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Switzerland has just decided to make insufface against movident and sickness compulsory on all citizens.

Wheat and corn Mave done so well in Central Kansas that it is computed in the New York Sun that the money receipts from these sources will be greater by one-third in that part of the State this season than last.

A Parisian work on the morphine habit says it is most prevalent in Germany, France and the United States, and, strange to say, that the medical prefession furnishes the largest numher of morphinists-forty per cent.

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alla 10.

As the English upper classes do not object to their boys being birched, it is only royal Princes and the sons of noblemen who receive corporal punishment in the great English schools. So at least says the headmaster of Harrow.

Miss Leff Segeur, Superintendent f the city-schools of Decatur, Ill., refused to swear to the assessor's list, or to give him a list of her taxable property. For this she was arrested and fined \$18. She believes that if sha shanot vote she should not pay Laxes.

Holland has extended the elective franchise so as to permit workingmen to pote. Though in most respects a progressive State, Holland has hesitated about this step because of a dread of the socialists, who are bred in Holland into a peculiarly bitter type which might almost better be termed anarchists.

Newspapers of the City of Mexico. report that a stock company is being formed in that city with a capital of \$60,000 for the purpose of elevating "the noble art" of bull fighting. The company will import both bulls and

The fighters, the sister Republic being ovidently unable to supply the genuine simon-pure article. The New York World estimates that

Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma will sell this year not less than 95,000,000 bushels of wheat at more than half a dollar a bushel net price to the producer. The other wheat-growing States will reduce even these figures to insignificance by their results. There is more gold in a good agricultural soil than in any Klondike placer over yet discovered. There is truth yet in Irving's story of the old Hudson

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Making a litter of boughs they car

ried me into camp, where I lay for

many weeks, lingering between life

How Tea is Adulterated.

and death.

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# PATIENCE. A-wooing pretty Patience, Went I, a love-sick swain. And found her in the orchard, Amidst the trees and grain. And then I plead with ardent words, And, when I thought her won. I aelsed her—would have kimed her—Ahl The conquest was not done. For with a haughty, mosking eye, Low courteseying, the maid did cry, "Kind sir, have patience." A-wooing eruel Patience, Went I, a love-sick awain, And, sore of heart and of conecit, For love found only pain. Then straight I turned me round about And would have strode away, But saw the maiden's lashes drop As though to bid me stay; And while I pondered if to go There came a whisper-fait ring-low, "Kind str,-have Patience," --Richard Stillman Poweil, in Puck.

# The tiger's skin now adorns my study, as my first and last prize won in a bicycle race .- The White Elephant.

A BICYCLE RACE WITH A TIGER. 0 

# By C MUMFORD ROBINSON.

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WAS always very | leau, half-starved little beast I had fond of bicycling, and from the time when I was brake, and sat there washing his face a small boy, and labored for hours like a huge cat. 

with a bone shaker, to the days when I be-vards, so if I could not beat him it came the proud possessor of one of was a pity. the first "safeties" ever made, I re- He had not seen me yet, and I stood

veled in the enchanting pastime, spend- for another minute admiring the handveled in the enchanting pastime, spend-ing hours on the back of my steel steed, thus putting my physical powers a long way ahead of my mental. In fact, I hated the sight of a book, and was never happy unless "scorching" noise I made roused him; he looked through the country on my bicycle. My father was a doctor in an Eng-stretching humself, came leaping with lish village, and having a large family, long, graceful bounds over the rank he was thankful indeed when, at the grass and rocks which separated him age of ninetcen, a commission was ob- from the road. He did not seem a bit tained for me by a wealthy friend in a angry, but evidently wished to get a

nearer view of such an extraordinary regiment about to sail for India. object. A grand new bicycle was my father's Forty yards, however, I thought was parting present, and great was my delight at finding that another young

quite near enough for safety. The tiger was in the road behind me now; "sub" in my regiment was also a biso I pulled myself together and began In these days, when the bicycle has to quicken my pace. so many votaries, this may seem

Would he stop disgusted after the first hundred yards and give up the chase, or would he stick to it? I quite nothing strange; but to realize my surprise and pleasure, you must re-member that a bicycle was then a hoped he would follow me, and already comparative curiosity, and a bicyclist a person to be stared at and admired pription I would write home of my bior otherwise. Our bicycles were, I believe, the first ever seen in India; and as we rode together in the town, otherwise. Our bicycles were, I cycle race with a tiger. Little did I think what a terrible race it was going to be. I looked behind me. By jove! he was "sticking some days after our arrival, one would have thought it was the triumphal to it." I could not judge the distance; but at any rate I was not farther from

entry of some Eastern potentate. I could fill a book with the curious him than when we started. Now for a incidents and accidents which befell spurt. I rode the next half mile at a us going "up country." Our regiment was always on the move, and panics lively pace, but on again looking round, found I had not gained a yard. The tiger was on my track, moving of one kind or another were very frequent on our bicycling excursions. One evening, after mess, Fred and I with a long, swinging trot, and going quite as quickly as I was. signed articles to ride a ten mile race. For the first time I began to feel

There was a grand native road withauxious, and thought uneasily of the ten long miles which separated me in a short distance of our camp, running away for ten miles as flat as a from safety.

drawing-board. It lay through the However, it was no good thinking open plain, and then a deserted tract now; it was my muscle and "bike" was reached, becoming wilder as the against the tiger. I could only do my road proceeded, and finally swallow- best and trust to Providence.

# in time to save my life. I was drawz THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE. from under the palpitating body of my dead enemy, everyone present believ-ing it was all up with me. STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE

FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS. Revenge on a Rival-A Professional Fromise - Corroboration - Expensive-Alas-ka Conditions-Het Stuff-He Didn't

Mind-Obeyed - Not Classified, Etc. He traced Mnud's name upon the sand-A tribute to the lovely bud-A featous wave rushed up the land, Washed out the "a" and left it "Mud."

Adulterated tea, which is being sold all over the European continent, is described in a German medical paper. This preparation has long been known in Russia, where it is sold under the name of "rogogeski." It is made in the following way: The manufacturers of this adulterate buy in the tea houses the residue from the teapots-leaves which have already been used-and mix these leaves, while still moist, with other leaves and very little genuine tea. The mixture is heated with an addition of extract of caramel codfish to soak?" and campeche wood, in order to im-

prove the color and the taste. The weight is also increased by the addition of sand or soil, and just before being dried, the leaves are rolled between the hands. The adulteration

is so difficult to recognize that a chemical test is necessary to prove it. If tea prepared in this way is dipped into a cold saturated solution of copper, the blue color of this solution will not be changed, not even if the adulterated tea is allowed to remain in it for three or four months. If the tea is fresh and has not previously Record. been soaked, the solution will turn green within a short time.

When Elephants Have Toothache. It is not easy to tell when an ele phant has got a toothache, but it is best o keep out of his way when you do

know it. A London surgeon, who had been for many years in India, says he would sooner risk a railway accident than meet an elephant with a toothadea

It appears that a toothache affects an elephant in a more severe manner than it does any other animal. Elephants have very sensitive nerves, and a touch of toothache often brings on tack I ever had." madness.

Providing you are able to chain down an elephant and draw out the offending tooth, the brute is certain to be affectionate to you afterward. Here is

an instance: An elephant in Bengal, India, Bedle! came affected with toothache, but the keepers managed to secure it while a dentist drew a decayed tooth-the cause of the trouble. After a time the elephant seemed to understand that the dentist was trying to do something for his pain, and he gave every evidence of appreciating the attention. When the operation was over he frisked round the dentist like a young lamb. -Answers.

Do Metals Become Tired? Various instances are on record

TIONESTA, PA., WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 29, 1897.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. Inhabitants of Simu, of mixed

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blood, have faces that are spotted, piebald, and even white on one side and black on the other.

The electric tramway at Lausanne, Switzerland, runs up the steepest ineline surmounted by any train depending on adhesion to the rails-11.3 per cent. in one place.

Black, blue and red ink used in German public schools has been found to contain microbes. When scientifically developed they prove fatal to mice within four days.

Tests of a parasitic fungue in Cape Colony promise an effective remedy against locust swarms, large numbers of the insects having died a few days after infection of a few specimeus.

The advantages of acctylene for notor-carriages have not been overlooked. The acetylene motor [now being built to the design of M. Raoul Pictet will have three cylinders, and will develop ten horsepower while oc-

cupying small space. Some idea of the flue point to which platinum wire can be drawn will be got from the fact that threads have

Wife-"'My dear, the doctor insists that I must take a trip abroad." Husband-"I wondered what made his bill so high."-Detroit Free Press.

Alaska Conditions. "But the conditions of life on the

Klondike must be hard." "Yes, even the milk of human kindness is condensed."-Chicago

Not Classified.

Teacher-"How many bones are there in a human body?"

when eating is followed by a period of rest, according to the experiments of Free Press. Dr. Tange, of Buda-Pesth. In the

How She Took It.

"Does Miss Merry staile upon which shows how unsafe it is to infer your suit, Chumpley?" results in one animal from observa-"Smile? She laughs till you can tions on another. hear her a block every time I propose."

In experiments at some Prussian -Detroit Free Press. sugar works the use of electrolysis alone for purifying beet root juice is A Professional Promise. reported to have proven impracticable. "Ah, doctor, this is the worst at-When used in conjunction with lime, however, electrolysis completes the "Don't worry yourself, my dear action, and precipitates almost three

madam. I'm quite sure you won't have another."-Pick-Me-Up. times the nitrogenous matters that are removed in the ordinary separation. The combined process is estimated to have saved about \$7000 in treating 70,000,000 pounds of best root.

Benny Bloobumper - "Oh, papa, the goat has swallowed a Romau can-A piece of glass may be made irides-Bloobumper - "That's cent, according to a correspondent of

right. He merely wanted a light lunch."-Life. He Didn't Mind. Askins-"One of the drawbacks of

married life comes when your wife asks you to mind the baby; ch, old man?

Hot Stuff.

Mr.

Kidder-"Oh, I don't mind it much."-Puck.

Made Him Prove It.

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The w: ent bonds down With its golden crown— Then ho! for the lass that loves me! It's a brief, bright way To the parson's town, Then ho! for the lass that loves me!

For her eyes are bright As the twinklin' light

As the twinkin' light O' the stars o'er the wheat fields shinin't And never I roam But they light me home Where the lass for me is pinin'.

Let the golden crown O' the wheat bend down-It's all for the lass that loves me! The parson's town An' a weddin' gown, An' the lips o' the lass that loves me! -Frank L. Stanton.

# HUMOR OF THE DAY.

"What 's the objection of the poli-ticians to the civil-service reform system?" "The examination questions. -Truth.

"What a queer look that fellow cross the corridor has." "Yes, he has the pedestrian face. Doesn't ride." -Cincinnati Enquirer.

Freddie-"'Ma, what is the baby's name?" Ma-"The baby hasn't any name." Freddie-"Then how did he know he belonged here?"-Tit-Bits.

"Hit am er unfawchnit fach," said Uncle Eben, "dat de more reason a man hab foh indigantion de less comfort he's gwinter git out of it."-Washington Star.

"The doctor put my husband on his feet in a week," she exclaimed. "It was no trouble at all. The bill he presented fairly lifted him out of bed." -Chicago Record.

"She insists that her baby is the picture of its papa and it doesn't look a bit like him." "Ab, yes; she has much of the true artist about her, after Digestion proceeds more rapidly in all."-Detroit Journal.

Fair Critic-"I always admire the characters in your books." Novelist "'You think them bright, ch?" Fair Critic-"Well, they all seem to be very widely read."-Truth.

"My wife will be the first Klondike widow." "Why? Are you going?" "No; but I'm being talked to death by men who want to borrow money to get there."-Chicago Record.

First Boarder-"I wonder the landlady lets him stay. Everybody can see that he drinks." Second Boarder -"Yes; but he never has any appetite in the morning."-Puck.

He-"Will you fly with me?" She -"Certainly. Bring your air-ship around at 3 o'clock, and I'll be all ready but putting on my hat. Then we can start at 4."-Somerville Journul.

Carrie-"He said he would go to the end of the earth for me." Maud -"What did you say?" Carrie-"I proposed that he compromise, and simply go home."-Philadelphia North American.

"Want your money for sweeping the chimney, do you? Look at the beastly mess you've made on the carpet. You can ask till you're black in the face before you get any coin from

London Engineering, by flooding with a dilute solution of silicate of soda, and allowing it to dry spontaneously in an upright position. Washing the plate in running water and again dry-

The econ

ing may bring out the colors more brilliantly, while blackening the back of the glass will render them gorge-The film adheres tenaciously, and can scarcely be removed except by

# stching.

Mudge-"What would you do if you Thomas

Expansive. "What large features the has!" "Yes; I don't believe it would be easy to stare her out of countenance." -Detroit Journal.

Corroboration.

Obeyed.

Valuable Advice.

Here is the ticket."-Life.

"Is it any fun getting a man to teach you how to ride the wheel?" "Fun! Why, I've been taught three times."-Life, Mistress-"Bridget, did you put the

Bridget-"Sure an' I did, marm.

been drawn, two of which can be twisted together and inserted within the hollow of a human hair. These threads are so small that it needs a magnifying glass to see them.

dog and in man, the opposite is true,

Valuable Woods.

and hard, but is easily worked. A peculiarity of this timber is that it

contains an enormous amount of oil,

and therefore is not injurious to iron

when used in close contact. Decay

of the affairs of life from culinary

Astronomy and Longevity.

Herschel, who herself discovered

seven comets and performed a great

deal of other valuable work, died at

the age of ninety-eight. The older

Cassini was ninety-seven when he

To Save Your Boots.

noft and smooth, his reply was,

assure you. My man asks the cook for a kunchle bone, which he cleans

leather with cream, he then frotles

them as hard as he can with the bone.

Usually my boots last me three years.

Feat of a Noble Whip.

A new wrinkle may be learned from

"Mut-

The astronomer Denning has pub-

The eminent Swiss specialist, Dr. Yersin, a pupil of Pasteur, declares his conviction that the plague which has prevailed in southern China since 1894, and in British India since 1896,

# is the genuine black death of the middle ages, and that it will in all probability reach Europe in a year or two.

the horse with active exercise than Pupil-"I don't know. I haven't learned to ride a wheel yet."-Detroit

River Dutchman whose digging for treasure under the inspiration of dreams gave him greater wealth in cabbages than he had dreamed of in the chests of gold.

A recent statistical 'estimate places the number of newspapers which are annually printed at the enormous figure of 12,000,000,000. A mathematician, apparently with considerable time at his disposal, in order to give a ni omprehensive idea of this number, has calculated that a surface of 30,000 square kilometres could be covered with these papers. The paper alone weighs 781,240 tons. In case one machine was forced to print these millions at the rate of one a second three hundred and thety-three years would be necessary. Placed one upon another the papers would reach to the height of eighty thousand metres. Assuming that a person devotes five minutes a day to reading his paper the time used by the entire population of the world in reading newspapers each year autonuts to one hundred thousand Vyears.

A contributor to the New York Evening Post finds himself able, in reviewing the manners of contemporary American men, to aver that the rising generation of boys is a great deal better bred than the lot that preceded them. For purposes of comparison he classifies Americans whose behavior has come under his personal observation into gentlemen of 'the old school, surviving examples of which were still extant in his youth. gentlemen of a school which began about 1875, and the youths of the present period. He relates a number of afflicting characteristics of the school of 1875, and praises its latterday successors as being more civil, more deferential to their olders, and better balanced, as shown in their being much less apt to fall over one another in offering attentions to casual and unidentified Englishmen who may have straggled over to this country. In this new school of better Americans this observer sees "the influence of their mothers-those women we knew as girls, and who were so far allead of their brothers and husbands in refinement and culture." To have seen these girls marry and bring up their sons so well has been, he says, a satisfaction and a compensation for many delusions;

ing it up in an impenetrable jungle. It was on this road I intended Now there was no doubt about the tiger's intentions; his blood was up to train. Fred had found a circular and on he came, occasionally giving path round some native huts a vent to a roar which made the ground short way from the station, measur- tremble. Another mile had been traing about six laps to the mile, and versed and the brute was slowly but there he prepared himself for the comsurely closing up. ing struggle.

I dashed my pouch to the ground, hoping it would stop him for a few see-After a week of such training as onds; but he kept steadily on and I would make a modern athlete's hair felt it was then grim earnest. stand on end-meat almost raw, chopped very finely, etc.-we con-I calculated we must be about seven red ourselves fit for the contest; miles from camp now, and before I and the adventure I am about to relate | could ride another four miles my puroccurred the evening before the race sucr, I knew, must reach me. day. I was just starting for a last ride the agony of those minutes which seemed like long hours! over my favorite training course, when Another mile passed, then another. I could him behind me now, pad, pad,

and louder. I turned in my

lifetime, and then-crash-with a road

Then I heard shots fired, a babel of

an officer stopped me and said; "Have you heard of the tiger, Harpad, quicker and quicker and quicker, 'No." I answered.

"The natives have just brought saddle for a moment and saw there word that some tiger is marked down were not twenty yards separating us! in a jungle about ten miles from here; How enormous the brute looked, and how terrible! His huge tongue hung so don't go too far, this evening.

"All right," I laughed; "I think a out, and the only sound he made was tiger would find it a difficult matter to catch me-my training would tell on while his eyes seemed literally to flash

I had not seen any large wild beast It was like some awful nightmare as yet, and my notion of a tiger was a and with a shudder I bent down over thin, sleepy looking animal, such as I the handles and flew on. On, on, on, I scorched. the slight had once seen in a traveling menagest stip I knew would be fatal; a sud-

e11e. Away I rode, my comrade's caution den jolt, a screw giving, a pedal break ing, and I should be hurled to instant forgotten before I had gone a mile. I started at a good pace, but not racing, as I intended to do all I knew My My strength would not stand much coming home. In an I reached my usual hour halting e, ten miles from the camp; but over. My breath came in thick sobs,

this being the last night of my train- a mist gathered before my eyes-I was stopping; my legs refused to move and ing, I made up my mind to ride another couple of miles, and then do a thousand fiends seemed to be flitting the whole distance back at a "scorch like lead was on my chest; I was dying. I rode on, and in another ten min-Then a few moments which seemed a

utes found myself in the jungle. Now for the race home.

Dismounting, I oiled my machine, I was crushed to the ground. tightened up every screw, and then sat down on a bowlder to rest and enmen's voices, and all was blank. joy the prospect. A beautiful scene it was, too!

Above me .ose the grand moun-tains; their snowy tops blushing and raging fever, reason gradually re-turned, and I learned the particulars crimson in the setting sun; here a of my deliverance. waterfall, like a thread of gold and A party of officer silver, flashing down the mountain a shikaree (native hunter) to a trap-side and twining in and out among the which had been prepared for the tiger. masses of trees and rocks; there, a They were talking of our coming biglimpse of fairyland through a junge cycle race, as they went along, and exvista

my return journey. As they passed a But now the shadows were deepening, the crimson on the mountain tops clump of bushes I came in sight, whirthad disappeared, and the snow began ing along in a cloud of dust, which to look gray and ghastly. A flying hid my terrible pursuer. They soon, however, saw my awful fox went rustling past me, and I hastily prepared to mount; for there danger. The huge brute, mad with

is scarcely any twilight in India, and rage, hurled itself upon me just as we I knew it would soon be dark. reached them. As I rose my eyes encountered some-

drop my bicycle. There, not forty yards off, was a within a yard of the tiger, and putting feetly noiseless, unaffected by heat or tiger. I knew the animal well enough; his rifle almost to the animal's ear, cold, and less slippery and more durbut how different he looked from the fired twice and blew its brains out, just able than asphalt.

where metals, while not showing vere me appreciable wear, have literally fallen to pieces, and that without any as-

signed cause. On one occasion a steel rail, after twenty-two years' continuous service, on the Great Northern Railway, in England, actually disintegrated under the wheels of a passing train. So complete was the breaking up that scientists thought it worthy of investigation, during which it was determined that the metal had become exhausted and had broken down, just as an overstrained animal might be expected to do. This has led to further inquiry and scientists are satisfied that metals do become tired out. Fine cracks ofter appear in steel rails and it has been supposed that they are caused by the continuous concussion of railway wheels. This, however, seems to be contradicted by the examination of newly-made rails, in which similar fine

lines occur. The idea that metals become wear while not altogether a new tent a plausible one, onor ful scrutiny of scien-

tific societies will probably be satisfac torily explained and settled.

### World's Biggest Fountain.

The greatest fountain in the world was turned on recently at Indianapolis, Ind., and permitted to flow for an hour. It is one of the cascades now in the Bits. course of construction at the base of the Soldiers' Monument. The flow of water measures fully up to the contract, which calls for 7000 gallons p more; the prolonged strain had told minute at each of the two cascades fa upon me, and I felt all would soon be a regular thing, with a capacity under high pressure, however, that is much greater. The combined capacity of the world-famous fountains at Versail les, hitherto the largest in the world, about me, holding me back! A weight is 80,000 gallons an hour. They would make but feeble streams in comparisor with the monument cascades, and yet the cost of running the French fo tains is so great that the water is only like thunder the tiger was on me and turned on on gala days.

### Turned the Cow Around.

When the good ship Queen was weighing anchor for Alaska from Seat-After many days of unconsciousness tle a few days ago a man rushed down to the purser and exclaimed excitedly Look here, I paid for a stateroom for A party of officers had started with myself and wife, and when I got there I found an old cow sticking her head through the window." "I am very sorry, sir," said the purser; "we are very crowded, but I will do the best I can for you. John (turning to a deck pecting every moment to meet me on hand), go up on deck and turn that cow around!

# India Bubber Streets.

India rubber as a paving for streets vas tried on a bridge in Hanover Germany, a little more than a year ago, and proved so satisfactory that My friends stood almost petrified experiments are being made in Ber thing which made me start and nearly with terror and did not dare to fire; lin and Hamburg with it from ordi but the shikaree sprang quickly to uary roadways. It is said to be per

bering idiot."

Watts-"I'd make him prove it, sively commented on. Teak is said to every bit of it. I don't believe any be the most valuable wood for shipone ever heard you gibber."-Indianbuilders. Although porous, it is strong and lasting. It is very light apolis Journal.

### Heavy Handlcap.

Lean O'Leary-"Ma'am, I'm a wictim of most adwerse circumstances. Old Lady-"Poor man! Wint happened to you?"

somes on very slowly even where there is a great deal of dampness. Lean O'Leary-"Ma'am, I showed my signs of greatness in me youth!"-Bamboo has a much wider range of North American. asefalness, as it figures in almost all

### What's in a Name.

"I like a good drink of hot water in purposes to the worship of the Chinese the morning, but we can't get it at our deity. Leaves, stalk, roots, tender boarding house.' shoots, indeed, every part of it, has "I used to have the same difficulty

its uses, and the Chinese are so acin our boarding house, but now I take customed to rely upon it for almost all of the emergencies of life that coffee. It answers every purpose."-Boston Transcript. when they move to a new country they are at a loss for a substance to

## Too High.

supply its place. At a recent birthday party in Shepherd's Bush a young lady began a song, "The autumn days have come, lished a paper showing that extremethousand leaves are falling. ten She began too high, "Ten thouly long lives seem to fall to the share of those engaged in astronomical purshe screamed, and then sand-" suits. In corroboration he mention

stopped. the eminent Fontenelle, who lived to "Start her at five thousand!" cried be 100 years old. Caroline Herschel. an auctioneer who was present .- Titthe sister of the celebrated William

Torinre. The party paused now to contem-

plate Ixion on his wheel. "I don't see where the torture comes

in," whispered Alucas. died, Sir Edward Sabin was ninety-Pluto, who was personally conductfour, De Martin ninety-three, Mary Sommerville ninety-two, Giovanni Santini and Sharps were ninety-one, and Milet, Airy (the director of the ing the tour of the distinguished Trojans, pointed silently to the name

plate; it was a last year's wheel. Greenwich Observatory), Humboldt, Robinson and Long all attained the The son of Anchises shuddered and

hurried on .- Truth. age of ninety. Of those who were cut Easier.

off at the youthful age of between "What nonsense it is," remarked eighty and ninety Mr. Denning menthe sentimental girl, "to take daisies and by plucking off the petals try to tioned no fewer than thirty-two. learn whether or not a man loves

very silly.

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne; "it is an English soldier who was noted for A much better method is keeping his boots in better condition and making them last longer than any of his brother officers. When asked to take the roses he sends you around to the florist's and find out how much what he did to them to prevent the they cost."-Washington Star. leather from cracking and keeping it

### Esthelical

"Here are a few letters I wish you ton bone." When an explanation was demanded he said: "It is nothing, I would mail for me, dear," said Mrs. Tenspot to her husband, who was proparing to go out.

As Mr. Tenspot took them he glanced and then bakes. After rubbing the at the stamps, and asked:

"My dear, why did you put fifteencent stamps on these letters? Two-cent stamps would have carried them."

"I know it," replied Mrs. Tenspot, The present Lord Lonsdale can "but how would a red stamp look claim to have performed the record driving feat of the age. On one ocenvelopes of that lovely violet shade? This new stationery is of an exquisita color, and I could not think of spoileasion he drove a single horse, a four ing its effect with stamps which did not harmonize. These purple fifteen-cent stamps are the nearest match the of road in fifty-five minutes, including postoffice keeps."-Harper's Bazar. a change of vehicle.

uses of teak and mel"-Judy. camboo have been of late very exten-

"I am so glad to know you, Mrs. de Cycle. Mazie has spoken of you so often. Oh, excuse me, do you ride i wheel?" "Of course I do, Mrs. Van Gear. What a funny question !"-Detroit Free Press.

New Woman-"Simply because a woman marries a man is no reason why ahe should take his name." Bachelor-"That's so. The poor fellow ought to be allowed to keep something he could call his own."--Judge.

In the Park: "Little Miss Muffet -"I don't suppose I ought to go awound all alone with a gentleman like you, Mr. Donkey Boy, but I gueth it's all right. The donkey is as good as most chaperous."-Harper's Bazar.

"They say, Grumpy, that the Queen of England has sixty pianos, and doesn't play any of them." "I'm a little bit cramped this spring, but I'll buy my daughter fifty-nine more if she'll follow the Queen's example."-Household Words,

"Mamie, if I were you I wouldn't go with Jay Burd. He is a very irreverent young man. I don't believe he ever gets on his knees. "Maybe not, ma, but I know somebody who does." And then she blushed."-Philadelphia Bulletin.

The pupils in a school were asked to give in writing the difference between a biped and a quadruped. One boy gave the following: "A biped has two legs and a quadraped has four logs; therefore the difference between a biped and a quadruped is two legs,"-Tit-Bits.

The seashore boarder was accosted in the 'ark lano leading to the hotel with a gleaming revolver. - houted the thug. "Ob,

I say, " replied the boarder, "you're not going to collect till my I say week's up, are you?"-Philadelphia North American.

"I am very much shocked," said the European Statesman, "at the tone of your country's protest. It was not polite." "Well," replied the man from the United States, after some thought, maybe they thought that what you did to call forth the protest wasn't very polite, either."--Washington Star

## A Remarkable Mule.

Professor T. D. Boaz has found a aule that he says is thirty-eight years of age. The animal is now the prop-erty of "Hub" Crider, in the eastern portion of the county. He was mised by the professor's father, and during the war was hidden on several occasions to prevent his falling into the hands of the soldiers. He was sold shen twenty-four years of age, and that, the professor says, was fourteen years ago, making the animal now the remarkable ago of thirty eight. He is He is still in pretty good fix, and will prob-ably live to be forty, if not older.→ Mayfield (Ky.) Monitor.