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The marriage rate in England is lower at present than ever before,

A guographical expert estimates the fertile portion of the earth's surface at 20,260,200 square miles and the barren region at 22,960,00 square

Russia is the only country from which there has been an increased immigration into the United States during the last ten months, notes the Bothester Post-Express.

Our trade with the Hawaiian Islands twenty years ago amounted to only \$1,631,580; but for the last fiscal year exports and imports were valued at nearly twelve million dol-

Competent authority, even in European countries, is unanimous in the view that the wild flowers of America are the finest in the world, yet, laments the Detroit Free Press, Americans know practically nothing about

The Protestant population of all Europe is about 50,000,000, or equal to that of the United States; but while continental Europe has only about eight per cent, of the Sunday-schools of the world, the United States has forty-nine per cent., or nearly one-

Henry Labouchere says in London Truth: "The reading public may be divided into three classes: Those who read and remember; they are few. Those who read and forget; they are many. Those who read little or nothing, and they are most. The original writer of to-day belongs to the first class, and, it may be said, he writes for the others."

There has recently been some dispute as to the authorship of the song "The Vacant Chair," which has been sung all over the world for nearly thirty years. The Watchman, of Boston, says it was written by the Hon. Henry S. Washburn, in memory of Lieutenant J. William Grout, who was shot in the retreat from Ball's Bluff. The song was first printed in the Worcester (Mass.) Spy.

According to the Glasgow (Scotland) News it appears that the latest statistics issued by the German Imperial Health Department give to Berlin the honor of being the healthiest city in the world. The death-rate is given as only 16.3 per 1009. The unhealthiest city is Alexandria, which, despite its unvarying fine weather, its 300 foun tains and its soft sea breezes, has a death-rate of no less than 52.9 per

Professor Richard L. Garner is certainly an enthusiast in his investigation of the language of the simians. Speaking of his recent visit to Africa, he said: "The world at large expects too much. People seem to insist apon it as their right that I should go to the gorilla country, spend a few months there, and return with a complete dictionary to the gorilla language. Why, if I were sure of learning eventhree words a year, I would forsake triends and family, go to Africa and devote the rest of my life to a study that yielded such rich results in the present and promised such immense possibilities for the future."

It is not only in Japan that incom petent doctors are punished for professional failure resulting in the loss of life of their patients, but in Russia also, where physicians are held similarly responsible. A well-known medical practitioner at St. Petersburg has just been sentenced to seven days' imprisonment, to a fine of 1000 rubles and to the payment of an annuity of 800 rables to a lady who was injured by his unskilful treatment. Russia is already lamentably deficient as far as the number of its medical men is concerned, and this somewhat drastic punishment is scarcely of a character to increase the popularity of the pro-

Captain Moore, of the sailing ship Mary Gibbs, tells a suggestive story of his last voyage. He was from Boston to the gold coast of Africa, and his cargo consisted of New England rum. Oddly enough, he also took out as pas-sengers two women missionaries, who had been sent out to exert a civilizing and Christianizing influence on these were having the Gibbs sailed for inator of this magnificent enterprise,

Almost seventy-five per cent. of the men manning the British mercantile marine are foreigners.

Forty-four out of every hundred persons in the United States are agriculturists; fifty-six in Canada, forty-eight in France, seventeen in Germany and seven in England.

The United States maintains in China one hundred and thirteen missionary stations, quite forgetting the fact that China maintains, in Californis alone, forty heathen temples.

Mark Twain asserts that there are less than fifty original jokes in existence, all the others being simply modifications of these. There are only seven notes of music, but we get a great variety of harmony out of

Our trade with Japan is falling off. In 1891 38,25 per cent, of the goods exported by that country came to the United States; but in 1893 only 31.49 per cent. In 1891 10.87 per cent. of all the goods bought by Japan came from this country; but in 1893 only

A triumph of art over nature was illustrated recently when a well-known English artist made a painting of some old beech trees in a Kent pasture, which he sold for \$1400. The owner of the pasture sold his land and the trees together for \$500, and called it a good sale at that

United States Consul Penfield, at Cairo, says that Egypt is aggressively comparing in a small way with us, not only in Europe, but at home, in supplying raw cotton, and the consumption of Egyptain cotton by New England spindlers has grown from nothing, ten years ago, to more than 60,-000 bales, and valued at \$3,000,000.

Within a few months Pekin will be united by wire with St. Petersburg. and, in consequence, with the telegraph system of the entire civilized world. According to the latest issue of the Turkestan Gazette, the telegraph line from Pekin has been brought as far west as the city of Kashgar. The European end of the line is at Osh, and a small stretch of about 140 miles now alone breaks the direct telegraphic communication from the Atlantic to

The Secretary of the Interior has given up the experiments which the Government has been making for some tracts. The railroad companies operating in New Mexico and Arizona will, however, continue experiments along this line. Getting blood out of a turnip would not be a difficult operation if the plebian vegetable contained blood, and so artificial methods might precipitate moisture in the form of rain if there were any in the atmosphere, but there are places where the air is as moistureless as a live fish in a lime basket, and neither powder nor dynamite can shake out of it what it

The exhibition epidemic is raging the world over. Not only have all the capitals of Europe some kind of an international show running this year, but very many of the smaller cities have an exhibition on their hands. The United Exhibitions at Milan were opened on May 6. They comprise ten exhibitions, of fine arts, oils, wines, and other specialities. An International Sanitary and Health Exhibition is to be held in Boulogne from July to September next. An International Exhibition opens in Bucharest on August 26 and closes November 12. And now Tasmania comes forward with an invitation to the world to participate in an International Exhibition at Hobart on November 15 next.

The balance sheet of the Suez Canal just issued cannot fail in the opinion of the New York Tribune to be most satisfactory to the English nation. which, thanks to the foresight of Lord Beaconsfield, secured a controlling voice in the management of the property. The aggegate of nearly 3,000, 000 tons of shipping that have passed through the canal during the fiscal year that has just closed exceeds even the most sanguine estimates of Ferdinand de Lesseps, and in view of the fact that the vast majority of the vesbenigted people. The brigantine sels passing through the canal were of stopped at thirteen ports to unload the | English register, there being nearly cargo of rum, which was received with | 3000 British ships as compared with wild enthusiasm by the natives, while 170 French, the British directors have nobody seemed to want the mission- done the right and graceful thing in artes. The latter seemed discouraged, moving for and securing a vote makbut nevertheless went stoutly to work ing adequate and generous provision to counteract the effects of the rum. for the wife and family of the now Before he could tell what success they | moribund and completely ruined orig-

Ferdinand de Lesseps.

THE CLOVER.

Some sing of the lily and daisy and rose, And the pansies and pinks that the summe time throws

In the green, grassy lap of the medder that Blinkin' up at the skies, through the sun-

But what is the lily and all of the rest Of the flowers to a man with a heart in his

That has sipped, brimmin' full of the honey Of the sweet clover blossoms his boyhood

knew? I never set hevey on a clover field now, Or fool round a stable or climb in a mow, But my shildhood comes back just as clear

As the smell of the clover I'm sniffin' again And I wander away, in a barefooted dream, Where I tangled my toes in the blossoms that

With the dew of the dawn of the morning of Ere it wept o'er the graves that I'm weeping

And so I love clover. It seems like a part Of the sacredest sorrows and joys of my heart :

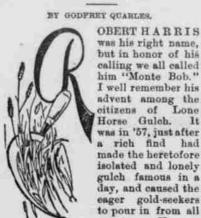
And thank the good Lord as I'm thankin' Him now. And pray to Him still for the strength, when

To go out in the clover and tell it good-by, And lovingly nestle my face in its bloom,

While my soul slips away on a breath

-James Whitcomb Biley.

MONTE BOB. BY GODFREY QUARLES.



was his right name, but in honor of his Horse Gulch. a rich find had

quarters. He was East. at that time very young. His fresh, boyish face had apparently never made the acquaintance of a razor. His blue eyes were round and laughing, and his mass of jet black hair, fine and soft as silk, would have been an enviable source of beauty to any His figure was slight and youthful, and strongly suggestive of the truant school boy.

A single day served to make the Gulch, and soon after his arrival to work, was known to the whole one liked him; but when one night he won five thousand ing men, and pocketed the money with an uncle.

Like many others, "Monte Boh" vouched for by the postmaster, a gentleman of unquestionable veracity, California. that "Monte Bob," though he always perate, he ha read them carefully, very seldom replied to the letters received. But, as the postmaster had been a heavy loser private correspondence were received the other hand, the agent of the Welis, Fargo & Company express line, a gentleman of equal standing in the com-munity, asserted that "Monte Bob" often sent large sums of money to a certain Mrs. John Harris in the East. This statement was made before a crowd of citizens at the Eureka saloon, where the testimony of the postmaster in regard to the domestic atfairs of "a well-known business man" were undergoing careful examination. The trusted agent of the great express company was a warm admirer of the the prospect of his becoming a partyouthful gambler, and always concluded this evidence of his hero's redeeming qualities by saying: you may bet yer boots, he sends that thar money to his old mother back in the States; and ten to one he is the only galoot in this yer camp that does failing and that she had but a few And a large majority of the camp

acquiesced in this opinion. At an early period "Monte Bob" showed that he was a public minded welfare of the town was sadly neglected and that a place of public worship was one of the prime needs, he was the first to head the building subscription young preacher fell sick of fever and after a long sickness died, "Monto sickness were paid. Then in a quiet her friends in the East.

died, unmindful of danger, "Monte carefully as any woman. When the scourge died away and those who had fied came back, he returned once money, had given up in disgust. more to his fascinating calling and

work he had done. its inception, its glory and its decay, One by one the bars petered out. The newer and more paying fields of labor, and I lost sight of "Monte Bob."

Five years had passed and I was laboring on one of the well known Sac-The flight of time had left its shadow carded, the shiny suit of broad cloth had been supplemented by a plain business suit, and the dazzling diamond had disappeared. He was taller, his shoulders broader and his step firmer than when last we met. The dashing, reckless gambler of five years before was gone, and his place had been taken by a quiet, carnest man. dial pressure of his hand, I knew was glad to meet me. He talked freely of then I left him at the door of a wellcalling we all called knewn business house with an invitahim "Monte Bob." tion to come and see me. That very af- and pretty, bright-eyed children I well remember his ternoon I learned from another old climb upon his knee and call him advent among the citizen of the Gulch that he had long "papa." The friendship began in advent among the citizen of the Gulch that he had long citizens of Lone since abandoned the life of a gambler, It and was now and had been for two was in '57, just after years working as a bookkeeper. And stronger with the flight of years; for a rich find had let me say that my informant was the lady who sits opposite to me made the heretofore none other than "Monte Bob's" warm while I write and whom I call wife, isolated and lonely friend, the old-time express agent at is "Monte Bob's" sister. gulch famous in a the Gulch. I also had it from that day, and caused the gentleman, that a larger portion of the young man's wages was regular

to pour in from all sent to his mother and sister in the Contrary to my expectation, Bob extended to him, and soon after spent newcomer a citizen of Lone Horse arranged that he should spend an their well-protected bodies. A coat "The Kid," as he was called, on ac- the months that followed our acquain- coat of feathers for safety, so far as a

from one of Frisco's most noted sport- mere boy, leaving him to the care of paratively mild weather, go back to careless indifference, his reputation passed at his uncle's house and at their eggs on the ice. For two or was made; pity was changed to ad- school. Lacking the kind, watchful three weeks the tender breast of the miration; Lone Horse Gulch was en- care of a father and deprived by cir- sea swallow is pressed against a cold thusiastic, and its citizens to a man cumstances of the loving thoughtful- block of ice. Again, as another exvied in doing honor to the new found ness of a mother, he had been led ample of the influence of food rather hero. From that day forth he became astray by the influences which sur- than climate in governing bird action, a leading citizen, and the faro bank round the youth of a great city. In take the colony of beccaficos. The which he soon after set up was well the course of time he became heavily indebted to a gambler, and fearing exposure, he had forged his uncle's was very reticent in regard to his past check to the amount of several hun-He was frequently the re- dred dollars, hoping to replace the money ere his uncle should learn what postmark. Some were directed in the he had done. This he failed to doweak, nervous hand peculiar to wo-men of advancing years; the rest in the round, graceful hand of a school himself from a felon's cell. By his girl. But it was a noticeable fact, mother he was given money to aid him in his flight, and had come to California. Made reckless and desperate, he had first adopted the gaming table as a means of support, and with what success I well knew. money given him by his mother and at Bob's faro pank, these state-that taken from his uncle had been ments in regard to his neglect of his promptly retured. He had also paid for the education of his young sister with a marked grain of allowance. Oa and enabled his mother, who has lost most of her property, to live in comfort. Her love had always followed. him, and through her entreaties and the promptings of his own better self he had given up drink and abandoned the gaming table.

He was working hard; had won the confidence of his employers; was receiving a fair salary and by frugal liv-

ing was constantly saving money, Two years had passed since we had become fast friends, and Bob was now the confidential clerk of his firm, and ner was not far distant. There remained nothing for him to do but to years to live, he redoubled his exertions, hoping that the pure air and back the health of the invalid. His salary had been increased and he was it was determined that the spiritual months, perhaps a year, would have es with him.

and that all the debts incurred by his played out and been abandoned as Orleans Picayane. worthless. The stock was not even way he furnished the weak, frail worth the paper on which it was The mining regions of Californ's widow means with which she reached printed, and the world had forgotten cover a belt of country about 22.

And, again, when the dread scourge, But the original proprietor of the comsmallpox, broke out in the camp and pany was one of a class of men to scores of strong men sickened and whom many a wealthy man of to-day owes his sudden rise to riches and Bob" put to shame those who had fled affluence. He had energy and persein fear, by closing his bank and nurs- verance and unbounded faith in the ing those around him as tenderly and possibilities of his claim, and kept working away long after his fellow stockholders, having wasted their

At last the labor of years had been was never heard to mention the good rewarded, and he had struck a vein of ore so rich in quality and capacity Like many other mining towns, in that the stock which had long been two short years Lone Horse Gulch saw valueless leaped at once to par and began steadly climbing. The papers were filled with accounts of the rich dissatisfied miners were forced to seek find, and the Stock Exchange was crowded with eager, excited men, anxious to buy the long-neglected stocks. Daily we eagerly scanned the reports and noted the rapid rise of ramento darlies as city editor. In Tuolumne Mining Company's stock. the hurry and rush of daily journalism At last when it paused and stood still the old life at Lone Horse Gulch had at seventy five above par we sold and long since become a thing of the part, found ourselves each seventy five when suddenly several things occurred thousand dollars richer than we had to bring it back, fresh and vivid, to been one month before. Bob seemed mind; for going to my duties at an but little elated by his sudden rise to early hour one morning, I chanced to wealth and only thought of the happi-overtake my old friend "Monte Bob." ness it would bring to those whom he loved. The modest little cottage which upon him, and he was changed. A he had rented was given up and a heavy monstache covered the smooth handsome mansion purchased and The rakish high hat had been dis- fitted up with the utmost care. he wrote for his mother and sister to join him. A month later they came, and no happier group could have been found in all the West than the four who sat down together on the night of

Many years have flown since the "Tuolumne Mining Company" made He knew me, and by the hearty, cor- its president and stockholders rich in a single day. Loving care and most skillful medical aid could not win the old life at the Gulch, and of those | back the health of the good old mothwho had been our companions there. er and she long since passed to her We chatted for a few moments and home above. Robert Harris is a man well known in the business circles of Sacramento. His hair is now gray, Lone Horse Gulch so many years ago has not diminished, but has grown

Birds at the Pole, In the countries bordering on the

Polar seas, where the changing seasons bring alternately the two extremes of dearth and plenty, birds are more availed himself of the invitation I had numerous in the short summer than anywhere else all the world over, and an evening with me in my cosy bach- in winter absent altogether. All are elor apartments. I found him an in- emigrants there by force of circumtelligent and pleasant companion. stances. In like manner the birds of Besides reading much he had been a temperate climates are affected by the shrewd observer of men; and in the seasonal changes, though in a less deflow of conversation the evening gree, through the influence of cold slipped away before we were aware of and heat upon their food supplies When he arose to go it had been rather than by effect of cold upon evening of every week with me. In of mail is not to be compared to a count of his boyish ways, his soft tence ripened into friendship; from bird's life is concerned. Layer upon white hands and apparent inability friends we became confidents, and ere layer of feathers can withstand any long I knew the history of his past amount of water or any degree of His father had died when he was a delicate tern, after wintering in com-Until twenty his life was the ice floes of the Polar Sea and lay beccafico is a Mediterranean bird common on the southern shores of Spain and Italy, in the Grecian Islands, Sicily and Malta, and on the northern shores of Africa. Formerly it was quite unknown in the British Isles, but some years ago a large orchard of fig trees was planted near Brighton, and the beccaffees have dis covered the fact and come over to share the spoil. Doubtless the nightingales told them the story of English figs and showed them the way over. Be this as it may, the little birds from the warm shores of the Mediterranean bid fair to become established as naturalized British subjects. -- Littell's Living Age.

Goatskins or Scalskins,

It is said that scalskins are going out of fashion, and perhaps the United States are going to a great deal of unnecessary trouble and expense in guarding the preserves of the sealskin nonopoly in Bering Sea. Certain it is that last winter a great many of the fashionables of Europe, who formerly never appeared out of doors in cool weather unless arrayed in sealskins, kins of the thibetan goat, which is s a very handsome far. It is hinted that the parsimony of the North American Commercial Company is largely Alaska Commercial Company con-"And bring his loved ones to California and trolled the output of Bering Sea, it there make them a home. This he was accustomed, it is said, to make its determined to do, and when his sister wares popular by making sure that wrote him that his mother's health was the royalties of Europe, the opera queens and other people, who set the (ashions, had sealskin sacques and overcoats of the finest skins and latest sunny skies of California would win cut, and all for nothing. The past year, under the present management the free list was entirely suspended, citizen and desply interested in the self-sacrificing in his efforts to save; and it is assorted that not a single welfare of Lone Horse Gulch. When but, notwithstanding these facts, complimentary jacket was received at complimentary jacket was received at the Court of St. James. Ladies of fashion waited in vain for their customary tip, and in revenge for the But in the meantime fickle fortune neglect proceeded to array themselves was preparing to do in a few days what in goat and other furs. It seems rathwith a handsome sum; and when the the hard work of years could not have or hard to have to give expensive furs to the people who are best able to pay My friend and I both held stock in for them. But it is the way, the Bob" took upon himself the task of the "Tuolumne Mining Company," world over. Those best shie to pay are seeing that he was decently buried whose veins of ore hall long since the ones that do not have to.—New

that such a company had ever existed. miles long by from forty to 100 wide.

THE PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS.

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THIS PESTIFEROUS INSECT

How He Grows and Spreads Over the Country-Insect Enemies of the Locust.

T is only within the last twenty years that the locust has attracted much attention by its ravages. Locusts had several times been known to do damage to vegetation in Manitoba and Minnesota as early as 1819, when they are said to have been very numerous. Indians speak of having seen them flying in great swarms in the air, but as there were no cultivated fields for them to destroy, they were thought nothing of. There is no account of their doing much damage before 1874. Whether swarms of these insects visited those districts as often prior to their settlement as they have since, it is not easy to ascertain.

The breeding places of the locusts in the West have been arid plains elevated above the surrounding country, where the wind is brisk; they are treeless and without rank vegetation. When the insects migrate from the West to the East, as they have been doing lately, they find no such plains, but they seem to have a faculty of adapting themselves to their surroundings. Dampness spoils the eggs so they will not hatch. The general opinion is that as soon as these lands are settled and cultivated and trees planted, which will not be many years nence, the locust will be greatly diminished, if not driven entirely from our Western States.

Eggs laid in June often hatch in July, but the time required varies greatly in different latitudes, at various altitudes, and at different times of the year. The young, after hatching, require from forty to sixty days in which to mature, varying, of course, according to the state of the weather, the abundance of food, and also their vigor.

Soon after hatching the little fellows begin traveling in search of food, as they are generally hatched on grounds partially bare. In a very short time they moult or shed their skin, which operation is performed four more times in most cases before arriving at matu-

The larva quits feeding and becomes dejected and drowsy, creeps to some sheltered nook and there lingers for a time, when the skin of its head and thorax cracks and it wriggles itself out, a soft and tender looking hopper. Soon, however, the tender limbs and body become dry and rigid, and the locust is again in trim for its raids. Its appetite is now very keen from its late fasting, and it devours everything in its way that is estable.

The principal change from the larval to the adult locust is the acquisition of wings. The wings are developed as folds of the integument and strength-

ened by hollow rods called "veins There are in the veins of most insects six main veins. These usually contain an air tube and a nerve. The arterial blood flows through them, so that the wings of insects act as lungs as well as organs of flight. As soon as the wings of the locust are fully developed it leaps into the air, unfolds its hitherto-untried members and takes a short flight. Each one does this for himself. Then soon, when there is a brisk breeze blowing, great numbers with one accord spring into the air and begin rising in a circling manner until they have attained a sufficient altitude, when they permit the wind to carry them along.

They do not fly but float on the breeze, with their face to the wind. When hungry they come down and feed and then are off again. This continues until near the time for deposit-

It is evident that the enormous powers of flight possessed by the locust, especially its faculty of sailing for many hours in the air, is due to the presence of a great number of air sacs. It will be seen that, once having taken flight, the locust can buoy itself up in the air, constantly filling and refilling its internal balloons with out any muscular exertion, and thus be borne along by favorable winds to its destination.

The number of enemies of this dreaded pest is "legion." Professor Sam Aughy says that during a period of twelve years, he dissected 630 birds of ninety different species, all showing their great fondness for the locust as food. Not only wild birds, but all kinds of poultry est them with avidity. Even squirrels, mice, chipmunks, weazles, skunks and larger animals devour them in great numbers. All reptiles and fishes do a great deal toward lessening the numbers of this as well as other injurious insects. However great is the destruction of locusts by these snimsls which we cannot see, it is carried on in a much larger scale by insect parasites which we do not notice. These are very numerous in species and individuals. Some of them confine their attacks exclusively to the eggs; others to the young; and still others only destroy the mature

The locust also has internal paraites, which do much toward diminishing this dreaded pest.

In view of all the enemies, includng man, this poor insect has, it is truly surprising that a single one attains maturity. -N w York Sun.

The Custom House receipts in Guatmala amounted during the year 1893 to \$4,301,818. The tax on the exportation of coffee produced \$1,196,807, which gives a total for all resources from the Custom House, exports and imports included, of nearly \$5,500,

There are nine Yale men in the House of Representatives and , four in the United States Senate.

THE FELLOW'S MOTHER.

RATES OF ADVERTISING

One Square, one inch, one month...
One Square, one inch, taree months...
One Square, one inch, one year...
Two Squares, one year...
Quarter Column, one year....

Baif Column, one year

If he knows it all, as some chaps do, And thinks he's smart, and says so, too, Who holds the same erroneous views The fellow's mother.

If he's narrow-chested, weak at knees, And soft of muscle, tell us please, Who thinks he's a modern Hercules? The fellow's mother,

He fondly thinks he has no peer, Who entertains the same idea?

The fellow's mother,

If the life he leads is fast and gay, And if weak his morals, tell us, pray, Who's last to think he's not O K? The fellow's mother

If, perchance, a time comes when He's sick and friendless, tell us men,

Who hurries to his bedside then? The fellow's mother, If, later on, he should be found

Watering with tears a grassy mound, Who'll slumber there in the quiet ground? The fellow's mother. Joseph Banister, in Raymond's Monthly.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

A lean dog generally growls the most. --Ram's Horn. Those who serve friends never lack

employment. - Judge. Beats the world-The impecunious

tramp. —Texas Siftings. When a man hears of distress, he ongs to give advice. -Atchison Globe. A Boston woman speaks of a dirt

wagon as a "real estate conveyance." -Statesman. It is strange, but true, that cold cash always burns in the spendthrift's

pockets. -Truth. Mamma-"Mamie, don't!" Mamie "Oh, please don't make me don't, namma!"-Judge.

The less people know about each other, the politer they are to each other. -Atchison Globe.

Missed his calling-The fellow who was forgotten by the hotel clerk .-Dansville (N. Y.) Breeze. The fool has one great advantage. He never lets his better judgment get

away with him. -Galveston News. I always know when comp'ny's here, I can tell it any day;
For papa then calls mamma "dear,"
And never calls her "say."
—Detroit Tribune.

"Yes," remarked the egg; "my thes atrical venture was a success. cast for the villam and made a great hit."-Truth.

Farmer-"Now, what do you s'pose that man's a yellin' at?" Son-"He appears, father, to be yellin' at the top of his voice."—Judge.

As a supreme test of the bullet-proof cloth it is suggested that it be made into seats and knees of trousers for small boys .- Kansas City Journal. Little Girl (toher mamma) - "What

is a dead letter, please?" Mamma"One that has been given to your father to post."-Jewish Messenger, Though ambuscades have passed away

Along with things of bygone date, It is a fact that e'en to-day The fisherman dot; its in weight.

As soon as a man makes a little money it to discovered that his wife is qualified by birth and education to shine in the best society. - Atchison

There is nothing that gives one such an idea of the importance of an old saw as the fact that it sometimes perversely works just the other way .-He-"Well, for my part I like a pic-

ture that tells a story." Witherby's portrait ought to suit you, then. It makes her positively handsome."-Harlem Lafe.

Fond youth, though summer bids you shirk, For pionies ne'er forsake your work, Close to your office duties cling— Don't undertake to push a swing. English Visitor-"What are the dis-

cases peculiar to yer H'merican youth?" Yankee—"Croup, measier chicken-pox, huppin cough an' love. Cleveland Plain Dealer. If people would exercise the same ingenuity in paying a debt that they

do in contracting one, interest rates would be lower than they are now .--American Investments. There is no peu powerful enough to

describe the feelings of a man on the occasion when for the first time he goes out walking with his first wife, wearing his first plug hat. -Truth. Mrs. Newlywed-"And do you al-

ways trust your husband implicitly?" Mrs. Experience (enthusiastically) "Indeed I do-that is to say, course, to a certain extent."-Home

"I don't mind a woman bein' neat," said old Mrs. Jason, "but one woman I used to know was jist a little too neat for any use. Why, that there woman used to take a couple of goldfish she had out of their tank every Saturday night and give 'em a bath.

-Indianapolis Journal. Some day a great genius will develop. He will invent a double-barreled alarm clock that will go off a second time after any desired interval. After the first rude half-awakening a man can enjoy the best part of any night's sleep that of not having to get up right away-in the serene half-conscious confidence of having a sure thing of not oversleeping himself.—Pack.

"Carat in the Jewelers' Language. Twenty-four carat gold is all gold;

twenty-two carat gold has twenty-two parts gold, one of silver and one of copper; eighteen carat gold has eightcen parts of pure gold and three parts each of silver and copper in its nom position; twelve caratgold ishalf gold, the remainder being made up of 3; parts of silver and 84 parts of copper St. Louis Republic.