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India's area of wheat farms is now about two-thirds as large as that of the United States. The wheat is still thrashed by being trodden out by bullooks and buffaloes.

Two items in the budget of the bank at Monte Carlo, for the year ending October 31: "Payments to rained gamblers, one hundred thousand francs; for the prevention of suicides. one hundred thousand francs." Here is a sermon, "writ large," on the question, Does gambling pay?

The Fremdenblatt, of Vienna, which is the organ of the Austrian Foreign Office, approves the occupation of the Kiao-Chou Bay and Port Arthur, and says that one result of the opening up of China will be the stoppage of the emigration which is so disquieting to Australia and the United States.

The Japanese do not intend to rest supinely under the classification of the Colonial Government of New South Wales, which recently decided to include the Japanese in the Chinese Restriction act, denoting them "as other colored people." The Japanese Consul at Sydney has protested against the proposed legislation.

In South Germany finishing schools, to train young women in presiding over a home, have been recently developed. The girls admitted must have an ordinary grammar-school education. Not over twenty boarders are taken in each school. These girls are obliged to take care of their rooms. and every week four are selected who must manage the household for the ner and carriage. week, buying supplies and attending to all the details of cooking and other work, including sewing and making of garments. Under proper supervision this ought to make girls good housekeepers, and it certainly ought to have a tendency to keep down the divorces in Germany.

In the trial of a case at Newark, N. J., Vice Chancellor Pitney, one of the most erudite of New Jersey's judges, gave an interesting opinion on the effect of noises on human life. The case was a protest against the terrific hammering in a copper boiler shop. The complainants were property owners of the neighborhood. Said the Vice Chancellor: "Noises tend to shorten life. It is a well-settled fact that, all other things being equal, people living in crowded streets and ose surroundings are comparatively over her eyes, as the sayin is."

"La, Jane, I don't know where quiet. The rule is that which renders life uncomfortable should be stopped. In considering the effect of noise, we should apply it to ordinary, everyday people, such as the complainants in this case, not people brought up in a palace, unused to noise of any kind, or people who live in a pigsty, caring nothing for noise of any sort. The Court must be judge and jury in this case, and the Court has been in a boiler shop and knows what it is. . One man holds a small hammer inside the boiler, while another man hammers on the outside. Although the case was continued the Court intimated that people involuntarily subjected to such hurt-producing noises had redress at the hands of

Says the Boston Journal: "It is ealculated by military students that fully one-half of the 100,000 mon who died in battle on the Union side from 1861 to 1865 were a bloody sacrifice to the North's fatuous neglect of the science of arms and of the most ordinary military precautions. If that is true, then one-half of the wounded and disabled veterans whose names are now borne on the pension lists owe their disability to the fact that their country, in its long peace, had forgotten the solemn admonition of Washington and had allowed the great mass of its youth to become absolutely ignorant of the use of weapons and of martia exercises. On this basis of reasoning the national folly of the years before the Civil War is now costing the National Government about \$70,000,000 a year, or more than twice the cost of its present military establishment. We shall never have a Civil War again. Our only possible conflict is with a foreign enemy, and in all probability we shall never have that if we maintain an adequate navy and complete our new and admirable system of coast defenses. Seventy million dollars would finish these defenses and arm them. It would build a fleet of fifteen first-class battleships and make our navy the second most powerful on the planet. The men who believe in a policy of reasonable military preparedness for the United States can justify their position not only by an appeal to the national honor, but by the broadest considerations of genuine coonomy."

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### WHY AND WHEREFORE.

I know not whence I came,
I know not whither I go,
But the fact stands clear
That I am here
In this world of pleasure and woe,
And out of the mist and murk
Another truth shines plain—
It is in way power. It is in my power

To add to its joy or its pain. I know that the earth exists, It is none of my business why, I cannot find out What it's all about—

What it's all about
I would but waste time to try.
My life is a brief, brief thing,
I am here for a little space,
And while I stay
I would like, if I may.

To brighten and better the place.

The trouble, I think, with us all

Is the lack of a high concent;
If each man thought
He was sent to the spot
To make it a bit more sweet.
How soon we could gladden the world,
How easily right all wrong.
If nobody shirked And each one worked To help his fellows along.

Cease wondering why you cam:
Stop looking for faults and flaws;

Stop looking for fauts and the services.

Rise up to-day
In your pride and say:
"I am part of the first great cause.
However full the world,
There is room for an earnest man;
It had need of me
Or I would not be—

And even while indulging in this

Her summons were responded to by

"La! Mr. Sangster, I didn't expect

"I didn't feel like going out to

night," replied the young man in a

nace? I've left the lower doors open,

but I'll be very much obliged if you

go down at about eight and close 'em.

And you needn't take a light. There'll

Mr. Sangster readily promised to

comply with the request, and Mrs.

Collins went away, hoping for what

Meanwhile, poor Lucy Hildeburn,

longer, indeed I can't, seeing him day

after day, loving him as I do, and knowing that matters can never be ad-

of? It wants just two minutes to eight.

and proceeded down stairs to the cel-

The house was very quiet, and the

Every one seemed to have gone out.

At length she reached the cellar,

Ugh! What a chill draught was

And there were strange noises all

But goodness! The furnace was

They swung to with a baug, and

when she essayed to open them again

What was to be done in case of the

She might, after awhile, find it

But while she was debating with

herself concerning this, a much more

candle inside the lantern suddenly

Moreover, to complicate the miser-

Poor Lucy stood quite still, with

her hands clasped together over her

This was a burglar, undoubtedly.

portunity to come in and conceal him

self in the cellar. He would, of course

murder her. Burglars always did that

when they found any one awake.

and spare my life!"

very much surprised.

ies of her situation, she heard stead-

ily footsteps descending the cellar

serious mishap occurred, for

she found the effort beyond her

blowing in through one the gratings!

she was tempted to turn and run up-

Lucy summoned up all the resolu-tion, and, stooping down, closed the

dreadfully, dangerously hot.

fire needing more draught?

draught.

and passages.

her at every step.

she considered "the right results.

to find you at home this evening.

jected countenance.

be one down there."

000000000000000000 STRIKING A MATCH. By JULIAN FRENCH.

ELL, Miss Hilde- in' down there about the same time. burn, I must say and be obliged to strike a match in I'm real sorry more'n one sense of the word." you and Mr. Sangster have pleasing reflection, Mrs. Collins fallen out." tapped at a door on the second floor. Oh, Mrs. Collins, indeed a pleasant-looking young man, who you are mistaken. just now, however, wore a very de-

There has been no 'falling out' between Mr. Saugster and myself. Indeed, I am not on sufficiently sociable terms with any of your gentle-

man boarders to have a quarrel."

Saying which, Lucy Hilderburn, a slight, delicate-featured girl of eight-at home," said Mrs. Collins, "would een, walked out of the room with even you be so kind as to look after the furmore than her wonted dignity of man-

Nevertheless, notwithstanding," pursued Mrs. Collins, resuming her roning, which had been interrupted by the young lady's entrance. "I do believe there's been a misunderstandin' between those two, and a real pity it is, for he did admire her amazin'ly He couldn't conceal it. And 'twould a been a good thing for her, poor child! Only they seldom knows what is good for 'em, these young things, and she's a-lettin' her pride stand in

the way of her happiness now."
"Pride, indeed!" sneered Miss Jane Humphries, Mrs. Collins nice and assistant, a tall, red-haired, stylishlydressed damsel of five-and-thirty. "I'd like to know what right a girl who earns her livin' by givin' music lessons at fifty cents an hour has to be | And how hot the house is getting! I proud; and as for Mr. Saugster. I must go down and close the furnace don't believe he ever had a serious thought about her. The idea of an intellectual young man like him fancying a girl simple enough to be afraid lar. of ghosts. He was only amusin' himself, playin'/on her vanity, and she's lights all burned with a dim, spectral noises, do not live as long as those sirs now to try and 'pull the wool strange shadows throughout the rooms

> you eyes kin' be, if you didn't see and poor Lucy glauced nervously about how fairly wrapped up in her he was about two weeks ago; and as to her havin' no right to be proud, 'cause she's poor, I b'lieve it's for that very reason she is proud, poor little heart! He's in real good business, Mr. Sangster," Mrs. Collins presently added, in a musing tone, "and is a splendid young man, anyhow-just stairs again, the best person to take care of that poor little strugglin' senstive orphan girl. I'll see if I can't mend matters

"You'd better be mindin' your own business, I think, Aunt Martha, said Miss Jane, with a spiteful laugh and a sidelong glance at her own highly-frizzed and powdered reflection strength. in the little square of looking-glass that hung against the kitchen wall.

"Never you mind, Jane," persisted warm-hearted Mrs. Collins; "I'll warm-hearted Mrs. Collins; "I'll necessary to put on more coal, and manage it some way. You say she's then it would be well to put on more afraid of ghosts, poor lamb!

And all that night she lay awake revolving different schemes for the reconcilation of her two favorite

The following evening the kind- achieved the most inexplicable somer hearted landlady tapped at the door sault, and she was left in utter darkof the scantily-furnished fourth-story room occupied by Lucy Hildeburn, and from which now proceeded a melancholy strain.

"Studying your piano of nights, stairs. queried Mrs. Collins, reproachfully, when the girl opened the

'Yes," replied Lucy, whose voice had a tearful inflection, despite her He had seen all the male inmates of efforts to conceal it, and whose eyes the house going out and the lights were suspiciously red. "I am very lowered, and had thus chosen his opbusy just now, and must put all the time I can to study." "Well, but you mustn't forget what

the doctor told you about overworkin' your brain," said Mrs. Collins. The first idea that suggested itself "However," she added, "I won't de- to her was to creep under the steps tain you longer'n I kin help. I'm and remain there until Mrs. Collins come to ask a favor. I'm goin' to returned, the theatre this evenin'. So is Jane. Ere she So's everybody in the house, I b'lieve; and the girl has gone to bed with a the dim, semi-twilight that was shed toothache. So I'm goin' to ask you from the kitchen door above. The into give an eye to the furnace. I've truder drew nearer until he stood just put on fresh coal and opened the lower doors; but will you please go down at about eight o'clock and close the doors?" to be fumbling in his vest pocket for something. A dirk, doubtless.

Lucy, with a desperate instinct of

which Mrs. Collins produced a lan-'Just take this down with you.

The cellar's all dark you, you know. Lucy took the lantern, closed the room door, and returned to her piano, while Mrs. Collins walked away, chuckling to herself:

'That lantern'll go out just five minutes after she sets it down, and you?" she'll find herself all in the dark. And she's afraid of ghosts, poor and dreadfully ashamed of herself sat lamb! But what if somebody who down on a reversed coal scuttle and ain't a ghost should happen to be go- burst into a fit of weeping.

side her, and a confined interchenge of explanations of various kinds en-

The result was, that at the expiration of a half-hour, Mr. Sangster took Lucy in his arms and kissing the tear-

stained face, murmured:
"God bless you for this promise, my own darling! And, with His help, I trust these are the last tears I will cause you to shed."

When Mrs. Collins came home, two hours later, the house was very quiet, the furnace in good order, and neither Mr. Sangster nor Miss Hildeburn visi-But the following day Lucy confided to her a secret, and Mr. Sangster absented himself mysteriously for about three weeks. After that, Miss.

Hildeburn also disappeared. "Gone to visit her aunt at Swathmore," Mrs. Collins explained to the other boarders.

But a fortnight later the mail carrier brought some wedding cards to

"It was all brought about through the furnace," said Mrs. Collins, with a gleeful chuckle. But Miss Jane was infinitely disgusted .- Saturday Night.

How Stanton Defied Lincoln.

The application of a man who wanted to be chaplain in the army during Mr. Lincoln's Administration was recently found. Attached to it are a number of indorsements which are not only interesting in themselves, but aid in disclosing the characters of the two men whose influence largely molded the policy of the Government in those turbulent times. The indorsements read as follows:

Dear Stanton—Appoint this man chap-lain in the army.

Dear Mr. Lincoln—He is not a preacher.
E. M. STANTON.

The following indorsements are dated a few months later, but come

Dear Stanton—He is now. A. LINCOLN.
Dear Mr. Lincoln—But there is no vacancy.

Dear Mr. Stanton—Appoint him chaplainnt-large.
A. LINCOLN.
Dear Mr. Lincoln—There is no warrant
of law for that.

Dear Mr. Stanton—Appoint him anyhow.
A. LINCOLN.
Dear Mr. Lincoln—I will not.
E. M. STANTON.

The appointment was not made, but sitting at her piano, continued to draw forth such melancholy strains that tears rolled down her cheeks. the papers were filed in the War Department, where they remain as evidence of Lincoln's friendship and "I must go away from here," she Stanton's obstinate nerve.-Indiansaid, half aloud. "I can't bear it much apolis Journal.

An Island of Volcanic Make.

The British North Borneo Herald justed between us. He is as proud as describes the new island which was I-but, oh dear! what am I thinking recently thrown up by volcanic action on the coast between Mempakoi and Lumbidan. The island, which is about forty-five feet high, 250 yards long and 150 yards broad, has a very Thereupon she lighted the lantern peculiar apearance. It is chiefly an upheaval of the sea bottom, but at the lighest point presents entirely different features. Here the surface of the subjected to incessant, often loud, found that out and is just poot'n' on lustre that only served to produce from below and a mud crater formed, which had evidently been forcibly a circular hole in the bedrock further down.

The mud crater presents the form of a cone with the top and side in places fallen in; the portions remaining intact show plainly, by the smooth strinted sides, the effects of squeezing the rock. The cone at its visible base is perhaps twenty yards in diameter, and is surrounded at about thirty yards distance by a circular terrace a few feet high, which suggests that a little pressure from below would have resulted in a far larger cone being thrown up. There is a lot of bubbling going on in various cracks and holes, which flares up when a match is applied and continues to burn

A force of 200,000 men is required to keep the beds of the railroads in order, and the expense of the work is \$70,000,000 a year. But an inventor has come forward who propose to do the work with compressed air, and promises greater expedition and a saving of more than \$10,000,000 an-The machine consists of a Root blower driven at the rate of perhaps 800 revolutions a minute. set on top of one rail, and has two small wheels on which it can be trundled along the rail like a wheelbarrow. When it is to be used a lever clips it fast to the rail. Attached to it is a hose twelve feet long, ending in a metal feeder for the broken stone. which has a hopper at the top, where the stone or other suitable ballasting naterial is shoveled in, and a bent end at the bottom, which is put under the ties to direct the stream of filling. In using it none of the ballast between the ties need be removed. shovelful is removed at one end of the raised tie until the bent end of the hopper tube can be poked under, and then the filling material is blown in and packed tight by the machine.

The first idea that suggested itself The curious spectacle of a marine Ere she had time to do this, howcraft propelled by enormous air-tight. ever, a man's form became visible in disc-shaped hollow wheels suggests a adical departure in the methods of boat-building. That the experiment was a failure was the natural consewithin a few yards of her, and seemed quence of the principles on which the eraft was constructed. All of the machinery and passenger accommodations rested on a platform supported by "Certainly," assented Lucy, upon self-preservation, put up both hands, these air-tight wheels a ranged in rows on either side. The general a"Have pity on me! Oh, have pity effect was that of a huge wagon, the box of which rested on the water. One Upon this the burglar drew back, of the causes of the failure of this venture was that the wheels took up "Miss Hildeburn!" he exclaimed, as sufficient water to handicap them serihe struck a match on the box he now ously. An attempt was made to counproduced from his pocket. "What are teract this by increasing the power, you doing here, and how can I serve but this added to the weight of the machinery and did not work success-Now poor Lucy completely unnerved fully. A device to scrape the water from the wheels was equally futile. and as it stands now the roller boat has scored a most brilliant failure

## Then Mr. Sangster knelt down be- | THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

When a Girl's Grown Up-A Solution of the Problem-Not a Hopeless Case-His Line-Putting on Her Wraps-A Fine Recommendation, Etc., Etc.

She has ceased to believe there's a man in

A Solution of the Problem. "No, Willie, dear," said mamma, no more cake to-night. Don't you

"Well," replied Wellie, "I can sleep on my back."

He-"It's two inches away, and that's as bad as a thousand miles. She (poutingly)—"It wouldn't be for some men."—Harlem Life,

He -"I shall never marry until I meet a woman who is my exact opposite, mentally."

Miss Wabash-"Your friend who has just left us is something of a pessimist, I imagine.'

Her Assumed Name, a woman who is living under an assumed name."

Zam (disgustedly)-"Rats! Why, Zim-"I know it." Her name was

Marvellous Growth. the mining district, Slicks?"

cellar of a union depot."—Detroit Free Press. There Were Others

Aggie (interrupting)—"Aw, shut up! so wuz me fadder." Mamie-"Wotcher givin' me?" Aggie-"Dat's dead right-he wuz

A Fine Recommendation.

The Suitor-"That is true; but I see that you've just negotiated a loan that is the kind of person I want for

To Please Little Tommy. Old Lady-"You said the train that I should take leaves at 10.30,

didn't you?" Booking-Clerk-"Yes, madam: and I think I've told you that about ten

have; but my little nephew says he likes to hear you talk."-Tit-Bits.

Mamma (to Tiny Tot, who wants to deprive her younger brother of a delicacy they have both set their hearts on)—"No, darling, you must let baby have it now, and when he

grows up, and you are a young lady, he will have to give way to you."
Tiny Tot-"Is that why papa always has to do as you want, mummy?" -Punch.

Mr. Harl M. Flatte-"And this is

hermetically sealed. When the amateur musicians in the neighboring flats commence hammering on their pianos and blowing on their cornets I retire here, shut the door and am safe.

Boston Conductor-"Fare, please." Passenger-"What is the fare?" Conductor-"It is the tariff or tax evied by the corporation owning and ontrolling the charter and franchise of this streetear line on those persons who avail themselves of the opportunity afforded them by the company

Passenger—"How much is the fare?" Conductor—"Five cents, please."— Detroit Free Press.

"He will come to-night," mused

With a sigh, she drew back the curtains and gazed out into the darkling dusk; for her father's house was built with a view to convenience, and she could do that.' "What shall I say to him?"

The horse show was no more; the six-day bicycle race was a thing of the

There was nothing left but the weather and currency reform, -De-

In Guy's Hospital, London, the phoograph is used to record the speech of epileptic patients from day to day that their progress may be noted by com-

The cotton seed industry of the South amounts to 4,000,000 tons annually, valued at \$113,000,000. In 1867 there were only four mills in operation; in 1897 there were over 300, with more than \$50,000,000 invested.

booked for shipment to Japan this winter from the single port of Seattle. This is said to be fifty per cent. more in value than the value of all American exports to Japan during the sea-

Lundy Island, in the British Channel, has been provided with two new

A German firm, it is reported, has placed upon the market samples of pure ingotin, [derived from coal-tar, which promises to supplant the vegetable indigo, as other dyes have been supplanted by the same source. Vegetable indigo is consumed to the extent of \$15,000,000 chiefly derived

Some time ago attention was called to the fact that the Western Union Telegraph Company was using copper wire exclusively on new construction and renewals on its principal lines. The company has recently completed a line of copper wire from New York to San Francisco, the longest heavy copper wire for telegraphy in the world. This wire is strung between San Francisco and Ogden to Omaha along the Union Pacific.

ably due to the ventilation of the earth

\$1,000,000. A man who can do and Miss Mary Hildreth at Caldwell Kau., is the culmination of a romantic

for settlement on September 18, 1893, Malone and Miss Hildreth, at the report of the signal along the southern Kansas border, on their well-trained horses, made the famous race over the plains together for a home in the Indian lands.

The claims they desired lay five miles south of Caldwell. They were maintaining a good lead in the mad rush, when suddenly the girths of Miss Hildreth's saddle broke. Her escort saw her dilemma, reined in his horse and assisted her. She could go no further, so they staked two claims side by side They then erected a house on Miss Hildreth's claim just across the line. Malone erected a barn, in which he lived during his enforced residence on his claim, Miss Hildreth occupied the house. Last week they both proved up their claims, and yesterday they were married.-Topeka Journal.

He Had Four Hearts

Henry Tanner, who died at the City Hospital, St. Louis, recently, is said by the physicians in charge to have had four hearts. The cause fof this trouble, according to Dr. Sutter, is that at different times three aneurisms had formed, and each of these grew until it formed a compact mass almost equal in size to the heart. These aneurisms [formed in the aorta, the largest artery in the body, and the one which leads from the heart. There they grew, and became, as described.

'One true heart and three false ones.' These "false hearts" throbbed and pulsated with the "true heart" and with equal precision, and apparently gave Tanner no trouble. Dr. Sutter says that if he had not succumbed to neuritis these false hearts would have kept on increasing in size until one of them burst. That meant death for

The remarkable aorta and its four hearts will be preserved at the hospital. -Buffalo (N. Y.) Express,

Longevity of Animals.

It is said that the giant tortoise of the Seychelles Islands is the longest lived animal in the world. The known age of one now living is 150 years, and this dates from the time the creature was full grown. How old it was at the time of its capture no one is able to conjecture. A fine specimen has been presented to the Zoological Society of London. It weighs about a quarter of a ton and is an exceeedingly lively

The general disposition to increase naval armaments can be gaged by the fact that eighty-seven warships are building in Great Britain alone. aggregate a displacement of 318,612 Of the eighty-seven warships, thirty-four go to foreign governments. THE MEANEST MAN.

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Legal advertisements ton cents per

And so is the man who steals; The man who cheats is a sinner, and Should be hung up by the heels; But the meanest and lowest of all the

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

"Can you tell me how I can get some work, sir?" The Citizen (crustily)-"Yes; buy a bicycle and try to

Ethel-"Who was that man?" Penelope-"That was Dobson, the great composer. He manufactures soothing syrup."—London Tit-Bits. Hewett-"It's terrible to have peo-

ple doubt your word," Jewett-"Especially when you know yourself that you are lying."—Standard. Teacher-"H you don't study your

lessons you might as well not come to school at all." Pupil—"Me mother wouldn't let me do that."—Pack, Wife (enthusiastically) -- "How much

do you think we took in at the bazaar?" Husband (quietly)—"How many, you mean,"-Adams (Mass.) Freeman, She-"Did papa bring you to the Stock Exchange?" His Lordship-

'Yes. It's very nice, to be sure, but I think I prefer Monte Carlo."-Puck. Flim-"I see where Boston is going to spend over \$1,000,000 on these pneumatic tubes." Flam-"That's a lot of money to blow in."-Standard.

First Salesman-"What shall I do? She says she don't want any cheap imitations." Second Salesman-"Show her an expensive imitation."-

Bobby-"If God sends babies round, why didn't mamma pick out a prettier Paul-"'Cause I s'pose she knew beggars shouldn't be choosers." Jack-"How jaded and plain Miss

Plankington has become lately. Tom-"Yes; that last railroad deal of her father's left him practically pen-niless,"—Cleveland Leader. A little boy was fishing, and, draw-

ing in his line, found that the bait had been taken off without result; where-upon he burst into tears and said: "It's cheating."-Pittsburg Dispatch. Mrs. White-"Does your daughter speak French fluently now?" Mrs. Brown—"Well, she speaks something fluently, and it doesn't sound at all

like English, so perhaps it may be French,"-Somerville Journal. Mrs. Roberts-"You seem to be in a deep study, John." Mr. Roberts (whose daughter is taking her music lesson in adjoining room) -"I am, my dear, I was wondering if the inventor of the piano died a natural death."-

Jinks-"I met Brobson as I entered-fluancially embarrassed, isn't he?" Filkins-"No; the embarrassment was all on my part. He wanted to borrow a thousand and I was at my

Kate-"He seems extremely devoted. He talks of going to the Klondike for my sake." Beatrice— "Well, that would give you two chances. He might come back with a fortune or he might not come back at all."-Puck

"Did you know, my little boy," asked the solemn old gentleman, "that a bee can fly faster than a "I didn't know it before, said the little boy, "but I know he can set down a heap harder."—Cineinnati Enquirer.

with," said the reformer, "is the practice of allowing corporations to get valuable franchises for nothing. 'I didn't know they over did," said the civic statesman in astonishment, -Indianapolis Journal. Client-"You say that when I buy

ase?" Broker-"That's a matter that needn't trouble you; it won't happen." -Boston Transcript. The Tragedian (in the Klondike)-"Why is there so much sneezing in the audience?" The Super-"It's the dust, sir. An usher has just turned down two seats that were occupied

case it goes up, what happens in that

last night by those Klondike miners." -Cleveland Plain Dealer. "Fly," he cried, "with me," The poster girl contemplated him calmly. Well, I certainly won't run, I tell you those," she replied. In point of fact, the brand of ink of which she

of that, - Detroit Journal. Mrs. Brown-So Mrs. Jones is nearof it. He talks in his sleep, you know, and she has to lie awake all night to find out what he is saying, poor thing.

Family Friend-"I congratulate you, my dear sir, on the marriage of your daughter. I see you are gradually getting all the girls off your hands." Old Olivebranch—"Off my hands, yes! But the worst of it is, I have to keep their husbands on their feet!"-Melbourne Times.

Mr. Dunham-'T have called, sir, to tell you that your daughter. Miss Fannie, and I love each other very I want to ask you for her. Old Millyuns "Welf you'll have to wait awhile. There's no vacaucy in the store now that I could put you into."-Cleveland Leader.

"I suppose," said the young woman with the inquiring mind, "that most people who go in search of gold get it working the creeks and chasms, "Mostly, miss," replied Derringer Pets; "though once in a while some fellow gets a lot of it by working a bluff."--Washington Star,

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE

he has ceased,
the moon,
But she can't get out of her head
The old idea that there is one
In hiding under the bed.
—Chicago News.

know you cannot sleep well on a full

Putting on Her Wraps. She (smiling)- "Your face is too near to mine.'

Not a Hopeless Case.

She—"Why don't you ask Miss Floyd? She is considered one of the most intellectual girls in town."-

Miss Halsted-"Indeed, he isn't. He's an optician, and he has the cream of the West Side trade."-Chicago News,

Zim (in deep whisper)-"There goes that's Mrs. Brown!'

Jones before she was married." "Is your town booming out there in "I should say 'so. It's more won-derful than magic. I pitched my tent in a hole in the ground one evening and when I waked up I was in the

Mamie (singing)-"My mother was a lady-'

de bearded lady in a dime musee fer t'ree years."-Puck.

Her Father-"How do you know ou love my daughter? You've only been acquainted a few weeks."

a father-in-law."-Chicago News,

Old Lady-"Yes, "I know you

The Newest "Safe !!

my music room!" Visitor (in amazement)-"Music room! Why-er-isn't it-er-rather Mr. Harl M. Flatte-"Yes; slightly. You see, when I close the door it is

to secure more rapid and agreeable transportation than pedal locomotion.

She did not understand football.

Candles and Electricity. The estimated total candle power of all the electric lamps used in New York City is placed at 50,000,000.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

But the meaning regues regues That flourish under the sun Is the fellow that takes the credit for Good work some other has done.

— Cleveland Lender.

About 30,000 bales of cotton are

and powerful lights, one at either end of the island. The families of the keepers will no longer be allowed to live at the lighthouses, but will be transferred to the mainland.

The great vitality of dragon flies is shown by McLachland, [who, having struck at a large Aeschna at rest on a twig, the head was seen to tumble down, while the rest of the insect flew away in an "undecided manner," for a considerable distance. Upon picking up the head he noticed that the insect had been eating a fly at the time. "The manibles continued working as if nothing had happened, and the masticated portions of

passed out at the back of the head, Professor Wollny, of Munich, Germany, has conducted some experiments to ascertain what was the influence earth worms had on vegetation. He found that their presence was extremely favorable, the produce of the several plants below being in-creased as follows: Pease gave twenty-five per cent, more fruit, thirty-five per cent. more stalks, etc., beans gave sixty-nine per cent. more pease in the pod and forty-seven per cent. more stalks, etc.; while potatoes yielded 136 per cent. more. This favorable effect, says Professor Wollny, is prob-

by the holes dug by the worms.

A Cherokee Romance. The marriage of Richard Malone wits' end thinking up a good excuse. When the Cherokee strip was opened

"What we propose to do away

on a margin, and the stock depreciates, I am to put up more margin. But in

was constructed was ample guarantee

ly dead from insomnia? What is the cause of it?" Mrs. Smith (indignantly) -- "Why, her husband is the cause