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East alde in New York City is the most densely populated district in the world, China not excepted.

The Sultan of Turkey lives in constant dread of assassination. He never leaves the grounds of his palace except to go once a week to a neighboring mosque. Once a year he pays a visit to Stamboul, but his route is never known in advance.

A shipment of fifty-two natives of East Africa arrived at Hamburg, Germany, the other day, and will enter the service of the Woermann Line of steamships as fireman. This is announced as the first experiment in utilizing a semisavage people in this kind of labor.

One can appreciate the perfection attained by the modern science of Wall street rumor-mongering, soliloquizes the New York Commercial Advertiser, when he learns that the leading railroad manipulator of Wall street was shadowed on his recent Southern trip by a spy in the pay of the "bear" combination, whose duty it was to telegraph his employers any unfavorable news about the health of the tourist.

The Indian Territory is not, protests the San Francisco Chronicle, as often supposed, chiefly inhabited by red men. The total population of the Territory is about 158,000, and of this number 107,-000 are whites. It is only a question of time when a demand for a State Government will arise, and there will be trouble, for all the land in the Territory is held by the Indians, who are not citizens of the United States, although they hold the realty. The complication promises to be a pretty one.

One of the queerest problems with which a municipal government ever had to struggle, thinks the Chicago News, is now confronting the city officials of London. According to the authentic reports that metropolis is responsible for the death of 5000 persons run over by horses and teams during the last year. As the traffic in the London streets is constantly growing there seems to be no show of an abatement of this mortality and the "Mayor and the corporation" are scratching their heads desperately to discover some way out of the difficulty.

The lake marine is undergoing great changes, notes the Boston Transcript. Sailing vessels are fast giving place to steamers, and the new steamers are larger than their predecessors and are steel. In 1886 the net tonnage on the

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meek woman; but still I suit Geoffrey.

and I take more kindly to his authority

than ever I did to paternal rule. Father

laughs with sly triumph at Geoffrey's

victory, and he sent me as a wedding

present a handsome copy of "The Tam-ing of the Shrew."-The Ledger.

Locks on United States Mail Pouches.

"It is a very risky thing nowadays for

a mail agent to interfere with the lock

on the mail pouches in his care," said

Assistant Postmaster Gaylor, as he han-

dled a burnished copper lock which lay upon his desk. "This lock makes it

practically impossible for any interfer-

loek, and you will see that each time

you turn the key, the register moves up

one number. I lock it on the number

1234. Now you unlock it. See, the number is now 1235. And you cannot

get it back to the first number, do what

you may. All our locks begin at 1 and stop at 9999, giving them a life of ser-

sive of thirty-three years. When the last number is reached the lock will not

work any more unless it is sent back to

the factory and 'upset.' This fact was

unknown to the route agent who ran be-

tween Altoona and Harrisburg in 1881,

when the lock was first adopted by the Government. He had no difficulty in

procuring a key to open the lock, and ligured that he could manage to go through the contents of his pouch, and

by the use of a turning table, which he

took in the car with him, he could soon

send the numbers flying till he would get

back to the number charged against him

on leaving the postoffibe at Harrisburg.

It was mail lock No. 102, registered out

on No. 23. After going through the

and commenced to turn. It didn't take very long to make 9000 revolutions on

the lathe, but when the lock refused to

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QUEER FISH FROM JAPAN. SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. Sawdust is used instead of hair in BRIGHT HUED, DOUBLE TAILED.

mortar. Petroleum wells have been discovered among the coal beds of Alabama.

Their Long Journey Over Land and It is reported that a French inventor Sea-The Caos They Travel Inis manufacturing paper from hop vines.

A machine for making shoe strings out Hundreds of beautiful fish-gold, of paper is a recent Philadelphia (Penn.) silver, yellow, orange, red, black and green-swimming lazily around within invention.

A Cincinnati (Ohio) child has been retheir glass-lined prisons. Some of them have journeyed half around the globe to claimed from biocy by the operation of finally find a temporary abiding place in the store of the New York aquarium eraniotomy.

A torpedo net constructed of interdealer, behind whose windows they are locking steel rings is soon to be put to a practical test. displayed. This is what the dealer says

If the sun were a hollow air ball, it "We are having a big call since we would take 1,331,000 globes the size of the earth to fill it.

In that country the breeding of queer Dry ropes immersed for four days in a and handsome fish is brought down to a bath containing twenty grains of sul-phite of copper to a quart of water are for some time preserved from the attacks very fine point. May be it has taken them hundreds of years to do it, but they beat the world in one thing, anyof animal parasites and rot.

The Hungarian Minister of Commerce has under consideration a plan for the fastest train in the world, to be run on for this last lot of ours to reach us. Six an electric railway, and to carry passen-gers from Vienna to Budaposth, 156 weeks of that was the trip by ship across

miles, in two hours and a half. "The living fish are put up by the The principle of the compressed paper car wheels, which are so widely used throughout the world, is applied in Japanese in twelve-gallon tin cans. They look something like small editions of the ordinary American milk can. In each 100 fish are placed, with water enough to France to the manufacture of pulleys for power transmission. The pulleys are said to be very light, cheap and servicealmost, but not entirely, fill the can. The cans are now inserted in wicker baskets filled with straw, and in the top able in every respect. of each are punched a number of small

Forty-three vessels were built last year holes to admit air. On the trip across in San Francisco, Cal., of which seven-teen were schooners, fifteen propellers, the Pacific the water is occasionally chauged by the steward, but on the six sloops, three steamers, one barken journey by rail across the continent the tine and one ship. The total tonnage was 11,671.47 net, which is largely in shaking the cans receive when going around curves and over steep grades excess of the previous year. keeps the water plenty fresh enough. In

A new rolling mill in the Krupp fact, though you may not know it, fish can be kept alive almost indefinitely in Works at Essen, Germany, is probably larger than any other in the world. It the will roll plate about twenty-eight inches water, by your simply taking care to occasionally shake up the water by run-ning your hand through it quickly from thick and nearly twelve feet wide. The rolls are of steel. Each pair in their rough state weighed 100,000 pounds. side to side. The movement makes the

Pyrogranite is a new brick, of Russian water fresh again, some of the outside origin, that is being tried by English air getting into it. "In the lot just received there are 300 Chinese carp. They are little fellows, builders. It is made from a combination of fusible and infusible clay, and is strong and hard, resisting a crushing of a silvery green color, iridescent in force of five and one-half tons per square certain lights. None of them is a year inch. It takes a high polish, and the clays may be mixed to give a great vaold yet, and in size they run from two to six inches. They are much more beautiful than the German' carp, which riety of colors.

are already well-known in this country. A patent has been granted for an elec trical drill for oil wells. The devise Unlike the German fish, which have consists of a series of motors in tandem, nearly straight stomachs, the bread basconnected in such a way as to make one kets of the Japanese fish project down-ward considerably. In fact, they have well-marked 'bay windows.' They are motor. The design has been to get the power within a six-inch diameter, so that the entire mechanism, which much re-sembles a common boiler, can be low-"Their talls and fins are extrordinarily long and fringe-like. Many have fan tails, or double tails joined at the top. ered in the well and the power can be applied at the bottom. The drill bits are firmly fastened on the rod, which is In some cases such a fan tail splits apart worked rapidly in and out of a cylinder, as the fish grows older, with the result after the manner of a piston rod. that the fish gets two separate tails in-

Mighty Small But Mighty Expensive.

One Square, ens inch, three monthe	. 0 01
One Square, one inch, one year	10 00
Two Squares, one year	38 80
Quarter Column, one year	30 00
Half Column, one rear	50 06
One Column, one year	180 08
Legal advortisements ten conts per line en	
Manufarra and death notices statis	

RATES OF ADVERTISING.

All bills for yearly advertisements collected quar-erty. Temporary advertisements must be paid in Job work-eash on delivery.

THE MAN OF OUR TOWN. There was a man in our town

Who would not advertise, And so, with me, you'll all ngree

He was not extra wise.

But when he found his cash decrease, With all his might and main

He set to work to figure up, And make an increase plain.

Save he, "My each must not decrease the It paineth me full sore; For lo, instead of getting less, It should be getting more. Experience has taught me this:

The man who would be wise Should advertise by night and day. And I will advertise."

And soon this man of our town Began to advertise; And so, with me, you'll all agree

That he was very wise And lo! the gold pourad swiftly in,

It overflowed the till Since that time he has advertised-

Is advortising still. -Montreal Witness.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Hard to beat-Your way. Manual labor-Compiling a textbook. Ringing words-"Will you marry

A friend indeed-The old-fashioned Quaker.

The cup that cheers not inebriates-Hiccough.

The absence of soft water is no excuse for drinking hard .- Texas Siftings.

Is the man who is always on the fence opposed to barbed wire ?- Ram's Horn, Everyone who goes up the Pike's Peak Railway travels in cog. --- St. Joseph News. Woman-"Can't you find mything to

do?" Hungry Higgins Nothin', 'cept work."....Indianapolis Journal.

Lithographer-++What color will you have your bill heads?" Merchant-

"That man has a wonderful memory." "How does he show it?" "He never leaves his rubbers in a restaurant."

"It's all very well to talk of writing for posterity," sighed the poet; "but posterity isn't editing any magazines.'

The Boston maid refused his hand Because he knocked, and she Inquired, "Who is knocking?" and He answered, "It is me." - Indo

Belle-"Now, isn't that too bad! I declare, it's enough to provoke a saint!" Nell (maliciously)—"How do you know?"—Somerville Journal.

"Did the grocers make anything on sugar?" asked Lamkin. "Yes," said Broker Margin, "those who had any sand did."-Boston Commercial Belletin. "To what do you attribute your longevity?" asked the investigator of a centenarian. "To the fact that I never died," was the conclusive reply .- Bazar.

Husband (during a spat)-"You had better shut your mouth; the fool-killer is around." Wife---'I don't care; you've got your life insured."---Men's Outfitter.

Within his own her pretty hand Lay, soft and sweet as summer rosat Her pensive brow, by sephyrs fanned, Flushed crimson as the evening's close, He stooped like some gay cavalier And kissed the lips of blushing red; He saw within her eyes the tear That told of merry hours now dead. "My love, you may not weep for me, Though darkness lingers where I stray-Be brave and true; my love for thee Will fling a lightnoss o'er thy way." They stood till darkness, creeping down

Veiled all the land in somber gloom; His hand caressed her tresses brown, His lips upon her soft cheek's bloom. Then, as the moon danced o'er the hill, And starlight flickered on the stream, And one lone chirp a woke the still The holy calm of their young dream.

LOVE'S PARTING

As summer stars shone bright and

He stood before her, and his eyes

The twilight deepened in the skies

And loaflet stir was in the air.

He stole another parting kiss And sadly passed, nor dared look back He knew that partings oft like this Left tears and sorrow in their track. The leaflet rustled at his feet, And one sweet voice came singing low "O heaven, be kind; until we meet, Guard my true love, where'er he go." -T. F. Rowland.

HOW I SAID "YES."

BY AMELIA E. BARR.

My godfathers and my godmothers in my baptism called me "Olive," and they lived to be heartily ashamed of themselves for it, for never was their a child with a more mistaken name. A belligerent state was my normal condition. I do not remember my nurses, but I have grace enough to pity them. The mildest of my teachers considered me "unruly," and you can ask Geoffrey what he thought of me a year ago. Now it is different. have found my master, and I believe I rather like it. This is how it came

Geoffrey had asked me three times to marry him, and three times I had said Mary Lacelles, and warned him that he "No," in the most decided manner. But that never made the least difference to him. He only laughed and said 1 would know my own mind better next

time. "I suppose," I said, "you mean to ask me once a quarter?" "Is that enough?" "Too often, a great deal, sir!"

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"Well, then, we will say once in six months, Miss Olive." And then he walked smilingly away,

and began some nonsensical talk with father about Doctor Koch and his bewildering theories. This last asking was just at the begin-

ning of warm weather, and father, who thought Geoffrey's opinion infallible, asked him where he would advise us to go for the summer.

Branch and I said so, very distinctly; but tween them as an excuse for flirtation. floor of the car, he jumped off and took Geoffrey proposed some out-of-the-way The move had been so rapid that I was to the woods. This was a warning to rginia mountains.

"Now you must take me forever of leave me forever to-night. I have asked The next morning I made a beautiful tollet, but neither Mr. nor Miss Lacelles called. Just after supper I heard a little stir and bustle on the stairs, you three times before. "Four times, sir."

"Well, four times, then. Odd num bers are lucky; here is the fifth time. You know what I want, Olive-your

ful; I saw that at a glance; tall and pale and lady-like, reminding you of a fair white lily. We soon struck up a friendship-a girl's friendship I mean. then, for a strange feeling of humility Some one has said that there is no and gentleness came over me. I glanced friendship between the sexes, and some one is mistaken, I think, for the world love's divine light; at the eyes full of holds no safer friend for a woman than an honorable man. A woman's friend-

wadna tell to ony."

York. One day, in the middle of one of

nature. It was, "Geoffrey Gardiner."

Mary.

ised to be back to tea. see him. My mental faculties were rust-

vitalize even the chairs and stools; they tumbled about and got out of the way in the strangest manner. I told him about would lose his heart. He gravely told

me he had none to lose. Imagine six feet two inches of manhood without a heart!

We waited tea for Mary, but she did not come till quite dark, and we had our tea. She said she had been detained by company, but I knew better than that. She was dressed with reference to candle light effect, and would not lose its influence on her first appearance. I never

saw her look so lovely; her ross-colored dress, with its broad shimmering bands of white silk, wonderfully enhanced her charms. Geoffrey looked delighted, and she gave him the full benefit of both her she gave him the full benefit of both her

upward and downward glances. When tea was over, I left the room a few minutes, and when I came back,

found Geoffrey and Mary sitting opposite each other, with the chess-board be-tween them with the chess-board be-I had made up my mind to go to Long

dresses in my trunks were sufficient to 4rT have not " aspire any woman with comfortable asurance.

promise to be mine. Is it to be! Now or never !" I suppose every one has a good angel. Mine must have been at his post just

gracious entreaty; at the arms halfstretched out to embrace me. Yet pride ship is very likely to be the result of convenience, contiguity, or of being, as my father rather sneeringly remarked, "the only Christian within hail of each other." Mary showed me all her dresses struggled hard with love. I stood up silent and trembling, quite unable to acknowledge myself vanquished, until I saw him turn away grieved and sorrow-

and told me her secrets, and I returned the compliment, mindful of Burns's advice to still "keep something to mysel"

Life settled down into an unexciting but endurable routine. Mary and I vis-ited each other and arranged our next winter's campaign, for I had invited her to pass the cold weather with me in New

these pleasant chats, a servant came in and handed me a card. The name on it roused at once all the antagonism in my

Now it so happened that the existence of this gentleman was the one thing I had kept back in my confidences with So I had now to explain who and

what he was. I wanted her to come into the patlor with me; but no, she would go home first and dress; but she prom-I disliked Geoffrey, yet I was glad to

ing for want of attrition. Father would not quarrel with me, and Mary was my only face card. I could not throw her away. Besides, I rather liked to see his great, handsome figure in the room. He was so full of life that he seemed to

a rippling laugh, the rustle of silken robes, and, leaning on her father's arm, Miss Lacelles entered. She was beauti-

ful. Then I said: "Geoffrey, come back; it is now." That is the way I said "yes," and I have never been sorry for it. If I live to the age of Methuselah, I shall never be a

great lakes was 634,652; in 1890 it was 826,360 tons, while the valuation of vessels rose from \$30,597,450 to \$58,-128,500. Whereas in 1886 there were but 21 propellers on the lakes of over 1500 tons, in 1890 the census expert found 110. There were 6 steel vessels afloat on the lakes in 1806, now there are 68, valued at \$11,964,000. Of the lake marine 1153 were steam vessels, and 902 used sail power alone, or were employed as barges.

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"The census returns show one feature of American life which is not encouraging," lamonts the San Francisco Chronicle "They prove that with the exception of France there are more childless married women in New England than in any other part of the world. One-fifth of the native married women in Massachusetts have no children, while throughout all the Eastern States, where population is most dense, small families are the rule. This means that the increase of population by birth is not keeping pace with immigration, and that the children of foreigners a c outnumbering the progeny of vatives, as the percentage of childless married women of foreign birth in this country is only a little over half that of Americans.

According to a report of the Statistician of the Department of Agriculture about one-tenth of our agricultural products is exported. The sum is, however, made up from a very few articles. These are cotton, tobacco, meats, breadstuffs and cheese. Seven-tenths of the cotton product goes to foreign markets. All other articles except those above stated when put together are but three per cent. of the export. The exportation of tobacco is not increasing materially or so rapidly as home consumption. More cheese could be sold if its reputation for quality should be kept up and there were more disposition to cater to fastidious or peculiar foreign tastes. Butter exports could be made larger if they were of better quality. Our great American cropcorn-is chiefly consumed on the spot, noe more than one-ixth, it is said, going heyond the boundary of the county in which it is grown, and only two to three per cent. being now exported. Nearly two-thirds of this crop is produced in seven States-Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nobraska, few others producing more than is required at home, and the larger portion having a deficiency to be supplied by those seven States.

nothing would satisfy father but a personal investigation. It was all Geoffrey's doing, and I told him to at the railway station

"It is your doing, sir," I said, "and I shall remember you for it."

"Thanks, Olive," he replied; "there is nothing I fear but forgetfuiness." I wanted to speak unmistakably to him, but the train moved, and I felt that it would be only waste material.

At the end of the second day we got to our destination. It was a pretty place : I

must acknowledge that. Nature had done all she could for it, but art and civilization had passed it by. The men were simply "frights," and the women and he looked so: "Serve you right, money. These books are sold by subwere-well, none too good for the men. The houses were log-cabins, through which daylight peeped and the wind blew talk back to him. as it listed. But there was, of course, a big white hotel-there always is. I have no doubt if we had gone to Stanley Falls or Guthrie we should have found a hotel and proprietor-the institution is ubi-

We procured rooms, and my quitary. trunks were, with some difficulty, got up the hill and the flight of wooden steps into the hall. "I suppose," I said, with a resigned

look at father, "there is no use in taking them upstairs. I can have no use for my dresses here?"

looks pretty well, and it does not show the dirt.

After this remark of course, I had every trunk, bonnet-box and satchel taken up-stairs; and the noise and confusion, and even the occasional bad word their size and weight called forth, were quite grateful to me.

I threw my dressing-gown around me, "It is not my fault," I explained. "If and taking a novel in my hand, I ordered a cup of strong tea and went into the people will build stairs like corkscrews, 1 sitting-room. As I walked in at one. un not responsible."

In this amiable mood we took possesdoor. Geoffrey walked in at the other. sion, and I think, if Geoffrey had known what I was thinking about it, as I did up Olive," he said. my hair and put on my white evening dress, he would have lost a trifle of his self-complacency-that is, if men ever do make a loss of that kind. The first and get a couple of men to tote me there. I really don't think you will succeed." thing that pleased me was the supper. "I could carry you myself. It really was good, particularly the ber

enjoy the journey." ries and cream, which are a specialty "Will you dare me to do it?" with me. "But, sir," I inquired, "are there any "Not to-night. I should like to insure

Christians here besides ourselves?" my life first. 'Olive, you have been crying.' "It is to be hoped so, Olive. I saw a

tinns.

the mornin

"I have not, sir," indignantly. "And if I have, what is that to you!" reproach-"Ittle church in the valley." "I "Pshaw, father! I did not mean if I hi church Christians; I mean society Chris-fully. 'A greal deal. Oh, Olive, you teas-

"Ah, they are different, are they? ing, provoking, bewitching little mortal! Well, what do you think of Augusta How often must I tell you I love you? Pennington for a Christian?" "Augusta Pennington! Is she here?" me?'

I asked, amazed. "No, she is not, but her brother lives time, Geoffrey." within two miles, and he has a daughter about the same age as yourself. Mrs. Penuington wrote them we should be me.

"I do not." here to day; they will doubtless call in Well, I did not care if they did. The were eight years old."

others, and we scarcely ever hear of any and a little angry, too; and he painted it in such glowing colors that father did not improve matters by attempts to tackle this lock. It is the best kind of a protection against so-called whispering, as I passed his chair: honest fellows who don't mind stealing "Checkmated, Olive!" a few hundred if they risk nothing-fel-It was not a pleasant evening for me, lows who are in positions of trust. It and it was the beginning of many un-

pleasant ones. men acts dishonestly, it just tells on him. "How it came let doctors tell," but I began to like Geoffrey just as soon as he began to like Mary. I called up pride can't be bribed."-New York World.

to the rescue, but it did not help me much, and I suffered a good deal in

forted me wonderfully, the key-note of

which was: "She stoops to conquer.

Books One Never Heard Of. watching Geoffrey's attentions to Mary, There is no doubt that there are hun and listening to her prattle about him. direds of books in circulation to-day o I thought her supremely silly, and I told which the general literary public never heard books which have sold inte

her so. She was astonished at my petulance, but I don't think she susthe hundreds of thousands and brought pected the truth. Only father did that, their authors and publishers mints of miss," that I longed for him to be a scription and never penetrate into the woman for an hour or so, that I might cities. They are sold to country families,

sometimes a hundred in a single small One day, after Geoffrey had been a village. Not long ago I came across the month with us, a riding party was pro- list of a subscription publishing house posed' to the top of the mountain. which printed the number of copies sold Father and I, Geoffrey and Mary-that of the books on their catalogue. The would be the order, of course; and I was figures were amazing. Of twenty-eight prepared for that; but there is a last books not one had sold less than 50,000

straw in every burden, and my last straw copies, and several had exceeded 300,was this incident: They were mounted 000. Yet I had never heard of one of and waiting for me, when Mary dropped the titles to the books. I recall the her glove. From my window I saw manuscript of a technical book on ma-Geoffrey pick it up, put it on the hand chinery being handed in once into a large hid so confidingly in his, and then kiss publishing house. The firm declined it, After that I was not going to ride and it met the same fate at four other "As you like, Olive," he replied, in for King nor Kaiser. I sent a positive houses. Finally the author sent it to a one of his meek and mild ways; "as you refusal to all entrenties, and as soon as large subscription house, and they like, dear; that gray thing you have on they were out of sight indulged in a snapped at it. The publishers who had good refreshing cry. I cried myself to resected the manuscript laughed. But sleep, and woke about dusk with a new- they lived to have the laugh turned or

born purpose in my heart which com- them. I saw the author's royalty statements on that book about a year ago, which showed a total sale of 70,000 Yet I did not dress again. I knew they were to take ten at Mr. Lacelles's; so York Commercial Advertiser. copies of that book in three years !- Neu

A New Dynamite Gun.

Louis Gathmann, a maker of mill machinery, exhibited in Chicago, recently "I came to take you to Mr. Lacelles's, a cannon of his invention, which, he anys, is to be tested in the presence of "How do you propose doing it, sir?! United States army officers at Fort Sherl For unless you bind me hand an i foot, dan within a fortnight under instructious from War Department officials a Washington. The weapon is nine and a half feet long, and is designed to be "Could you? I don't think you would, discharged in rapid succession thousand of times without becoming overheated throwing shells three feet long, filled with dynamite, nitro-glycerine, or any

other high explosive, a distance of five miles, the projectile exploding by the concussion when it strikes the object The chief novel feature is the use o liquified earbonic acid gas, delivered auamatically along the entire length of the bore at the instant of discharge, not only as an absorbent of the heat generated How often must 1 ask you to marry but as a "cooler" after the charge has left the gut.

By another new device pneumatic presre is produced with the use of powder Mr. Gathmann claims to have already made satisfactory tests with a small Should the invention prove model. access, he expects that the existing systems of coast defense particularly would be revolutionized, - Mail and Express.

self along just as happily with two tails as he might with one

stead of one. This overplus of tails,

however, seems to cause no inconveni-

ence. The little carp apparently propels

SCALELESS URFATURES.

got in this last consignment from Japan.

Dealers send all the way to Japan

to get them. It took over seven weeks

an aquarium, without changing

thus very plump looking.

queer

way, and that's in the raising of

the Pacific to San Francisco.

Aquasium Fish.

of them:

fish.

"We have also received 300 Japanese scaleless fish. In color they are much like gold-fish, but are absolutely destitute of scales. Through their bodies are simply keeps watch, and if one of the symmetrically marked and apparently glisten with scales, if you catch one you will find it as soft and mushy as a pollywog. There are no scales, only skin and so thin is it that you can easily see through it and pick out with the naked eye the heart and other internal organs, The scaleless fish occur with fan tails, and exhibit the beautiful, long fringelike fins so , characteristic of Japanese fish. The Chinese carp and scaleless fish are the most interesting, of course, but I mustn't forget several hundred gorgeous-tailed Japanese gold and silver fish just come to hand. They are handsome in form and of far brighter colors than the ordinary goldfish bred in America.

"They have beautiful double tails and long, delicate fins like the Chinese carp and scaleless fish, and also are plump, with stomachs of aldermanic tendencie Their colors are exceedingly brilliant. Though in Japan they are bred in varieties containing shades of blue and green, we have only received combinations of red, yellow, silver and back. Hotels, restaurants and other public places where aquariums are often placed find the Japanese fish, with their brighter colors and curious forms, far more artistic than the ordinary American gold and silver "Private keepers of aquariums, too, fish. like them. The prices for aquarium fish show great variety, running for single specimens all the way from five cents up to more than \$1. For the scaleless fish and the Chinese carp we charge \$1 each. Fine examples of the gorgeous tailed Japanese gold and silver fish bring us in the same price. Ordinary American goldfish are worth ten cents each, while other American fish, such as sticklebackswhich, by the way, can be made to breed and build nests in the aquariums-su fish, rockfish, etc., are sold at from five to ten cents each. Pollywogs fetch a sickel cach. Sometimes we have small alligators in stock. They run in price according to size. We ask 83 for one 14 feet long, while one 24 feet long we sell for \$5."-New York Sun.

A Movable Boulder.

There has been discovered about half a mile west of the "Bargytown Ledges" a twirling stone of about five tons weight It has always been regarded as a boulder, and from the way it is poised on the rock beneath it no one could see why it should not rock. Hundreds have tried to rock it in vain, and the surprise of the man who first felt it move under pressure may be imagined. It moves ard, of course, but it moves, the finder informs us, round as if it was placed upon a pivot. It has been carefully examined, ad, while it looks like a boulder, several allege that it must be a ceremonial stone set there by some prelistoric race. This rock is creating great interest among the boulder hunters of Eastern Connecticut.-Norwich (Conn.) Bulletia.

What do you suppose is the most expensive part of those incandescent electric lamps which we see burning in that shop window (" asked an electrician.

You would naturally suppose it

would be the glass bulb, or perhaps the brass fittings for screwing it into the socket, but you would be wrong. Those two little pieces of platinum wire, so fine that you can hardly perceive them, which pass through the glass stem up in the base of the lamp, to which the fine carbon tilament is attached, enter more greatly into the cost than any other part f these now almost indispensable electrie lamps."

"Why don't they use some other metal than platinum for this wire?"

"Because platinum is the only metal in which the expansion and contraction are the same as in glass, and a great fortune awaits the man who can produce a cheap metal or alloy in which this valuable property of platinum can be preserved.

"The cost of platinum at the present market price in London is \$20 per ounce, or about the same as gold, and amount used for this purpose alone has grown to be enormous. This demand, together with the increased 'cost of production, has caused the price to advance about 160 per cent. in eighteen months. In each sixteen candle-power lamp there are from four to eight grains of platinum. If six grains are taken as average, one ounce will be used in eighty lamps. Based on the increased use of incanflescent lights within the last two years, it is safe to state that the demand for sixteen-candle power lamps, or their equivalent, in the year 1891 will be 10,000,000. This means a demand for 125,000 ounces of platiaum, which, at the present price, will amount to conalderably over \$2,000,000 for this item alone."- Washington Post.

His Impudence Cost a Watch.

General Bligh and his wife happened to arrive at a Yorkshire inn when was only just so much in the larder as was sufficient for them, and, of course they bespoke it. Some sporting gentle mon presently arrived, and ou hearing what had happened, asked who was the guest. "An Irish officer," said the landlord; whereupon one said: "Ob, if he's Irish, a potato will do him. Here take my watch up to him" (a very linnisome gold one) "and ask him what's o'clock." The inquiry had, doubtless, some impertinent significance in those days, which it has now lost; at all events it brought down the General with the watch in his hand and a pistol under cach arm. "I am come," he said "to tell you what o'clock it is. Whose watch is this?" Everybody hastened to deny any knowledge of it whatever. "Then have made a mistake," said the General, "in the company, "I received an impudent message, which I came down to resent, but I find I have come to the wrong room." The watch, which would have paid the dinner bill fifty times over, "the kept to his death, and left it by will to his brother, the Dean of Elphin. -Argunaut.

I rather like to break a bill-

Pin generous, you see. But oh! I take it very ill When'er a bill breaks me -Chicayo News.

There is an antidote to every poison, excepting the poison of malicious gos-sip. The only remedy against that is to poison the gossiper .- Somerville Jour-

Miss A Who is that dignified gentleman we just passed?" Mr. B. One of the profs." Miss A. What made you cut him?" Mr. B. Force of habit."--- Yale Record.

Garrulous Stranger on a Train-"My wife's name was Wood, What was yours?" Crusty Old Bachelor-"I guess mine's name was 'wouldn't.' I didn't get her."- Washington Star.

Bridget-"Is it the feller she's tryin" to make think she's rich that's in the parlor?" Thomas-"Naw, it's the feller she's tryiu' to make think she's young."- Munsey's Weekly.

"We live in penitential see!" Our whole lives through," exclaimed the

"For in our covering of hair "For in our covering of hair A sort of sacque-cloth do we wear." — Washington Post.

Peddler-"Do buy these eyegiasses, sir! 'They're as strong as iron and you can't break them. Why, I've been thrown to-day out of three houses, and not a single glass was numshed."-Flicgendo Blactter.

A vegetarian chused by a bull Escaped; then thus enroged, to him did

"Is this your gratitude, you great hig fool? From this on Til cat beef three times a day!

Aunt Rachel-"Yes, I like him well enough, Jerusha; but how did you ever happen to marry a man a head shorter than you are?" Niece--"I had to choose, nuntie, between a little man with a big salary and a big-man with a little salary."- Chicago Tribune.

The ross and hily, side by side, Were in a bound peak, "All" the rose excluimed, "your fuir to me?" And the Bly said, "Of course-tee had But you cannot berrow aught from me, For I haven't got a scent."

-Fiel: Me tip.

The following is an excellent lesson in physiology, in which some of your readers and the Jackson Township scholars. might be interested. The question asked by the teacher was: "In what part of the body is the liver?" and she was a good deal surprised when the tall boy replied: "South of the hungs,"-Myerstown (Penn.) Euterprise.

Proprietor of Livery Stable-"Eleven carriages at six o'clock in the morning What in the world do you want of so many?" Mr. Billus (in a tremendous rage)-----Just got a telegram from Mrs. Billus. She's on her way house from a trip cast. She says, 'Meet me at depot at six o'clock in the morning,⁴ There are eleven depots here. Myr. Billers are eleven depots here. shall be met with a survinge at ais o'clock to-morrow morning, by jocks, if it costs a house and lat?"-Chicage Tes-

"It is not six months since the last "I don't care; it accms like six years. And, oh, Olive, you know that you love

"You have loved me over since you