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Queer Old San Juan.

walled town, with portcullis, moat, gates and battlements. Built over 250 years ago, it is still in good condition and repair. The walls are picturesque, and rep-resent a stupendous work and cost in themselves. Inside the walls the city is laid off in regular squares, six parallel streets run-ing in the direction of the length of the island and seven at right angles. The manure or fertilizer is used during the five houses are closely and compactly built of years of the rotation. The crop of 1898

brick, usually of two stories, stuccoed on the outside, and painted in a variety of colors. The upper floors are occupied by the more respectable people, while the ground floors, almost without exception, are given up to negroes and the poorer of the series, and the varieties under test classes, who crowd upon one another in are compared with the plots of Velvet the most appalling manner. The popula-tion within the walls is estimated at 20,-000, and the most of it lives on the ground floors. In one small room with a flimsy

the most uniform soils. The Velvet Chaff partition a whole family will reside has been selected for the standard because The ground floors of the whole town reek with filth, and conditions are most unsanitary. In a tropical country, where disease readily prevails, the consequences of each herdian manufacture and its straw 28.54 bushels per acre and for the six years 20.27 bushels per acre of such herding may easily be inferred. There is no running water in the town. The entire population depends on rain water caught on the flat roofs of the buildings and conducted to the cistern, which occupies the greater part of the courtyard that is an essential part of Spanish houses the world over, but that here, on account of the crowded conditions, is small. There

vermin, mosquitos and dogs.

The streets are wider than in the older

quently impervious to water and furnishes

a good natural drainage. The trade wind blows strong and fresh, and through the harbor runs a stream of sea water at a

speed of not less than three miles an hour.

Besides the town within the walls, there are small portions just outside, called the

Marian Puerta de Tierra, containing 2,000

or 3,000 inhabitants each. There are als

two suburbs, one, San Truce, approached

their consent." This statement at that

The Strength of Bamboo.

veritable plague spot.

mixed races.

20.27 bushels per acre. Taking the six year average, the follow-ing seven varieties have yielded two bush-els per acre more than Velvet Chaff : Ear-ly Ring Gunsy Mealy Meditorraneous

ly Ripe, Gypsy, Mealy, Mediterranean, Nigger, Poole, Red Russian. The following seven varieties have yield-

**Yields** of Wheat

Comparative Test of Varieties at the Ohio

In the Ohio experiment station's variety

test of cereals corn, oats and wheat are

grown in rotation in the order named, fol-

lowed by clover and timothy. The land is

laid off in five tiers of plots, 90 plots to each tier, each plot being 16 feet wide by 272 1-3 feet long and containing one-tenth acre. The plots are separated by spaces two feet wide, and under each alternate di-

viding space a tile drain is laid. The plots have been slightly ridged and are now

plowed across, so that all get the same treatment. The land is top dressed uni-formly with stable manure for the wheat

crop, the manure spreader, like the plow, being driven across the plots. No other manure or fertilizer is used during the five

was the sixth crop of wheat grown in this test and was located on tier I, being the

A standard variety of wheat (Penquite's

Velvet Chaff) is grown on every third plot of the series, and the varieties under test

Chaff between which they lie, this method being employed to eliminate as far as pos-sible the inequalities which are found in

second wheat crop on that tier.

ed an average of from three pecks to two bushels per acre more than Velvet Chaff: Bearded Monarch, Currell's Prolific, Egypis no sewerage, except for surface water and sinks, while vaults are in every house

tian, Geneva, New Monarch, Tuscan Is-land, Valley. and occupy whatever remaining space there may be in the patios not taken up by the cisterns. The risk of contaminating

The following three sorts have yielded more than two bushels per acre less than Velvet Chaff in the average : Jones' Square Head, Jones' Winter Fife, Royal journey will have come to an end.

the water is great, and in dry seasons the supply is entirely exhausted. Epidemics are frequent, and the town is alive with Australian (synonym of Clawson).

The following eight sorts have averaged between three pecks and two bushels per acre less than Velvet Chaff: Early Red Clawson, Hickman, Hindustan, Martin's

part of Havanna, and will admit two car-riages abreast. The sidewalks are narrow, and in places will accommodate only one Amber, Missouri Blue Stem, Silver Chaff, Theiss, Yellow Gypsy. person. The pavements are of a composi-The Poole is apparently at the head of the list in the six year test, with the Mealy close behind. We regard these as the most tion manufactured in England from slag, pleasant and even durable when no heavy

strain is brought to bear upon them, but promising for the soil and climate in which the test is made. The apparent falling be-hind of the Mealy in this year's test may easily broken and unfit for heavy traffic. The streets are swept once a day by hand, and, strange to say, are kept very clean. From its topographical situation the town being questioned. have been due to a fault in the plot or which it was located. Its average weight per bushel, however, is low, and it has giv-en some unsatisfactory yields on black lands. For such soil we believe there is no should be healthy, but it is not. The soil under the city is clay mixed with lime, so hard as to be almost like rock. It is conse-

portant they were. better variety than the Velvet Chaff. For good strong bottom or gravelly soil the valley meets the conditions perhaps better than any other soil, while Poole, Fultz, Democrat and Nigger are better

With these conditions no contagious diseases, if properly taken care of, could ex-ist. Without them the place would be a suited to the lighter and thinner soils. Tuscan Island and Geneva both show

good average yields, but both are weak strawed varieties; otherwise they are among the best producing kinds.

An Odd Nesting Place.

Pair of Fish Hawks Make their Home in a Wreck on

the Coast of New Jersey.

by the only road leading out of the city, and the other, Catano, across the bay, reached by ferry. The Marina and the two suburbs are situated on sandy points or spits, and the latter are surrounded by manufactors surrounded by Seven-Mile Beach, on the Cape May county coast of New Jersey, has always been the nesting place of many ospreys or fish hawks. They never fail to come back to their island home represented to be the back mangrove swamps. The entire population of the city and suburbs, according to the census of 1887, was 27,000. It is now

 Farmer Boys.
 A Wise Ansatz

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who came up from the farm—not all of them, for that would fill a thousand vol-umes, but some of the notable ones that was Persia once possessed such a man and was clear sighted enough to make him a flash in one's mind in a moment.

judge. He was the chief judge of Bagdad in the reign of Caliph Hadee, and his name was Abpo Yusuph. He was a very wise man, for his own deficiencies and was act-ually sometimes in doubt as to whether he Nearly three-fourths of the men who have been chosen by the people for the great offices of the nation are men who were early familiar with wooded hills and cultivated fields. For example, Washing-ton, Lincoln, Grant, Garfield, Hamlin, possessed sufficient wisdow to give a just decision in cases peculiarly shrouded in Greeley, Tilden, Hayes, Blaine, Harrison, mystery. and many others almost equally conspicu

It is related of him that on one occasion, ous in events of living memory. Among after patient investigation of facts, he deournalists, Henry Watterson spent his earcided that he had not sufficient knowledge ly life in rural Kentucky, and Murat Halto pronounce on the case before him. There was in his presence a pert courtier, one of those men who take long to learn that wisdom and imprudence are not closestead was born on a farm in Ohio; W. H. Vanderbilt was born in a small New Jersey town, and early engaged in the business of

pay me for what I do not know the treas-

town, and early engaged in the business of ship chandlery; Russell Sage was born in a New York village, Jay Gould spent his early years on his father's farm in New York State; Whittier and Howells spent their youth in villages, the former dividing his time between farm employment and his studies. Follow the list out for your-

ares of his empire would not suffice."-Youth's Companion.

The mistress and two slaves for frying two eggs. Much ado about nothing. BEATS THE KLONDIKE. — Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suf-fered untold agony from consumption, ac-companied by hemorrhages ; and was ab-Like the old woman at a wedding, they eat and mock. Rebuking discontent. Ap-plied to one who, though perhaps gratified beyond his expectations, affects to dispise what has been bestowed upon him. solutely cured by Dr. King's New Dis-covery for consumption, coughs and colds. He declares that gold is of little value in It is but a day and a night and the pilgrims' caravan will arrive at Romela. Ro-mela (Menshiyah nowadays), situated at the foot of the citadel of Cairo, is the comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, bronchitis and starting place of the Mahmal or holy car-pet for Mecca, and where this carpet is all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. Trial bottles free at F. brought after covering the prophet's tomb at Mecca for a year. The saying is com-monly used to council patience. A day Potts Green's drug store. Regular size 50 cts. and \$1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded. and a night only and the long. wearisome

What has your father left you? He re-plied, A he goat, and it died. A company of friends sat down to eat. One of them Plover Eggs for the Table. asked another, not the most intelligent of the party, what he had inherited, where-Plover eggs, which are at present esteemed a great delicacy by German epi-cures, Bismarck included, were only eaten upon he narrated a long story which was not finished till the last dish was brought ; by peasants two centuries ago.

then, seeking to avenge himself, he asked THE DOCTOR'S OPINION—"My little boy broke out all over his body with painful sores and kept running down in health. The doctor said his blood was out of order the same question of another, who replied briefly as above in order not to lose his share of the repast. Hence the proverb is frequently used to denote a reluctance to and that the best blood purifier was Hood's Sarsaparilla. We began giving him this medicine and he was soon entirely cured." Mrs. Gracie Armstrong, Ricketts, Pa. Hood's Pills are the favorite family ca-To the English victors of Havana be-longed the spoils, and very rich and im-

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ONE, CAUSING ERUPTIONS, SORES,

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course of the operations, formed about one-fifth of the naval power of Spain and ser-iously crippled her for the rest of the war, no less an amount than £3,000,000 was

realized in prize money by the capture of this wealthy city. Of this great sum we are told that Albemarle and Pocock, as commanding respectively the land and sea forces, received no less than £122,687 each, while Commodore Keppel's share amounted to as much as

Prize Money in 1762.

self, and see how long it will become.

Some Egyptian Maxims.

BOILS AND PIMPLES. £24,539, and doubtless his brother, Majo General Keepel, received an almost equal sum. Thus the Keppel family benefited Unless its poisonous taints are thorby this expedition to the tune of consider oughly expelled from the system, is liable to break out at any time in sores,

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to their island home every spring, and they usually make their appearance about the first week in May. They are all rather eccentric in their choice of nesting places, but the oddest of all places has been chosen (1896) estimated at 20,000. One-half of the population consists of negroes and by a pair of these birds at Stone Harbor. John Bright's Prophecy. A few days ago I had occasion to visit Colonel Birch tells in a Plattsburg paper of the following conversation he had 30 a vessel that was driven ashore during the years ago with Colonel Vincent Marmagale of December, 1895. As I approached duke, and its application to present condi-

the wreck, which lies several hundred yards from shore, right in the midst of a tions is such that we give it to the public. Every Missourian knows that Colonel Marlong line of white-capped breakers, I was maduke, like his brother, was a decided surprised to see a huge mass of sticks and confederate, and during the war he was seaweed fastened in the crosstrees of the the bearer of dispatches from Mr. Davis to mizzenmast.

Mr. Mason, who represented the Southern Pretty soon an osprey made its appear-Confederacy in England. Marmaduke says that one evening Mr. Mason said to him: Mr. Marmaduke, John Bright is to ance and fixed itself snugly away on the nest, for such it proved to be. As I watch-ed the mate of the bird on the nest came make a speech to-night in the House of flying in from the sea, carrying a fish in its Commons, and I think it would be to your talons. It perched on the crosstrees of the pleasure and interest to go down to hear him." It will be remembered that at that foremost, and proceeded to enjoy its dinner. Why the birds should have chosen so unday Mr. Bright was the most conspicuous usual a place for their nest is beyond my figure in England. Marmaduke went, and during his speech Marmaduke says that comprehension, for only a short distance away are many large trees suitable for nesting sites. Of late years, however, the Bright stopped, and, changing his line of remarks, said: "Mr. Speaker, if our kinsospreys have been greatly molested by folk on the other side of the Atlantic settle man, and it may be that this has taught their civil war satisfactorily, and get back one pair at least, to build their nest in an together in peace, in 40 years there will unaccessible place.-Philadelphia Times. not be a gun fired in the world without

## The Power of Shadows.

day seemed preposterous, and no one but a man with Bright's comprehensive mind As antique runners passed from hand to hand the sacred torch, so the generations sistant general passenger agent, Philadelcould have dared to make such an assertion to go before the world. It has been but transmit to the generations which succeed phia. 35 years since Mr. Bright made that statethem all that they have of light and knowl ment, and yet events have happened in the edge, leaving them as a heritage the care of last few months which give to Mr. Bright's continuing the divine work of enfranchisewords the spirit of prophecy, and no one would now hesitate to reproduce it. Coloment and of helping to dissipate the shadows of ignorand

nel Birch asked Marmaduke how he felt as Little by little these clouds are van he listened to such remarks from the then uished and disappear, and the torch of greatest man in England, as to the future intelligence flames the more radiantly in the midst of the travailing masse

of the American people, when he was en-gaged in breaking up that great country. Marmaduke admitted that it gave him un-But all of a sudden a vail covers the -something surges up which seems torch easiness of mind in connection with his own conduct, and that for the first time he feels that in a corner of this civilization began to realize the wonderful power and monstrous things have place. Here they influence which the American people were to have on the destinies of the world, and in Suabia a tribunal condemns to four days added, with a tremor in his voice: "Like of imprisonment a laborer who had disinall other Southern men, I am glad that the Almighty has preserved us for purposes of to make bracelets of its finger nails, which, Almighty has preserved us for purposes of his own, which will some day be unveiled according to a belief held in that country, constitute a sovereign remedy against colic. before the world."-Kansas City Journal.

And all the stories of vampires, of elfs, return to the all the victims they have made and are making still. It seems in reading such things that the 'power of shadows'' is still impenetrable We often hear of the great strength of

bamboo poles, yet their possibilities in this direction are seldom understood. It is to all that science has done and that, as I have said, the effort is vain .- Figaro. stated on excellent authority that two bamboo poles, each of them one and one-sev enth inches in diameter, when placed side Joking With the Queen.

There is said to be only one man who

by side, will support a grand piano slung between by ropes, and that they will neith-er sag nor break under the burden. has ever dared to make a joke in the pres-Bamboo will form poles from 65 to 70 ence of the Queen. This is Canon Teignfeet in length, and from eight to ten inches mouth-Shore, at one time governor to the children of the Prince of Wales and a splendid type of Irish humorist. He was A derrick, 26 feet high, made of fourinch bamboo poles, raised two iron girders discussing with Her Majesty the question weighing together 424 pounds. The wonderful lightness of this material in proportion to its strength has excited comment of late, and the new uses are con-stantly being made of it. Scaffolding of howhere a made of it. Scaffolding of how how here a made of it. Scaffolding of how here a made of here a made of how here a made of here a made of how here a made of here a ma bamboo are especially popular, as they have the advantage of lightness and sole (soul)!" Her Majesty enjoyed the sole (soul) !" Her Majesty enjoyed the joke and laughed very heartily over it.

ably over £150,000, and it is recorded that General Eliott, with his share of the prize money, purchased the estate of Heathfield in Sussex, from which he afterward took his title. Such were the solid rewards obtainable in war in the last century, when the profession of arms was for the successful soldier considerably more lucrative that resort, and, while there, I went down to the beach to take a look at the wreck of than it is at the close of the nineteenth century.

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