send for our new Catalogue.

RYDALES TONIC

A New Scientific Discovery for the

BLOOD and NERVES.

It purifies the blood by eliminating the waste matter and other impurities and by destroying the germs or microbes that infest the blood. It builds up the blood by restoring and multiplying the red corpuscles, making the blood rich and red. It restores and stimulates the nerves, better for it in every way. During the ausing a full free flow of nerve force throughout the entire nerve system. It brush is used on the cows. speedily cures unstrung nerves, nervousness, nervous prostration and all diseases

RYDALES TONIC is a specific for all forms of Malaria. It acts on a new principle. It kills the microbes that produce happy and the dairy is profuble. Malaria. The cause being removed the disease quickly disappears. RYDALES well and make them as comfortable as TONIC is guaranteed to cure the most obstinate cases of Malarial Fever, Chills ing of cows during the summer which and Fever, Ague, etc. We authorize all we discovered paid well. Every day dealers handling our remedies to refund a few raw apples, vegetable tops and the purchase price for every bottle of in season, a few potatoes that were RYDALES TONIC that does not give partially rotted or in some other way satisfaction.

and each cow has a portion; not much, The Radical Remedy Company HICKORY, N.

. SWEETEN, JR., Penn P. SWEETEN, Pedrick

No one should be satisfied with less than the best of anything. "But," says a poultry writer, "there is no way of knowing which of the hens are the best unless they are closely observed. Every hen that has a good record

should be marked and retained, not only for laying, but for breeding purposes. The egg record would be much I had nothing to live on, and so I mar- General Orloff's infantry, and was anhigher, and the flocks improved every | fied her for her money."-Judge. year, if the farmer would keep only the best hens from which to produce the layers for another year. Unfortunately, with many 'a hen is a hen,' but, in fact, there is a wide difference in individuals, and any peculiarity or points of excellence should be observed, so that all future stock may be better than the preceding."

Things That Help. It helps, says Farm Journal:

narness and wagons and the things that cut, saw or dig, in the best order in which we can put them. To do to-day's work to-day, feeling sure that to-morrow will have plenty of business of its own.

To have every farm tool and all the

To be satisfied with doing one day's work at a time. It never pald any man to crowd two days' work into one. Over pressure is a frequent cause of explosion of the boiler.

To keep on hand a little hardware store of one's own, including bolts of assorted sizes, snaps for the harness. screws, cockeyes, nuts, rivets, nails and washers. No one knows when he may need these things, and it saves time to have them ready in case of

To see that the wagons are all properly oiled before they get as dry "as a contribution box." To study economy of the truest and best kind, and to practice as well as

Novel Manger. The writer recently observed a novel manger for cattle, used in this case for milch cows; it seems to have been an original plan with the owner. The drawing is a better explanation than could be written. Either a chain or halter can be used, but this device is not adapted for cattle that have not

been dehorned. Hay and grain can not easily be wasted from this manger, while extra straw or sawdust bedding may be shoved forward under the manger to be used in emergency. Stalls are not necessary, but may be used if desired, as is the case also with partitions in the feeding box.-Geo. P. Williams, in The Epitomist.

Pays to Treat Them Well. The writer is a persistent advocate of cow grooming and would as soon think of letting the cows go without a daily cleaning as the horses. During the summer only brushing is done, and this work is performed directly after the milking; the cows are all the winter the currycomb as well as the We have found that the brushing re-

moves soil from the animal and renders her less liable to the attacks of for twenty years more. His name is flies. Then, we use one of the com- Levi Rivers, and, like the Marquette mercial compounds to keep the flies off, in addition to the brushing. The his father having fought with Lafayresult is that with plenty of good pas- ette in the Revolution. He has been ture, a stream of clear water, a grove | twice married and is twice a widower. of King Peter at Belgrade. flies the milk supply is all that could be desired, the cows are healthy and He may easily be taken for a man of It certainly pays to treat the cows possible. Another point in the breed-

but just enough to give her a spice of variety.-Indianapolis News. The Magyars rule Austria-Hungary although they number but 6,000,000 c 7,000,000 in a total of 43,000,000.

unsalable are taken into the pasture

If you're waking in the morning, call me early, mother, dear,
For Peanuts Fink and Spider Brown and
Bricktop will be here.
And we know where the fishes swim and where the shade is cool, And where's a dandy diving place beside

I've brung the kindlings in, mother, you wanted me to chop;
I've filled the woodbox till the wood is ARMIES

I've curried all the horses as my father bade me do;
I've milked the cows, and slopped the pigs, and fed the chickens, too. I've weeded out the onion bed and banked the celery,
And I've transplanted cabbage plants and
propped the apple tree,
And I've salted all the sheep and fixed the

chicken coop, And run all the errands, mother, till I felt my spirits droop. So, if you're waking early, call me early, For I know where the graylings play and where the pools are clear, And I've dug all the worms I want and cut an alder pole, And corks will bob to-morrow morn in that

-J. M. Lewis, in Houston Post.

"Do you think his words have any

weight?" "Well, he makes some pretty heavy speeches." - Cleveland Plain

she has more energy."-Life. The microbe is a modest beast, But with his tiny strength He makes a name unto himself

Ten syllables in length. -San Francisco Bulletin. "I hear you spoke to Mr. Gotrox last night about your love for his daugh-He never touched me."-Philadelphia

Ledger. She-"What reason have you for be- skirmishes with Cossack outposts. lieving Miss Eiderleigh to be a manschool."-Chicago News.

"Why did you marry your divorced wife again? Old love come back?" shelled three Russian batteries bri-"No. By the time I paid her alimony gaded with four battalions of Major

Is worth two in the bush, Then a man with a pull Is worth two in the push. Bride-"George, dear, when we reach our destination let us try to avoid giving the impression that we are newly married." George-"Al! right, Maud;

If a bird in the hand

here!" Proprietor-"No; we only advertise the attractions." Guest-"But

the grub!"-Puck. mustn't be discouraged. After awhile there will be less returns and more of your manuscripts will be accepted."- ing being discontinued at dusk. Baltimore American.

"Well," said Gassaway, "if there's were pressing north through the au-Miss Knox. "It seems I've misjudged you, then." "Why, what do you mean?" "I always had an idea you were stuck on yourself."-Philadelphia Press.

"What is your idea of harmony in politics?" "Same as that of most other people in my line of activity," answered Senator Sorghum. "Harmony consists in having your own way and persuading the other people to be re- Hun in that direction without a disassigned to fate."-Washington Star.

ning a campaign might be curtailed?" "Certainly," answered Senator Sorghum. "It would be no trouble to curtail 'em. But the real trick is to expand 'em, and at the same time re- Moreover, the relative positions of the strain idle curiosity concerning disbursements."-Washington Star.

school principal who was trying to make clear to his class the fundamental doctrines of the Declaration of Independence:

"Now, boys," he said, "I will give you each three ordinary buttons. Here they are. You must think of the first one as representing Life, of the second Didn't Want a Stepmother and So They one as representing Liberty, and the third one as representing the Pursuit you each to produce the three buttons farmer living eight miles south of here, and tell me what they represent."

The following Sunday, in accordance with his plan, the teacher interrogated his class on the subject of the buttons. "Now, Johnnie," he said to the youngest member, "produce your three buttons and tell me what they stand for."

"I ain't got 'em all," he sobbed, holding out two of the buttons. "Here's Life an' here's Liberty, but mommer sewed the Pursuit of Happiness on my pants."-Harper's Weekly.

Excluding Marquette, Mich., which city boasts of a man 105 years old, Bark River, Delta County, is the home of the only centenarian in the upper peninsula of Michigan. He is still in good health and believes he will live centenarian, he is of French descent, He has eleven children, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren seventy or less. His mind is clear and father's mausoleum. his memory is good. Questioned as to the secret of his longevity, the old man replied that he had observed no particplar rule of health; in fact, for the past eighty years he has violated about | tomsky would be supplanted was conivery injunction laid down by medical firmed. men .-- Detroit News.

To Practice What He Preaches The Archbishop of Westminster has become a total abstainer. Like Carfinal Manning, he has recognized the tavoc made among his flock by drunkinness, and as he must preach tectotalsm to those who need it, he has desided to practice it as well.

JAPANESE TROOPS ON MOVE

General Nodzu's Forces Continue to Press Kuropackin.

IN RUNNING FIGHT

Marshal Oyama Keeps Up His Aggressive Campaign Against the Russians With No Let-Up-Russian Commander Has Gained in Point of Positions Held -Kuropatkin Well Prepare !.

intention in respect of an advance on this place was dispelled when a strong Japanese force crossed the South Sha River at a point eighteen miles southwest of here shortly before dawn, and advancing rapidly seven miles in this direction, began shelling the Russian positions from the town of Changshing. The Japanese centre and right at noon rested on a line running from Changshing east to Chuchiatun, which latter place is six miles northwest of Talping Mountain. General Nodzu's troops are marching north through the broad valley, between the limestone region and the railroad. The Japanese left, under General Oku, early in the morning moved from Shihi to South Sha and began building a pontoon bridge east of the railway for the "Old Mrs. Grum hasn't been in such transportation of fieldpieces across good health for years." "Why, I never the river. General Samsonoff's Cosheard her complain more." "True. But sacks destroyed the military bridge across that stream resting on the highway, and the railroad bridge was damaged so severely by Gen. Stakelberg's artillery it was not strong enough to bear even the enemy's lighter guns. A detachment of dragoous, supposed to constitute part of Oku's left wing crossed the South Sha River west of "Yes." "What luck?" "Great! the railroad and made a reconnoissance toward the east bank of the Hun River opposite Sanchiatsu, in the course of which it engaged in several sharp

The attacking force resting on hater?" He-"She told me she was Changshing evidently was the vanthinking seriously of opening a cooking guard of Nodzu's army. It was made up of several battalions of infantry and four field batteries, with a half squadron of cavalry. The enemy swered with a severe fire from the Rus sian guns. An artillery duel at long range lasted more than an hour. Then the Japanese infantry advanced under cover of their guns and opened a scattering fire on the Russians. Two battalions of the Russian infantry moved south in open order, approaching the enemy's skirmish line until the faces of the prostrate sharpshooters were plainyou can carry this suit case."-New visible. Steady firing was maintained by both sides until the enemy's Guest (at summer hotel)-"You didn't | cavalry made a flanking charge against advertise the mosquitoes you have the Russian left. Orloff's riflemen rallied quickly, repulsed the dragoons and fell back slowly in good order. One of the Russian batteries scattered you advertised the view, the air and the enemy's skirmishers with a welldirected fire, and Orloff's infantry Braggsby-"I am getting immense re- withdrew toward Paitapu. The Rusturns from my magazine contributions sian guns were shifted under fire to these days." Waggsby-"Yes, but you the latter town where they renewed the fight, having the advantage of better support. No further gain was made by the enemy in the afternoon, the fir-

one thing I hate more than another it's thracite fields, midway between Taip a long-winded bore." "Yes," remarked ing Mountain and the Imperial Tombs of Yang Pass. Cossack sotnias reconnoitering southward from the Hun. east of Mukden, were fired on by his vanguard, and withdrew without a complete idea of his strength. It is an accepted fact here, however, that Kuroki is making all speed possible in his detour against this point. General Kuropatkin has disposed adequate forces along the eastern road, and it is believed the Japanese will not cross the trous battle. It apparently is no part "Don't you think the expenses of run- of General Kuropatkin's purpose to be outflanked by Marshal Oyama without determined resistance. The turning tactics of the enemy cannot find the Russians unprepared, as in former stages of the Manchurian campaign. opponents practically are the same as before the battle of Lian Yang, while the Russian commander has several advantages he did not possess in that part This story is told of a Washington of the country. A general engagement whether fought here, as expected by the more practical, or around Tie Pass, as Russian optimists hope, will find Kuropatkin ready for any stratagem Oyama may employ.

General Kurokl's forward brigades

GIRLS KILL THEIR FATHER.

Chopped His Head Off. Marlin, Tex .- The mystery surroundof Happiness, Next Sunday I will ask ing the murder of C. S. Stewart, a was cleared by the confessions of his two daughters, aged eleven and thirteen years, that they committed the

The body of Stewart was found lying on a cot on the porch of his residence. The head had been cut off. According to the story of the girls Whereupon the youngster began to their father was about to remarry. They objected to a stepmother. cently a letter came for their father during his absence from the prospective stepmother, and the children destroyed it. The father learned of this. and he told the girls that he was going to kill them, and that they must say their prayers. He did not carry out the threat, and when he went to sleep the

girls got the axe and chopped his head Big Fire in Haiifax. A wharf fire at Halifax, N. S., which started early in the mor 11ng, and was thought to be under emiral, broke out afresh and did \$20% 0.0 de mage.

Not to Attend.

Russia refused to instruct her Min-Ister to Servia to attend the coronation Bismarck's Parial. The body of Prince Herbert Bismarck will be buried in the vault beneath his

From the Ecat of War. The report that Admiral Prince Ouk-Russian General Staff denied reports

that Kuropatkin's rear guard was an-The Mikado congratulated his triumphant troops, but told them "the end of the war is still in the distant fu-

ture. European experts agree that the end of the Eastern war is a long way off. no matter how the present campaign

A SERMON FOR SUNDAY

AN ELOQUENT DISCOURSE BY THE REV. JOHN BALCOM SHAW, D. D.

Subject: The Ash-Can Bible-History of a Volume of Holy Writ That is Unique in Church Annals-Warning Against a Common Type of Family Deterioration NEW YORK CITY.-The following splen-

did sermon was preached Sunday morning by the Rev. John Balcom Shaw. It is entitled "The Ash-Can Bible." His text was: The word of God which liveth and abideth forever—I Peter 1:23.

This book rather than the words I have This book, rather than the words I have read from it, is my text. Not the Bible in general as a theme to be discussed, but this particular Bible consisting of paper, printng and binding, as an object lesson to be Mukden.-Doubt of Marshal Oyama's taught.
This Bible has a history. It was a gift

like a similar way.

This is its history. One morning last spring a woman, a pewholder, but not a member of this church, came into the minister's office, where I was keeping the pasteral hour, and handing me a package

toral hour, and handing me a package neatly wrapped and tied, asked me if I could make use of its contents in any way. Opening the package and finding this beautifully bound Bible inside, I, of course, answered affirmatively, and suggested that I hand it on to some mission church or poor, struggling congression church or tifully bound Bible inside, I, of course, answered affirmatively, and suggested that I hand it on to some mission church or poor, struggling congregation, for use as a pulpit Rible.

She then told me its story. That morning upon coming out of the apartment where she lived she spied an elegantly have been the top of the apartment. bound book on the top of the ash-can that stood awaiting the coming of the garbage cart. Feeling it was a shame to allow so stood awaiting the coming of the garbage cart. Feeling it was a shame to allow so fine a book to be disposed of in that way, she went to the ash-can and turned its title round toward her. What was her amazement, her horror, her sense of desecration, but will speak comfort, hope and strength to those within which the word of Cod dwells and exercises its heavenly dominion. While this book shall utter its admonition, then, let it also speak forth its word of encourage. to find it was a copy of the Holy Bible! She opened it and found that several leaves between the Old Testament and the New had been cut out, and the explanation came to her at once, an explanation which the janitor afterward fully confirmed. It seems that a family, apparently respectable and well disposed, had moved

away from the apartment house the day before, and desiring to throw away everything for which they had no use and which increased the bulk of their effects, had seized upon the family Bible which had been in their home for years as a thing seized upon the family Bible which had been in their home for years, as a thing that could be as easily got along without as anything else, had cut out the family record that it might not be lost, and sent the book down to the janitor as rubbish to be thrown away. He, either because he had failed to recognize it or because he had a low estimate of the Bible's value, had deposited it in the ash-can, and was looking for the city's cart to come at any looking for the city's cart to come at any and constantly as the river flows or the moment and take it away.

A new interest immediately attached itself to the Bible. I put it into the ministry ing Father about myself, of victories won ter's room to await some providential opportunity to dispose of it. That opportunity was not long in coming. When this failures and defeats which were mine new pulpit was set in place upon my return it was found that not one of the presented to the church would fit its ook board. I then went to the minister's

room and brought out this ash-can Bible. It was just the thing. Besides being of the right size, its gold edges and richly embossed covers made it peculiarly suitable to mount this pulpit, and here it will stand as itself a memorial—the pulpit a memorial to a family who loved the Bible, guided their lives for fifty years in this community by its counsels, and sent forth into it

Robert Browning, in his great poem, "The Ring and the Book," tells the story of finding a rare book at a stall in the Square of Florence, and, after reporting its contents, he gives rein to his poetic ings upon the life, character and history of the persons figuring within its narrative,

punctuating with marks of exquisite strength and beauty the lessons of their This strangely discovered book starts no poetic strains within me-I have no such strings to vibrate-but it does set my soul to musing, and those musings seem to me to take the path of likeliest fact and truth. They carry me back over the carlier history of this book. It may have been, it doubtless was, a wedding present, given probably by a pious father and mother long since among the sainted dead. It had been in the home through all the years of their family history and had become as of their family history, and had become as familiar an object as the silver on their table or the pictures upon their walls Again and again they had gone to i through the passing years to inscribe with in its sacred pages the records of their home. With the daintiest touch they had put in their own names while the honey moon was still on. Later when that lit-tle life came to them, their first born, and the glow of parenthood flushed their souls as with a baptism from heaven, they dipped the pen as if into some love fluid and wrote out with pride the dear little one's newly chosen name.

A few years passed and the angel came and took the sweet soul away. The funeral over, the father one evening when they were alone and the house was silent, went through into the parlor, unknown to his wife, and put in the record, leaning over the open book till the tears began to soil the page, and then turning over a few pages into the book that adjoined the record, he read over and over again those dear and holy words, "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven," and those other words so inseparably ass ciated with them, "Their angels do always behold the face of My Father." It was the Bible, too, out of which the minister had read at the little one's funeral, and in this and a hundred other ways it had taken on a hallowedness and built itself into the whole life of the home.

But five years ago the family moved into New York, and the decay of their home life began. Sentiment, association, memrun a race with the evanescent, migratory life of the metropolis. They had moved often, and every time they moved they had left something of their home life be-hind them. Age ceased to give anything its value; it was the ease with which it could be transported which determined that. Their religious life had declined, and they never opened the Bible of late. They had even neglected to record the last death that had taken place in the family. tles They had been weaned from the church tian. thought and feeling had become strangers to their hearts.

paper in their home, but now they read it themselves and allowed their children to read it without the least qualm of conscience. To stay away from church once was a few years ago an act of backsliding, but they had not long been in New York before whole months passed without their crossing the sacred threshold, and yet it gave them no compunction whatever. Time was, and not long since, when they were most punctilious about sending their children to Sunday-school. The wildest wind and the foulest weather would not pass with them as an excuse for allowing the boys and girls to stay at home. There was no such strictness these last years, but weeks of Sabbaths went by and failed to record a single present mark for any of the children on the rolls of the Sunday-school.

Therefore, sentiment gone, association and memory having loosened their grasp, their religious life having become a thing

it its inclosure and setting, they would

throw away.

Were there ever a sadder story? It makes one weep to think of it. And yet it is the story of a thousand homes in this community, of a hundred thousand homes in this city. It is what some of you are coming to, dear friends, unless you take warning. Let this Bible give you such a warning to-night. May it ever be a warning to every family of this church.

As often as the eves of those worshiping As often as the eyes of those worshiping here shall rest upon it, may it speak to them its solemn message with a voice that

cannot be drowned-let not the fire burn low on your hearthstone, but keep up the fireside glow. See that your home is in touch with the church. Suffer not your family altar to become a ruin. Have a family Bible and use it. Take care that mildew spots, like those which I find here that are always signs of disuse. are not allowed to mar it. Read the Old Book to your children. Read it to your own soul lowed to mar it. Read the Old Book to your children. Read it to your own soul Without it your home life will grow hol-low and unholy, your children will deterto the church under the uniquest conditions. Indeed I doubt if there is another church in the whole world that came by its pulpit Bible in the same or in anything like a similar way.

Thus this Bible shall stand as a memorial to a typically deteriorated New York home, and as a warning to the families that have not likewise deteriorated, but shall it not also be at the same time a shall it not also be at the same time a memorial to something higher and more inspiring—to the glorious character and ministry of the word of Cod as an abiding and ever expanding and ever expanding was disowned, desecrated, cast out as rub-bish into the street, only to be recovered, honored, set in a high place, elevated to a

> stroy it, it shall come out of every battle a thousand fold stronger than before, and light a circle that extends far beyond its former perimeter of influence. "A glory gilds the sacred page,
> Majestic as the sun:
> It gives a light to every age;
> It giveth, but borrows none."

it also speak forth its word of encourage-ment and triumph, telling all who shall henceforth behold it that the word of God liveth and abideth forever; that however much men may attack it and seek to de-

This is the quiet hour in which I sit alone with God, writes Charles Edward Martin, in the New York Observer. He hears my whispered plaints and listens to

my love. He maketh me happy in my love, which ever goeth out to Him as quietly in the open field, when Hc was my delivwhen I sought safety within unstrength-ened ramparts of my own construction. I

acknowledge His marvelous strength and own my own wavering weakness.

I was too impetuous, too impatient. ing my own plans to my own shame and dishonor. It would seem that I could not wait. But I will now learn the value of time—the wisdom of taking time to do all

hings in obedience to His plans, and to do them well.
In this quiet hour I will tell Him all. nity by its counsels, and sent forth into it streams of Christian influence that will never run dry; the Bible which rests upon this pulpit speaking to us of a family who flitted into this neighborhood, and after a restless sojourn of a few months, more probably of not root and form well.

The first quiet hour I will tell Him all. But I will not speak of my plans. Alast for me! I have too many plans! I will simply and humbly ask for His love and guidance just for to-day. To-morrow I may be with Him in paradise. I will say: "All-wise One, all-loving One, Thou who makest and warmest the affections of the restless sojourn of a few months, more probably of not more than a few weeks, flitted out again without having done anything to help it, and who thought so little of God and goodness, desired so faintly, not only to light the road heavenward for others, but to have it lighted for themselves, that they threw away their family Bible and moved on to drag down the religious tone and temperature of some other community.

Robert Browning, in his great poem, "The Ring and the Book," tells the story of finding a rare book at a stall in the fetters that cramp and fret my heart.

> pleasing unto Thee. Lead me in those holy footsteps that bear the print of the nail!"

Teach me that true and lasting happiness

cometh only with those things which are

What the Bible Is. Some writer gives the following analysis of the "Book of books," the Bible: It is a book of laws, to show the right rom the wrong.
It is a book of wisdom, that makes the

It is a book of truth, which detects all numan errors. It is a book of life, and shows how to avoid everlasting death. It is the most authentic and entertaining history ever published.
It contains the most remote antiquities,

the most remarkable events and wonderful It is a complete code of laws. It is a perfect body of divinity. t is an unequaled narrative. It is a book of biography.

est deed ever written.

It is the best will ever excuted, the best stament ever signed. It is the learned man's masterpiece. It is the young man's best companion. It is the schoolboy's best instructor. It is the ignorant man's dictionary and every man's directory. It promises an eternal reward to the aithful and believing.

But that which crowns all is the Author,

It is the best covenant ever made, the

He is without partiality and without hypocrisy, with whom there is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.—Religious The False and True Point of View. The cry, "back to Christ," needs guardng, or it may become mischievous and nisleading. From all human theologies and priestly systems we do well to turn, and to make our appeal to Christ. But which Christ? The Carist pre-pentecostal or the Christ post-pentecostal? The difference between the two is immense. To bid a modern person "place himself in thought and imagination where the first disciples encountered Him." is to direct him to encountered Him," is to direct him to a false point of view. It is to ask a man to think himself back to daybreak in order to understand the full shining of the sun. The true point of view for a soul is that which enables him to see Christ glorified and interpreted by the Holy Ghost. Those who adopt the first position often make little of the Pauline teaching and of the doctrines of Grace. The whole truth con-

cerning our Lord is only understood by those who behold Him as fully revealed by the Holy Spirit in the Acts, the Epis-tles and the Apocalypse.—London Chris-In proportion as the perfect obedience of Their consciences had been dulled, and what had once seemed impossible to them was now second nature. They used to think they could never allow the Sunday paper in their home, but now they read it themselves and allowed their children to means of grace to sanctify Him in our

and memory having loosened their grasp, their religious life having become a thing of the past, and their consciences having grown sluggish, they had no more use for the Old Book. It was too bulky to move; they would keep the family record, but the sacred pages and covers which had given point only, but from that of others. Then having acquired that "armed insight" of which Carlyle speaks, and a better moral perspective, we shall come not only "to see ourselves as others see us." but to see others as they see themselves—seeing, to understand, and understanding to love.—Marian Pritchard.

Statement July 1, 1904.

Assets \$6,338,459.35 | Capital, \$100,000.00. Surplus, \$400,000.00 |

Not including Trust Funds, which are kept entirely separate.

Deposits 5,641,319.88 Pays Interest 3 per cent on deposits, 14 days' notice to withdraw.
2 per cent subject to check without notice, on average balances of \$500 and over.