After forty years the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Wm. Gale, a well-to-do bach- i elor who lived on a homestead | west of Cooperstown has lately t been cleared up when workmen t unearthed the skeleton of a man in the basement of a house on s the state road three miles east I of where Gale lived. It was t believed at the time that he t was murdered for his money.