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IN FOR ATHLETICS.

Time-Ding-dong-bell Girls. The organization and establishment of the recently formed Woman's Athleric clab of Chicago, the opening of Miss Anna Morgan's down town gymnasiom and the "working ap" of classes and groups of athletically inclined women all over the city but serve to call fresh attention to the fact that Chicago women as a rule are naturally athletic, and that a larger proportion of women enjoy physical action and athletics in this city than in any other of the Union, perhaps the world. The club, the gymnasium, the classes mentioned, have been called into being in direct response to this condition. A glance over the social and athletic fields of Chicago would seem to show that it is the woman who is not athletic in some way or other who is an exception to the general rule rather than the woman who is.

All over the city, among all grades and classes, women fence, swim, row, ride, walk and play tennis. Golf is still an "exclusive" game, largely because it requires not only a large outlay of space, but also of time in which to enjoy it, and similar restrictions have so for limited horseback riding to the "lucky few" who are financially able to own or hire horses, but wheeling speedily became so widely and generally popular that the fashionable set dropped it somewhat and tennis has long since become a "game of the peo-



DR. SAPAR BACKETT STEVENSON. ple" instead of the exclusive and fashionable diversion that it was when i first saw the light in America.

Almost every woman in Chicago, from Mrs. Potter Palmer down to the delicate little saleswoman or clerk who takes up pedestrianism for the sake of the physical benefit which it will bring her, believes in walking for the sake of health, gracefulness and the combination of the two which makes beauty. Dr. Sarah Hackett Stevenson, one of the well known Chicago women who heartily believe in atbletics, both for the good they will do Chicago women and the good which Chicago women will do them, says that in her opinion walking is the best possible exercise for a woman, except running

"To run swiftly and lightly," she is fond of saying, "is to exercise every portion of the body from the head to the heels and from the heart to the ankles, both thoroughly and delightful- one of these "touches" is called by the ly. The amount of pure exhibsration to | instructor, it is a great triumph when be derived from a happy run is known to but few women. But, given the statement that a woman cannot for any reason practice running, then, I say, let her walk. Swing the arms naturally, have no long skirt to hold up and wear easy shoes. The woman who follows this advice thoroughly and persistently will soon be as well and handsome as it is possible for her to be. And walking is a form of athletics within the reach of every woman in Chicago."-Chicago Times Herald.

A Champion Fancy Worker. The descendants of Mrs. M. A. Haggard of White Cloud, Mo., claim for her the championship in the matter of

Mrs. Haggard is nearly 84 years old,

but is still spry and daily keeps her

Here is her own account of some of the things she has made:

needles going.

"When I was 53 years old, a neighbor made light of my undertaking a common log cabin quilt, and said i would never live to finish it.

"This was very amusing to me, so I resolved to keep a list of my unnecessary needlework from that date. "Besides my common sewing and

housework-and I am a great readerthis is a list of work done by me in the past 30 years: "Scrap quilts pieced, containing from

women taking an active interest in a 500 to almost 63,000 separate pieces, strike. The ladies' tailors, however, 112; quilted quilts, 39; embroidered have succeeded in interesting some bedspreads, 10; embreidered pillow prominent women in their grievances shams, 5; embroidered head rests, 6; emand the experience will be good for broidered and tufted sofa cushions, 21; both elements. Probably the women embroidered doilies, 67; embroidered themselves have some curiosity as to splashers, 1; embroidered nightgown what becomes of the good round prices sets, 6; knitted bedspreads, 1; knitted which are paid to many tailors. The doilies, 18; knitted toilet sets, 6; knitworkmen claim to receive only starvated lamp mats, 28; knitted bats, 2; tion wages. The employers, on the other knitted edging, yards, 59; knitted pulse hand, say that good workmen get good warmers, pairs, 20; knitted chair scarfs, wages and that it is only the incom-6; knitted shoulder capes, 4; knitted petent bands who are idle or ill paid. shawls, 1; knitted stockings, pairs, 117; However this may be, the striking knitted mittens, pairs, 47; rag carpet, tailors seem delighted to have interestyards, 125; rag rugs, 27. I am not ed these prominent women-a delight. through with my work yet. it must be admitted, which their em-"Besides the above list, I have a large ployers do not seem to share. At any

box of embroidered things that I have done since my last birthday, which was in April, and I expect to do a great deal

Girls Studying Farming. Fifty girls have taken up the scientific study of farming this year in the College of Agriculture at Minneapolis. They have entered for the full course the men. Hegetofore girls have been allowed to study at the college only siz weeks in the year, and that during the summer months, after the men's classes Lad dispersed for the long vacation. This year they are to have full use of all the college privileges. They have now a dormitory of their own, and a new staff of instructors for special subjusts in the girls' department has been

added to the faculty. Girls are admitted to the college on the same conditions as boys. The agrialtural course of study covers a term of three years and includes every practical subject needed for farming. Field ops and seeds, agricultural engineerig, agricultural chemistry, farm economics, suimal husbandry, dairying, entomology, horticulture, forestry, vet erinary medicine and impery-these are some of the things the girls are

learning about this year. Instead of blacksmithing, carpentry and military drill, which are required of the men, the girls take laundering cooking. sewing, house management vesterday by the claim made by the honand social and physical culture. No ored Scrosis of New York of being the classics are required, but German oldest woman's club in this country, French and Scandinavian are substit and hence the mother of clubs. This tuted as being of more value to the stu- club of ours antedates Sorosis by many

What Was It She Thought!

I sat behind two women in a Fourteenth street car when a funeral procession, made up of members of some secret society in full regulia, passed up the street. The sight of the plumed buts displeased one of the women in front of

"Did you ever see anything sillier than that?" she sniffed. "Look at those men-dressed up in all those gewgaws just to let folks know they've got a | into France in 1560, and into England secret. Where would you find women in 1588. willing to parade around the streets togged out like stage soldiers? Whoever heard of women doing it? Imagine the Daughters of the American Revolution riding around in cocked bats or the

FOOD THAT INJURES.

THINGS THAT AFFLICTED PERSONS SHOULD NOT EAT.

with gold laced aprens. Women have more sense. They wouldn't deliberately

Look at those sashes, and look at those

awful hats and those mangy plumes.

My husband's got them all. He paid

ringy estrich plume for his hat, and

then"-here the true inwardness of her

ontempt for secret society regalias

The Economy of Time.

boru-well, I won't say it."

in Washington Post.

seing burned up alive.

Housekeeper.

ment of bell ringing.

thoroughly conversant.

could have a large lidded box in the

corner of the porch for the parcels to be

placed in when delivered, thus saving

steps, for it is noticeable that the call

for orders comes in the morning at the

time the up stairs needs looking after.

Orders should be written on the slate

early in the morning, while one is mak-

ing the rounds in the kitchen and pan-

Ding-dong-hell Girls.

Over in Hampshire, England, there

These Hampshire girls are all mem-

taking their place with the other ring-

evenings, attending the weekly prac-

this these girls poesess in an eminent

legree. They can ring a 9 or 10 hun-

dredweight bell with ease. When at

work they wear loose, easy costumes,

adaptable for other athletic exercises,

and present a pretty picture as they take

their places for a chime on the "ding-

So fascinating is the study of bell

ringing that these enthusiasts spend

hours over their books of instruction. A

A Belt Pin Which Bolds.

A stunning belt pin has made its ap-

pearance in Philadelphia, says The

Times, and will be halled with delight

by the irrepressible shirt waist girl. It

is a strong pin resembling a bar pin

and when secored lengthwise through

the skirt and shirt waist there is room

for a leather, duck or silk belt to pass

through. It is impossible for the belt or

skirt to slip when help in place with

one of these pins. The mest are of gold,-

studded with precious gems, says an au-

thority on the subject. The average wo-

man has no end of trouble, augway, in

keeping her shirt waist down and her

belt intact. One of the best ways to

suchor the shirt waist so that it shall

not ride un over the shoulder blades is

to strap it down by means of a very nar-

row piece of belting and a small buckle.

This can be drawn about the waist very

tightly on the outside of the shirt waist.

and the skirt pinned to the belt with

wo catch pins. By adopting this meth-

d the devotee of the shirt waist saves

ot only time and temper but the shirt

waist itself, and no end of unfavorable

comment on the lack of affiliation be-

Society Women and Tailors.

It is rather unusual to find society

ate, the more that women learn about

the workers, who, under the inevitable

regime of city life, so seldom come into

lirect contact with the buyer, the bet-

ter it will be all around.-Harper's

Brave and Cool.

Mrs. Benson, with her husband and

year-old daughter, lives pear Barron,

Wis. When the forest fire recently swept

lows upon that place the husband was

in Minneapolis and the wife was alone

on a little farm four o Heanway from

own. Seeing the approach of the flames

and recognizing the impossibility of

flight, this lonely woman went to werk

self. Her coolness did not desert her.

She plowed forrows about the house,

and when the roaring onslaught of flame

in a potato patch, where there was but

little fuel for the flames, and, lying

down beside her, tossed a water soaked

closk around them both. They were

found terribly burned, but in a condi-

tion that gives every hope of perfect re-

The Oldest Club.

The oldest club in Illinois is the La-

dies' Education society of Jacksonville.

ized in 1838, its activity has been con-

tinuous ever since, it having assisted

15,000 girls to secure an education, and

these girls have gone out into our west-

ern homes in their turn to exert an is-

fluence for good which only rightly

Tobacco was discovered in Santo Do-

mingo in 1496, in Yucatan by the Spaniards in 1520. It was introduced

Nearly 1,200,000 pounds of colors are used by the United States govern-

ment annually for printing paper money, revenue and postage stamps.

trained intelligence can exert."

In her farewell address the retiring

covery. - Exchange.

save the life of her daughter and her-

tween her bodice and skirt.

be announces "All's well."

are four pretty girls who have mastered

the rare-for a woman-accomplish

H You Have a Tendency to Gout, Shun Ment as You Would Torture. A Little Advice to the Great Army of Sufferers From Dyspensia.

ame out-"after paying all that for a A physician, writing in the Philaplume be doesn't wear once in six delphia Inquirer on "Foods and Their months he almost dropped dead because I paid \$5 for a feather I've worn every Effect on the Human System," says: That out of sorts feeling from which day for a year. A man's just a natural cost of us suffer half the days of our But you could see that she thought life is usually due to our eating things it, just the rame. - Woman About Town we shouldn't. Although we are constructed on the same model, scarcely any two people have exactly the same kind of beart, liver and other organs, and as a result nothing is truer than Do not leave the teakettle over the the saying that "One man's meat is anfire beiling away water after the morn-

ing work is done. It is a fortunate ther man's poison." Meat, for instance, is a slow poison thing to have hot water ready in case to a number of individuals. If there is of sudden illness, but I have estimated gouty strain in your family, you are the number of steps one little old lady oring up future torture for yourself has taken from the kitchen to the well very time you est a chop or piece of in order to keep water always in the beef. Gout is simply the result of too teakettle. When one keeps up a practice nuch uric acid in the blood, and meat for 10 years, which has not been strictrfull of the material from which urio ly needed, it is time to stop and think. As soon as the work is completed after

You may think that so long as you each meal, the teakettle should be emphave not to sit in an easy chair all day tied, polished and set away open its there is no need for precautions in diet. shelf to revel in the assurance of not being dashed to death with cold water or But the first symptoms are always mild, and if you feel irritable and un-Another economy of time for the city able to settle down to work you had better be careful how much meat you onsekeeper is to hang a slate outside est. Englishmen are said to be the the kitchen door, on which are written worst tempered people on earth. Thay all orders for the grocer. One must be are also the most gouty, and there can | liked it. careful to ernse every evening to prebe no doubt that they are the greatest vent old orders being filled. Dating at the top with the day of the week or ment enters. month would prevent all mistakes. One

Nothing is more nonrishing than sugar, yet it is absolutely poison to these who are prope to diabetes, and any one inclined to corpulency should regard it as a natural enemy. Two lumps of angar per day in excess of the quantity required by the body would add 60 pounds to a man's weight in five years-that is, of course, if he had the sort of constitution that easily puts on try. Thus no article is forgotten that is | flesh.

mmediately needed.-Inez Honston in Bot it is not sugar alone which is inpriops to diabetic and stout people. The former should not look at parridge rice, beet root, Spanish onious, port wine, rum or ginger beer; the latter hould take neither soop, beer, potatoes nor treacle, while gouty people should not touch peas or beaus.

If any near member of your family bers of the Winchester Diocesan Guild has St. Vitus' dance or enilepsy, you of Change Ringers and also belong to should eat meat very sparingly and the bands in their respective towns; grapes not at all, while you might as two of them bail from Basingstoke and well think of committing suicide as frethe other two from Alton. The latter are menting the barroom. a clergyman's daughters, and can be

For dyspepties it is impossible to say een any Sunday morning or evening what food is good, because everything is had. White bread remains undigesters in the belfry and summoning the ed for hours, brown bread is most irriengregation to church, or, on Thursday tating and injurious, vegetables are converted into gases and painful acids, and ices of an art with which they are now most kinds of meat are too heavy. The dyspeptic, in fact, ought never to have No great effort is required to manage been born. bell. What is essential is knack, and

However, since the sufferer from dyspepsia must eat, let him follow this rule, and it may bring relief: Eat a little of everything, but eat sparingly, never leaving the table with a sense of baying eaten sufficient; eat slowly. Masticate all food thoroughly and never drink while eating. If he must drink, let him brink after he has finished eating.

No doubt the majority of people see connection between their ailments and the breakfast or dinner which they short peal is called a "touch," and have enjoyed. But there are many perwhen they meet for weekly practice and sons who are so severely affected by particular articles of diet that there is no question about the fact that some kinds of food are more or less poisonous to us all, although we may not suffer very greatly after eating them. Au acquaint suce of the writer's, for example, falls into convolsions if he ents a single strawberry, and even the odor of strawberry jam in the neighborhood of jam factories almost throws him into a fit. The writer knows a lady whose hear! comes to a stop if she cats an egg. Of course she never intentionally eats one now, but frequently on taking a piece of cake or some kind of pudding or

sauce containing eggs she swoons. Many people get cramp in the stom ach from eating honey, and more than one death has resulted from this cause Others are made violently sick by the smell of apples, and a patient of the writer's bas often averred that even the sight of beet root seemed to suffocate him, while another had to give up drinking milk because it produced intense inflammation of the eyes.

Many kinds of fish cause serious ill ness. Lobsters and crabs produce most painful itching in some people, and the writer has known several who after eating salmon felt a horrid taste in the mouth, and soon after suffered so badly from headache as to be compelled to go

These latter are the extreme instances of injury from food, but they prove that housands of people suffer in a less de gree, and that probably no one can lunch or dine without swallowing some thing poisonous to his system.

Tragic. Scene-A railway earriage.

First Artist-Children don't seem to me to sell now as they used. Second Artist (in a hoarse whisper) -Well, I was at Stodge's yesterday He had just knocked off three little girls' heads, horrid raw things, when a denler came in, sir, bought 'em directly, took 'em away wet as they were on the stretcher and wanted Studge to let ford how he rested.

him have some more next week. Old Lasy (putting her head out of the window and shricking) - Goard, step the train and let me out, or I'll be murdered!-London Tit Bits.

A German historian directs attention to the fact that in the middle ages the Mediterraneau was connected by a anal with the Red sea, and that in 1585 the Mohammedan powers had a is most commodious to us, but to be project of rebuilding this predecessor of | content with our casts, let them be

the Spez cenal.

Farm Notes and Views. The beginning with a garden should be really in the fall, as such plants as Will often cause a horrible Burn, Scald, spinach, kale, salsify, dandelion, cress, Cut or Bruise. Bucklen's Arnica etc., can be seeded down in the fall, Salve, the best in the world, will kill covered with mulch and be brought on the pain and promptly heal it. Cures the table very early in the spring. A Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, patch of turnips left in the ground in Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. the fall will provide the best kind of Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25 cts. icaped these as easily as a hunter's horse carly "greens," and the same may be a box. Core goaranteed. Sold at J. would leap a hedge, she buried the child done with cabbage stalks, which, if N. Snyder's Drug Store, Somerset, planted in the fall in a compact bed, Pa., and G. W. Brallier's Drug Store, will take up but little room and throw Berlin, Pa. out sprouts early in the spring before any other greeen crop comes. Later on radishes, lettuce and rhubarb will be in order, as they are hardy and can be had before summer crops are seeded. Asparagus comes almost by the time frost is out of the ground. Half an acre in a garden which has been heavpresident of the Illinois federation said: ily manured will provide an enormous with canvas and inflated. The trench velope was handed me containing one

> and the land well drained, not by having a heavy surface flow, but by the water going down quickly. Warmth Seedsmen and originators of new varieties of vegetables, flower and fruits have no protection through the Patent

BABY'S PHOTOGRAPH.

An Example of What the Man of the Camera Endures. A young photographer, when asked what sort of subjects presented the greatest difficulties to bits, replied without a moment's hesitation, "Ba-

"For instance," he continued, "I took photographs of a little 10-months. old fellow the other day in six different esitions. Yesterday I sent proofs to his mother, and today she brought them

" 'I'm sorry,' she said, without any bylone grief, 'but none of these nega-" 'Not one of the six?' I inquired,

though I was prepared for what was to

" 'No,' she said, 'I'm afraid not. You see, I like this one very wall, though, of course, it doesn't do baby ustice, but his Aunt Ellen says it's au absolute caricature of the dear little fellow. The one she likes I don't care for at all, and his pape says he should never know for whom it was intended. it looks so cross, and baby is such a sunshiny child.

" 'The one he likes, this smiling one, I shouldn't consider for a moment, for it makes taby's mouth look so much larger than it really is. 'His grandmother chose that one,

but as Cousin Fanny said, there's a very queer look to the child's eyes in it -very queer! However, she likes that one where he's almost crying, that soher one. You ought to have heard baby's grandfather when she said she " 'He really decided the thing, for what he said seemed so sensible. He sked me why I didn't have some more

taken and see if there wouldn't be at

baby. Now, when can be sit again? It's

hard for me to spare the time, but you

see it is the only thing to be done!" "-

east one that would really look like

Glasgow Herald STROKES OF A RAZOR.

How Many Do You Suppose It Takes to Shave a Man "Now that you've finished shaving ne, how many strokes of the razor did it require?" asked the man in the chair, as he straightened up to have his hair

"That's pretty bard to tell," said the "Of course it is. But you've been in the business how long?"

"Fifteen years." "You ought to know by this time about how many strokes of the razor it requires to shave a man, supposing that you go over his face a second time."

"I might make a guess at it." "All right. What's your guess? Renember that I have a hard beard." "Well, I should say about 125."

"Yon're a good guesser, I don't bink. Some time ago I got into the habit of counting the strokes of a razor every time I was being shaved. It's a good way to employ your mind. In shaving me you just made 732 strokes with the razor.

"I wouldn t have believed it." "No man believes it until he takes the trouble to count. In my case I never knew the number to fall below 500, and it has gone more than 800 st times. back. I should judge that there are no shave. You remember that, and probably you can win a few bets."-New York World.

Bank Impertinence. The Philadelphia Record tells of an old Pennsylvania farmer who recently came into possession of a check for \$200. It caused him a great deal of anxiety, and fer a long time he could not muster up the courage to have it cashed. Finally, while on a trip to town, he summoned up nerve enough and, strolling into the bank, presented the check. The teller glanced at it hastily, and then, after the fashion of his kind, brusquely asked, "What denomina-

"Lutheran, gol durn it! But what's thet got tew do with it?" as brusquely raplied the old farmer, to the great asonishment of the bank official. It required several minutes' explanaion before the teller could get the old man to understand his question, and then the latter took his money and de-

parted, with sundry growls derogatory

to banks in general. In 1840 a great convention was beld n Baltimore by the young men of what was then known as the Whig party for the purpose of ratifying the nomination of General William Henry Harrison for the presidency. There was no hall in the city large enough to hold the crowd of delegates who attended. The convention accordingly met on the Canton race track, and when the great his paper to be stopped again." Whig orator of this state, who was chairman of the Young Men's national committee, grose to call the meeting to order be was so impressed by the vastsess of the assemblage before him that instead of the usual formula be exclaimed, "The nation will please come

to order!" - Baltimore Sun.

An Insult. A Caribon (Me.) man lately wandered into a remote botel that doesn't keep a dictionary, and on coming down in the morning was asked by the land-"Oh," replied the gentleman, "I

suffered usarly all night with insom-The landlord took offense at this and roared, "I'll bet you \$3 there ain't one in my bouse?"-Exchange.

Wisdom in a Nutshell. Human life is like a game at dice where we ought not to throw for what never so nuicrtunate. - Plato.

A Frightful Blunder

French have a method which may be counted. valuable to some. A trench is dug and the bottom filled with cement mortar. On this is placed a rubber tube covered | cinct, and the next day a bulky en-

Food adulteration can only be preis secured by the air following the well expressed the penalty recommenddownward flow of wa'er into the soil. ed being confiscation of the adultera'ed were not only honest, but knew somearticle. No man has the right to sell thing about politics." another an article under misrepresentation. In France it was being discov-Office. An inventor of some small contrivance, which may have been discontinuous pretexts, but it may be who asked for flour received the mixed far more live question as to wheth r stated that where one farmer is thus covered by accident, is enabled to reap article and brought suit. It was determine therefrom, but the originator article and brought suit. It was determine therefrom, but the originator article and brought suit. It was determine therefrom, but the originator article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit. It was determined the writtended to reap article and brought suit.

ON THE OPEN TRAIL

This pairry earth and the low hung sky, Like a little tent around it, oo cramped I find to feel at home. Too eramped I always found it.

lince I was ever a vagabout, A vagrant-foot and rover. Oh give me the width of the akies to roam When my earthly days are over! et me out where worlds the milestones

are.
Where the unresting stars walk my wayout, out, where a man has elbaw room To travel his old time highway! and when the Journey is done God grant That one lone inn I find me Where I may enter and greet but her the door behind me! Arthur J. Stringer in Ainnies's Maga-

A LAKE PILOT'S LEG.

How It Solved the Mystery of the

Wreck of a Steam Propeller.

"We are never amazed when vessels go aground and are wrecked on Lake Erie during the gales that are common on that treacherous water, for we expect such things then," said a lake skipper, "but when one is grounded on a clear day and wrecked on a course as clear as the day in the hands of a pilot that knows the ground like a book we naturally wonder a little and want to know the whys and wherefores. Such was the case of the propeller Susan R. and was lost with a \$20,000 cargo.

"The captain of the Susan E had sailed successfully hundreds of times he had a wheelman who was known from one end of the lake to the other as one of the most expert navigators in the lake business. He had been lying up a long time, for the very good reason save his life The lost member was replaced by an artificial leg, and then the wheel again. His first service after his misfortune was this trip of the Susan E. Peck, and he ran her aground.

"The puzzle to everybody was how it was possible for the propeller, handled by a man of such skill and experience, on a straight course only 40 miles long and with every sailing condition favorable, to leave her course. The pilot was the most puzzled and astounded person of all. He soon got another vessel, and this one he ran in such an erratic manner, but fortunately with no his arms, stopped them. disastrons result, that he was compelled to give her up, and his usefulness as a pilot was gone. He and others went to investigating to see if they could discover what was wrong with his sea

"After awhile they discovered what they believed was the trouble. In the piaces. Sitting close to the binnacle, as he did while steering, this steel derang ed the compass so that it threw the wheelman way off his reckening and led to the wrong piloting that had wrecked the Susan E. Peck and endangered the other vessel that the wheel- if I be mad! man navigated subsequently. This was what they argued, and to demonstrate The invitery of the Susan E | a blaze of sheet ligh is brought forward and then drawn | Peck was solved, and the pilot was restored to his old place in the confidence ers." - New York Sun.

South America's Suicide Wind. In Brazil and other parts of South America the natives know and fear a certain condition of the air which they call "suicide wind." It is not a superstition, but an actual

condition of the atmosphere watch seems to drive the people to madness. and during its continuance salf inflicted deaths are numerous. Criminologists and scientists all over the world are interested in this peculiar atmospherio influence, which is indi-

cated by a soft, moist, warm air that settles heavily on the earth. The climatic condition known as the 'spicide wind' is greatly dreaded in that part of the country.

Statistics prove that spicides and other crimes occur together or in waves as they are described.

The Moral Is Plain. "Once upon a time," says the Houtzdale (Pa.) Journal, "a man got mad at the editor and stopped the paper. In a few weeks he sold his corn at 4 cents less than the market price. Then his property was sold for taxes because he didn't read the sheriff's sale. He paid \$10 for a lot of forged notes that had been advertised two weeks and the pubhe warned against them. He then rosb ed to the printing office and paid several years' subscription in advance and had the editor sign an agreement that he was to knock him down if he ordered

Wanted a Chapce. A Scottish preacher who found his

congregation going to sleep one Sunday before he fairly began suddenly stopped and exclaimed: "Brethren, it's pae fair. Gie a mon half a chance. Wait till I get along, and then if I nae worth listening to gang to sleep, but dinna gang before I get commenced. Gie a mon a chance. An Expert.

"Do you carve?" "I should say I did!" "And what are your specialties?" "Sausage and omelets." -Cleveland Plain Benler.

It is a sober truth that people who live only to amuse themselves work harder at the task than most people du in earning their daily bread. - Hannah

In the sixteenth century fencers hold the sword in their right hand and a dagger in the left to ward off blows

Defeat at an Election.

A Congressman is thus quoted by the Washington Star: "The first race I ever made for Congress resulted in my defeat by less than fifty majority, and if one of my friends had not been too zealous I would have been elected There was a precinct where I expected to receive a hundred votes, and I feared there would be some fraud in the precipet that would injure me; so I got an old man who had never partiel pated in politics, but who had almost paremount influence in the district, to How to make a durable and cheap take charge of my interest there, indrain is an important matter with those structing him to see that every friend who do not desire open di ches. The of mine voted and that the votes were

"When the returns came in I had not received a single vote in that pre-"I was reminded of this club of ours supply of vegetables, as one crop can go is then filled with cement. As soon hundred and twenty ballots, together in as soon as another is removed of as the cement sets air is let out of the some kinds. Peas and onions, as well rubber tube, which is then removed in charge saying that he had seen to set apart a large tract of land in the as early potatoes, may be had with but and used in another location or section. every friend of mine and taken up West for the exclusive use of negroes, little difficulty if the ground is sandy By this method it is estimated that six- their ballots so that none would be where they may set up an independdent of scientific farming.—New York sears. In fact it is almost old enough to missed, and as he wouldn't trust the ent government of their own, subject judges of election he had sent them to to the general supervision of Congress. me himself so I would be sure to get Many influential white men are intervented by laws that are plain and yet them. Since then I have seen to it ested in the project, and are lending it that men in charge of my interests their moral support.

a fortune therefrom, but the originator of a new breed of animals or improved variety of fruit, which may have required years of experiment and labor, cannot prevent others frem infrieging upon his results.

Article and brought suit. It was decided that as he did not mention the kind of flour desired he had no cause for action. It is suggested that in purchase of careful than any other class.

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FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

SAVED FOUR HUNDRED.

The Beautiful Story of the Sacrifice of Hamnguchi Sobel. It is a beautiful story told by Lafesdio Hearn of an old man whose great deed belongs to Japanese history. He was Hamagnehi, and his farmhouse stood on the verge of a small plateau overlooking the bay. The plateau, mostly devoted to rice culture, was emmed in on three sides by thickly wooded sommits, and from the outer verge the land sloped down to the sea. Selow were 90 thatched dwellings and a temple; these composed the village. One autumn evening Hamaguchi Gohei was locking down from his balcony on the preparations for some merrymaking in the hamlet below. All the villagers were out, and he would have gone with them had he not been feeling less strong than usual.

Suddenly there came an earthquake shock, not a very strong one, but Hamaguchi, who had felt many before this, thought there was something odd in its long, spongy motion. As the quaking ceased, he chanced to look toward the sea, and there he saw the strangest possible sight. It seemed to be running away from the land. Apparently the whole village had no-

Peck that went aground near Bar point ticed it, for the people stood still in wonderment; only Hamaguchi drew any conclusions from the phenomenon and guessed what the sea would do next. between Point Pelee and Bar point and He called his little grandson, a lad of in all kinds of weather, and this time | 10, the only one of the family left with

"Tada! Quick! Light me a torch!" the old man hurried with it to the fields, where hundreds of rice stacks that owing to an accident to one of his stood ready for transportation. One by legs that leg had to be amputated to one he lighted them in haste, and they pilet was ready to take his post at the in one cloudy whirl. Tada, astonished Everest, in the Himalayas. If the same and terrified, ran after his grandfather. weeping, calling, "Why? why? why?" Hamagnebi did not answer. He

> ment only they came swarming up from the village like ants. And still the sea was fleeing toward the horizon. The first party of succor arrived, a score of agale young peasants, who wnated to attack the fire at once, but Hamaguchi, stretching out both

"Let it burn, lade!" he commanded. "Let it be. I want the whole village

The whole village came, mothers and children last of all, drawn by concern and enriosity. "Grandfather is mad. I am afraid of him," sobbed little Tada. "He set fire pilot's artificial leg a great deal of steel to the rice on purpose. I saw him do it." had been used in the joints and other "As for the rice," said Hamaguchi. the child tells the truth. I set fire to it. Are all the people here?" "All are here," was the mawer.

But we cannot understand this thing." "See!" cried the old man at the top of his voice, pointing to the open. "Say It was the returning sea, towering

like a cliff and coursing swifter than lina, with 25 cents per capita; Mississipp. the correctness of the theory the pilot | the kite. There was a shock, heavier | with 34 cents; Alabama, with 35 cents; took charge of a vessel without wear than thunder, as the colossal swell Arkansas, with 37 cents, and North Caroing his false leg. Everything worked to smote the shore with a feam burst like line, with 4t cents, Then a white horror of sen waved over the village itself. It drew back,

fewer than 500 strokes in a first class of Lake Erie skippers and vessel own roaring and tearing out the land as it | Eclectric Oil. At your druggist's, went. Twice, thrice, five times it struck and ebbed, each time with lesser surges, and then it returned to its ancient bed and staid there, although still raging. Of all the homes about the bay, nothing remained but two straw roofs tossing madly in the offing. All lips were domb, until Hamagochi observed gently: "That was why I set fire to the rice."

-Youth's Companion. The Repentant.



I really do not mind a lait
If all day long I have to sit
Upon th's horrid chair.
I only meant to have some fun. I do not know what I have done-

I soon shall hear the others say They're sorry I can't come to play. And they will burry by. Out in the garden as fe and free They'll be as happy as can be, But I shall never cry! -Cussell's Little Polks.

When the Baby Exeavates. Teacher-Define the word excavate. Scholar- It means to hollow out. Teacher-Construct a sentence in which the word is properly used. Scholar-The baby excavates when it gets hurt. White kid hats are the greatest ex-

travagance this winter. They take the

place of velvet ones for theaters and are

only women with full coffers can indalge in them. Miss Sorabji, sister of Cornelia Sorabji, the well known lawyer of India, is studying medicine in London this winter. While in India she won a scholarship offered by the Countess of

Dufferin. The first woman to board the Isfanta Marin Teresa after she was floated was Miss Brooks, daughter of Consul Theodore Brooks of Guantaname.

It is reported that some Chinese womon are editing and publishing a weekly pager entitled The Feminine Magazine

The National Colonization Aid Society of America, which has just been organized by influential colored men of

It is frequently the case that confie-"Why not drop the fruitless contro- dence mer, swindlers and other disversy over the ending of the present bonest persons take advantage of a Way Par

Pile of Stumps 21 Miles High.

Uncle Sam printed just a few postage stamps during the year less. The number of 2 cook stamps issued during the rear was: mt 2,500,000,000. Such a nomper, o : ly, is beyond the grasp of the numm. aind, but perhaps the matter may be made more clear by putting it thorwise.

Au ordinary 2 cent stamp is exacty one neh long. From this fact, by a little calcalation, it is easy to discover that the number of stamps of this denomination sened in 1888, placed end to end, would extend a distance considerably exceeding 8,000 miles. In other words, they would make a continuous strip of stamps, each one adorned with the head of the Father of His Country, stretching in a belt more han once and a half around the equator. Of course, through the 2 cent stamps are those principally used, there are others. Enough 1-cent postage stamps have been issued during the year 1898 to stretch from New York City, by was of Europe and Asia, to Bombay, India, if similarly arranged to one strip. All other stamps, as to production and sales, are of minor nportance comparatively speaking, but It is interesting to know that almost exactly one mile of \$1 stamps were manufactured for the demand of 1818, Of \$5 atamps the production was equivalent to a little more than half a forlong, or about me fifteenth of a mile.

Now, if all the postage stamps printed by the United States Government in 1803 were placed one on top another as neatly as might be without putting them under pressure, how high do you suppose the pile of them would be? There is no use gnessing; you would never get it nearly right, nuless you went to work to calcu-The child kindled a pine torch, and late it for yourself. The 3,500,000,000 stamps of all denominations printed during the current year-the statement, of sourse, is approximate-would tower to an elevation of twenty-one miles. This caught like tinder, sending skyward is more than three times the beight of the masses of smoke that met and mingled highest mountain in the world-Mount number of stamps was piled up in the form of the ordinary sheets of 100 each, it follows that the stack would be over a thought only of 400 lives in peril. He | fifth of a mile high. watched for the people, and in a mo-

During the year 1898 the number of special delivery stamps sold was about 250,000. It is only reasonable to suppose that the average journey of the special delivery messenger is half a mile. Indeed, that is an absord underestimate; but let it go at that. On this assumption the total distance traveled for special deivery in 1898 was about 2,625,000 miles That is a very considerable space to traverse, as may be realized when it is ensidered that a messenger boy, in order to accomplish that total distance, would have to go about 1,100 times around the world, or five times to the moon and

It appears, from figures furnished by the Post Office Department, that the average person in Massachusetts, including men, women and children spends \$2.30 on postage per annum. New York comes second with an expenditure of \$2.27. The District of Columbia third with \$2.16. Colorado is fourth with \$1.93 and Connectient is fifth with \$1 80. The States rank ing lowest in this regard are South Caro-

Is it a burn? Use Dr. Thomas' Relectric Oil. A cut? Dr. Thomas's

Those who buy wheat and corn for fowls should try millet seed. The seeds are very small and are more perfect as a ration for laying hens than grain An advantage in using millet seed is that the fowls must eat slowly, as they will be compelled to bunt for every He was now poor as the poorest in all seed, and by so doing will have more the village, but he had saved 400 lives. exercise. The cast of the commercial seed should be no greater than for wheat, and every poultryman should grow a small patch of millet if the seed, is difficult to procure. Millet is a summer plant, and reed not be seeded in until May or June.

SOMERSET MARKET REPORT

Cook & Beerits. Wednesday, Jan. 18,1899.

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rimmed with valvet and feathers, and CONDENSED TIME TABLES. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Somerset and Cambria Branch.

> NORTHWARD. Johnstown Mail Express.—Rockwood 11:10 a. m., Somerset 11:31, Stoyestown 1:52, Hoov-ersville inc, Johnstown 1:50 p. m. ohnstown Accommodation.—Rockwood 5:15 p. m., Somerset 5:59 Storestown 5:07, Hoov-eravilled:18, Johnstown 7:05

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