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Chicago is wrestling now with the smoke problem, but has not yet solved

The products of the farms, mines, forests and fisheries of the United States are valued at \$25,000,000,000 a year.

Pennsylvanians are about to crect monument to Old Hambletonian, the famous founder of the race of American trotters.

Senator Stanford believes that magnotism can be developed in men and horses by intelligent effort, and in breeding thoroughbreas on his California stock farm he has made experiments to that end.

The boundary controversy between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, after 200 years, has been finally settled. The early surveyors, explains the New York Press, did not understand the variations of the magnetic needle; hence the ouarrel.

In addition to the usual advantages conferred by leap year on energetic young ladies, 1892 will give them fiftythree Sundays in which to employ those advantages. The year is going to be a crucial one for bachelors, predicts the Brooklyn Citizen.

Simon Wolf, of Washington, is preparing for the publication of a list of the Hebrew soldiers and sailors who have done service in the wars of the United States, including the war of the revolution. At the last annual reunion of the Eleventh Corps of the Army of the Potomac, General Stahl said that half of his old regiment "was composed of Israelites with the courage of the Maccabees."

Many of the statesmen and public men of Chile are of pretty much the same stock as many of our own people, declares the Chicago Herald. Their immediate ancestors were Europeans, and some of their public men are bora Europeans. The new Chilcan Minister of Public Works, Don Augustin Edwards, was born in Chile of English parents. He is a great favorite with the British residents, and a Valparaiso newspaper says: "Those who know him best love to think of him as an Englishman."

Science has been meditating upon the subject of the probable increase of the population in the United States, and it presents us with these startling conclusions: Since 1750 the increase has been from 1,260,000 to the neighborhood, in 1890, of 65,000,000. If this

GOD BLESS HER. She never barned with passion's fires. She never craved a mawkish fame: Her nerves were never strung on wires, hine followed where she came. But an Her ways in school were circumspect, And made her seem a trifle prim: Her maiden manners were correct,

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Her cheerful goodness usught could dim. Although she us'er disclained life's joys, She ne'er forgot religion's claims; In Sunday school her girls and boys Were all imbued with life's grand aims,

In church she ne'er seemed sanctified. And only fit for angel sphere: While others talked of Him who died, She worked in love for mortals here.

She married poorly, in the sense That life's great goal is glittering gold; But for her pains had recompen In love of man in God's own mold.

And further on in life there came A group of children in her home, Who honored e'er their father's name, And from her guidance ne'er would roan

Old age came ou, and children brought Grandchildren to the sacred place Where mother, wife and maid had taught Grand lessons to His grandest race.

"heu "earth to earth, and dust to dust," Was said at last above the bier Where lay the flower of earthly trust. Whose symbol rose to heavenly sphere. God bless the homes such woman make! God bless the world where such are rife! For hearts would love and never break If but such shrines were found in life, -Earl Marble, in Philadelphia Press

# PHILIP'S FIRST SUIT.

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learned from a servant, who had been deacon was a man of very fixed opinions. kept swake by a toothache, that his He called the objectionable quality that laughter had arisen at four o'clock in usually won for him his own way "dethe morning and gone out hurriedly in- termination." His fellow church members to the gray dawn. She had not returned | referred to it as "pig-headedness," but at nightfall, and when it was ascertained that was only when there was no chance that her sunt in New York, whom she of his hearing of the term so applied. frequently visited, was ignorant of her He now openly refused to credit Philip's whereabouts, and that her brother, who declaration. But the young man listened was trying to build up a medical prac-tice in Boston, had not seen her or and then with the same coolness and

wouldn't weary her with the dry details fondly at the address as he picked up of the law. It was very encouraging. And thus hopefully they parted. Philip drew out the despised land circular. How went back to Philadelphia by a night did that wretched advertisement get train, and Mabel returned to her father's there? Suddenly the blood rushed to his house. But the deacon gave her a very bad half-hour after supper. He said Philip was nothing better than a beggar, Not for a moment did Philip doubt that dependent upon his uncle's bounty; that they had both been written by Mable, he was a meau fellow, and too dull to But how could such a thing have hap-

The young man had not wasted his nebody with him before it to pay his time as a law student. He knew how to reckoning. He said many other things weigh evidence, and in half an hour he about her lover that Mabel, being a high- was on his way to New York. He hasspirited girl, could not stand at all. She tened to the office of the land syndicate, went to her room when she could restrain which having a pressure of business on her tears no longer, and when she had hand, was still open, she wing people locked her door, and relieved her heart how to acquire homes on the prairie He with such tears as she had not shed since had little trouble in ascertaining that a her mother died, twelve years before, she Miss Mable Stone was one of its army of decided that she could never again have workers who addressed envelopes, and a young woman who was in the office gave her address to him.

He found her with a long list of names she had also promised her father that she before her, and a box contuining a thouwould not wed without his consent, sand envelopes on the table. She was easily afford to use a fresh one each time, and thus avoid danger of infection from The situation was rather conflicting, and about to adress the first when he entered, only one thing was quite clear to her; and said, quiet that was that neither Philip nor the gether, Mabel.' and said, quietly, "Let us do it tothe lancet.

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TIONESTA, PA., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1892.

Artificial marble grows in use.

Plants are grown by electricity.

ow vaccinated for the glanders.

nced fully 100 per cent.

used in England.

graph cables.

\$2,000,000.

American looms are being extensively

In France and Germany horses are

It is estimated by scientists that Colo

rado's cliff dwellers existed 10,000 years

Owing to its extensive use in electric

It is proposed to unite all the islands

It is asserted in some Italian and other

medical journals that protection has been

afforded by heifer vaccine against mea-

A French physician recommends vac

cinating with steel pens, since one could

An automatic electric gas extinguisher

depends on the variations in the electri-

cal conductivity of selenium when ex-

posed to light, and turns off the gas on the first appearance of daylight.

It has been estimated that the motive

power furnished by the steam engines of

the world represents the strength of

1000 millions of men-that is to say,

A method of purifying water invented

by Dr. William Anderson, and success-

cylinder containing metallic iron in the

form of scraps or filings.

twice as many as there are workmen.

sles, whooping cough and influenza.

The estimated cost is

of Japin by a system of submarine tele

appliances the price of platinum has ad-

deacon should have an opportunity to urge her to break either pledge. Sho In her amazement she nearly upset the ink; but when he had told his story she trusted her lover, and she trusted herself; was satisfied, and allowed him to help and above all, she had a higher trust that her. Splendidly they did it. Before her dead mother had taught her. So ten o'clock they had addressed a thouwhen she packed up a few articles of sand envelopes, and earned seventy-five clothing in a small hand-bag, counted cents between them. Then he left her, her savings, which amounted to about but on the following day they journeyed seventy-five dollars, and stole away with to Squalacket together, and Deacon the dawn unobserved by any one in the Stone, though at first inclined to turn house except the tooth-tortured servant, them both out of the house, was mollified she felt looely, and perhaps a little frightas soon as he heard of the altered aspect ened, but not at all the guilty conscience stricken creature that the deacon and of affairs, and was easily induced to consent to their marriage. A lawyer was a most of the pious people of Squalacket felt assured that she must be as soon as useful person to have in a family, anyhow, he said, and as he was thinking of suing the church trustees for applying

Deacon Stone was not, any time, a five dollars of the funds subscribed for a the electric roads a mile, including equipnew pulpit to the relief of a widow whose husband had been killed on the railroad track, it was well to be prepared horse car and cable roads, cost respecfor emergencies. tively \$71,387 and \$350,326.

Philip and Mabel were married when the case of Colly vs. West was tried in low the age of twenty there is no mathe Superior Court. Colly's senior counterial difference between the death rate sel was unable to attend, and the brunt of the battle feli upon Philip. He wou from consumption among prisoners and it trium phantly. The jury gave Colly six cents damages, but that carried the costs.-Harper's Weekly. among the general population

#### The Eskimos Surely Starving.

But the Hitherto the Eskimos have depended for food upon the whale, walrus, and seal of the coast and the fish of the rivers. The first three animals have also supplied them with clothing, boats, and all other necessaries of life. Fifty years ago the whalers, having exhausted other legged snipe painted on them. waters, sought the northern Pacide for whales, pursuing them into Bering Sea, and carrying the war of extermination into the Arctic Ocean. At length the few surviving whales have been driven a Squalacket that she had run away him in the case of Colly vs. West, he to the neighborhood of the pole, and with Philip Mesmer; for Squalacket was a New England town, and every inhab-He leaved enough about the scene in their species has become well-night exitant in it had grown weary of compar- the parlor the night preceding Mabel's ing to a commercial demand for ivory, ing his or her own goodness with that of flight to give him a tolerably clear in- the whalers' turned their attention to the neighbors, and arrived at a comfort-able if somewhat monotonous conclusion his knowledge of the proud, self-reliant out of existence likewise. Sometimes as is due to the fact that they have never heard speech. assured him that many as two thousand of the valuabl beasts would be slaughtered on a single by others. If there is such a thing as an excess to find her just be advanced with the a walrus is hardly to be found to day in a walrus is hardly to be found to-day in those waters where so short a time ago the animals were so numerous that their bellowings were heard above the roar of finally persuaded the deacon to refrain the waves and the grinding of the floes. Seals and sea-lions are now getting so scarce that the natives have difficulty in procuring enough of their skins to cover boats. They used to catch and cure great quantities of fish in the streams, but their supply from this source has recently diminished owing to the establishment of great cannaries which send millions of cans of salmon out of the country annually and destroy vastly more by wasteful methods. Improved firearms have driven the wild caribou into the inaccessible regions of the remote interior. Thus the process of slow starvation and depopulation has begun along the whole Arctic coast of Alaska, and famine is progressing southward year by year on the shore of Bering Sea. Where vil-lages numbering thousands were a few years ago, the populations have been reduced to hundreds .- Boston Transcript.

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#### SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. CAPTURING A SMUGGLER.

## AN INCIDENT IN THE CRUISE OF A REVENUE MARINE VESSEL.

#### A Would-be Spanish Smuggler Off the Florida Coast Overhauled by

Uncle Sam's Bluejackets, Within recent years the smuggling in outhern Florida has been reduced to a minimum, the assiduous cruising of the revenue-cutter having charge of this ground making it exceedingly hazardous, yet occasionally a bold craft ventures in making a run, and it was only a year ago that the United States revenue-cutter McLane was so fortunate as to make an excellent haul. The cutter was standing over late one afternoon in the vicinity of Punta Rassa, on the southwest coast. when the spars of a vessel were observed in the distance above an intervening key. To one not familiar with the southern waters the mere sight of masts would simply have indicated the presence of vessel and nothing more. 'The McLane's officers, however, smelled a very suspicious object in yonder vessel, and particularly from the fact that she was on that part of the coast. Running quickly in towards the key, and in such a way as to e unobserved until close at hand, the McLane suddenly rounded off to the mouth of the entrance, and dropped a cutter full of armed seamen under the command of Lieutenant Uberroth. A few minutes only sufficed for the cutter to pull alongside the stranger, which on a hasty glance at the stern was was found to be the Spanish schooner Ansonita. The Spaniard's deck was full

fully used at Antwerp, Belgium, consists of red-capped Cubans and Mexicans, all in passing the water through a revolving armed with savage looking knives, and shouting and jabbering to one another like so many monkeys. Without any ado, Electric roads cost less than cable or Lieutenant Uberroth and three or four horse car roads. The average cost of good men swung themselves up over the Ansonita's side, and demanded to see ment and roadway, is \$46,697, while the the captain. The scowling Cubans at this made way for a big burly fellow, who had just ascended from the cabin, A German physiologist finds that beand was demanding in gruff broken English the cause of the visit.

"You: papers," was the quick rejoinder of the boarding officer.' There was at once evident a good

that among the ordinary population; but deal of hesitancy, and it was apparent that the Spaniard recognized he was between twenty and forty the death rate is five times as high among prisoners as caught. No papers could be produced. and the boarding officer was about to A curious fashion has found its way return to the McLane with this informainto the manufacture of table hardware. tion for his commanding officer, when a The handles of table knives are now sudden movement among the Ansonita's made of china to match the plates. There crew showed that they meant light. The are sets for each course. Those for poul-McLane's blue jackets were equal to the try have heads of the victims and little emergency, and covering every one on fluffy chicks and ducks upon them; those the Spanish captain was used with the game course have tiny flights of partridge and ministare long deck, deck, the Spanish captain was tumbled into the cutter at the point of a revolver. Once aboard the McLane, he was kept there, and orders Recent tests in the use of the phonoissued to Licutenant Uberroth to pick a graph in the Deaf and Dumb Institute at prize crew, and convey the captured craft Indianapolis, Ind., show that it is useful in to Key West. This meant a run of 120 concentrating sound upon the drum of miles. Returning to the Ausonita, the the ear, so that many pupils, otherwise deaf, can hear it. It is thought by the Cubans were quickly secured. A few, though, were put to work on the cap-Superintendent that he can by this stan bar, a blue-jacket standing by in the means soon teach the use of their voices mean while with a cocked rifle, and the to many mutes whose inability to speak

anchor was run apeak, the jib hoisted, and inside of ten minutes the Ausonita passed under the McLane's stern under jib and

#### RATES OF ADVERTISING.

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each insertion. Marriages and death notices gratis. All bills for yearly advertisaments collected quarterly. Temporary advertisements must be paid in advance. Job work-cash en delivery.

## THE HAPPY HOUSEWIFE'S SONG

MONDAT. The clothes I rub, and rinse out and wring,

And harbor no care or sorrow; Assured while they hang in the freshening

That duty's well done for the morrow.

#### TUESDAY. The garments pure I sprinkle and fold,

With never a thought of sorrow, And merrily sing as the iron I swing, This task is soon done for the morrow,

WEDNESDAY. As the dough I knead in flaky loaven, My soul no trouble can borrow; My hearty darlings they eat and live; So gladly I toil for the morrow.

THURSDAY. The needle I ply with whirling wheel, And banish all care and sorrow, While viewing garments so deftly made To cover my loved ones to-morrow,

#### FRIDAY.

As the grime and dust I sweep away, My mind no trouble can borrow, For deadly disease, which lurks therein, Is routed to-day, for to-morrow.

HATURDAY.

#### The nourishing food I mix and stir, And joyously sing, for no sorrow Enters my life of labor for love. Sweet rest cometh sure on the morrow.

SUNDAY.

I go to the Blessed One who knows, Every form of earthly sorrow; He giveth me manna for my soul, Blest comfort to-day and to-morrow. "Enough for the day is the evil thereof?" This promise a surcease of sorrow; For guidance, and strength, each day I pray,---And joy cometh on the glad morrow. -Frances L. Fancher, in Go ley's Lady Book.

#### HUMOR OF THE DAY.

A nice new umbrella is used up when it is used at all .- Philadelphia Press. The thinner a thing is the more it is inclined to spread itself.-Oil City Bliz-

zard. Fame comes only when deserved, and then it is as inevitable as destiny.--Texas Siftings.

The typewriter is said to be the only wowan a man has the right to dictate to. -Boston Journal.

The eyes are the windows of the soul, especially when we have a pain in them. -Jewelers' Circular.

The bank-wrecker may be bailed out ; but the bank itself goes down in the deen. sea of distress .- Puck.

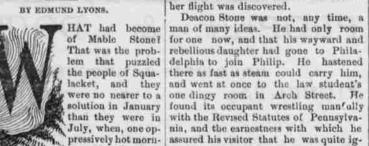
You can't agree with a bigot without agreeing with him in thinking that you're a fool.-Elmira Gazette.

It is well for the small man to practise until he knows how to apologize gracefully .-- Somerville Journal.

Charity may begin at home, but it is wiser for subscription seekers to call at t business man's office.-Puck.

It doesn't follow that because a man is a master of dead languages he has a killing style of speech .-- Boston Post.

One of the queerent things we



ing, Mabel's place norant of Mabel's movements as well as the breakfast his own distress as he heard of her flight, table was vacant, would have convinced an unprejudiced and Deacon Stone person that he spoke the truth.

heard from her, a dark suspicion arose deliberation that afterward greatly helped that the home virtues were a little nurer character of the girl

# succeed at any bar except a marble-topped one with bottles behind it, and The y

a home until Philip made one for her. She had promised her lover that she would never marry any other man; but

ratio of increase is a fair basis for diction we shall have at the time when the ten-year-old boy of to-day shall be forty years of age, in 1920, something like 160,000,000 of people in the United States, and when that man of forty reaches his seventieth birthday (1950) we shall have close upon 400,000,000 population.

Joseph Wallace, in the Popular Science News, says that our climate has cortainly been much modified within the past 2000 years. "There have been fifteen c'imatic changes since the beginning of the glacial age," he writes, "each change lasting 10,500 years, and each change reversing the season in the two hemispheres, the pole which had enjoyed continuous summer being doomed to undergo perpetual winter for 10,500 years and then passing to its former state for an equal term." The present epoch of a more genial temperature at this season of the year in this northern hemisphere began about 1500 years ago, and for 9000 years to come, writes Mr. Wallace, "we may reasonably expect a gradual modification of our climate."

To illustrate the strength of the prej udice against corn in Great Britain, mention may be made of an instance in the city of Glasgow, Scotland, where it , was proposed by a Member of the Poor House Board to substitute maize for costlier food in that institution. The mere suggestion brought a storm about his ears, because of his inhumanity in thrusting upon defenseless paupers a food which was only fit for pigs. American canned goods of all kinds are largely sold in Europe, but canned corn is almost never seen there. If a domand for it could be created it would mean hundreds of thousands of dollars yearly to the proprietors and workers of our canneries. Agents of the Department of Agriculture have been exhibiting the cereal in this form also abroad with the hope of teaching the people to like it. Wherever corn dishes of various sorts have been prepared and distributed by them they have been received so favorably as to give good grounds for confident expectation in this regard. The use of the potato, the tomato and the tobacco plant, all of American origin, has spread through Europe and added to the comfort and happiness of millions. There seems to be more hope for corn now than there was for any of those commodities at the beginning.

suited.

and rather more securely rooted than when she returned it would be of her any others.

it was, and a ripple of wrong doing appearing upon the otherwise unruffled surface of its purity was like a little flavor of onion lurking in a bowl of "Half suspected," it animated the whole. So the people of the straitlaced town were perhaps unduly hasty in grasping a forbidden fruit when they declared, with something nearly approaching unanimity, that Philip Mesmer and Mabel Stone had eloped.

To be sure, the circumstantial evidence was strong against the young couple. Philip was only twenty two, and though all his friends said he had in him the making of a great lawyer, he had not yet into months. Mabel's retreat was nearly been called to the bar. This would not have mattered greatly, because his life as much a mystery as ever-not as much, lay before him, and his crusty old uncle for Philip received one short letter from allowed him enough money to cover his her, which relieved his anyiety. She bare expenses, with the provision that it was in New York, and was sale and well. should all he returned, with accrued in- She refused to tell him her address, but terest and by increasing installments, as promised to write to him again when soon as his profession began to yield him events justified such a course-say, when an mcome. But Philip, though not yet the Philadelphia newspapers announced a barrister, was too good a lawyer not to that Colly had won his suit against West. be ignorant of the dangers of delay. He With this assurance he was obliged to be had already, he hoped, carried one suit to a successful issue. It was a suit for December Philip was called to the bar. Mabel's hand in marriage, and the young lady had readered judgment in his favor. But Deacon Stone had reviewed this decision, reversed it, and thrown Philip's case, on motion of appeal, out of court. He said his daughter was his heiress, and, as he was rich, no penniless young fellow, on the strength of his expectations, should marry her. Philip, however, was not easily non At a last interview with Mabel. before he went back to Philadelphia to Arch street might have wanted a fire. digest more law, he offered to release her from her engagement to him; but Mabel

was not the sort of girl to take advantage of his generosity, and perhaps he knew that before he exercised it. (especially love with a profound knowldge of law behind it) is rarely quite unelfish. She promised to wait for him. prairie homes where the wilderness would if necessary, until time was no longer young, and he assured her that he would Colly vs. West would be tried in the fortune. riend of his dead father, was plodged to

left standing. "And if that isn's a good case and a heart, he took her last short brave letter sure winner, darling, "said Philip, en. from his desk and laid it on the table, look at the anow any place in Quebec thusiastically, as he folded Mabel in his while he drew the hamp toward him. It without seeing footprints with this man's arms, "I wonder what is. Don't you!" was beside the other two envelopes, but name glaring boldly from them."-Then he kissed her again, and said he he keew her writing well, and looked Rochester Uuion.

of righteousness, Squalacket knew what utmost delicacy, for he knew that anything like publicity would deeply offend her. It was with great difficulty that he from taking the police into his cond-dence; and the old man departed, finally, vowing that if his daughter were not back in Squalacket before the end of the week he would obtain a warrant for Philip's arrest, and raise such a hue-andery after Mabel as would lead to her discovery if she were still above ground. Other and more important matters must have claimed his attention, for, so far as Philip could ascertain, he made no further attempt to find the fugitive. And so the dreary weeks lengthened

contented; and in the early days of

But while one man may lead a horse to the water, twenty men caunot make him drink; and Philip soon found that it is easier to become a barrister than to find clients. The case of Colly vs. West went over until the next torm of the court. The parsimonious uncle had stopped supplies, and if the briefless young lawyer had not successed in obtaining a little literary work as bookreviewer for a newspaper, the room in It was warm and comrortable enough however, when he hurried into it out of the biting air one evening; and, lighting the lamp, he saw that two sealed enve-Love lopes lay upon the table. The one he opened first contained a circular from a New York land syndicate, setting forth the great opportunities offered to obtain

on be made to blossom like a rose. return to Squalacket to claim her as soon The address on the second envelope was as he had mastered the contents of his in writing that was strange to him. It first brief, which he expected with the enclosed a letter from a lawyer, annew year; for he was called to the bar nouncing the sudden death of his uncle, ut Christmas, and in Jauuary the case and his accession to a reasonably large

Superior Court, and Colly, who was a And now where was Mabell She would not communicate with him, he stain him as junior counsel to show the knew, until good news reached her. ury that West and cut down a tree She might learn of a successful issue to which stood eveni; on the dividing line the suit of Colly vs. West, but how was of the West and Colly properties, and she to hear of this windfull unless he aughed derisively and scurriously raited told her of it? He was a comparatively at Colly for saying that his half of the rach man now, but he cared nothing for trunk should have been respected and his wealth if Mabel could not share it with him, and, with a great longing in his

#### Some Pythagorean Mysteries.

Every lover of rare and curious information knows that most of the ancients were "dead set" against beans, but no modern unraveller of old-time mysteries knows why. It may be truly said that there are but few philosophers of the present day that "know beans." Pythagras admonished his pupils to "abstain from beans," but on what grounds no one knows. He was also authority for the old-time superstition that any sentence written in bean juice could be plainly reproduced on the disk of the moon! Andrew Ling says that the ancient folk-lore of beans is a most ourious and interesting topic, because it seems wholly out of the question that we should ever understand what it was all about. Demeter was the patroness of all fruits an I vegetables, but the ancients considered it impious to attribute to her the discovery of the bean. Heraclides, on the authority of Orpheus, declared that beans buried in manure piles forthwith became human beings .- St. Louis Republic,

#### Advertising Extraordinary.

"We have a shoemaker in our town," ay, & Quebec, (Canada) man, "whose bus us in selling overshoes had been almost ruined by a hustling rubber house, and who this winter, to get even, had a great opening sale, at which he gave to every purchaser of shoes a pair of rubber overshoes, upon the soles of which was his advertisement reversed, so that at every step the wearers take through the snow they leave his advertisement neatly printed in their tracks. The effect is nagical and powerful. You can scarcely

#### The Preside .t of Mexico.

Porifirio Diaz, the man who makes his home at Chapultepec, is rather disappointing when one from the North gets the first sight of him. While the palace is undergoing repairs at an enormous cost he makes his home in the palace, near the heart of the city. It is a plain building outside, looking much as the other houses do, but on the inside it is magnificently furnished. Diaz is an Aztec Indian of the pure blood. He is a short man, with black hair, eyes and mustache. He speaks but little English, and never attempts it in the presence of one from the States. He wears a Prince Albert in every day life, with a standing collar and broad, flat tie. He was born in 1850. From the time he reached manhood he was engaged in fighting his way to the highest position in the republic.

Twice he flew to New Orleans for safety, once returning to Vera Cruz in the guise of a coal heaver. He won his greatest honors at Puebla, when with 7000 men he defeated his opposition and seized the President's chair. The election resulted in his favor by 12,000 votes. There are no political parties in When the day of election came Mexico. Diaz had his soldiers at the polls and not a vote out of 10,000,000 population was cast against him, There was no other candidate to vote for. One of the first great acts of this man was to free the country of the bandits. They were so numerous and during that no one was safe. They would rush into the city, seize a prominent citizen and carry him away to the mountain for ransom with-

out a finger being raised against them. But Diaz stopped this. He made a contract with the bandits that they should have good pay serving the Goverament and their crimes forgotten if they would leave their life in the mountains. They can be seen every day on the paseo, where they stand guard. They are mounted on fine horses, splendidly equipped with carbines and sabres, and are the most courageous soldiers in the world. Any number of thieves may raid a bank in the City of Mexico and escape to the mountains. Give them three days start and put these bloodhound soldiers on their trail and not one will get out of the republic. The band knows every inch of the ground under the Mexican sun. They are faithful to Diaz .- New York Sun.

#### Split the Singer's Larynx.

Professor Schuller, a celebrated Berlin physician, recently had occasion to split n half the larynx of a well koown singer. After seventeen days the wound was pronounced healed, and curiously enough t was found that the singer not only had not lost his vocal organ, but that be s now enabled to use it to much better advantage than heretofore. I know of several New York singers who ought to go to Professor Schuller, of Berlin, and get their throats cut lengthwise .- New York Recorder.

mainsail, the blue inckets of the latter ship giving a good-by cheer to their comrades.

The Ansonita had cleared port but an hour when one of those ugly Southwest blows, so peculiar to the Gult, suddenly sprang up. Here was a fix, indeed, fo young officer. It is bad enough to have a gale of wind on one's hands, but to have in addition a lot of prisoners, outnumbering the prize crew, was an uncomfortable thought. However, the prisoners not needed were secured to the pin rail around the mainmast, and two eamen on guard stood close at hand. A few of the prisoners were stationed about the decks to haul ropes, but al ways under guard. The Ansonita, on the first appearance of the gale, was quickly gotten under close reefs, and with a mere handful of the jib showing, and the last reef in the mainsail, with the foresail stowed, she continued throughout the night, despite the high

sea and the water continually coming aboard, to log it off to the southward. It was a trying night, but might have been worse with a less stanch craft. As daylight broke the gale began rapidly to subside, the last reef in the mainsail was shaken out, then another, then some o the foresail gotten on her, until, when well on in the forenoon, the Ansonita appeared off Key West Harbor with only one reef in foresail and mainsail. That afternoon she was lying snugly alongside the Government wharf, her prisoners in the hands of the United States Marshal and her prize crew sleeping as only tired and exhausted men can sleep. Twelve hours later the McLane followed into port, her commanding officer not having deemed it advisable to force the cutter against the gale which had sprung up.

As a feat in seamanship and a nic pice of work in navigation along a mean and ticklish portion of the coast, the affair of the Ansonita is one of which any young officer can justly feel proud vessel was finally disposed of in the United States courts, some technicality freeing not only the Ansonita, but her captain and crew .-- Harper's Weekly,

#### Speed of Railroad Trains.

It is often desirable to relieve the tedium of travel by rail by testing the speed at which the train is running along, and many persons amuse them selves by timing this speed by noting, watch in hand, the time at which the various mile posts are passed. There is a rule, however, which gives approximately correct results, which any one may practice without reference to a time teeper. The rails average about thirty feet in length; and the number passes over in twenty seconds equals, roughly, the number of miles per hour at which the train is traveling. Unless the train is running at a very high speed, say over sixty miles par hour, there is no difficulty in counting the number of rails passed over, as there is a distinct click as the joint between each pair of rails is covered by the wheel .- New York Telegram.

heard was regarding a watchmaker who slept on a pallet .- Jewelers' Circular.

Both men and women have their failings. With men it is the big head; with women, the big hat .- Boston Transcript. The snare of a drum is not dangerous.

It is the snare of the will drummer that you want to look out for .- Boston Post.

It does not necessarily follow because a clergyman is affected that his hearers will be affected by his sermons .- Boston Transcript.

After much solicitation, the German Government has decided not to send the Watch on the Rhine to the World's Columbian Exposition .- Jewelers' Circular,

Why does she wriggle and squit m around And look so ill at ease? Because the minister's looking at her And she's trying not to sneeze. —New York Herald.

Life is made of companyations. By the time a man is old chough to realize what a lot he does not know he is too old to worry over it .- Indianapolis Journal.

Mr. Fligg--"Tommy, my son, do you know that it gives me as much pain as it does you when I punish you?" Tommy -"Well, there's some satisfaction in that, anyhow."-The Comic.

"I wish I hadn't eaten that apple," said Fatty, ruefullly. "Way, was it a bad one? "Woll, I believe it was spoiling for a fight, " and his face , took on a look of pain,-St. Joseph News.

He-"Do you think there is an truth in the saying, 'Distance makes ' heart grow fonder?'" She-"Pm m. of it. I like you ever to much bett when you are away."-Brooklyn Eagle

Mrs. Wickwire-"Just think of it Mrs. Bragg's husband accompanies 1 wife whenever she goes shopping. Isn't he good?" Mr. Wickwire-"H'mh I've got more confidence in my wife that that."-Indianapolis Journal.

It is a little odd about life insuranc It is universally admitted that the gdie young, but no company cares to ta a risk on the bad mun, when if the co verse of the proverb be true, he ought t live till all is blue. - Boston Transcript

Mr. Blackhills (displaying his collec-' tion of Indian curios) -"That is a specimen of the was paint of the Sioux. I brought it when I came home from my last trip." Fair Visitor-"Ah, yes, ] sco; sort of a Sioux veneer."-Boston Post:

Did it ever occur to you that Columhas was in a very melancholy state of mind when he was on his voyage to the New World? If not, remember what the old song says, "In 1492 Columbus -crossed the ocean blue."-Boston Transcript.

Not Entirely Sure: Father-"Well, Tommy, how do you think you will like this little fellow for a brother !" Tom my (inspecting the new 'nfant somewhat (lonbtfully) -- "Have we got to keep him. papa, or is he only a \_mplo?"-Chice Tribune,