WILKINS' COLUMN.

By Samwell Wilkins.

BON'T KNOW ANY BETTER. When a man gets too much dust in his eyes And grimly refuses to advertise, It's not that he's stingy, or ugly, or mean,-Not that he's too bashful to have himself seen, It's not that he has any reason himself To drive away business and bury his pelf; It's 'cause he don't know any better.

ONLY WIND. A Windbag sald to itself one day:

"Now I will be frisky, and light, and gay, And I'll make men think I'm firm and sound, Just 'cause I am noisy, and big, and round; And I'll make them think I'm a thing of brains With moral feelings, and lofty aims; But I know I'm only wind."

So the Windbag went, and it blew its horn, And the world thought there was a genius

And it looked so substantial, and big, and

grand, That loudest praised it could command, And as it was flourishing, day by day, Men thought it was sound and had come to

Whereas, it was only wind.

It blew its own trumpet long and loud, Till it gained the respect of the vulgar crowd And it placed its boom on the upper shelf, And it bragged, and boasted, and spread itself And laid all good at its own front door, As it pranced along with a rush and a roar; But the roar was only wind.

And the Windbag smiled as it onward sped, And it chuckled and laughed as it boomed

ahead, And it said, "What fools these mortals be To bow and take off their hats to me; But you bet I holler for number one, And they think I'm a terrible Fee Faw Fum; But there's nothing to me but wind.

There's a maxim that came from some fairy "Give a calf enough rope and he'll hang him-

self." So the Windbag went, as the cyclones go,

With a terrible bluster, and howl, and blow, Till there came some sudden though slight mishaps,

And the Windbag fell in a great collapse, And they saw it was only wind.

P. S. 'Tis thus with a paper right here in town, In a darksome cellar, a long way down; And it makes a thunder as big and loud As the vacuum caused by a parting cloud. I guess if they'd raise it up to the light They would find that the vacuum's there all

right. But the thunder is only wind. . . .

TEE-HEE. I'm a beautiful, charming young girl, Tee-hee.

And my teeth are the whitest of pearl, Tee-hee, And my eyes are as bright

As the stars in the night,

And I'm spry in the waltz's swift whirl, Tee-hee. I've been out without ma once or twice,

Tec-hee, I was awfully prim and precise, Tee-bee: Perhaps you don't know,

But I went with a beau, And I think it was awfully nice, Tee-hee. I didn't know just what to do,

Techee, It all was so funny and new, Tee-hee; I felt giddy and gay,

And had nothing to say, So I giggled the whole evening through, Tee-hee.

And so every young man that I see, Tee-hee,

I imagine he's looking at me, Tee hee

'Twas so finny, you know, To go out with a beau, And to think he was talking to me, Tee-hee.

HOUSE CLEANING.

Pursuant to last week's threat, the Times is house cleaning. The sanctum sanctorum expense onto a company and it is enough to more soap on one of the front windows when good thing into a bare living. There are 14 the walls, the chair was off its legs, the edi- a difference of more than \$6,000, because tor was off on a toot, the city editor was off they have larger numbers in their companthat had been struck by a tornado.

* * * ICE CREAM SODA.

positions I was ever a witness to was in these troupes. Many have already gone Kalamazoo last summer. They used to dish under, and in less than a year fully HALF of up very excellent ice cream soda at the this 250,000 people who depend on the stage "Candy Kitchen," and they were enterpris- for bread will be without visible suping enough to have a rather pretty girl to port. Now, I say that bill is most atrocious, attend to the soda fountain. I had just and the men who passed it are most damnaformed the acquaintance of a newcomer at bly stupid, and criminally so." K .- a young gentleman from the effete east. and he was a rather siry youth. He was a Miln? most excellent fellow, and his eccentricities were not assumed, but he was peculiar. He He drew one of the stools up close to the commerce bill." marble counter and sat down. He had on a pair of bran new lavender pants and a pleasant, down east smile, and he remarked, Sunday School will be held at Dayton, Sun-"Chocolate and ice cream," and beamed be- day May 14. nignly upon "Rosy" behind the counter. There will be a cake sale this afternoon at "Rosy" got one glass ready and shoved it the Congregational church. the slippery marble counter in such a man. of A. B. Smith, justice of the peace.

ner that it landed upside down on my downeast friend's bran-new lavender pants. That same young man jumped about half way across the store and exclaimed, "Helendemnashus!" and looked up just in time to be recognized and addressed by two of our lady friends, who had been in the ice cream par. stood, a picture for an artist—the two young ladies, with their faces expressing the most abject astonishment, staring at us, the girl behind the counter scared half to death, I with a glass of soda in my hand, weeping copiously, and my poor eastern friend as red as a lobster, with the ice cream all over his lavender pants, and himself completely covered with confusion, embarrassment and chocolate soda water.

> * * * THE HORN FIEND.

Gently cometh the harmonius toot of the brass horn from over by Bowman's Art Galery. Some fiend, in human form, stations himself in an open, upper window somewhere along, and proceeds to play cat calls, and yeowls, and Fiji hornpipes on some old brass fish horn. The aforesaid fiend thereby injures the health of the city, frightens the children, excites men's angry passions, and doesn't create a sound any nearer to music than a gold circlet from a first-class jeweler resembles the Tammany ring that used to run New York politics.

MILN'S VIEWS.

Geo. C. Miln on the Interstate Commerce Bill,--\$6,000 per Annum to his Company .-- Miln's Compliments to Ye Noble Legislators.

In response to the request of the FREE TRADER hustler, Mr. Miln signified his wil lingness to talk to us on any subject whatsoever except the pulpit.

"My business is the stage," said Mr. Miln. I can talk about that, but I don't know any thing about the pulpit. I'm through with it." "You left the pulpit for the stage, did you

"No, sir; I left the pulpit because I was through with it, and then, being out of any usiness, I entered this profession. I have been on the stage four years and a half. don't know as there is anything else in par ticular .- Oh, yes! I can tell you what 1 think of the Interstate Commerce Bill. That b'll is the enames t nuisance and the greatest a mine that my profession has to endure."

"Is it the bill itself, or is it the railroads'

application of it?" "Well, I suppose it's the latter; but it doesn't make much difference whether it be the muscles of the leg or their effect on the foot that causes a kick. If you feel the toe of the boot parting your coat tails, you know it's there, and the result is the same whether the foot had anything to do with the will of the act or not. That interstate commerce bill is a piece of the greatest stupidity. It aims at the protection of the weak classes from the railroad favers granted to wealth but when they take away from a wholesale patronage the reduced prices that wholesale trade is always entitled to, then they do an act of colossal stupidity and injustice. Those men who passed that bill had better go back home like Cincinnatus, and stay there."

"You regard it, then, as a mere fool job,

and not as an intentional injustice?" "Intentional!" said Mr. Miln warming up "Intentional, No; they didn't know any better. But they did it just the same. If I go out in the street and fire off a gun and kill somebody, would the authorities ask whether I intended to or not? Why, my dear boy, just listen: There are about 75,000 people in this country who are engaged in the show business. These, with those dependant upon them, make about 250,000 people depending upon the stage for their bread and butter. This law has made a difference to me of \$500 in a month. That is \$6,000 a year. Now you put \$6,000 extra "we" called than the Times has seen of members in my troupe. There are many "soap" for three weeks. The pap r was off troupes on the road to whom this law makes his base, the devil was turned loose with a ies. Mine is perhaps a fair average. There scrub-brush and a kettle of lye, and the are, I should say, some 300 or 400 companwhole ranch looked like a vat of paper pulp ies on the road who are affected as greatly or more greatly than I am. The rest are smaller. Now you can see that a difference of one cent a mile and charge for extra bag-One of the saddest and most embarrassing gage will cripple or break a large number of

"Do you say that for publication, Mr.

"I say it for any use you want to put it to -it's TRUE. When a congressman deesn't was very fine looking, wore gold eye-glasses, know any more than to pass his vote on a dressed pretty well, and went in the best bill without knowing what the result will be, society. He was from the east, you know, he'd better go home and stay there. I tell and he never pronounced an r. you know, you," said Mr. Miln with warmth, "I tell and he was cultured, and polite and refined, you that if those fellows down at Washington and everybody liked him. Well, one day I | would spend less time in giving wine supto step in and have some soda. Now, even would spend a little more time studying the in my days of grammar school practice, I great problems of the country, there would never could decline "soda;" so we went in. be fewer such fool laws as the interstate

A convention of the Dayton Township

toward me as the party being treated, and A special town election will be held May then drew another glass and shoved it across | 21st, to fill the vacancy caused by the death OTTAWA MARKETS. OTTAWA, ILL., May 6, 1887.

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B. F. LINCOLN. Special Election.

Notice is hereby given, that a special election will be held in the town of Ottawa, in the county of La Salle and state of Illinois, at Arthur Lockwood's office, on the 21st day of May, A D. 1887, for the purpose of electing one Justice of the Peace to fill a vacancy existing in that office in said town, which election will be open at eight o'clock in the morning and continue open until 7 o'clock in the afternoon of that day. Dated at Ottawa, this 2d day of May, A. D. 1887.

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Provard Moray, Diceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in said estate, that the undersigned, Administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of said Edward Moran, deceased, will appear before the Probate Court of the county of La Saile and state of Illinois, at the County Court House, in Ottawa, in said county, on Monday, the 28th day of June, A. D. 1887, for the purpose of rendering an account of his proceedings in the alministration of said estate for the final settlement.

final settlement.
Dated at Ottawa, this ith day of May, 1887.
MICHAEL MORAN. ATTEST: HENRY HELMIG, Administrator, Clerk Probate Court La Salle Co., Ill. may7-3w

M. L. NEWELL.

Attorney at Lace.

M ASTER'S SALE.—STATE OF ILLINOIS, County or La Salle.—ss. La Satte County Circuit Court. In the matter of Mary Fuebs and Frank Henicksman, Ida Henicksman and Joseph Henicksman and Gorth.—On Eith Jordan and Joseph Henicksman, Ida Henicksman and Joseph Henicksman, Ida Henicksman and Joseph Henicksman, Ida Henicksman

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