When adversity surrounds us,
And our sunshine friends pass by,
And the dreams so fondly cherished
With our scattered treasures lie; Then amid such gloomy seasons This sweet thought can yet be drawn, When the darkest hour is present. It is always near the dawn.

When the spirit fluttering lingers On the confines of this life, Parting from all joyful memories, And from every scene of strife, Though the scene is sad and gloomy, And the body shrinks in fear, These dark hours will soon be vanished, And the glorious morn be here.

Pain cannot affect us always, Brighter days will soon be here, Sorrow may oppress us often, Yet a happier time is near; All along our earthly journey This reflection lights our way: Nature's darkest hour is always Just before the break of day.

EMBARRASSED.

"Why, Charley," I asked "what is the matter now?" as my friend, Charley Brent entered the office and threw down his hat with the peculiar sling that I always knew indicated some mental disturbance; what has gone wrong with you this time?" "Oh, I'm in another scrape," ho re-

plied, with an attempt at patient resignation that was quite absurd. "What kind of a scrape is it-money?" "Money, no-it's girls; hang 'em. I

believe they were made just to torture a man's life out." "Why, what have they been doing now?" Why, you know I'm engaged out

and out to Lily Arnold."
"No, I didn't know it before." "Well then, I am, a regular cut and dried engagement-I love Lily and she loves me; parents willing, aunts, uncles, cousins all ditto-but you see New Year's Day I made heaps of calls and they would have me to drink whether or no. So when I made my last call, 1 was kind of-kind of not tipsy, Will, he said, very gravely, noticing my look of incredulty, "I think that I have too much self-respect for that, but I will admit to being slightly sep up. My last call happened to be upon Nell Blair, and she, you know, is just the neatest specimen of female beauty that ever

"No. I know nothing about it.

never heard of her before.' "Well she is, I tell you, the most unique pattern of girlhood you ever saw; great big black eyes, and hair to match, curling in little ringlets all over her head; red cheeks and the kissingest lips. New Year's night she was rigged out in a way that made her fairly dazzling, and you know we were alone, and she did look so sweetly pretty that ally, she rose to take her leave, and I, ade awed them into total silence. I lost my head and swore I loved her, and confound it all, didn't she say yes? So here I am engaged to two girls, so what in the name of everything that's proper am I to do?"

"Migrate at once to Utah, you shameless follower of benighted Mor-

"Don't tantatize me, Will, but help me out of this scrape." "How am I to do that," I should like to know."

"Why, go back with me at once to Earlville, and take Nell Blair off my hands; you'll fall in love with her just as sure as you see her."

"But if she is so wonderfully captivating, how is it that you prefer 'Lily?" Supposing that I should be contrary,

and fall in love her?" "No. no, Will; I couldn't stand that -but I say, won't you come?" Yes, I'll go," I replied, as a wicked

thought came into my head; "I agree to the arrangement.' "To fall in love with Nelt?"

"Certainly; I consent to victimize myself upon the altar of friendship." So the next day I went to Earlville, with my friend, who took me at once to see Nell Blair, and I tound that his rest of my life." account of her beauty had not been exaggerated. She was the most bewitchmischief, that it was thoroughly infections, and in a few moments we were well sequainted. After sitting a short time Charley got up saying, "Miss did?" Blair I am going to leave this young gentleman in your hands. I hope that | mean?" she inquired. you will take good care of him.

conscious and sheepish. "You will

pardon me I hope,"
"Of course," she added, with a charming little toss of her head; "good

As soon as he had left, she turned to

"Mr. Weston, I want to ask you something a little queer, may ??"
"Certainly, Miss Blair," I answered,
"What is It?"

"Does Charley Brent think that he is engaged to me?"
"Yes," said I, "he does."
"And does he think that I do not

know of his engagement to Lilly?" "I imagine so.

At first a look of annoyance stole over her face, and then she burst into a merry laugh, and I as heartfly joined

"Now," she continued, blushing and hesitating a little, "did he want you to come here and take me off his hands?" Here I am afraid that I looked sheepish in my turn, for after staring at me pitilessly for a few moments, she went off into a burst of laughter that didn't did. I returned here, after having exprove contagious to me, however, this

"Well," she exclaimed, saucily, "I am giad that be didn't choose some disagreeable fellow, anyway." I made a bow, feeling very much pleased and looking very

"I am going to tell you now my varsion of the affair, Mr. Weston; Charley New Year's night, although he did not yes, just to give him a little lesson, for | that he listened to very meekly. I knew that he was engaged to Lily, and would feel bad enough when he came to his senses. And now I am of the kind again." going to counter-scheme a little-I want you to fall in love with Lily."

"Oh, but I cannot possibly do that," l exclaimed very earnestly,

"Just in fun, you know," she pleaded, that lovely blush coming again.— So I promised to pretend that I was desperately smitten with Miss Arnold, who would be there at Nelly's the next day, and after making an outrageously long call for a first one. I was desperately in love with the brunette, but when he came into my room the next morning bright and early, evidently auxious as to the result of his experiment,"I affected great indifference, and said, "Miss Blair is certainly a very pretty girl, Charley, but you know I admire blondes."

He looked quite crest fallen as he said, "you're not going to disappoint me now, Will; I thought Nell would suit you exactly, but she improves very much upon acquaintance—you should hear her sing." As soon as he left me, I went to fulfil my engagement, and found Miss Arnold with Nell, as the latter had promised. She was an exceedingly pretty blonde, with a pure, sweet face, which to my mind, however, could not compare with that of "Remember your promise," Nell whis-pered, as she introduced me to her friend. "Why, there comes Mr. Brent," she exclaimed aloud, glancing out of the window. I seated myself by the fair Lily, and commenced a low, earnest conversation, engrossing her attention so entirely that when Charley entered she could do no more than bow. He gave me a quick look of suspicion, and was about to seat himself by the side of the lady when Nell called him off to show him something in the other room, and with evident reluctance he followed her, casting back anxious I pretended to be altogether unconscious

"I am afraid," I said, "that Mr. Brent begrudges me the privilege that I am now enjoying."

"Oh, I don't know," she replied, blushing. "Most gentlemen are quite satisfied when they are enjoying Nell's

"She is very beautiful! certainly," I replied, "for a brunette."

"The most beautiful girl I ever saw" with a slight sigh, for Nell was talkthe engaged air with amusing accuracy, although I am afraid it was not at all appreciated by Charley. She would occasionally give me a glance so full of suppressed mirth that it was with great | pline. difficulty I restrained my laughter. But my conscience began to reproach me a tall and swinging fellows, all after as a matter of course, offered my escort, Charley's sharp eyes had kept drawing his sword, "to the right close watch, and breaking away from front!-to the left face-front! his companion, he strode across the wish to trouble you.'

"Trouble," I exclaimed, "do not call it by that name."

"By any name you please then," he answered, now thoroughly out of tem-per. "Miss Arnold will not require your services."

The moment they were out of hearing. we gave vent to our mirth, which was increased by seeing Lilly's little head going in that peculiar way which always denotes considerable excitement in the speaker, and we could understand very well that she was explaining her late somewhat false position.

"Do you think he has been sufficiently punished?" I asked.

"I do not know about that: It does not seem to me a very severe punishment for allowing him the privilege of my society for awhile. Is it such a terrible penance?" "A penance," I anwered, "that I

rould be willing to submit to all the She lowered her dark eyes at my earn-

estness, and looked so lovely with the ing little brunette imaginable, and she long lashes resting on her glowing looked so running over with fun and cheeks that I arose involuntarily and seated myself beside her.

"Don't you think that I deserve a reward for following out your orders as I

"In what way? What orders do you "Why, in trying to be agreeable to "Certainly," she replied, "I shall be Miss Arnold when I would so much most happy to do so; but where are you rather have been in Charley's place."

"Not with Miss Blair so near, and

yet so unattainable. "Ah, Mr. Weston, you are a flatterer. "Not at all; but don't you know, Nelly, that I have been doing just ex-

actly what Charley asked me to do?" "What was that?" "Have you forgotten already?" I asked, putting my arm around her. She did not resent my boldness very seriously, but shaking her little finger

in my face, and-"So you want to take Nell Biair off his hands, really and truly, do you?" "With all my heart," "Hadn't you better wait awhile, until

you know me better. I have so many "And so have I"-and I did what

most young men would have done un-"I did not see Charley again, from which circumstance I knew that he was seriously offended; but I was not much

acted a promise from my darling to write to me the very next day. The letter reached me at the time appointed, and

"Mr. Brent has just been to see me, looking very much embarrassed, and rather foolish. After numerous apologies he informed me that he was under the influence of liquor (news to me,

has told his. He was not sober that you know), when he offered himself, and that he must in consequence, reget anything intoxicating here-Mr. | tract all that he then said; whereupon I Brent offered himself to me. I said gave him a long lecture upon drinking,

"Now, Charley," I said, 'I wish you would promise never to take anything "I have already promised Lily," he

replied. "It was the condition upon which she granted her forgiveness. But Nell," he continued, "were you really serious when you said yes?" "Not any more than you were; but I

was in earnest when I said yes to Mr. Weston yesterday." "I wish you could have seen his

'Why,' he stammered, 'I thought he preferred Lify." "About as much as you did me." "Then you two were playing a trick upon me?

"Yes, I did it to punish you for asking him to take me off your hands.' "Well, dear, I hope you will never regret that."

And I never did.

How Comrade Kelth, How?

Frederick the Great of Prussia was at his palace at Potsdam when some of his orders by their excessive severity caused great discontent among the Prussian troops; so the soldiers then in garrison resolved to avail themselves of the ease and facility with which Frederick could at all times be approached the ever changing dark eyed beauty. by them, and thus a deputation of the grenadiers of Olgilvie marched deliberately from their barracks across the great square which lies before the palace and halted at the porch.

An officer in waiting-afterward the great Field Marshal Keith, who was a Spanish or Italian statuette of an inkilled by the Austrians at Hochkirchen -acquainted the King of their arrival, adding, "Shall I order them back to of the bric-a-brac hunters may be dethe barracks, sire, or place them under arrest?

"Do neither; they have come to see me, and see me they shall; good soldiers have nothing to fear from me, and the regiment of Olgilvie is one of the finest glances at me and my companion, which in Prussia. I shall try the power of discipline!"

old uniform, his long jack boots, which that an honest business at reasonable had never known blacking, his orders of prices pays best. knighthood, his cocked hat, sword and

"Sire," urged Keith, "will there not be an inconvenience in all this?" "To whom?"

"To you, sire?" "How comrade Keith, how?"
"Discussions will lead to other deputations, and every order Your Majesty ing now very earnestly, and playing off may issue will be dissected and caviled at in every guardroom and beershop in Prussia.'

"No matter, comrade; march the rascals in; I'll trust to the power of disci-In they came accordingly, twenty

little, for I saw that the veritable fian. Frederick's own heart; but the appearcee was feeling quite concerned. Fin- ance of the King dressed as if for par-"Achtung!" (attention!) cried he,

These commands the deputations, room, and drawing Miss Arnold's arm who were formed in line, obeyed in through his. "Thank you, Will; I will perfect silence, and wondered what was see this lady home myself; she will not to follow a reception so unexpected; and so Frederick cried suddenly: "To the right about face, to your barracks, quick, march!"

Then, as he never gave the word "hait," they felt compelled to march on, and the old King and Marshal Keith laughed heartily as the baffled deputation disappeared within the bar-rack yard, where their expectant comrades gathered round them to hear the report of how Frederick received their plaint.

"We have never epened our lips," said the oldest grenadier, with a crestfallen expression.

"Der Teufel! did not you see the king?" cried they.
"We have just left him —"
"Blockheade! and why did you not follow your instructions?"

"It was impossible." "Impossible?-and why so?" "Because when we saw old Father Frederick in his fighting coat and dirty boots, and heard his voice of command, our hearts failed us, and the power of discipline proved too great."

The Upper Air.

The greatest difficulty which meets every thoughtful weather student is his inability to obtain any satisfactory ac- ing snowstorm it was suicidal to atcount of the condition and metions of tempt it." the upper portion of the atmosphere.
As has been said, "we live at the bottom
of the atmospheric ocean, of which the upper layers are practically inaccessible must keep. I shall have to excuse myself," stammered Charley, looking very beautiful Lilly." tends is not known exactly, but at the evel of about forty miles it is no longer dense enough to be capable of refracting the sun's rays. At the height of about seven miles, or 37,000 feet, believed to have been reached by difficulty was experienced in breathing. Such a height as seven miles is quite insignificant when compared with the diameter of the earth. In fact, if the earth were represented by a twenty-four inch globe, the height of the atmosphere, even supposing it would be ten miles, would be represented by a shell four-hundredths of an inch thick, about the thickness of a shilling,

> The sense of taste is an almost certain guide to the wholesomeness of foods. As a rule, poisons have a very disagreeable taste, and accidental poisoning is consequently very rare.

At a late meeting of a microscopical society in London was shown a section of of a Sheffleld saw grinder's lung, the irritation from the steel dust inhaled having gradually obliterated the lung

Bronzes and Statuettes.

Old gilt bronzes of the monarchy or of the First Empire may ordinarily be distinguished by the gilding having become more orange in tone and, as it were, varnished by time when not worn by hausling. But this effect is imitated with liquorice juice, and the only safe w y is to examine the unburnished parts of the flesh with a magnifying glass. If the grain is regular it has been produced by the rousette, which is an instrument of modern invention. Even such examination will not always save the collector from paying too dear for his whistle. If he has a penchant for "historical" pieces which he believes to have come from the palace of Versailles or from Trianon he should see too it that his candelabrum, or whatever it may be, is in one piece, or at least of one make; for old things of" no value, though authentic, are constantly being sold by the State, and the "truqueurs" saw off the portions bearing the official mark and adjust them to portions of another work of the kind and of the period, but artistic. Thus, from a good candelabrum of the period of Louis XVI, which had never been in the royal service, and from a portion of a kitchen candlestick which had, a composite article is made up extremely tempting to the amateur.

Beware of old statuettes in painted wood if you do not know how modern wood-caryers block out their work. A lot of worm-eaten fragments, morticed and glued together and roughly hewn into shape of a human figure by a fourth-rate German carver of furniture, may be so fixed up with stucco and paint and gilding and a few rags of silk and lace and tinsel, as to pass for teresting period. Without taking any such trouble a new comer in the camp ceived not only in ivories, and works in wrought iron and steel, by the new process of working in "pate dure" or hardened paste, a material of which many specimens are now to be seen with our leading dealers in novelties. The results of the first experiments made with it were palmed off on French Frederick hastily put on his shabby amateurs. Now the manufacturers find

Lost in the Alps.

A cure from Lyons was recently spending his holidays among the Swiss mountains, and being ambitious of crossing the rocky chain which separates the Glacier d'Argentiere from the Mer de Glace, he engaged the services of a father and son, named Devouassoux, to act as guide and porter. They selected one of the most formidable and dangerous cols in the whole range, and which, on account of its being virgin, tempted them, no doubt, to try and slope, interrupted here and there by masses of jagged rocks, and constantly to the peril, the weather was wretchedly try and reach Montauvert, pass the with any colored skirt. night there, and go on to Chamonnix the next day. When three days had passed and they had not arrived the worst was feared, and a party of guides who went out in search of them found their bodies frightfully mutilated at the very foot of the col of the Four des Courtes. It was evident that they had succeeded in attaining a considerable height, when, probably, missing their way in the mists which enveloped them, or swept out of their steps by the falling ice, they fell several thousand feet on to the glacier below, where they were found almost shattered to pieces. The bodies of the guide and his son were interred on Friday in the churchyard of the village of Argentiere, while the remains of the cure were conveyed to Lyons, his native place. The guide who has thus paid for his daring with his life, bore a very high reputation, but nevertheless considerable indignation is felt in Chamounix that he should have been tempted, for the sake of a fee, to have undertaken so hazardous a journey in such bad weather. Even if the weather had been good it is extremely doubtful if the passage could have been accomplished, but in a blind-

Victoria's New Son-In-Law. The last unmarried daughter of Queen Victoria becomes the Princess Battenberg, and England is saddled with one more petty German prince who has to be provided with first-class board and lodging, money, all sorts of social honors, and a fat sinecure in the army or the court lists. The latter he will receive to the detriment of old and experienced soldiers. In this case it is even suggested that Prince Henry Battenberg is to play a much more import-Mesars. Glaisher and Coxwell, in a ant part than any of the Queen's sons famous balloon ascent from Wolver-hampton, September 5, 1862, the air was found to be so rarefied that great piring to. Both he and his wife are to live with the Queen, and in so far will be in a position to exercise great influence, not only on affairs of the court, but on public business as well. The Prince Beatrice was always a favorite or the Queen, and of late years has obtained no small amount of power over her mother. The older the Queen gets, the more her caprices and penury develop themselves, and the more the influence of the Princess is likely to grow; and if her husband proves to be a man of some brains, of a good deal of hypoconstant, of a good deal of hyp risy, and of the insinuating disposition of his wife's father, there would be nothing surprising in seeing him become the mainspring in seeing him be-the English crown possesses in govern-ment and diplomatic affairs. In any case, London gossip indicates that Prince Henry has already begun to have more influence upon the Queen than the Prince of Wales or any of

Not a father, nor a mother, nor any relative, will do as much for us as a well directed mind. THE FASHIONS.

Long flowing sashes are more fashionable than ever; their lapels are often ornamented with patterns of flowers embroidered in natural shades of color over either a dark or light-colored ground, according to the style of the toilet. Some are embroidered with jet or colored beads, others are simply of striped or watered silk. If one does not care to make the waist appear thicker one simply places a bow with one long loop and two unequal ends at the back of the skirt, a little to the left; the ribbon sash going round the waist only suits very young or very slight persons. This fashion favors the return of bodices tastened on to the skirt, quite round, without points or basques. Let us not, however, run into extremes, or adopt one model to the exclusion of all others. Such bodices are suitable to small waists and soft materials; but the bodice curved out over the hips, and peaked in front and at the back, is very elegant and becoming, and the polonaise or princess bodice, coming down to form a basque, tunic or panels over the skirt, is also one of the most stylish models of the season; all three are equally fashionable, and may be selected according to one's age, figure and taste.

If dresses are made up with simplicity, materials are in general beautiful and expensive. Shot silk is in vogue no longer, but dresses of this material may be modernized by the adjunction of a tablier of net embroidered in applique, with patterns cut out of fine cambric and worked round in buttonhole. stitch. This is a very effective style of trimming. We have been shown several toilets, the skirts of which were of colored faille, covered with a second skirt of embroidered net put on full and falling loose, and which are most elegant and stylish. At the back long loops of wide ribbon of the color of the underskirt fall over the dress, completing the toilet.

Very pretty dresses are prepared in August for garden parties and out-ofdoorfetes. One of the most tasteful models of the kind we have seen is a dress for a young lady. It is of white volle-des-misaine. The round skirt is put on very full and trimmed with two wide lapels of embroidered etamine. The tunic forms a tablier, and is draped so as to form a large square lapel, also trimmed with etamine. Bodice of etamine; the fronts open over a small plastron of etamine, and come down below the waist in a deep peak. The back is made tailor-fashion, without any trimming. The sleeve, short to the elbow. is trimmed with a small facing of eta-

mine. The jersey jackets obtain first favor appearing, as it now does, dazzingly bright with beads. These beads are arranged in various small patterns, such conquer it. It is known as the Four as scallops, diamonds, spikes, crescents des Cortes, and is simply a riven ice and so on, in lead, steel, jet or colored glass, over the soft tricot of the jersey. which is generally of some dark shade swept by ice avalanches. In fact, it of color. The latest model is the perwould be difficult to select, in the whole | feetly clinging bodice, buttoned down of the Alps, a more perilous slope for the middle of the front and coming men to risk their lives on. But to add down a little lower than the waist, finished with a small turned-up collar and bad, and the mountains were shrouded plain long sleev s. Let us mention in mist and snow. Nevertheless the also, as a novelty of the season, the adventurous cure and his guides set off pretty jacket-bodice of white or buff from the village of Argentiere, a few etamine, trimmed with insertion and Paul and Minneapolis, from September miles from Chamounix, intending to lace to match, and very pretty to wear

Light summer mantels are made of silk gauze, embroidered with small round beads, steel-blue, garnet-red beige, bronze or lead-colored. This beaded gauze is employed for visite sleeves, middle back-pieces and the lower part of lapels; all the rest is of brocaded silk gauze without any beads. A full front-piece is generally added, gathered at the neck and arranged in a thousand different ways, but no longer frightful fashion has disappeared, to- one. gether with full-puffed sleeves, and tournures of exaggerated size, and bumping up and down in quite an indeious to adopt the grotesque part of

Fashionable stripes have invaded the sunshades of the season. Those made of lace or net in the popular tints of beige, mushroom, or pale fawn are the most frequently seen. Sunshades made of shot silk are not so generally seen this year as they were last. Those with painted panels have almost disappeared

The new sunshades are, like the bonnets, transparent. Some are made of plain net gathered over gold wires and trimmed with knots of colored ribbons. Others are made of the spotted net known as point d'esprit. One, of the latter, trimmed with bows of green ribbon, was intended to be worn with a dress of black lace on a foundation of green silk. Another new sunshade is made of a very bright shade of poppyred gauze striped with insertion of black lace upstanding round the fer-

Plain skirts are in favor and are likely to remain so, as they are found to be exceedingly convenient and more economical. Besides their lightness is a great arguement in their favor. That ckets will continue to be short in the gate money." basque throughout the autumn is another fair inference to be drawn from the general aspect of the present atyles, Another point to be noted is the sensible length of the dress sleeve, which fairly reach to the wrists. However, short sleeves are still worn, and for summer wear are far preferable to the long ones.

artistically with the very fashionable done the same, while the form of all beige or twine color. The most stylish bonnets from the very best houses do quality which would enable them to not show the exaggerated height, which be called first class or even first-class has such a ridiculous effect in many

Large wooden or porcelain heads are some of the decorations of the latest

The new woolen laces with velvet figures applique thereon come in colors to match fabrics.

"Housemaid" frocks of white lawn, nainsook, and mull are the order of the ing drawings of the different wards and day for July and August.

HORSE NOTES.

—Phil Thompson trotted a mile in 2.20% over a half mile track recently. -There will be a four days' meeting at Wheeling, W. Va., beginning September 8.

-Fred Gerker says that \$2000 would not buy his 5-year-old brother to Colonel Wood, his recent Newark pur-

-Majolicas heart failed him in the first heat of his race with Phallas, and after that he was practically not in the

-Tyrant has been let up in his work, and it it may be that he will not start again until the Sheepshead Bay autumn -It is reported from Saratoga that

Messrs, Appleby & Johnson have pur-chased of Chinn & Morgan the noted 2-year-old Ban-Fox for \$15,000. -Mr. Haggin, of California, has secured the refusal of George Kinney,

designing to use him for stock pur--Kit Freeman, the dam of the pacer Buffalo Girl, record 2,12;, foaled recently a filly by Pocahontas Boy, the youngster being a full sister to the famons pacer.

the Dwyer Brothers' great race-horse,

-Associated Press accounts of the Phallas-Majolica race gave Bithers as driving Majolica and Murphy as driving Phallas, while it also stated that Majoiica "ran by the side of Phallas."

-John S. Campbell, the former driver of Richball, the pacer, but who, is now riding his own runners, presented his lightweight jockey, Covington, with a gold watch for faithful services.

-Jack Splan was fimed at Pittsburg at the instigation of the Cruelty to Animals Society for using a spur whip on Onward. A spur whip has a long brad in the butt end, and is often used on lazy horses.

-Dan Woodmansee, the trainer and driver for Commodore Kittson, is to take his string of flyers, Johnson, Little Brown Jug, Minnie R. Revenue, Prince Arthur and Fannie Witherspoon, on a tour through Michigan.

-The famous trotter Speculation. sire of Crown Point, record 2.241, and Oakland Maid, 2.22, died recently in California at the age of 23 years, He was sired by Rysdyk's Hambeltonian. dam Martha Washington, by Washing-

-The Narragansett Park, of Provi-

dence, R. I., will open the Eastern circuit instead of closing the Grand circuit. Its dates remain the same, September 1 to 4, and the only advantage gained is that the purses are smaller in the Eastern circuit. -The largest dividend paid this season

on a \$5 mutual ticket was realized by the victory of the 4-year-old Frolic, by imp. Stonehenge, out of imp. Faverdale, in the first race at Brighton Beach on the 31st ult. Seven tickets were sold on the winner, and each paid \$445,60, -The Minnesota State Agricultural

Society will give liberal purses for trotters and pacers in connection with its Fair, to be held midway between St. 7 to 12 inclusive. The Society will offer \$1800 to the 2.17 class, \$1800 to the 2.20 class, \$2000 to all stallions, Phallas barred, and \$1000 to all pacers.

-Charlemagne, the favorite steeple-chaser, fell at the hurdle on the flat, near the half-mile pole, in the steeplechase handicap at Monmouth the other day, He had the race in hand and is one of the safest timber horses in the world, but he may have tired under the heavy weight of 170 pounds, which is the heaviest of the year in a race over in turkey's-breast plastrons. This the long course, which is a very trying

Mand S.did the quarters of her grand mile in 2.082 at Cleveland on the 30th ult. as follows: 324, 314, 31 and 331. pendent manner at the back of the Bair urged the mare during the last waist, have replaced them for persons half-mile, and applied the whip on endevoid of taste, who seem always anx- tering the homestretch. The track is said by good judges to have been fully one second slow. Mr. Bonner is likely to retire Maud S, from public, at least such has been his expressed intention in case she beat her record.

> -Ed Corrigan has great confidence in his colt Freeland. He says; "I am willing and anxious to back Freeland against any and all comers, Miss Woodford, George Kinney, Drake Carter, Pontiac, or anything else. To this end would suggest a sweetsteak race, \$1000 each, with whatever added money may be decided on; the distance to be one mile and a furlong, or one mile and a quarter at the outside, and weight for age to be carried."

> -When asked what he thought of Phallas just after the Phallas-Majolica race, W. C. France, the owner of Harry Wilkes, said: "I think just this: I had been ready to make a match with Harry Wilkes against him, but now I do not wish to do anything of the kind. I have seen enough to convince me that he can beat my horse. Yet I believe that Harry can give him a better race than any other trotter on the turf can, and would be glad to make races with him for a proportion of purse or

-With the exception of Bankrupt no 2-year-old has won any number of consecutive stakes, as the great Hindoo, Sensation and Spendthrift, did in their years, and the 3-year-old events have been well distributed all around from The color of Tuscan straw is in great favor just now since it harmonizes so artistically with the very fashionable beige or twine color. The matter ones. Magenta or Harry Bassett has swept the platter. Joe Cotton, has run in and out, and Biersan and Volante have done the same, while the form California to New York. No Duke of second-rate race-horses.

An English lockmaker has constructed a key which he claims is capable of ted a key which he claims is capable of opening 22,600 patent lever locks, all of which differ in their wards or combinations. As described, the key weighs three ounces, is nickel plated and is said to be the result of three years' la-