NEWS FOR THE FAIR SEX.

MEROUS FEMININE TOPICS.

A Queen's Hobby-Fancy of the Hour -Reads Fortune in Tea Grounds-Signs Her Full Name, etc.

A Queen's Hobby,

The Queen of Italy has a peculiar hobby-a collection of gloves, boots and shoes which have been worn at different periods by royal and imperial personages. She has a pair of white slippers and a fan which belonged to Mary, Queen of Scots; also shoes worn by Queen Anne and the Empress Josephine.

A Fancy of the Hour.

One of the newest fads is the collecting of belt buckles from different parts of the world as souvenirs. Travellers can pick up curious coins in odd places, and many bits of fine silver and gold are found in old junk shops and pawnbrokers' shops. Uncut jewels are seized upon and set in unique designs, and each of these tells its story to the owner and forms the subject for interesting tales.

Reads Fortune in Ten Grounds.

One of the newest devices for the woman anxious to know what fate has in reserve for her is the fortune-telling teacup. This cup, which is wide and deep, has its inner surface covered other signs of the zodiac. If the tea leaves rest on certain lines near the ous booklet in scarlet covers that ware the dark-eyed stranger whom she or vitreous material. is soon to meet." The cup is a popular addendum to the afternoon tea table .-New York Tribune.

Signs Her Full Name.

There are styles in which a woman signs her name, just as there are which are lace curtains. styles in everything else; and if they

names themselves are no less observ. inal cup or statue. able and equally interesting. There seems to be a reaction from fancier of rare ornaments that have once Herald. names, such as Gladys, Beatrice, Pan- | beautified high places of the earth are sy, to the Mary, Margaret, Elizabeth | collected here, Some come from India and Katherine of our grandmothers' time. Even the once much despised Sarah, now spelt without the "h," has become fashionable. Nor are diminutives as popular as they once were. In this direction the influence of higher schools and colleges for girls has been exerted to excellent purpose.-Philadel-

Some Handsome Fans.

The Parisian fanmaker is the designer of the fashions of the present day, and Duvelleroy, in England, is not only a designer, but has a rare collection of old fans. The lace fan is among the finest of the Duvellroy fans, the sticks being of tortoise shell or mother-of-pearl. This artist also shows some beautifully painted fans of the Louis XVI. style and Vernis Martin.

In our own shops we find a splendid collection of the most exquisite designs. There is a black and violet fan of the "Cabriolet" style, which is very beautiful. The pearl sticks are inlaid, and upon the mount are painted dainty Watteau figures. Another is of black gauze, with tortoise shell sticks. Upon a Louis XVI. fan of black gauze are green medallions, upon which appear lovers with chubby cupids hovering

The fans are from nine to ten inches in length, the tiny empire fan not being as popular as it was several seasons agó. There are many pretty chiffon fans, one having a pretty pastoral scene painted upon it. Another of white chiffon has white silver spangles decorating it. One very unique fan is made of silk, upon which are appliqued designs in Chantilly lace, and alternating with the lace medallions are pretty little hand-painted figures; the inlaid sticks are painted and spangled. A pale cream-colored silk fan, elaborately ornamented with figures in the style of the Vernis Martin fans, is among the most expensive. Paillettes of shining steel are used to sew the delicate patterns of flower sprays appliqued on the net and chiffon.-Washington Star.

New French Lingerie. Very dainty underwear in colored lawn is sold nowadays. Figured nainsook is also used and makes charming nightdresses, as well as chemises, short petticoats, etc. For wear with linen and muslin frocks long ruffled petticoats of buff, pink, blue, green and lilac muslin are sold. They look well when the dress skirt is raised, and thyst, sapphire and emeraid charms of wash as well as white petticoats. The new chemises taper at the waist line or have belts of ribbon beading to rich persian designs accentuated by draw in the fulness of the material. They have elaborate yokes of fine tucks, rows of insertions, ribbon beadtransparent lace flowers are effective,

or embroidery are new and dainty. The low corset has given a new impetus to designers of fanciful chemises, ITEMS OF INTEREST ON NU- and even the woman who has thought an embroidered monogram and a narrow edging of hand embroidery the acme of elegance in lingerie succumbs to the fragile beauty of the new

French underwear. In batiste and lawn and soft China silk the new nightgowns are made empire fashion, with short waists and low necks and short puffed sleeves, the belt, neck and arms edged with trails of embroidered flowers. The fronts are laid in fine tucks or narrow accordion plaits. Nightrobes, with wide collars, tichus and long stoles with frilled edges that fall from the neck and taper down to the feet are very soft and becoming. Some of the short sleeves are slashed and hang loose, angel fashion, from the shoulders to show the arms. A good deal of lace insertion and frills of fine net are used on the revers and collars of nightdresses. A pretty gown has a transparent lace yoke lined with white net, with a small turned-down frill at the back of the neck tied with narrow ribbon, this terminating in a rosette at either shoulder seam, while the gown itself hangs straight from the yoke, a ribbon being drawn round the waist from the back to the front.-New York Commercial Advertiser.

A Mending Factory,

Buried in the heart of the quiet residence portion of Boston is the oddest little factory in the world. There, in a with a network of lines and a border little alcove overlooking Governor of stars, fishes, lions, serpents and | Walcott's mansion and adjacent dwellings of fashionable Back Bay, unbeknown to many of its nearest neighsigns certain things may be surely ex- bors, is a reconstruction factory-a pected to come to pass, and the for- tiny laboratory where heaps of worthtune teller, upon consulting a mysteri- less fragments of glass and china are annually reconstructed into hundreds comes with the cup, will authorita- of thousands of dollars in the form of tively announce the advent of sweet- beautiful vases, highly prized statuary hearts or gifts, or bid the inquirer "be- and other precious bric-a-brac of stone

From the outside you would never recognize the little factory, for the single window, though fronting the street, is at the top of a fine old mansion, and is bordered by ivy without and a trailing vine within, back of

A glance into the interior after labhave changed less trequently than oratory hours would scarcely suffice have the fashions in dress, carpets and | even Sherlock Holmes to tell its true wall papers, they have changed no less | character, for all that any one sees is surely. In times past women not in- a luxurious givan, a harp, a carved frequently subscribed themselves by bookcase, a heavy mahogany table and using the initials, one or more, as the a leather covered chair. But should case may have been, of the Christian you happen to visit it when the proname, but since women have entered prietress is there and the door of a so extensively into the professions and rather spacious closet is open you employments and have become accus- would see within kaleidoscopic rows tomed to handling business correspond- of precious placques and vases, anence and signing checks, M. Smith and clent and modern, upon the shelves; E. J. Jones are rapidly giving way to drawerfuls of piebald pieces, and here Mary Smith or Elizabeth Jamison and there a pile of fragments assorted so carefully that even you yourself Changes in the character of the could reconstruct the form of the orig-

Day after day shattered fragments and far Cathay; some from ancient Egypt; some from caves and ruins of Etruria; some from modern courts of Europe a d the Vatican, and some from the famous art centres of America. They are first sent to a great emporium of Boston, which immediately packs them in a bandbox or something similar and delivers them to the queer little factory by a private messenger. just as a Paris milliner delivers his marvels to wealthy patrons of his fashionable establishment. When they emerge from the factory they have been fitted together with such marvelous skill and rare artistic judgment that none but the most practiced eye could tell that they had been frag-

Labor and capital are in perfect harmony in this little factory, for the two functions are united in a single person -Miss Anna B. Smith, proprietor. Consequently one workman, or rather workwoman, is all that it can boast, but judging from the value of her finof living, wages there must exceed those of an ordinary laborer.

This laboring capitalist, or moneyed laborer, just as you are pleased to call her, is perhaps the most aristocratic factory girl in the world. Besides earning a competence that she would be foolish to exchange for that of her neighbor, the governor, she is a graduate of Wellesley College, has a coachman of her own and travels with the smart set of the Hub. - Chicago Record.

Gleanings From the Shops. Crystal fan chains with heart-shaped

pendants. Foulard batistes in polka dots, stripes and figures. Tie-chains in gilt or silver with

jewel-mounted pendants. Quilts of all descriptions in shades of white and gray for sailor hats. Printed batistes in innumerable de-

signs reproduced from choice silk pat-Broad displays of Plauen allovers in

cream and white as well as fancyfigured nets. Bathing shoes and caps in all colorings to match the flanuel and bril-

liantine suits. Much neckwear made of lace and cotton point d'esprit nets of varioussized meshes.

White pique suits made with tunics elaborately trimmed with white Hamburg embroidery.

Gilt bracelets with crystal, amevarious shapes attached.

Silk organdies showing beautiful and vari-colored silk polka dots. A great variety of cotton veils in

cream and white, as well as in tasteing, etc. Tiny puffings between rows of ful combinations of black and white. Light-colored and white taffeta paraand little epaulets and revers of lace sols, plain and dotted, with graduated or of muslin much inserted with lace stripes in contrasting shades.

So the Hobo Hunted Up the Owner-

Celebrated as an Honest Tramp. "I've slept under a shed with the thermometer 'way below zero," said the tramp, "and I've gone two long that I was a thousand dollars ahead of the game the sweat started from every pore and my knees knocked together. was regularly seasick for ten min. five years. utes, and my heart thumbed away until I thought it would break out.

"That \$1,000 meant a neap for me, you understand, but I was so excited that it was two hours before I could. do any planning. The first thing was to buy a new suit of clothes and I entered a store and picked them out. clothier ran to the door to call a policeman. I got away by a close squeeze, and then I realized the situation. Tramp that I was, I couldn't get it changed at a bank nor use it to make me more comfortable. If it had been a ten I could have had lodgings and a bed, but I'm telling you that . walked the streets as hungry as a shark, and slept at police stations and in lumber

yards. "Under the circumstances the bill might as well have been a piece of brown paper. I tried all sorts of dodges to get it busted, but it was no go. Every time I showed it I ran the risk of arrest. I offered a butcher \$100 to get it changed, but he refused to have anything to do with it. I'd have sold it for half price and been glad to, but there was no such thing as making a deal. 1 inally, in despair, I went to one of the newspaper offices and looked up the advertisements for the week past. The loser had advertised, and I went to his office in a big building and gave up the bill. The reward was \$50, but he counted out \$10 on top of that and said:

"I wouldn't have believed there was such honesty in the world. You could of the Veiled Prophet" have kept the bill as well as not.'

"He took down my name and all that and gave the affair away to the reporters. They wrote me up as the 'Honest Tramp' and had my picture in the papers, but you may guess I didn't enjoy it over much. I had \$60 in place of \$1,000 and as for my honesty, it was all bosh. I returned the bill because dead broke and don't know where to for any more big finds. Something with a figure '2' on the corner will just

When the Englishman drops a confidential communication into the letter box he has no misgivings that his missive will be opened and its contents read and copied before it comes it is addressed. In reality, though we hardly realize it, the inviolability of our correspondence is one of the many precious privileges we enjoy as a matter of course, the mass of which make up what we understand by "liberty." To find a different state of things prevailing we need make no more hazardous journey than the short sea passage that separates Dover from Calais. During the crisis in the throes of which France is still writhing the French Radicals have not been backward in insisting on the burlesque character of the scenes of which the War Office is the theatre. Surely a Gilbert, even in his best moments of inspiration, never imagined anything more ludicrous and topsy-turvy than a score of stalwart, fiercely-mustachished products and her luxurious style loed professional fighting men, accoutred in all the glittering panoply of war who pass their days morning to night laborfrom lously piecing together filthy little scraps of paper supposed to have been grubbed out of some dustbin or waste paper basket in one of the foreign embassles. The branch of the War Office where this sort of thing goes on is

known as the Intelligence Department.

-Chamber's Journal. Some Fallneies About Dogs Removed. Possibly it may have been generally noticed that with the increased value of the dog and his treatment, when ill, in a scientific manner have gone far to remove many fallacies and superstitions in regard to "man's faithful friend." The dog fancier of average its mother. With the destruction of many years ago people of more than was his own grandfather. average intelligence believed that the howling of a dog was prophetic of death in the family to which the dog in their jurisdiction. The control of world. the county or town over the dogs with-

\$1,000 WOULD BUY NOTHING. It has kept down the unnecessary DETECTING A FAMOUS FORGERY. AMONG THE BEST OF DIVERS. mongrels and has thus tended to enforce better care by the owners of those dogs that remain.

He Was Not Observing.

"It seems almost incredible," said days with nothing to eat, but I'm tell- the railroad man, "but I saw a man ing you straight that when I once had the other day that couldn't give an \$1,000 in my pocket I was worse off intelligent description of his wife. He than at any other time I can remember. came in the office to get transportation I had just been let out of the Bride- for her, to which he was entitled, and well, in Chicago, and was begging on under the present rules we must have the streets and being turned down on a description of the person that is every hand, when I picked up a \$1,000 going to use the transportation. On bill on the sidewalk. I thought it was the margin of the ticket are places a dollar, and you bet I made a hustle where the agent can punch out a very to get down a side street. When I good description of the person who is dodged into a doorway and made out entitled to use ticket in their posses-

> "I asked this man first how old his wife was. He could not tell within

> "Next I asked him how tall she was, The best I could ascertain was that she was not very tall, neither was she very short. I punched out the word 'medium' and let it go at that.

olor of his wife's eyes are. He studied for a full half minute and said he be When I caribited that \$1,000 bill the darned if he was sure whether they were light blue or light gray. "When it came to the color of the

"Next I asked the man what the

woman's hair he was again in a quandary. He was not dead sure whether it was dark brown or black.

"The only thing this husband was sure of was that his wife was slim."--Duluth News.

The Veiled Prophet.

It was in the forenoon that two middle-aged women rode out Sixteenth street in an open herdic. They had the indefinable but unmistakable air of tourists, and one of them carried an illustrated guide book. Both of them wore spectacles.

'This must be the staute of General Scott," said one, as the herdic trundled around Scott Circle. "Yes, it is General Scott."

"But what's that other statue over there?" asked the other woman, peering near-sightedly at a pedestal crowned with a tall figure swatched in white draperies. "That wasn't here when we were in Washington before." "No, I don't remember it," answered the first woman. "It must be new. It must be-why, of course. How stupid of me not to recognize it! It's a statue

And the other woman said, content ally: "Why, so it is. Isin't it a lovely

idea."-Washington Post.

Where the Compass Came From. The earliest references to the use of the mariner's compass are to be found in Chinese history, from which we I had to, and though I'm hungry and learn how, in the sixty-fourth year of the reign of Hoang-ti (2634 B. C.), the turn in for the night I'm not looking Emperor attacked Tchi-yeon, on the plains of Tehculou, and, finding his army embarrassed by a thick fog about fit my vest pocket."-Boston raised by the enemy, constructed an instrument for indicating the south, so points, and was thus enabled to pursue

his adversary and capture him. The power of the loadstone to communicate polarity to iron is said to be for the first time explicitly mentioned in a Chinese dictionary, finished in A. into the hands of the person to whom D. 121, where the loadstone is defined as "a stone with which an attraction can be given to the needle."

The Chinese appear to have once navigated as far as India by the aid of the compass.-Pearson's Weekly

A Stone for a Throne.

The throne of England, splendid in its trappings of silk, velvet and gold wire, lace and tassels, is simply an oldfashioned high-backed chair.

It has been in use for more than six hundred years, but its early history and the name of its maker are unknown. The wood is very hard. The back and sides were formerly painted in various colors. The seat is made of rough sand stone.

This stone, which is believed to possess talismanic powers, is 26 inches in length, 17 inches in breadth and 191/4 in thickness. Legends are told in connection with it, but the truth probably is that it was originally used in Scotland as a coronation stone upon which the Scottish kings were seated while undergoing the ceremonies connected with being crowned King of Scotland.

Mixed Relationship.

In Ohio County, Kentucky, a man named Miller married a widow who had a grown-up daughter. His father fell in love with the stepdaughter. The father became the son's son-inlaw and the stepdaughter became his mother. Recently the son's wife had a child. The child was Miller's father's brother-in-law and Miller's own uncle, for he was a brother of his stepintelligence now no longer believes daughter. Miller's father's wife-his that the shortening of his dog's tail stepmother-also had a son, who was, gives increased strength, nor that the of course, Miller's brother and incichoicest puppy of the newly born lit- dentally Miller's grandchild, for he ter can be told by holding the little was the son of Miller's daughter. Thus creature up by the tall, or by finding Miller's own wife was the mother's out which pup is the best favored by mother and Miller became his wife's grandchild at the same time. And these fallacies have also disappeared then, to top the whole thing off, as certain superstitions. Not so very the husband of his grandmother be

Unwelcome News.

Professor Hyslop, president of the belonged. It was also believed that Psychical Research Society, has redogs were more liable to madness at a ceived evidence through a spiritualiscertain period of the year than at any tic medium which convinces him of a other. This was supposed to be be future existence. In reply to a ques tween the end of July and the month tion as to whether anything of value of September, when Sirius, the Dog had been learned about the next world. Star, rises and sets with the sun the professor is reported as saying that These are the so-called "dog days," and | "his father remarked at one time that we doubt not the village Magistrates he needed no coat, which would seem to are still to be found in New England indicate a warm climate." It would who will at that season this year order seem also a reflection upon the way the muzzling of the canine breed with the father conducted himself in this

in its teritory. however, has done In China there is one ordained minmuch to benefit the dog in other ways. | ister to every 1,000,000.

How "Three Hundred" Was Raised to "Eighty-three Hundred."

"In filling out a blank form," writes Caniel T. Ames, the handwriting expert, "say one word is omitted. After the paper is finished the writer notices. the omission, goes back and writes in the lacking word. The insertion is different from the writing immediately preceding and following it, showing that it was written at another time and not in its natural order. The Potter-Gibbons forgery, in New Jersey, turned upon this very point. The forgery consisted of one word added to a receipt for three hundred dollars, making it read 'eighty'-three hundred. The 'eighty' was written by the same hand that wrote the remainder of the receipt, but was added at another time.

"Gibbons, by whom the receipt was given, held a mortgage of ninety-three hundred dollars on Potter's farm. Potter called to pay him three hundred of it on account. Gibbons had been ill, and could not write well, so he asked Potter to draw up the receipt. The receipt was drawn for three hundred dollars, and Gibbons signed it. Then, noticing that the figures usually inserted in such papers had not been put in he returned it to Potter with the suggestion that the figures be added. Potter took the receipt, added something, folded it and laid it on the table. Gibbons did not examine it, supposing that the other man had written in the figures as requested.

"When another installment of the mortgage fell due, Potter set up the claim that he owed only one thousand dollars instead of eight thousand, as Gibbons maintained. He produced the receipt in support of his statement. The form of the paper was so unusual, however, and the examination of the handwriting expert showed so plainly that the word eighty had been hastily written in after the receipt was completed, that it was not allowed to stand."-Ainslee's Magazine.

Science and the Servant.

Before marriage she was a schoolteacher and it took a good deal of masculine tact to wean her from the idea of making a scientific career without the interference of a husband. But now she presides over a happy little home in Detroit, and is gradually becoming domesticated. Among the recent possessions of the family is a cow, led to and from pasture by a hired boy, and milked by the servant | three of them in the little bag, take a girl. She was skimming off some rich yellow cream the other day when her mistress appeared on the scene.

"Jane," she said, "do you know that they will stay out for hours rather there are in that milk millions of mi- than return before they have all the nute organisms of bacilli that look horrid under---"

"There's not one, mum," hotly retorted Jane, as she banged the table with the skimmer, by way of emphasis. "There's not one, and I won't stand it, either. I scours the bucket, I washes the cow, I scald the pans, and I cover the milk in the rayfrigeras to distinguish the four cardinal iter. Yer the first woman as ever told me I was not clean about my work. I've allus been flattered at because of me neatness. You'll not find a one of them things in that milk, and I must say you have face to be talkin' of millions."

"But listen, Jane-" "I'll listen no more, that I won't. I've heard too much now. And you don't need to give me notice, ne'ther. I'll leave within the hour, mum, fur they's plenty of places and them as don't be slanderin' a honest workin'

girl." The bushand came home to find his wife in tears and audibly wishing that she wasn't "smart."

Owned 30,000 Autographs.

The owner of probably the greatest private collection of autographs in the world, Alexander Polonyi, has died in Vienna. His collection was so large that it filled the entire upper story of his house. Polonyi possessed the autographs of over 30,000 persons, not only of moderns but of medieval and Renaissance persons as well. He was not particular as to age, religion or profession. All he stood out for was that the autograph was to be that of a person of certain historical importance. He possessed original writings which have not yet been printed of Michael Angelo and Marie Antoinette, letters by Goethe, pages of music by Wagner and Beethoven, original documents from the eleventh century, private let ters of Canovas, eld Hebrew scrolls and sermons by famous Hussites.

It was Polonyl's greatest pleasure to show his treasures to scholars and to bewilder them with the wealth and variety of the materials which he placed before them in the calculated disorder we have attempted to de scribe. He began life as an apprentice to a Lelpsic bookseller. His greatest success was with a magnificent collection of Duerer's drawings, which he happened on quite accidentally and sold to the Royal Gallery, in Berlin, for a prodigious sum of money. Polonyi had no scientific or historical knowledge, but he had a genius for collecting, and it was as a collecter he was known throughout the world.

Philippines Long Ago American Ter-pitory,

Texas was at one time and for many years called the "New Philippines." The first settlement in what is now Texas was made by French emigrants in 1685. During the next twenty-five years there was an intermittent struggle between the French and Spanish for supremacy, resulting in favor of the latter, and in 1814 the name of the New Philippines was given to the country. This was its official name in Spanish records for many years and until the name of Texas, from a tribe of Indians, gradually came in vogue .--Indianapolis Journal.

Great Britain and Ireland imports 1,500,000,000 eggs a year.

Corean Women Who Make a Business

of Diving for the Pearl Oyster. A Brooklyn man recently received a letter from a friend in Seoul, the capital of Korea, describing a visit the writer had recently paid to the large island of Quelpaert, just south of Korea and a part of that country. It appears that one of the main lines of business is diving for the pearl oyster and that the diving operations are wholly monopolized by women, i.ere is an extract from the letter:

"I think the most unique sight E ever saw was the women divers at Quelpaert. Perhaps you may have heard that only women divers are engaged in the pearl oyster fisheries there. Every day I was there I saw a lot of them going to their work and returning with the fruits of their quest under the sea. They were not a very handsome crowd, but they have fine, supple figures, and can swim as well as any fish of the deep. Each wears a very scanty bathing dress that looks as though it might be made of gunny sack. Tied to a string around their waists is a gourd with a stopper in the neck of it to keep the water out. Tied to the gourd is a little bag. The third and last article of the equipment is a sickle, which is also fastened to the waist, and rests on the back till the women get out to the fishing grounds.

"You might think that boats would be kept to carry these women out to their toil, but no, they work their passage and it is a lesson in the art of swimming to see them. They wade out a few yards and then breast the waves, moving seaward with long, quick strokes, and cutting the water like a racing shell. They swim out about half a mile. My favorite amusement was watching as much as I could see of their subsequent operations through a glass. They would take off the gourd and little bag and leave them floating about on the surface. Then, sickle in hand, down they would go, head first, and I was told that they had to sink forty or fifty

feet to the bottom. About the time I made up my mind they would never be seen again alive, up they would come, sometimes right near where the gourd was floating and sometimes several rods away. They would put their oyster or two or few long breaths, and down they would go again, repeating the process until the bag was filled. It is said oysters that can be crowded into the bag. Any stranger must admire them both for their splendid endurance and for their swimming. It's worth more than all the tank performances you

ever saw. "The sickles are used to cut away the seaweed at the bottom so that the divers may get at the stones and themselves. A pearl is very rarely found, but when a diver captures the prize she thinks her fortune is made. The shell is used as mother of pearl and the oysters are eaten in large quantities both on the island and on the mainland."

Kauni-" The Garden Island."

I made my landing on Kauai at Nawiliwili, a very pretty crescent-shaped bay with high bold land at the points, disembarking from a smaller steamer than those running to Hawaii and Maui, after one of the roughest trips in my experience. Hawaiians call Kauai the Garden Island of the group-and in so doing raise expectations at Honolulu which will not be realized by a trip across the disturbing channel. It is the oldest of the islands-and therefore freer of lava-but it is also the least picturesque and. I must add, with the least agricultural possibili-

ties for immigrants. In point of fact, there are no possibilities at all. Not for lack of arable land, indeed, but for lack of any kind worth cultivating. The island is practically owned by about six plantations, and has never been surveyed in whole by the government. Some of these plantations are on very rich soll-and one of them, at Libue, just inland from Nawiliwili, has stretches that yield nine tons of sugar to the acre; but the majority do not yield more than half that amount. Physically the island is somewhat like the others, save that its centre, rather than ragged mountains, is occupied by high (3,000 feet) tableland densely covered with forest, and it has in the Hanalei and Wailua rivers two fair sized streams.-Casper Whitney, in Harper's Weekly.

Two Grim Relies.

Two grim relics have just been added to the collection in Paris known as the Musee de l'Armee, which was recently installed in the Hotel des Invalids. They are the wooden leg worn by General Daumesnil and General d'Aboville's steel shoulder. Daumesnil, a Napoleonic veteran who had left one of his lower extremities on the field of Wagram, happened to be in command at Vincennes when the Allies entered Paris. He refused to surrender, crying from the battlements: "I won't give up the place till you give me back my leg." Baron d'Aboville was also a hero of Wagram, where a cannon ball carried away the whole of his shoulder to the collar bone. "Patch me up this," he remarked to Baron Larrey, the great surgeon, when he reached the field hospital. Larrey, though he considered the case hope less, bound the wound up as best he could. Some years after an officer came into his consulting room in Paris one day and complained that he could not get a coat to fit him. The doctor at once recognized his former patient, and made for him the steel shoulder. which the general wore for the rest of his days.—London Chronicle.