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THE remarkable series of short stories announced in Schibner for 1877 begins in the February number, with a dramatic story, "Farmer Bassett's Romance," by Saxe HOLM, the scene of which is laid at a Methodist camp-meeting; and a strong story, by Boyesen, "How Mr. Storm met his Desti-

The next in order will be "STELLA GRAY-LAND," by JAMES T. MCKAY; "AN IMPOSSI. BLE STORY," by BAYARD TAYLOR; and a new story by the author of "Miss Marigola's Thanksgiving;" and Tourgueneff's story, "A Dream," translated by Boycsen; and others not yet announced, by such writers as Mrs. Hodgson Burnett, Constance Fenimore Woolson, Miss Honkins, Kete Putnam Os-Woolson, Miss Hopkins, Kate Putnam Os-good, Charles DeKay, and many others.

Dr. Holland's New Novel, "Nicholas

which began in December Schibner and will run through the year, touches on some phases of New-York life not familiar to readers of ction. The story will have to do with the relations between "society" so-called and the dangerous classes. Parts of the February in stallment will be found most pathetic.

MRS. BURNETT'S story "That Lass o' Lowrie's" (a work of very strong dramatic interest N. Y. Times) increases in power as the

General McCleltan's Papers of Travel are among the most interesting series of magazine papers recently published. His "Winter on the Nile," begun in the January SCRIBNER and continued in February, is of special interest in view of England's efforts to gain control of Egypt.

The February SCRIBNER opens with the third of the "coresional papers on out-door

story progresses.

third of the "occasional papers on out-door sports," announced in November. The writer is Edward Seymour, and the subject,

"Trout-Fishing in the Rangeley Lakes" waters which have recently acquired fame among sportsmen for the great size of the brook trout taken there. The article is full of pictures, and deals with a region new to the general public. Another illustrated paper is a study, by E. S. Nadal, of that delightful with the first of Satherne." the paper has been incorporated in any "life" of the naturalist. There is also a popular science article

The Microscope among the Flowers, by Mrs. S. B. Herrick, with drawings by the author, who describes the agency of insects in the fertilization of flowers, and tells why it is unhealthy to keep flowers in a bedroom at night. A sketch of "John Romeyn Brodhead," by T. W. Chambers, will recall to New Yorkers a cultivated writer of the last decade

Other articles are: "A Morning with Sir Julius Benedict," by Kate Field; "Traditional Music of the French Pyrenees" (with scores, hitherto unpublished), by Nena Sturgis; "Farragut in Mobile Bay," by Henry Buldwin; "How do I know what is the Bible?" by Tyron Edwards. Poems, Editorials, Reviews; Mr. Welford's London letter, -- a new feature; Bric-a-braz, &c., &c. It may be said of SCRIBNER for February as

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-A dispatch from Columbia, Central America, states that Mr. Edes, United States consul at Palmyra, in Canca, arrived by the last steamer, and fully confirms the terrible news of the massacre of conservatives at Cali, (the most important town of Canca), on the 24th of December last, by a motley crowd of libe-General David Pena. All the conservatives they met were ruthlessly killed, and many liberals who tried to arrest the least safeguard. Most of the conservathe hands of their fiendish pursuers. In The hoarseness was now completely gone. the centre alone of the town eighty-seven hovses were sacked, gutted and turned into shambles, and the owners rendered are as nothing compared with the still suburbs and on the estates in the surrounding country. Their murder, lust, robbery and incendiarism continued unchecked for days together. All the small down, the cape fields burned, and even the machinery destroyed so as to render it useless to its owner. The number of persons killed was about three bundred.

WATCHES, CLOCKS AND JEWELRY resufficient to maintain a large number of paired by competent workmen at John Nickpersons, and it is supposed that in time france note in her deceased mother's chigthe institution will become filled.

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OLD SAYINGS IN RHYME,

As poor as a church-mouse, As thin as a rail;

As fat as a porpoise, As rough as a gale; As brave as a lion, As spry as a cat; As bright as a sixpence, As weak as a rat.

As proud as a peacock, As sly as a fox; As mad as a March-hare, As strong as an ox; As fair as a lilly,
As empty as air;
As rich as a Creans,

As cross as a bear.

As pure as an angel, As neat as a pin; As smart as a steel trap, As ugly as sin; As dead as a door nail, As white as a sheet; As flat as a pancake, As red as a beet.

As black as your hat; As brown as a berry, As blind as a bat; As mean as a miser, As full as a tick;

As plump as a partridge, As sharp as 9 stick. As clean as a penny, As dark as a pall; As hard as a millstone,
As bitter as gall;
As fine as a fiddle.
As clear as a bell;

As dry as a herring, As deep as a well. As light as a feather, As hard as a rock;

As stiff as a poker, As calm as a clock; As green as a gosling, As brisk as a bee; And now let me stop, Lest you weary of me.

-There is a curious story told of the manner in which Frederick the Great could deal, where other men had failed, was inclined to set too little store by the unable to sing, whenever anybody or

thing displeased her. One day a certain opera was to be performed at Berlin before the King himself. At the appointed hour the manager came forward and said: "Ladies and gentlemen, we grieve to inform you that our prima donna has a sore throat, and and that the representation announced cannot therefore take place. "The stolid Teutonic audience seemed no whit surwhen the King rose and commanded the musicians to keep ther places. The audience sat down again and waited pa-

tiently on events. In less than a quarter of an most unfeigned pleasure in informing you that our prima dona is completely cured of her sore throat and will have the honor to sing before you to-night." Surely enough the famous singer soon appeared, and never had she sung better. Her triumph was complete. The King's prescription had been a

very simple one. The prima donna, having dismissed the unhappy manager, was sitting comfortably before the fire in her own room, and rather pleased at the idea of having spoiled the pleasure of several hundreds of persons, when the door was violently thrown open, and there entered an officer followed by four dragoons. 'Mademoiselle," quoth the officer, "the King, my master, has sent me to ask after your health." "The King is very good: I have a bad sore throat." "His Majesty knows it, and has charged me to take you at once to the military hospital, where you will be cured in a few days." Mademoiselle turned pale. "You are jesting," she simpered; but Prussian officers, she was informed, never jested. The lieutenant gave the order to his men, who seized Mademoiselle and carried her out of the threatre. A coach rals, numbering 3,000 or 4,000, headed by was in attendance; the lady was deposited therein; the officer took his place beside, after shouting his address to the driver, "The military hospital;" and off they went, the dragoons riding alongside. diately had recourse to incantations and friends or relatives, and persons suspect-ed of sympathizing with the conserva"I think I feel better." "The King is which the women of Thessalv were tives or of having no decided opinion in anxious, Mademoiselle, that you should politics, shared the same fate. Neither feet quite restored, and even that you age, nor sex, nor infirmity constituted the should sing to night." "I will try," murmured the prisoner. "Back to the tives, thinking, perhaps, too rashly and theatre," cried the officer to the coachselfishly, that the persons of men alone man. Arrived there Mademoiselle began were in danger, had abandoned their to think she had yielded too easily. "I time to deprive the person who took comes from the use of a broad furrow in homes, leaving in them only the women of their households. Others, when the risk grew imminent, had endeavored to hide themselves indoors, and were the great artiste you are." "I shall sing dragged out to be slain under the very like an artiste with a bad cold." "I eyes of the terrified women. On the think not." "And why?" "Because a other hand, the unfortunate wives and couple of dragoons will be in attendance daughters of the conservatives were piti- behind the scenes, and at the least counce tish Government, and which he remained

the brain by idleness as by overwork, ac- olith in a kind of sacking and covering it dependent on charity for their immediate cording to Dr. Farqubarsen's theory, as with wood in a rounded shape, it could support. Nothing has been held sacred, be gives it in The Popular Science Monthly. be rolled into a barge and then towed to He argues that intellectual power is tes- the Thames. Once there; however, the not even the churches, since they also were robbed and their very altars sened by the listlessness in which the still further and greater difficulty of stained with blood. But all the horrors well-to-do classes generally spend their erecting it has to be encountered. The lives. Under such condition the brain erection of the obelisk in the Place de la more frightful excesses perpetrated in the gradually loses its health, and although Concorde, at Paris, cost \$80,000; and it equal to the demands of a routine existing the enormous expense involved in tence, is unable to withstand the strain dealing with this still larger and more its unprepared state, the worst conse- tempting the enterprise. The engineer, home, all the estates ravaged, their cattle driven away or shot, the hedges torn customed to sedentary pursuits is liable | the obelisk put up safely in the place to to be physically injured by taking suddenly to violent exercise. As to the berland avenue, at a cost of about £7,000. amount of mental work that may safely The former residence of Edwin Forrest, near Philadelphis, now a home for indigent acrors, is a strange place. The indigent actors, is a strange place. The that it is not necessary to impose any fish into them, apparently without suchouse is a palace in its gorgeousness; the special limits on the actual number of cess. In thirteen ponds 130,000 young furniture is beautiful and expensive; the hours which he devotes to his labors. land-locked salmon were put last year, library, the pictures and the statuary are But when what is generally known as but none of them are now to be found. such as seldom seen in private collections. worry steps in to complicate matters, There are trout in fifty-seven ponds, the

-His first feat as a ventriloquist was invited by a medical friend. The doctor, tleman engaged apartments at one of our shoot under the houses like turnels and in a dissecting-room, whither he had been

voice, "the remains of a woman." "Yes," came from another body upon another table; "it is an outrage to thus After several days' sojourn he had suc- tain, with its marble troughs and its golabuse a woman." Doctor and students ceeded in making himself disagreeable den verses of the Koran. What a chosen made a rush for the door, and it was only to all those he came in contact with. On spot it is, cooled by this bubbling water, when the surgeon had frantically driven the eleventh day after his arrival, a mid- where half a dozen streets run together home in his carriage, taking Signor Blitz dle-aged and a young lady entered the and the fantastic bazaars group them-

Blitz himself has left of his long life and dining-room on the morning after their clouds of the nargilehs and soothed with varied experience. Meeting Paganini, the arrival caused quite a sensation among numberless small cups of coffee as black violinist, during a visit to Glasgow, an the eligible young bachelors, the young as ink and as thick as mud. All the suninfant's cry came from within the great lady proving exceedingly attractive, and shine of the East pours upon that devo-Italian's fiddle. "My God," said Paganini, "what is this!"

"You know whose child it is," said a female voice from a neighboring closet. The excited musician rushed to the She received their attentions with a that has been torn down, by the by-liscloset, thence back to his violin, and then haughty dignity and coldness which tening to the drone of the buyers and selturned round to see Signor Elitz laughing proved very discouraging to the less de- lers, feeding upon figs, dates, oranges and and to receive his explanation.

the American consul at Cairo to a Philadelphia museum. A crowd was one day favor. His repeated advancements and roof of Simon, the tanner's house, the about the case, and was startled by a obtrusive remarks to her brought down charms of Jaffa appeal to the eye. The voice from amid the multitudinous linen

"Open the box! open the box!" said the voice. "Who are you?" asked one visitor, more venturesome than the rest. "I'm a descendant of the Pharoahs,"

answered the voice. "What do you want ?" "Ask yourself. Your confounded Yankee curiosity has waked me up from the sleep of ages. Open the box!"

"What's your name?" the great ventriloquist made himself

known. Introduced to a very solemn clergymen with a prima donna of the period who abruptly denounced the signor for performances which were "dangerous to the catch a cold, which had the effect of the same sort. Interrupting him, the sig withdrew a dice-box and dice from his clerical hat. Signor Blitz was troubled morning three persons had an early with no more orthodox objections from breakfast at that hotel, then folded their that gentleman.

-In one State of New Grenada the

otherwise disposed of. lover was seldom favored with an oppor- is claimed that it is absolutely impossible tunity of telling his passion to his mis- for the horse to kick on the side of the tress, he used to discover it by inscribing rope. At the trial yesterday a horse her name on the walls of his house, on which for years had to be bound on the the bark of the trees of a public walk, or ground to be shod, suffered the blackthe leaves of his book; it was customary smith to operate upon him without atfor him also to deck the door of the tempting to kick while secured in the house where his fair one lived with flow- manner described .- San Francisco Chroners and garlands; to make libations of icle. wine before it, in the manner that was practiced at the temple of Cupid. When a love affair did not prosper in the hands of a Greek he did not endeavor to beperson; he did not lavish his fortune in acre. presents, or become more obliging or assiduous in his addresses, but imme- Breadth of furrow slice. reckoned the most famous, and drove a traffic in them of no inconsiderable advantage. These potions were given by the women to the men, as well as by the men to the women, and were generally so violent in their operation as for some -There seems at last a reasonable pro-

bability that Cleopatra's Needle, which was given by Mehemet Ali to the Brilessly hunted from house to house, meeting with the most shameless outrages at you off again to the military hospital." in London. An engineer, who has devoted much attention, to the subject, -There is as much danger of hurting says that by carefully swathing the monof sudden emergency. So, when a load interesting monolith which has hitherto of work is unexpectedly thrown on it in deterred the British Government from atbe provided for it at the end of Northum-

-This is the story as told by the Boston Herald : Not many weeks ago a gen narrow streets of Jaffa -the streets that

It is impossible to give more than a as mother and daughter, engaged an ter of vines and fig-trees. There the few of the many anecdotes which Signor apartment. Their appearance in the twang of traffic is softened in the smokesprang up among men and marriageable what it is to linger an hour within the old ones, each endeavoring to ingratiate charmed circle of its antique fountain himself in the young lady's affections. over against the Jerusalen. Gate-a gate An Egyptian mummy was presented by awkward friend, the first arrival, was bile while he dreams of the Holy City on him the justly-merited ridicule of all, town is thoroughly oriental; it could not ticularly of one young man, who was out at once being marked as an alien. possessed of considerable wealth and a Old as it is in one sense it is very fresh acceptable in the botel, and with a taunthe would be on familiar terms with the

"Signor Bitz," answered the voice, and theater. Foolish as it may seem, the young man took the bet, and \$1,000 were placed in the hands of the hotel clerk. True to his boast, within the prescribed in Hartford, Connecticut, that gentleman time, the ugly man took the bandsome woman to the Globe Theater. On returning to the hotel the clerk handed him Peter healed Eneas; where St. George was public. This great artiste seemed to welfare of mankind," and much more of \$1,000. Going up stairs, the lady was overheard asking, "How much was the pitched his camp. Beautiful Ramleh, rendering her hoarse and consequently unable to sing, whenever anybody or the pocket of his ministerial coat and plied. "Stupid little husband," she said, the green plains of Shoron. Herod and

-A few days ago an exhibition was right of asking is premiscuously exer- given at the corner of Ninth and Howcised by both sexes, who, when they feel and streets of a new and very simple not to be driven by ordinary reins, but the passion of love, declare it without the method of taming vicious horses, which by electricity combined with them. The prised, and was moving out tranquilly least embarrassment; and among the is claimed to be superior to any in use. coachman is to have under his seat an Cossacks the same thing is said to be The first trial was with a kicking or electro magnetic apparatus, which he carried still further, and the women more bucking mare which, her owner says, has works by means of a little handle. One generally court than the men. When a allowed no rider on her back for five wire is carried through the rein to the young woman falls in love with a man, years. She became tame and gentle in as bit and another to the crupper, so that she is not in the least ashamed to go to many minutes, and allowed herself to be a current once set up goes the entire manager reappeared and spoke as fol- his father's house and reveal her passion ridden about without a sign of her forlows: "Ladies and gentlemen, I have the in the most pathetic manner, and to mer wilderness. The means by which promise submission and obedience if he this result was accomplished consists of will accept of her for a wife. Should a piece of light rope, which is passed the most obstinate jibber. The creature, the insensible man pretend any excuse, around the front jaw of the mare, just however strong and however vicious, is she tells him she is resolved never to go above the upper teeth, crossed in her "at once transformed into a sort of inofout of the house till he gives his consent; mouth, and then secured back of her and, accordingly, taking up her lodging, neck, It is claimed that no horse will remains there. If he still obstinately kick or jump when thus secured, and the very opposite result may be produced refuses her, his case becomes exceedingly that a bucking horse after receiving this by a succession of small shocks. Under distressing; the church is commonly on treatment a few times will abandon his the influence of these the veriest screw her side, and to turn her out would pro- vicious ways forever. A very simple can be suddenly endowed with a vigor voke all her kindred to revenge her method was also shown by which a kickhoner; so that he has no method left but ing horse can be shod. It consists in con- fect upon the condition of the horse is to betake himself to flight till she is necting the animal's head and tail by means of a rope fastened to the tail and As the two sexes in Greece had but then to the bit, and drawn tightly enough original and salutary," and one which little intercourse with each other, and a to incline the horre's head to one side. It

tents and stole away.

-As a matter of interest, we print the following table which indicates the discome more engaging in his manner or tance traveled by a horse in plowing an

Space traveled in plowing an acre 7 inches. 9 9-10"

the labor account with a crop which it again trickles down the columns. This comes from the use of a broad furrow in freezing and trickling process continues plowing. If we call 16 miles a day, the until the inside of the house is one solid day's work for the horses, we plow but cake of ice, estimated to weigh 400 tons. 11 acres a day, by making a 9 inch We examined several cakes of ice and it furrow; nearly 2 acres, by making a 12 appeared as clear and solid as any lake inch furrow; and when a gang plow is ice. It is retailed at one cent per pound used, which plows a 24 inch furrow, the and sold to dealers at \$15 per ton. acreage is increased to nearly 4.

The use of an improved plow which turns a broad furrow and pulverizes, is therefore an economy on land suited to its use, and there is great gain from the use of a gang plow under circumstances where it is applicable. - Scientific Farmer.

-It has often been remarked of Washington, that no one was ever in his presence without being strongly impressed by reverence for his dignity. But it seems by the following anecdote, that at least there was one exception : "When the President was procuring

the ground for the city which was to be the seat of government, he had but little difficulty in obtaining the necessary releases, except in on instance. Mr. James Byrnes was the owner of a lot or tract, which it was advisable should be included in the plan. The General had various conferences with Mr. B., who was very obstinate, and resisted all the reasoning and persuasions of the great man. In Byrnes, what would your land have been | see up in the sky so far?"; asked Charlie, worth if I had not placed this city on the Potomac? Byrnes was undismayed, and lady who sat on the garden seat, knit-cooly turned to him and said, George ting. "No, my dear, why is it?" "Be-

kill time. Forrest's will orders the erection of a miniature theatre, in which the inmates of the home may entertain themselves and others. The endowment is sufficient to maintain a large number of sufficient to maintain the sufficient to maintain a large number of sufficient to mai

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scalpel in hand, had made an incision in fashionable hotels. In appearance he run up and down hill like stairs. How the body of a woman, to which she pro- was not prepossessing; he had an unpleas. the bazaars glowed with colored stuffs, tested. "It is cruel to mutilate," said the ant manner and an ungainly figure, and and made the air sweet with perfumes p ssessed none of those qualities calculathat no seal can imprison. How the ted to recommend one to the gentler sex. water gurgled in the great Saracenic founwith him, that the ventriloquist explained. hotel office, and registering their names selves in a circle about it under the shelbefore many days considerable rivalry ted nook, and whose visits Jaffa knows termined and faint-hearted maies. Our sugar cane, sipping coffee or smoking jeamong the candidates for the damsel's beyond the plain of Sharon. From the especially those interested, and more par- be transplanted into any other land withlimited supply of brains. He declared and young in another. The Jaffa of tothat the ugly fellow's attentions were in- day is strong and lusty with the stirring sulting the fair lady, while the homely life of travel. Through its narrow, member of the race thought he was more crooked streets pass the huge caravans of the world. The eyes of all the nations ing boast offered to bet the rich young of the earth have turned to it with joy. man \$500 that before twenty-lour hours The feet of myriads of pilgrims have waded in its summer dust, its winter lady, and would accompany her to the mire. The sea freighted with ships sings under its weather-beaten walls on the one hand, and the famed gardens, sweet with the odors of unplucked grapes, oranges, pomegranates, peaches, figs, hem it about with bowers of perpetual shade upon the other. There stands Lydia, where St. born; where the lion-hearted Richard "why didn't you double it?" Next Samson and David knew all this beauty. - San Francisco Chronicle.

-French ingenuity has invented a method of controlling the most fractious borses without any exertion on the part of the driver. The borse of the future is length of the acimal along the spine. A sudden sliock will, we are gravely assured, stop the most violent runaway or fensive horse of wood, with the feet firmly nailed to the ground." Curiously enough, and fire indescribable. What is the efnot stated, but the Siecle cyngratulstes M. F. Fancher upon "an invention equally plices in the hands of even an infant & power over the horse which is as sovereign as it is invisible.

-An Atlanta, Ga., letter says; We next visited Senator Jones' great ice factory. We found a large square house, resembling a stone fort. The house was undergoing repairs, necessary to an improvement that was to be introduced as to the making of ice. We were shown inside and found a large room with iron columns running from floor to ceiling, the columns being about six feet apart.

The mode of making ice is to force ammonia through these columns, which are hollow. The action of the ammonia passing through causes the columns to gradually get colder and colder until a freezing point is reached. A small stream of water is allowed to trickle down the pipes, which forms icicles on the pipes. The water that fails to freeze goes to the bottom, where it is collected in a

From this table can be seen the gain in tank and pumped back to the top, where

Every farmer who has had occasion to drive a nail into seasoned oak posts knows its liability to bend and break. If the point be moistened in the mouth it will drive more kindly. Oil is still better, but then it is inconvenient to dip each nail separately into it. Another point observed is that boards become loose eventually from the rusting of the nails, which, communicating to the wood, causes not an enlargement of the nail hole, but the wearing away of the nail itself, rendering the fence or the building thaky and insecure. This may be prevented by heating any gough grease until it smokes, and then pouring it over the nails to be used. The grease will penetrate the pores of the iron, and cause the nails to last, without justing, an in-definite period. Besides this, no trouble will then be experienced in driving them into the hardest wood. The reason is that the coating of greese prevents contact of air, and consequently oxidation.

-"Grandma, do you know why I can Washington, what would you have been cause there is nothing in the way," re-worth if you had not married the Widen suming his astronomical search, and grandma her knitting.

-M. de Lesseps is about revisiting -The California mind has invented Egypt, and the hopes of the Suez Canal the idea of the longest relived in the -The California mind has invented