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Chicory will hardly be longer made to serve as a substitute for coffee, if it is true that, as a European technical journal asserts, it can be made to give an alcohol of a pleasant aromatic taste and great purity. An adulterant of higher value than the substance it is destined to simulate is never introduced, and for very obvious rea-

SWEET EVENINGS COME AND GO.

Sweet evenings come and go, love They came and went of yore; This evening of our life, love, Shall go and come no more.

When we have passed away, love, All things will keep their name But yet no life on earth, love, With ours will be the same

The daisies will be there, love, The stars in heaven will shine I shall not feel thy wish, love, Nor thou my hand in thine

A better time will come, love, And better souls be born; I would not be the best, love,

SUSPENED ELOPEMENT,

To leave thee now forlorn.

I had loved Bella for more than a year. When I say that 1 was over twenty-five, my readers of the sterner sex will, I am sure, be impressed by

my constancy. Bella had money. Not that this had, of course, anything to do with my extra-ordinary devotion, but it served for a time to be the barrier to our happiness. I first met and fell a victim to Bella's charms when her mother was alive. Her father had then been dead several years. The old lady took to me. I have a knack of getting on with old ladies. This is a very useful gift when they are well off, and are the mothers of lovely daughters. I advise all young men to cultivate it. The main point is always to be more attentive to the mother than to the daughter. It is also well to throw in (ccasional remarks about the apparent degeneracy of the age, and allude to the superior constitutions and charac-

ters of the preceding generation. All was working smoothly for Bella and me, when cruel fate, in the shape of a drunken car-driver, crushed the mother under its Jugger-nautian wheeis. We prosecuted the driver, and an intelligent jury, largely influenced by the wealth of the car company, decided that pedestrians have no rights which

car drivers are bound to respect. It turned out, by her father's will, Bella in the event of her mother's death, was, until her twenty-first year, to be placed under the guardianship of an uncle, who was a farmer in Vermont.

This same uncie was an admirable the first-born. When old Green found tured to limp home. out that I had come into the neighborhood and was hanging about the premises, he sterniv warned me off, and even hinted at the fierceness and number of the dogs which populated his yard at night. I took his word for the dogs it was about the only thing I would have taken it for.

Bella was virtually a prisoner. The a very unusual thing in that part of the country-and she was locked in at night in her room on the top floor. With was she watched and guarded during the day that speech with her was impossible. I was in despair. There was yet a year to run before she could claim release from this guardianship, Was

there no means of escape possible? While I was pondering over this question in the little hotel where I had now been staying for some weeks, I heard a strange voice addressed to the proprietor in loud tones, and distinctly heard the words "portable fire escape." Instantly an inspiration dashed through my mind. I joined the party, and in doing so, heard these words:

"It's just the simplest thing in the world. A two-year-old babe couldn't hurt itself. "No, sir, it 'ud like to have one for a plaything, and 'ud amuse itself all day having itself to the top of the house and lettin' itself down again. They're so light and easy, that when folks don't want escapes I often sells them as baby-jumpers. Jest try one; it's only \$4 50. Make it for you as an advertisement, seein' you keeps a hotel and you'd ought to have one for the pro-

tection of your guests.' "Guess not. My place is only two stories high; and it we have a fire, they can jump out or burn, just as they may please." And the careful hotel-keeper strolled off.

"What have you there, my friend?" lasked of the stranger,

"A portable fire-escape. Simplest thing in the world. But I was fooled to come to this section, anyhow. There isn't a house high enough for a man to hurt himself much it he rolled off the roof, and a Vermonter 'ud sooner take chances on his life than spend a dime,

'I'll tell you how you can sell one escape for \$20 and no trouble either," "You will! I'm your oyster."

I unforced my plot, and found a sympathetic listener. He was to go up to Bella's nucle's house and try to sell an escape. Of course, we knew that would be perfectly hopeless. So, after being rebuffed, he was to insist on leaving one on trial for a week or two, till he came around again. He was also to try to smuggle a letter to Bella, explaining she was at night to get possession of the escape, attach it to her bedstead, and slide down into my waiting arms, which would be waiting as near as the dogs would let them. On the night she was ready, sho was to signal in a

certain way with a candle at the window. The peddler started off and soon returned, having been successful in getting a letter to Bella, and having given an exhibition of how to use the escape. For several nights I waited in vain for the signal, but at last it was shown. I

was opened. "Are you there, Bella?" I whispered.

"Yes. "You re not afraid, dear!"

the bedstead, and I don't think I can ready been received.

slip out of the loops. Have you a buggy waiting?"

side and was descending beautifully. "Don't come too fast, dear. Use the

too quickly.

"What's the matter ?" I cried.

"It won't move." "Shake the rope."

"I have." "Loosen the check.

"It is quite loose." "Try to pull up a bit." "I can't ; I'm stuck fast." "Let me shake the rope."

"Can't you slip ont of the loop and

slide down the rope? I'll catch you.' "No, I cannot. I'm setting in them

"I'll try to climb up and see." Bella sat dangling in the air, like Mo-

I tried to climb, but the rope was back. Then came the tragic sequel. There was a rush of something behind me, and a bulldog seized me in that

moving in the house.

"Go!" she cried. you if they find you.'

'Go; save yourself!" By a convulsive effort I shook off the sufferings, I shall show you that I need dog, a considerable portion of my not apprehend them.' specimen of the typical Vermonter. He trousers and a couple of good mouth- There was a lamp burning, under the could freeze to a chance of making a fuls of my anatomy, and bounded over usual custom, by the corpse, and she dollar harder than a lobster's claw to a a fence and up a tree. From there I put one of her fingers upon the slow had two great hulking sons, and deter- Bells into a second story window. Then wincing. Crowds had then collected be found. The fire scattered a large one day if it were not very dangerous up was carried to the nest. Twice in mined that Bella should marry one or they came out, and with much crying from all parts of the country. It was number of them, and many of the servthe other. Indeed he believed he was and swearing began to look for me. I then about 4 p. m., and the corpse was acting most kindly in giving her a am happy to say they were unsuccess- carried to the burning ghat on the bank choice instead of insisting on her taking ful. About two hours afterward I ven- of the small lake, only about a couple

> remained proof against all the argu- of men chanting "Haribole." became mine legally too.

He never called for his machine. Posold farm house was three stories high- | sibly he heard something of the story in his travels.

this tale, except never to use a rope friends, and they adorned her with great difficulty I managed to get one fire-escape for an elopement. There garlands and wreaths of flowers. The or two letters to her; but so closely must have been something prophetic in crowd then with tearful eyes begged of the instinct of the author of the old her blessings and some tokens from her song, when he wrote:

When a lady elopes Down a ladder of ropes, She may go to Hong Kong for me.

Queen or the Tank.

Eating, sleeping and sewing beneath the waters are among the accomplishments of the New York aquarian diver who calls blazing fire. The Suttee raised her herself "The Water Queen," When asked right hand and began to utter the name if it required much time to acquire her art, she said, "about three weeks." "How much did you weigh when you

began first?" she was asked. "Between 145 and 150 pounds." "Did the water reduce your weight?"

"Did it cause any change in your relish for food?

"On the contrary, it increased my appe "What was your first experience?"

"The first plunge made me very sick." "How long have you been practicing the "I commenced five years ago last Aug-

"What is the longest time you ever renained under water?" "Three minutes, forty-five seconds, with 50 pounds pressure to the square inch on the chest. On one occasion it took me

one minute and twenty-five seconds to do he sewing act as they call it." "You once trod the tanbark?" "Yes, I followed Mine. Anderson. did not have one day's training, but I made

up my mind to do it, and I did.. I accomplished the feat of walking 1,200 half miles during so many half hours.' "What effect has tank diving on your ears and eves?"

"Only a little on my eyes. Sometime s there are specks in the tank. When the water is clear I can see a foot from me, but I cannot discern faces. I can see persons crossing the stage, but there is a sort of blue mist across my eyes, so that I cannot tell who they are.'

did you not feel a sort of inclination to remain there?" "No, I am obliged to come up, for I feel Boston once, and after performing there somewhere and had them filled with water

carried in whisky barrels, which soaked through the pores of my skin, so that I had to be rolled out.

The Hindod Sattee.

In the remote village of Gader Dehee, "Yes, dear, at the first turn of the in the district of Banhurab, there are to be seen two small tombs on the bank "Very well. I am going to try now. of a small lake, containing the holy ashes of a young lady who burnt herself She had launched herself off from the 'alive on the funeral pyre of her deceased husband. The name of the husband of the lady was Brahamand Gossain, and check rope if you feel you are coming he died of fever in the morning. She wept not, but sat by the dead body of She had got to the second floor, when her husband. How we wished that she there was an unaccountable stoppage. could give vent to her feelings, and relieve herself. But no, she sat and uttered neither a sigh nor a groan. At last she rose and proceeded straightway towards the Tkakoor Baree to the image of the god Krishna. There she went, followed by many men and women, and prostrated herself before the the god. Then she stood, and began to divest herself of the ornaments that she "Try. Oh! Oh! It's no use; it won't had on her person. One by one she took them and placed them at the foot of the god, for the first time speaking: "Here, my lord, take them, I need them no longer." And then she slowly came and can't get out. Oh, what's to be back to where the body of her husband was lying covered. She then addressed her brother-in-law, and she said; "Prepare for the ceremony of cremation, hammed's coffin, between heaven and and you know I can't live without him. I must accompany him." Though her relations, friends and neighbors had all not half an inch thick, and I slipped suspected that something serious was impending, the first announcement was received with a shock which could not be described. Then followed dissussions, part which had been nearest to him as and her fr ends, relations and neighbors he approached. I have heard of sol- all began to dissuade her to no purpose. diers riddled with bullets, or almost The uncle-in-law, the mother-in-law, cut and thrust to pieces by swords and whom a Hindoo lady is bound to revere bayonets who have still advanced upon next to her God, commanded, and then the enemy. I don't think they could earnestly pleaded to her to forbear, but have done it with a bulldog hanging she was not to be moved. Then came rearward. If any one of my male the guroo, the purchit, whom, as her readers doubts this aspersion of man's spiritual guides, she was bound to obey. courage, let him get an angry bulldog They tried their best, but she was determined. Time rolled on, and she Other dogs began to give tongue, wayered not for a moment. Then the Bella screamed. Lights were seen last device was resorted to. Her fears were appealed to; they described to her the horrible and painful sufferings of a living man upon a funeral pile. At "But I cannot leave you, Bella." I first she disdained to give replies to was leaving her in small sections down their appeals to her fears, but at last the dog's throat, and I felt I must run when obliged to say something she said:

"You need not be enxious; my soul has fled with my lord. As for bodily

of hundred yards from the house, and Bella never tried to elope again. She the lady followed, followed by thousands ments or her uncle and the charms of crowd then began to collect dry faggots, the Green Mountain boys, and when and heaps were gathered in a few moshe became really her own mistress she ments. When the funeral pile was in process of being prepared, the corpse Never saw that fire-escape man again, was bathed, and the lady herself per-Perhaps it was better for him I didn't, formed her ablutions. She than put vermilion on her forehead and dressed herself in a new Saree (cloth for ladies) and then slowly entered the funeral pile. I don't know as there is any moral to Her hair was properly adjusted by her to be kept in remembrance of her selfsacrifice. She was supplied with cowries, plantains, betelauts, etc., and she began to throw handfuls of them amongst the crowd. She then laid herself by the corpse of her husband in the posture of warm embrace. She gave the order, and the pile was lighted in several places and there was at once a

of Horee, turning her hand round and round. She was dead before the fire had reached her sacred person. Thus a Hindoo widow ended her life on the funeral pyre of her husband. Her husband was dead and the world "Very little, It simply tightened the appeared to her a dreary waste. She was determined to follow her lord to the unknown world, undeterred by the solicitations of her friends and relations and the temptations of worldly pleasures. Her fears were appealed to, but in vain. She feit she could not live a moment him, and under the influence of this overwhelming impulse she entered the flames without the least display of fear and with an alacrity which surpasses template this spirit-stirring scene, this offered herself as a sacrifice on the altar of connubial duty? May her spirit rest in peace, and from its place in the heavens shed light upon her surviving brothers and sisters and upon her countrymen, inspire them with courage in the accomplishment of their ends in life.

The archaeological treasures of Paris will shortly include a collection of old boots. It will be the most curious feature of the new salle to be opened next month in connection with the Musee de Cluny, and promises to be the most complete history in leather of the bootmaker's art that the world has yet seen. To the specimens already "While remaining so long in the water acquired by the museum have just been added two famous private collectionsnamely, those of M. Jacquemart and as though my head would burst. But I the Baron Schuter-together with a want to tell you a good joke. I went to number of boots once worn by Venetian courtiers, purchased on behalf of the we thought it best to change the water in French Government in Italy a few days the tank. My husband got some barrels since. In the same room will be shown the ancient tapestries and articles of As soon as I got into the tank I detected clothing formerly belonging to the the smell of whisky, but thinking that I Chateau de Boussac, which but for conwas mistaken I kept in until I got drunk. venient French law would have passed lafterward discovered that the water was into foreign hands. The Commune of Boussac, being in want of money, was actually negotiating with German agents for the sale of these relics of the past, -Senator Edmunds has endowed a when the Government stepped in, claim- on your coat. I keep a red ink here reason of that instinct which prompts who said "clark" also said "marchant." ly crept nearly under the window. It room in the Mary Fletcher Hospital, in ing the collection under the Historical for the very purpose you desire, and I an ostrich to stretch his neck over the land on their Burlington, in memory of his daughter, Monuments law. The tapestries are will sell you a whole gill for a quarter." Miss Julia M. Edmunds, who recently now being restored, and so cleverly will died. The encowment, \$5000, provides the work be done that only the eye of for the support and care of one free an experienced archaeologist will be able "Not very. I've tied the end around | patient, and its first beneficiary has al- to distinguish the new patches from the ancient fabrie.

Bad Memories

"When the old State Savings institution failed in August, 1877," said Receiver L. B. Otis, "the books of the bank showed the names of 14,600 depositors, and of this number 11,212 have drawn dividend. The remaining 2,388 are-no one knows where. The face of their unclaimed deposits is \$26,-000 or \$27,000, and all efforts to find them have proved unavailing. Many of these accounts are very smail, and some are only for interest, but in order to pay a final dividend it is necessary to know just how many claimants there

"On July 24, 1882, six different dividends, amounting in all to 45 per cent., dividends had been drawn upon many of the claims against the institution, and for the purpose of enabling the reup the affairs of the institution, an order upon which dividends are not drawn by that time are barred and excluded from any participation in the funds of the institution in the hands of the receiver. There is now, and in all probability will be on February 1 next, about \$26,-000 of unclaimed accounts, and the terview that he had recently had with dividends on these will therefore go to an English lady, who was introduced the other depositors, thus increasing to him as a prodigy of intellect and of the amount they will receive.

that dividends were awaiting their that the climax was capped by an with my staff; I would move the stone pleasure. As a result we have made English author, who, on being told by

some interesting discoveries. "There was an account of \$327 75. for instance, in favor of George P. Lee, formerly assistant treasurer of the Chi- in?" "Missouri is a State," responded cago & Northwestern Railway. He the lady. "Ah, yes—yes—to be sure for another. Indeed my aid and presmoved from Chicago to Fond du Lac, it is—it is Mississippi that I was think-ence did not disturb them at all. From Wis., in 1870. He was traced to that ing of." Fortunately the lady in quesplace, and when informed of the fact tion was well used to the peculiar could give no explanation of it. He ignorance of Englishmen and English had at one time done a large business society in general respecting our countail with great violence down among with the bank, and supposed he had try, and she did not even smile. I the pebbles at the bottom of the creek drawn out everything. He was, how- myself have become thoroughly case- and loosen them up, and set free the

ever, glad to draw his dividend. to hunt up the old depositors, but do a muscle of my countenance, not expect to find many more of them. The claims against the bank amounted to \$3,000,000, and when the final dividend is paid, sometime after February 1 next, about \$1,500,000 will have been

distributed to creditors,"

A Florar Fear. Among the women married recently in New York was one who from early girlnood has been extremely tond of flowers. She decided to spend her energy and her father's money upon floral decorations instead of in the direction of fine gowns. Her floral feat is a matter of remark with every guest who attended the reception that followed the marriage ceremony. Palms and ferns made the hall lovely. In the drawing room the grates were filled with maiden hair fern and bright cut flowers beneath. A medium sized plant rose from the centre. On the ends of the man tels were floral fans widespread. The centres were sn all white daisies; the fringing of rosebuds and ferns. The sticks were marked with ardesia berries.

Another fan on an easel of smilax was is very difficult to stop. composed of white pompons, edged with bon silene buds and fringed with yellow daisies. The sticks were of violets. Both of the fans were hand painted with sprays of the loveliest combinations through the centre. On the mantel stood the 'Old Oaken Bucket," a marvelous piece of floral work. Upon a bed of licopodiums, fringed with cissus, crotons and ferns, with terrestrial orchids springing up in places and a spray of passiflora rubra near near the old shaft, stood a square well, the sides made of different blossoms. One side was of yellow pompon artemesias, one without her lord; she must accompany of white, one of crimson king carnations, one a la purity carnations. Each one was sprayed with a knot of roses.

The top of the well was mossy; on one corner perched an owl, wise in expression: all description. We ask, who can con- the owl's back and wings were wrought of chrysanthemums and his breast was of pale wonderous spectacle, without feeling a purple artemesias. His eyes were of velsort of veneration for the lady who thus low danses. The well bucket was full of sweet smelling violets, and trailing moss seemed to have been caught on the pendulous stick. The floral screen was effectively worked out. There was a clover leaf on the marble of the pier glass, and loose baskets of roses were interspersed throughout the rooms. The portiere of ivies and smilax chains which swept in the arch between the extension and the drawing room was the most effective work. Thise was looped back with rosettes of white satin. In its centre swung the wedding bell, a bell of roses sprayed with pale

A Doctor's Substitute.

He was a young man with a wild, disordered look. He rushed into the office of a prominent city physician yesterday, placed a small cup on the desk, took off his coat, bared his right arm, and whispered:

"Do you want to be bled?" "I do! Open a vein, and let me catch the blood in this cup." "Too full in the head?" "Alas! too full in the heart. My

tell her that I love her better than my nine hundred and thirty stones, of sizes e in "clerk" exactly as we sound e in 'tent" life. I will write my love-I will write it in my own life-blood! Proceed!" "Is that all you want?" "All! Is not that sufficient?"

And the young man was not stuck, -The vapor of tobacco juice will destroy all kinds of troublesome insects

that infest hot-house plants.

British Ignorance of America.

A correspondent from Paris, Says I was lately at a dinner party where the guests were all Americans, and all of them had made a sojourn of longer or shorter duration in London. The conversation turned on the really comical ignorance of all things American displayed by the best educated English people, and numerous anecdotes in illustration of the top in question were cited. One of these related to the son of a former United States Minister in London, Mr. Edwards Pierrepont. asked Mr. Pierrepont, jr., while his father was in the act of making a speech, who the orator was. The young genwere in process of payment. As no tleman made answer that that was the American Minister, "Is he of the old established Church or a Dissenter?" was the next question. But this does not ceiver to pay a final dividend and wind quite equal the query of the Archbishop of Canterbury, who lately asked of an was entered by the court that all credi- American visitor to explain to him "the tors and holders of deposit-books should attitude assumed by the United States draw their respective dividends on or toward Dissenters." A general of our before December 1, 1882. This date army next told how he had accompanied was subsequently extended to February an English officer of high standing to 1, 1883, after which time all claims visit Newburg, and informed him that Washington had once had his headquarters there, "Which Washington?" languidly demanded the Briton.

Next came an accomplished young Southern gentleman, the son of a United States Senator, who described an inlearning. "You came from the South-"Within the last month the receiver ern States, sir?" she remarded amiably. and his clerks have gone through the "Which of the two do you come frombooks of the institution, and, using the Missouri or Peru?" With great preslatest city directory, besides resorting ence of mind, my young friend into other means, have endeavored to find formed her that he was then residing out the whereabouts of these unknown in Peru, but intended shortly to reclaimants and notify them by circular move to Missouri. But I rather think an American lady that she came from Missouri, said, thoughtfully;-"Missouri-let me see what State is that hardened on the subject; so when a mud which the current quickly carried There are still 2,388 unknown claim-ants, and very few if any of these will distinguished Indian officer, asked me ants who had small sums in the bank on account of the rattlesnakes, I was served them, the act of spawning took went back to Europe. I am still trying enabled to answer her without moving place.

Vampire Bats in Brazil.

Probably no part of Brazil is more afflicted than a portion of the province of Bahia with the scourge of vampires.

destroyed by this venomous bat, It was long a matter of conjecture how the animal accomplished this insidious and deadly work; but scientific men have now decided that the tongue, which is capable of considerable extension, is furnished at its extremity with a number of pipilise, which are so arranged as to form an organ of suction, the lips having also tubercles symmetrically arranged. Fastening themselves upon cattle, these dreadful animals can draw the blood from their victims. The wound, made probably from the small needle-like teeth, is a fine round hole, the bleeding from which

It is said that the wings of this deadly bat flying around during the operation of wounding and drawing blood, with great velocity, thus fanning the victim and fulling while the terrible work is in

Some of the creatures measure two feet between the tips of the wings, and they are often found in great numbers in deserted dwellings in the outskirts of

the city. The negroes and Indians especially dread them, and there are numerous superstitions among the natives regard-

The Digestion of an Ustrich It has commonly been made to appear hat ostriches are so stupid or so greedy as to be totally indiscriminate in the matter of food; but this is a mistake. When two kinds of food are placed beas mealies and prickly pears. Many of them even show delicate choice But a hungry bird will eat almost anything. ostrich often dies a victim to over-indulgence. On the farm birds also die with all they can eat. An incredible number of pebbles are sometimes found fence and pick off a gold stud or a diamond pin from the breast of the unsuspecting visitor or in default of a joint. pecting visitor, or in default of a jewel and America, by exactly the same process so attractive, to attempt to pull a button as that by which the sound "clurk" has

A Lumprey's Nest.

A writer says: One day late in spring as I was passing over a bridge I chanced to see two lampreys, or "lamper-eels," as they are usually called, engaged in building their nest in the creek below me. It was one of the most curious sp ctacles I ever saw in our stream. They were a few yards below the bridge just where the water breaks from the still pool beneath it, and flows with a rapid current over its roughly paved At some public dinner one of the guests | bottom. They were distinguishable from the yellowish brown and black stones and pebbles amid which they were working only by their motions. They were tugging away at the small movable stones with great persistence. 1 went down to the water's edge where they were within reach ot my staff, the better to observe them. They would run up to the edge of the still water and seize upon the stones with their suction mouth and drag them back with the current and drop them upon their nest. I understood at once why their nests, which I had often observed before, were always placed at the beginning of a rift; it is that the fish may avail themselves of the current in building then. The water sweeps them back with the pebble in their mouth, their only effort being in stemming the current to seize it. They are thus ena-

bled to move stones which they could not stir in still water. The stones varied in size from a walnut to a goose egg. When one of them was tugging away at a stone too heavy for it, I would lend a helping hand along gently, and the lamprey seemed entirely unconscious of the fact that it was being helped; it would drop the burden at the proper point, and run up time to time, the larger of the two. which was the female, would thrust her

Besides helping move the larger stones with my staff, I several times plowed up the bottom with its point, thus relieving the female of that duty. The fish took it all as a matter of course, and seized upon the pebbles I had loosened with great alacrity. When I Whole herds of cattle are sometimes thrust my cane beneath them and tried to lift them out of the water, they would suck fast to the stones and prevent me; but they did not manifest any alarm. The lampreys become much exhausted with the spawning and nest building, and large numbers of them die when it is over. In June it is not unusual to find their dead bodies in the streams they inhabit.

Freeman, the historian, in a readable paper on American speech and pronunciation, published since his return to England

"The words 'metropolis' and 'provinces' used in this way, I venture to call slang, whether the city which is set up above its fellows is London or New York. Anyhow this use of them is in no way distinctly American; indeed the misuse of the word provinces, is, I fancy, excessively rare in Amerisa, and it is certainly borrowed from England. Each side of the ocean unluckily finds it easier to copy the abuses of the other side than to stick to the noble heri-

tage which is common to both.' What he has to say about the pronunciation of the word "clerk" is worth reproduction at length:

"The word "clerk" is in Bagland usualls sounded "clark," while in America it is usually sounded "clurk." I say "asually," because I did once hear "clurk" in England-from a London shopman-and because I was told at Philadelphia that some old people there still said "clark," and-a most important fact-that those who said "clark" also said "marchant." Now it is quite certain that "clark" is the older pronunciation—the pronunciation which the first settlers must have taken with them. This is proved by the fact that the word is a surname-and it is in one of the commonest of surnames-is always sounded and commonly written "Clark" or "Clarke." I suspect that fore them they will prefer the one, and . Clerk" as a surname, so spelled, is disare notably fond of certain kinds, such | tinctively "Scotch," in the modern sense of that word. Also in writers of the sixteenth and early seventeenth century, the word itself is commonly written "clark." or 'clarke," But of course "clerk" was His system requires food in large quan- at all times the most clerkly spelling, as tity, but he always prefers the suitable showing the French and Latin origin of kinds. It is a fact, however, that the the word. It is plain, therefore, that the pronunciation "clurk" is not traditional. but has been brought in artificially out of a notion of making the sound conform to by the score from apoplexy, brought on the spelling. But "clurk" is no more the by their keepers stuffing them constantly true sound than "clark;" the true sound is "clairk," like French "clerc," and a Scotsman would surely sound it so, "Clark" and "clurk" are both mere approximations in an ostrich's stomach where they to the French sound, and "clark" is the serve the same purpose, in triturating | clder and surely the most natural approxithe food, as sand in a pigeon's gizzard. mation. The truth is that we cannot Mr. Tillbrook, a farmer of the Graafi sound "clerk" as it is spelled; that is, we cannot give the e before the r the same Reinet district, once found a carcass, sound that we give it when it is followed affianced will not believe me when I the gizzard of which contained some by any other consonant. We cannot sound varying from that of a pea to that of This applies to a crowd of words, some of a walnut. Most of them were bright the spelling is e, but in which ihe sound and hard, and all more or less rounded has, just as in "clerk," fluctuated between "Young man you are a dodo! Put by constant rubbing. We may see the a and u. The old people at Pailadelphia

came in in America, but not in England."