## TIMELY TOPICS.

Treeless Iowa is being transformed into a forest-covered country by a law which remits certain taxes for five years on every acre of forest trees planted and kept alive. Over 75,000 acres of fruit and forest trees have been planted, and \$200,000 have been remitted in taxes.

The largest grain elevator in the world has just been completed in Chi eggo, its capacity being 1,800,000 bushels. There are twenty-one eleva busnels. tors in Chicago, having a total capacity of 16,955,000—say 17,000,000—of bushels. Allowing 400 bushels to the car load, these storehouses can hold the contents of 42,387 freight cars, equivalent to a string of cars 280 miles long.

The year 1880 has been indicated as the proper time to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the publication of Wyckliffe's translation of the Bible. Wyckliffe's translation of the Bible.
That year has been chosen because the
New Testament was then published,
although the complete Bible did not appear until a slightly later day.
Wyckliffe's translation was the first
copy of the entire Bible that appeared
in the English language.

The number of packages of tomatoes put up in the United States last year reached the great total of 19,968,000—Maryland leading off with 6,840,000; New Jersey, 5,592,000; Delaware, 7,884,-000; New York, 1,680,000; Massachusetts, 960,000; Pennsylvamia, 182,000; Penfer Coast, 1,200,000; Western and other States, 1,320,000. Yet many of the present generation can recall the time when the tomato was regarded as a when the tomato was regarded as a

Hereare Dr. Thomas Guthrie's excel-Hereare Dr. Thomas Guthrie's excellent reasons for being a total abstainer: I have tried both ways; I speak from experience. I am in good spirit because I take no spirit; I am hale because I use no ale; I take no antidote in the form of drugs because I take no poison in the form of drinks. Thus, though in the first instance I sought only the public good, I have found my own also since I became a total abstainer. I have these four reasons for continuing to be onefirst, my health is stronger; second, my head is clearer; third, my heart is lighter; fourth, my purse is heavier.

Scarlet fever is a scourge as much to Scarlet lever is a scourge as much to be dreaded in Northern cities as the yel-low fever is in the South. A leading cause of the disease being spread is from ladies visiting houses where there are cases, or attending funerals of those who have died from the malady, thus impregnating their clothing and carry-ing the germs to their own and other families. This disease should be treated familes. This disease should be treated in a manner similar to small-pox as regards quarantine regulations. It is not less terrible in its fatality, and not unfrequently leaves the convalescent with deamess, blindness, or some other erious affection

German statisticians have recently German statisticians have recently published an estimate of the total amount of capital invested in the construction of railroads since Stephenson's experimental locomotive first glided over a double rail, revolutionizing the transport system of our earth. The result of their calculations is the amazing sum of seventy-five milliards of francs, or \$15,000,000. The event that inaugurated the expenditure of such an augurated the expenditure of such an amount as this—nearly fifteen dollars a head for every human being inhabiting the terrestrial globe—is worthier of celebration by jubilee ceremonies than the anniversary of a great battle.

The past year has been an unusually The past year has been an unusually faise one for the Gloucester (Mass.) fishermen. A dispatch from Boston says: There was scarcely a week during the year that did not witness destruction. Thirteen vessels went down, 143 men were drowned, fifty-six women were widowed, and 150 children made fatherless by the February gale. The total losses of the year were thirty vessels and 240 lives. Eighty-eight widows were made and 219 children left without fathers. This is a terrible record, but it will probably be lengthened, for two will probably be lengthened, for two vessels are now missing and grave fears are entertained that they will never be heard from. Since 1830, 2,118 men and 405 vessels, valued at \$1,696,399, have

Official whippings are continued regularly at Newcastle, Del., and are regarded as a matter of course by the residents. On the last whipping day five convicted thieves were punished. The first was a German, who was not severely lashed, and he walked away smiling. The second was a tramp, who bore the ordeal without flinching. Two negroes, who came next, writhed and mattered under the pain of severe blows. mattered under the pain of severe blows. The fifth was a boy of fitteen. He was so frightened that it was necessary to force him to the post, and at the first stroke he desperately freed himself by pulling his hands out of the staples. A handkerchief was used to fasten him, but he got loose again before the prescribed twenty blows were completed, and pathetically begged the sheriff not to strike so hard.

Cincinnati's "Society for the Promotion of Marriage," under the auspices of which several persons were married at a picnic last summer, is a failure. August Myers, one of the victims, tells a story about his relations with the society. He says that, instead of getting \$75 to begin married life with, he got but \$25, and that recently, his wife having been sick, he sent a doctor's bill to the treasurer of the society, who informed him that the association had dissolved and the \$2,000 made off the great picnic and anniversary, which was attended by many thousands of Cincinnatians, had disappeared. The management of the affair fell largely into the hands of a party of low politicians and the result has been dis-strous. The gold rings presented the brides, he says, have been analyzed and found to be mostly of lead.

The movement in temperance known The movement in temperance known as home protection, which, in reality, is woman's bailot on the dram-shops, is gaining in favor in all parts of the country. Five of the annual conventions of the women's chvistian temperance unions, held in the separate New England States, have passed home protection resolutions indorsing that line of work. At the late annual meeting of the National Women's Christian Temperance Union in Indianapolis, a resolution was passed to the effect that "the organizations there represented should in each State be free to choose their own methods of work," thus removing all restrictions of that body from such State women's unions as shall decide to ask

for the temperance ballot. Eleven State organizations already indorse this movement; only three really oppose it, and their ranks, it is said, are by no means solid. solid

## A Long Search for a Gold Dollar.

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A letter from Lambertville, N. J., to the Philadelphia Times tells this interesting story about a gold dollar: A young lady of this place has a gold dollar, with a monogram inscribed upon it, which has been the subject of a great deal of attention. It was attached to a bracelet by a chain. One evening in the latter part of February last, after a sleigh ride, she missed it. The broken chain showed how it had disappeared. Search was made, but it was of no avail. Finally an advertisement caught the eye of an habitual loafer about town. He went to the house and said that he had found the dollar below the steps of the sleigh the morning after the ride, and had spent it for whiskey at a saloon. The friends of the young lady determined to find the dollar if possible. The saloon-keeper remembered having received the money, but he had paid it to a butcher. The latter recollected paying it over to a drover in Trenton. The address of the drover was secured and a letter written him requesting a reply at once. It came, with the information that he had purchased a ticket to Philadelphia with it the very day the Lambertville butcher gave it to him, and that the Trenton ticket agent had remarked about the monogram.

The search was continued. The agent remembered the dollar, and said he laid it aside for a few hours, but it was forwarded to the general office in Philadelphia was next corresponded with. The beautiful monogram had been noted, but the dollar had been deposited in the bank. His opinion was that it could be obtained from the cashier. The cashier was communicated with. His attention had been called to the initials on the back of the dollar by one of the clerks, and he had instructed the clerk to place it aside for a few weeks. Unfortunately, in the absence of the clerk, a gentleman, desiring several hundred dollars in gold, preparatory to a California trip, had been furnished with the amount, and the little piece had in some way been mixed with that sum and gone westward. The gentlem

tleman's name was furnished, and a let-

tleman's name was furnished, and a letter was sent to him.

The events so far described took place in March, and the remainder of the spring and all summer passed with no tidings from the lost bangle. A few days ago, however, there came a letter from Detroit, written by the gentleman who had gone West, which said that his health had been poor, so that instead of returning at once from California, as he proposed when he started, he had stop ped at Colorado Springs for the summer to recuperate. The letter relating the account of the dollar had been delayed and not forwarded, so that he never reaccount of the dollar had been delayed and not forwarded, so that he never received it until he reached Chicago. He said he had the dollar in his possession, as the monogram attracted his notice. The initials were the same as those of a young friend of his, and he kept the coin on that account. He promised to send the dollar as should be directed. He was as good as his word, and the little gold piece is back in Lambertville once more."

## Curing Sardines.

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Another interesting product of France not of its soil but of its waters, is the sardine, which is borne to every clime, and considered a delicacy by all nations. It is said to belong to the herring family, but never attains to a large size. The uniformity of their size is seen in the boxes, which are just adapted to packing them, as they are found to correspond in length. These little finny creatures are caught in nets, and, after being well washed, the heads are cut off and the fish are sprinkled lightly with fine salt. After lying for a few hours they are placed on grids in rows almost perpendicular. The frames are then placed in pans containing boiling olive oil. This oil is changed as often as it becomes too black and dirty for continuing the cooking process. As soon as the fish are considered sufficiently cooked they are withdrawn from the pans of oil and the rids placed on tables covered with zinc, the surface of the tables inclining toward a groove in the center. The oil is thus carried to a vessel prepared to receive it. Around these tables stand women whose business is to pack the fish closely and uniformly in boxes. The boxes being full, the fish are covered with fresh oil, and the lids of the boxe are then soldered down. Thus heremet-The boxes being full, the fish are covered with fresh oil, and the lids of the boxe are then soldered down. Thus heremetically sealed, they are placed in a wire basket and immersed in boiling water. The smaller boxes are thus boiled for about an hour and the larger ones somewhat longer, in proportion o the size of the box. The fish are then ready for the market, and, being packed in cases, are sent to the ends of the earth.

An Athletic Statesman. The caricature that the French artist, Gill, recently made of Gambetta, representing him as an athlete, is said to be a very faithful likeness. Gambetta is

senting him as an athlete, is said to be a very faithful likeness. Gambetta is really an athlete of uncommon strength. His arms, especially, are unusually large and powerful. He is fond of rowing, and is regarded as a crack oarsman. Two years ago he began to fall rapidly into flesh. His physicians ordered him baths and exercise, and Gambetta went under a regular training to pull himself down. He succeeded in reducing himself, but he still exercises like a professional gymnast. Every morning he twists himself into all sorts of positions on the trapeze, while his secretary reads to him in a loud voice all the principal articles of the daily papers. Gambetta, notwithstanding his great strength, is no fighter, although his energy during the Franco-Prussian war gave rise to the opinion that he was possessed of considerable combativeness. One day the Admiral Fourichon, incensed at Gambetta's orders to his agents to draw liberally upon the marine arsenals, reproached him bitterly, and finally, in a fit of rage, seized him by the throat. Gambetta could have crushed the admiral with his powerful fist, but he never made the least resistance, and finally reasoned calmly and good naturedly with his fierce opponent. "That big fellow," said one of his physicians, lately, "is taking such good care of himself that he will surely die in the skin of a conservative, and not in that of a factionist, as President Grevy predicted."

It is said that the bureau of engraving has not a single \$10 bill in its reserve stock. Singular coincidence. Neither have we.—Rockland Courier.

# The Events of 1879.

A Summary of the Year's Important Happenings.

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11.—2. Election in Rhode Island... 

Six executions in different parts of the United States... 20. The legislative appropriation bill nasses United States Senate... 24. Participation of Brooklyn's 13th regiment in Queen Victoria's sixtieth birthday festivities at Montreal... 25. Catholic eathedral in New York dedicated... 26. End of war between England and Atghanistan officially announced... 29. News received of a terrific naval bat-le between Chilian and Peruvian vessels. The President vetoes the legislative appropriation bill. Several persons killed or injured at a hotel fire in Hagerstown, Md. International congress in Paris adopts a plan to build a ship canal acress the Isthmus of Darien... 30. Decoration day. About fifty persons lose their lives by a tornado in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

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JUNE.—1. Great eruption of Mt. Etna report ed....2. Great strike of iron workers in and about Pittsburgh, Pa....3. Secretary of War McCrary nominated by President Hayes to succeed Judge Dillon as judge of the eighth circuit....9. Reports received of great destruction of property in Italy by bursting of dikes and inundation of river Po. Cessation of eruption of Mt. Etna reported....11. Mysterious murder of Mrs. Hulli n.New York city. Emperor William's golden wedding celebrated in Berlin....12. Eleven persons drowned by a waterspout in the Black Hills....16. Hanlan deleats Elliott in championship rowing match at Newcastle, England. Beginning of six days international walking match in London....21. Weston wins the walking match in London, scoring 550 miles....23. The President signs the army appropriation bill and vetoes the judicial expenses appropriation bill. Cox, Mrs. Hull's murderer, arrested in Boston....26. The Khedive of Egypt abdicates in favor of his son....27. Harvard defeats Yale in annual boat race at New London, Conn.....30. Federal marshal appropriation bill vetoed by the President JULY.—1. Extra session of the Forty-sixth Congress closed.....2. Fatal storm in Wisconsin and Minnesota....4. Seven lives lost by an accident to a steamer on Lake Quinsigamond, Mass. Large fire in Amerst, Mass....8. James Gordon Bennett's yacht Jeannette sails from San Francisco on exploring expedition in search of the North Pole....10. Eight persons killed by an explosion of giant powder in mine works at Bodde, Cal. Yellow fever panic in Memphis....12. Funeral of French Prince Im-

perial at Chiselhurst, England. Eight lives lost by wreck of steamer State of Virginia off the coast of Nova Scotia....16. Many lives lost in New England during a terrific storm....18. Eight persons drowned by capaising of a yacht in St. Lawrence river, Canada. News received of a great Zulu dejent in South Africa by Lord Chelmsford, and virtual end of the Zulu war....26. Destructive storm in western Pennsylvania....28. A congressional committee begins at Chicago an examination into the causes of the labor depression....31. Five persons drowned by the capsizing of an excursion yacht at Clayton, N. Y.

AUGUST.—2. Disastrous storm in England

Madrid of King Allonso to Marie Christine, Austrian archduchess.

DECKMBER.—1. Opening of the regular session of Forty-sixth Congress...2. Attempt to kill the Czar of Russia while on his way to Moscow...3. Banquet to Oliver Wendell Holmes in Boston in honor of his seventieth bit thday...8. Opening of the international dairy tait in New York...9. United States Senate confirms Secretary of War McCrary to be United States circuit judge...10. Ex-Senator Ramsey's appointment as successor to Secretary of War McCrary confirmed by the Senate. National agricultural society formed in New York...12. News received of great floods in Transylvania and Hungary. Destruction by fire of Red Rock, Pa....15. Twelve miners killed and eight injured by an explosion in a salt mine in Warts. in Wurtemburg, Germany....16. Great welcome to General Grant in Philadelphia ....19. Details received of heavy battle between Chilians and allied forces of Peru and Bolivia.

There is a famous case on the books of a Norman hotel keeper and the customer who ordered a six-egg omelette prepared but went away in a hurry without paying for it, and when he returned fifteen years later offered the landlord fifteen francs, being for the original cost of the eggs and the interest thereon compounded. The landlord claimed a fabulous sum, alleging that the six eggs

of the eggs and the interest thereon compounded. The landlord claimed a fabulous sum, alleging that the six eggs would have produced so many chicks, from which would have issued so many hens; that with the product of these innumerable fowls he would have bought a farm, which in so many years would have yielded so much money, which being invested, etc. The court, however, non-suited the landlord because the eggs had been broken for the omelette, and so could not have been hatched.

The case has been outdone in an Indian court. A, B, C and D buy cotton in partnership and store it in a warehouse which is invested with rats. To discourage these vermin they buy a cat, of which each is to own a leg. The cat breaks that one of her legs which is owned by A, who binds it up with cotton soaked in oil. The cotton takes fire, the cat takes refuge in the midst of the cotton bales and the whole property is destroyed; whereupon B, C and D sue A, alleging that it was his leg which caused the confingnation. The court promptly decides against them with costs, and orders them to pay A for his cotton and bear their own losses, on the ground that the cat couldn't walk on the broken leg, so that it was the three sound legs which carried her into the cotton.—Paris Figaro.

Professor Stewart, a mining expert says in the most unqualified terms tha Maine is a promising silver-bearing region.

## The Dead of 1879.

Necrological Record of the Past Year,

JANUARY.—1. Judge Charles T. Sherman, brother of Secretary and General Sherman; Cleveland; Ohio; 67...2. Caleb Cushing, prominent American lawyer and politiciar; Newburgport, Mass.; 79...4. Juan Moncasi, would-be assassin of Spanish king; executed in Madrid; 22...6. Morton McMichael, ex-mayor of Philadelphia and publisher of the North American; Philadelphia; 62;...8. Julian Hartridge, Congressman from Georgia; Washington, D. C.; 46.... 10. Gustave Schleicher, Congressman from Texas; Washington; 56;...12. Commodors John Guest, U.S. navy; Porthsmouth, N. H.; 57....20. John Blair Scribner, head of well-known publishing house; New York; 28...21. George S. Hilliard, American author of note; Longwood, Mass; 67....27. Dr. Henry R. Linderman, director United States mint; Washington; 54, FEBRUARY.—2, Richard Henry Dana, eminent American author; Boston, Mass; 93....3. General George Cadwalader, veteran of war with Mexico; Philadelphia, 73.... 7. Thomas Lord, well-known New York millionaire; New York, 85;...11. Henry Goodyear, rubber manufacturer; Paris... 17. Miss Flandren, weighing 516 pounds; on exhibition in a New York menagerie; 18....21. Shere Ali, ameer of Afghanistan; 55;...23. Field Marshal Theodore Emil Von Roon, German minister of war; Berlin; 76. JANUARY.-1. Judge Charles T. Sherman

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Elihu Burritt, "the learned blacksmit; New Britain, Conn.; 69....9. Rev. John Weiss, notel lecture; and essayist; Boston, Mass.; 61....16. Major-General T. W. Sherman, United States army; Newport, R. I.; 66....17. Ex-United States Senator George Goldthwaite; Montgomery, Ala.; 60....26. John M. Elliott, chief justice Kentucky court of appeals; Prankfort, Ky.; 59....29. H. Y. Riddle, member of 45th Congress; Lebanon, Tenn.; 55.

APRIL.—3. Judge James A. Stewart, of the Maryland court of appeals; Cambridge, Md.; 71.... 4. Madam Pattrrson-Bonaparte, wile of the brother of the first Napoleon; Baltimore, Md.; 94....5. Prof. Henry William Dove, celebrated meteorologist and writer; Berlin, Germany; 76....12. Lieutenant-General Richard Taylor, Confederate army; New York; 53.....21. Major-General John A. Dix, ex-Governor, ex-United States Senator, etc.; New York; 81....25.
Bishop Edward R. Ames, of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Baltimore, Md.; 73...
30. Rush Clark, Congressman from Iowa; Washington; —. Clinton L. Cobb, ex-Congressman; Elizabeth City, N. C.; 36.

MAY.—I. Mrs. Sarah J. B. Hale, for more than fitty years editor of Godey's Lady's Book; Philadelphia; 90....5. Dr. Issas Butt, M. P. and leader of the Irish Home Rulers; Dublin; 63....15. Jacob Staempfi, well known Swiss politician and member of the Geneva Court of Aibitration on Alabama claims; Berne, Switzerland; 59.....17. Rear Admiral Sylvanus W. Gordon, on retired list United States navy; Blois, France. Judge Asa Packer, president Lehigh Valley railroad and richest man in Pennsylvania; Philadelphia; 72.....24. William Lloyd Garrison, celebrated antislavery agitator; New York; 75....31. Eben C. Ingersoll, ex-member of Congress from Illinois and brother of Bob Ingersoll; Washington; 48.

JUNE.—1. Prince Louis Napoleon Bonaparte, son of Napoleon Illinois and brother of Bob Ingersoll; Washington; 48.

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South Atrica; 23. Major-General James
Shields, veteran of Mexican war, and U. S.
Sonator from three States Officers. Shields, veteran of Mexican war, and U. S. Senator from three States; Ottunwa, Ia.; 69....3. Baron Lionel Nathan De Rothschild, head of famous London banking house; London; 71....4. James Woodruff, projector Woodruff scientific expedition around the world; New York; 39....10. Commodore Foxhall A. Parker, Commandant United States Naval Academy; Annapolis, Ind.; 57....25. Albert Weber, leading New York pianoforte maker; New York; 49. IL William Allen, ex-Governor of Ohic; Chillicothe, Ohic; 73....18. Major-

York; 49.

JULY. 11. William Allen, ex-Governor of Ohio; Chillicothe, Ohio; 73....18. Major-General William F. Barry, commander of Fort McHenry; Baitimore, Md.; 61...28. Baron Frederick Von Gerolt, privy councilor to the Emperor of Germany and ex-minister to the United States; Bonn, Germany; 80....29. Bland Ballard, district judge of the United States Court of Kentnecky; Louisville, Ky.; 60.

AUGUST.—Charles Fechter, famous actor, Richland Centre, Pa.; 54. Infanta Maria del Pilar, sister of the Spanish king; Spain; 18....25. Hon. John C. Ten Eyck, ex-United States Senator from New Jersey; Mount Holly, N. J.; 63....27. Sir Rowland Hill, originator of the cheap postage system; England; 84...30. General J. B. Hood, Confederate army, New Orleans; 48. SEPTEMBER.—7. Wm. M. Hunt, eminent American artist; Isle of Shoals, Me.; 55.... Count Amadee de Noe, known as "Cham," the celebrated French caricaturist; Paris; 60.... 14. Saleiman Pacha, prominent Turkish general; Bagdad; 39....16 Bernhardt Cotta, caninent German geologist; Germany; 85.... 18. Daniel Drew, well known New York financier; New York; 82.... 20. Rev. Joseph P. Thompson, noted American divine; Berlin, Germany; 60....39. Francis Gillette, ex-United States Senator from Connecticut; Hautord, Conn.; 72.

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American political economist; Philadelphin; 86....14. Dr. F. Julium Le Moyne,
father of cremation in the United States;
Washington, Pa.; 81....15. Carl Eckhart,
composer; Berlim....17. William R. Whittingham, D. D., LL.D., Protestant Episcopal bishop of Maryland; Orange, N. J.; 74....20. Herr Von Bulow, German diplomat; Berlim; 64....31. Major General
Jose; h Hooker, distinguished officer of the
Federal army; Garden City, Long Island;
64.

 OVEMBER.—1. Hon. Zachariah Chandler, United States Senator from Michigan; Chicago, Ill.; 66....8. Margaret L. Eaton, 

Chicago's Meat-Canning Industry.

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The business of canning meats in this city is one of comparatively recent date. As enormous as it now is, it is the growth of but very few years.

During the past year there were slaughtered in this city for canning purposes 300,000 head of cattle, the cost of which was over \$6,000,000.

In this business over 2,600 men are employed, and the amount of money yearly expended in this city in the prosecution of this business, for labor and otherwise, is over \$1,000,000.

Over 40,000 cans of meat are packed daily in this city, and over 200,000 pounds of meat cooked daily for canning purposes.—Chicago Times.

## FOR THE PAIR SEY.

News and Notes for Women

Miss Nancy Smith has been admitted to the bar at Keokuk, Ia. The lawyers of that place gave her a dinner.

A single hair brought eighty dollars the other day at a fair in Alabama. It was from the head of a pretty woman and sold for the benefit of Gen. Hood's orphans.

Several Chicago girls have determined to devote themselves to charity and benevolence, and are going to begin, says the Boston *Transcript*, by giving their wide belts to poor horses.

Very cheap straw Chinese hats have this year been the rage in England. Duchesses wearing precisely the same article as dairy maids; "but," explained one great lady, "none of those dreadful middle class people wear them."

Very elegant petticoats of black and garnet satin have the back breadths drawn into puffs, which are stuffed with hair. Red cashmere petticoats have bustles of curved whalebon e set in at the top.

Miss Mary Allen Vest is superintend-Miss Mary Allen Vest is superintendent of schools in Knox county, Illinois, and her schools have taken six out of the eight premiums offered in the educational department of the Illinois State fair. The superintendent of educational exhibit recommended the State bord of agriculture to grant a medal to Miss West.

There are thirty-seven women in attendance at the London school of medicine for women. Of the seventy students who have entered the school since its foundation some are in practice and others are preparing for the examination of the University of London, or of the King's and Queen's College of Physicians, Ireland.

cians, Ireland.

An old fashioned quilting party is mentioned by the Junction City (Kansas) Tribune: "We attended a quilting party last week at Red Rose farm. The quilt was pieced inChinese pattern by the father of the hostess, Mrs. Or W. Bill, who is ninety-five years old. The daughter, granddaughter, and great granddaughter were all quilting at one time. The old gentleman did not probably anticipate this 'trio' when sewing the blocks so accurately and neatly."

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At a recent wedding in New York, the lovers' knot and horseshoe were woven of solid roses. A large circular basket and lyre composed of Cook roses, ferns, and lillian Amazonica, completed the decoration. At a "wooden wedding" butter tubs and spice-boxes were used as flower-receivers and a chopping-bowl was filled to overflowing with rare and costly plants. At another wedding the bride carried an Angot bag filled on one side with long-stemmed white buds.

## Marriage Customs in India.

Marriage customs and marriage mani-ras, differ in some respects in different parts of India. Thus at a marriage of his highness the Maharajah of Mysore

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the following pretty recitation formed a
portion of the ritual uttered by the
bridegroom in musical Sanskrit:

"Who gave her!

Love gave her!

Love was the giver.

Love was the taker.

Love! may this be thine.

With love may I enjoy her! Love! may this be thine.
With love may I enjoy her!
Love has pervaded the ocean.
With love I accept her!
Love! may this be thine."

Soon after this the bride and bride-groom proceed one or two steps forward, and the bride is thus addressed by the bridegroom:
"May the regions of space, may air,

the sun and fire dispet that anxiety which thou feelest in thy mind and turn thy heart to me. Be gentle in thy aspect and loyal to thy husband, be fortunate in cattle, amiable in thy mind and beautiful in thy person; mother of valiant sons; be fond of delights; be cheerful and bring prosperity to our bipeds and quadrupeds. Soma first received thee; the regent of fire was thy third husband and now a human being is thy fourth. Soma gave her to the sun: the sun gave her to the region of fire; fire her to me With her he has given me wealth and male offspring. May she, most conspicuous cause of prosperity, never desert me."

sert me."

These and many others which were recited contain much exquisite poetry in them. They are, to quote Max Muller, the simplest child-like papers on record.

So you want to marry a rich man, do you? You want to live without work? Between Dives and Lazarus you would fire Lazarus out, eh? Good. Now, what does the deliberate intent to

you? You want to live without work? Between Dives and Lazarus you would fire Lazarus out, eh? Good. Now, what does the deliberate intent to "marry rich," mean? This when interoreted in plain English:

You are willing that a man should pay for the roof over your head, the food you eat, the clothes you wear. You expect him in addition to furnish you with spending money. And what will you give in return? Your company. You are willing to supervise his household, providing it is stylish enough and there are servants enough to anticipate every exertion. You will dress, come down to dinner and play the charming hostess. But is this always remuneration for his outlay? Does the rich five or ten-year married man's life always prove it? Are you willing for money to be simply endured? Are you willing to sit in your comfortable seat and give Dives all the scope and rein he wants outside? After all, have you much reason on your side for complaining if his fancy wings itself in other directions? Practically, you chose his money, not him. You have what his money brings. Should you not be content? Did you not prefer to eat the bread of a gilded dependence? You have still what you married—money, position, diamonds, servants, a carriage, a summer cottage. Are not these enough? Heart? Affections? Faithfulness? Nonsense. You did not wed them.—New York Graphic.

# Hay as Food for Hogs.

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But few men are aware of the fact that hay is very beneficial to hogs, but it is true nevertheless. Hogs need rough food as well as horses, cattle or the human race. To prepare it you should have a cutting-box (or hay cutter), and the greener the hay the better. Cut the hay as short as oats or shorter, and mix with bran, shorts or middlings, and feed as other food. Hogs soon learn to like it, and if soaked in swill, as other slop food, is highly relished by them. In winter use for the hogs the same hay you feed your horses, and you will find that, while itsaves bran, shorts or other teod, it puts on flesh as rapidly as anything that can be given them.