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prespondence solicited from all parts of the

Scissaid that the late natent de vision is likely to cheapen telephone service amazingly.

Athletics are said to be languishing in our colleges. Football is under bar and baseball is too slow.

There are about 12,000,000 houses in this country, with less than siz people to each on the average.

"Ninety-six per cent. of our trade is confined to the home market," estimates the Atlanta Constitution.

An educational qualification will hereafter be required of men seeking enlistment in the United States Army.

The world's chief supply of alabas ter comes from the quarries of Volterra, some thirty miles sontheast of Pissa, in Italy, where this industry has been handed down for generations.

Schools of stenography and typewriting turn their pupils to use by doing at rather low rates typewriting for lawyers and others. The copying makes good practice for the pupil and incidentally brings in considerable revenue to the school.

The Boston Transit Commission will relieve the narrow, crooked and orowded streets by a subway, beginning in the Public Garden and ending at Park street. The subway will be partly double-track and partly quadruple, and will be lighted by electricity.

England is not generally thought of as a gold producing country, but Knowledge says that there are perhaps few countries in the world in which the metal is more generally distributed. The principal mines in Wales, now abandoned, were worked as long ago as the Roman occupation.

The Southern Florist and Gardener says :. The last census shows that the earth yields to the Southern farmer twenty-five per cent. on his capital annually, against a yield of only fourteen per cent. to his Northern brother. If the value of machinery and live stock is included as capital, the difference in favor of the Southern farmer is oven greater.

Says the New York Observer: The death of John Stuart Blackie removes one of Scotland's most interesting characters. While a loyal subject of Her Majesty of Great Britain and Ire- my appetite had got the better of my the down express from London was ceived from him. land, he was pre-eminently a Scotchman, and opposed with decided earnestness all influences calculated to ignore or lessen the distinction between things English and things Scotch, His services to his own country have been very great; his influence for good upon the young men who have come in contact with him during his long professorship is beyond computation.

CRADLE SONG,
The maple strews the embers of its leaves O'er the laggard swallows nestled 'neath the
leaves, And the mossly cricket falters in his cry-
Haby-bye! And the lid of night is falling o'er the sky Baby-bye!
And the lid of night is failing o'er the sky.
The rose is lying pullid and the cup Of the frosted calls filly folded up, And the breezes through the garden sob and sigh—Baby-bye!
o'er the sleeping blooms of summer where
they lie-Baby-bye!
O'er the sleeping blooms of summer where they lie,
Yet, baby-oh, my baby-for your sake
This heart of mine is ever wide awake. And my love may never droop a drowsy eye Baby-bye!
Till your own are wet above me when I die Baby-bye!
Till your own are wet above me when I die,
-James Whiteomb Riley.
ORADDING AN EXPORTON
STOPPING AN EXECUTION.

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speak to. So engrossed was I with my task So engrossed was I with my task that I had no time to read even the and if I had aroused the caretaker he newspapers, and was quite ignorant of what was going on in the world. The only relaxation I allowed myself was a good brisk walk into the country after 8 o'clock. Then I started for said: good briak wark into the country every afternoon. With this exception I had hardly stirred from my house, except to run up to London once or twice for the purpose of visiting the docks and making certain technical investigations concerning them. This investigations concerning them. This errand, for the last train to Silkminis-I did, as a good portion of the novel ter was the 8.30 p. m., by which I I was working at was about the life of have mentioned the postmaster always

It was a little after 8 o'clock one evening in April that I finished the second volume of my work. Little ine. second volume of my work. I put on my hat and cost and started off for an telegraph? I remembered that the evening stroll. I had no sooner stepped into the street than a boy ac-costed me with a bundle of papers. Of course, it was all shut up and all told my story to him, the result being under his arm with the request: "Buy an evening paper, sir?" I bought one, put it in my pocket and resumed my walk.

It was a fine night and I went some little distance, reaching home a little after half-past 9.

I had laid down the newspaper on the signalman in his box, the outline wire. Fortunately, he happened to the table when entering the room, in of his figure standing out against the be in town, after a couple of hours of

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d me as I laid the paper down. I was small a compass as possible. It did he missing witness they had so vainly not take me half a minute to do all mglit. aual. I had entered into conversa- I suppose-and I hanging and waiting on on the return journey with the for the crash to come,

nly other occupant of my compart-aent, a young man with a small black ag, on which was printed the letters 'C. F.'' I remembered all this disnetly. natched up my diary and quickly urned to the date of the murder, bebruary 6. There was the entry: Ran up to town in afternoon. Inuired concerning material for chaper vil. Saw B- for half hour. Reurned by 6.42 train."

don. I was writing a n ovel. I knew very few people in the over manner in which they set about

only get that train to stop for an in-

in the early morning, and what cared

take if I saved my friend's son.

tion would enable me to master

the town any inquiry and it would never do to where I was living, and for five or six weeks had scarcely seen anyone to Madly I throw on my hat and rushed

Should I wait till the morning and office did not open till 8 o'clock. I I the signal lamps for the night expresses. It was now past 11.30, Was there no hope? Yes!

THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE. distinctly remembered, this. Then I waited. It was but a STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE orly in February, running up to town few seconds, but it 'seemed hours. I FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS ather late in the afternoon, spending heard the roar of the approaching ust half an hour there, and returning train. Then the engine dashed past y the first train I could eatch. My me. I shall never forget the row of indlady didn't even know but that I lighted carriages passing about a foot ad been for rathers longer walk than away from me-closer than even that,

And it came. There was a dull thud -a whirr and a rush, and all was dark. When I came to my senses I was ly-ing on the floor of the postal van. In order to make sure I Two men in their shirt sleeves were busily engaged in sorting letters at a rack. I felt bruised and stiff all over, and I found that my left arm was bound in a sling made out of a handsmith? kerchief. "Where are we?" I asked.

They turned around.

The horror of the situation now "Oh, you've come to, have you?" ashed upon me. A man's life-the said one of them. "Now, perhaps, fe of my old friend's son---depended you'll give an account of yourself. por me. I looked at my watch. It was ast 11 c'clock. Hurriedly I dragged n my boots, thinking the while what should do. My first impulse was to part of you in the net. As it is, you've wish to the telegraph office. Then, with dismay, I remembered that it was shut for the night after 8 o'clock and that the postmaster took the 8.30 part of your collar bone broken. We've tied it up a bit. Now, perhaps, you'll speak out; and look here, if we find you've been dodging the police, don't ago I was living in se-clusion in a the office for the night in the charge

small town of a caretaker and returning by an I told them the motive that had about thirty-five miles It was impossible to telegraph. Then north of Lon-I thought of going to the police (there

> ter about three or a little after. I hope you'll be able to save the poor beggar. You must excuse our turnout. I ran in a mechanical way to the ing to work again, and the best thing

> > They piled a quantity of empty

"What a pity you never thought of a better way out of the difficulty than coming in here so sudden like."

"There was no other way."

ive me another piece of pie?" However, I should be in time to stop the execution. know for ?"

minster station. There was a policethe lights were out, except those in that we drove around to the jail and insisted upon seeing the Governor. Of course, he was deeply interested in what I had to tell him, and at once At this moment my eye caught a made arrangements to stop the execu-light in the signal box, about a quar-tion. The Home Secretary was com-

ter of a mile up the line. I could see municated with by means of special Washington Star.

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SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL,

An instrument has been invented to neasure thought.

In all tropical countries the vulture the natural scavenger. Little Mary-Following Up the Ques-Red phosphorus combines with tion-A Desperate Remedy-Not Gotten That Way-Accuracy, Etc.

chlorate of potssh to make an explo-sive of great violence. Mary had a set of teeth And they were white as snow, And everywhere that Mary went The teeth were sure to go. But, oh, alast she once forgot To put them in her cheek, And then the neighbors all observed That Mary was antique. —Philadeiphia Inquirer. Thomas A. Edison intends to investigate the properties of argon, the element recently discovered in the air. A ton of cottonseed meal, when fed to cattle, just about replaces the fer-tility which is sold in 5000 quarts of milk.

> Work has been commenced by the Pennsylvania Railroad on a new type of eight-wheel, compound, consolidated passenger engine, which, it is thought, will be faster and of greater traction than any engine yet built. Owing to its unfavorable situation for observations, the Carlsruhe Ob-servatory is to be transferred to the ammit of the Geisberg, half an hour's

> distance from Heidelberg, and will thereafter be known as the Heidelberg Observatory.

M. Fremont has proved by experiment that water kept for twenty min-utes at 176 degrees Fahrenheit loses all the deleterious germs it may have contained without being deprived of its gases or precipitating the salts con-tained in it, and that the flavor is not modified by the process. Professor John Michels writes in

the Scientific American of a parasite called "tarcosperidium," the eggs or germs of which often exist by millions in the flesh of hogs. It is sup-posed to be harmless, but it is nover safe to eat pork or any other meat until it has been thoroughly cooked. The bacillus of diphtheria is onetwenty-five-thousandth of an inch

ong, and when fixed in the human throat it grows into a network with other bacilli produced from it, all operating together to produce a virulent poison which when taken into the blood causes the fatal consequences so

apt to follow from the disease Professor Gore believes that the sun of our solar system is a member of a group of stars "possibly distributed in the form of a ring," and that at a much greater distance from us than the stars of this ring is another cluster of suns at such an immense distance that their light is visible only in the Jeannette-"Ma, are you going to Milky Way gleam of our midnight skies

> The higher up the animal scale we travel the larger amount of nitrogen that enters into the structure of the organism in proportion to weight or volume. In any given animal, the higher the function of any tissue that enters into its structure, the larger the amount of nitrogen. The bones have the least, and the nerve structure the most, while the brain has far more than any other part.

A House of Tube.

"When the road quits business."-A German inventor has built - a house of hollow tubes, whose advantages are, he says, a constant temperature and incidentally strength, durability, comfort and beauty. He first put up a frame of water tubing, allowing continuous circulation to a stream of water. Around this frame he put up his house in the ordinary way. The peculiarity is that all floors and ceilings are crossed and recrossed by the water pipes. The water, after

RATES OF ADVERTISING.

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THE AFTER-VISION. Sometime, when all life's lessons have been

And sun and stars forevermore have set. The things which our weak judgments here

have summed. The things o'er which we grieved with

inshes wet, Will flash before us, out of life's dark night, Avstars shine most in deeper tints of blue;

And we shall see how all God's plans are right.

And how what seemed reproof was love most true, -May Riley Smith.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

So long as your gray hairs can be unted they don't count.

A man can carn a fortune on paper in twenty minutes .- Atchison Glob The saying that "silence is golden" robably originated with some blackniler.-Puck.

It has always been a mystery how straight an insane murderer can shoot. -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It is better to be alone in the world than to bring up a boy to play on the accordion.—The South-West.

Cupid isn't any more like the picture we see of him than courtship is like marriage. - Detroit Free Press.

If you do not believe there is an exception to every rule, consult some lawyer who has lost his case. --Adams Freeman.

A deaf mute student recently broke three knuckles while conjugating the Russian verb "to love" with his left hand.-Puck.

Bank checks are considered the best kind of note paper for absent hus-bands to use in corresponding with their wives.-Syracuse Post.

Mr. Usher-"I have always been afraid of being buried alive." Dr. Pulser-"No dangar, man; I am your doctor,"-Philadelphia Inquirer.

A man is always proud of his children who are large for their age, except when he is trying to pass them on half-fare tickets.-Atchison Globe.

Traveler (inquiring at famous castle) "Can I see the antiquities to-day?" Servant-"I am afraid not, sir. My lady and daughters have gone to town. -Household Words.

Figg--"I guess you would have been glad to get a slice of pie when you were in the army?" Fogg-"If I could only have been at home to eat it."—Boston Transcript.

Wife-"Do you really love me, my pet?" Husband-"I adore you, my weet, and am prepared to give you any proof of the fact not exceeding a hundred frames!"----11 Carlino.

Little Miss Freekles (proudly)-"My Little new doll winds up and walks." Miss Mugg (airily)-"If I'd a-known that kind was bein' sold, I'd a-got one for a waiting maid for my dollie."--Good News.

Mistress (on the second day to new cook)- "Kathi, just be so good as to lend me five marks," Cook (aside) ---"Ha, ha! that's why she said vestor day the cook in her house was treated as one of the family !"... Der Schalk. Mrs. Smallwort-"I don't know what has come over my husband. He seems to be suffering from an attack of pessimism." Old Mrs. Beddoe-"Law, me! Why don't you give him a good dose of tansy and bitters?"--Cincinnati Tribune.

for you will be to rest yourself."

"Yes there was, sir." "What was that?"

"Why, you should have got the sighave mentioned the postmaster always nalman to telegraph to Silkminster; he could have done it all right." What an idiot I had been, after all !

A little after 3 we drew up at Silk-

to eat this piece slowly."- Pearson's Weekly. leave?" asked the traveler. And the gatekeeper at the Boston depot gave him a haughty look, and replied:

A DESTRICT TE REMEDY. "John, dear, must take up some kind of reform this year. Now, if I take up dress reform, what will you take? 'Chloroform. "-Life, WISE ANCIENTS,

Traveler-"The house in some of the ancient cities had walls ten feet thick." Mr. Brickrow-"I presume some of

the neighbors were musical."-New York Weekly.

FOLLOWING UP THE QUESTION.

Cumso-"Whom ?"-Judge.

Jaysmith-"Yes."

ew home?"

parents."- Puck.

Cumso-"Are you working, Jay-

NOT GOTTEN THAT WAY,

Pruyn-"Are you installed in your

Mrs. Younglove (haughtily)-"No.

sir; our furniture was a gift from my

NEW SLEEVES INSTEAD,

"What has Mrs. De Style done with the money her uncle left her?" "She did intend to build a house, but I see she has come out with new sleeves in two dresses instead."-Chicago Inter-Ocean.

THE BOY EXPLAINED.

Teacher-"Can any of you tell me why flannel is comfortable in winter? Bright Boy (in new underwear)-"It makes yeh hitch and wriggle around, and the exercise keeps yeh warm."--Good News.

PLANNING HER CAMPAIGN.

Mother-"What do you want to

Jeannette-"Because, if uot, I want

ACCUBACY.

"What time does the last train

The Boston Transcript says that the British Iron and Steel Institute has just awarded the Bessemer gold medal, the highest prize to which metallurgists may aspire, to Henry Howe, of Boston, a son of Mrs. Julia Ward Howe. "This honor," it adds, "has been conterred on only four Americans hitherto-Peter Cooper, Abram S. Hewitt, Alexander L. Holley, who introduced the Bessemer process into this country, and John Fritz, who designed and built the great Bethlehem iron works. Mr. Howe received the medal for his writings and investigations into the scientific features of steel making. Among the European recipients of the medal are Sir William Siemens, the inventor of the openhearth steel-making process; Sir Joseph Whitworth and Lord Armstrong, of gun fame, and G. S. Thomas, the inventor of the basic Beasemer process."

The St. Paul Pioneer-Press remarks : While the farmers of the Northwest are deploring the advent of the Russian thistle, a new forage plant, also of Russian origin, has made its appearance, which promises to prove such a blessing to farmers as to more than atono for the damage done by its postilent compatriot. It is known as sacaline. It requires no cultivation. Once planted, it propagates itself in any soil, in dry, sandy, barren or in wet, alluvial swamps. It stands the drouth, for its roots strike deep. It drinks in the rain, when there is any, like a camel loading up for a journey through the desert. It is as nutritious as any of our grasses. It possesses a combination of remarkable properties, which adapt it wonderfully well for the conditions existing in Minnesota, and especially the Dakotas and beyond. Our impression is that the Minnesota agricultural college is trying it, or has arranged to try it on the State experimental farm.

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craving for intelligence, so it was not until I had lit a pipe and subsided that signal box, and compel the occuinto a cosy armchalr by the fire that I unfolded the sheet of printed matter. I opened my paper leisurely-nay, lazily. I looked at the "leader." Something about a new "Greek loan." That didn't interest me. I skipped through the little item of news and I for any action the company might hurried jottings and summaries peculiar to our evening papers. Presently my eye was caught with the following paragraph heading : "Impending Exeoution.

and relax them myself. All this There is a morbid fascination for flashed across me in an instant, and I most people in an execution, and, so, clambered over the railings on the yielding to this feeling, 1 proceeded side of the station, and found myself to read the paragraph. on the line.

"The murderer of the unfortunate Even as I reached the rails a sema-James Renfrew will be hauged to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock. The phore signal that was near me let fall wretched man, whose name-Charles brilliant green. The express was sig-Fenthurst - is now in everybody's naled! Would there be time? I dashmouth, still insists in his plea of ined along over the rough ties toward nocence. the signal box. It was very dark, and Here I became deeply interested. I stumbled over and over again. I

The name of Fenthurst was most fa- had cleared about half the distance, miliar to me. I had formed a deep when I heard the ominous roar shead, friendship with a man of that name. and in a few seconds could distin-He was a good fifteen years my senior guish the glitter of the engine's headand had died two years previously. I light bearing toward me. The train was just over a mile from, mo, rushing knew he had a son named Charles, a on at express speed. With a groan young fellow, who had emigrated to South Africa early in life and who was ejaculated, "Too late !" generally supposed to be working at At that instant my eye fell upon a the diamond mines. Could this be ghastly looking structure by the side

the same man? I read on. of the track, looming grimly through "It will be remembered that at the the darkness. It resembled a onetrial the strongest circumstantial evi- armed gallows with an arm hanging dence was brought to bear upou Fent- from it! For a moment I thought it hurst. The murder took place in a must have been a fearful fancy conhouse on the outskirts of the small jured up by the thought of Fenthurst's town of Clinfold. It was proved that dreadful fate, but immediately I re-Fenthurt was in the habit of frequent- membered that this strange looking ing Renfrow's premises, and that ap- apparition was none other than a mailparently he was expected there on the mag suspended from a post-in fact, evening in question. He was seen near part of the apparatus by which a train the place soon after the crime was going at full speed picks up the mails. committed, and several other proofs The express train that was coming had of a strongly condemnatory character a postal car attached to it. From the were also laid against him. He has side of the car a strong rope net would persisted from the first, however, in be laid out, catching the bag I saw maintaining that he was absent from suspended before me. Clinfold at the very time the murder As a bag would be deposited from Clinfold at the very time the murder took place. This was about 7 o'clock the train in a somewhat similar manin the evening. At that hour, he says, ner, there ought to have been a man he was returning from London, where on guard. he had been spending part of the day. left his post and gone to have a chat Only one witness, he says, could prove with his friend in the cheery signal thus, and that is an individual who traveled with him as far as P- and box. A mad and desperate idea took posentered into conversation with him. ession of me. visers for the purpose of discovering the individual in question, but as no of the thing in a second. ans or has been forthcoming it is generally believed that the whole story is between me and the net it would

s myth. At any rate, there seems but break the force of the shock, and the small chance of the alibi being proved net would receive me as well as the at the lost moment. The murder was bag. committed February 6. Since his con- The bag hung just over my head. I amination the murderer has been con- jumped at it, seized it, drew myself fined in Silkminster jail, where his ex- ap parallel with it, held it firmly at wounds should be waahed with in contion will take place.

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"Well," said the Governor, "I don't know which I ought to congratulate pant to put the signal against it and most, Mr. Fenthurst or yourself, for stop it. It was a desperate game; but you have both had a most narrow

stant and all would be right. By get-Little remains to be told. I soon ting into it I could reach Silkminster identified the condomned man as the person whom I had met in the train. He also turned out to be the son of my old friend, as 1 had fully expected. the signalman refused to put back the After the due formalities he was dislevers, the strength born of desperacharged. Suspicion having strongly attached itself to his name, however, he was very miserable, until about a fortnight afterward the real murderer

was discovered and captured. Charles Fenthurst and myself became fast friends, and although I was fearfully

shaken and upset for some weeks after the adventure, 1 never regretted the its arm, and the light changed into a night on which I was picked up with the mails .- Strand Magazine.

The Deadly Candy Bar,

There is an immense amount of nonsense uttered in the guise of scientific advice, and nothing more thoroughly foolish than the perpetual attacks upon candy and confectionery, says Margherita Arlina Hamm. The arguments are the same as those employed ifty years ago, when two-thirds of the onbons of the market were made with terra alba and other abominations. At the present there is scarcely a pound of candy in the market that is not pure and wholesome. Good candy in moderation is heathful and nutritious. The desert Arabs of Africa use as their chief article of diet the dried dates which are so rich in sugar as to be almost candy in themselves, and they are about the strongest and healthiest men in the world.

Every child who is healthy craves andy, and the craving merely represents the food value of the thing de sized. To forbid a little child a fea onbons now and then does far more harm than to gratify its natural and unobjectionable desire.

Candy in excess is injurious, but no more so than ripe fruit, roast beef, plum pudding, or even mashed pota--New York Mail and Express.

Dressing Wounds With Ashes.

Recent wounds should be dressed, says Dr. Pashkoff, with a thin layer of

sahes prepared extempore by in-The train that was cinerating some cotton stuff or linen. Advertisements have been inserted in bearing down, and which would reach The ashes mingling with the blood all the papers by Fenthurst's legal ad- me in one minute, should pick me up form a protecting sourf under which with the mails! I grasped the idea the lesion heals very rapidly. This of the thing in a second. If I could simple and convoluent method has hang on to that bag so that it came been practiced by the Cossack peasantry from time immemorial, and the doctor mentions that in his own experience of twenty-right canno of Fortunately I am a small man. cuts, stabs, crushes, etc., twonty-six healed without any suppuration. also recommends that dirty-looking

the top, where it hung by a hook, and boracic solution before being dressed. Astonishment and dismay confront- draw my legs up so as to present as -New Orieans Picavuas.

I afterward found he had

"It's curious," said one philosopher, 'that a man is always wanting something that he can't get." "Yes," replied the other; "and

that he is always getting something that he doesn't want."-Washington Star.

A POUSD OF PREVENTION.

Penologist-"Our prisons and penitentiaries are a disgrace to civilization. The convicts are abused, uncared for, and poorly fed. Can you suggest a remedy?'

Philauthropist-"Yes; let 'em keep out of such places."-Puck.

VALUE OF GENERALITIES.

"I suppose you want the lady's name engraved inside, sir?" said the jewel-er, after Tillinghast had selected an engagement ring."

"Oh, no," replied the careful young man. "Just put inside "To my heart's own treasure," or "The star of my life." "-Life.

A CHANGE EXPECTED.

Jones-"Jackman is a nice fellow, out he thinks he knows it all." Brown-"Is he married or single?" Jones-"Got married about a week

Brown-"Don't worry about him. His mind will undergo a change be-fore very long."-Detroit Free Press.

NOT THE ANSWER SHE WANTED.

Hostess (who has made unusual preparations for a fine dinner)-"1 ell John, that if he will bring people home unexpectedly to dinner, they nust take just what we have.'

Guest (wishing to put her at case) "Oh, that's all right, Mrs. Bluffer I'm an old traveler-used to roughing it now and then, you know."-Pack.

LOOKING AFTER THE TRIFLES.

"It is only by looking closely after the triffes that a proffican be made in these days of close competition, said the grocer to his new assistant.

"Yes, sir, I understand," replied the

"For example," continued his employer, "when you pie's the flies out of the sugar, don't throw them away. Put them among the currants."-Life.

AN OMISSION.

"Remember, boys," said the teacher, "that in the bright lexicon of youth there's no such word as fail After a few moments a boy raise i his hand, "Well, what is it, Socrates?" asked the teacher.

"I was merely going to suggest," replied the youngster, "that if such is the case it would be advisable to write to too publishers of that lexicon and call their attention to the omission. -Oniongo Eitte.

passing through horizontal tubes under the floors and ceilings passes through the vertical tubes until all have been gone through. In summer fresh, cool water circulates under pressure through the network of tubes, cools off the walls, and, after having run its course, flows off considerably warmer than when it entered. In its course it has absorbed much heat, which it carries away. During the long and severe winter the water entering through the basement is first heated to nearly 100 degrees and then forced through the tubing. Of course, much of the heat is left all over the house, and at the outlet the temperature of the water is about forty degrees. The speed of the circulation of water can be regulated so as to allow the fixing of a certain temperature which is equal throughout the building.-New York Sun.

Washington Sees a Sundog,

Washington saw a parhelion at 8 o'clock the other day. This phenomenon in usual parlance is called a sundog, and is peculiar to more north-orly latitudes than that of Washington. The parhelion in question was exceedingly brilliant and was observed by thousands of people. The sky was hazed and presented a dull, milky appearance. The outer circles had a radius of about thirty degrees, the sun occupying the center of the circle. The inner edge of the circle was red and well defined, but the outer edge was not so well defined. The sky within the halo was much darker than it was for a distance of several de-grees without the halo. The light, as always the case in parhelia, was polarized in the direction of a tangent

the circumference, proving that the light had suffered refraction. This halo was formed by the refraction of the light of the sau through the crystals of ice floating in the atmosphere. --Chicago Timos-Herald.

Blondin's Greatest Feat.

Blondin, the tight-roys walker, now over seventy years of sae, when he is interrogated as to the most difficult feat he has ever performed, always refers to his walking on a rope from the mainmast to the mizzen on board the Peninsula and Oriental Company's steamer Poonah on his way out to Australia, there being such a heavy sea on at the time that he was forced to sit down on the rope five times as the largest waves approached the vensel .- New York Dispatch.

Pelted by Cold Fire,

Lieutenant John P. Finley, one of the best-informed meteorologists in the service of the United States, tells a wonderful story of a most remarkable snowstorm which he once encountered in making the ascent of Pike's Peak, and which, he says, could be best described as a "shower of cold fire." In reality, the "shower," as he explained to a Republic reporter, was a fall of snow, in which every flake was so charged with electricity as to present a scene that can be bet ter imagined than described. At first the flakes only discharged their tiny lights upon coming in contact with the hair of the mule upon which the Lieu-tenant was mounted. Presently they began coming "thicker and faster," each flake emitting its spark as it noiselessly sank into the drifts of the same substance or settled upon the clothing of the observer, or the fur of the beast upon which he had essayed to make the ascent of the peak. the storm increased in fury and the flakes of snow became smaller each of the icy particles appeared as a long blaze of ghostly white light, and the roaring produced by the electric exdosions conveyed an impression of nature's grandour, which Mr. Finley declares he will never forget. When the electric storm was at its height, and each flake was as a streak of fire. sparks of the electric fluid escaped in treams from Mr. Finley's finger-tips, as well as from his ears, beard and

Amusing Admiralty Blunders.

Admiralty blunders are not, says the Paris correspondent of the London News, a privilege of Great Britain done. The French Minister of Marine kept at St. Pierre Miquelon, near Newfoundland, a stock of empty bar-rels which had contained lard, wine, and salt meat. The Colonial Governor, not knowing what to do with these "emptics," which were rotting and falling to pieces, asked that they might be removed. The Commissioner of the Minister Marine ruled, however, that they must be sent to France As no transport is to be found in the Newfoundland waters, it was neces sary to charter a sailing vosed, the Seaflower, which was on its way to St. Malo, The yeasel landed, the other lay, its precious freight, a sum of \$500 being paid by the Admiralty to the owners. The barrels were sold by auction the other day, and fetched the sum of \$30.