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JACK AND THE BARMAID.

A seamy-faced old salt with tiny gold rings in his ears and bushy hair hanging well down over the back of his neck was sitting astride the stringpiece of the Old Slip pier watching a gang of men discharging a cargo of pineapples from a neat little threemasted schooner. It was a busy and on the whole, a cheerful scene, for the men were not only hard at work hoisting and sorting the fruit, but they were at frequent intervals actively engaged in heading off a half-dozen laughing boys who were bent on getting a good pineapple, in place of the rejected ones to which they were welcome. But the old salt frowned and puffed vigorously at his pipe while he watched the scene. and so attracted the attention of a sifter of rumors, who happened along.

"I say, Jack, you seem to have some thing unpleasant on your mind," said the sifter, "and that isn't right. How would a change of tobacco do as a medicine, under the circumstance?" and the sifter offered the old salt a cigar.

"Thank'ee, sonny," said Jack, as the crinkles deepened about his eyes and the droop in the corners of his mouth became somewhat less marked, Thank'ee. I was a trifle under the weather, an' it's all along o' seein' them 'ere pineapples. Never heered of a ship o' that name, did ye, sonny?" "What, Pineapple? No."

"That's what I thought. It was afore your time by nigh hard to 20 year that the gallusest packets atwixt Liverpool an' New York was in the tropical line, which they all had names like Pineapple an' Lemon an' Orange an' Banana. Huh! In them days I was jest growin' the first hair on my face an' thinkin' I was some pumpkins fer looks, but the way. I got the starch took outen me when I shipped into the Pine apple out o' Liverpool so as I could be in the same ship along with a right pretty barmaid as I'd made the aconaintance of some time afore an' what had detarmined to emigrate in hopes of betterin' of herself-huh! Say, sonny, when I think o' that ere v'yage it's more'n I can say rightly whether or not I died an' have been a animated corpse ever since or not. Leastwise, if I didn't die all hands an' the crazy skipper thought I did, an' they buried me in a some at oncommon fashion, or else this 'ere wonderment o' mine had ended

then an' thar." "It was all along of Dink Sturgess, a bloomin' old crimp, gettin' the joto furnish a crew for the Snowball elipper, what was in the opposition ine. I didn't suspect anything when be happens along an' he says: 'I say Jack, do ye want a ship?' So I says to bim in fashionable language:

" 'An if I did, do ye fancy I'd let a bloody old thief like yerself draw the advance for me?" "With that he laughed somethin' bois

terous an' give me a wink an' said there was no pullin' the wool over the eyes of a Yankee, an' then he says: "'Jack,' he says, 'you'll be after comin' to my house yit,' he says, 'so come

away an' have a drink.' "An' there was me that young an green I must needs go an' have a drink with him. So we had a drop of Scotch an' then he says: "Jack, what ship have you signed

nto?' An' I says: 'Into the Pineapple, An' he says: 'What ever did ye sign into her for when the Snowball 'il make the passage in 20 days on give ye a month's pay for it? An' I says: 'It's none of yer business."

"With that he laughs most aproari ous an' gives me another wink, an' say to the Farmaid: 'Another Scotch, my dear,' an' then he says to me, he says: "Jack, yer a sorry dog. Don't l know that Nell Blyeston is sweet on ye, Jack? An' don't I know that she's to ail in the Pineapple, Jack? An' I fancy Jack is sweet on Nell an' is layin' his course for to bring to alongside o' Nell when it's his watch below an' she's

a-sittin' on the combin' of the main

bartely.

"With that I had to acknowledge that I was sweet on Nell, for I was tickled to hear that she was sweet on me. which I'd bad my doubts about, because of the prime attentions the second mate of the Pineapple was a payin' of her I was a calculatin' that I was as likely a lad as there was in the trade, but I nowed that women was powerful tool with rank, and there the second mate had the start of me. I reckon that thief of a crimp knowed about the second mate, too, for he gives me another wink and he says: 'Let's have another to the demoralization of all rivals,' he says, an' when we'd had it we had one to the health of the lass an' another to her brown eyes an' another to some thin' I can't remember an' another an' that's all I know till I found myself affoat on that ere Snowball instead of the Pineapple, an' my mates was a savin' we'd got away a tide ahead of the opposition, but somethin' had to be wrong on board because the skipper had ordered grog served twice a day

with dried apple duff an' soft bread for every dinner. "I say, sonny, that was gallus grub an' the ruination of all hands-least wise of me, for I sized him up as a softy when I should ha' known he was erazy, an' so I lay for to make trouble ndden. Why, he was that crazy he hung himself in his cabin before the end of the v'yage; but that's neither here per there-wait till I tell ye what he did

to me. "You see, sonny, I 'lowed I'd been shanghaied out o' my liberty an' the pursuit o' happiness, which was allus worth fightin' for, an' I done it. guess you might say there was a misunderstandin' on board the Snowball and it was me that was adrift. The mate he begin to order me around in a way that hurt my feelin's, and seein' was a misunderstandin of the situation I entered into a conversation with bim an' the captain, what was close alongside. They wasn't misunderstandin' of me-well, scarcely. I was a-tellin who their parents were, an' the course of my remarks was all plain snilin'. So they knocked seven bells outen me an' stowed me in the lazereet. with jewelry on my wrists that was never made o' the precious metals. I can remember about the jewelry an' the lazereet, but what happened after that for some time is a matter of hear-

"You see the next I knowed of my own

arms tight to my side with parcellin' to hold 'em an' parcellin' over my face, an' me bobbin' around in somethin'-I couldn't make it out, nohow. So I tarned to an' stretched myself, an' things began to rip, an' then I pulled myself elear of what you might call

quarters as I'd never knowed afore-

my entwinin' conditions. What d'ye think? When I gets my bearin's rightly I finds I'd been sewed up in old canvas for a dead man, an' then instead of weightin' my heels an' slidin' me overboard they turned me adrift in an old dory what I'd seen a-top of the galley.' "Well, that was tough," said the siter, "You were all alone and adrift in the dory without any food or water or any

thing, ch?" "Sonny, you've got it straight as a string when it's stretched."

"I never heard of such a case as that," continued the sifter, "but what does a man think of when he comes to in his burial robe, so to speak, and finds himself drifting like a chip in mid-ocean?" "Do ye mean to ask what I was thinkin' of?"

"Yes."

"I was a-thinkin' how I'd knock that shanghaiin' son of a sea cook captain galley west the next time I clapped eyes on him, an' I'd ha' done it, too, only he saved himself by suicidin', as I was tellin' you.

"Hows'ever, to go on with the yarn, I was all adrift in a dory an' when I come to take a severe look around I found they'd forgot to take the oars out afore droppin' the dory over, an' one o' them oars with that 'ere windin' sheet I'd had round me sarved elegant for a hignal of distress-true for it, sonny a windin' sheet's the most distressfullest signal I knows on. An' when that 'ere was set I turns in on the bottom of the dory for a good sleep.

"I fancy it was nigh hard to two bells o' the first watch that night when wakes up an' finds the wind had fell an' the dory was right under the bows of a Yankee clipper what was soakin' along with steerage way on an' no more, an' the lookouts of her had their backs ag in the rails an' there was voices aboard as was indicatin' the presence of ladies what was enjoyin' of themselves; likewise so was others,

"With that I turns to with an oar an' sculls the dory to meet her an' takes a turn with the dory's painter around her dolphin strikes an' climbs up to the knightheads, an' what do ve think-l seen it was the bloomin' old Pineapple what I'd shipped into an' was shanghaied out of.

"Lord, sonny, why don't ye ask me what a man thinks of when he's been adrift in a dory an' finds himself climbin' on to the one ship what's on the high seas that he's lookin' for? I'll tell ye anyhow. I was thinkin' what a lot of fun I'd have with that 'ere second mate if I found him a-shinin' of himself around Nell.

"But sonny, this 'ere is a world o disappointments, as I've often heered the dominie remark. I climb over the forecastle deck without ever anybody a-payin' any attention to me, so walks aft, like, I was one o' the crew, an' keeps my eyes peeled for the water butt, seein' I'd been without a drink for an oncommon time. But jist as I clapped my eyes on it what should hear but a gurglin' sort of a chuckle what I'd heered many a time afore, an' knowed it was Nell's. I didn't want no drink right then, not much; but afore I could locate that 'ere gurgle rightly because of the shadder o' the foresail. I heered her a savin':

"'I say, matie, you forgot to tel whatever become o' that Yankee box Jack what I was tellin' of ye was so sweet on me he was for givin' me al! of his advance from the Pineapple?' an' then I heered that ere measly second mate a replyin':

"'Him? Oh, poor devil, I was lookin' for him afore we hauled outen the dock, an' I see that 'ere Crimp Dink Sturgess, an' he said the kid had got rourin' drunk an' tackled the bobbie most ferocious, so that one o' them in defendin' o' the majesty o' the law thumped him overboard, an' they was a-draggin' o' the dock at that 'ere minute for to find the corpse.'

"Sonny, that 'ere lie was more'n could stand. I'd located 'em by that time, an', steppin' out o' the shadder where I could see them an' they could see me, I says, very quiet like an' a holdin' in o' my temper till I was ready to bu'st, I says:

"'Ye're a liar,' I says. 'I may ba been dead, but I'm resurrected an' able to knock seven bells outen any second mate as ever chawed plug,' I says. "Hooray!" said the sifter. "The

was a lark, sure enough. I don't see why you should be growling about hard luck on the Pineapple after such luck as that."

"Ye don't, hey? I guess ye don't know much about natur' as it be to develop of itself in the bosoms of female women. an' especially barmaids. Why, I was just a-finishin' of the polishin' o' that ere face o' his'n when Nell somehow took it all in that I wasn't no ghost arter all, and with that she gathers a belayin' pin from the pinrail an' lays it on my head like she was usin' bungstarter, an' tells me she'll l'arn me not to interrupt the polite conversation o' my betters 'less they invited me to first. Um-I never see such a love-sick couple as they was arter that, an' when we'd reached port they was married, an' opened a boardin'-house

with money what she'd saved. "As I was sayin' to ye, sonny, I was a trifle under the weather, an' it's all along o' seein' them 'ere pineapples."-N. Y. Sun.

A Tragedy Averted.

The Maid (tragically)-Puffidious wretch! After me freely expending me chewin' gum penny fer dis blossom wid de flower of a hated rifle, The Youth (calmly)-Rats! It's de had yer gimme yestiddy blowin' itself. -N. Y. World.

The Passing Honeymoon. He-Why, we've got a cricket in the house! Isn't it cheerful?

She-Yes. And so intelligent. Hear him talking about the furniture. How distinctly he says: "Cheap! cheap!" However, as she had been that day on a visit to her sister, whose husband was getting \$18 a week, while her own dear new hubby got but \$14, perhaps her discontent was excusable.- Indianfree will I found myself in such clus | apolis Journal.

A NARROW MARGIN.

Story of a Man Who Stood on a Slippery Place and Was Saved. "Were you ever suspected of murder?" inquired a government official of a reporter.

"Never," responded the reporter, as calmly as if questions of that character were his daily food. "Well, I was once, and if you have

any feelings at all you need never want to be."

The reporter nodded for the official to proceed and the official proceeded. "When I was about 20 or thereabouts," he said, "I was a hard ease. I don't know why, because my family were decent people and had some money; but somehow I flew the track and before I had attained my majority I was a gambler, a drunkard, and generally a tough character, though up to the time of which I am about to tell I had never been in the hands of the law. Living in my neighborhood was a man whom I hadn't much use for, and it was known we were not friends, though we were on speaking terms and had some business relations. Our town was about three miles from the railroad station and one November evening just about sunset, as I was coming to town afoot, I met him walking to the station.

"He stopped me, much to my surprise, and asked me if I had any money, because if I had he would sell me his watch for almost nothing, as he was going to the city unexpectedly and needed cash. As it happened I had two tendollar bills and three fives, which I received from the station agent not an hour before, and as the man's watch was a good gold one I thought I had a chance to turn an honest penny-some thing I didn't do very often. So I opened negotiations. Several persons we knew passed us as we were dickering, and at last I went on home with the watch and he went to the station with \$25, including a \$10 bill with the station agent's name on it, in red ink, which had caused a part of our delay in the trade, as he didn't want it and !

insisted that he take it, "As it turned out he had a reason for not wanting it and I can't say why I was so anxious for him to take it. Well. next day the man's dead body was found in the woods quite near the staand made our trade, and it was evident that he had been robbed, for his pockets were turned inside out and everything taken. My connection with the matter did not strike me until the day after, and I was arrested on suspicion. I was so badly rattled by the shock of an arrest on such a charge that I made my case worse by talking, and when the man's watch was found on me and it was known that I had been treating the crowd the night of the murder, I hadn't any show at all.

"Of course I protested my innocence and told my story, but people took it with little grace, for my character was known, and after an examining trial I was jailed without bail. What-I suffered nobody except myself can know, and before a week had passed I had made up my mind to commit suicide and end the whole thing. I am sure ! would have done so, but providence had something else in store for me, and sent it by a stranger. This man was arrested as drunk and disorderly ten days after my arrest, and when he was searched in the station house a \$10 bill was found on him bearing the station agent's

"The officer who searched him was a friend of mine, and as soon as he got his hands on the bill he thought he had found a way out of my difficulties, and went after my lawyer. Then they saw the station agent, and he identified the bill as the only one he had ever put his name op, and remembered that I had jokingly asked him what to do to make it good. The next move was to make a few inquiries of the stranger as to how he came into possession of the money. This was done by waiting until next morning when he was sober, and charging him directly with the murder. It was so sudden that he weakened on the spot, as most murderers will, and the result was that I was saved. Saved in more senses than one, too," concluded the official, "for from that day I lived a new life, and thank God I have never fallen into evil ways since, and that was 30 years ago."

"How do you explain the notion to have the station agent's signature on the bill and your insisting on the man taking it?" inquired the writer.

"God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform," was the reverent

'And the man who did not want to take the marked bill?" "He was running away from justice

He had spent every dollar of a fund belonging to an orphan and had been called to an accounting."-Washington

NEWSY TIT-BITS.

The Louisiana legislature has passed a bill to license poolrooms at \$1,000 a year.

Old English names are frequent enough in Winthrop, Me., so that en three stores side by side appear Ingham, Oldham, and Dillingham. The countrymen crack jokes because there isn't a ham in either store.

Summer residents took dynamite to the top of Mount Megunticook and blew a 20-ton bowlder from its place on a cliff, that they might watch the spectacle of its descent of 500 feet to the plain. Maine people do not like it. Unscrewing the cover from an old,

locked melodeon, that the instrument might aid the choir at the funeral of a childless New England widow who died recently, the descendant's relatives came upon \$12,000 in United States bonds stowed away inside. An immortal cat has for a long time

annoyed Mr. B. F. Feeley, of Tremont. N. Y. It has been in his family for two years, and he has tried various ways to close its career. His last plan was by tying a brick to its back and dropping it in the Harlem. That same night it walked home, handicapped with the same brick.

A matrimonial advertisement, emanating from a self-styled young widow in Austin, Tex., caught the attention of a silly gentleman in New Orleans. Correspondence followed, pictures were exchanged, and he agreed to marry her. He sent \$50 to her to pay her expenses to New Orleans. Since then he has not heard of her or his money.

PLANTS AT NIAGARA.

Studies of a Botanist Around the Great Cataract.

Many Varieties of Flowers Are Found in the Seant Soil of the Rocky Region-The Hand of Man Not Necessary.

Nature never fails to give us her overtones when she plays her great symphonies, any more than do the great composers. We cannot fail to catch the softening and mellowing thus lent to the musical strain, for hearing is involuntary, but we must so often be taught to see what is right before us. and our teachers are so few, that we not infrequently miss all but the most dazzling part of the outdoor picture. The devotee of field science is never more aware of this than on visiting Niagara Falls, Standing a fortnight ago on Prospect Point, perhaps the most striking scenic spot in the world I leaned over the edge of the sheer and partly overhanging wall and looked down, not at the great sheet of water, but at the rocks that continue the gorge northward.

There is often searcely a handful of soil to the square foot, and sometimes apparently none at all on the face of the great precipiee, yet it is clothed with wild plants almost from top to bottom. So hidden are they by the perpendicular wall and the artificial cop ing above it that many of them are hard to make out, but new discoveries are made at every change of position. The columbine, Aquilegia Canadensis, loves the spot so well that its bright red blosson's appear sometimes after they have disappeared from gardens. The plant is the most venturesome and hardy of any there, and appears in a rock crevice where nothing else but the bare wall is seen. It is difficult to understand how it subsists or even clings to the wall, but it is content and holds out no hands for sustenance except to the humid air. One or two wild roses are there, and the wild gooseberry sends up sturdy stems near the top of the wall. A Spiraca. probably tomentosa, is at home, and golden reds. Rhus toxicodendron and probably Rhus ralicans, as it is everywhere about the falls, and Ampelopsi quinquefolia. Creepers are rampant, hardly less so than in the woods on Goat island, where the wild grape at tains great size and runs freely over the tops of quite tall trees. The wild grape on the edge of the gorge was just setting its crop and showed : luxuriance of bunches that would

charm a vineyardist. Bittersweet and Solanum Dulcamara are also there These vines do not venture far down the wall, as they need soil, but they are in the spirit of the place, and are seen rising from its base and sometimes making their way far up the moist surface, while the Aquilegia and some smaller greenery that it is hard to make out in the distance crop out of every seam and ridge and terrace from base to summit. It is this acceptance of the wild spirit

of Niagara that makes its flora so acceptable. The soil is naturally thin and sterile, so that the effort to turn the river bank on the mainland into a cultivated park is so far indifferently successful, and the ambitious evergreens that were planted on Bath island are all gone. But this makes no difference with the wild plants; they flour ish everywhere and are as indifferent to the soil as any but actual air plants can be. The wildest of our native plants do not yield naturally to cultivation, be-

cause they demand atmospheric conditions that cannot be transplanted with them. The result is that they linger awhile out of their native ele ment and then disappear. Let Niagara pretty generally alone and it will never want for flora that is appropriate to it. There is very doubtful need of the forest tree nursery that is made to disfigure a part of Goat island, or the thicket of snowberry, Symphoricarpus

racemosus, that begins to shut in the

drive from Bath island.-Garden and

Butter Produces Fat.

Many physicians, according to a lecturer on dietetics, are ordering thin bread and batter for delicate paitents, especially those suffering from dyspepsia, consumption and anaemia, or any who need to take flesh. This thin bread and butter insensibly induces persons to cat much more butter than they have any idea of. It is extraordinary, says the lecturer, how short a way a fresh pat of butter will go if spread on a number of thin slices of bread. This is one advantage, and a great one in the feeding of invalids, for they are thereby provided with an excellent form of the fat which is so essential for their nutrition in a way that lures them to take it with out rebellion. But the thin bread and butter has another advantage equally as great-it is very digestible and easily assimilated. Fresh butter made from cream is very much more digestible when spread upon thin slices of bread than the same amount of cream eaten as cream per se would be.-Chicago

A New Surgical Instrument. An instrument which, as the name denotes, is intended for the arrest of

bleeding in surgical operations, has been

perfected by Lawson Tait, of London. A platinum wire, arranged to carry a current of electricity, is inclosed in the blades of a pair of steel forceps or any other requisite instrument, the wire being insulated by a bed of burnt pipe clay. A current of suitable voltage is turned on, the artery seized and compressed and in a few seconds the tissues and arterial walls are so agglutinated that the passage of blood is rendered impossible. The temperature employed s about 180 degrees Fahrenheit, so tha it will be seen that the principle is fundamentally different from that of electrical cauterizing instruments. It is stated that by Mr. Tait's instrument the necessity of a ligature is removed. and a new and completely effective method is placed in the hands of the surgeon for the treatment of surface oozing.

Racing Pigeons in Beigium. Belgium is the home of the racing pigeon. There the sport is a national pastime, and a good pigeon frequently wins for its owner large sums of money, the prizes being considerable, to which heavy pools are added.

NICHOLAS II.'S OBJECT LESSON. He Rides on a Street Car to Show His

Officers That It Isn't a Disgrace. Nicholas II. of Russia has had some trouble in bending the stiff-necked military etiquette of St. Petersburg regiments to suit his rather liberal ideas He is not popular with the army, as were the three Alexanders, despite his gifts of reading-rooms and dining-halls to crack regiments, and therefore the innovations he recommends are introduced very slowly. Ever since he ascended the throne, for instance, he has been trying to discredit the notion that an army officer may not ride with propriety in a common street car. The army officer in St. Petersburg has long

been supposed to be too rich and powerful and too far superior to civilians to associate with the ordinary street-car crowd.

One of the few untitled officers in

the Russian capital ventured a few weeks ago to ride in a street car to his barracks. It was a presumptuous and courageous act for he had to alight before the crack cavalrymen's casino of the city. It proved to be a very indiscreet act, too, for his fellow officers at once took him to task for disgracing his uniform, refused to listen to the cite tions of the czar's remarks on the sid ject, and eventually after days of persecution, began urging on him the propriety of resigning his commission. In his distress the persecuted officer turned to a friend in the ministry of war, who brought the whole affair to the czar's notice. It was four o'clock in the afternoon when Nicholas heard the story. He at once put on a dark suit, ordered his adjutant to do the same, and together they went to the spot where the persecuted officer had taken a car. They boarded a car rode on it to the barracks, alighted, boarded a returning car, and went back to the palace. The czar wrote out a brief account of his little trip, and added to it

the inquiry: "Am I still worthy to wear the uniform of a Russian officer?" He signed the document "Nicholas"

and sent it to the colonel of the persecuted officer's regiment. Since then there has been peace at the officers' quarters of that regiment, and the man who rode on a horse car has been treed with the deference belonging to one who pulls wires at court.

Perhaps Nicholas got his idea of ar object lesson in this case from Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria. The emperor heard several years ago that his officers in Vienna were agitated over the question of the propriety of riding in omnibuses. He remarked impatient y that this was a weighty subject for large brains and should be settled before anybody's mind broke down under it. He then put on full uniform, took with him an adjutant in full uniform, and had an omnibus ride. The ride was reported in the newspapers and the question of propriety was settled.-N. Y. Sun.

THE USEFUL PETTICOAT. Alpaca and Sateen Are the Materials Now Used.

Nowadays we seem to hear more of petticoats than in the days gone by Both black and white moreen petticoats in the godet shape are worn to keep the dress skirt flaring, but I cannot advise them on account of the weight. Black. white and colored silk petticoats are of plain, striped and figured taffeta; they are usually three yards wide, though the extreme ones are over four, well ruffled, and finished with a velveteen binding. Alpaca and sateen are also made up with ruffles of the same or of silk, but sateen is apt to cling so unpleasantly that the moired percaline is preferred. This is sufficiently stiff to stand out, is light in weight and has the soft rustle of silk. The transparent summer gowns are usually worn over a petticoat and corset-cover of white er colored percaline or sateen, as taffeth silk is too expensive for general wear. French dressmakers make princesse slips of white for such purposes. The cheapest petticoats are those of striped seersucker. Luster wool of a wiry na ture makes a serviceable petticoat for traveling and outing, as it shakes the dust and will not crush. White muslin and cambric petticoats are only worn in the house with thin summer gowns, so they are very dainty with their trimmings of lace and embroidery. Some of these are five yards wide and ruffled to the knees, with the faintest bit of starch, as a white skirt must not rustle, though one of silk or percaline should have this faint sound. - Ladies' Home Journal.

Combining Colors.

Black combines well with almost all colors, except those which are so lacking in brightness as to be too nearly like it. Black and pale pink, blue, yellew, green, red, lavender and even rather dark shades of blue, clear brown and green are excellent combinations Brown combines well with yellow, gold and bronze if it is the shade of brown which has brightness. It is effective also with black and with certain tones of green. A chocolate-and-milk brown combines well with old rose and the dull shades of pink. Very dark green is effective when brightened by linings of narrow trimming of pale blue. A medium shade of green unites with old pink. Brownish green looks well-with bronze and copper color. Dark blue may be brightened by lines of bright, rired, by lines of old rose or of clear yellow. Blue of the "electric" and "cadet" varieties is best combined with black or with figured silks in which the same shade predominates. - Youth's Com-

He Was Case Hardened. The lawyer's fair client sat beside his

desk, her dainty handkerchief ready for instant-use in her beauteous hand. The ir client sought a divorce. "He often came home drunk," sh.

The lawyer made a note on a scratch-

"And he beat me with the flat of an ax," the fair client went on. "And he called me names and threw the roast at me, and he stuck a fork in my arm." Overcome by the memory of her misfortunes, the fair client bowed her head and wept. The lawyer made another note. His face expressed no emotion.

Why was the lawyer unmoved at her grief? Why did her troubles raise no answering throb in his breast? Ah, gentle reader, the lawyer was case-hardened,-Chicago Tribune,

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-Between 1850 and 1890, the mints of the world consumed 9,194 tons of gold and \$1,235 tons of silver, the value being £1,227,000,000 of gold and £793,000,-

000 of silver. -A mastodon's skull, in a fine state of preservation, was dug up at Buchanan, Mich., near the Indiana boundary, a few days ago. It measured 255 feet in width and has four perfect teeth. The teeth measure about four inches by six

and one-half inches -Next year the English church will celebrate the 130th anniversacy of the haptism of the first English king by St. Augustine. The dean and chapter of anterbury still hold land in Essex given w King Ethelbert, of Kent, which has been in their interrupted possession

minee 597. -The Hawalian congress has recently passed an act by which every taxpayer in the islands is compelled to register i mself at the tax office, and, in addition to the usual entries according to the Bertalon system of identification, shall leave in the registrar's book the imprint of his right thomb.

-Submarine cables are usually imbedded in the slimy bottom of the ocean out at certain points they hang like wire ridges over deep submarine valleys, so that whales and other large inhabitants of the ocean deep may become dangerous to the cable. Once in awhile it is the cable that becomes dangerous to the whales, as recently shown in an accident to the western Brazilian cable.

-The British medical trust that is conducting a crusade against American practitioners in London, recently brought suit against an American, Dr. Bridgewater, alleging that he had "unlawfully, willfully and falsely represcuted himself to be a doctor of medicine," As Dr. Bridgewater was shown to be the possessor of degrees from New York and Philadelphia medical colleges of international reputation the trust not only lost its suit, but had to pay cost to an aggregate of nearly \$4,000.

-An experiment was recently made in Europe to determine what color in a soldier's uniform is the least conspicuous to an enemy. Of ten men two were dressed in light gray uniform, two in dark gray, two in green, two in dark due and two in scarlet. All were then ordered to murch off, while a group of officers remained watching them. The first to disappear in the landscape was the light gray, and next, surprising as it may seem, the scarlet. Then followed the dark gray, while the dark blue and the green remained visible long after all the others had disappeared.

HAY FEVER REMEDY.

Rubbing the Ears Vigorously Sometimes Brings Relief.

The capriciousness of bay fever and the occasional relief obtained from auentirely empirical method of treatment warrant the publication of any means. which has proved successful, in the hope that it may be of use to some other person afflicted with this annoying dis-

Feber, of Humburg, reports his own case, which has been so severe as to necessitate his using a closed carriage all through the summer. His relief was brought about from accidentally noticing that in the winter a coryza was usually accompanied with hot ears, which regained their normal temperature when the discharge from the nose was established. He determined to tre a reversed order of effect on the hay fever in the summer, and began, accordingly, to rub his ears until they became red and hot.

It is now the third year that he has een able to lead an endurable existence

during hay fever season. He says: "As soon as the least sensation of fullness in the nose appears, there is recognized a certain amount of pallor in the ears. A thorough rubbing of the ears, at times even to contusion, has always succeeded in freeing the nasal inucous membrane from its congestion.

"The rubbing, however, must be thorough, and repeated as often as the least symptom of congestion returns to the nose. Since using this means I have been able to take long sandy walks. sit, and even sleep, with open windows, or pass an evening in my garden without distress.

"Several patients have had relief from this treatment, always in proportion to the thoroughness of the rubbing, and I hope by this means some other physician may be able to give his patients the same great relief."-Chicago Tribune.

KANT'S WINDLASSES. The Singular Demonstration of the Ger-

man Philosopher. Kant, the German metaphysician, was singular being. The English writer l'homas de Quincy made close observation of Kant's personal peculiarities and frequently dwelt upon one of them with intense amusement.

Kant, amongst other studies in the art of taking care of himself, avoided ordinary gaiters. He permitted no ligature to be placed on any part of his body, fearing to hinder in the slightest degree the circulation of the blood.

He found it necessary at the same time to keep up his stockings. Accordrigly he had loops attached to them, and outside each hip he wore a contrivance which may be called a box windless. These affairs somewhat resembled an angler's reel with a spring, which secured the line at any given

Rehold Kant then expounding his philosophy to a select circle of disciples. Like the famous counsel who could not state his arguments without twisting a bit of twine, Kant worked

the windlasses as he talked. The idea of this grotesque fancy so tickled de Quincy that he often lingered on the odd sight it must have been to observe the master "paving on the cable" or hauling in "the slack" by aid of this curious machinery !- Youth's Companion.

Assured of the Future. "But, Herbert," she said, "think of the future You are poor, and you cannot surround me with the luxuries to which I have been accustomed." "But your father-"

"He would do nothing for us." "Does he play poker?" "No."

"Then I'll teach him. Trust in me, darling, and have no fear of the future."-Texas Sifter.