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According to the Chicago Globe, over \$100,000,000 of Government 41 per cents, will mature next year.

The American eagle flaps its wings to hear that a New York dentist has the pleasur _ operating on the Czar of Rusein. 1 the

Over 50,000,000 acres of Government land are yet vacant in New Mexico subject to entry under pre-emption, homestead, timber-culture and desert-land laws.

Uncle Sam's loan of ships and other naval apparatus to such States as desire stablish a naval battalion as a part of the militia has first been accepted by Massachusetts.

The Ronmanian Government has offered prizes to the architects of all nations for the best plans for its new assembly and senate chambers. The first prize for each building is \$3000; the second, \$1500; third, \$600.

The village of Mokena, Ill., about forty miles south of Chicago, passed an or dinance requiring the Rock Island Railroad to place a flagman at the principal crossing, and the company complied, but refused either to take freight or passengers until the ordinance was rescinded.

Germany has one doctor to 1500 of population; France one to 3167; the United Kingdom one to 1234; but the United States one to 600. That says a good deal for the doctors, comments the New Orleans Times-Democrat; for the average American is longer-lived than any of the nationalities named.

Where the Argentines have failed as amateur bankers, says an English journalist recently returned from Buenos Ayres, properly qualified men of European experience might achieve a great success. With even moderately good politics, and moderately sound banking the Argentine crisis might be solved in a year or two. Without them it can only go from bad to worse.

The Prairie Farmer does not take much stock in the suggestion of a contractor of Chicago, to pump out the lake front after building a coffer-dam around 300 or 400 acres of water. To build the world's fair in the bottom of the lake would be unique; the project is feasible, of course, but who wants to go down twenty feet below the water line to see a great exposition | There would be constant dread of a possible inbreak of the waters! If so, what then? A great scare and loss of life. The world's fair will not be held on the bottom or the top of

DISCONTENT. A BALLAD WITH A DOUBLE REFRAIN. It is not in man to be quite content, You may fill his cup till it overflow.

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You may pay him his due, yes, cent per cent, But he'd rather have this or that, you know;

Or be somebody else, like so-and-so-And fortune's favors may pour and pour, And the zephyrs of fame propitious blow, But the average man wants something more

Indulge a man to the top of his bent. In love, war, politics give him a show, And when he wins he's sure to repent-He'd rather have this or that, you know To Congress he no longer wants to go-Or the girl he used to love and adore. Won and his wife, seems a little slow-And the average man wants something more Not the winter alone brings discontent,

Though he bitterly growls at the frost and Show The seasons to worry him all are sent.

And he'd rather have this or that, you know.

When the mercury's high he wants it low Some feature or other he's sure to deplore. The pessimist pines for an unknown woe, And the average man wants something more.

ENVOL The harvest lacks something whatever he

And he'd rather have this or that, you know;

You may give of all things good galore, But the average man wants something more.

-Hepburn Johns, in Pittsburg Dispatch.

MISS VASSAR'S DIAMOMDS.

BY LOIS GREY.

The marriage of Miss Vassar was of the sort of which people talk. It out-raged that sense of fitness which the world possesses so strongly in regard to the marriage, not of itself, but of its friend's. A few, to be sure, objected touch had violated it. The dark figure, that nothing could be fitter. Miss Vas- in the light of the reappearing moon, what one might call pretty, had inherited all the millious of her father; Louis Radetsky had no millions whatever, but he was young and the handsomest man in town.

Whatever might or might not be said, Helen Vassar was happy. Her gentle, sympathetic eyes had certain depths nowadays that made Leslie Radetsky think had taken a liking to the neat little her almost good looking. Leslie spent much of her time in the large Vassar vice before she had been arrested for the country house now. This was natural. She was Louis's adopted sister.

At this instant she sat lazily watching Helen giving orders to her maid for the toilet she would wear that night. Miss Vassar's invitation had been out three weeks for her great ball. A small gold-bound coffer was open world?"

before her, and from the delicate, scented satin of its lining the liquid fire of dia- that!" exclaimed Miss Vassar with a note monds, the living whiteness of pearls, detached themselves. The new maid moved

room, "How long have you had that with a smile, "Unscrupalous when I person? You lock up nothing and you had an end to gain." really know nothing of Clemence." thy recommended ?

. moon. night had a warning of winter.

moving footsteps, about the great house recognized its presence? for a half hour or more. On the landing of the first floor Helen said good night to her guest and the women separated friendly. and went to their rooms. The last light

thing sank into silence.

whiteness. It just touched a softly stepping figure dressed in black. In black, of course. How could one tell what might play? Miss Vassar slept behind locked doors. But between her bedroom and the hall

was a small boudoir. There was moonlight enough here also. Enough, at least, inlaid Japanese woods that stood in one but not fragile in reality, unless you hap-pened to know the mechanism of its secret drawers.

When you did, what more easy than to touch a spring and assist the hinge that noiselessly turned, exposing the indistinct contour of the well-known coffer behind? The box was light of weight, despite the value it represented. But thought of carrying it. Already they Louis. had pressed the secret spring lock that

This was the wonderful Vassar necklace,

enriched, in three successive generations, by gems scarce anywhere to be matched. The tray was replaced, the coffer put back, the hinge turned. The Japanese cabinet stood in its corner as if no alien

sar, if not quite in her first youth and not glided from the room as noiselessly as it "That wretched woman has been sen-

tenced to ten years in the penitentiary." For days Miss Vassar had been oppressed as with a weight. Even the

preparations for her approaching marge seemed scarcely to arouse her. She theft of the Vassar necklace. Even now, with every proof of her guilt, she could not, apparently, convict her in her own at times .- New York Mercury.

"How cruel you look when you say

of pain in her voice. "Well, some one who knew something

"Don't say those things," exclaimed hafara

scarcely a year younger than herself, had |OUEER CHILIAN HARNESS. The last carriage rolling away from been almost as a son and a brother in Miss Vasar's ball faced the late rising one. And was there a nearer love still THE ACCOUTREMENTS OF A TRANS-The day had been cool and the and a dearer love yet, so deep hidden in the secret recesses of consci ariess that There were sounds of closing doors, of even the heart that harbored it had not

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TIONESTA, PA., WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15, 1890.

It was all over now. There was one thing left alone, and that was ever

She went back into the house and wrote was extinguished after a time and every- two letters. One was addressed to Helen Vassar. It accused her, Leslie Radetaky, The creaking of a door woke no echo of the theft of the Vassar diamonds, Sha in the wide hall. A window at the end wanted the money for her own personal of it admitted moonlight cloisteral in its uses. No need ever to ask what those uses might have been. That would never be discovered. The French maid was innocent. Steps might be taken at once trick a stray moonbeam falling on white for her liberation. Suspicion had, of course, been purposely thrown on this Who else knew where Miss woman. Vassar kept her diamonds-who but the new maid and Miss Vassar's friend, the adopted sister of the man she was to to see one's way to the curious cabinet of marry? Miss Vassar had wealth in superfluity. What she had regretted was not corner. A fragile thing in appearance, the loss of her diamonds so much as the guilt of a young girl who had impressed her as innocent. Well, that young girl was now absolved. It was true that the adopted sister of her betrothed bore the guilt instead. But she loved the brother.

the veil over a crime explated as sins could alone be explated, it was said. Such was the substance of the first those swift, dexterous fingers had no letter. The second was written to

"You are safe, unless you speak your opened it and lifted the padded tray. Just self, which, though you are a coward, I then the moon passed under a cloud. But there was no possibility of mistake in the touch of those cold chained stones, noble and Quixotic. She need never slipping, like a snake, against the palm. discover that the necklace passed on to you and was severed and the stones scattered and sold. The French girl is safe, too. I am going where disgrace does not reach. Strange! I loved you. Cau you understand that, I wonder?"

Both letters were found by her side. The room was filled with the odor of bitter almonds and she held the little vial still elenched in her stiffening hand. Louis Radetsky and the heiress were married abroad a year later. The young man had been for months at death's door

with a fever of the brain. They now live in Paris. He has aged and broken rapidly. His health is poor and he has strange hallucinations. But after so ghastly a shock, what more

natural, thinks his wife. She cares for him with a wonderful devotion. But there is a sadness in her face and a curious shadow lingers there

Prattled With Her Fingers.

A peculiar family attracted the attention of the passengers on a Brooklyn Bridge train the other morning. The entire family were deaf and dumb.

It consisted of the father, a man apparently twenty-eight years old, who looked like an industrious mechanic; the about silent and obsequious. "You are careless," said Leslie in a moment in which the woman left the Cruel, unscrupulous," added the girl of age.

It was the child in whom the passengers seemed to take the greatest intarest the little "tot's" actions causing many a friendly smile.

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IN THE SHADOW.

Drear is the night with its wavering light, And the moon is under a cloud, Each planet afar the wraith of a star Gleams pale in its mist-woven shroud,

Love! So wan in its chilling, white shrowil

Weary the feet on the desolate street That bear my burden and mo: My comrades are gone, and I am alone, To think of heaven and thee,

Love, To dream of heaven and thee!

Hungering I in my loneliness sigh For thee and all that thou art, For the lovelight that lies in thy glorious

6768 To cheer my famishing heart, Love,

To cheer my desolate heart! Vain the desire! Hope's bright beacon fire

Burns dimly in life's autumn rain. While I walk these lone ways and long for on its way to become an accomplished the days

fact that a site of 300 acres has been purchased. One-half of the ground will be That will dawn for me never again,

Love, The days that will dawn not again! .M. M. Folsom, in Atlanta Constitution.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

A certain class-Know-It-Alls. A good suggestion - "Let's go to church."-Mail and Express.

Might not misfits be prevented if the proper measures were taken?

in England are practising their parts by A preferred creditor-Oue who never aid of the phonograph. They have thus presents his bill .- Texas Siftings. as nearly as possible, the same oppor-tunity as the audience of judging of the

The ills of life are often easier to bear than the stock market. - Texas Siftings. "I'm not tall," said the saving little man, "but I'm never short."-Boston

Herald. way carriages and preventing dust from It is easier to live within your income entering with the air has appeared in than to live without one. - Boston France. The air is made to traverse a receptacle containing water, which cools Courier. it and relieves it of dust, after which it

"Why does Mr. Lank go so often to fish?" "He expects to gain desh."-Boston Courier.

Whoever is head of the ship state, the farmer fairly, represents the tiller .---Philadelphia Times.

To the mind of the anti-monopolist there is no such thing as a perfect trust. -Detroit Free Press.

"Now, just let me give you a pointer." "Thanks, no. I've no use for a dog."-New York Herald.

A very large percentage of people outlive their usefulness at an early age .- Seattle (Washington) Journal.

Money is a neutor thing. A fact which nature balks It should be classed as feminine, Because, you know, it talks. —New York Sun.

"She is not pretty. You said she was as pretty as a pleture." "Oh, well, I meant an amateur photograph."-New York Sun.

"How much does that fellow own you ?" "A cool thousand." "Ahl Cool but not collected, ch?"-Binghamton Leader.

"I can't go to jail," said a funny vagrant. "I have no time." "The Court provides that," said the Judge. "I give

you ten days." Proof that a man is really near-sight-

A Bridle Which is Both Whip and Muzzle-High-Cushioned Saddles China to be used in the gold mines. -Enormous Wheel Spurs. Our little caravan consisted of six mules-one for me, one for Benigno, one for the baggage, two spare animals in case of accident, and the "yegua madminute. rina," or bell mule, which all the others followed. The general order of march

was the "madrina," the spare mules, and the baggage mule in the van, followed by Benigno, who drove them on with his lasso, and chased them back into the path when they wandered away. A short distance behind Benigno, my mule stepped along at a rapid walking pace, the coil boilers already in use. rarely breaking into a trot, and that only when he saw that the others were getting too far ahead. As for the accou trements, they presented some special details worthy of notice. used for the site of the tower and the

ANDEAN CARAVAN.

The bridle of both mules and horses in the mountain districts of the Argengrounds. tine and of Chill is provided not only with a bit and curb, but also with a semi-circular metal guard which covers the llps, and serves the double purpose of protecting the nose of the animals in case of a fall or slip in going up hill, and at the same time preventing them from drinking when they are fording streams. This Chilian bit is a formidable engine sgainst which no animal can rebel. The reins are generally made of twisted strands of untanned leather, finely plaited in round lengths which are joined together with rings, while attached to the bridle is a leather lash two yards or two yards and a half long, which takes the place of a whip, and which you whirl round as you would whirl a lasso, and thus deal very efficacious strokes across the flanks of recalcitrant beasts. This long lasso-lash is especially useful when you meet another troop of mules, or when you have to spur and "whoop" your way through one of those herds of a thousand or fifis introducing a novely in paper, viz., paper filehafts and toolhandles, which teen hundred horned cattle which are constantly being driven over the mountains during the summer months, and crowd the narrow path in an often alarming manner.

The saddles used are the high-cushioned Chilian or Mexican models, or, more commonly, a series of superposed skins and cloths arranged somewhat in the same manner as the "recado" or saddle of the Argentine "gaucho"-first of all, a cloth or some sheepskins, then a leather saddle, then a peaked wooden frame called "bastos," to which the stir-rups are attached, and the whole held in heat burned away the paper, it did not affect the ink, but left the impression of place by a belly-band, and then over this two or three more sheepskins and a saddle-cloth, held in position by means of a broad surcingle. This surcingle is not provided with buckles, but simply with happens when you light a fire. The phosphorous on the match is raised by rings and thongs, which are tied with running knots, and so can be more readilv loosened and tightened while the various elements of the saddle are being re-It is a sulphur match) to 500 degrees, composed—an operation which has to be done from time to time during the day's sulphur raises the heat to 800 degrees, march, especially when the road is precipitous. The stirrups are simply heavy produces a temperature of 1000 degrees, wooden shoes or sabots, always curiously carved, and an excellent protectio against the bowlders and thorn-bushes which line the mountain track. To the inexperienced eye this equipment may seem primitive and cumbersome, but in reality every detail of it has its reason and use. Indeed, as a general rule, we may be sure that usages consecrated by long tradition are not to be sneered at. Even those enormous wheel spurs have their raison d'etre, which is not to hurt the horse or mule-no spur is more harmless_but to assist the rider to sit in the saddle with case and cling more closely to his horse. A Chilian does not feel his equilibrium complete unless he wears a pair of these big spurs, which are so terribly embarrassing when he dismounts and walks on terra firma. As regards the baggage mule, bags, trunks, and all sorts of luggage are piled up on his back on a pack saddle, and tied on with long thongs of untanned leather in such a manner as to balance well. Now, as the baggage mule trots on in front, free to err a little from the path and snatch en passage a sprig of regetation, it often happens that he abuses his privilege and runs up hill or down hill some distance. Then he has to be driven back to the road. All this ends by disturbing the equilibrium of the cargo, and then the "arriero" gallops up to the baggage mule, dismounts with agility, and throws his "poncho" over the animal's head. As long as his head is covered with the "poncho" the mule 5.25 remains still, and recourse to this method 405 of blindfolding is had each time the mule is loaded, and each time that the balance needs to be re-established during the day's march. In fact it is one of the little incidents of mountain traveling that amuses the novice, for the aspect of a mule with his head wrapped up in a "poncho" has a certain element of comicality .- Harper's Magazine. 748 19,564,000 16,192,338

\$1.50 PER ANNUM.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. A pump chamber weighing 6000 pounds has just been cast at Pittston, Penn.

Chicago is preparing to send great quantities of milling machinery to

A horse power is a power capable of

raising 33,000 pounds avoirdupois through the space of one foot in one A Frenchman has invented portable tablets, by nibbing at which one may sustain life indefinitely, without the use

of any other food. An English engineer proposes making double shell boilers, maintaining a pressure between them. By these means he calculates that a much higher pressure can be earried than is possible even with

The London (England) tower is so far

other half will be laid out in pleasure

Mustard oll is being manufactured in

Germany for lubricating purposes. It is

said to be unaffected by cold above a temperature of about fifteen degrees

Fahrenheit, and does not readily become

rancid or form fatty acids likely to at-

At least a dozen actors and actresses

correctness of the emphasis and inflec-

A new method for ventilating rail-

goes through another filtering before

An engineer of Manchester, England,

said to be practically indestructible

and much cheaper than wood or malie-able iron hafts. Placed under a steam-

hammer, although they can be flattened

An invention by which writing can

be transfesred from paper to iron is the

work of a Boston man, who has invented

a hard ink with which he writes (back-

ward) upon ordinary paper. That paper

is placed in a mould, melted iron is

poured in, and when the hardened iron

s removed it is found that, while the

This is a scientific description of what

friction to a temperature of 150 degrees

raises the temperature of the sulphur (if

when the sulphur begins to burn; the

when the wood takes up the work and

Fahrenheit, at which it ignites;

they cannot be split or cracked.

tion used in any given passage.

entering the carriage.

the writing.

tack metal.

Lake Michigan.

The Speaker of London has made a study of novel heroes. Out of 192 of these gentlemen that came out between October and June last it is discovered that eighty-five stood six feet, while many were even taller. Compared with those of the nine months preceding last October the heroes of the period in question show an increase in height averaging three-quarters of an inch per hero. It is observed that lady writers show a marked tendency to make their male characters tall. The reading public would willingly allow some of the fair novelists the right to lengthen their heroes to any extent if they could only be induced to shorten their stories.

At a place called Fort Pine, in or near Natal, South Africa, a local chief recently summoned a native doctor to attend his wife, or one of his wives. What the ailment was is not known, but the remedy prescribed by the doctor was human fat. Like some of his profession in other parts of the world, the doctor was a plump man and the chief promptly ordered him to be killed and administored to the illustrious patient. This was done and the chief is now awaiting his trial at Maritzburg in consequence. "For its own credit," comments the Times-Democrat, "it is to be hoped that British law will deal mercifully with this potentate, who seems to have a practical sense of justice as well as a droll vein of humor."

The Shoe and Leather Reporter says: "A noticeable thing about the statues found in our museums of art, and supposed to represent the perfect figures of ancient men and women, is the apparent disproportionate size of their feet. We moderns are apt to pronounce them too large, particularly those of the women. It will be found, however, that for symmetrical perfection these feet could not be better. A Greek sculptor would not think of such a thing as putting a nineinch foot on a five-and-one-half-foot woman. Their types for these classical marble figures were taken from the best forms of living persons." The Reporter goes on to show that a well proportioned woman of ten feet three inches in height should have a foot ten inches long and should wear a No. 6. Courage, fair sisters of Chicago; it is true that your fect are big, but they are classical feet.

came excell Leslie shrugged her shoulders. was a tall girl, dark and slight, almost to thinness, which did not prevent her a shrug of her beautiful shoulders. having arms and a throat so beautiful

theless no one spoke of her as pretty. "I feel defrauded that Louis cannot hands. Oh, this feverishness that would come to-night," said Helen Vassar, taking up the thread of an interested conversation. "What business so urgent that he must absolutely leave town todayf

nificent hair and hands and feet that

"You may be sure it is urgent. Of course it's unfortunate." "How firm you are in your allegiance

to Louis," smiled Louis's betrothed. do. You are exemplary brother and You are very devoted." sister.

"Very devoted," said Leslie. The maid had re-entered the room.

She had a note which she gave to Miss Radetsky. The latter opened and read it through. awhile. Then she got up and with some with a sort of terror. "Do you know passing excuse went out. A half hour later she returned, dressed

for the street. "Will you let me have the brougham?

I have thought of something I want in town. I shall have time to drive in eyes hung upon her with a species of reand back before dinner."

"Can't I send some one?" asked Helen.

"No, I prefer to go myself."

"Just as you like, of course. Nat urally, ring for the brougham whenever you please.'

It was a crisp autumn afternoon and traught. the horses traveled rapidly. When they reached town Miss Radetsky stopped at a large shop and bade the coachman wait. She walked through the crowded aisles leisurely and finally issued into another street through an opposite door. Then help? Was not I as poor as you? I did she began to accelerate her step. She walked about ten minutes and stopped at length before a bachelor apartm She took the elevator and rang house. at a door. It opened almost simultaneously and she entered a large room days." with partly drawn curtains. Louis closed

and double locked the door again. By this time Leshe had become accus-

When tomed to the seeming obscurity. Louis turned she saw his face distinctly. A tremor seized her knees and hands, She sank into a chair and fastened her eyes upon him.

"Tell the whole truth," she said. "Something horrible has happened. I have felt the catastrophe coming a long time. He had thrown himself down beside

her. His beauty was defaced like a Greek god prone in the dust.

He began in broken phrases, which il lumined the situation for the listening black landscape. Lealle never spoke.

r friend, i She saying them latterly. Why!" "Ab, why, why?" cried the girl with

Was she really changed? she asked that, when in a ballroom people followed herself a little later as she went down in were conversing in their peculiar lan-her with their eyes. Her glance was the wide grounds. She had slipped on a guage, mentioned anything that pleased deep and a little restless. She had mag- thick jacket and walked with a rapid step over the frozen snow. The winter rivaled her throat in beauty. Never- day was breathless and clear. The icy stillness seemed to cool her head and

> not go out of her veins! But, outwardly, was she not perfectly calm? She had grown hard. Of course. Hard, bitter, reckless; all the rest of it. She gave a low laugh in the silence of the empty, leafless alleys. How could one help that It was either to do that or-to go mad,

perhaps! She stopped abruptly with a light You would question nothing he might trembling of the limbs. She had heard an approaching step. It was Louis. He had left his trap at the gate and was walking up through the grounds to

the house. "I thought I should meet you here, he said. His voice shook and his pallor She was rather silent for struck through all her bewilderment that that woman has been sentenced to ten vears-ten years-imprisonment ?"

> "Yes, I know." "God in heaven, and you say that so

volting curiosity. "I am made of stuff that can face the consequences of its actions," she said in a low voice. "That does not shrink and shrivel like a poor coward like you." "If I have lost my soul, 'tis because of you !" cried the man as one dis-

"Did I make you forge a check to save ourself from bankruptcy? Did I make you, when the crime was on the eve of discovery, throw yourself on my mercy and ask me to help you? How was I to what I could. I committed a crime in

my turn to save you. To allow you, scott free, to marry a rich woman who loved you. To allow you to cast auchor in a safe harbor for the rest of your

"And the crime you committed conof my conscience came through you as from Kimberly 130,077 carats of ro

too intense for realization !"

Young as she was the child could talk in the deaf and dumb language with apparent ease, and when her parents, who the childish fancy she would laugh and clap her little hands, much to the delight of all who saw her.

She was a very shy little thing, how-ever, and would not leave her mother's side for a moment. An elderly gentleman spoke to her, but she hung her head to one side, looking at him with a bashful expression in her eyes which apparently said: "I don't know you, sir, and couldn't speak to you if I did."-New York Herald.

The South's Population.

The Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, says: Notwithstanding the fact that immigration has added over 5,200,-000 foreigners to our population during the last ten years, none of whom have settled in the South except in very rare cases, and that the great industrial development of this section, with its attendant Southward trend of men and money, only commenced a few years ago, the South makes a fine showing of pop lation in 1890 as compared with 1880. The preliminary census report gives the quietiy? What are you made of?" His population of Southern States as fol-

	- 1993.	189
labama I	520,000	1,962,
rkansas 1	182,000	802
lorida	896,000	269,
	,540,000	1,549,
Centucky 1	870,000	1,648,
	115,000	939,
daryland 1	400,000	934.
Heslesippt		1,181
forth Carolina 1	640,000	1,399,
outh Carolina 1.	187,000	1993,
firginia 1	700,000	1,512,
Vest Virginia i.	774,000	618,
ennessee 1	800,000	1,542
'exas 2	175,000	1,591.
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The Largest Perfect Diamond.

About twenty companies are engaged a diamond mining in South Africa, one of which has a capital of \$50,000,000. They are nearly all under the control of the De Beers Syndicate in London, which is limiting the production and indemns me as it does you," he cried with a shaking voice. "The first weakening of February, 1890, there were shipped well, though you may deny it. Who was and uncut diamonds, valued at \$1,282, it urged me to speculate, urged me to 700. In the mines they are found scat-strain out of my obscurity? Who was it tered through the blue earth in sizes ffattered my vanity into thinking that I ranging from 150 carats to the size of a was made, intended for the brilliant tri- pinhead. The largest perfect diamond umphs of life? You! You have been ever brought from the Cape is the "Iman evil star to me. A millstone hung perial," owned by a syndicate and said around my neck. That my eyes might to be worth \$1,000,000. Next to it nover rest on you again would be a wish comes the "Stowart," of 2884 carate, which was found in the Vaal River in

He had gone from her and at last she 1872. It was an inch and a quarter in saw him as he was. This coward, this diameter, of a light yellow, variously beautiful weakling, too pliant to resist supposed to be due to vegetable secrewoman as flashes of lightning illumines a temptation, too nerveless to abide by his tions, the decomposition of fluid, or misdeeds, was the creature she had loved changes effected by action of heat .-with a blind adoration all her life, who, New York Star.

A Dog That Signals Trains.

The Globs-Democrat had a story son time ago about a baboon that had been taught to turn switches, but that animal is equaled by a dog in this city that signals trains. The dog's owner is the watchman at the Gravois road-crossing of the Oak Hill Railroad, and finding the animal could be taught to do almost anything but talk and eat with a fork, showed him how to carry the flag, and now when a train comes along the dog runs out with the flagstaff in his mouth and waves the flag up and down, if not as well as his master, at least well enough to give notice of danger. Of course the watchman does not leave his post, but is always on hand to render assistance, but the dog seems to understand the business and to take pleasure

American sca captains are complaining of the absurdity and the inconvenienof a recent edict of the Russian Govern ment whereby no ballast can be dis

The First Express Package.

at which the coal ignites.

The first express package carrier was rather consumptive-looking young man of the name of Harnden (his given name has escaped my memory), who in 1836 instituted the business in New York city by calling on bankers, brokers and merchants with a carpet bag and solicit ing the carrying of money and other valuable packages between that city and Boston. Like all new undertakings, it was not long before a competitor appeared in the person of Alvah Adams, who selected Philadelphia as his objec tive point, and who adopted the same

tactics as Haraden. James Hoey, who now a prominent figure in TThe Adams Express Company," and a reputed millionaire, was at that time a young Irish hoy employed to sweep out a ten by fifteen office on William street, west side, between Wall and Pine, and to deliver and call for packages which became too large for the carpet bag. The business grew rapidly, the trunk took the place of the carpet bag, succeeded by iron-bound crates strongly nadlocked, which had to give way to box cars on truck wheels, for the convenience of transfer from the New York and Providence line of steamboats to the Boston and Providence railroad. Harn-

den continued the castern route and Adams the southern. Later on a consolidation took place under the presen title, and Harnden's express was merged into the Adams Express Company .-Chicago Tribune.

A Deer Kills a Rattlesnake.

James Milton, who has been stopping up at Bowman's dam for a week or more (chronicles a western paper), says that while out hunting in Deadhorse flat, on Canyon Creek, he witnessed a novel spectacle. While walking along looking for game he saw some distance ahead deer bounding up and down in the same track. The motion was so peculiar that he forgot to shoot, but kept advancing The animal at last saw him and darted into a thicket. Being curious to know what the animal had been doing he approached the spot as i found a rattle snake almost beaten into the ground The door was evidently killing the reptile when he first discovered him.

Electric Butter Making.

An interesting application of electric Ity to the dairy industry has been made Italy. The Count of Assata, who aildings are fitted up with electri light, has connected his dairy plant with an electric motor of twelve horse-power. This machine drives a Danish separator and a Dutch churn of considerable churning being conducted at the rate of 120 to 160 revolutions per minute, the butter being brought in from thirty to thirty-five minutes, in fine grains, which, it is now recognized, enable the maker to produce the finest article.

ed: When he finds it necessary to look at an elephant through a magnifying glass .- Fliegende Blaetter.

Mrs. Brown-"I wonder who wrote up this account of the President's car-Mrs. Malaprop-"Some hackriage?" writer, of course."-Harper's Banar.

Waiter (very gravely)-+"I hope, sir, you'll remember the waiter." (coolly)-"I have a locket. Give me a lock of your hair."-L'Intransigeant.

Pupil-"Why does the avoirdupois system have no scruples?" Prof. Rodder-"Because, my boy, it's used to weigh coal and ice."-Harper's Dazar.

Let us then be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; Still achieving, still parsuing, Catching fish or cutting bait —Washington Star.

"Jane, will you go for a sail to-day !" Mr. Toodles asked his wife at the sea-"Why, certainly, Timothy. side. What is it, an auction or a sheriff's !"-Philadelphia Times.

Gazzam - "I see that the German Government thinks of making North-Alace-Lorraine an independent duchy. Maddox-"Of course if it were Duchy it wouldn't be so Frenchy."-Harper's Bamar.

Now let the women do our work, And lot us cook the hash, For now they wear our laundried shirt, And we—we wear their assh. Ashlund (Wis.) Press.

Mr. Fogg, having had the misfortune o fall into the fountain basin of the hotel at a watering-place, finds on his next week's bill the following entry:

"To one cold bath, \$1."-Flugenile Blaetter.

"A half-ticket for this boy, please.4" "How a half-ticket? Isn't he twelve years old?" "Oh, no, only eleven." "Oh, then you want a whole ticket, for only children under ten go for half."----Flicoende Blactter.

He attained the proud title of Mr And she pledged to be more than a sr, So they stool at the allar, And nor did he falter When he bento'er and solarmly ke. -Buffaln Empress

"Here's a first-class marking ink !" (Writes on a piece of linen : "indelible luk.") "And here, ladies and gentiemen, I've got a splendid preparation for washing out stains." (Proceeds forthwith to wash out the above words) .---Flicgende Blastter.

"Yes," said the camper on Lake Washington,' 'we use these ferms for fuel to a great extent ; they burn almost like tinder. It is my opinion that everything in This country is full of pitch." "Inclusing the hills," replied the stranger.-South (Washington) Journal.

"Have you boarded long at this house?" inquired the new boarder of the dejected man sitting next to him. "About ten years," "I don't use how "About ten years," "I don't see how you can stand it. Why haven't you left long ago?" "No other place to go." said the other dismally. "The mullady's any wife,"- Ohicays Tribune,

charged in Russian ports.