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Japan is about to send a lot of experts to this country to teach the people how to make tea.

English officials estimate that it will cost the Government \$15,000,000 to suppress the uprising in India.

Horses may be cheap enough elsewhere, but on the Klondike trail even the poorest cuts are worth fifty cents a pound.

In the period 1882 to 1894 the criminal record in the German empire increased twenty-two per cent., or twelve per cent, more than the popu-

If there were more big estates to settle, observes the Detfoit Free Press, there would probably be more lawyers. The attorneys in the Davis case in Minnesota got about \$5,000,-000 before the heirs got anything.

The Germans seem to be losing their respect for the Emperor. Last year there was eighty-three per cent. more imprisonments for less majeste, which is the term for the treason of speaking disrespectfully about royalty, than eleven years ago.

Deputy Attorney-General Elkin, of Pennsylvania, decides that mutual life insurance companies may issue polisies requiring the payment of periodical premiums of a fixed and definite sum in lieu of the assessments made apon the death of members.

The Times of India directs attention to the influence which the prevalence of distress has had upon the statistics of crime in that country. As the scarcity of food pressed more heavily during the last two years upon the agricultural population the number of offences gradually rose. But it is noted that the excess of crime was almost entirely confined to petty offenses against property. This indicates that it was hunger which drove many of the offenders to do what, under normal conditions, they would perhaps have never dreamed of doing. Indeed, she emaciated condition of the great number of prisoners was further proof of this. A noticeable feature of the returns has been the increase in the convictions of old offenders, which leads one jail superintendent to suggest that "old offenders appreciate the advantage of jail life in a year of

politan University. The method of the new school so far as worked out is as follows: A student will forward to the university his name and address and the purpose for which education is sought, and the studies which the applicant desires to pursue. Each such statement will go to Dr. Andrews who will map out the course of study which he deems the best possible for the applicant in the light of the information conveyed. He will then dispatch his own diagnosis of the applicant's case and prescription therefor to the most eminent expert on the particular study with whom he is ac quainted. This expert will revise the course and the accompanying instructions and return the document to President Andrews.

Czar Nicholas has been entertain, ing President Faure of France. Prob. ably never before has the President of a Republic been received with such royal pomp. This time, asserts the Washington Pathfinder, it is the Russians that appear to have gone mad with enthusiasm at the idea of a French alliance. The Russian ladier have loaded the French officers with flowers; the French sailors have beer carried on the shoulders of the frenz ied populace of St. Petersburg, and fete upon fete has been given ir honor of the visitors. Coming or the heels of the great demonstration to Emperor William, of Germany, this ovation to President Faure and his party is extremely significant Politics is at the bottom of every such function, and the politics of the present summer's hospitalities at the court of Eussia is that Russia, in the supreme conflict that she must sooner or later wage with England, wants to know whom she can depend upon Germany and Russia are now swort allies; France, though at sword's points with Germany, is so jealour of England that she, too, finds it good politics to follow Russia's lead. and through France it is hoped to entist Italy, now, with an increasing navy, an ally worth having. Thus to-day, there is a more complete European alliance against England than has existed for a long period. Such, then, is the true significance of the flashy ceremonies lately witnessed but I'll give you five minutes more if at the Russian court.

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One day through the primeval wood,
A calf walked home, as good calves should;
But made a trial all bent askew,
A crooked trail, as all calves do.
Since then two hundred years have fled,
And, I infer, the calf is dend.
But still he left behind his trail,
And thurchy hangs a mortal tale.
The trail was taken up next day,
By a lone dog that passed that way.
And then a wise bell-weather sheep,
Pursued the trail, o'er vale and steep,
And drew the flock behind him, too,
As good bell-weathers always do.
And from that day, o'er hill and glade,
Through those old woods a path was made,
And many men wound in and out,
And dodged and turned and bent about,
And uttered words of righteous wrath;
But still they follow—do not laugh—
The first migration of that caif,
Betause he wabbled when he walked.
This crooked lane became a lane;
That bent and turned and turned again,
This crooked lane became a lane;
This crooked lane became a road,
Where many a poor horse, with his load,
Tolled on beneath the burning sun.
And thus a century and a haif.
The years passed on in swiftness fleet,
The road became a village at road,
And thus a century and a haif.
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south, and the captain reckoned he was somewhere off the Queen Charlotte Islands. The Bear was an iron both through the way if you like, and we'll handle fooled me, I'll settle with you later." ship of old-fashioned build and as slow as they make 'em; any old thing on I suppose?" suggested another, more the ocean could pass her; yet, pro cautious than the rest. tem., she was a passenger boat and was "No more than I co crop of Klondike miners. She was craft," replied the captain delefully. reputed to have over \$5,000,000 worth

of gold dust and nuggets on board and bridge. r coming was watched for with some

On the morning of the 7th the capthese waters, except in the sealing season, the captain watched the stranger's approach with interest not unmixed with anxiety, because of the valuable cargo he had aboard. The the steamer seemed to be making for so, but in that case I shall undoubted-across the bows of the Bear. The captain ordered the flag hoisted, but the over the crisis for a moment you will oncomer showed no answering colors, see that nothing else is left for me to which did not tend to make the capdo. It is the only safe plan; therefore tain feel less uneasy. She was a trim I trust there will be no trouble.' craft, looking like a private yacht, painted black with two slim, tapering that there was little use in making a with the slow progress the larger ship out:

"Who are you?" roared the captain; 'and what do you want?'

"I want an answer to my question; then I'll tell you what more I want." After speaking, however, the newgave a command to the man at the be disembarked long before you can wheel, who promptly signaled for the reach the nearest telegraph office. So, the slowness of the old Bear. The trouble of calling at Victoria or any of and the captain of the yacht having long," seen that this was the ship he was after moved quickly alongside again, ship at a speed which showed that all this time with only a couple of hun- hope of keeping her in sight for long dred feet of water between the two was hopeless. With sad hearts the ships. During the slight interval the plundered passengers watched her crew of the yacht had been busy, and grow smaller and smaller to the south nowa forbidding looking cannon point- of them, while the Bear churned her ed its ominous muzzle toward the leisurely course through the waveless

"I'm after the gold, captain," said the first speaker, nonchalantly, "as no doubt you are aware. I'm going to have it quietly or I'm going to sink your ship. Which is it to be?"

'Whatever gold we have on board, if we have any, isn't mine. I don't a triffe less ruddy. see what good the sinking of the ship the mate, "What do you think of it?" will do you, and it would be very inand we'll say no more about it. I didn't seem to be more than half concan take a joke as well as the next

er heeded the good advice given him. speed ahead and the sharp proweut have a faster steamer next voyage or the water like a kuife. The yacht de- quit the high seas. scribed a large circle and seemed to be showing off its paces, but this, as the northern bound yacht, and the unnecessary, for he already know that | run through every mind, even before any scow on the Pacific could pass one of the passengers gave voice to that this was not the intention of the out with his glasses still to his eyes: enemy. Ranging alongside once more, but this time further away, there was a cloud of smoke from the caunon, a sharp report and the crash of rendering plates. A jagged hole had been captain's view. Soon all doubt was of the ship in such a position that when torn in the ship's side near the bullest at rest. The oncoming boat was warks, which, while it did no harm, carcely improved the appearance of

within a distance of a hundred yards. "Haul down the flag," said the cap-

tain of the big steamer. "Well, captain," began the young man on the bridge when at speaking dangerous distance. Once more the distance, "a practical lesson is worth Russian Bear lowered her flag, slowed man on the bridge when at speaking any amount of talk. I merely wished down and stopped. The other came to convince you that we know how to up with her. handle our guns and that our guns can "We want what gold you have on penetrate your rotten plates. Besides, board," roared the man with the whisyou will have something to show for kers. your money when you get to port. Il take it we will have no further trouble, tain; "we've beenyou wish to consult together."

By LUKE SHARP. Russian Bear was drowned, neither did they wish to

thrashing along give up their gold. down the Pacific "Get him aboard, captain," said The pirate circled the Russian Bear, Ocean with her their leader, "and we'll bave a fight and the captain thereof saw him examblunt prow facing for it. We are all heeled, and once ining the hole made by the cannon

"No more than I could run down bringing down the last of the season's Queen Charlotte's islands with this

"You couldn't run down that pirate,

"Time!" shouted the man on the "We'll give you the gold," said the

captain, returning to his place. "All right. And so that there will tain noticed on the western horizon be no temptation to play us any tricks, what appeared to be a steamer coming for the amount I understand is demortowards him. As craft are scarce on alizingly large, I will stay here and sea was calm for the time of year, and capture them you are welcome to do

masts set at a rakish slope in line with row, and in a short time the precious her one funnel. She came swiftly cargo was transferred from the ship to through the water and turned her the yacht. It came in boxes and bags, broadside toward the Russian Bear, in large quantities and in small, and when the man at the wheel calculated the man on the bridge opened every that she was as near as was safe, and package so that there was no chance her engines slowed down so that the of fooling him. When the transfer stranger's speed more nearly accorded was complete the young man sang

"Ship ahoy. Is that the Russian against me. I assure you that I gave make up your mind on that point. We the plan the deepest consideration, stop pumping and down she goes, gold and if, unfortunately, one life had and all. been lost, you would all have gone to the bottom, but, as it is, this is only robbery or piracy, and I believe they don't haug for that now, so I chance of the gold was recovered. The safety of the gold was his duty, they said. comer did not wait for an answer, but your evidence against me, for I will engines to stop, whereupon the yacht if I were you, I would plug right along dropped to the rear, notwithstanding to San Francisco and not give me the

"The yacht's coming back, sir." The captain put his glasses to his eyes and gazed for a long time at the horizon to the south.

"By jingo, she is," he said, turning Then he said to "He's probably changed his mind vinced when he talked of not doing it.

What are we to do?" "I don't know anything to do, said the captain hopelessly, swearing

Everyone aboard was now watching However, it was soon evident his fears. Suddenly the captain cried "So help me! It's not the same vacht. Look, Joe!

The mate examined the approach ing steamer and coincided the other had seemed in comparison Once more the yacht swung around with the Russian Bear. A big blackthe circle and again ranged alongside bearded giant with a voice like a foghorn was in command. He wasted no time in talk, but sent a shot towards the Bear, a shot that skipped along the water and sank without coming within

"We haven't any," replied the cap-"I know better. You have \$5,000,-| 000 worth of the stuff with you and ing beveled to fit it tightly.

I'll have it without any more nonsense. THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE. I'm not running a moonlight excursion with a brass Surrender, or I'll sink you." Surrender, or I'll sink you."

robbed already." "Oh, that's too thin. Every man hold up his hands; we're going to lay alongside and the man that moves gets

'You're wasting valuable time, said the captain, "come round to the other side and see the shot he put through us, if you don't believe me. We don't get such marks as this en

moonlight excursions, either." "Here's the shot that came through the side," corroborated the mate, holding it up in his hands. All on board cried aloud that this was true, and the pirate made an emphatic remark regarding his future destination, which

was as likely as not prophetic.
"Didn't you meet a rakish-looking, black-hulled yacht about half the size of your own?"

'Yes, and it seemed to me at the time she sheered off and showed that she didn't want to be hailed. But as we didn't, either, I took no notice. Thunder! I can overhaul her before she reaches port. Any idea where she was making for?"

"No, but as her master advised me not to drop into Victoria, I suspect he intends to run in there himself.

No one slept on the Russian Bear that night. She veered toward the west and a keen lookout was kept till morning broke. She faucied they heard cannon firing in the distance, but no one was sure. Toward evening of the next day the outlook aloft shouted that there was something to the southwestward, and the Bear's course was laid in that direction. They came upon the yacht with one mast standing, on which flew a signal of distress. The smokestack and the other mast were gone, and the yacht lay helpless, with her prow high and her stern ominously low in the water. Men were pumping with feverish industry. "Yacht ahoy!" cried the captain of

the Bear. "Where's the other fellow?" "You ask no questions and you won't be disappointed with the answers. I am ready to make a fair bargain with you, captain, if you are.' "Well, you don't look in condition

to drive a very hard one." "Oh, I'm in better shape than you think. We're good for two or three hours yet. You proposed to call this i joke and I'm ready to do so now. We'll put the treasure back on your old tub and you give us safe passage to port and no questions asked or answered when we go ashore. We're

niners from Klondike, we are. "That's compour ding with piracy,

objected the captain, 'Oh, no, it isn't. You said your-John Brisben Walker announces that
E. Benjamin Andrews, who has resigned as President of Brown University, will take charge of the Cosmo-

The passengers implored the captain "All right," cried the captain, "You

put the gold aboard just as you took it off. Then each man must come on deck separately and must submit to be put in irons. I must insist on that for the safety of the ship. I'll let you name was plainly painted on the stern, those intervening ports. Well, so free as soon as we are tied up at the

Each passenger swore he would not inform on the pirates, and when all the gold was once more on the ship. together with the prisoners, the old Bear moved slowly on while the yacht disappeared stern foremost. And because the passengers and crew all kept their oaths, this marine incident never got into the papers until now, -Detroit

Women in the Bank of France As the result of long and careful experiment, the Governor of the Bank of France has now intrusted the work of detection of forged bank notes and of debentures with altered numbers entirely to a special corps of women convenient to me. Better sheer off and is going to sink us. I thought he clerks. He declares that the keen sensibility of their finger tips enables them in handling a note to distinguish the difference, however slight, between the forged and the real article. The means adopted for bringing to light The captain of the yacht rang full inwardly that if he escaped he would the falsified numbers on debentures are rather more claborate, and consist mainly in the distinction of the dif ference in the symmetry of the figures naed, magnifying the captain of the Bear remarked, was same disquieting thought seemed to glasses being used for the former and chemical preparations for the latter.

A. J. Carson, a commercial traveler living in Kalamazoo, Mich., has patented a device to prevent foundered pproach-with the His idea is to place a buoy on the deck of the ship in such a position that when seen to be much larger than the yacht and apparently much faster, speedy as rope is connected with the buoy. The rope passes through a hole in the deck and is wound around a reel in the hold of the ship. This reel is mounted on ball-bearings and the hole through which the rope passes is similarly equipped to prevent friction and avoid the danger of entangling. After the vessel reaches the bottom the buoy will serve as a means of locating the

Rain cannot force itself under the bottom of a door or window frame just patented which has a flange in the bottom of the frame with the front of the

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

Word Picture-The Martyr-A Double Quantity=Rubbed It In-A Benefly Slip-Too Quick For Him-Domestic Repartee - Fencing With Fate, Etc.

A pump just twenty miles away— How's that for whoel and woe? —Bochester Union and Advertiser. The Martyr.

"Your husband seems to be a victim of the tobseco habit." No; I'm the victim. He thoroughly enjoys it.'

"Which would you rather be, Hargreaves, rich or handsome? "I'd like to be rich, also."-Cincinnati Enquirer. Burned Them.

Kitty-"What did she do with those adoring love epistles he wrote?' Jack-"She simply made light of them."-Up-to-Date.

A Double Quantity. Boarding School Teacher-"And now, Edith, tell us the plural of ba-Edith (promptly)-"Twins."

The Locality. "Are you in pain, my little man?" asked the kind old man. "No," answered the boy, "The pain's in me."—Indianapolis Journal.

Domestic Reporter Mrs. Henpeck-"The proof of the pudding is in the enting. Mr. Henpeck-"The proof of those make is in the post-mortem."-

Fencing With Fate. He (cautionsly)-"If I should propose, would you say yes?"
She (more cautiously) -- "If you knew I would say yes would you pro-

Judge-"Why did you knock this man down? Did he say you were a Prisoner-"Worse'n that, sah; he

It All Depends. She (sweetly)—"Do you believe that kissing is unhealthy?"
He (cautiously)—"Well, I—er—is your father at home this evening?"— Chicago News,

Lucked Interest. "We let our typewriter girl go."
"What was the trouble?"

"Why, she didn't take enough interest in the bushess to pry into our private letters."—Chicago Record.

A Sign of Life, Mother-"Edith, go and see whether the clock is going! Edith (coming back)-"No, mamma,

Mrs. Bacon-"Did you offer Mr. Crimsonbeak your umbrella when he

Mr. Bacon-"No; I didn't have a

chance; he took it."-Yonkers States-A Beastly Slip. Mrs. Mashem-"My dog and I have

been sitting for our photographs as 'Beauty and the Beast.'" Lord Lorens (a bit of a fancier)-'Yes; he certainly is a beauty, isn't

The Editor's Assistant - "Here's some fugitive poetry, left to-day." The Editor-"By whom?" The Editor's Assistant-"A fugitive poet. I ran him out with a shotgun." -Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Nem. Con. First Lawyer-"You are a shyster!" His Opponent-"And you are a

The Court-"Now, gentlemen, let us get at the disputed points in the case."—Philadelphia North American.

"In marriage," said the old bachelor, as he mentally figured on the cost of a wedding present, "a woman gets "Yes," admitted the old maid; "she even gets the worst of it."-Chicago

Rare Felicity. She-"Such levely bargains as there are at that new place!"

She-"Yes, silks at eighteen cents, and in a store so small that a hundred persons crowd it to suffication!"-De-

troit Journal.

Martyre, Indeed. Young Housekeeper - "My man, can't you find a more useful life than that of a tramp?" Tramp-"We are useful, madamjust think of the number of divorces we prevent by eating young house keepers' pies."—Judge,

Didn't Approve of the Feast. The lesson was from the prodigal son, and the teacher was dwelling on the character of the elder brother.

"But amid all the rejoicing," said, "there was one to whom the preparation of the feast brought no joy, to whom the prodigal's return gave no pleasure, but only bitterness; one who did not approve of the feast being held, and who had no wish to attend it. Now can any of you tell me who this was?"

There was a breathless silence, followed by a vigorous cracking of thumbs, and then from a dozen sympathetic little geniuses came the chor-

"Please, sh it was the fatted calf!"

—Aberdeen J ual.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

A strong microscope shows the single hairs of the head to be like coarse, round rasps, but with teeth extremely irregular and jagged.

The oyster is one of the strongest creatures on earth. The force required to open an oyster is more than nine hundred times its weight.

The sole of the English coast when when placed over a gravelly bottom, will at once assume that shape to a re-markable degree. Placed in a white bowl it becomes almost as white as the

In France it is a punishable offense for anyone to give infants under one year any form of solid food unless such be ordered by written prescription signed by a legally qualified medical

Beamur says that each thread of what we call a "spider web" is com-posed of about five thousand separate fibres, and that it would take 27,648 full-grown spiders a year to spin a pound of such silk.

The summer coat of the polar fox is dark, in general harmony with the ground of the rocky Arctic regions, where the sun has molted off the snow. In winter it is so white that it can

hardly be seen as it runs over the snow. More than six thousand species of plants are cultivated, and most of these have been broken up into varied forms by the hand of man. Horticulturists create new species, and show numbers of cultivated plants of which

no one knows the original form. Spanning an inlet of the Yellow Sea near Sangang, China, is a bridge five and a quarter miles long, with 300 piers of masonry, and having its roadway sixty-four feet above the water. This work is said to have been accomplished by Chinese engineers 800 years

The drill of the woodpecker has another tool inside, a sort of insect catcher. On the end is a bony thorn with sharp teeth like barbs on a fish hook. As he works and finds an in-sect he opens the drill and sends out this barbed tongue and draws it into

A testing-machine of wonderful power has recently been devised for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It is capable of exerting a pressure of 500,000 pounds. It can be applied to testing the strength of a complete arch of masonry, and it is said that similar tests on so large a

scale have never before been applied. An experiment station for what has been called the "vivisection of plants" has been established by the Depart-ment of Agriculture in Washington. Somewhat similar stations exist elsewhere, but it is said to be the intention to make this more extensive than any other. Valuable results are expected from the study of the diseases of plants, and it has long been suggested that this may lead to the employment of "plant doctors" just as now we have doctors for men and ani-

In the future we may be importing masut instead of exporting coal. Masut is a by-product in the distillation of petroleum. It is also manufacsured from a cheap, brown coal found in Saxony. There has been, until recently, great trouble, says the Chicago Journal, in finding a furnace suitable for burning it. It is now blown by steam into a special furnace, on the principle of the Lucigen light, and used without difficulty. It is said to be forty or fifty per cent. chesper than coal, and is twenty per cent. better as a heat raiser. Steam can be got up quicker and kept at a higher pressure and more work be done by the machinery. From a naval point of view these are vitally important facts. sign of a ship under full steam will be shown in the sky, for masut is a smokeless fuel. Russia and Italy are using it in their navies, and Germany has lately made some valuable experim At Kiel, Wilhelmshaven and Danzig are tanks from which it can be pumped into ships. Its specific gravity being so much less than that of coal, a ship's buoyancy is greatly increased when the bunkers are filled with it. Heavier armor or cargoes can be carried. The heating capacity being greater, the ship can travel faster or farther. It is yet to be learned what improvements Germans have introduced into their furnaces and what are the disad-

The Truthful Citizen.

vantages of masut.

The other morning a careless mason dropped a brick from the second story of a building on which he was at work. Leauing over the wall and glancing downward he discovered a respectable citizen with his silk hat jammed over his eyes and ears, rising from a recumbent posture. The mason, tones of apprehension, inquired: "Did that brick hit anyone down there?" The citizen, with great difficulty exricating himself from the extinguisher into which his hat had been converted, replied with considerable wrath: "Yes. sir, it did. It hit me." right," exclaimed the mason, in tones of undisguised admiration. man, I would rather have wasted a thousand bricks than have you tell me a lie about it." - Baptist Union.

It has remained for the French to study the resisting power which the bicycle has in a cyclone, and to produce an instantaueous photograph of bicycle and rider as they appeared when caught in a furious whirwind. During recent tempests a number of bicyclists were caught on the highways, and, although a few machines were wrecked, they were of the cheapest grades. Bicycles of the best make showed remarkable powers of resistance. They were bent into all sorts of ahapes, but they did not break.

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Act bravely, promptly, for the way is free And woe to him who health on afraid! I hold in one hand, bondy, love and

And in the other want, hate and dingraces plain; Por slighted once, I never come against John B. Underwood, in Boston Tra

HUMOR OF THE DAY,

There may be lots of nice men in the world, but the bill collectors don't meet

them.-Atchison Globe. "Did Mrs. Jinks' traveling gown fit well?" "Yes, but it cost so much she

had to give up her trip and stay at home."—Philadelphia Press. Mrs. Files-"Did you take your pet dog to the country with you?" Mrs. Styles—"Mercy, no! The table was exiscrable!"—Yonkers Statesman.

"You know what a hatred Brown that for a crowd?" "Yes, indeed; what of it?" "His wife presented him with triplets yesterday."—Indianapo-

Mrs. Brown-Jones-"I married my husband for protection." Jones Brown-"Did you get it?" Mrs. Brown-Jones-"No; I didn't even get reciprocity."-Truth.

"Our typewriter girl is awfully clever; she can sharpen lead pencils."
"Pooh! Ours can beat that. She has five clerks in the office dying to pharpen them for her."—Detroit Free Press, Silas Oatcake (who has just pard the bill)-"You York people know athing or two. I reckon you hev this windmill here to keep people from gittin' hot

when they pay your confounded high charges!"-Puck. Solicitor-"Yes, madam, we will have to put down your correct age in the deed." Client-"Put forty-five, then, if you must have it, but for goodness' sake write it as illegibly as

Weary Watkins-"A man that will torture a pore dumb beast orto be took and boiled in oil." Hungry Higgins —"Boilin' in oil's too good for 'im. He'd orto to be boiled in soapsuds."— Indianapolis Journal.

possible."—Tit-bits.

Saddler-"That was a wonderful performance of Star Pointer's, wasn't it? I tell you, a mile in less than two minutes is going pretty fast." Wheeler
--"You bet it is. What gear did he
have, I wonder?"-Cleveland Leader.

Disappointed Suitor (savagely)-What's that, you little imp? say you just overheard your sister tell me she would be a sister to me, and that you are glad of it?" Small Brother (meekly)—"Yeth thir—mithery loves company, thir."-Judge.

"Dear," said Mrs. Grouch as she showed her lord and master a picture of a hat with a pretty woman's face under it, "I wish you would get me a hat like that." "I it be glad to." grunted old Grouch, "if you will only get a face like that."—Cincinnati En-

"What do it mean, "said Miss Miami

Jones, "when dey talk in dis here novel book bout or young man payin" his addresses to a young Doesn't you know?" exclaimed Erastus "I sho'ly doesn'." means dat he done put de postage stamp on de love letter."—Washington "Ask any question you like, Turk.

Yes. My trousers? Oh, they are rather large, to be sure, but you should see the harem that goes through them every night after I'm asleep, As for the travelers, they were much bewildered by the strange things they were encountering.—Detroit Journal Tompion-"Was Locke much of a fighter when he was in the army?" Hammer—"No, hardly that. In fact, ie managed to keep out of battle alto-But then, you know, he was

the war was over. In the nature of things; a fellow must have a rest some time or other."-Boston Transcript.

full of fight before he got to the front,

and he has been full of it ever since

According to recent statistics concerning the populations of towns from 1800 to 1890, it appears that during that period the population has been doubled at Amsterdam, Birmingham, Brussels, Manchester and Rome. has increased threefold at Copenhagen and Marseilles; fourfold Prague, Lyons, St. Petersburg, Paris and London; fivefold at Dresden. Cologne, Breslau, Hamburg and Vienua; sixfold at Leeds, Liverpool and Warsaw; sevenfold at Sheffield and Glasgow; eightfold at Budapest and Berlin, and tenfold at Baltimore. But all this is nothing compared to the growth of New York and Philadelphia, which to day have twentyfive times the inhabitants they had at the beginning of the century, or like Chicago, which has grown 245-fold, and Brooklyn, where for every inhabitant in 1800 there are now 339

Jim Stevenson, a colored man aged about twenty years, residing in Lexington, but who was born at North Middletown, Bourbon County, has the most enormous hand in the world, probably, and he says he was born that way. . His right hand is eleven inches long from the joint of the wrist to the end of the middle finger, and the thumb and fingers about four nail is as big as a half dollar. two last flugers are of normal size. The thumb and index tinger of the left hand are about double normal size. - Louisville Dispatch.