Professional Criminals in England.

The "Register of Habitual Criminals in England and Wales for the years 1869 set great stor. by the larve of ants to 1876," has just been printed in the (whether of their own tribe or not), and give an undisputed head to the nation, printing works of her majesty's prison, Brixton. The ponderous volume is The ponderous volume is bound in black, and contains the names | bock, therefore, put two glasses, the one of 12,164 criminals, with all their

A summary of the proportions of habitual criminals born in particular locali- any one taken away was immediately reties gives rather surprising results. Stafford stands at the head of the list, raised to that bad eminence by thirty criminals out of a population of 15,946. which gives the rate of 1.881 professional criminals to every 1,000 inhabitants. Worcester comes next with sixty-seven criminals out of a population of 38,116, a rate of 1.745 to the 1,000. Where the numbers are so small the difference in numbers are so small the difference nest carrying larvæ, betra might seem the result of chance, but the larger number was. returns extend over seven years. Taunton comes next with twenty-seven criminals, among 15,466 inhabitants, a proportion of 1.745 to the 1,000, and Lanburn, Birmingham, Bristol, Chester and Hanley follow close.

than the towns alrealy mentioned, but better than such places as Yarmouth, Ipswich, Brighton, Oxford and Cam-The places which produced But the most final of these experiments millan's Magazine

contributed to the prisons in England the experiment lasted-or at the rate of and Wales were 1,082 in number. Those ten in the hour-while the other one, who had been born in Scotland were which had hitherto brought many comspite of the merciful presumption of the | throughout the two hours. tion of their husbands, the percentage of | that each ant while working at the larger married female prisoners was 59.12. On heap communicated to its companions in the other hand, the single men were the nest either its greater need of assisttwice as numerous as the married men ance or the greater booty to be had, (67.2 per centum of the whole to 32.8 while the other ant either communicated per centum) .- London Times.

#### Light Wines.

It is a common fallacy among us to suppose that a cure for intemperance

a different story. Theresa S., a young Milanese teacher of embroidery, passed her birthday gayly with her relations, solemnizing the occasion with a frugal dinner, at which and the fatted calf is brought to the there was not wanting a generous provision of various kinds of wines. Theresa, who in time gone by, had abandoned

were passed round in the most rapid and morning and is kept up to a late hour in took an active part in this scuffle, till at the termination of the dinner, she caught up a knife and thrust it repeated. Everybody who attends is supposed to breast, sending forth piercing cries. The abuse of the spirituous bors as well as those from a distance. drinks had brought back the fatal mania As many as from three hundred to six and unhappily there was no remedy be- hundred persons are feasted at one of cause the blow was given with unusual | the grand country funerals. The horses

lands where brawls and murders are their most extravagant suggestions will common, would be to assert that fruit is borne without its tree; and while stupid drunkenness is certainly not so often exhibited in public in Italy and France, a in more northern climes, we think it is fair to presume that the exceeding volutility of the one, and the irritability of the other nation, is due to the state of constant nervous excitement produced be approved.

Now, all this shows a great stretch of hospitality, but it is high time the custom was abandoned. While a rich family may be able to afford it one not so rich must find it a very serious and expensive business. The custom, we believe, prevails nowhere except in the German districts of Pennsylvania.

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That this excitability fails to reach the stages of heavy stupidity and fierce insanity which intemperance is wont to exhibit to us, is perhaps owing to the lassitude produced by the climate and the underfed condition of the people, re ther of which would apply on this side of the water.

# A Prince of Thieves.

The thieves of Paris, like the Parisian police, have long been supposed to be preternaturally acute. A thief of Bois-Colombes has lately proved how much he could excel either. M. Bourdais owns a piece of property in the place indicated, which two years ago he rented to an eligible tenant. M. Bourdais dwelt in another place, and for a year and a half his rent was sent to him with the most perfect regularity. No landlord could ask for a better tenant. At the end of eighteen months M. Bourdais r . caived no remittance, and wrote many times to see what was the trouble. He received no answer. Finally, after some months of delay, he determined to go to Bois-Colombes, and upon arriving there what was his surprise to find that nothing of his "place" remained but the ground itself. He sought diligently for his house, but alas! he had no house; it had been dismantled, demolished and removed. In a rage he laid his grievance before the police, who are probably now searching for the dwelling with the best quality of microscopes. The police however, doing better work more crying evil than the theft of houses, and are at present diligently seeking to close some of the gaming houses of the capital, and thereby advertising some of them which have hitherto not been generally known to the public.

# Distribution of Silver Coin.

A new regulation has just been made by the United States treasury depart-ment to facilitate the distribution of silver coin. Any broker depositing \$1,000 or more in national currency at the nearest government depository will receive at his place of business the same sum in silver coinage upon receipt of the notice of deposit here. Hitherto the treasury has required customers to get silver at rational depositories. The distribution f silver coin continues without check at the rate of a quarter of a million a week, or about twelve millions a year,

#### Communication Between Ants.

Nothing is more certain than that ants that they will carry carefully to their an unusual responsibility has been cast nexts any they can find. Sir John Lubfilled with larve (from three hundred to six hundred), and another containing journals have on the whole, and considonly two or three (of which, however, any one taken away was immediately resolves moderate, reasonable and loyal to placed by another), in positions accessible to an ant's nest, and then put one of myself the wrath, always outspoken, of the tribe Lasius niger to each glass, noting on her return to the nest how many companions each brought with it; but all these companions on their arrival Mr. Sumner's famous speech on the Ala-at either glass of larvæ were imprisioned bama question, I shall perhaps be the

The result was that in every case here rising during the last ten years. It has recorded—Sir John quotes the total refully shared that general upward tensult of all the experiments occupying dency, the reality of which, notwith-fifty hours, and the individual result of standing all the utterances of desponcaster has a proportion of 1.681 to the five of the experiments occupying eight 1,000, or twenty-nine out of 17,245. hours, but not, of course, the individual the sources of its improvement I am inManchester, Hereford, Wigan, Preston,
Shrewsbury, Liverpool, Stockport, WarShrewsbury, Liverpool, Stockport, Warwisiting the glass with few larvæ brought rington, Gloucester, Cheltenham, Black- either no companions or very few-the largest number of companions ever be unwelcome to Europeans, the imbrought by her was three in one hour, The metropolis, which heads the list in which she herself made ten journeys; for number of habitual criminals, pro- while the one visiting the glass with ducing 1,503—nearly three times as many larvæ never brought less than denying that there is ground for the many as Manchester, the next town on seven compa ions in an hour's time, and complaints which are still heard; and the list—has the low proportion of .461 once brought sixteen companions within room for the exertions of those who are in 1,000 when its habitual criminals are that time—the remarkable fact being endeavoring to give young men the compared with its total population that in the hour which she brought most means of training taemselves more high-London thus comes out not only better | companions she made the fewest journeys herself, while in the hour in which she brought fewest companions with her she worked singularly hard herself.

above all, in a country so greatly swayed by opinion as the United States,—Mac-

more than 100 habitual criminals were was the one in which Sir John reversed London, Manchester (630), Liverpool the glasses, leaving the ant which had (551), Birmingham (343), Leeds (210), been hitherto engaged on the small heap Bristol (180), Sheffield (172), Preston with hundreds to work at. And the re-(112); 4,447 of the criminals came from sult was most remarkable. The ant towns or villages which contribute fewer | which had previously brought comparathan twenty to the returns,

The habitual criminals whom Ireland twenty in the two hours during which tively few companions, now brought 158. Of the total number of prisoners, panions with it, though it worked hard 8,612 were males, 3,552 females. In itself, brought only one companion

law as to women acting under the direc- It is clearly impossible not to infer its indifference to assistance or the smallness of the booty to be had,-London

#### The Funeral Baked Meats.

The Allentown Chronicle says : Probwould be the general introduction of the ably there is no other county in this light wines, which form the almost universal and, as it is averred, non-intoxi- ter, where feasting at funerals prevails cating drinks of European nations. The to so great an extent as in Lehigh county, following from an Italian newspaper, The custom prevails also in the counties La Vedetta, published at Florence, tells of Berks and Southampton. When a ch farmer or farmer's wife dies, the breath is scarcely out of the body before preparations for the usual funeral feast block. Fowls are slaughtered by the hundred. The ovens and the cooking stoves are kept busy for days, cooking, herself to melancholy, and also to a cer- reasting and baking. Immense supplies tain kind of suicidal monomania, seemed of bread, pies and pastry are provided. now on the contrary to show an extraordi. The neighbors generally do this work nary flow of good spirits. The neighbors generally do this work unbidden. On the day of the funeral nary flow of good spirits. unbidden. On the day of the funeral the glasses, the bottles and flasks the feasting commences early in the boisterous manner, and the embroideress the day. Half a dozen tables are kept eat two or three times a day-n of attendants are also put up and fed. This is merely one clipping from a Close as our farmers proverbially are it daily paper in a country where the is considered "mean" to stint on solemn lightest of light wines are raised, and where it is supposed that they cannot intoxicate; perhaps if those who so ardently advocate their general introduction here, were to read more of the Italian papers, they might see cause to modify their opinion.

To say that there is no intoxication in lands where brawls and murders are

# Cross-Examination.

wif, the plaintiff in a divorce suit tried in Con Francisco, elicted the fact that during five years her husband had given her only two gowns, one hat, one pair of shoes, and two or three pairs of gloves; hence her tears. The cross-examination then opened and lasted several hours. Judge Morrison finally lost patience. He declared that he did not see that a single point in favor of the defense had been brought out by the counsel. An experience of seven years on the bench, he remarked, had convinced him that in nine cases out of ten a protracted crossexamination did more harm than good to the side that conducted it, besides wasting the time of the court. The judge might have added that through crossexamination low-toned lawyers acquired proficiency in legal blackguardism, especially when there is a lady in the witness chair.

The Anonymous Coward. Did it ever occur to anonymous writers who send scurrilous and abusive letters to newspapers with whose opinions they chance to differ, that they are placing themselves in an attitude so mean as to deserve contempt? When men have the courage to express their sentiments either verbally or over their own signatures their views must command respectful consideration if temperately uttered. But when they resort to the shelter of irresponsible vilification and the protection of the untraceable letter, they should not forget that he is not usually considered above the grade of a brute who seeks to drive his knife or strike his blow under cover of darkness. The knife may sometimes wound, the blow occasionally smart; but unless it be from the hand of utter degradation the pain cannot be so great as that of him who has played the part of the bravado.

# Lunatics.

An old man named Springman came to Washington to be inaugurated as President. He claimed to have documents showing that he should be counted in.

He was sent to the lunatic asylum.

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Hill's Hair & Whisker Dye, blacker brown, 5 c. sixth insane person who has come here to be inaugurated.

### The American Newspaper Press.

In the sort of moral interregnum consequent on the failure of the ballot to upon the press. It seems to be generally allowed that this responsibility has been well borne, and that even the party the American press, by combatting the exaggerations, as they may be now said to have been judicially pronounced, of American journlism has been visibly dency, I, for one, cannot doubt. Among management; for though the fact may ist have, as a rule, by no means been the best. All this may be said without ly for a calling which is of almost fearful importance in any free country, and,

Mr. Marx, a violoncellist of the French opera in Paris, lately applied a leech to an inflamed eye. The creature slipped from his fingers, entered his nostril, and found its way to the interior of his throat, where it fastened upon the mucous membrane, notwithstanding all endeavors made by Mr. Marx to discharge it. Finally, gorged with blood, it drop-ped into the esophagus, from whence it was discharged only by powerful emetics, which occupied two days,

#### Farmers, Mechanics,

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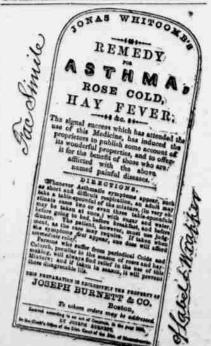
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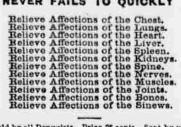
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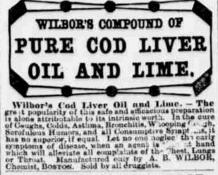
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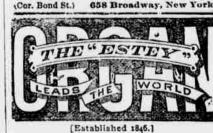
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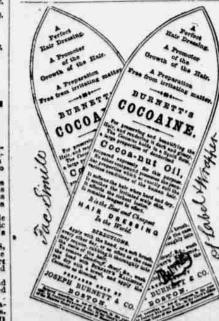
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