# The Bear Window.

Through my open rear-room casement, late in Float culivary scents in on the balmy air of

From half a score of kitchens the odors fresh Of roasting beef and boiling ham and sundry

kinds of pies,

And the fragrant smell of coffee salutes the practised nose. These are the substitutes for the clover and the

Across the back-yards, in a house not very far

A maiden, slim but tireless, a piano tries to

play. From elsewhere comes a banjo's "plunk." Another house within

A youth in emulation serspes upon a violin. And in the general chorus a parrot's laugh is

These are some town equivalents for songs of brook and bird.

Here and there on window ledges are flower pots

With them often siphon and darker bottles are

Sometimes brown paper parcels and tin cans And the beautiful and useful harmoniously

Her cool and sylph-like ......; but a white arm

jerks the curtain down.

Upon the fence-top softly treads a calm and blase

And in the yard below a pup indignant yelps

thereat; Thus the eyes and ears and neses of some who

From going to the woods and fields are daily entertained. With all these things and red brick walls one's

spirit can commune Here at my back-room window in this blessed month of June.

The Old Folk's Longing.

Don't go to the theatre, lecture or ball, But stay in your room to-night; Deny yourself to the friends that call,

Write to the sad old folks at home,
Who sit, when the day is done.
With folded hands and downcast eyes,
And think of the absent one.

Don't selfishly scribble, " Excuse my haste, I've scarcely the time to write,' Lest their brooding thoughts go wandering back To many a by-gone night, When they lost their needed sleep and rest, And every breath was a prayer That God would leave their little babe To their tender love and care.

Don't let them feel that you've no more need Of their love and counsel wise, For the heart grows strongly sensitive When age has dimmed the eyes. It might be well to let them believe You never forgot them quite-That you deem it a pleasure when far away Long letters home to write.

Don't think that the young and giddy friends Who make your pastime gay, Have half the anxious thoughts for you That the old folks have to-day. The duty of writing do not put off ; Let sleep or pleasure wait, Lest the letter for which they waited and longed Be a day or an hour too late.

For the sad old folks at home. With locks fast turning white, Are longing to hear of the absent one, So write them a letter to-night.

THE DECOLLERE IN MODERN LIFF.

In the current number of the "Forum," Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, author of "The Gates Ajar," asks the question " Has the toward the secret orders which have multi-

sense of personal modesty keep pace with plied so rapidly throughout the country St. John, N. the progress of the age ?" And her answer during the last few years? With many of respondent. is an emphatic negative. The indelicacies our churches no problem is more serious or of the stage, the license of the ball-room, the freedoms of flirtation, the civilized problem would be simplified somewhat if savagery of the surf bather, the increasing

cult of the nude in art, and of the " relastic " in literature ; all these and more are adduced in evidence that the American woman of to-day has retroverted to a Sad though the confession is, it must be ruder and earlier state of development. acknowledged that some men whose names Has the writer any suggestions to offer, are on the church roll habitually give preany plan to propose whereby the instinct of cedence to the secret society over the feminine modesty may be nerved to keep stroke with the moral development of the age? She has. She enforces, however, her ples for a revival of modesty by moformer. They have no time to spare for tives that, we fear, possess but little motive Saratoga, but they will go a long distance power. She appeals to the pride of both sexes. Civilization, she says, implies a to be present at a conclave of their fra-In yon chamber flits a figure with hair of golden high degree of delicacy ; lack of delicacy ternity. betokens the savage. Convince the woman who exhibits herself for promiscuous surfbathing, before a thousand spectators, in a bathing costume which stops-where it does; convince the half-nude woman that she is not a lady, but a savage; make it fashionable to be decent and the day is won. Convince the writer of indelicate literature that he is would embarrass them in their efforts to

not an artist but a savage, and he will burn counteract the baneful influences of these his manuscripts and discover a new literary fashion. It is to women, however, and to women " in society" that the bulk own community were suffering on account of the article is addressed. Mothers should of them. Several who live in towns of keep their daughters under stricter suronly a few thousand inhabitants reported veillance; they should know exactly, by from twenty to forty thriving orders. We questioning them, if necessary, what they believe that Vermont is not exceptional in are thinking, reading, doing. Women this respect. The lodge-using the term should have nothing to do with associato include the meetings of the varitions for the advancement of moral purity ous secret orders-will be found strongly which questions of delicacy are allowed to entrenched all through the country, be discussed in public. Much mischief growing in numbers and power, and every. is wrought by relaxing the strict rule of where detaching the devotion of Christian reserve in speech. " In the conscientious men from the church, and too often, we treatment of a subject like this, it is a fear, from the straightforward service of question whether one should omit a matter their Master. Recent figures, carefully so hard to discuss that only the urgency of compiled, show that Boston has 243 the case could induce my pen to meddle churches to 599 lodges; Brooklyn, 355 with it. I refer to the injury wrought churches to 695 lodges; Washington, 181 upon the delicacy of our women by the churches to 316 lodges; Chicago, 384 fashion of resorting to physicians of the churches to 1,088 lodges, and the same proopposite sex in cases when any sensitive portion obtains in other cities. woman would seek a woman's care if it The fact that some of these orders could be had for the praying or the paying. employ a chaplain and have an ornate Far from this pen be any flippant flying at ritual, that they conduct religions services the honor, the uprightness, the delicacy and preside over funerals, does not make of honorable and pure-minded physicians who happen to be men. But, for who finds his religion and his Christianity

young women who prefer attendance which at a lodge room and never feels the need progress of science has made practicable idea of what religion and what Christianity from woman to woman-for girls to choose are .- The Congregationalist. the one when they can command the other -there is no condemnation too severe. For mothers who encourage them, what is to be said ?" The writer holds very decided How it Was Written and How it Got Into Print. views with regard to the "styles of undress which now disgrace our sex." "It is a fact, that decent women have never dressed so indecently in our country and our cen-tury as they do in fashionable life to-day. civilization ? It exposes the body with an indifference which nothing seems to abash. The reproofs of the pulpit, the complaints of the press; the denunciations of modest members of our own sex, flit over these bared bosoms like the feathered tips of their own fans. The impression goes no deeper. " Face the truth. An immodest your costume is coarse and vulgar, you can blame no voice or pen which calls you who, never mind where, never mind whyis indecent. The woman who dresses with. out shame is shameless. " By their robes ye shall know them."

# CHURCH VS. LODGE.

A Severe Arraignment of the Low Necked Secret Societies Said to be Seriously A P. E. I. Man Claims to Have Solved the He Eats But One Meal Daily and Thilves Problem. What shall be the attitude of the church

Patrick Peters, of Prince Edward Island. claims to be the king of the air, says the St. John, N.B., Sun's Portland, Me., cor-

ANDIAL NAVIGATION.

It will be good bye balloons after this. Bailroads will be distanced and "ocean eat but one meal a day he rought exparigreyhounds" will be nowhere to speak of. At last there is claimed to be a perfect flying machine, or a deluded inventor. If he His former health promply returned, and

Last evening at the house of Thomas O'Rourke, 52 Pleasant street, a correspondent had a talk with Patrick Peters, the man who claims to have solved the problem of navigating the air with absolute as a rail, but he says he feels so light that church. If the meetings conflict, the suc. safety, and at a rate of speed to be governed he could almost tread on air. He now

the great religious gatherings, like those at who has seen but little of the world, and is substantial dinner in the middle of the day. not quite at home among strangers. He He has found, however, after long prachas a good, honest face, and when he talks tice, that taking the meal in the evening is of his great invention it lights up and more beneficial to him. On arising in the At the last meeting of the Vermont Con- becomes interesting. He says that five morning he drinks a glass of cold water gregationalists at Rutland, the subject years ago he turned his attention to the and goes immediately about his round of aroused the liveliest discussion of the whole problem he claims to have so completely duties. He is very energetic, and is consession. Resolutions mildly deprecating solved. He watched the birds in their tinually at work from morning until night. the absorption of some Christians in such flight, and felt sure that by copying their interests were set on one side, because a movements lay the great secret. For five four in the amount of time which other few thought that the formal protest would years he labored on, working to pay his old gentlemen consume with breakfast and be considered a declaration of war, and way, but giving all the time he could to the dinner and their after dinner smoke. He one great labor of his life. He made many is unassuming and makes no pretensions to mistakes, and was at times depressed by originality for his dietary system. societies. Yet not a man who spoke failed his failures, but he worked on, and at last, to admit that Christian concerns in his when seated in his final machine he felt it lift responsive to his movements.

air the machine has, he says, all the apwill. His seat is in the body of the "bird," and the wings are moved by a combination

them religious, least of all Christian, and he trial of his machine Friday afternoon if he acres, with a population close upon 600,000, can make the necessary arrangements. He or 115 people to the acre, the nost densely doesn't propose to show what he can do populated city in great Britain. The is abhorrent to nature, to that which the of a church is woefully defective in his unless he can make something out of it. street pavements cover 250 miles, and are The total weight of his machine, he says, claimed to be the bast in the world. The is only 38 pounds. It doesn't cost much, paving and sewering are done by the and he is confident that in a little while corporation with great care and with people will discard ateamers and trains considerations of close economy. In 1870, and will fly from place to place. He says with 226 miles of streets, the expenditure the motion of the wings in the air closely for repairs was \$136,080. In 1889, with 254 resembles the fluttering of a bird's wing The strokes are very powerful and quick, mission is never given to private comand a speed of about a mile in two minutes panies or persons to out through the paveis attainable without special efforts on the part of the flyers.

On It.

Over thirty years ago Rev. John Eberly, a well known minister of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, suffering from dyspepsia. continuous headaches and nervous disorders, conceived the idea that if he should ence some relief. He tried the experiment and found that it worked like a charm. is to be believed he has navigated the air at he has followed the plan of but eating once his own sweet will and in perfect safety. a day ever since. He celebrated his 67th birthday anniversary last Saturday, and if ever there was a perfectly sound, hale and healthy old gentleman, he is one, says a letter from that place. He is tail and thin eats his daily meal in the evening. When Mr. Peters is 23 years old, a farmer, and he first started the system he partook of a He saves about two hours in every twenty-

#### BUNNING A CITY.

During the last half century great im-"I can fly" he thought, but he was too provements have taken place in the manprudent to go more than a few feet up in agement of the large cities of Great the air at first. But with more trials of Britain. Sanitary arrangements have been his machine his confidence increased, and made so thorough and complete that, at last he allowed the machine to go high despite the congested condition of many up in the air. A forest was just ahead and districts and the abject poverty to be found he went over the tops of the great trees. He there, the death rates have been reduced in thinks that he was at least 5,000 feet high. a most gratifying degree, and the average After a flight of two miles he thought he life of the population measurably increased would like to come down and quickly re- Sewage and water systems which are the sponsive to his touch the bird, for in the admiration of the world have been introduced, street cleaning and scavenging have pearance of a big bird, descended to the been reduced to a science, and street railground. His success was complete, and ways are run, public baths maintained, and since that time he has navigated the air at even workingmen's houses built by the municipal authorities. Glasgow is popularly supposed to be the best governed city of wheels. From the head to the tail it is in Europe, if not in the world, and from sixteen feet, from the point of one wing to the report of United States Consul Sherthe other fourteen feet and from the body of man Liverpool is a city whose affairs are the "bird" to the point of the wing three also carefully administered. According to Consul Sherman's report to the State Mr. Peters proposes to make a public Department, Liverpool has an area of 5,210 miles, the expenditure was \$40.824. Perment in any street for any purpose. When such work is necessary the corporation will do it in its own thorough way, and the interested parties must pay the entire cost -a regulation worth noting, especially in contrast with the incessant upneavals in Canadian cities. The street railways are The Old Virginia Cook Knows All laid and owned and kept in order by the corporation, and the companies using them rowest-wheeled vehicles." The sewers laid after the departure of animal heat in all in the last 17 years have cost \$1,708,000. animals, and are tougher than they are at and have brought about a sanitary condiponitry with great rapidity, and plunge the drainage is carefully provided for, and pieces of chicken while they are still warm main sewers, not self-cleansing, are periodically flushed by large movable tanks This secures the tender, succulent dishes placed over a man-hole. These tanks condays afterward Dedsley's edition appeared of fried chicken which are justly the pride tain 1,800 gallons of water, and can be in quarto, anonymously, with "An Elegy of the old Virginia cook. There is some. discharged in 28 seconds. The cost of this thing repulsive to the Northern housewife work is about \$6,000 per annum. The in serving up a fowl that was perhaps a Liverpool corporation has cleared away few moments before strutting about, the great masses of buildings and reconstructed pride of the yard. An equally good and houses for artisans. These houses are fitted sender dish of chicken may be attained by with the latest improvements and are keeping the fowi till the muscles relax, and rented at 24 cents per month for each room. it is in prime condition for food. In fact, One of these buildings on Victoria Square only by the rapid process of frying can a contains 611 rooms and covers 3,924 superficial vards, besides 5,271 in approaches stiffen. This the Southern cock knows.\_ and the quadrangle. The structure is five stories high, and cost, with land, \$350,000. The return in rental is estimated at 41 per cent. after all expenses are deducted, and, with a balance " which, if capitalized on a 31 per cent basis, will represent the full market value of the site." The corporation, in doing this work, have done something not exactly within the understood limitations of our municipal corporations, but they declare their object not so much " to cover the space with buildings, but to erect buildings of the best class for their purpose and of the highest sanitary standard, thus effording an example to be followed in the future by private enterprise, while at the same time providing a large unbuilt-upon space in a densely populated district.

Fly Time, I.

beset with greater complications. The these organizations were made up entirely of men who have professed no alliance to the church; but the place which the lodge holds in the affections of many a church member is what gives rise to great anxiety.

cessful competitor for their presence is the by the will of the navigator.

convarsatic combi ments of l be endvatems of ke up and ester than

FAD.

ole.

Base

which we

lent of the

oming one

scarcely .

alled upon

transfer

ination to tower is

what we

sury, and

become

he newer

store for

t content

as I am

donbiless

dered, s

e as per.

mass of

no appre-

nes to give

vigor and

will pernd you no.

vringe 15,

neuralgic

n't know. ly a tiny

ie, which

r the skin.

as to ex-

all the

e in the

of quies.

as or her

e mouths

tineness.

intil they

of venous

he langs.

is, and is

ith every

ngthe ab-

a sabstior rose;

ce of that

t breath?

ul absorb-

al supply

e tingers.

the whole

ely faint

er words,

inge 15 13

id for a

me liter-

. Every he makes,

hsfal odor

lost under

ill be per-

he will be

e no need

ppen to sit

s odors on

will fall in-

desnetude.

n an addi-

mer of the

(Rose), or

eral ladies

\*

to formu-" Dashing motions nd feet of d hair peroua rose. at such Dalcie de s, and at centre of ant as the was velves intoxicatough to be nnoisseurs

n enumer.

gained in here lass lee. a Scotch

the 1.000

e with his ference to ed guiness not enough his duties the Lord lineas in a he highest arions that applied by nnedy and lly curious ions in the

for you to Here it is adn't gone

half-past 2

much pus t love him Well, busibuse.

the judge. that you ment, that tally. You woman of ours room, ands, raises na: "I beg

.

or, after an e's mind is e me," rebeen giving ven years." s washers en cents a perate the rell as a five ame racket the passage The slot a s bit.

Man. When we have reached again the days Of torrid rays, The man who says there are no flies Upon him, lies. п.

Beast. The cow who whisks her supple tail While cropping herbage on the lea, Thinks as she sniffs the scented gale, I wish there were no flies on me. III.

Minister. When Sol throws out his searching flames In brassy chies, 'Tis then the minister exclaims: Confound those flies!

IV. Layman. When Sol pours down his burning rava From cloudless skies, Tis then the avgry layman says: - those flies!

FOR THE COMPLEXION.

It May be Preserved if These Precautions are Observed.

If you want to know how to make the The Boston Typographical Union is most of your complexion follow these rules :

a cast-iron jaw. Don't be afraid of a steam or hot bath

just before retiring. Don't use a sponge or linen wash-rag in the bath ; flannel is best ; and never wash immediately after coming out of the cold air or hot sun.

about on the face; if you must experi- ducer and consumer are more dependent ment study the effect on your arm or upon each other than in the primeval lawyer's client is a conductor on a Central knee.

Don't be rash enough to use any cosmetic containing white lead or arsenic disposition to assume a patronizing air and of twenty miles an hour, the conductor unless you are anxious to disfigure your- arrogantly assert themselves as the mind, seif.

Don't try to do without a cake of white omenon has, no doubt, grown out of the resting on his arm. The train rushed by a temale flowers. By proportionate meascastile soap, a bottle of glycerine or cold mistaken view that wages are drawn from small station were a lot of watermelons cream, a box of borax or spirits of capital. On this point an eminent writer ammonia to soften the water and a bottle has this to say : " It is from the product benzoin for the weekly cleansing.

are as inevitable as gray hair or old age. system will beautify the complexion ; hence plies the previous rendering of labor. the value of wholesome, simple focd, good hours and temperance.

### Magnificence in Railway Building.

"But while in Mexico on my last trip,' says a correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, "I had my breath taken away when I saw what I guess is the most magnificantly constructed railroad in the world. I refer to the Mexican Gulf road, where ties are made out of the finest mahogany and bridges built of marble. The waste seems criminal, but the builders are actuated by motives of economy, as they find the mahogany and marble along the track side.

Of Course He Was Sure. Stranger-I beg your pardon, sir. Citizen-Well?

Stranger-I am looking for a tenement in this locality, sir, and I want to ask you in confidence if you think that house yonder is situated perfectly healthy as to drainage, etc.?

Citizen-Yes, sir, it is. I am sure of it. Stranger-Why are you so positive? Citizen-Because I am the owner of that enement house.

ionable and equally expensive. .

#### Capital and Labor.

The

Don't use a coarse towel unless you have

'neither pay the company's employees' wages nor assume its liabilities." printers reply : As to this, there are differ.

ent opinions arising and growing every day. In fact, there are those who boldly assert Don't try lotions that you read or hear our complex industrial conditions the pro-

soul and body of production. This phen-

of labor, not from the advances of capi-Don't meddle with wrinkles, for they re as inevitable as gray hair or old age. Don't forget that sea air is a natural re-week or month, or by the piece, the paystorative, and that whatever tones up the ment of wages by an employer always im-

> . As the laborer who works for an has performed the work, his case is similar to that of the depositor in a bank who cannot draw money out until he has put money n. \* \* \* The value of the partiy compaid out in wages. During the time the laborer works for the employer he is advancing capital to the employer, but at no Telegraph.

time, unless wages are paid before the work is done, does the employer advance capital to the laborer. \* \* \* The disaster which prevents the employer from reaping benefit also prevents him from paying wages.'

# It Did not Match.

Customer-That melon doesn't suit me.

Grocer-What's the trouble with it ? Customer-It's green and I'm not.

Cashier (haughtily)-Because I've got some safety. pride about me and I didn't want to go up The there with only \$25,000 and live on a back

Print. Thomas Gray, the poet, died July 30th, 1771. As every one at all acquained with English literature knows his most famous poem is the "Elegy." For some time after "What is the evening dress of a it was written Gray showed it around fashionable woman but a burlesque on among his friends, but seems to have had no shought of publishing it. He allowed copies of it in manuscript to circulate, and a copy fell into the hands of the editor of "The Magazine of Magazines," who at once informed the poet that he meant to dress does not cover a modest woman. If end. "I have but one bad way left," he hours. During this time the muscles are said in his letter, "to escape the honor they would inflict upon me; and therefore coarse and vulgar too. If the dress is dis- am obliged to desire you would make graceful the wearer is disgraced. The Dodsley print it immediately from your any time previous. In Virginia and many tion such that the death rate has dropped woman who dresses indecently-never mind copy, but without my name." Walpole parts of the South, cooks kill and dress from 27.2 in 1880 to 20.3 in 1888. House did as he was asked, but the editor came out ahead after all. The poem first ap-peared in print in his magazine, and the author's name was boldly given. A few

GRAY'S ELEGY.

Wrote in a Country Churchyard" for its striving for the Saturday half-holiday and title. The original manuscript of the poem is at war with the Rand-Avery Company, is still in existence. It is written on four who reply that they will not have their sides of a doubled half sheet of yellow foolbusiness interfered with by "those who scap, in a neat, legible hand, with a crowquill.

#### A Melancholy Joke.

A prominent lawyer in this city had a client the other day who related a story that no one man employs another-that in which shows that the watermelon may accomplish great damage when used as a weapon under certain circumstances. The stages ; but at the present day those who Railroad freight train. A few days ago, as have the managing of affairs display a the train was going up the road at a speed was standing in the top of his cabocse looking ahead out of the window, with his head were being loaded into some cars. As the about forty four thousand flowers on the freight train passed one of the hands engaged in loading, in a spirit of fun, pitched one of the melons at the conductor's head in the window in the caboose. His aim of female flowers is in direct ratio to the was well taken, and the consequences were nutrition of the plant he observed that, on disastrons. The melon struck the con- those branches the growth of which was in ductor equarely on the face and arm, knocking out three teeth, cut his face open, employer does not get his wages until he and almost broke his arm. The joker's were all males. The great preponderance melon almost finished the conductor. The of the latter explained the fact that the speed at which the train was running was production of seeds by such a tree is very responsible for the unusual force of the small as compared to the number of blosblow. The conductor is now preparing to some. "The growth is rhythmic rather pleted works stands in place of the value sue the party who threw the melon. The than continuous, the organs of the flowers man who threw it says he only wanted to an early period of their growth being in treat the conductor to a melon. - Macon (Ga.)

#### Tory Editors in Germany, Too?

A young woman requested Moltke and Bismarck to write in her album. The Marshal wrote : "Falsehood passes away! truth remains .- Von Moltke. Field Marshal." Bismarck took the pen and added : " I Grocer-I'll sell you that melon for 15 know very well that truth will prevail in the next world; but, in the meantime, a Field Marshal himself would be powerless he said he would go and do something desagainst falsehood in this world .- Von Bismarck, Chancellor of the Empire."

The German universities have been un-Citizen-Because I am the owner of states mement house. Gold bracelets made of satin gold and astened with small padlocks are very fash-back rather than the wide sach which has been so long favored. Semester. Berlin has 4,713 regular students and 1,822 visiting students; Leipsic, 3,177; Halle, 1,626; Erlangen, 1,000. Heidelberg, Narrow ribbons of fine quality are now astened with small padlocks are very fash-back rather than the wide sach which has been so long favored.

Some very reliable Portland people have full confidence in what Peters says.

## COOKING A CHICKEN.

About It.

stiffened by the rigor that succeeds directly with animal heat into the frying kettle. of the old Virginia cook. There is somechicken be cooked done before the muscles New York Tribune.

#### Sex in Plants.

At a recent meeting of the Academy of Natural Sciences Mr. Thomas Meehan recounted observations recently made by him on a dwarf horse-chestnut-asculius macrostachya-growing on his lawn, to determine the proportion of male and urement he estimated that there were tree, the female blossoms being less than one-fifth of the whole number. In confirmation of this theory that the production any way interfered with, either by crowding or undue shading, the blooms such a state of development that either the would have been hanged had there not been anthers or the gynæcium may determine strong evidence showing that she suffered the sex subsequently .- Philadelphia Ledger.

#### How Kind the Gentler Sex Are.

Miss May Ture-Oh! Edith, dear, do you know that Fred actually proposed to me last evening? Edith-Just as I expected.

Miss M. T .- Why aid you expect it ?

E.-Why, when I refused him last night perate.

-" Well, of all the ways of making a -Yankee bank president (to cashier in -" Out of debt, out of danger," is a livin'," said Jinks, "I think literature's Brown-Did she p jail) -- Why didn't you go to Canada? maxim that can be always regarded with liver watched the casiest." " Yes. she gave it to you? I've watched the fellers that do it. All a man's got to do is to sit down an' slide his the pocket-book was in it. pen over the paper."

#### **Boasted Her Children.**

One old lady in the Kingston Penitentiary whose name we could not learn was a cute old character. She was sitting beside a window that looked out upon a little lawn. She was knitting away at a woolen stocking and rocking herself to and fro. The matron told us that a long time ago she roasted a couple of her children to death, and she temporary but very violent fits of insanity. The woman is now too feeble to do anything but knit. She rises at sunrise and retires at sundown, eats very little, and site in the same rocking-chair by the same window every day and knits away. She rarely speaks to anyone. She must be over 70 years old .- Toronto Telegram.

#### Something in It.

Brown-That's a handsome pocketbook. Robinson-Yes, it's a birthday present from my wife.

Brown-Did she put anything in it before

Robinson-Oh, yes, the unpaid bill for

