The Social Breakfast.

A London newspaper wonders why we no longer invite people to breakfast. The reason is to be found in the state of mind that usually possesses the free and independent citizen at that hour in the morning, a state of mind that makes him unbearable to himself and to every one who comes near him. Presumably it was not ever so, for invitations to breakfast were once common enough, and not so long ago either. Mr. Gladstone used to have guests to breakfast every Thursday morning as recently as 1884, and it was thought sufficient to supply ten and coffee, eggs, bread and butter an! perhaps some cold meat. But the really solid breakfast had come into fashion long before then, and it is said that the English learned the fashion from the Scotch. Motley, when he was ambassador to England, found that the substantial breakfast was grievously opposed to the simpler customs of his own country. He says. "When I reflected that all these people would lunch at 2 and dine at 8 1 bowed my head in humiliation, and the fork dropped from my nerveless grasp."—Argonaut,

The big clock of the Metropolitan tower at Madison square, New York. is by long odds the costliest and most elaborate public timepiece ever constructed and is the only great clock in the world operated wholly by electricity without the touch of human hands. me of its other wonders are its size. being the largest four dial tower clock and the third largest clock of any size in the world, and its altitude, which is the highest of any clock in the world. It has also the biggest and heaviest striking bell.

The other three largest clocks are the one face dial of the Colgate factory in Jersey City, which is forty feet across, the next in size of mammoth public chronometers being the dial at St. Bombort's, in the old city of Malines, in Belgium, which is thirty-nine feet across. St. Peter's of Zurich, Switzerland, has a dial face twentynine feet, and then in order comes the Metropolitan tower clock, which is twenty-six feet six inches in diameter.

The Origin of the "Marseillaise." In the reign of terror under Freron and Barras, when hundreds of victims were carved by the guillotine and the people rose against the aristocracy, was born the hymn of France. composed by Rouget de l'Isle. He was an officer of engineers and at a banquet was asked to compose a war song. He wrote it in his room that night before going to bed, and the next morning his hostess, the wife of lindeed, water when kept perfectly still plano, and in the afternoon the orches. tra of the theater played it in the square of Strassburg, where it created much excitement and gathered many volunteers. Rouget called it a song for the Army of the Rhine, but subsequently it was sung by a regiment of volunteers, mostly assassins, who marched out of Marseilles to Paris, where it was appropriated by the cap-Ital and called the "Hymne des Marsellais." But Joseph Rouget, the author. died in poverty. - Deshler Welch in

Westminster Hall.

Harper's Magazine.

Westminster hall, England's old hall of the king's justice. is one of the world's notable historical shrines. Built four centuries before Columbus sailed for America, burned, restored. remodeled, it has seen more history in the making than perhaps any other building west of Rome. Here some of the early parliaments met, and here the second Edward was expelled from his throne. Here Richard II. was deposed, Charles I. condemned and Cromwell hailed as lord protector, whose head, if the legend is authentic, was afterward exposed from one of the hall's pinnacles. Westminster hall was the scene of the trial of Warren Hastings. In it sentence of death was pronounced on William Wallace, Sir Thomas More, Somerset. Essex, Strafford and Guy Fawkes.-New York World.

Tried to Fly. John Milton in "Britain to the Conquest" says that the youth King Harold, last of the Saxons, strangely as-

piring, had made and fitted wings to his hands and feet. With these, on the top of a tower, spread out to gather the air, he flew more than a furlong: but, the wind being too high, he came fluttering to the ground, maining all his limbs, yet so conceited was he of his art that the cause of his fall was attributed to the want of a tail, as birds have, which he forgot to make.

His Recommendation.
Tom-Hello, Bill! I hear you have a

position with my friends Skinner & Co.? Bill-Oh. yes; I have a position as collector there. Tom-That's first rate. Who recommended you? Bill-Oh, nobody. I told them that I once collected an account from you, and they instantly gave me the place.

Firmness of Purpose. Firmness of purpose is one of the most necessary sinews of character and one of the best instruments of success. Without it genius wastes its efforts in a maze of inconsistencies.

The Real Grievance. "You are always complaining. You ought to be satisfied with the money

"I am. It's with that which I haven't got that I am not satisfied."

Going Round the World. In sailing around the world eastward the days are each a little less than twenty-four hours, according to the speed of the ship, as the sun is met a little earlier every morning. These little differences added together will amount to twenty-four hours.

This gives the sailors an extra daynot in imagination, but as an actual fact. They will have done an extra day's work, eaten an extra day's ration of food and imbibed an extra day's allowance of grog. On the other hand, in sailing west-

ward the sun is overtaken a little each day, and so each day is rather longer than twenty-four hours, and clocks and watches are found to be too fast. This also will amount in sailing around the world to the point of departure to one whole day by which the reckoning has fallen in arrears. The eastern bound ship, then, has gained a day. and the western bound ship has lost one. This strange fact, clearly worked out, leads to the apparent paradox that the first named ship has a gain of two whole days over the latter, if we suppose them to have departed from port and returned together .- Philadelphia Record.

Modern Gold Mining. Up until about 1850 only placer or surface gold was mined-that is, free gold, deposited in the beds of streams, in sands and in the crevices of rocks. Placer mining, mainly in new and remote regions, still furnishes a material though not a large percentage of the world's output. Formerly the alluvial gold was separated from the sands and gravels containing it by washing them in pans, cradles, rockers and sluices. In 1852 the hydraulic method was first employed in California. By this means a "giant" stream of water turned against the side of a mountain washes everything before it. The gold settles to the bottom of the tunnel or sluice through which the gravel, sand and water flow. In 1889 dredges or excavators were first used in Australia. Today steam and electric dredges produce a considerable portion of the world's output .- Byron W. Holt in Everybody's.

Why Boiled Water Freezes Easily. Water which is hot of course cannot freeze until it has parted with its heat, but water that has been boiled will, other things being equal, freeze sooner than water which has not been boiled. A slight disturbance of water disposes it to freeze more rapidly, and this is the cause which accelerates the freezing of boiled water. The water that has been boiled has lost the air naturally contained in it, which on exposure to the atmosphere it begins again to attract and absorb. During this process of absorption a motion is necessarily produced among its particles, slight certainty and imperceptible, yet probably sufficient to accelerate its congelation. In unboiled wathe freezing point without its becom-

Gardens In the Ice. A glacier when it dislodges itself and sails away over the Arctic ocean never travels alone. In the wake of every large one floats a line of similar companions. The Eskimos call this phenomenon "the duck and ducklings," and any one who has watched the progress of the wild duck followed by her brood will appreciate the aptitude of the name. Strange as it may seem, plants grow and blossom upon these great ice mountains. When a glacier is at rest moss attaches itself to it. protecting the ice beneath, just as sawdust does. After a time the moss decays and forms a soil, in which the seeds of buttercups and dandelions, brought by the wind, take root and flourish. Those who have traveled much in arctic lands say the poppy does not bloom during the brief northern summer.

A Bismarck Incident. It used to be the privilege of Austria's representative at any conference of representatives of the German states to smoke. the others refraining. This was supposed to be an acknowledgment of Austria's supremacy. At the an unsheathed dagger. When the dagfirst conference that Bismarck attended as Prussia's representative be began to puff smoke across the conference table as soon as the Austrian diplomat lit up. That set everybody present to smoking on equal terms, and Austria's supremacy got a blow.

A Timely Warning. "Your dog seems a very intelligent animal," remarked an inexperienced sportsman to a gamekeeper

"Yessir," was the ready response. "Wonderful intelligent 'e is! Yes, t'other day 'e bit a gent as only give me a 'arf sovereign after a day's shoot!"-London Scraps.

Her Dear Friend. Susie-Now, when I'm asked to sing I never say, "Oh, I can't!" I always sit down at the plano- Jennie-And let the audience find it out for themselves?-Illustrated Bits.

Young Woman (sefore milliner's window, to her maid)-That hat is perfectly lovely. I must have it. Marie, be sure to remind me to kiss my husband when I get home.

Quickly Subdued. Von Blumer (roaring with rage)-Who told you to put paper on the wall? Decorator-Your wife, sir. Von Blumer-Pretty, isn't it?

Looks like ever'thing in the world comes right if we jes' wait long enough. -Mrs. Wiggs.

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Joseph Chamberlain, the English

statesman, was once indebted to a

nursery rhyme for a great oratorical

hit. In one of his speeches he was

criticising Lord Beaconsfield and Lord

Salisbury on their return from Berlin.

where they had been carrying on ne-

gotiations with Bismarck. Both had

made speeches explaining their ac-

tions, and one of them in the course

of his oratory used the word "if" so

many times as to give Mr. Chamber-

lain a chance in his reply to make one

of those popular allusions which are

"What the honorable gentleman has

"If all the seas were bread and cheese,

If all the lakes were current cakes.
What should we have to drink?"

The effect on the audience was tre-

mendous. No one ever forgot that "if."

Marriage Marts.
The famous Tunis marriage mart is

held twice a year, in the spring and in

the autumn. The Tunisian girls attend

by the hundreds, each with her dowry

in coin and jewelry disposed about her

person. The "golden girdle of maiden-

hood" encircles her waist, and in it is

ger is gently removed by a passing gal-

lant and presently returned, it means

A prettier custom prevails among the

Ooraon maids, who, at stated intervals,

assemble in the market place. In front

of each is a lighted lamp, an emblem of conjugal fidelity. A young man feels attracted and gently blows upon

the flame, extinguishing it. When the

girl relights it, it is a rejectment; if she

ever, the suitor is acceptable.

allows the lamp to go unlighted, how-

Elephants, those animal sages that

are constantly changing keepers, be-

come so wise and know so much about

the tricks of the trade and human na-

ture in general that they finally will

not work for any man. It is doubtful

if there is a bull elephant more than fifty years old performing in this coun-

try. They have not "gone bad," as the

showmen say, but have learned too

much, picked up from their keepers,

and they cannot be worked with safe-

ty. An elephant that is going to make

trouble turns his back on his intended

victim and begins to swing his great

body from side to side. Then in a

flash he wheels, catches the offender with his trunk and hurls him perhaps

twenty feet away, following swiftly

to crush the life from his body with

Generally Has That Effect. She—I wonder why Methuselah lived

to such a great old age. He-Perbaps

some young woman married him for

his money.-Boston Transcript.

his mighty knees.

that a proposal has been made.

said," he remarked, "remind me of a

remembered longer than any logic.

rhyme I learned from my nurse:

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