SOCIETY IN ENGLAND.

Circles That Are Not Open to Mera Men of Money.

Arketoc -- tie Nobles Who Are Above Assacts...ing with Wealthy Americans Because of Their Pinancial Emtoence.

There is a marked difference between the main body of the Americans who annually invade London nowadays and those who used to be seen years go. Time was when the traveling Americans did not care for society, preferring to do the sights as speedily as possible and hurry off to other show laces. Now visitors from the land of the free consider themselves quite as much in the social swim as any lord or lady in the peerage, are "up" in all the ways and customs of society, and are regarded by London swelldom as representative Americans. In general these are the sight-seers of the past grown anglicized and their sons and daughters. I regard Mr. Astor as a fair sample of the new American in England, says a correspondent of the Argonaut. His money, of course, en-ables him to do anything he likes. He might stand on his head on the top of the duke of York's column or play leap frog down Pall Mall with Mr. Vanderbilt. It is doubtful, by the bye, if either of these performers would make him a cause of more pitying smiles and compassionate shoulder-shrugs than his forced intrusion into London journalism or his ostentatious purchase of the duke of Westminster's Thames bank villa. He has too much money to let the people who find it pleasant to know him show what they really think of his desertion of his own country. And I rather suspect that he knows very few who are great enough in themselves to be indifferent to the money power he There is a class of noblemen among

the English aristocracy who are above any and all outside influences altogether-men whom gold does not dazzle. I regard them as the highest type of nobility in every sense, and I consider the duke of Northumberland as a striking instance of the sort of man I mean. The duke of Rutland is another. The poorest, humblest American, were he a gentleman, might enter the society of these noblemen and be cordially received by them. But all the wealth of the Astors and Vanderbilts combined could not get recognition for its possessors from the same men, were there no other recommendation. And I am morally certain of one thing: Buying and hiring grandhouses in England by foreigners for no rhyme or reason but the exhibition of a bit of vulgar swagger, would not be in any sense a credential of respectability to them. Much the reverse, I should imagine. As for the duke of Westminster, he is a shrewd man of business, and, like all the Grosvenors, has as keen an eye to the main chance as a horse-dealer or a patent medicine drummer. Yet I cannot somehow think that any very lasting friendship has sprung up between his grace and the American purchaser of Clieveden. Indeed, the reported controversy convery amicable relations. I often won- and etchings are sold. der how men like Mr. Astor can wish to fill a fourth or fifth-rate position in to enter the shop and examine the England instead of the first place in stock, although he didn't have money America. He cannot at one moment enough to buy a fair-sized chromo. rely on the fact that he is an Amer-Turning over a number of etchings ican, and therefore the equal of any man, and at the next set up as an English country squire, or a London ed-Stor, and therefore several pegs below the dukes and other nobility. He must make his choice.

RAINFALL AND POPULATION. The Growth of the Latter Depends on the Former.

The results of the last census have shown that the distribution of the population in the United States is regulated by the abundance or scarcity of rain. The largest part of the popula-tion is distributed in those regions where the annual rainfall varies from thirty to forty inches. These comprise

three-fourths of the people.

The density of population diminshes rapidly where the amount of rainfall differs considerably in either direction from these figures, which may be taken as of mean value.

Greatest density is found where forty to fifty inches of rain fall yearly, the number of inhabitants in such districts being fifty-nine per square mile. Where the rainfall is thirty to forty inches per annum the mean density of population is 43.1 per square mile.

The dry regions of the east, where

less than twenty inches fall in a year, which includes two-fifths of the territory, contain actually less than three-hundredths of the people of the states. The population has multiplied most

rapidly, with a rainfall of twenty to thirty inches, in the great plains extending from Texas to Dakota, where the density has increased 16 to 18.1 per

These figures show that, as might naturally be expected, in the variety of climatic conditions found in the great expanse of territory constituting the United States those most favorable to increase the number of inhabitants are a moderate temperature and a moderate annual reinfall.

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COULD NOT TOLERATE A LIE. A Great French Writer, Politician and

Republican Philanthropist. Victor Schoelcher, the eminent writer, politician and republican phil-anthropist who died lately in France, after an honorable life of nearly ninety years, was always noted for the rigid sincerity of his principles and his acts, says the Youth's Companion. A story is told in the Parisian Press of his boyhood which illustrates this characteristic in him. As a child he was once returning to France from a trip to Brussels with his mother.

She had obtained in Belgium certain valuable laces which she could easily carry out of sight, and she remarked to the boy that she was not going to declare them to the French custom

house authorities. "But, mother," said Victor, "not to

declare them would be wrong!"
"Never you mind," she said, "te would be foolish to declare them. The duty on them is enormous and the inspectors will never know anything about them. I shall say nothing about

When the custom house man came Mme. Schoelcher declared that she had nothing dutiable. The inspector thought he saw a shocked look in the boy's face.

"What is it?" said he to Victor. "Oh, sir," said the boy, "I think mother has some Belgian laces that she ought to pay duty on!"

The laces were produced and the duty paid. Mme. Scholcher, instead of being angry, declared that she was proud of having so honest and truthful a boy.

Not only did he never learn to lie, but he had a quick eye for dishonesty of character in others. As a deputy he voted to permit the return of Louis Napoleon to France, believing that the time had come for universal forgiveness. Louis Napoleon read a speech thanking the deputies and full of apparently frank protestations of fidelity to the republic. Schoelcher his head when he heard this

"I watched him through my glass," he said, "and his paper never trembled in his hand. He is too cool to be an honest man. We shall have occasion to regret his coming into the country."

The estimate proved quite true, for in a few years Louis Napoleon had, by a most remarkable series of falsehoods and betrayals, overthrown the republic and possessed himself of despotic power.

HE WAS A PHILADELPHIAN.

Notwithstanding Which Fact He Made a Good Bargain in New York.

"Talk about Philadelphians being slow," said an up-town dealer in rare books to a New York Evening Sun man; "why, I'll tell you about a little incident that happened the other day.

"A Philadelphian who has a nice private collection of rare engravings and etchings came to this city on a visit and was almost stranded financially before he knew it. An ordinary man would have written or telegraphed home for cash. But this one didn't. He was strolling down Broadway, uncerning the right of property in the decided whether to continue his walk visitors' book would seem to negative as far as Philadelphia or not, when he the presumption of the existence of came to a little shop where engravings

> "His mania for collecting forced him Turning over a number of etchings and engravings lying upon a sort of bargain table at the rear of the shop he came across a fine copy of the celebrated Ranjon portrait of Tennyson, of which he had a highly prized specimen in his own collection. Thinking it strange that the etching should be lying among the other cheap objects on the table he asked its price of a

> "'Take it along for a quarter,' said the clerk.

> " 'All right,' said the Philadelphian, rolling up the etching and paying over the money.

> " Shall I wrap it up for you? asked

"'Oh, no; you needn't mind,' and the Philadelphian walked off with his prize. He did not walk far, though. Stopping at a well-known engraving dealer's shop not four blocks away the Philadelphia man offered the etching for sale.

"'Twenty-five dollars,' was the of-fer of the dealer. The Philadelphia man accepted the money, although it was but a little more than half the price at which the Rajon portrait is catalogued, and went his way. He had paid all the expenses of his New York trip at one stroke."

HIS IMITATION TOO GOOD

Just Retribution Visited Upon a Prote-some Pennsylvanian.

A well-known resident of Manayank has the reputation of being the best imitator of the calls of birds or beasts in the city. His imitation of the cater-wauling of a Thomas cat, says the Philadelphia Record, is simply irresistfble, and when he gets out into the back yard for practice all the felines for squares are soon gathered in close proximity. A few nights ago he came to grief in an effort to have some fun with a crabbed neighbor. About 11 o'clock he stationed himself outside of a board fence surrounding the man's residence and began meowing in a low People who have read about the tone, gradually rising, until a high C rough manners of cowboys will be sur- note was perfected. In a few minutes prized to knew that they are habitual the window was raised and sundry singers of hymns, and the strangest articles were thrown in the direction feature is that they sing the cattle to of the supposed night howler. The running they are simposed night howier. The as a floak of sheep, particularly at night. Anything or nothing will start the reaching they are simposed night nowlethen increased in volume, finally reaching the ear-cracking quality. The aroused neighbor could stand the astampede, and when the entitle posturuning they are simpost as difficult to check an a particle fire. For a particle at the vicinity of Mr. Thomas, who at the result in the vicinity of Mr. Thomas, who at around the "hubeh" of cattle sharing that time poked his head above the

Harper's Weekly.

Julian Ralph has gone to Korea in the interest of Harper's Weekly and Harper's Magazine. He will meet in Yokohama C. D. Weldon, the wellknown American artist, now a resident of Japan, and illustrated reports from the seat of war will soon begin to appear in the Weekly. The Number of September 12th contained an interesting letter from Mr. Ralph, written en route and mailed from Vancouver.

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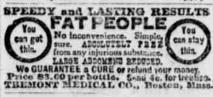
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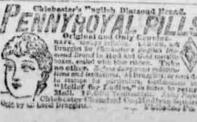
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