the posessor in a more lovable and amiable light. He must have both heart and imagination to ride a hobby Show me a man who has no individupassionately attached, and you will find a man cold, hard hearted, calcu-

Great men's hobbies have been many and so eccentric as to lead the common hoar to think their possessors were insane. Wendell Philips' hobby was the negro and his freedom. J. C. Calhoun's was South Carolina and and Chase's were the Presidency, yet they never reached their goal; Ellihu Burritt's, the learning of language; Dio Lewis', exercise and physical developement; Trask's, the condemnation of tobacco, and John B. Gough's the reclamation of drunkards.

Hobbies are profitable, in that a man with one idea becomes a specialist, connoisseur in his line, an authority. John Allen an old citizen of New York, spent a life time in collecantiquarian, and saw wealth in odd trinkets and souvenirs, to which the

old woman's love of gossip which he town Democrat. has handed down to us in his admirable memoirs. Signor La Blanche, the great buffo had basso, and a hobby for souff-boxes, and walking sticks, and it was impossible to posess too great a variety. Snuff boxes of every description, wooden, papier-mache, tin, silver, gold, and snuff boxes set with emeralds and rubies, were all eagerly sought for, and carefully walking sticks, he had them for every day in the year.

Gillott, the celebrated steel pen manufacturer, had a hobby for cermona fiddles. He posessed more than sufficient to stock the orchestras of the two great opera houses of London, vet he could not play a note himself. leafed plants will, during fair weath. The Duke of Sussex, brother of Geo. H., had a great collection of cigars and Bibles. Count Henry Von Bruhl, night the rate is only about one fifth the German diplomate, was said by as rapid as during the day, and dur-Frederick the Great "to have, of all ing rainy weather there is absolutely men of his time, the most watches, no evaporation. lace boots, shoes and slippers." Cf all his curiosities, none could exceed his lately brought to the notice of the collection of wigs.

stand for the pipe hobbyist, and the physicisn's inspection. Dickens' "Fagin" was the greatest An account of the "Anemogene, collector of handkerchiefs. Wilkie an apparatus for imitating the grea Collins has a detective whose hobby movements of the earth's atmosphere, was the culture of roses. "Miss Fare- has been given to the French Aca" brother," in George Elliot's "Midd demy of Sciences. By means of this emarch," has a hobby of dropping instrument, which takes the form of a lumps of sugar into her basket that minature revolving globe, the trade she may have them to give to her winds, ascending and decending cur friends the boys of the street. There rents, and other normal atmospheric was once an old nurse who had been phenomena are reproduced. in the employ of one of the court la- In a paper on the size of the brain dies of William IV., whose hobby was in extinct animals, Prof. Marsh of Yale College has brought forward the to collect pieces of wedding cake of remarkable fact that in the race for all princesses of the royal family, in, life during past ages the survival of cluding Queen Victoria and some of any particular group of animals deher daughters.

C. Burroughs Johnson, a well-known animals crushed out of existence was farmer residing in Doylestown town- always found to be relatively smaller ship, near Castle Valley, on Tuesday | than that of those ou living them. experience, and so when a nearly, larea-from to production by electri-

said his name was Morgan, that he was a cattle dealer and well acquaint-Hobbies reveal a person's character ed in Doylestown and vicinity, menmore than anything else. It shows tioning several of our prominent citizens whom he said he knew very well. He said he was about shipping a couple carloads of cattle to Doyles. town, and would ride up with Mr. al likings and tastes to which he is Johnson if he had no objection. Morgan asked Mr. Johnson if he ever"irrigated," and upon receiving an affirmative reply, they went to a neighboring saloon. Returning to the depot, Morgan was approached by a dapperlooking little fellow, hatless and a large pen stuck back of his ear, to all appearances a clerk in the railroad office, who gave him to understand nulification. Webster's, Steward's that unless the freight was paid on the two car-loads of cattle they would not be sent by the rext train. Morgan appeard to be very much surprised. and said he thought his partner had at. attended to that as he had made arrangements with him to do so. He tendered the clerk \$1000 bond, and requested him to return the change The clerk said it was impossible to accept the bond, and after considerable argument about the matter, Mor. poetry. gan requested Mr. Johnson to let him ting bric-a-brac. He was a variable have the necessary \$82 until they reached Doylestown, where he could easily negotiate the bond. Mr. worldly minded persons would attach | Johnson unsuspectingly complied, and no value and say, "What is all this he money was handed to the clerk, good for?" His portfolios were who left them. He was hardly out crammed with rare autographs and of sight when Morgan exclaimed superb prints, and his cabinet of coins | "By jove, I guess I had better get a rewatches, shoe buckles, armor, antique ceipt for that money," and went in the costames, china and plate had not its direction the clerk had gone. Of course equal in America. At his death the Mr. Johnson waited in vain for his sale realized enormously, so that the return, and the truth soon flashed upwork of his lifetime was not entirely on him that he had been victimized by confidence men and lost \$80. The Wapole was one of the most famous game was very adroitly played, and of collectors in his day. His house is | was calculated to deceive the most a veritable curiosity shop of antiqui- wary. At last accounts no clue to the ties. This was his hobby as well as an swindlers had been obtained .- Doyles'

SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

The scientific importance of explor ing the accessible regions about the South Pole is urged by Sir Erasmus Ommany, of the British navy, who remarks that no man has ever winter ed in the Antarctic zone.

Although four fifths of the world's cherished when acquired. As for sulphur supply comes from Sicily, the deposits of Popocatapeti in Mexico are much more extensive and of better quality. A tunnel is to be built to facilitate mining and Mexican sul-

Careful experiment has disclosed the fact that a single square foot of leaf surface in the case of soft, thin er, exhale aqueous vapor at the rate of one and a quarter ounces daily. At

The magaloscope is a new apparatus Academic des Sciences. It is armed Frederick the great's hobby was with an incandescent light, and is used for giants for the Potsdam regiment. to explore the atomach, bladder, and Louis XVI. had a mania for locks other cavities of the body. By its and keys and clocks. The late King, means, an objective lens may be car of Bavaria had a strange mania for ried into the cavity and a magnified hats. Bulwer's "Dr. Riccabocca" will image of its interior be obtained for

pended upon the size of their brain as compared with that of their contem-SWINDLED BY CONFIDENCE MEN .- poraries of the same class. Brains won then, as now, and the brain of

afternoon last, was waiting at the Phosphorescence is observed in a North Penn. depot, at Third and Prof. W. C. McIntosh remarks that Berks streets, for the purpose of tak- the functions of the fundamenty cannot ing the four o'clock train for home yet be explained, theremultions under Waiting for a train brings on the loneliess, bluest and most tired feeling inagloable, as we all know by phorescence in it range over a wide

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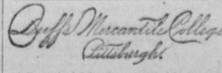
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