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Railway traveling in Norway is cheaper than in any European coun-

According to English census reports, the number of occupations of women in 1831 was five, while now it is more

In several districts in Sicily the lands of the sid communal flefs are being distributed to peasants, despite the opposition of the clerical coun-

During the past year \$500,000,000 worth of stock in the African gold mines has been sold in England and France, "Marketing boats mining badly," exclaims the New Orleans Picayune.

Pauperism assumes prodigious proportions in London. Official relief of one kind or another was afforded to 57,909 paupers during the month of July. This is supposed to mean 150,-000 paupers in midwinter. The prospect for the elimination of pauperism is anything but bright.

The citizens of Sheffield, England, have asked the Duke of Norfolk to be their mayor next year, and it is understood that he will accept, thus devoting his spare time and energy to municipal duties, and giving him a chance for usefulness that the New York Observer thinks any duke might

Russia is stimulating emigration from the congested districts at home to Eastern Siberia, and selecting her material, too. Fine grants of land are given, cattle and seed are furnished, and religious toleration exists to a degree unknown in European Russia, Rence the Stundists are multiplying.

A writer in the Popular Science Monthly who has been studying the habits of bluejays finds that they make war on and get the better of the English sparro v. The sparrows, however, join other small birds in common cause against them, and it is not uncommon to see a jay in screaming flight with a score or more of small birds pursuing him.

H. M. Stanley's maiden speech in the British House of Commons is described as delivered with easy conficence and as evidently unprepared; his smile was pleasant, the tinge of Americanism in his accept throw his individuality into a sort of relief, while his quietly assured self-confidence interested the members. On the other hand, his own party journals, while admitting that his manner was excellent, say the matter of his speech was not judiciously chosen for the reason that he managed to offend the imperialists, who desire to reconquer the Soudan, and those who wish to evacunte Egypt because it is a source of weakness to the empire.

Harper's Weekly observes: A contemporary newspaper is greatly shocked by the remark of Dr. Bach, of the Medico-Legal Society, that physicians sometimes administer drugs to end the agony of a patient. It wonders what reply a trustworthy, honorable and law-abiding physician would make to Dr. Bach's statement. The chances are that a physician of the sort specified would make no reply at all. The statement being true, it was injudicious enough to make it at a public meeting, without confirming it afterwards. To confirm the truth of it by the testimony of physicians might interest a newspaper, but there would be no attraction in it for the physicians. It is as reasonable to suppose that some physicians sometimes give drugs to end suffering as it is to believe that they do not tattle overmuch about it afterwards.

Professor Runnebaum, of Berlin, sent by the German Government to examine the timber resources of our Pacific coast, expresses amazement at the waste he witnessed there. He says the end of American forests is near at hand unless they are protected by law against reckless cutting and conflagrations. While the leading countries of Europe are trying to make trees grow the Americans are sweeping away not only the maturo trees, but the saplings, which are the rightful heritage of future generations. "If nothing is done by your Government," in his opinion, "you may live to see lumber shipped from Germany to Paget Sound," When the professor was in Oregon and Washington the whole coast was darkened with the smoke from fires devonring enormous tracts of timber unsurpassed in the world. His remark that the life of the forests is the life of the people is, in the opinion of the New York Tribune, no flourish of

DRIVING HOME THE COWS.

He drops the bars down, one by one, md lets the cows pass through. Then follows them along the lane as ones he

used to do, memory whispers

grassy meadow slope Of happy days when, long ago, a boy so full

Used often here to lie and dream upon the hill's soft crest,

When tired of play, his head upon its dalayflecked breast, Till leaping dog awakened him with sharp

and loud bow-wows,

To warn him that the time had come for driving home the cows. And now he splashes in the brook that flows

from yonder spring, It ripples, bubbles, murmurs, like a bright and living thing;

Upon its sparkling current, here, he used to sail his bonts. And once again he throws a chip to watch it

as it floats: Whirling, dancing, jumping, far away a-down

Up and down and here and there, with all the changing flows, Till out of sight it whirls at last, down where

the channel bows, As once he did when years ago while driving home the cows.

And all day long in the meadow, while raking the fresh-cut hay,

The brightest fancies come to him with the brightness of the day. And every cricket chirping, and the lark that sours and sings,

The butterfly that dazzles with its brightly painted wings, seem to be companions, as he works and

works away, Till sun sinks low and lower, with the passing of the day. And a voice calls through the shadows and

the slowly gathering gloam; John, my dear, let down the bars, the cow-

are coming home. -Walter S. Stranahan.

THE LOST EARRINGS.

A TALE OF THE SKILLPUL THIEVES OF PARIS. T was in the palmiest assembled at the Theatre Francais to I ful play, "Madem-

oiselle de la Seigliere,' The empress was present, graceful and beautiful; the emperor at her side, wrapped in his favorite air of tendance, sparkling with decorations pants of the imperial box. showered upon them by a grateful "I was right," whispered the count, sovereign; and among these gallant re-entering and bending over his wife's speck of red at his button-hole.

In a box almost immediately opposite that occupied by their imperial | ble to recover it." majesties was a young and exceedingly handsome Russian lady, Countess Ivanoff, concerning whose manifold graces and fascinations the great world of Paris elected to interest itself considerably at this period.

The beauty and wit of this fair northern enchantress were the theme of every masculine tongue, and her magnificent diamonds the envy and admiration of all feminine beholders. husband, a man of distinguished appearance.

The curtain fell after the first act. The emperor and empress withdrew during the entr'acte. Many humbler is Counters concerning the lost dismortals followed their example; mond. among them Count Ivanoff, apparently in nowise disturbed by the fact that the golden youth in the stalls were bringing a small battery of operaglasses to bear upon the dazzling charms of his beautiful wife.

The countess leaned back in her luxurious fauteuil, fanning herself, serenely indifferent to the interest she was exciting. In the dim light of her curtain-shaded box, the glitter of her while he said, with the utmost ressplendid diamonds seemed to form a pect, at the same time laying a letter sort of luminous halo round her graceful head; a myriad starry brilliants gleamed among the masses of her gold-brown hair; and two priceless stones flashed and twinkled like twin

planets in her little shell-tinted ears. The count had been gone but a few minutes, when there was a gentle knock at the door; and, in answer to the countess's "Entrez," the ouvreuse appeared, and said deferentially: "Pardon, Mme. la Comtesse; a

gentleman charged with a message the possession of the suspected thief. of the minister. from her majesty the empress waits in Madame will find that the letter I the corridor, and desires to know if madame will have the goodness to re-

"Cortainly! Enter, I beg of you, monsieur," replied the countess, as she recognized the distinguished-looking civilian she had already noticed in little man, bowing deferentially, declose proximity to the emperor in the imperial box.

The visitor advanced a few steps and, still standing to deep shadow, said, with grave dignity : "I trust my intrusion may be par-

doned. I am desired by her majesty to ask a favor of Mme. In Comtesse and, at the same time, to beg that she will have the goodness to excuse a the other!" cried Count Ivanoff, insomewhat unusual request."

"The obligation will be mine if I gentleman. "Au argument has arises | ment."

concerning the size of the diamonds in pendants to her care for a few mo- band, ments, as the only satisfactory method of asking, we will ge and inquire. of disposing of her vexed question. I

majesty gives it back into my keeping."
"With the greatest pleasure," ing it without misgiving in the outstretched palm of the imperial mes-The countess bestowed a smile and gracious bow of dismissal upon her majesty's distinguished embassador, who responded by a profoundly respectful inclination as he made his exist.

Shortly afterward Count Ivanoff re-urned. "I have been talking to Duturned. mont," he remarked, as he seated him-"Clever fellow, Dumont. I am not surprised at the emperor's par-tiality for him; he must find him useful when he is in want of an idea. "Who is Dumont?" inquired the

countess, with languid interest. "That is rather a difficult question," replied the count, smiling; "there are several editions of his biography-all different, probably none of them true. Look, he has just entered the emper-

or's box—the man in the black coat."
"Is that M. Dupont?" exclaimed the countess; "if so, he has been here while you were away. He came on the part of the empress, and carried off tore of my earrings, which her majesty wished to compare with one of the Countess Woronzoff's."

"Dumont! Impossible! I was talking to him the whole time I was absent, and he only left me at the top of the staircase two seconds before I re-

"Nevertheless, mon ami, he has been here, and has taken my carring. See! it is gone. "Effectively," agreed the count, with a grim smile; "but Dumont has not taken it. It is to the last degree unlikely that the empress would make such a request. Depend upon it, you

have been the victim of a thief, made up as Dumont." days of the Second "Impossible!" cried the countess, Empire. It was an in her turn. "The affair is absoluteevening in mid-winter. The Paris M. Dumont I see opposite who came season was at its into this box and took away my dia-height, and a brill-iant audience had bring it back intact."

"To wait a little is to lessen the chance of its recovery. I will go and inquire of Dumont, if I can get at Saudeau's delight- a sudden attack of kleptomania; besent him roaming about the theatre, borrowing a lady's jewels, I regard as preposterous. Ab, these Parisian thieves! You do not know what

have signified so little. Several offi- time, the countess perceived that she cers in glittering uniforms were in at- was an object of interest to the occu-

warriors, conspicuous by reason of chair; "Dumont knows nothing of his attire, was a solitary, humble, your earring, and, needless to say, black-coated civilian, in ordinary the empress never sent him or anyone the empress never sent him or anyone evening dress, with the inevitable else upon such an errand. I have put the matter into the hands of the police, and they will do all that is possi-The countess was duly commiserated

til the following day.

Early in the afternoon the countess was about to start for her daily drive in the Bois. The frozen snow lay deep upon the ground, and her sleigh, with its two jet-black Russian horses jingling their bells merrily in the frozen air, stood waiting in the court The countess was accompanied by her | yard while the countess donned her

A servant entering announced that asked permission to speak with Mme.

"Certainly," said madame, graciously: "let the officer be shown into the bondoir."

Into the boudoir presently came the countess, stately, beautiful, fur-clad, buttoning her gloves. Near the door stood a short, wiry-looking man, with keen, black eyes, closely-cropped hair, and compact, erect, military figure.

upon the table: "I am sent by order of the chief of isfactorily traced, but there is unfortunstely some little difficulty concharged, therefore, to beg that Mme. la Comtesse will have the goodness to intrust the follow earring to the police bring corroborates my statement."

The countess glauced hastily through the letter, and, ringing the bell, desired that her maid might be told to bring the remaining earring immediately; this was done, and the dapper parted with the precious duplicate safely in his possession.

The counters descended to her sleigh, and drove to the club, to call for her husband en route for the Bois. Cross- miles from Ida Ray. The appearance ing the Place de la Concorde, she related to him the latest incident in the story of the diamond earring.

"You never were induced to give up credulously.

"But I tell you, mon ami, an officer can fulfill even the least of her ma- of the police came himself to fetch it, jesty's wishes," answered the countess. bringing a letter from his superiors "The case is this," explained the vouching for the truth of his state-

"If the preject himself had come, I your earrings and those of the don't think I should have been cajoled Countess Woronzoff. The empress into letting him have it after last begs that you will intrust one of your night's experience," laughed her hus-"However, for the second time

The coachman turned and drove, as will myself return it the instant her majesty gives it back into my keep- which the count had lodged his complaint the night before. After a somewhat protracted delay, the count reagreed the counters, detaching the joined his wife with a semi-grim look precious jewel forthwith, and deposit- of amusement upon his handsome joined his wife with a semi-grim look bearded face.

"The police know nothing of your detective or his epistolary efforts," said, drawing the fur rug up to his chin as the impatient horses sped away over the frozen snow; "your second earring has been netted by another member of the light fingered fraternity, and, upon my honor, I think he was the more accomplished artist of the two!"

And from that unlucky day to this, the Countess Ivanoff's celebrated diamond earrings knew her pretty ears no more. - San Francisco Argonaut.

Death in Awful Form,

A crowd of nearly a thousand people watched a man drown in Los Angeles to-day and was powerless to help him. His name was Thomas Reynolds, and he was a laborer for a sewer building on Los Angeles street, near Boyd. The scene was the most agonizing that

can be imagined. At about 3 o'clock Reynolds was working in a new sewer that is building directly underneath an old brick one. The ground is soft there and Reynolds was caught by a small cavein. His legs were pinioned by the falling earth, but no one thought his situation serious. A rope was made fast to him and an attempt was made to pull him out, but his shovel had fallen across his fest, and it was soon seen that he would have to be dug

The work was at once begun. Suddenly, to the horror of the great crowd that had assembled, the old brick sewer right over the wretched man's head burst and a large stream of water flowed into the excavation, gradually driving the rescuers out. A fire engine was sent for, and attempted to pump the inflow of water out, but it proved of no avail.

The man was doomed and nothing could be done for him. He was up-right in the hole and the water soon reached his waist. For the first time he realized that he would die. witness the per- inquire of Dumont, if I can get at by inch the fluid rose, and the poor formance of Jules him, whether he has been seized with fellow lost his nerve and commenced to utter the most heartrendering cause the idea of the empress having shricks and appeals for help. The streets became blocked with people, and as the news spread of what was going on in that hole the crowd became frantic with a desire to save the turned their faces away and groaned as a last despairing shrick came from the victim. His arms beat the water back frantically and then were still. -San Francisco Examiner.

Unique Suit for Damages

A ruined playground is the basis of a damage suit for \$10,000 in the district court, Duluth, Minn. The plaintiffs are Amund and Amathilda Olson and the defendant is the contracting by sympathizing friends; but nothing firm of Fredin & Wilson, who recently more was heard of the stolen jewel unbuilt a block near the Olson home in the East End. The Olsons allege that the land adjoining their home was 'an excellent playground for their children, that it was a good place to stretch a clothes line and that on it was a fine well of water. All this had been wrecked, so they claim, by the defendant firm. It is also alleged that the dirt left around by the contractors has rained the Olson home and rendered it unfit to live in. an officer of the police in plain clothes | health of the children has been damaged, the complainant states, by reason of their now having no place to play. - Chicago Times-Herald.

Resembled a Criminal.

The Bavarian minister at Berne is likely to feel a good deal of natural resentment against the Swiss police force for some little time to come. He went to Winterthur, the Swiss Bisley, where the National rifle festival was being held, and was enjoying himself in a quietly Tentonic fashion when sud-denly he was seized by detectives and hauled off to the nearest lockup. His demand for an explanation was met police to inform Mme. la Comtesse by the confident assertion that he was that the stolen diamond has been satno other than a notorious criminal, who had been "wanted," for many months. The detectives were so sure nected with its identification. I am they had the right man that it was not until a high Government official had identified the unfortunate diplomat that they consented to his release. for a short period, in order that it may They had a portrait of the malefactor be compared with the one found in which closely resembled the features

The Glow-Worm Cavern.

The greatest wonder of the Antipodes is the celebrated glow-worm cavern, discovered in 1891 in the hear: of the Tasmanian wilderness. The cavern or caverns (there appears to be a series of such caverns in the vicinity, each separate and distinct), are situated near the town of Southport, Tasmania, in a limestone bluff, about four of the main cavern is that of an underground river, the entire floor of the subteraneau passage being covered with water about a foot and a half in depth. These wonderful Tasmanian caves are similar to all caverus found in limestone formations, with the exception that their roofs and sides literally shine with the light contted by the millions of glow-worms which inhabit them.

THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

A Sad Dilemma-The Contrariness of Things-A Reservation - By the Audience-The Cynic's View, Etc. "O dearest heart, be mine," be said,
When suing for a wife.
"I cannot live without you, love,
You are my very life."

"Alas! I cannot tell you. Sir,
To take me," she replied:
"For if you take your life, of course,
You'll be a suicide."
Richmond Dispalla.

A TERREBYATION. "You say that horse isn't afraid of anything. Can my wife drive him?" "I don't know, sir. I've never seen your wife,"-Life.

THE CONTRARINESS OF THINGS. He-"That little trip of ours to Boulogue never came off, after all!" She--"Nothing ever does come off -except buttons!"-Panch.

HE MANAGES TO COLLECT IT. Gummey-"Young Harkins says his ich wife is all the world to him. Glanders-"I know. He also says the world owes him a living."

BY THE AUDIENCE. "Hist?" whispered the villain, creeping stealthily away.
"I expected you would be," rejoined the stage manager, with curling lip. -

THE CYNIC'S VIEW.

"What," said the emancipator, "what has the bicycle done for woman?"

"It has enabled her," said the cynic on the back seat, "to take her place in the middle of the road, along with horses."-Buffalo Express.

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT.

Mrs. Fairview-"Doctor, do you think my husband fully realizes his The Doctor-"I do. He asked me

to-day if I was a married man." - Life. PROBABLY TRUE.

"You know, George," she was ex-plaining, "I was brought up without

any care. "Marry me, my darling," said George, "and you shall have nothing else but care." - Detroit Free Press.

THE NEED WAS SUPPLIED.

Creditor-"Now, I want that money. When you came to me six months ago you said you were in need of a

temporary loan. Debtor-"Not at all. 1 said I was in temporary need of a loan." - Pack.

AN ARISTOCHATIC PATIENT. Doctor- "Countess, 1 should be glad if you would let me hear you

Countess -- "I don't feel disposed to do so just now. (fo her maid) - Eliza, please cough like I did this morning."

Mr. Hamphatt (the dashing, young

romantic actor) - "Now, why, may ask, do you call your dry goods clerk your star boarder? He has the cheapest room and is not a Thespian. Mrs. Hashleigh -"ile pays his board; that's why!"—Puck.

WITE THE WORRTHO "I wouldn't worry so much about that boy of yours at college," said the friend of the family. "He's not a poker player."

"I know he isn't," replied the father ruefully, "but from the size of his expense accounts I'm afraid he thinks he is."-Chicago Post.

A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

A .- "Is dveing the bair as dangerous as the doctors would make it ap-

B. - "Certainly, you may take my word for it. Only last spring an an-cle of mine dyed his hair, and in three weeks he was married to a widow with four children."-Fliegende Blactter.

NO MORE EXPERIMENTING. Mr. Slimpurse .- "Are you sure you

can be contented with love in a cut-Adored One-"Yes, so long as the love lasts."

Mr. Slimpurse (who has been mar ried before)—"Um-perhaps we'd bet-ter wait until I can adord a regular house."—New York Weekly.

IT IS THE USUAL THING. The Chairman of the Meeting-"Gentlemen, you see only rain around you. The lurid flames have wiped us out. Our town is gone. is in ashes. We were not very well insured, but we must try to build up

again on what little money we have.

Now, the Chairman would like to re

ceive suggestions as to the wisest thing to do. What shall be the first Leading Citizen - "I move, Mr. Chairman, that we club in and buy a fire-engine."-Judge.

MERRLY A MATTER OF BUSINESS, "Glorious sport!" cried the man by the roadside as the scorobers went by. "I can't see it," returned the man who was watering his horse.

"That must be because you are prejudiced," said the man who had first spoken. "It has everything in its favor. I even find it an excellent thing for business. "I don't," replied the other, sullen-

'From that I infer you are the proprietor of a livery stable. "Oh, I'm a surgeon." -- Chicago

Welding by electricity is spreading. A pound of cork will sustain in the vater a man weighing 151 pounds.

Forty to fifty miles a day is about dinary riders on a tricycle.

pany will use crude petroleum from the Los Angeles oit fields as fuel for a number of their locomotives. A folding bicycle has been devised.

may be folded until the machine is reduced to the size of one wheel. Russian philanthropists propose that fresh blood from the abattoirs be used in the preparation of bread, crackers,

nominal cost. The recent Geographical Congress

A vein of natural gas extends along

Professor Stoddard writes that while 'argon' is undoubtedly a new subment rather than a mixture of ele ence, the scientists are now busy at-

It appears that certain fungi may be disseminated by snails and toads. Italian naturalist, Voglino, has found in the digestive canal of these auimals an abundance of the spores of species of Russula, Tricholoma, Lactarius and other kinds of toadstools. But the power of germination of these spores had not been destroyed by passing through the body of the animals in

The completion a few years ago of the object glass of the Lick refractor, with a diameter of thirty-six inches, was rightly considered an important event in astronomy. But the Yerkes lens, now ready at Cambridge, Mass., is forty-one and a half inches in diameter, and is without an equal in size. When it is mounted at the Lake Geneva (Wis.) observatory, the attention of astronomers throughout the world will be turned in that direction as the most probable point of new discoveries.

Giving evidence as a witness in running down case, a shabbily dressed individual recently declared that for years he had picked up a living by roaming about the streets and patch ing up broken harness with a few pieces of stout leather, needle and waxed thread that he carried in his pocket, and affirmed that on Derby days, bank holidays and such like so cial occasions he had sometimes made

he made sufficient every season to keep him during the winter. -Pearson's Weekly.

New Potatoes.

erty to the banks of the Sciue, a good supply of water being necessary. with water; then they are vigorously stirred about by the feet and legs of but have also given them that smooth and satinlike appearance which is so much appreciated by gourmands. They are then dried, neatly wrapped in paper and arranged in small baskets, which are sold at the Marchands de Comestibles for five francs spiece. The oddest part of the whole business is that the rafistoleurs make no secret of their trade, and may daily be seen at work near the Pont Louis Philippe, within sight of the Hotel-de-Ville, -Boston Commonwealth,

sedding conducted in a Melbourne church not very long ago. The officiating clergyman had just reached that part of the service when the question is put to the bridegroom Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" and in firm tones he replied, "I will," when a fishmonger chanced to be passing the church, and eried out in stentorian tones: "Fine fresh flatheads!" There was an audible smile, and the bridegroom, at the subsequent breakfast, remarked that he was so disconcerted at the time that he felt as if he could have done for the fellow, -London Telegraph.

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How bright it is! How true! And from his perch, on her sedate Young shoulders, you can so Love shoot his arrows swift and straight,

When Polly smiles at me

But O, my soul! when Polly frowns, How black and fleree the skies!

And, oftentimes, a raindrop drown; The light in Polly's eyes.

But when I kiss her all the rain And storm clouds quickly flee

And happy skies are blue again, For-Polly smiles at me! -New York Truth.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Time is money in the sense that it cannot be feld.—Puck.

Policeman- 'Is there anything untouched?" Proprietor - "Yes; the burglar alarm."

"All things come to him who waits;" but all things are not worth waiting for. - Pack. We all hate a flatterer-that's why

ve like to stand by and scold him. -Cleveland Plain Dealer. A woman always means what she says at the exact moment of her say-

ing it. - Detroit Free Press. "I would send you a kiss, papa," wrote little Lucy. who was away on a visit," but I have been eating onions."

Bacon—"Mrs. Lipton says her baby has begun to crawl, already." Ex-bert—"He must be a born pugillst."

-Harper's Round Table. A.-"I hear that your friend X. has gone to South America. Was it upon his physician's advice?" B .-"No; his lawyer's."-Tit-Bits.

"Mamma, where do eggs come from?" 'Chickens, my dear." "Well, that's funny. Papa says that chickens come from eggs."-Harper's Round Table. Jaspar-"I consider Vokes the greatest actor in the world." Jump-uppe-"Why?" Jaspar-"de is too philosophical to bother about philos-

ophy."-Puck. "Were you at the fete of the flow-"Yes, and I was knocked senseless. One man pelted me with roses, forgetting to remove them from the

"It depends on the way a man reighs with a penny-in-the-slot machine whether he determines his weight, or waits to find the blamed thing won't work.

Auxious Inquirer (to crusty old gentleman)—"When do you suppose this rain is going to stop?" C. O. G. -"When it gets to the ground."-South Boston News. Physician-"And you have felt this

way for several days? H'm! Let me see your tongue." Patient—"It's no use, doctor; no tongue can tell how I -Boston Transcript. "I dreamed last night that I met that secunerel Riggs." "Nothing, that's the worst you do?"

of it." "Well, if ever I catch him out in a dream I'll knock him down."

A Holy Fair at Allahabad. At Allahabad, in the northwest provinces of India, a religious fair is held periodically on the dry part of the bed of the Ganges, to which natives of all castes and from all parts of India travel in order, by bathing in the sacred river, to obtain release from sins or to cure disease. Thousands upon thousands of Hindoos make this long and weary pilgrimage, and during the height of this gathering the city teems with natives of all conditions. Some make a vow to measure the whole journey of their pilgrimage, hundreds of miles, perhaps, by the length of their bodies. This they effect by lying flat upon the ground, making a mark where their head comes, rising and toeing this mark.

and then lying down again, and so on until they arrive at their destination. Others carry weights, others gall their flesh with chains. Indeed, the means adopted for self-mortification are countless. The bathing is conducted on remarkable lines. sacred river itself is by no means inviting. Within a few yards of the devotees who are drinking of the holy stream or bathing in it vultures may be seen preying on human corpses that float down. Yet this very water is taken away by men in various vessels suspended from long poles corated with tiny flags, and sold far away up country at many anuas, and even runces, for a single drop, so deep and strong is the Hin la's faith in the water of the sacred river. - Pall Mall

A Juryman's Logic.

A well known lawyer on circuit in the North of England, curious to know how a certain juryman arrived at his verdict, meeting him one day,

"Well," replied he, "I'm a plain man, and I like to be fair to every one. I don't go by what the witnesses say, I don't go by what the lawyers say, and I don't go by what the judges say; but I look at the man in the dock, and I say, 'He must have done something or he wouldn't be here, so I bring them all in guilty."-Pear-

During the recent maneuvers the British fleet successfully accomplished a tactical problem. Two floats were placed in the Atlantic, separated by a distance of 100 miles, and in positions unknown to each other. They were instructed to find each other and effect a junction. They found each other in six hours and effected the junction in

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL,

the maximum distance attained by or-The Southern Pacific Railroad Com-

By a simple and ingenious arrangement the connecting rods of the frame

sausages, etc. Fresh blood contains much bitumen and can be obtained at

at London declared in favor of the universal use of the meridian of Greenwich. It also declared in favor of the metre as the geographical standard of measurement.

the eastern and southern shore of Lake Ontario in the counties of Jefferson and Oswego, and wells have been sunk at different points, gas being found in sufficient quantities for commercial and illuminating purposes for several villages.

stance, the evidence does not warrant the positive assertion that it is an elements. Having discovered its existtempting to imagine a use for it.

question.

Employed in Odd Ways. Here are a few instances of the many extraordinary ways in which people find employment nowadays: An aged commissionaire, to whom the faces of all "men about town" were familiar, recently obtained em ployment on the opening of a new West End club, his duties being to simply stand at the door and touch his hat to all the notabilities who passed, in order to attract attention

to the new venture.

as much as fifteen shillings. There is an old and artful fisherman who regularly, in the season, infests the salmon rivers of the North and sells the results of his own illicit angling to London sportsmen desirous of returning to their friends with hand some evidences of their skill with rod and line, and in this way he used to

This is the way new potatoes are manufactured in Pagis: Old pota-toes, the cheapest and smallest that can be obtained, are purchased by the rafistoleurs de pommes de terre, as they are called, who carry their proppotatoes are put into tube half filled the manufacturers, who roll up their tronsers and stamp on the raw pota-toes until they have not only com-pletely rubbed off their dark skins,

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