

orrespondence solicited from all parts of the

New Jersey manufactures more silk than any other State in the Union.

The Dutch Government will eventually own and entirely control all its railroads.

George Goodloe, who recently combined in Texas the ministry and burglary, has given up both and is resting in the prison.

The city of Milwaukee, Wis., has condemned the cottonwood tree and decided that all such within the city's limits must be removed within ten days.

Munhall, in his "Balance Sheet of the World," says; "Every day the sun rises upon the American people it sees au addition of \$2,500,000 to the seenmulation of wealth in the Republic, which is equal to one-third of the daily accumulation of mankind outside of the United States."

Among the successful farmers and fruit growers in California are a hundred or more Turks who came to this country to be farmers. A great many of the small farmers on the Pacific slope are Chinamen, who carry their fruit and truck to the towns in boxes and baskets swung from a yoke on the shoulders.

Some New York shops maintain at times a curiously primitive messenger service in the suburbs. A messenger is dispatched by rail to some central suburban station and starting thence he delivers on foot small packages of goods to customers a mile or more from the railway station. It is an expensive and laborious system, maintained to encourage trade from rapidly growing suburbs.

American sailors on men-of-war who desert in foreign ports cannot be arrested and returned. This rule, explains the Boston Cultivator, is an outgrowth of the contention of this country on which the War of 1812 was fought, the right of every man to change his allegiance, and exemption from interference by any foreign power. Sailors on merchant vessels who violate their contracts can be held to them, but deserting from a man-of-war in a foreign port, though h more serious offence, cannot be punished.

Sava the Age of Steel: The renewed trend of foreign capital to the South is one of the significant signs of a coming revival of prosperity in that section. Both British and German capitalists are already in the field on a quiet hunt for profitable investments. Representatives of the Rothschilds' interests are expected shortly to make an investigating tour to apprise the European capitalists they represent of what inducements there may be for placing large sums of money in railroads, mineral lands and other enterprises. Some German capitalists are, it is said, intending to make arrangements for the establishment of a line of German steamships, carrying Western cereals to foreign markets via New Orleans. Other announcements of foreign enterprise in the same direction are in evidence of a coming movement of capital southward.

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REMEMBERED SONGS. My love a song of Scotland sang, One merry, merry day, And in my ears the pibroch rang, I heard the pipers play ; I saw the plaided clansmen meet-

Blue was the morning sky-The heather blossomed at my feet ; A highland king was L. My love a song of Norway sang. An old Germanie theme

And where the mystic Eddas sprang I wandered in a dream. I heard a chant of Runic name, Where Mimer's fountains shine And with the knights of Slegfred came. An errant of the Rhine.

My love she sang a song of Spain ; I wandered long and far, And in the court of Charlemagne I watched the morning star. I listened to the redondel. Tones of Leys d'amour, The canno and the pastorel-I was a troubadour.

My love she sang a song of love ; Her words were sweet and low, As though the echoes from above Had strayed to me below.

No more my fancy wandered free, Where time and change have part : The wide, wide world had come to me, The morning of the heart. -Laura F. Hinsdale, In Times-Democrat.

# BELLE OF THE BIG DRAW.

BY ALICE MACGOWAN.

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of the whole Big Draw country.

The slender store of accomplishments acquired in her girlhood were not thrown aside because she sometimes had to ride the range, gun in hand, looking for timber wolves.

neighborhood who didn't make a con- her a week or two ago, but old Teofilo fidante of her about his love affairsparticularly if they chanced to go urchin, and up she went, laughing a ond barrel. Knowing he would not wrong.

She was always ready to give an hour to listening to their woes, giving revolving, but the first turn struck was faled to stop him. M. tried to them good advice or playing Smith's the hammer out of her hand, and retreat, caught his foot and fell on his the wheezy little melodeon. She could sing, too, in a thin, sweet

old voice, songs that the boys loved such as "Roll on, Silver Moon" and so flitted through her mind. "Araby's Daughter

gretted it the moment it was out. The in the house, and if you were about, I red roses in the wrinkled cheeks be- was to get you sway on some prefore him faded till they seemed like text. withered rose leaves. A shudder went over the pathetic

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him. Says\_o's been sick, and gave

For she had risen and was gripping

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Wade's all right, "she whispered, husk-

piano that me and the rest of the boys

sent to Emerald City for, and hauled

burned in the least) had been dis-

Elephant Shooting in Ceylon.

it again in the thorn jungle-a rogue.

The brute stopped in the

Our first attempt at clophant shoot-

-Washington Star.

his arm hard with both hands.

"That's why I think he went off as little figure before him. Poor Wade! he did. I know Wade better than you Already he was "it" to everybody but do"-Tom doubted that-+ "he's young her! and likes to make a good appearance, Tom was fanning her vigorously and maybe he didn't care to have an with his big cowboy hat. old-fashioned woman like me around "Don't you feel better now-well with him everywhere." enough to come in and see it? The "An old-fashioned angel," muttered boys 'll be cut up about your getting

Tom to fits boots; "any decent man sight of it before they were ready-would be only too proud of such a but you had to see it sometime, of mother-there, now; I've made you course. cry again, when I was trying to say mething pleasant !"

"No," said Mrs. Moore, raising a patient heart, "O, Wade, my son, my resolute face full of cheerful courage. son " she cried, and burst into a storm 'No, I'm not going to let it worry me of sobs. any more. I ve divided my trouble with you now by telling of it, and I'm Tom. going to put it out of my mind. "I'm not going to spoil you boys' driving, but he kept his hat pulled Christmas dinner by being dull or depressed, either. "O, the Christmas dinner," said the folks at the hospital the wrong ad-

Tom (it was an annual institution with dress is the reason his letters didn't Mrs. Moore). "There are ten coming get here, but he's all right now-why, that I know of--did you get the tur- what's the matter?" keys?

"Yes," she answered, "fine ones, and my pumpkins turned out so well this year. Teofilo fixed up a plan for irri-gating the garden. We won't have "A piano for you," said Tom. the canned stuff like we had last." "Well," said Tom, rising to go, "I

wouldn't worry about Wade. He'll be home all right when his money gives And when the dinner (which wasn't home all right when his money gives out. You must be ready to play and sing for us tomorrow. You know we SLENDER, gray- boys expect plenty of music when we

haired little woman of fifty she was, slightly bent from a and start those pies right now. Tell will," cheerfully, "and I'll go in and start those pies right now. Tell piano, to the great delight of her piano, to the great delight of her piano, to the great delight of her lifetime of hard the boys to bring any poor fellow they work, yet I speak know that's away from home and has advisedly when Isay no place to eat the Christmas dinner." Tom rode away, and the last word belleship is calcu-lated by the number Moore thought, was a faint hail sent

of one's masculine backadmirers-the belle "Mind-we-expect music!"

Christmas morning Mrs. Moore had the toss, had the satisfaction of baked her pies. A goodly row. The Traw country. Everybody loved her. They couldn't baked her pies. A goodly row. The shooting our first elephant-a bull turkeys were in the oven, the other with short tushes. Next day it was help it; but I think the reason for the dishes baking, simmering or stewing. entire admiration every man of her as best suited them, when the windacquaintance-young, old or middle-aged-gave her was that she was, in stopped pumping. That meant, since spite of her bravery in carrying on the store was already low, a cutting alone, for twenty years, the trying off of the water supply before night. My elephant struggled up again only work of a ranch, so thoroughly a wo- "I might as well fix it before I to perish by the left barrel. H. killed change my dress," she reflected, and

catching up a heavy hammer she went out to the tower. Forty feet seems a rather extraordinary climb for a woman of her age,

the ladder, too, was wooden, old and There wasn't a young fellow in the unsafe, as Tom Andrews had warned was gone; she was as fearless as an charged, but was turned with the sec little. A tap from her big hammer go far, we advanced against him by parallel game paths. He charged M.,

March or Maiden's Prayer for them on down it fell, knocking off three rungs back. of the rickety ladder as it went. Well, she was finely caught.

Visions of the Christmas dinner and whose choruses they could join in, burning up while she was imprisoned tridges-the elephant being between

her down.

him and his tracker. Fortunately, I LOOKING about for aid she saw a caught a sight of the brute across the own boy, her only son, had pony and rider approaching the front thorns and gave him another ball. He turned out, as widows' only sons seem of the house cautiously. It was Tom at once charged at the smoke, but the prone to do, not exactly bad, but tri- Andrews; but how curiously he was jungle or his wounds impeded him, acting. He dismounted, tied his pony and gave me time to run a few yards Perhaps she loved him too well or in a bunch of mesquite and came up to windward. When he emerged I humored him too much, but it is sure to the house almost on tiptoe, looked brought him to his knees, and M. that her little court of admirers was in at every window, tried some of the who had followed him in the track, wrathy more than once over reports of doors, and then, standing on the gave him a coup de grace behind the ear. -Outing.

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# SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL, BEAR VERSUS ALLIGATOR.

A year on Jupiter is equal to eleven years, ten months and seventeen days A FIERCE FIGHT IN A LOUISIANA on our globe.

tracing all man's diseases to the fact that he wears clothes

to be fully as great as that of Africa and Australia combined.

ton-seed oil, once regarded as useless, is artificial India rubber.

The utter lack of sympathy in the cases of the eye. No other the human body has so many. No other organ of young voice quite broke his listener's

which usually follows a great battle is "Why, yes," said poor, bewildered ont. "Wade's all right. He's in that it is caused, not by the smoke but by the perspiration of the solthere with the others. It was him diers.

ble has been adopted by the North Gernan Lloyd and the Hamburg-American Companies

not only lending out electrical cooking stoves to customers but are prepared o supply a separate meter and charge half rates for cooking.

An instrument has been invented for ounding the depths of the sea without using a lead line. A sinker is dropped containing a cartridge, which explodes on touching the bottom; the report is registered in a microphone apparatus and the depth reckoned by the time at which the explosion occurred.

experiments. He claims that it is suc cessful. The steel is instantaneously made by placing a bar of iron and i stick of charcoal together in a parallel nace of a temperature of 1000 degree rent.

It may not be known to the general reader that a rifle ball deflected from emptied their rifles into it. This was a good beginning, but the firing had its course immediately resumes its line disturbed the game, and we now had of flight after rimming the object it is to go farther afield for it. We found unable to pass directly through. That is to say, a ball turned from its course H. fired first, and the brute promptly by a rib passes under the skin until it. reaches a point mathematically oppo site to the point where it entered the soldier's body and then passes out, resuming its exact line of flight, i enough of its initial velocity remains.

### Snow Sheds of the Union Pacific.

smoke, and commenced beating for with its trunk. M., I afterward learned, A correspondent of the New York over a hidden sand-bar, so the fight was a little more even. With a vicious was trying silently to get in fresh car-Observer says: With two and sometimes three engines, our heavy train, now divided into two sections, climbed up the giant wall of the Sierra Nevada We passed through the magnificent scenery of Shady Run, Blue Canyon and Giant and Emigrant Gaps. running one hundred and seven miles we had climbed nearly seven hundred feet, sometimes over very steep grades. Before we reached the summit, snow sheds began to appear, and soon be came practically continuous. It was tough hide, but they were at such close the month of May, and the mountains were still covered deep with snow. quarters that he could not give it swine enough to break any bones. He was We rode through forty miles of these gradually working around to a better wooden tunnels, from whose window position, however, and suddenly we could now and then eatch glimpses planted a vicious blow square on th of wild wastes of snow-covered mounbreast that sent the bear flying head tains, and at other times of forests of over heels into deep water. He was up in a second and both rushed topine and fir trees. Without these sheds it would be impossible to opergether. The bear again sought the ate the road in winter. They are alligator's soft throat, and with his built in the most thorough manner, sharp teeth tore great mouthfuls of often upon solid foundations of masonbleeding flesh. ry, and are separated by iron plate Now, we thought, the victory will into sections, to guard against the surely be with the bear. He certainly spread of fire. There are automatic did seem to have the best of it. Th electric fire alarms in one of the longalligator used what breath had not est sheds, and an engine with a tank been squeezed out of him bellowing close at hand is kept ready to flood any like a bull. The sounds he uttered section that should catch on fire. The were so full of rage that the water-fowl sheds are patrolled and guarded in a and small animals near the bayou fled careful manner. Such attention is in affright. The two struggled back due not only to the passenger and and forth. The water was lashed into freight traffic which the road conducts. foam by the furious beating of the but to the value of the sheds, which alligator's tail. Straining and strugaverage from eight to twelve thousand gling, this way and that, suddenly the dollars per mile. Several miles, where writhing mass of ferocity slipped off bridges and precipices make the con of the narrow strip of sand and was in struction difficult, cost as much as deep water again. Now the conditions are reversed and the advantage on the thirty thousand dollars per mile," side of the alligator again. With a snake-like twist of his lithe body

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#### WHICHEVER WAY.

Whichever way the wind doth blow Some heart is giad to have it so : 1 Then blow it east or blow it west, The wind that blows, that wind is best.

My little crait salls not alone ; by a Huge Saurlan-A Duel to the A thousand fleets from every zone Are out upon a thousand seas ; TALTER D. KLAPP gives And what for me were favoring breeze in the New York Post a vivid description of a Might dash unother with the shock Of doom, upon some hidden rock. And so I do not dare to pray fierce encounter between a bear and an alligator which he wit For winds that waft me on my way nessed while hunting with a friend in Louisiana. Says Mr. Klapp : But leave it to a Higher WIII

To stay or speed me-trusting still That all is well, and sure that He While lazily enjoying our siesta wo were suddenly startled by a loud crashing in the lumbes on the other Who launched my bark will sail with me Thro' storm and caim, and will not fail, Whatever breezes may prevail, To land me-every peril past-Within His sholtering heaven at last.

> Then whatsoever wind doth blow iome heart is glad to have it so. And blow it east or blow it west, The wind that blows, that wind is best. -Woman's Record.

> > HUMOR OF THE DAY.

A good dressing down-Swan's You usually love people because you do not know them. -Atchison Globe. A tree seems more polite in winter because you can see its boughs .- Gazette.

The best "quarter-back"-The one returned by the man to whom you ent it. - Chicago Record.

Jagson says hot water will dissolve dmost everything, including a busiuess firm. - Elmira Gazette.

Stranger-"Who owns this store?" Officeboy- "The boss says I do, but I don't,"-Detroit Free Press.

I asked a gay chrysanthemum What made her flourish so: She answered, looking frolicsome "I get such lots of ahow!"

-Puck

Jones-"Does Daubre paint for a living?" Wright-"I should say not, to judge by his pictures."-New York Times.

"No," she exclaimed with emotion, "I can never forgive you, but-but-I will try to forget you."-Boston Transcript.

The warlike spirit never dies, In pence 'lls present just the same ; When Nations know no emetics Their routh will brave the football game,

Washington Star Mrs. Brown-Jones-"So he married you after all?' Mrs. Brown-Smith-

'Yes, after all I had-, but he didn't get it."-Truth. To horrow money is to borrow

trouble, and some men find it a good deal of trouble to borrow money, too. -Somerville Journal.

A New Jersey exchange urges the use of the spring trap in dealing with thievish tramps. It's a snappy arti-cle.-Philadelphia Ledger.

"I have lost my heart," he whispered. Gazing in her lovely eyes : But the raniden coldly answered.

snarl the bear turned on his back, and, Professor Garner says he can tell what monkeys say to one another. But who wants to know that? There bending double, caught the alligato by the soft white flesh of his throat. is too much talk of that kind already. It was now the bear's turn to bite, and bite he did with such good will that -Chicago Tribune. He-"Was the Suddenlys clopethe blood spurted in streams and the ment a success?" She-"Hardly ; her alligator, letting go the foot he had been chewing, emitted a series of howls father telegraphed them out West to that made the woods ring. Then the fight grew fiercer. The alligator beat stay where they were and all would be forgiven."-Brooklyn Life. a loud tattoo with his tail on the bear's

A Russian scientist has succeeded in While Drinking Bruin is Attacked The surface area of the moon is said Death Among other articles made from cot-

There are forty-eight distinct dis-

The latest explanation of the rain

A new system by which smokeless combustion of coal is rendered possi-

London electrical supply firms are

posed of, any passerby might have heard the melodious strains of Smith's A new method of producing steel has been suggested to M. Jules Gar-March as performed by the belle of nier by M. Moissan's diamond-making audience, saluting the prairie breeze. direction in an electrical fire brick furand subjecting them to a strong cur-

ing was in "the Park." Appu Sinhu made an excellent stalk, and H., who Sir Charles Lyall, basing his esti-mate on modifications of certain species of marine life, assigned 240, my turn in the thorn jungle. Appu 000,000 years as the required length Sinhu took me up a game path to within twenty feet of the herd-one of geologic time. Darwin claimed 200,000,000 years; Crowell, about 72,-000,000; Geikie, from 73,000,000 up ward; Alexander Winehell, but 3, offered a fair shot, and down he went With screams of terror the herd fled. 000,000; McGee, Upham and other recent authorities claim from 100,000, 000 up to 689,000,000 years. our third as it dashed by him in a game path, but not till he and M. had

bear by his hind leg. They were now in a place where the water was shallow

side of the bayou. Sustehing up our rifles, we rushed to the water's edge just in time to see a large black bear me out of the cane brake and walk leisurely to the opposite bank. He was evidently thirsty, and had sought the cool waters of the bayou instead of the easier obtained but hot and

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that the bear had no time to clinch

his hold on the tree, and so he tum-

bled headforemost into the water, and

turning a complete somersault, fell on

his back at some distance from the

In falling he had jerked himself free

from the alligator's teeth, and now he

to shore. But the alligator, with one

flirt of his tail, was upon him again,

this time seizing him by a forepaw

could hear the bones crack. The bear

uttered a terrific howl of pain and

rage, and with his other paw gave the alligator a blow which sent his long

body flying through the air for a con-

siderable distance. This short respite the bear utilized in paddling violently

for the shore, for he was at a deadly

disadvantage in the water against the

lightning speed of the alligator in his

native element. If he could only gain

the shore, it would soon be "his pic-

nic," for the alligator cannot turn

around, his little stumpy legs being

he slipped from the bear's clutches and, wheeling around, the

long, powerful tail flashed for an in-

stant in the air and descended with

crushing force full on the back of the

bear. The thick backbone snapped

like a reed. With the cry of a human

being in distress the bear rolled over,

limp and lifeless, and sank to the bet-

tom like a stone, and the fight was

The victor, apparently lifeless,

Upon drawing him out of the water

Bince the reduction of cab fares in

over.

seventy-seven.

Like a flush the alligator caught the

We

and crushing it like an eggshell.

began to make frantic efforts to swim

staguant lake water. As he had not yet caught sight of us we concluded to wait developments before attempting to secure so enviable a prize. The bear climbed into a low tree

that grew out of the side of the bank, and proceeded to erawl out on a stont limb overhanging the bayou. His weight bent the thick limb till it dipped into the water, and the bear squatted himself on the interlacing branches and began lapping vigorous-ly. So eagerly did he drink, and so intently were we watching him, that neither noticed a fierce swirling of the water just below, until a long black snout shot suddenly from beneath the surface and two gleaming rows of teeth closed on the outstretched muz-zle of the bear. The shock of this unexpected onslanght was so sudden

alligator.

too far apart.

The differences between city and country ways have been illustrated in a curious manner by an experiment of the Postoffice Department. Under the last administration about lifty villages and small towns, ranging in population from 800 to 4000 inhabitants, were picked out for a trial of the system of distributing mail matter by carrier, as in large cities. At first general satisfaction was manifested, and the receipts of many of the offices for a while showed an increase, indicating that the convenience stimulated correspondence; but as the novelty wore off, the residents very generally tired of the change, and returned to the old practice of going to the office themselves for the mail. A majority of the people would apparently rather have their letters lie in the office until they call for them, and thus have an excuse for frequent visits to the centre of local activity, than have their mail delivered overy day at their houses. The carrier in such places is really a foe to social activity, as "going to the postoffice" has always been a recognized means of mixing with men, and its occasional inconvenience is preferable to the loss of what is often only a pretext for making a break in the monotony of a retired life. In view of the evidence that there is not "a long felt want" to be met by this system of free delivery in small communities, and of the fact that its general adoption would involve an annual expense of at least \$10,000,000, the First Assistant Postmaster-General advises a suspension of the experiment.

Her time

the hardships wrought for his mother porch, called her name very softly. by Wade Moore's neglect. She laughed as she looked at hin

People had seen her out on the No, she wouldn't answer. range in bad weather, doing a man's rather anybody but Tom Andrews work, and been told in hasty apology should help that Wade was sick at home, but seemed so horrified at the idea that me to crowded political and labor these seizures never kept him from she should ever go up on windmills at meetings, generally held in rooms destown of an evening, if there was any all when he had warned her of the un-fun on hand. titute of any means of ventilation. The heat was intense, the air fetid and

He wasn't popular with the boys ho adored Mrs. Moore, and they the little divide that hid the house who would have been glad to let him see it from the road, and waved his handkerin some marked way, only they knew chief to some one she could not see. that any blow aimed at him must An awful fear clutched at her heart strike her gentle heart first.

Finally, some time along in the came in sight along the road. summer, he went to Kansas City with wagon with the ten young men she first touch of cold air I took a deep incattle, and his mother had been ran- had expected to dinner, some riding spiration and then held my breath for ning the Bar 6 alone for nearly five in it, some walking beside it, and in the body of it a long box, covered with

Her friends had not neglected her a cloth. in that time. Tom Andrews, the young fellow who was manager of the a She knew what that meant as soon as her eye caught it. It was Wade-Three C's ranch, her next neighbor to her boy, her baby, her only son ! the south, and one of her best friends, They were bringing him home to her. rode over nearly every day to see how Her tired arms nearly let go their over. she was getting on, and whether there hold. was anything he could do for her.

They were driving up in front of This fine crisp December morning, the house now. They had gotten out those who are obliged to frequent unday before Christmas, he found silently and were carrying the long duly heated rooms. In my own case box in. She could hear the shuffling her sitting despondently on her porch, with no work touched and her hands of their feet. in her lap, and in answer to his anxi-"Oh, Wade, my little son," she

inquiry she told him she was moaned, "is this your home-coming !" troubled about Wade. Her mind went through all the tor-"Worrying because you want him ments we feel when our dear ones are ing the breath the skin could be main-home?" asked Tom. "Where is Wade taken from us-that all mothers know tained impenetrable to the sting of a

now for their sons who go astray. Would As he glauced at Mrs. Moore he saw it have been different if she had been the work-worn knotted little hands firmer, if she had been more lenient, Her if she had followed him at once when close convulsively together, head was bent, and Tom thought she she failed to hear-Oh, the tragedy of was crying. "I don't know," she said those "ifs.

in a voice scarcely above a whisper. Tom sat down on the porch edge, speechless with astonishment. "Have she longed to see the face of her boy All snakes are objects of aversion and nos you heard from him?" he said. in the coffin.

"I haven't heard a word since he left," she replied, "and I've got so anxious and worried I've got to tell somebody." somebody.

"Why, it's-"

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"Five months," filled in Mrs. Moore ; "but I wasn't uneasy until after the fair closed. I was sure he was there. down," she moaned. "I'd rather die distinguishing characteristic is af-He had plenty of money from the cat- on the ground." tle to go all right, and stay till it closed, and somehow I was sure that strong young arms, and set her on a teeth, the fang, or fange, being arwas what he meant to do."

"Why, Mrs. Moore," said Tom. "he'd never run off and leave you that way; you were intending to go toweren't you?"

How to Avoid Colds.

He had For many years my occupation took

poisonous. I have left such meetings bathed in perspiration and plunged into the chill of a winter's night, thereby running the risk of catching the severest cold. Yet, strange to say, as, in answer to the signal, a wagon I enjoyed a singular immunity from A such aggravating ailments. At the half a minute, in the meantime walking as fast as I could. During that half minute the pores of the skin were

closed against the chilling atmosphere. and by the time the lungs called for reinvigoration the body had considerably cooled, and the risk of a chill was

I recommend this practice to public speakers, vocalists, entertainers, and the practice never failed, and, although I fully believed in its value, I never understood the reason of it until learned scientist came forward with the remarkable theory that while holdtained impenetrable to the sting of a bee. - Providence Journal.

### The Teeth Tell if a Snake's Venomous.

There is a certain physiological difference between the poisonous and She thought of dropping to the harmless snakes, which exists very ground and ending it all there, but plainly in their manner of dentition. dread to mankind, so much so that to

duced death, although the snake was harmless. Such is the instinctive "I should think so," said Tom. Mattie," he cried-a name he kept for dread with which these reptiles are thought of that it may be desirable to have some easy mode of distinguishing the one kind from the other. This forded by the teeth. In all poisonous Tom ran and lifted her down in his snakes there are only two rows of bench against the windmill tower, and ranged either within the two rows or outside. The harmless snakes have four distinct rows of teeth, and when the

"Then you've been up there all the bits shows this kind of wound and not gether when the cattle were sold, time. The boys sent me on ahead to any single deeper or larger puncture, spy out the ground. They didn't there need be no apprehension .- New

## Fireside Heroes and Heroines,

The noblest and the commonest heroes and heroines are those of the fireside. They neither introduce nor obtrude themselves upon the public observation. They are usually BR/ conscious of their heroism. They suppose that startling occasions and erises are necessary in order to the unfolding of heroic character. Yet all the time in the simple rounds of home they are displaying traits which express the finest sense of heroism.

floated motionless on the surface of Fathers, husbands, sons, brothers the water-an alligator always floats whose lives are utterly unselfish, who when dead-so we were preparing to give up without murmuring personal leave, when a low moan recalled up wishes at the call of affection or duty ; and we found him in great pain and mothers, wives, daughters, cisters slowly bleeding to death from his lawho take up and carry heartbreaking cerated throat. The water for many griefs and back-bending burdens that yards around was dyed crimson with others near and dear to them may be his blood and his moaning was pitiful eased and benefited-are not these to hear. We deemed it an act of true heroes and true heroines? They mercy to kill him, and a well-directed do what they do without any expectabullet in the eye soon put an end to tion of fame; may, they hide their his sufferings. self-renunciation, and bear their crosses with silent dignity. All the and measuring him, he was found to more do they wear the halo of anintstretch a full sixteen feet from tip to hood, visible to anointed eyes as the aureole on the cauvas of Murillo or tip, one of the largest known.

Titing. God bless all mute and inglorious Leroes and heroines !- St. Louis Republic.

Police Magistrate-"Have you ever seen the prisoner at the bar?" Witness-"Never, your Honor; but I've seen him when I strongly suspected he'd been at it."-Tit-Bits.

Columbus was considered a great Italian because he made an egg stand on end, but nowadays Italians think othing of having a peanut stand or the corner. - Buffalo Times.

There was a young man in Bellaire, Who said, "When I was at the faire-"

So they jumped on his neck And left bin a wreek, With his beels sticking up in the alre. —Indian spolls Journal.

"You seem to be a-frayed," observed the flat-iron. "That's because I am hard pressed," retorted the cellar, starchily. And the ironing-board got hot under the collar. --Chiango Tribune.

A fine collection of fossils formed by her father has been given to Cambridge University (England) by Mrs. Moore of Beardley. Several interesting specimens are still at large on this side. - Philadelphia Ledger.

Officeboy-"I'll get even with the old snoozer for not letting me off this afternoon." Janitor -"What can you do?" Officeboy-"Every crank, book agent and buin that comes will go straight in. "-Brooklyn Life.

Crusty Old Gentleman-"Your singing, Miss Taylor, is like attar of roses Miss Taylor (with a gratified smile)- "Oh, you are too flattering. Old Contleman continuing)-"A little of it goes a long way."- Tit-Bits.

'feacher-"Who can tell me what useful article we got from the whale?" Johnny - "Whalebone." Teacher-"Right. Now, what little boy or girl knows what we get from the seal? Tommy - "Scaling wax. - Racket.

"Mr. Smartly," said the professor in the astronomy class, whow far should we let ourselves be guided by the theories of Copernieus?" "As to that," replied Mr. Smartly, "I should prefer to intrust so important a de cision entirely to you, sir,"-Chicago Record.

"I have seed some pretty ignerat people among the summer boarders my wife takes every year," said old Mr. Jason, "but they ain't never none of them up to the young woman that wanted to know if apple builter was made from feadin' apples to the cows. -Indianapolis Journal.

London the ratio of patronage to population has risen from 14.6 to 'The best whispering gallery is in the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral, in London. Margaret Street

It was a cruel question, and Tomre- want to bring it while you were York Times.

"Why, Aunt Mst; why, Aunt state occasions of great excitement. "How did you get up there?"

"O, help me down, dear, lift

stood looking down at her. "I saw you," she gasped.