Icicles and frost; Four and twenty snow-birds In the woods were lost. When the storm was ended, Happy birds were they, By some crambs betriended, They lived to fly away.

Sing a song of rain-drops, Clouds and April weather; Four and twenty red-breasts Caught out together. When the shower was ended,

What a song was heard

About the rainbow splendid,

From each dripping bird! Sing a song of sunshine Bees a-humming praises; Four and twenty hours Lost among the daisies Hant the wide world over, From sea to continent, You never will discover Where the hours went!

-Mary N. Prescot in St. Nicholas. The Chimney-Sweeps' Festival.

Even those poor little sooty imps that used to spend their days in sweep-the dark, winding chimneys of smoky London, had one grand holiday, and that was the first day of May.

How they must have looked forward to this

to this one day of the year when they could dress up and caper, and dance and shout in the open air, with the "lord and lady" of their own choosing, and the ever reen moving garland of their

own making.

1 never saw but one of these May-day merry-makings of the sweeps, but it was so comical that I thought and talked of it for many days after, and I think their walking "green man," as I called their garland, is the funniest of all.

It is a great cone six or seven feet in height, of holly and ivy framed upon hoops. It goes up smaller and smaller to the top, where it is tied with gay-colored ribbons, and decorated with

bunches of flowers.

At the very top there will be a crown made of flowers, or a little flag flying.
All down the sides of this evergreen
hillock are knots of ribbon and bunches

of flowers,

Round it as it goes from street to street, the little sweeps caper and dance. Their hats and jackets are trimmed all over with colored and gilt paper, and flowers stuck in wherever they can put one, while their black legs (for they like to leave them sooty for this day's fun) are colored in figures with Dutch pink, or white chalk, and some of them leave or white chalk, and some of them leave their faces black that they may

ornament them in the same way. We little folks were puzzled to know how their bower of green moved along of itself, but when we looked down close

to the ground—why, there we some-times saw two feet peeping out!

Then we knew all about it—it was
"Jack-in-the-green." Yes, there was a pretty big man inside, and this was
something as he looked to my young My "lord and lady," however, are in

all things in their May-day show.

The "lord" is generally chosen from some other profession than that of chimney sweepers, and is splendidly dressed in cocked hat, trimmed with red and yellow feathers; laced coat; em-broidered waistcoat; silk stockings;

large knee buckles, and cane with a The "lady" is usually a boy in girl's dress, which is gaudy and bedizened as my lord's, but instead of a cane, she carries in her right hand a brass ladle.

"Jack-in the-green" they dance most elegantly round him, while all the little sootikins make sweet music by striking their brushes and shovels together!

Then my lord and lady, bowing and courtesying to each other, with cocked hat and brass ladle in hand, and all the sweeps with their sooty shovels, go round to the spectators—"Smallest donations thankfully received!" and the silver and pennies as they drop into the ladle and shovels make a pleasant jingle in the ears of the little sweepers.

But, I am sorry to say, their greedy taskmasters get the lion's share of these May-day offerings, and to-morrow his poor little overworked sootikin will b climbing these dark, erooked chimneys scraping a ... sweeping, and half stifled

with soot and dust.
Still the brave little fellow will to up through all those winding ways notil
as ne sees any ignt at last, you hear;
faint shout. You run out to see the
sooty little imp perched upon the top of the tall chimney, waving his brush, and if he has breath enough left, shouting. Sween O!"

Did you ever hear the true story of a little chimney-sweep, who was sweeping the chimneys at Arundel Castle, and

It was a hot day in summer when his master sent him up into those tall chimneys, and when noontide came, and he had not appeared at the top, and they had called and searched, but could find nothing of him, they were all terribly frightened, and even his master began to think that he had been suffocated in some of those winding flues.

Then they went from one drawingroom to another, and through all those splendid chambers, shouting up the chimneys, until they came to one of the handsomest of the "state chambers."

There within the curtains of rich crim son silk that surrounded the bed, and under the whitest and finest of sheets, with the silken coverlet over him, lay fast asleep the lost little "Sweep O!" It seems that the poor little fellow had

got completely lost in those great chimgot completely lost in those great cannings leading one into another, and had come down frightened, and hot and tired, into this very comfortable bedroom, and then the bed looked so tempting, and it was all so quiet, that he laid his little black head upon the soft pillow, and was soon gound askeen.

and was soon sound asleep.

They were all so glad to find him that
I feel sure the kind duke that lived in that grand old eastle would not allow his master to punish his little sweep for taking a nap in a ducal bed .- Youth's Companion.

He Saw the Point.

Ezckiel Hayes, the great-grandfather of the President, was a successful mechanie in Connecticut, and kept a number of apprentices. It is said that sometimes, like apprentices in all ages, they felt that they had long work and short rations. At one time a new cheese was put on the table whole. It stood uncut for a day or two, Hayes saying at each meal, "That is a nice-looking cheese. It is a pity to cut it!" The boys thought was growing rather monotonous, and planned to show their sentiments.

The blacksmith had one day got a bar of iron nicely heated, and laid it across in oatmeal; but he must not use his of iron nicely heated, and laid it across the iron anvil to be cut the proper lengths. The boys, with chisel and sledges, were to cut it off. But no hand was raised. Hayes asked why they did not "strike." One of them replied: "That is such a nice bar of iron; it would be a pity to cut it." Hayes quickly saw the point, and shouted, with a laugh. "Strike! boys, strike! the cheese shall be cut!"

in oatmeal; but he must not use his brain at the expense of vigorous muscles, for it is muscles that have to work not only the stomach, but the lungs and heart.

The sick, of course, need food carefully adapted to their particular condition, and those who are not in full health may greatly help themselves by rejecting whatever they find injurious to them.—Youth's Companion.

COUNTRY LIFE IN MEXICO.

Oranges, Rabanas and Coccanuts Growting Armind the Front Door-No Work
that Keeping in the Shade.

The life of a genuine country family in
the warm districts of Mexico, writes a
correspondent, is about as happy an
illustration of quiet resignation and
peaceful contentment, and blissful ignorance as this world can afford. I had the
pleasure of visiting such a happy household, about fifty miles inland from Vera
Cruz, nearly on the bine of the railroad,
and this family shall stand up for a
model. The train was to make a stop
for nearly an hour, and we had time to
wander around. The place at which we
stopped was a watering s ation for the stopped was a watering station for the engine, and the entire settlement consisted of three structures that were not exactly right shape to be called huts, but could not be dignified with the name of

could not be dignified with the name of houses. The weather was about right for sitting in an ice-house and fanning yourself, although it was the middle of January. The vegetation was very much such as we used to see pictured in the geographies, so thick that it was hard to walk through the bushes, and the big leaves growing far upward and ther curving gracefully dewn again. It was eurving gracefully down again. It was in the midst of this world of green leaves and bright flowers that these three habi-tations stood. They were only samples of hundreds more we saw just like them, and they had the most delightful Robinson Crusoe air about them. They were built of twigs or small sticks about six feet long and from half an inch to an inch in diameter. These were bound together and fastened to a framework of four posts driven into the ground, with cross-pieces. The roofs wore of the same, and sometimes covered with big leaves that Sometimes the interstices between the twigs were filled in with a muddy plaster but generally they were not, and the air was left to circulate. There was no floor in any of the houses except the hard-packed earth, and this was generally pretty hilly and uneven, and hard to walk on. A little raised place made out of poles, and covered with such old clothing as they could raise, was the bed, which must have served the whole family, for there was only one in each house. An iron kettle, and two forked sticks to hang it over the fire with, completed the furniture. There was generally a rough bench across the front of the house,

else. It is not necessary to work for a living. With lemons and oranges and bananas, and all sorts of tropical fruits bananas, and all sorts of tropical fruits growing around you till the leaves of growing around you till the leaves of the huts, the their trees fan the roofs of the huts, the fruit to be had for the picking, plenty of such cases. People have been known to game to be had for the killing, the less go to Monte Carlo after being assured by friends and doctors that it will be their the more comfort, and wages at guy any man would make of himself who went to work. Half an hour's exertion went to work. Half an hour's exertion would provide the family with delicious provisions enough for a week. Nothing is lacking but fire-water. Pulque is not used in the lowlands. But the native is patient about it. When luck throws a copper in his way be goes to the percent. copper in his way he goes to the nearest town and drinks it up. When she doesn't he stays soher. When by any stroke of fortine a little money does fall into his hands, he has only to put his rope-bridle on the first horse or donkey he meets (and he will not have to look far for one), and ride away.

The people who live in the houses are

iust about suitable matches for their twellings. If it is possible for human beings not to know anything at all, these convenient shade, and shade is plenty. There are generally one or two old prorees, they are so plenty. Up to seven or eight years old they run around entirely naked, and the clothing they wear after hat age does not burden them much to Of course, they have nothing to earry. do, and they have none of that careworn and prematurely old look that the chil-dren of the table-lands have. Some of he children, both boys and girls, are excedingly handsome. They nearly all cave sparkling black eyes and teeth as white as pearls, which show off well bewhite as pear's, which show off well behind their dark skins. Their beauty however, is short-lived. Some of the boys are good-looking until they reach holters are twenty but the beauty of the yomen rarely lasts beyond fourteen or ifteen. At this age they correspond with an American woman of thirty, except that they are much smaller. Both men and wemen are ridiculously small, and he half-grown children are not much harger than big dolls. These people can-not read or write, and have no idea of anything in the world beyond the hut they live in and the neighboring town they sometimes visit. Their whole earthly possessions would not sell for a follar, and they lead as simple lives as Adam and Eve in Eden. Nonewspaper ever comes to them with the latest dis-patches from the other end of creation. Occasionally a few soldiers swoop down on them and capture a man for the army, but they generally manage to hear of beings. their coming, and keep out of the way.

Food.

The use of food by different persons should be regulated in quantity or character, or to both, according to their ages, their health and occupations, the seasons

and the climate in which they live. Milk is the only perfect food for infants. It is the best food for children and youth up to the age of sixteen. Old people are weaker in their digestive powers, partly because their whole sys-tems are weaker, and partly because of their diminished muscular activity. Their food should be less in quantity than that used by younger persons, and of easier digestion

In summer and in warm climates less food by one-third is needed, the tone of assimilate as much as in winter and in colder latitudes.

So also fat, sugar and starch—the latter includes fine flour-being mainly heat-making elements, should be but little five hundred dollars each, and in excepused in summer and in tropical regions, and largely used in winter and in cold climates. Corn-bread, which contains a large per cent. of fat, is better adapted

for food in winter than in summer.
Shoemakers, tailors and people of sedentary habits generally need less food, and food that is more easily digested, than the farmer and all persons who work hard in the open air. Still, everybally should be should be supported by the still state of the stat body should have enough of active exer-cise to be able to digest a generous diet.

If skies were bluer And fogs were tewer, And fewer the storms on land and sen; Were shiny summers Perpetual comers-What a Utopia this would be !

It life were longer, And laith were stronger,
If pleasure would bide—if eare would fier If each were brother To all the other-What an Areadia this would be !

Were greed abolished And gain demolished, Were Slavery chained and Freedom free It all earth's troubles Collapsed like bobbles-What an Elysium this would be !

The Horrors of Gambling.

A correspondent of the London Times A correspondent of the London Times, writing from Monaco, the little principality on the Mediterranean famed for its legalized gambling dens, says: The stories of ruin every day, sometimes on good authority, are horrible. Fortunes, trust money, provision for children and widow the states for the control of the control o widows, the sums acquired by the sale of commissions, sums raised on house and land, have disappeared in a few days or hours. Often it is the extravagance the companion that drives her victim back and back to the tables, deeper and deeper. But the women themselves are the most reckless gamblers. The com-mon computation is a suicide a month, and there sometimes come three or four together. On the ramparts of the garden of Monaco there are several points from which ruined gamblers have thrown themselves into the sea 300 feet below. Only the other day a "lady" threw her-self out of her third floor chamber into the road. There have been suicides in the rooms of the Casino and one at the table itself. Having staked and lost his last franc, a gentleman stood up and drew his pistol and discharged it in his drew his pistol and discharged it in his mouth. For the reception of such scandals there is provided a room, handy for the railway, which passes almost directly under the Casino. Some inquest there must be, and it is performed by the servants of the establishment. But most of the victims go away and hide themselves, bench across the front of the house, shaded by a twig awning, where the family sat in the heat of the day. There were no windows, the only opening into the house being the doorway, with no door. The interior was always very dark, but cool.

This is not to be regarded as the dweling place of some outcast, away on the mountains. It is a sumple of the ordinary residence of the rural Mexican of the lowlands. On the lowlands it is hot all the year round, and protection against the sun is needed more than anything else. It is not necessary to work for a death if they do, return home late and die in a few hours. The attraction once

Maritime Disasters. A supplement to the American Ship furnishes the public with an elaborate table of maritime disasters, compiled by Mr. G. B. Winslow from records in the archives of the Atlantic Mutual Insur-ance Company. It will be invaluable for future reference. It shows the numpeople are in that happy condition. They loll away most of their time in the most convenient shade, and shade is plant. first crossed the ocean. The whole num-ber of vessels, by the different casualties specified, is 145; of which never were ole in the house, and the head of the funily and his wife, and a great troop of children. Children seem to grow on the at sea, 6; abandoned, 8; by collision at sea, 6; abandoned, 8; by collision with icebergs, 3; collision with other vessels, 4; capsized, 1; burned, 11. loss of life by several kinds of disaster, as far as ascertained, was as follows: By missing vessels, 850; by vessels sunk at sea (including loss by Aretic, 562),778 by vessels burned, 533; by vessels wrecked, 1.611; by collisions, 350; by vessels foundered, 10; by other casualties, 70; total, 4,202. It is remarkable that the loss of life appears to have been matter of open record in the case of only three out of the twenty-six missing vessels in the list given. These were the President, which left New York for Liverpool in 1841, and of which the loss Liverpool in 1841, and of which the loss is vaguely given as 200, when it has always been supposed to be much higher; the City of Glasgow, of the Laman Line, which left Glasgow for New York in 1853; and the Pacific, of the Collins Line, which left Liverpool for New York in 1856. The united loss by these vessels was 850. The total loss, as given above, does not include that of the twenty-three vessels against which the record is, "Missing, all lost." As far as can be judged from the character of these, and from their points of departure, they were mostly transient ships, carrythey were mostly transient ships, carrying few or no passengers. With an average of 100 person to each, including crew, the total loss of life on the list would be increased to 6,500 human

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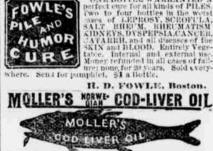
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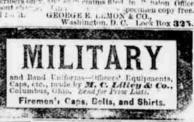
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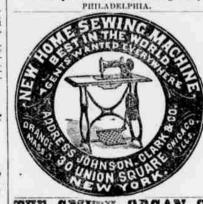
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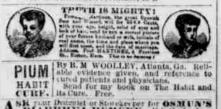
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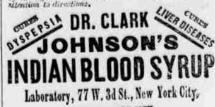
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