Transylvania-Its Products and People. the singular country of Transylvania. The author, Charles Boner, seems to have studied the people with care, and his aketches are piquant.

Of the two million inhabitants of Transyl-

vania, 536,000 are Hungarians and 192,000 Germans; but nearly twice as many as both of these, numbering about 1,230,000, are the Wallachians, relics of the old tenants of the soil, augmented by a great many strangers of all sorts. "A Wallach peasant of to-day (says Mr. Boner) will take all the fruit in your garden or orchard—he having none, and being too indolent to cultivate anyon remonstrating with him he will not allow it as a theft, for what God makes grow must belong to him as much as to you.' By the same mode of reasoning he steals now, as he did three hundred years ago, the trees from his neighbors' forest, and drives his herds into their carefully kept meadows. In 1599 they bored a gimlet into the back-bone of the clergyman of Grossan, and hung him up by his own sacristy; and during the late Hungarian revolution they daily committed similar cruelties, if not wors Gipsies abound, and one of their settlements is thus described:

"It consisted of earth huts about seven feet high. You might as well have been in New Zealand, or among the aborigines of Australia, for any signs of culture to be found here. The habitations seen by Livingstone in the interior of Africa showed far more neatness and skill in their con-struction. Children were running about quite naked, and as dark as Nubians. No-thing can exceed the misery of these huts as human dwellings. Within, on the earth, for cooking purposes or for warmth, they make a small fire; as there is no chimney the whole interior is filled with smoke. On one side is a board with a miserable ket or some rags, and this is the bed of the family. The sides of the hut are made of mud, well mixed till it assumes a consistency, and within this place, like a large beehive, squatted on the ground were wo-men and children, occupied with their household work, listless or at play. Asleep on the bare earth was a naked child—a state more befitting a wild animal, the whelp of a beast of the forest, than a human being. But its face was pretty, and it lay with that exquisite grace which is inherent in infancy. Some of the huts had a division, and the inner part served as a store-room for corn, an old barrel, as a lair for some of the family. In one hut a mother was on her knees, bathing her babe of a year old in a sort of large wooden tray, and with her hands splashing the warm water over the brown young animal. She was herself very young, and it was a pretty sight to see her delight as the little creature chuckled and enjoyed the rough bath. In each such settlement one man is named the overseer of the colony, and has to keep order and prevent quarrels. In the one where I was to-day it so happened that the son of the overseer had beaten his father, and separating himself from him had gone to live apart in a but close by. In our approach both parties came to complain of their wrongs, and the mother of the worthless son immediately took part against her husband. The young wife of the delinquent was standing outside her hut, and seemed rather embarrassed at hearing her husband's behavior so publicly canvassed.

"I went into every cabin, and, accompa-nied as I was by an officer, they thought I came for some purpose to inquire about their conduct or relieve their wants. The whole colony was in a state of excitement, Each dwelling was emptied of its inhabitants, who stood outside, looking on in wondering expectation. Old and young, with the whole litter of children, came forth. In one there was really a most beautiful child with exquisite expression. To some of the 'little wee things' I gave kreutzers, and even the babies in arm seized on them with avidity, and held them tast with the same instinct as a wild animal seizes its prey. At the sight of silver coin the native eagerness awoke, and the tiny hands were outstretched in supplication. I played with the children, patted their pretty cheeks or bare backs, and it was felt, I suppose, that I took an interest in them. For one not of their own pariah race to do this-one, too,

their own pariah race to do this—one, too, so high in station as they, in their ignorance, supposed me to be—was in them inexplicable; but it touched their hearts.

"Their head man, if I remember rightly, spoke German; the rest, their own Gipsy tongue and Wallachian. On the countenances of some—of most, indeed—was at first an uneasy look, as I walked into their dwellings and stared about. But it soon changed into one of wonderment, such as may be that of the Africans when they see a white man coming among them. One a white man coming among them. One little girl and I were soon good friends. She amused me highly by her archness and the pleasure she evidently felt at the mirth her pleasure she evidently felt at the mirth her appearance caused me. She was about six years old, and her whole costume consisted of a short blue silk spencer, cut sloping a la postillion, as it is called, in front, and reaching behind to the small of the back. Where the bit of finery came from, who shall say? But she was evidently proud of it, and was anxious it should be seen. I laughed heartily on seeing her, and she laughed too; and afterwards wherever I went she was and afterwards wherever I went she was suddenly at my side, looking up with intense delight at the surprise she was every moment causing me. And then she would proudly march on, as proudly as if she had been at the Queen's drawing-room, and had behind her a splendid train instead of nothing at all."

A Chapter on "Fences."

The New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial writes: Scarcely a day passes but some member of that ubiquitous and iniquitous fraternity, known as "'fences" (or receivers of stolen goods, secures a disagreeable notoriety in our police records. They are, as a class, such a mod-est set that advertising is entirely out of their line, and publicity in any form a most distasteful experience. And yet they are the very inspiration and life of most of the crime in a large city like New York. In the crime in a large city like New York. In the rural districts these creatures are comparatively unknown, except among the thieves themselves, unless some unusually active deputy Sheriff makes the discovery; but in the cities, especially in New York and Brooklyn, they are well known to the police officers as the city helps of these places. officers as the city halls of those places. These officers are sure that everything they have in their warehouses is stolen; they are acquainted with their ways of doing business, and they know what thieves resort to each, and where they dispose of their illgotten property. Yet this knowledge avails but little in promoting the ends of justice. It is but revely that any of this content. officers as the city halls of those places. It is but rarely that any of this class are convicted of their offences. The reason is that strict legal proof of their guilt can very seldom be procured. Yet they do a stiff stroke of business, and it is a branch of business which requires of business which requires expertness in a remarkable degree. The study of the means of rapidly and effectually removing the of rapidly and effectually removing the mark by which the property in their hands can be identified, is the main business of their lives, and they acquire a degree of skill and dexterity in altering or effacing these marks which is truly surprising.

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A melting-pot is always over the fire, to which all silverware is consigned the instant it is received. The marks on linen, towels and handkerchiefs are removed, sometimes by chemicals, sometimes by fine seissors made expressly for the purpose Jewelry is at once removed from its settings and the gold is either melted or the engrav ing is burnished out, so as, in either case, to make identification impossible. Rich velvet and silk garments are transmogrified by the removal and rearrangement of the but-tons and trimmings. Pointed edges are rounded, and rounded edges are pointed, entirely changing the whole aspect

of the garment, with such celerity Under this title a London House has published a work which gives a full account of dress in the morning would not have the singular country of Transylvania. The the slightest suspicion that it was the same in the evening. Cotton, wool, rags, and old ropes require no manipulation. When once thrown upon the heap they defy the closest scrutiny of the owners. There is scarcely an article which can be the subject of their which the resources of these men do not enable them, in a very short time, to disguise beyond the power of recognition. Their premises are skilfully arranged for con-cealment. They are abundantly provided with secret doors and sliding panels, com-municating with dark and hidden recesses. Apertures are cut in the partition, so that a person coming in from the front can be distinctly seen before he enters the apartment. The "fence" is, moreover, as well skilled as any lawyer in the nature of evidence. He knows the difference between probability and proof as well as Sir William Hamilton himself. He does not trouble himself about any amount of probabilities that the detective may accumulate against him; but the said detective must be remarkably acute if he is ever able to get anything against him which will amount to strictly legal proof.

It is very plain that the removal of this class would very nearly put an end to theft, but their conviction is rendered very diffioult by their own ingenuity and a ridiou-lously loose law which does not hold and punish them. Our laws should be amended so as to catch these creatures in the net of probabilities, and thus reduce the necessary quantum suf, of proof to convict them. And until some change is had, here and elsewhere in large cities, in this respect, thievery and burglary will continue to flourish, and knavery of every degree will hold its own against the moral sense and the statute law

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