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CYPRESS.

Moonlight, and love, and magnolia trees; A bare, gray house on a lonely hill; A river below, with the sweep of seas; An air of stillness, so strangely still— So still of trouble or strife or stir, I heard my heart as it beat for her.

Her lover and she and the cypress trees; And I? Alone by the black lagoon-A place of ghosts and of mysteries-Lake lilies upheld to the loveless moon: The darkness slain by the sword of cay And under the cypress trees hidden away.

Her wondrous hair! Her eyes were as large As torch-lost deer's, that feeding in moss, And seeing the light in the huntsman's barge, Lifts up its head and comes wading across, Wide-eyed and dazed, and reaches its head-Trusting and reaching—and so, shot dead!

"The cypress is secret as death," said I, "And Death, he is dearer to me than gold," So the cypress woods and the wave hard by Have many and many a secret to hold-For why did she turn to the wood and the

And look and look as in dead love's grave! -Chicago Current.

WANTED, A DRESS SUIT.

A HUMOROUS STORY FROM THE GERMAN. "By Jove! that miserable tailor is enough to drive a man crazy," cried Judge Henry Winkler desperately, not knowing whether to curse or laugh. He paced the room as he spoke, like a caged animal. Poor fellow! His anger was not unreasonable as he strode up and down the limited space, his hair dressed and perfumed, and attired in shining patent leather boots, linen faultlessly laundried-but there our description must cease, and we must not further dilate on the bridegroom's apparel. Yes, to r. Henry Winkler was to be married at 12 urc. o'clock, sharp, to his adored Aurelia, in one of the most fashionable churches. The tailor had promised him to deliver his dress suit at his apartments at 10 o'clock, and now it was quite 11:30, and Mr. Winkler stood arrayed in spotless white and there were no signs of a swallow-tail anywhere!

Do you know what I would do?" ventured an officious groomsman, who had come to escort the judge to church. in perusing the note, which ended with, "I would just put on my morning coat and start at once. I do believe that this will be the very best thing you can do just now."

Bring me a hatful of last year's hail, but pray do not mention my morning coat, nor put in a plea for my trousers, eried Winkler, laughing wildly. "One can see the sunshine through my coat; and leaving out such trifles as style and a laughable object when he is getting me! married, even at his best; but if I array myself as you suggest I am half afraid that Aurelia would say 'No' instead of 'Yes' when we meet at the altar."

groomsman. "What can you do? It is you at the next station." getting late. Did you not say that the tailor said10 o'clock. See, it is 11:30,"

cried Charley Held, nervously.
"He certainly said 10 o'clock," the judge answered, solemnly. Weil, suppose we send for your dress

suit?" said Charley. "What are you dreaming of?" returned bursting into tears, the judge. "It would take more than an hour for any messenger to get from the bewildered judge,

ing your wedding clothes so late? They should have been here a week ago. Why bitterly. were you so foolish?"

"I was foolish to trust to that beast of the very last moment, and now I am to relia's excitement.
be punished, I suppose," and Henry "Dearest love—" he began. Winkler throw himself into an arm-chair,

'Look at my new dress suit," said Charley Held, smoothing his coat down tha,' who is your dearest love, you vile in front of a long dressing glass. "Deesn't it fit me well? Oh, I was suit was ordered in good time and sent crazy, Aurelia." home asweek ago. I had it made expressly to wait on you."

me out of this muddle."

Suddenly the judge bounded up from the arm-chair, grasped the astonished ly, he Charley by the shoulders, and looked at hand. him fixedly, while he cried:

"I," answered the surprised friend. What on earth can I do to help you now? I cannot see my way."

"Well, what of that?" asked Charley,

as the judge decoured his figure with thank heaven!" his large brown eyes.

"Don't you see, my dearest friend, how you can help me? Why, you must smiling through her tears. lend me your dress suit so that I can hurry and get married," the judge said,

impetuously. What could Mr. Held do! He gave one long, despairing glance at his tall, fire figure in the glass, and thought of she said, laughing. "And you must rethe charming Bertha, whom he, as best member this, that a husband should he had contemplated this pleasure for dear wife." weeks, and now he was to be undressed, like a naughty boy, in the middle of the little wife," returned the judge, "that a as a minimum time. But as it appears he had strutted before the glass and pockets," called the judge's attention to his dress suit, but some one had to suffer, evi- fault.

dently, and so Charley resigned his new clothes to his enraptured friend. It took Judge Winkler but a moment

to slip into the dress suit, and soon he had arrived at the church, escorted by the faithful Charley, who had donned the perforated morning coat and the despised trousers. Winkler was the happiest of men, and Charley one of the saddest, as he walked up the aisle with the lovely Bertha on his arm, at ported to the Glasgow philosophical whom he dared not look, for fear she society in which 120 degrees below zero would break off her engagement with him. An hour later the newly-married pair went in the cars steaming away to Greenwald, where they were to pass their honeymoon. The judge had bribed the guard to give them a separate carriage. He had thrown off his overcoat and sat with his arm around his wife, pressing her tight against Charley Held's dress

"My dear husband, did you not assure me that you never smoked?" the newly-wed spouse demanded.

"You are certainly right, my little darling," the judge replied; "I never "Well, what is that in your coat

pocket?" the girl asked, smiling. "It is nothing but my note-book," the judge answered.

"A note-book, indeed," cried Mrs. Winkler. "I will bet anything it is a cigar-case."

About half a minute later the young wife had thrust her nimble fingers in her husband's pocket and had drawn out a real, true cigar-case, and such a cigarcase-all embroidered and perfumed. and bearing on its back this inscription: "To my dearest."

Casting an angry and astonished look at her husband, Mrs. Winkler said:

"What made you deny the fact that you smoked? Did you think I would be displeased? But tell me," she added. in a changed voice, "who embroidered this case for you?"

"Now I am in a predicament," the judge thought to himself, and laughed nervously, at which his wife seemed to regard him with increased displeas-

"This cigar case belongs to a friend of mine," he stammered.

"This is a pretty tale," cried Mrs. Winkler, and she drew out of the side of the card case a perfumed, pink-hued note, folded in a lover's knot. The cars stopped for a while, and Judge Winkler left the train that he might procure some fruit for his bride. While the judge was absent his wife utilized his absence "Your always loving Bertha."

This capped the climax. Here she was on her wedding tour, just beginning life with a man who could deceive her so shamefully. She was almost wild with anger and pain. When Judge Winkler returned with the lunch his tions to the earth, but rest loosely on wife would not speak to him. She had taken another seat and refused even to and leaving out such trifles as style and cut, my trousers, which were black ten second stopping place Judge Winkler, mentum from earthquakes. An Englishyears ago, are now of such a hue as to almost beside himself, exclaimed: "Au- man has made an i indescribable. Man is always relia, you must listen-you must answer Speak, and let me hear how I have had the misfortune to offend my soul's idol!"

Aurelia seated herself opposite her husband. She looked him straight in and the motion is in most earthquakes "But what is to be done?" urged the the eyes and said: "I intend to leave only about one-tenth of what it is out-

"Great heaven! you surely do not mean what you say. Tell me, I implore you, what has happened and how I have offended you!" Judge Winkler cried, now thoroughly astonished.

"I shall leave you and return to my parents in Berlin," the young wife said, "What for? What have I done?" asked

here to the tailor shop."

"You are right," sighed Charley. "But

You have broken your poor wife's heart tell me what was your reason for order- and made a miserable woman out of a trusting bride," the girl cried, weeping

"My dear girl, calm yourself-tell me what is the matter. Only speak, I beg a tailor. I always put off things until you," said the judge, trying to calm Au-

> "I am not your dearest love," cried Aurelia. "It is your 'always loving Ber-

"But I have no 'always loving Bersmarter than you, judge, for my dress tha," echoed the judge. "You must be

"I wish to heaven I was crazy; then I would be deaf to your villainy," cried "Your lecture may be very amusing," Aurelia. "Here, take your love letter use it with wonderful economy. They groaned the judge, "but it fails to keep and let me go," she said, handing him would never think of wasting it on the the rose colored note. The judge glanced at the note, and, laughing wildly, he struck his forehead with his open

"I see it all now!" he cried. "This, "But you can help me if you will, old of course, came out of the cigar-case, fellow. I see that you can be of the and the cigar-case came out of Charley's greatest assistance to me in this, the pocket. My darling wife, I have commost threatening moment of my existcealing something from you, which, perhaps, I should have acknowledged at the beginning. That wretch of a tailor failed to send my wedding clothes home "But you will see your way. Look in in time. My packed trunk had been sent the glass, my dear boy. See how we to the cars, and an old, torn suit was all stand—as much alike in figure as two I had in my rooms. This is Charley's peas."

Coat; the cigar-case is Charley's, an I the 'ever loving Bertha' is also Charley's-

> Then, my dear husband, I am your only love?" demanded Mrs. Winkler, "You certainly are," the happy Judge

> declared. Aurelia kissed the cigar case as well as her husband. "You must always recall this event,"

man, was to escort to the altar. Alas! never conceal anything from his own tell us) that at the utmost the rate could

He was angry with himself that wife should never search her husband's the result of the recent survey is to The young wife acknowledged her

declared. Will she keep her word? We doubt it, - Chicago Inter-Ocean,

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Disease germs are probably much less affected by extreme cold than might be expected. Experiments have been rewas insufficient to stop processes of putrefaction.

A remarkable property of the ice-plant is its absorption of salt, a fluid exuded by its leaves having been found to contain about thirty-three per cent. of sea salt. For this reason it is suggested that the plant may be advantageously grown on lands made unproductive by an excess of salt.

Professor Young says when you consider the brightness of the sun's surface you find it to be about 150 times as bright as one of our calcium lights, and about four times as bright as the brightest of the points in one of our electric lights. The electric light is very bright, but the solar surface is about four times as bright as that.

Recent investigations show that at Hockst-on-the-Main, while aniline is poisonous, none of the men employed in the aniline works who became ill died, and those who have been engaged in the magenta house eighteen years, though reddened with the dye even to the inside of the mouth, were not in bad health.

Men employed in lead works, according to the London Mining Journal, who cat largely of fat meat and other fatty matters, are much less susceptible to lead poisoning than others. At an establishment on the Continent, where a great deal of work was done, there were the usual attacks of poisoning, but a change in the food—cheese, butter, bucon, pork, lard and similar articles being thereafter the principal diet-soon put an end to the attacks, and no one was troubled with lead colic for more than fifteen years. The free use of milk is said to have the same effect.

The wood of the cork elm is heavier and stronger than that of the white elm or slippery elm. It is close grained, susceptible of fine polish, and useful for agricultural implements, wheel stock, bridge timbers, etc. It is quite distinct in form from the other elms, and deserves to be planted largely for ornament and use. It ranges from Southwestern Vermont through Western New York, Ontario and Southern Michigan to Iowa, and South through Ohio and Central Kentucky, reaching its best development in the southern peninsula of Michigan.

The ordinary dwellings of the Japanese are not firmly attached by foundasquared stones or boulders buried in the plan and rests the house at each of its piers upon a handful of cast-iron shot. These shot, of the size of buckshot, so increase the frictional resistance to rolling that the house is practically astatic, side.

The new process of sugar-making brought forward in Berlin by Trobach is purely chemical, differing materially from the mechanical process now in use. This method dispenses with crushing and pressing altogether. The cane is cut into slices by means of machinery, and the water extracted from it by alco hol vapor, which having an affinity for the water, absorbs it, but leaves the saccharine in the dessicated cane; this is then treated with liquid alcohol, which extracts the sugar, and afterward the sugar is extracted from the alcohol, or the alcohol from the sugar, by filtering through lime and chalk. The effect, it is said, will be to cheapen the cost of sugar.

How Arabs Live Without Much Water.

How is it that Arabs contrive to live in the waterless deserts of that muchtalked-of-region. They are, to begin with, abstemious in their habits, and know every crevice and hollow in the hills where water will collect. They regard this fluid more, perhaps, in the light of a luxury than as a necessity, and exterior of their bodies, and consider that once in forty-eight hours is often enough to replenish the inner man, General Colston tells us that when Bedouins came to his camp water would be offered them, but often be refused with the remark that the visitor had drunk yesterday. By cultivating this habit of abstemiousness they are able to cover immense distances, which would be impossible for a European, unless he were accompanied by baggage animals. - Chambers' Journal.

The Age of Niagara Falls.

Mr. Bakewell, an eminent English geologist, gave personal attention to the problem as early as 1840, and, from everything he could learn at that time, estimated that the falls had recoded about a hundred and twenty feet in the forty years preceding. He recurred to the problem again in 1846, 1851, 1856, and vas each time confirmed in the belief that the apex of the horseshoe fall was receding, on an average, three feet a year. On the other hand, Sir Charles Lyell, upon his first visit, in 1841, "conceived" (upon what basis he does not not be more than one foot a year, which "And you must remember this, my would give us thirty-five thousand years firm the estimate of Mr. Bakewell, thus bringing the period down to about seven thousand years. - Science,

"It shall never happen again," she LIFE IN PETTICOAT LANE.

Paris differ in one most essential respect from the same kind of people in Ameri-Probably the very worst slums of New York contain no creatures whose are thrown wide open, and rag fair becriminal genealogy dates back beyond

the effects of their life work. Scores of them have never been seen by mortal eye

dark, blind alleys, leading nowhere, with cement. The bottom was covered with which the neighborhood abounds. Ere a slight sediment, but when that was

and alleys within the arms of that great some fifteen miles in length by about ten cross, no one save the inhabitants or the miles in breadth. The descent to it is police in trios and quartettes have precipitous on the north and west sides ever set foot. Yet, stay, there is one person who is always welcome, and whom the vilest and inhabitants of London slums have learned that in the epidemics which now and the denizens of those filthy and over-crowded houses, a doctor is a necessity. sult of some unholy midnight raid, the modern Bill Sykes flies, like a wounded stag, to his covert, death will surely ensue unless a doctor can be persuaded to take the case in hand. It is a religion with London heathens-the only one they know, save the honor that exists

among thieves-to protect the doctor.

enticed on the invisible slab.

There was no need of a police escort this time. "There is safety in numbers," says an old truism, beside which, on Sunday morning, picked constables, the flower of the force, are distributed through the fair at intervals of fifty yards. I arrived at my destination at 8:80 A. M., and found pandemonium in full swing. Up the narrow roadway are placed stalis three deep, on which are to be found every kind of salable article from meat to mouse traps. Petticoat lane is devoted to general merchandise, and the crossstreets to second-hand clothing exclusively. The stolen goods of the week from all quarters appear in tempting arfood, clothing, books and live stock, every style of clothing, from a priest's surplice to a seedy frock coat, from a duchess' toilet to a child's pinafore, may be seen on these stalls.

A VISIT TO THE HAUNTS OF LON-DON'S CRIMINAL CLASSES.

"Petticont Lane" and the People Found There—One Man who is Always Protected from Harm.

One of the very worst districts of London (probably the very worst, now that Hatten garden is no more), writes a London correspondent of the St. Louis Postits neighborhood, known to the initiated as "Petticoat" lane-to the uniniated as Middlesex street.

The dangerous classes of London and one or two generations.

London, on the contrary, was a great city prior to the discovery of America. Its slums reckon their age by centuries, while the inhabitants are the result of long generations of depravity, and could, were it fashionable in those localities to crime back from father to son for many generations. Petticoat lane has one feature peculiar to itself. That is the great graduate and serve their apprenticeships, live, and die. Many of them are utterly unknown to the police save by name and

Occasionally, however, a knot of villain- feet below the general plateau above. ous-looking men will gather in some corner of the street, talking in low tones. and in a language as unintelligible, to ordinary mortals as Sanscrit. At night the whole neighborhood is dark, silent, and deserted. Now and then the sound of a scuffle is heard in one of which the the police can reach the spot all is again scraped away the pure white salt shone silent, though frequently the blood- out below. How deep this deposit may stained sidewalk is a silent witness to be it is impossible to say, for no one has what has happened. But few lights appear in the windows, and no suspicious of the dividing ridge is the second lake,

of Middlesex street, and fill the courts the two. The valley proper is itself most murderous ruffian would protect apparently lower than that of the other. again-almost every year, in fact-rage and did not look so pure. It is dug out with the fury of the plagues of old among When wounded and bleeding, as the re-

Protected by two policemen in uniform and a detective in plain clothes, the writer of this article once made a pligrimage through all that was visible of five of these houses. They were not the worst, for into those nothing short of force could gain admission, but they so built as to be quite invisible. At the touch of a spring in the wall some distance off the slab flew downward, disclosing a well, whose depth we had no means of ascertaining. A stone decontrivance is for the benefit of spies. A

the same thoroughfare on Sunday, pos- flag, pant nor perspire, but keep up this Broadway, New York, when a procession is passing, and when it is not. For many months, though as well acquainted coney in comparison? Moreover, these with the neighborhood as is safe for a coolies have to content themselves at the non-resident to be in its week-day dress, end of their journey with five centsthe writer was not aware that this great fair was held in those parts. At last I They exult if they receive ten cents, and of respectability and arrayed, pro tem, in arine. those as nearly resembling disrespectability as I could fashion in clean mate-

Every species of merchandise, And the crowd! the motly cosmopoli-

tan crowd! who throng and surge on the narrow footpath, forming a solid, cline it.

moving mass of humanity. Human rats who vegetate underground for six days of every week emerge on the seventh for one single hour like moles in wet weather, with a coin in their skinny hands, to purchase the necessities of

At 12 o'clock sharp all Sunday fairs close by act of parliament. As the mel-odious bells from various churches chime the hour of noon there is a general stam-Dispatch, is that long, narrow lane, with | pede. Barrows are wheeled away, stalls are cleared, merchants vanish with their goods, and the surging crowd melts like the mists of a summer morning or clouds before the rising sun. The whole pic-ture vanishes in five minutes, like the scenes in a panorama, the tavern doors (closed by law during Sunday morning) comes a memory of the past until next Sunday awakes it into fresh activity.

Lakes of Solid Salt in Asia.

Yar-oilan means "the sunken ground," and no word can describe the general apwere it fashionable in those localities to be pearance of the valley of these lakes. Keep a family tree, trace their descent in The total length of the valley from the Kangruali road on the west to the Band-1-Dozan, which bounds it on the east, is about thirty miles, and its great breadth Sunday market from which Rag Fair about eleven miles, divided into two takes its name. On week days the parts by a connecting ridge which runs neighborhood is nearly deserted, at across from north to south, with an night almost equally so. The crim-inal tendencies of Petticoat lane are not of a noisy or demonstrative sort. The crim-feet above the general average. To the This is the great criminal manufactory west of this ridge lies the lake from of the world. Here the most dangerous which the Tekke Turcomans from Merv thieves, housebreakers, and murderers get their salt. The valley of this lake is some six miles square and is surrounded on all sides by a steep, almost precipitous, descent, impassible for baggage animals, so far as I am aware, except by them have never been seen by mortal eye other than their "pals." Here the Fagins The level of the lake I made to be about of London society ply their trade.

In all appearances Middlesex street is one of the quietest streets in London.

1,430 feet above sea level, which gives it a descent of some 400 feet from the level of the connecting ridge, and of some 950 The lake itself lies in the center of the basin, and the supply of salt in it is apparently unlimited.

The bed of the lake is one solid mass of hard salt, perfectly level, and covered by only an inch or two of water. To ride over it was like riding over ice or character is ever seen issuing from the doors.

Into the houses which line each side

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The valley wrong is itself his life, and that is the doctor. The I made it out to be some eight hundred feet above sea level. The salt in this lake is not so smooth as in the other, in flakes, or strata, generally of some four inches in thickness, is loaded into bags, and carried off on camels for sale without further preparation. -Sir Peter

Men Who Drag Carriages.

Trot, trot, trot, along the smooth, sunny, but bamboo shaded high road, I have a little leisure now to observe these astonishing rickshaw coolies. They wear the enormous traditional mushroom Chinese hat, suitable in case either of beating rain or fierce sun, under which are tucked their hard-plaited pigtailsfor even a coolie would feel himself disgraced were he minus a pigtail. They are bare-footed, bare-legged, bare-armed were very bad. In two of them the police and wear just sufficient rags to save showed a large trap in the floor. It was themselves from the charge of indelicacy. Their skins are sallow, their Mongolian faces are pinched, their stature is small, their limbs seem attenuated and loosely put together. And yet these demonical looking wretches, to call whom "brethscended in silence for many seconds, and ren" is indeed a heavy demand on our then came a loud splash! The fiendish charity, throw themselves forward into the shafts and drag their carriages with person entering a house whom the inhab- their passengers, who may be ten or may itants suspect, or wish to be rid of, is be twenty stone, not at a walk or a shuffle or an amble, but at a good round trot of But Middlesex street on week-day, and about six miles an hour. They neither sesses stronger points of difference than pace for two or three miles at a stretch, Would not the most renowned European athlete or pedestrian be but a feeble cent is a fraction less than a half-penny. did hear of it, and the following Sab- consider the donor an utter fool if he bath beheld me divested of the garments gives them fifteen cents .- Cornhill Mag-

A Plague of Monkeys,

The natives of Benares are suffering the results of monkey worship. The is they invade cake stands, and make raids in fruit stores, and no man may say them nay. The Brahmins of Benares have at last decided that the monkey must go A pious old rajah offered an asylum across the river in the grounds of his pal ace. They were deported thither in boat loads. But they only took it as a day's picnic. For a steady life they preferred he town. So when the shades of night began to fall they went down to the wharf, where boats were always plying to Benares, and without showing any tickets or any nonsense of that kind deadheaded themselves home again. Then the Brahmins sought to make a contract with the English railway company to convey these descendants of Hanuman, the monkey god, to Saharunpoor. They wished to send 10,000 to begin with. And the company is considering the question, but incline to de-

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HOW IT HAPPENED.

Once on a time a beauteous maid Of figure most divine, Of graceful carriage, high-toned air Just cut out right to shine. Had for a husband, such a man As women most do crave-A million dollar, and a cough, And he her abject slave.

'Tis true he wasn't very old, Nor either very young, But he was strong in solid cash, And very weak in lung. He furnished all that wealth could buy, A palace for a home, Her summers, where she might select,

The rarest jewels, finest silks, And viands fit for queens, All these and more were at command, Because he had the means. But strange to say, the girl refused The proffer of his hand With haughty scorn, and wed a lad

Her winters all in Rome

Who kept a peanut stand.

L'ENVOL You think this strange! Well, so do all, Until they've been told why-That poet was to get a prize, Who told the biggest lie. -Merchant-Traveler.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Sound a sleep $-\Lambda$ snore. Generally (w)reckless-Careful seacaptains.

"It is not always May," sings a poet. You are very right; it is sometimes must. A rosebush is thought to be exceedingly modest, but yet it wants the

The only muffs which have not been packed away for the summer are the base ball muffs. It seems a little singular that a man's

face is generally the longest when he is himself the "shortest,"—Chicago Ledger. In the morning, cool and early,
Ere it's time to rise,
What a blissful, sleepful season,
Were it not for flies.
—Merchant-Traveler.

A little miss noticed the gold on her aunt's teeth, and exclaimed in flattering admiration: "Auntie, dear, I wish I had copper-toed teeth like yours."—Boston

It is remarkable what a difference there is in the sensation when you get a letter enclosing a ten-dollar bill and when you get one enclosing a bill for ten dollars .- Somerville Journal Wiggins predicts a very mild winter. This shows where the professor lacks in

tact. What this country demands just now in the prophecy line is a winter cold enough to freeze the tail off a cast iron dog. - New York Graphic. MOON-BURNT. One moonlight night a happy boy Of cherries stole a pailful, The farmer quickly turned his joy

Into a sorrow baleful.

And while he roared, it came to pass, A settled fact the boy learned, That being tanned by moonlight was Far worse than being sun-burned. A piece of laundry work-" Now, then," said the captain of police to the janitor of the station house, "give the prisoner a bath, and when that is done, let him be handcuffed and sent off to

the jail." "In other words," remarked

janitor, "you desire the prisoner

washed and ironed and sent off?" "Precisely," and it was done .- Boston Courier. THE HYGIENE OF KISSES. "Chawiey, dear," said a lovely maid,
As they sat in the house one night,
"It's unhealthy to kiss the doctors say,
So, of course, it cannot be right,
Not right."

"Well, darling," spoke the noble youth, As the color mantled high,
"I never thought being kissed to death
Such a horrible death to die.

Approaching Earthquakes, The earthquake shocks which were

felt last week over a wide area in Yorkshire remind us that an authority on the subject of those phenomena, M. Delaunay, of Paris, is of opinion that next year will see the recurrence of upheavals of the earth's crust in an intensified form. M. Delaunay is a prophet of evil, but unfortunately all his prophecies have hitherto come true. His specialty is earthquakes, and he predicts them only too surely. In 1877 he announced that that year would not conclude without disturbances of the earth, and as a matter of fact, two frightful catastrophes on the coasts of South America followed. In 1883 M. Delaunay again pointed to and soon approaching earthquakes, after the volcanic eruptions in the Indian archipetago occurred, by which thousands of human beings lost their lives. and hundreds of square miles of terrafirma were engulfed by the sea. Toward the end of last year M. Delaunay once more raised his warning voice, and the earthquakes in Spain proved how well founded were his warnings. Quite recently he has prophesical very severe volcanic disturbances for 1886. Having acquired a well-marited notoriety in foretelling earthquakes, some weight ought to be attached to M. Delaunay's utterances. He affirms that next year these natural phenomena will be of a very intense character, and that they will show themselves either when the earth is under the direct influence of a planet of the first rank, such as Jupiter, or under that of a group of asteroids, or at a time when sun and moon are nearest to our planet at the same time .-

The issue of religious works of all kinds by the Presbyterian board of publication last year reached over 20,000,000 copies, and by the Baptist society during the same time 23,986,016 coples.