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The Mormons are gaining a foothold | in the Canadiau Northwest, and it is believed will make trouble for the Government.

The Chicago Sua predicts that the standing armies of Europe will be disbanded before many years, and the public debta wiped out.

During the past fiscal year exports from the United States reached the highest figure ever known, viz., \$858,000,-000; value of imports for the same time, \$780,000,000.

Dr. Junker, who searned in Central Africa to live on ants and various other delicacies of the same nations, says that if white explorers would accustom t hemselves to native food they would keep in better health and would not mind when their European resources were exhausted.

Count Pappenheim, of Germany, has been compelled to choose between his American wife and his title, and has surrendered the latter. It may be said," cynically observes the Detroit Free Press, "that the wife had money and the title did not; but, still, the Count is entitled to credit-a thing he could not obtain before marriage."

An official in the Census Bureau says that there are 134 religious denominations in the United States and that it is estimated that the church membership will reach 25,000,000. The leading denominations will run about as follows Methodiats, 5,000,000; Baptists, 4,000,-000; Catholics, 4,000,000; Presbyterians, 3,000,000, and Episcopalians, 2,-000,000.

Lawrence County, Tennessee, is planning a monument to Davy Crockett, who began his remarkable career at Lawrenceburg as a Justice of the Peace, and ended it in glory at the Almo, Texas. He was a famous backwoodsman, an unique bordier soldier and a politician of a peculiar and striking type. It was he who said, "Be sure you are right and then go ahead."

If you have ever paid money to see a gorilla go and demand it back at once, is the advice of the New Orleans Picayune, for the most eminent naturalist in the country says that no gorilla-no genuine, straight edged gorilla-has even been captured by man, and that if he had he would never live to make the journey from Africa. They simply have been giving us out grown monkeys.

It would seem, remarks the National Harse Breeder, that all blacksmiths should have a thorough knowledge of a

up.

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WHEN TWILIGHT FALLS. When twilight falls in splendor drest,

minister.

put?"

whisper.

Mrs. Pettigrew drove up.

fit one of the children. It's too provok-

His couch the sun seeks in the west, Portward the toiling fisher wends And from the task the swain unhands. With simple thoughts of home and rest. A lingering thrush, his joy expressed In one last anthem, seeks his next; And quist with the few descends When twilight fails,

The lifting music in the breest Of duty done-of fault confest-+ Of trespass softened by amends-Of love surpassing love of friends-Ah! would-ah! would this were my rest, When twilight falls. -New York Observer.

THE DONATION PARTY.

LY EBEN E. REXFORD.

"We're great on donations, elder. We jest go in heavy on them things." four brought beans. Deacon Spears made the announce ment to the new minister with an air of stating the possession of a great moral ready," virtue peculiar to the people of Scragsby there's more to follow." Corners. "I have never found donation parties

very satisfactory," said the minister. "I would greatly prefer having a stated salary, and having it paid in cash." "Wall, yes I s'pose ye would," said the deacon. "That's what all the minisalike, and probably not one that would ters say. But, ye see, 'twon't hardly do,

here in Scragsby Corners." "Why not?" asked the minister. "O, they've got in the habit o' havin'

donations, an' they expect 'em, ye sec, replied the deacon, "an' they'd feel sorcomes along. ter offended of a preacher sot his foot down an' said he wouldn't have 'em. Some folks give suthin' in that way that to break up, "the proceeds of this 'ere wouldn't give nothin' in cash, and we're bound to git all out o' the c'mmunity that we can, ye see."

"My experience has been that a great deal of what people bring to a donation party is worthless or useless," said the minister.

"Wall, yes, I s'pose so," assented the acon. "But 'twouldn't do to kick I'm shure his heart 'n' han's is strengthdeacon. ened by this evidence o' fellowship on ag'in' donations on that account here. your part. Truly, as the psalmist says, Ye'd have the folks down on ye in no 'It is more blessed to give than to retime.

ceive."" "Well, then," said the poor minister, "I cordially endorse the sentiment with a sigh of resignation to the inevitfrom the receiver's standpoint," said Mrs. able, "I suppose it will have to be." He Spooner, as they looked over the "prothought of his last donation party with ceeds" of the donation-party when they its dozen loads of dozy, half-rotten stove were alone. "Just look at the collection wood; wood which was worthless to the of old clothes, Henry. I suggest that you donors, because it had been cut so long give up preaching and move to the city, that it was unsalable, and which they would and start in business as a bean broken never have thought of using at home. and I'll run au old-clothes store. We'd be well stocked up to begin with." More than once his wife's temper had been sorely tried with the miserable stuff,

"What will you do with the stuff?" and she had threatened making a bonfire asked the minister, turning over old of the whole lot, and probably would jackets and aprons, and other articles of have attempted carrying the threat into execution if she had had any idea that it clothing with a comical look of dismay on his face at the formidable collection. could have been coaxed to burn itself "I think I shall make about a hundred

ards of rag-carpet," answered Mrs. "Dear me!" exclaimed Mrs. Spooner, in dismay, when her husband told her that a donation party was being talked pooner. "That's about all a good deal of it is fit for." One afternoon in the following week "I did hope we might escape the infliction when we came here. I don't

the minister sat down to prepare a serthink I was ever more vexed than I was mon for the coming Sabbath. As was often the case, he talked it over with his the morning after the last one. There wasn't a room in the house fit to use wife. When he named the chapter he until it had been cleaned. There was proposed to read at the opening of the half a chocolate cake between the pillows on the parlor bed; pie in the bureau, and

Mr. Wade. He met the minister, who gaged in following the scripture lesson to look at any one. came to the door in answer to his knock. with a two-bushel bag full of something "I'll bet she's mad, though," thought

on his shoulder. Mrs. Wade. "One o' them jackets an' "How'd do, elder. Beautiful night one o' them trowsis came from her. I fer the donation, ain't it?" was his dunno, though, 's they look eany worse greeting, as he shook hands with the than that dress o' Almiry's does. I didn't s'pose they'd think of riggin' the "I've brought some beans fer ye. Fust-rate beans, too, ye'll find. children out in em to wear to church. Beans is healthy livin, elder. I was raised on 'em. Nothin' better fer growin' pose." children."

Mrs. Spooner had "done it a purpose," "You can put them in the wood-shed," as she admitted to her husband, on their way home. said Mr. Spooner. Just then Mr. and

"I don't think you ought to have done "Hello, elder, good evenin"," called out Mr. Pettigrew. "I've got some a laugh in his eye as he said it, as he beans here for ye. Wher'll ye hev 'em

looked at the motley group ahead." "Perhaps not," was his wife's reply, "but I wanked them to see the striking "In the woodshed," said the minister, effect resulting from their generosity. Of with a smile at his wife. "It's going course they can't get angry about it, to be beans this year, my dear," in a since they gave the clothes to be worn. I do think it'll have one good effect, and Then other arrivals followed in rapid that is, that old clothes won't be one of uccession, and at least three out of every the important features of the next doua-

"Tve counted fourteen bushels altion party here." Mrs. Spooner was right. When the whispered the minister to his next donation party occurred not one old wife about eight o'clock, "and still garment was "donated." Mr. Spooner "It's old clothes in my part of the house," said Mrs. Spooner: "I do beat last succeeded in disposing of his beans, but he had to do so at a sacrifice, lieve there's enough to last the children on account of its having been such a "great year for beans in Scragsby Cortill they are all grown up, if they'd fit ners," that they overstocked the market. till that time. I can imagine the appear--Yankes Blade. ance they'd make in them. No two

Lock Stealing.

ing for anything. If it wasn't for mak-In years gone by, before the beginning ing the people mad, I'd sell the whole of the present generation, "lock steallot for rags to the first rag peddler that ing" was very common; in fact almost every dealer in human hair had a "Brothers 'n' sisters, 'n' frien's 'n'neigh-"stealer" as they were called, whose duty bors," appounced Deacon Spears. after it was to rob young and old women as supper, when the party was about ready well of their hair."

In France, during the sixteenth, sevdonation amounts to twenty-seven bushel enteenth and eighteenth centuries, as well o' beans, three turkeys, a pig, two bushns in the early part of this century, "lock stealing" was so common that els o' potatoes, an' a large amount o' clothin', an' some other things. In b'half young woman used to go about with their o' the elder an' his folks, I thank ye fer hair fied up in wire nets. Then hair was worth from \$75 to \$100 a pound, y'r lib'ral'ty. Y'r kindness is appreci-ated by hun 'n' his'n, I feel sartain, an' and it always found a ready market.

Since the beginning of the present century the hair dealers have procured their stock in trade mostly from the nunneries and monasteries of France, Germany and Austria, where barbers are ap-

pointed who at certain intervals visit the omes of these holy people and cut from their heads such portions of hair as are of a marketable length.

"There is probably less false hair worn in New York than in any other city in the world," the lady said. "Nevertheless there are thousands of men and women who do wear false hair, and who keep several hundred hair establishments running throughout Manhattan Island." -New York Journal.

Agriculture in Africa.

Although Africa is being partitioned with a fatal facility on the map, the European nations who are so eager to estabish colonial empires within its borders will find their task a slow and often disheartening one. The administrator of the British colony of Gambia on the west coast writes in an almost hopelets way of the attempts to introduce higher forms of agriculture and new industries. While plows and other implements are rusting in stores the natives have been ound

A Wily Professor.

up regularly on the first of each month?

can't well dun the parents for the money.

not thy parents got money? I need money very much. Why hast thou not

Gold Is Practically Indestructible.

again brings it to light, while everything

Days, years, century upon century may

dynasties which deem their power ever-

lasting and armies which have marched

cities teeming with millious may become

money."-New York Star.

15 up.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. GIANT ABALONE SHELLS The sun yields 800,000 times the light A MODEST MOLLUSK WITH A

of the moon Babbitt metal consists of eighty-nine parts of tin, three of copper and eight of antimony. His Polished Shell Makes Beautiful

Athens, Greece, now boasts of possessing the largest electric-light plant in eastern Europe.

largely employed for the electrolytic deposition of copper.

limestone annually. The corporation of London has made a

large portion of the city.

with the new repeating carbine which has been adopted for the French cavalry.

A Professor Adametz has discovered that a soft cheese, near the periphery, contains from 3,000,000 to 5,000,000 microbes

without annealing.

testing and working of metals goes on space, and nearly every week sees some new development of electrical arts in this direction

During the last two or three years the rocess of electric welding has sprung into prominence, and it is now being em ployed in a variety of ways, such, for instance, as the making of wheel tires, boiler tubes, chain links, shells for large

Germany of great importance in textile factories, and is being introduced into the factories of England as well as Germany. It is an apparatus to diffuse moisture necessary for spinning without injury to health or machinery.

be established on a Government farm in one of the provinces of Spain. Lessons are to be given in plowing, drilling, threshing grain, etc., and the implements will be let at moderate price to farmers who have learned their use.

for investigation by our scientists and experiment stations are the discovery and propagation of friendly insects or parasites which may hold in check some of the many insect foes which infest the field, the garden and the orchard.

Weldless tubes of steel are now made merchants and high dignitaries of the Empire, are so great that he is pursued summer and winter, and thousands of tons of him have been dried, sacked and

One Square, one inch, one month One Square, one inch, three months............ & 00

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BALLADE OF THE BABY. Cheeks that are dimpled and pink, Twin roses abloom on a sprav: Red lips full of love to the brink; Soft glances, that, pensive or gay,] A world of aweet meaning convey; Wee fingers that flutter and cling, A snowdrift of crumpled array-This is the Baby, the King!

What though he tips over my ink," And drives my five wits all astray? Shall I grumble indeed do you think, Because, in his innocent way, He wakes me long hours before day And wants me to walk and to sing? Why not, if it pleases him, pray? This is the Baby, the King!

Our fortunes they rise and they sink, We let the world wag as it may; Our lives narrow down to the chink That encircles his Majesty. Nay, Our lives and our fortunes we lay At his feet, with his rattle and ring, Content to adore him and say, "This is the Baby, the King!"

ENVOY.

Prince, you may boast of your sway, " 'Tis but an ophemoral thing! The Empire of Hearts is for aye, This is the Baby, the King. -Margaret Johnson,

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

A title will often sell a book and always buy an American girl.

The hen is not a cheerful fowl. She broods a great deal .- Boston Bulletin. Fenderson always speaks of his son's allowance as the fresh heir fund. -Boston

That man is lucky who can partake of meals that his cook also relishes .-Puck.

Polished abalone shells, and ornaments People who say sharp things often get made from the "buttons of pearl" which the reputation of being blunt,-Baltievery large shell contains, are very common in California, but one sees little in more American.

Ice is very high in Switzerland. Some of it on Mount Blanc is over 16,000 feet above the sea level.

"Look out!" cried the public to the clam shell; "there's a cold wave coming."-Harper's Bazar.

carried far inland, and used on hundreds "Did your father leave a will?" "No, of ranches for such homely purposes as no will; nothing but plain every day soap-dishes and candle holders. Up and bills."- Washington Post. down the coast, in willow copses, or set

The dressmaker does her work with mathematical accuracy. She is great on figures .- Washington Post.

Misfortune and poverty bring out the good points of a man-including his elws. -Burlington Free Press.

The man that can't sing and won't sing deserves the sincere thanks of a mudeal mmunity -Somerville Journal.

Traveling Agent-"Are you the head of the house, sir?" Mr. Cowed-"Hem! -Ah!-I represent her."-Pack.

Man proposes and - then goes home how he managed to make wondering of the modest mollusk, when dried and such a fool of himself over it .- Pack. shipped to China for the soup of the rich If glass was not discovered, so to speak, Until the world had reached a quite old

date. What did the fishermen before that time Use instead of it to hold their buil? —Philadelphia Times. — 21da

shipped away. There are but few large There never was a woman who didn't abalones left. One can find wave-worn long to tell some other woman just how shells on the beach, or in the deep lime- she ought to do up her hair.-Somerville-In large families it has been found that the olive branch of peace is not equal to the well-matured hickory yearling .---Dallas News. "Papa," said Willie, "what is a rara vis?" "A rara avis, my son, is a dude avis? with brains. You hardly ever see one." New York Sun. Beggar-"Please, sir, give me a few pennies. My wife is dead." Mr. Henpeck-"Man alive! What more do you vant?"_Boston Advertiser. Uncle Sam is frequently depicted as a slim, cadaverous looking man, but he has a mighty strong constitution just the same. - Commercial Advertiser. It is not true that the rain falls alike upon the just and the unjust nowadays. It falls more upon the just, because the other fellow has stolen his umbrella, She was only a summer girl, 'tistrue, But when he made her his wife In memory for these times she made It hot for him all his life. —Philadelphia Times, Speaking of maternal instinct, a marine exchange has an article on "Devoted Mother Whales." So does the devoted father, only he lays it on harder. Philadelphia Press. CONSTANCY. If you offer your hand to some fair maid As to wedding, perhaps she'll scoff, But if you offer it to a buzz saw The affair's likely to come off. —*Philadelphia Timez*. Judge-"This gentleman can identify the watch, because his initials are scratched on the inside of the case. Prisoner-"No, he can't; I scratched them off."- Clothiers' and Furnishers Gazette.

Europe and America electricity is now A hundred laying hens produce in egg shells about 137 pounds of chalk or contract for supplying electric lights to a

Military men are very highly pleased

A luminous buoy has been invented, the light for which is produced by phosphuret of calcium, and is visible two and a half miles away.

Electrically deposited copper is so ductile that it can be drawn down until it resembles the finest hair, and this, too,

The application of electricity to the

guns, etc. In the process of photographing colors, intely discovered, the photographs are taken on glass and paper, and tints range from a deep red, thorugh yel-low, to a bright blue, but green is absent in all the positives. Very long exposure is required.

The grophor is a new invention from

Middens," where, mingled with oyster A school of modern agriculture is to shells, broken abalone shells often form the greater part of the vast mound of debris. Inland, too, in the valleys where Indians once lived, abalone shells are found, carried there ages ago. The abalone must have been one of the principal food-resources of the California sea-coast Indians, and was probably exchanged by

Among the most important subjects

in Germany by the Mannesman process out of solid bars. A pair of rolls revolve at the rate of 200 or 300 revolutions a minute. A bar of hot and therefore plastic steel is delivered to them, and by their action it is stretched and a hollow The tubes made

nighty cliffs of the coast from Cape Mendocino southward to Point Concep tion know the abalone thoroughly, and they never despise the muscular grip of a large one. They carry pointed bars of iron, with which to pry them off the rocks at low tide; they cut them out of the half-shell, for the abalone is a "univalve mollusk," to use the phrase of the professor of natural history, and they

broil them for dinner, or dry them for market. But they seldom venture to stoop in a cramped position down the rock-crevices to pluck a giant abalone from has hold, without having the iron

handy. Three or four times the body of a drowned fishernan, who tried that once too often, has been swept ashore a day or two later, when the mollusk released its hold. Once, down at Point Sur, a Chinaman was drowned in this way, and the rest of the fishers in the village of black

huts under the yellow cliff deserted the place within a week. They said that the ghost of the dead Chinaman had turned into an abalone, and would seek another and another victim until the last of his comrades were dead. I rode by that day with a friend, and saw them pile the lead Chinaman's dothes and belongings

on the beach and burn them. Then they

put a sign in Chinese on the top of the

diff, and, as I have heard, no Chinaman

has ever since ventured to fish in that

these days of the old native Californian

use of them on saddles and briddles. If

a vaquero were too poor to sport pounds

of silver on bridle rein and saddle leath-

er, he could at least wear abalone buttons,

polished by hand. The shells, too, were

in seas of tule, are the ancient "Kitchen

them for the acorns and pine-nuts gath-

The abalone is fast disappearing. The

profits

The

cred by the Indians of the interior.

Chinaman has conquered.

MIGHTY GRIP.

Fiches the Chinaman's Soup,

Ornaments and His Flesh En-

The Chinese and Italian fishermen who

ive on the sand-floored bays of the

Horses foot, but such is not the case, for there is perhaps no trade in the world, where there are more botch mechanics than among blacksmiths. This should not be, for incompetent and thoughtless smiths do a great amount of damage and cause much suffering to the equine race.

During Senator Jones's recent exhaustive speech on the silver question, says the Pittsburg Dispatch, he referred to fact that in the ancient days of Massachusetts oyster shells were used as money. Mr. Hoar nodded his venerable head and whispered to Senator Gray: "Yes, and very good money it was. If a man in these days wanted to order a dozen on the half-shell, he could do it with perfect safety, knowing that he could pay for them with the shells,"

The achievement of the naval ordnance officers at Washington in firing a projectle filled with commensite through a two-inch steel plate and exploding it on the other side is something that the Times Democrat thinks will open the eyes of experts all over the world. This feat is regarded as one of the most important developments in the field of high explosives. It is said that no doubt is felt that the explosive can be successfully fired from the new large-calibre rifled mortar which the Ordnance Bureau has under consideration.

The Boston Cultivator says: "The use of air brakes on passenger trains is now general, and it probably soon will be on freight trains as well. It is much safer and quicker than the old-fashioned hand brake, and freight trains are now commonly run at such rates of speed as to make them very unsafe without air brakes. The process of slowing up a heavily loaded train by hand brakes was always too long a job to keep it from running over an obstruction not seen some considerable distance ahead, By adapting air brakes for freight trains, the engineers can do the work, relieving the company of the necessity of employing a large force of brakemen, who as they stood on the steps or platform were always peculiarly exposed to danger. Nobody need feel sorry to have the brakemen go. As many men will be needed in railroad work as over, and probably more, but it will be in work much pleasanter and much safer to life than that of the brakemau."

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some one had emptied a plate of baked nothing. beans behind the sofa. It took me all

of two weeks to get straightened around. And now that we've just got settled, there's to be another. It's too bad, but I don't know that we can help ourselves, since a minister and his family are con-Corners. sidered objects of charity, and, therefore, obliged to take up with whatever

the people see fit to give them, without the chance to say a word for themselves."

"A donation party will be held at Elder Spooner's next Thursday evening, the Lord willin', an' it's hoped ev'rybody the sermon." 'll turn out, an' bring suthin' for the s'port o' the gospil," Deacon Spears an-nounced, one Sabbath, after service. "The Lord loves a cheerful giver," he valley is spoken of, and these words added, in a sort of postscript, after which | rolled off sonorously from his tongue just he blew his nose vigorously on a great red and white bandanna, in a manner followed by her children, filed slowly that suggested applause, over the neat and impressively inway in which the announcement had been

made, and then sat down. Immediately there was a buzz among the female portion of the congregation, and little groups of women put their heads together and began discussing what cle that met his eyes tested his power of

the church, and consulted with each other his wife. on what they were to "donate. 'I reckon I'll take beans this year,' said Mr. Wade. "It's been a great year for beans. I hain't raised so big a crop enny year since '65, 's I can recollect. can give beans 'thout feelin' it much."

'So can I," said Mr. Pettigrew. got a jofired big crop off'n the side-hill red. Her sister was resplendent in a I guess I'll take beaus, too. I can dress of Scotch plaid pattern of most spare 'em better'n enything else, an' they gorgeous colors, originally, but now ain't a-goin' to sell fer much this year, 'cause they're so plenty."

Several others who listened to their jacket about three sizes too small for her, conversation concluded to take beans the picturesque costume being topped off also, fur it had "been a great year for by a hat trimmed with old ribbon freshly beans" in Scragsby Corners, as Mr. Wade | dyed a very bright magenta color. The had said.

"I've a good notion to take some o' Spears to Mrs. Pettigrew. "She's outthey're most as good as new, some on jacket refused to keep company with the gold they are innocuous. 'em. You don't s'pose Mis Spooner 'd top of his trousers. Each article had a Bury it through the Pettigrew.

"I can't see why she should," re- picturesque. sponded Mrs. Pettigrew. "Clo'es is clo'es an' minister's folks hadn't ought to git mad at what's give 'em as long as they hey to depend on us for a livin'. "Tain't as if they could afford to be in- had just finished over againdependent, y' know. I s'pose I might "'Verily, I say unto you, even Solo-take some jackets an' trowsis that air mon in all his glory was not arrayed like gettin' putty snug for the boys. I will, one of these. if you conclude to take some o' Almiry's

ses, Mis Spears." "Wall, then s'pose we do," responded Mrs. Spears.

The evening of the donation party

During the week Mr. Spooner wrote to

a friend in the city, asking him if there was any sale for beans there. He had twenty-five bushels to dispose of, at a low price, he wrote, adding that it had been "a great year for beans in Scragsby When Sunday morning came Mrs.

Spooner sent her husband on to church ahead of her, under the plea that she had not got the children quite ready. "Don't wait for me, Henry," she said, "or you may be late. We'll get there in time for

He was reading a chapter from the Psalms when his family arrived. He had reached the verse in which the lily of the

as the door opened and Mrs. Spoe

"Verily, I say unto you, even Solo mon in all his glory was not arrayed like cne of these." As he finished the verse he looked up at the advancing arrivals, and the specta

to carry in the shape of eatables; while self control more than anything else he the men got together in the vestibule of had ever experienced, he afterward told His mouth twitched, and a instance, I am teaching a boy French, smile flickered about his eyes, but he and on the first day of the month his nanaged to keep back the grin that would have appeared at the faintest en-In that event I give the boy the followcouragement

Such a sight! The eldest girl was arrayed in Almiry's cast off dress, of navy "I blue, with some other girl's polonaise of comewhat subdued by time and wear, still very vivid, and over it she wore a

oldest boy had a pair of trousers which fairly dragged at the heels, and a jacket

my Almiry's clo'es," said Mrs. Deacon which was long enough for an overcoat, while the other boy wore trousers so grow'd 'em, but they'd jest about fit the short that they failed to meet the top of elder's oldest girl, I sh'd jedge, an' a pair of bright blue stockings, while his to the baser metals they are decay, to

feel put out about it, do you now, Mis peculiar color of its own, and the general effect was, as has been said, decidedly

round it or originally associated with it The minister had no inkling of what is returned to dust and the delicate form which it adorned has become a powder so impalpable as to be inappreciable, the for a moment that he read the verse he delicate tracery of the finest gold thread remains.

A very audible titter went through the

ounger portion of the congregation. ome even laughed aloud. Mrs. Wade looked at Mrs. Pettigrew to see what the abode of the owl, yet the thin filathat estimable woman seemed inclined to ment of gold remains to-day as it was think of the proceeding, but she couldn't 5000 years ago. Truly gold is a noble

The first arrival at the parsonage was catch her eye. She was too busily an- metal .- Jeselers' Weekly.

turning over the soil is made in the centre. piece of hoop from an old cask. Nature by this process are peculiarly strong and is to some extent on their side, as deep light. digging is inimical to the proper devel-

opment of the ground nut, which is the America's Valuable Mineral Springs.

staple export, and abstract demonstra-Dr. Frank Bosworth, the eminent tions that other products and greater throat specialist of New York, who is effort will produce better results is of no now in Paris, thus discourses on American springs: "No country in the world avail. It is suggested that the only hope of inducing the aborigine to adopt has more valuable mineral springs than improved methods, is to introduce a su-America. Their lack of recognition I believe to be due simply to the fact that perior race like the Chinese or Bengali laborer, who will lead the way. The their waters have not been so thoroughly assurance that he will reap the reward tested as those of the European resorts; of his labor must also tell in the long still more, that medical men in charge run. None the less, the task of civiliz either have not or cannot enforce a pering Africa is certain to be slow and onerous.-Pall Mall Gazette. fect system or regimen which regulates cures well adapted to Americans. The system of the foreign spas is largely organized for well-fed, beef-cating Englishmen or robust Germans, who, as a Two teachers of languages were disresult of sedentary habits or of overeatcussing matters and things relative to ing, have got their digestive apparatus their profession. "Do your pupils pay out of order, and for these a three or four weeks' course of treatment at Carlsasked one of them. "No, they do not,' was the reply. "I often have to wait for bad, with its severe system, " is of mense benefit. If, on the other hand, weeks and weeks before I get my pay, and sometimes I don't get it at all. You you object to this course an American

whose disorders are the result of overwork, and whose nervous system has Why don't you do as I do? I always get my money regularly." "How do you manage it?" "It is very simple. For ocen severely taxed, the result is liable to be disastrous. At most well-known European resorts the physicians in attendance recognize these facts and avoid their dangers. These facts should be a folks don't pay the money for the lesson. warning to the large number of traveling ing sentence to translate and write out at Americans who are tempted to make a trial of foreign waters without profeshome: 'I have no money. The month sional advice."-Times-Democrat. Hast thou got any money? Have

The Grocer's Polite Horse.

brought the money this morning? Did A horse belonging to a Brewer grocer thy father not give thee any money? Has appears to hold the palm for politeness he no money in the pocketbook of his uncle's great-aunt?' That fetches them. ust now. One day recently he had been sacked up to the door to receive his Next morning that boy brings the load, so that the wagon stood directly across the sidewalk. Turning his head he saw some one coming on the sidewalk, and deliberately, although those in the store kept calling him to stop, Gold may be said to be everlasting and stepped into the road and stood there indestructible. The pure acids have no plenty of room for passing, nor with effect upon it. Air and water alike are would he return in spite of all commands unable to work its destruction. While until the traveler had gone on his way rejoicing that he had not been obliged Bury it through the long ages, and to go out into the muddy street .- Keans bec (Me.) Journal. when the rude tool of the excavator

Hypnotizing One's Self.

It is not a difficult thing for some people to hypnotize themselves; that is, to a certain degree. They assume an easy position, sitting up or half reclining, and preathe deeply and evenly, and at the same time rapidly. Very soon sleep enroll by; mighty Empires rise and fall; sues. And after retiring, if troubled with wakefulness, it can generally be quickly overcome by this simple proand conquered may become nerveless; cedure. Another way is to take an easy position and steadfastly gaze at a small chining object placed about two feet from the eves and a little above their level. Sleep will den easue within five minuter. - Chicago Herald,

caves, that are larger than obtained. You will still find thousands of about the size and shape of a gentleman's watch-crystal, but the shells that are eight inches across only turn up at rare intervals, and are much sought for by collectors, and jewelers who know

their beauty when polished. There are two sorts of abalones on the Californian coast, one black on the outside, the other red When this outer shell is ground partly through the effect is either black or red. as the case may be, on a pearly ground. The abalone pins and sleeve-buttons that contain green or blue shades come from the nearl buttons in the black-backed abaloncs, while those that contain silvery and gray tints, come from the buttons in in the red-backed species .- New York Tribune.

Checkers Among the Fire Fighters.

About as hard a customer as one may vish to tackle in a game of checkers is the average fireman. The game is a popular one in all the stations, and the long hours of "waiting for something to turn up" give ample opportunities for indulgence in it. Some wonderfully scientific games are played, and some of the fire addies have great records. The game of checkers as played by firemen has one distinct drawback. A player may have an elaborate plan of campaign worked out. He is gradually working up to his climax. His adversary is making just the moves he wishes him to. The final moment arrives. The would-be victor is lifting his finger to make the initial move of the series that will bring him his triumph when bang! goes the alarm, and in a jiffy the board and the "men" upon t are jerked seven ways for Sunday as the players fly to their posts. The alarm turns out to be from a distant part of the city, however, and the destruction of the game unnecessary. A new one must be started, of course, and thus another triumph is nipped in the bud. The only comfort the sufferer has is in knowing that it's all the same for everybody and that his adversary may be the victim and himself the beneficiary of the interruption next time, -New York Times,

Living on an Unknown Island.

Captain Fairchild, of an English yes sel, recently landed on Sunday Island, one of the Karmadee group in the South Sea, and popularly supposed to be uninhabitable. He was surprised to find a countryman, William Bell, living there with his three daughters, four sons and a Scotch ex-schoolmaster. The daughters were grown up women, but had not seen an unfamiliar face since babyhood. They were male attire, but through the efforts of the Scotchman were highly educated and, says the Captain, very beautiful. It was some time before they could be induced to remain in the presence of the strangers, but in a day or two their shyness disappeared .- New York Burlington Free Press,

Yeast-"Here's an account in the papers of a man holding his breath for one hour. Do you believe that!" Crimsonbeak - "Certainly. Why, Methuselah held his breath for over ning hundred years."-Statesman.

Wee Wife-"Love you? Of course ? You dear, blessed old peach crop." Big Husband (loving, but luckless)-W. W .- "Because you are such a perpe tual failure."-Milwauker News.

APPEARANCES DECEIVE.

A swell may sock to cut a dash With flannel suit, silk shirt and cane;

But frequently the finest sish Will hide the most distressing pain. --New York Journal

"What is necessary when you wish to beat a retreat?" as ced an old military may at Fort Washington. "I suppose you'd have to retreat faster than the other fellows," was the reply that came after some deliberation .- Washington Post.

Hand to Mouth. -- Snaggs --- "Hello, Baggs! Haven't seen you for years. Baggs! Haven't hour just" Baggs-"Hand to mouth." Snaggs-"You don't say so. By Jove, I wouldn't have thought it." Baggs-"Why not? Can't a man be a destist and be respectable?"