## Needle Mine in a Pincushion.

A few days ago Mrs. J. H. Brown, of Haynesville, Me., ripped open a needle cushion which was filled with bran, and had been in use fifteen years. On emptying out the contents she found 340 needles, all but twentyeight being good ones .- Pittsburg Dispatch.

Over seventy years have elapsed since the first railway in the world was finished. During that time 400,-000 miles of railway have been constructed.

## Sand Soap for Boys.

One of the best things for cleaning boys' hands is sand soap. It may be made at home, and so made is cheaper and better than any which can be purchased. Scrape or cut into small pieces any pure soap and melt it. As on as the soap is melted take the dish from the fire and stir into the mixture clean, dry sea sand that has been heated. Use nearly as much sand as you have soap. As soon as the mixture is cool enough to handle, roll it into balls between the palm of the hands and put the balls into a dark, cool place to harden and dry.

Charles W. Cass, of New York City, Presi-dent of the Cass Realty Corporation, an im-portant investment company which invests its clearly 'money of large or small amounts exclusively in New York City rent-beating exclusively in New York City rent-benzing real estate, puts new meaning into the state-ment that "debt is a curse," He says: "Every dollar of interest charge sconer or later comes out of abor. A merchant starts business on \$1000 cash \$5000 borrowed money. His interest is charged on the price of his goods. Every dollar of public and corporate and business debt is a burden on labor and takes toil from the "product of la-bor" which should belong to the worker. When the fixed annual interest charge from all causes on a people becomes greater than When the fixed annual interest charge from all enuses on a people becomes greater than the annual increase of wealth, that civiliza-tion dies. Hence, debt, public or private, is a curse. The Cass Realty Corporation, are substituting ownership for debt. It in-vests money in Manhattan Island improved rent-bearing, advancing real estate only and in nothing else. Investors become co-owners of aboles uncreasty. Guarantee fund owners of choice property. Guarantee fund pays back money in part or in full when needed. A tenth regular consecutive divi-dend at six per cont, has just been paid. In-yestments begin to earn profils at once. One vestments begin to earn profits at once. One dollar or any amount is received any time, and as often as desired. It pays six percent, because it earns more. The surplus is dis-tributed to investors by extra dividends as shareholders decide. The surplus over six percent, 1880 was \$2573.50; in 1805 \$55,254.31; in 1896 \$62,794.52. The assets of the Cass Realty Corporation in 1894 were \$215,544.90, in 1895 \$864,030.74; in 1896 \$51,544.90, in 1895 \$864,030.74; in 1896 \$514,220.83. Parites interested may write or call for full particulars to the Cass Realty Corporation, 200, 211, 213 East Twenty-third street, New York. The Corporation is certainly a new opportunity to small and moderate inves-tors."

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The question of manners and consider-An enterprising cooking school teacher in one of the Western cities ation is of far more importance to the saleswomen than to the enstomers. ction with her class work. When The customers are not obliged to subher pupils have made and cooked a mit to bad manners; they can go elsedainty dish they are allowed to taste where. The bad manners of salesmen. and particularly of saleswomen, are one it only. When the class is dismissed of the misfortunes of modern life. at noon the various dishes that have This criticism is not so true of the men as of the women. The fault of been evolved from the lesson are sold to appreciative customers, who drop in regularly for a luncheon that an the men when they try to be polite, especially with ladies, is coaree fa-miliarity. The fault of the women is epicure might enjoy. rudeness and indifference, especially

### AN EXTRAORDINARY DIVERSION.

toward other women. They affect not Mile, Borniche, an eccentric old to see them when they enter the lady, who died some time ago in Paris, store, not to hear them when they ask leaving a fortune of \$600,000, had one to see goods; fling the article asked for befere them, and resume a converextraordinary diversion. She used to have herself wheeled about the town sation of their own with their mates, of Mary-sur-Marne in a wheelbarrow, to the intense delight of the small boys making it difficult for the customer to attract their attention again. of the place, who acted as her body as good as you, and I want you to know it, though I am a saleswoman," guard. She used to make her gard-ener count all his fruit daily, and one of her whims was to have fresh vine expresses the feeling at the bottom of much rudeness and indifference. leaves put on her statues of gods and goddesses every morning. Now her Manners should be considered by these people and their employers as neceswill is being contested by heirs. sary as neat dress, or ability to add

A NOVEL CONVENIENCE.

A New York woman who for ten years has been a successful general

OFFICE GIRLS IN CHICAGO.

guides.

Herald.

GOSSII'. shopping and commission agent, which The late Mrs. T. S. Slade, of Cinhas brought her into close relations cinnati, left \$10,000 for distribution with many women in town and out, has now added to her former business among charities. a subscription-room for "ladies. It is

gonaut.

William Stoiber, the newest Colomeant chiefly for the benefit of shoprado millionaire, has his wife for a pers, and affords them a place where business partner.

and subtract, or English speech. -Ar-

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the ordinary run of these attendants.

they can rest, write notes, receive parcels, etc. Here they may also have Julia Levy, of New York City, gave up all her savings to save her father's the services of a manieure, of a bootbusiness from attachment. black, and the comfort of a bath and Ella Wheeler Wilcox has just cele

a cup of tea or coffee, may use the telephone or telegraph, order cabs, brated her forty-third birthday. The 'Poetess of Passion" was born near and consult the directory or railway Madison, Wis.

Miss Artz, of Chicago, has presented \$10,000 to the Boston Library wherewith to establish a Longfellow Me-They are introducing office girls in morial Collection. Chicago, and those who have them in Women are employed by a New

their employ are very well pleased with them. They say that the office York goldsmith as gold beaters. They surpass men in carefulness and deligirl is superior to the office boy in cacy of workmanship. many particulars. In the first place

Miss Knight, of London, has been she does not smoke eigarettes. As a appointed professor of anatomy and pathology in the Lhudiana Medical rule she has absolutely no taste for dime novels. She is usually bright, quick and energetic, and ever so much School, Northwestern Provinces, India. cleaner and neater than any boy can Georgia Cayvan, the actress, says

be. Testimony upon this point is almost unanimous, and most of those who have tried office girls declare that retiring and another one upon arising. never again will they have an office To this habit she attributes her health boy around the premises .- Boston and spirits. Queen Victoria is said to have been

greavly pleased with a present of fruit, "THE" MATERIAL FOR SPRING, thirty boxes in all, sent her from Can-

If the trade journals are to be cred- ada. It comprised apples, pears, grapes ited, "the" material for spring and and quinces.

summer wear will be printed in Jap-The No-Two-Alike Club is the name anese silks. Always cool and capable of most artistic draping, usually smart of an organization of women in Sonthington, Conn., which profess to abhor in design and color and rarely unbecomall of the opposite sex, and any asing to most women, this prospect of sistance they might render. the increased popularity of the fabric should be heralded with joy by fem-ininity. No other kind of warm weather dress goods is, in the long

MissAgnes P. Mahony, of New York, has been appointed from the State Civil Service eligible list to the position of apothecary at the Manhattan run, more satisfactory. In light colors State Hospital, on Ward's Island. and elaborate patterns it is effective

Miss Agnes G. Scott, of the Alexanand elegant, while darker tints and quieter designs make it admirable for service. No "doing up," danger of awarded the gold medal for first place soiling easily or losing its crisp fresh-ness is feared where the Japanese silks by the Board of Intermediate Educa-

# TEMPERANCE

CHARLIE'S LOGIC. Who is the New Woman? My mother? For she will never be old to me. If she is not old Then she must be new. I hope that's no Puzzle to you. She's a temperance mother, too.

I love this New Woman, my mother,

For she's ever so Good to me. If a boy has no mother, Fray what can he do? Such mothers as mine Thus you far Such mothers as mine They are few-She's a temperance mother, too.

-Mrs. M. A.Kidder, in Temperance Banner.

NO USE FOR IT.

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THE CURSE OF RUM.

THE CURSE OF NUM. The State of Michigan is said to have one and fourteen inhabitants, and the ratio of dealers to population is not growing less why should if? Nothing is being done to re-duce the number. Our tax haw allows just as many as choose to pay the price, and you have all make drunkards, and turn to vitter waste money, brains and heart. Noth-ing consumes a fortune more quickly than convital habits, unless it be gambling, and three generally go together. Nothing over-throws for the constrained the state of the state of the babits, unless it be gambling, and provide the state of the state of the state of the provide the state of the state of the state of the state of the babits, not the degrading effects of the state of the state of the man who is cursing Aumerica. If is lowering our provide state of the state of the and eating industries, degrading social life and eating industries degrading and disgrade to public industries and and social life and eating in the social state and the state and disgrade to public in the social state and the state and disgrade to public in the social state and the social difference in the social state and social in the social state and the social difference in the social in the social state and the social difference in the social in the social state and social state and social state and social state and social in the social state and social stat

## Elephant Obituary.

Jeannette, the oldest elephant in the country, died at Wallace's circus quar-ters, Peru, Ind. She was the only female African elephant in captivity. She was brought over more than seventy-five years ago, and has been with many circuses. - Chicago Chroniele.

A Fair Exchange,

In the year 1895 Switzerland had 2,088,104 native inhabitants and 290,-000 resident foreigners, while 290,000 Swiss were living in other countries,

## A Papuan Feast,

According to a recent visitor to the island of Papua, the basis of exchange there is arrack, or Java rum, one-half gallon of which is reckoned equal to one day's work at fishing or rattan cutting. No money is used. "When this nectar of the Papuan enters a home, every occupation is dropped and the family devotes all its attention with enthusiastic energy to its consumption. Their efforts never flag while the rum lasts or strength remains. The resulting stupefaction lasts for days, but on recovery the family cheerfully proceeds by persevering industry to acquire the means of procuring more." Arrack, we learn from the same anthority, is without a rival as "the most villanous intoxicant known," and its only competitor in the affections of the Papuan is roast wild pig. Together, they are said to be to the Papuan simply irresistible .-Westminster Gazette.

## From the Statistic Flend.

The fad for collecting ridiculous statistics seems to be growing. The atatistic fiend has discovered how much time a man wastes in his life crawling under the dressing-table in search of a lost collar-stud; and he can tell us exactly how many years we waste for the purpose of eating; then, sgain, how many tons of bread, meat or pota toes we may have eaten in these wasted years.

Now a reader, who lives in Glasgow, has written to inform me that, after several weeks of laborious calculation he has discovered that one ton and some odd pounds is worn off the boots of the London public every day. This material, if restored to its proper condition, would be sufficient to form a leather strap an inch wide and ten miles long and, with one year's accumulation, would reach from London to New York .- Answers.

## In His Own Bear Trap.

Abraham Wosterhouse, an old hunter, known all through the Pine Creek district, of Pennsylvania, a few days ago was rescued by a party of deer hunters in the Black Forest, more dead than alive, after having been imprisoned in a bear trap for over five days, with nothing to est, except a sheep's head.

Wosterhouse left his home, near Slate Run, taking an ax, auger and sheep's head with him. Going into the Black Forest, be built a bear trap, set it and placed heavy stones on th lid, crawling in to tie the sheep's head as bait. The lid sprung, leaving him imprisoned. He tried to free himself, but all efforts were futile.

The rescuers came across the trap by chance, and Wosterhouse's cries caused the discovery. He will recover.-New York Press.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer thinks it would be a good idea to follow up the arbitration treaty between England and the United States with othere between Spain and Cubs, Turkey and Armenia, Germany and France.

A Solid Basis.

Gold is a solid ba

Thought the Ponishment Merited. get her mother to meet him, and the thrashing was done. The man who United States officers of Salem and Portland, in Oregon, did not relish a recent duty they were called upon to perform, involving the arrest of a young woman of Salem who had sent out a man dressed in woman's clothes to meet a man who had written to

was beaten entered complaint against the girl. The opinion of the officers as men was that he should have "taken his medicine."

Experiments in Florida and southher mother to meet him. The daugh-ter had instructed her emissary to thrash the fellow who was trying to produced on American soil.

# One of Mrs. Pinkham's Talks

## Concerning a Mother's Duty to Her Young Daughter. Together with a Chat with Miss Marie Johnson.

The balance wheel of a woman's life is menstruation. On the proper performance of this function depends her health. Irregularity lays the foundation of many diseases, and is in itself symptom

CUMBERS of disease. It is of the greatest importance that regularity be accomplished as soon as possible after the flow is an established fact.

Disturbance of the menstrual function polsons the blood. In young girls suppression develops intent inherited tendencies to scrofuls or consumption, and no time must be lost in restoring regularity. Many a young girl goes to her grave because this difficulty has been thought lightly of, and mother has said, "Time will bring about a cure; she is young, I don't worry about her."

Mother, when you see your draghter languid and indifferent to things that usually interest a young girl, when you note that flush on her cheek. that glassy appearance in her eyes; when your daughter tells you that even the weight of her Q dress waist oppresses her, and that she has terrible pains in her stomach shortly after eating, don't ignore these signs! If you do, you will be follow-

ing your daughter to the grave, for she will die ! This is gospel truth-she is developing consumption of the bowels!

Jours for Placette

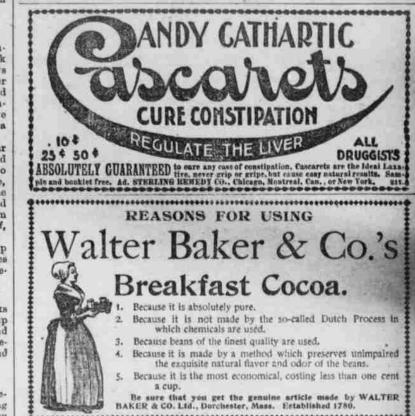
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Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the greatest regulator known to medicine. Make haste to use it on the first appearance of the tell-tale symptoms; it will restore all the female organs to their normal condition. Miss Marie Johnson's letter to Mrs. Pinkham, which follows, should interest all mothers and young ladies. She says:

"My health became so poor that I had to leave school. I was tired all the time, and had dreadful pains in my side and back. I would have the headache so badly that everything would appear black be-fore my eyes, and I could not go on with my studies. I was also troubled with irregularity of menses. I was very weak, and lost so much flesh that my friends became alarmed. My mother, who is a firm believer in your remedies from experiis a firm believer in your remedies from experi-ence, thought perhaps they might benefit me, and wrote you for advice. I followed the advice you gave, and used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills as you directed, and am now as well as I ever was. I have gained flesh and have a good color. I am completely cured of irregularity. Words cannot



express my gratitude, and I cannot thank you enough for your kind advice and medicine."-MISS MARIE F. JOHNSON, Centralia, Pa.



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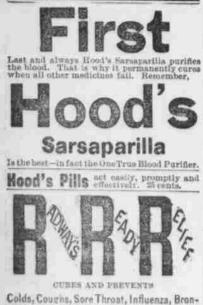
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WELFARE OF WORKING WOMES.

The Consumers' League is an or-

ganization of New York Indies inter-

ested in the welfare of working women

advice to shoppers and salespeople.

The league aims at the amelioration

on the church calendar,

If the report proves to be true, and flowers and plants which she has the lightweight, lustrous, artistic placed in her herbarium. She is con-fabrics are indeed to be the "feature" sidered a reliable suthority on the of summer clothes, we have much to be thankful for. --New York Sun. The new Bishop

The new Bishop of London's wife is in many respects a more famous personage in English literary upper cir-cles than her distinguished husband. Her histories of France and England Everything beautiful, useful, or ornamental in fashionable Paris nowadays, have given her high standing as an according to Vogue, is made after Russian models. There is the Russian author.

jeweled belt, with its precious Queen Victoria, when she leaves stones in the matrix enormous in size, Windsor for Balmoral, is provided or studded with brilliantly cut gems, with about a dozen copies of a sort of or surfaces sprinkled with turquoise or surfaces sprinkled with turquoise way bill of her journey, which con-the size of filberts, forming flexible tains a list of all the people in the gold panels, yielding to the curves of the waist; and the long chain of prec-ious gems-rabics, diamonds, or pearls A Berlin publisher has issued a vol-

A Berlin publisher has issued a volume devoted to the women of Berlin. It contains contributions on this topic are set in these chains so that they sparkle from both sides. No necklace is quite so smart as a golden thread, ner. Platsch. Franzos, Stettenheim ner, Pietsch, Franzos, Stettenheim and other well-known writers.

When Queen Amelie of Portugal recently visited Paris, she was much interested in the Pasteur Institute and the many remarkable experiments she saw performed there. She is already writing another book, in which she elaborates her own medical theories,

FASHION NOTES,

Gem jewelry is worn in greater profusion than before in many years. The fur with which a chapeau is trimmed should match the mull carried with it. Some lovely chinchilla sets consisting

grande tenne, with as marked and disof hat, stole and muff are shown by tinct a time and place when they should be worn as the fasts and feasts furriers. Silver toys for collectors are out in

new designs, and are notable for fine workmanship. Rose pink satin dinner gowns with

trimmings of sable are favored by fair ones in society. and girls. They have published a ''white list'' of retail houses, and in of gold, with gems set at intervals, connection with it offer much valuable they become coveted treasures.

Women with old Persian lamb muffs are utilizing them for the chic little

of the condition of workingwomen, turban so much worn nowadays. and appeals to shoppers, when annoyed by apparent indifference or careless-ness, to consider the hard labor, long amall empire or Marie Antoinette

hours and beggarly salaries of those affair. The sticks are of pearl, amber, who serve them. This is all very well tortoise shell or horn.

acknowledges, the saleswomen in the shop which, of all in New York, "gives its employes the greatest number of privileges, have been so notorionally drooping in the front, which is com-rude in their treatment of the public posed of the pink erepon shirred over that ladies have given that reason for the black goods. The collar is of pink, not patronizing it;" and practically closely shirred, and stands well up shoppers are always irritated and often around the threat. The shoulder exasperated by the importinence of ruffles are of pink, lined with black,

like a canker into the very vitals of public Integrity. It is a shame and disgrace to our Bepublic that, for a money consideration, it foles out licenses to a class of men whom it ought to sternly robuke for their disposition to destroy their follows.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

A HOBBIFTING FICTURE.

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TUE BREWER'S DOG.

THE ERRWER'S DOO. While wakking one exoning along one of the streets of the North End, Boston, we say two men supporting a third, who sppsared unable to wakk. "What is the matter?" we inquired. "Why," was the reply, "the poor man has been badly bitten by the brewer's dog." "Indeed," we said, feeling somewhat concerned at the disaster. "Yes, sir, and he is not the first by a good many that has been thus bitten," "Why do they not kill the dog?" "Ah, sir, he ought to have been made away with long ago, but the law won't allow it. It is the strong drink, sir-that's the brewer's dog."-National Temperance Advo-uate. thift.

ALL CAUSED BY DEUNKENNESS.

Drunkeaness causes every year in Eng-land 60,000 deaths. According to the testimany of the magistrates it is the source, directly or indirectly, of seventy-five per cent, of the crimes committed, causing the disastrous ruination of families and destroy-ing domestic life, together with the prac-tice of religion and the Christian education of the children.

> TEMPERANCE NEWS AND NOTER. The mail who eats cloves, May disguise his condition; But he's never quite free From the breath of suspleion.

The saloon is the constant horver of every wife; every husband should therefore fight the saloon.

I'm not afraid of anarchy if you will abolish the saloon. It is not the pipe filled with dynamite that is the real bomb, it is the bottle on the saloon shelf.—Dr. P. S. Hen-

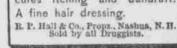
Hereafter no member of the Masonie traternity in Minausota can sell inforicants, and 100 persons now in the liquor business will be expelled from the Order if they do not change their occupation.

Old Adam, in "As You Like It," in refer-ring to his vigorous old age says: "I never in my youth applied hot and rebelitous liquors to my blood." This is a piece of Sinkweperean wisdom which should be heeded.

tion, and for business that's the best thing for us. It is so in the physical conditions. If by some carelessness or exposure to sudden cold some carelessness or exposure to nuclear court the muscles of the back are contracted and stiffened, we have at once lumbago, or lame back, sometimes called "oriok in the back," which is disabiling and unfits all who have it for any activity. Now, to get back to a solid basis of health and strength, St. Jacobs Oil should at once be used to relax the twisted muscles and restore to their natural condi-tion. It takes but a short time to perform the cure and the cure is certain. The back is then on a solid hasis for strength and work. the cure and the cure is certain. The back is then on a solid basis for strength and work, and nothing will being about the change like this great remedy for pain. Boston is to have a grand spectacular whist party, made up of 3200 players.

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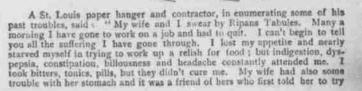
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