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Austria is the only empire in the world which has never had colonies, or even transmarine possessions.

anonymous communications.

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A Frankfort (Ky.) woman can certainly be credited with having enjoyed considerable of the spice of life, provided variety counts. In 1894 she was sent to the insane asylum. In 1895 she was released. In 1896 she was divorced. In 1897 she married again and had a child. In 1898 she goes back to the asylum.

It is learned from the Cincinnati dailies that the street railway company in that town has issued a general order that "from and after this date and until further notice any employe of the Cincinnati Street Railway Company who goes upon duty within twenty-four hours after partaking of onions in any form will be summarily discharged."

That "good men with poor ships are better than poor men with good ships,' has ever been a navy motto. Fortunately for the United States, foreign experts all declare she has good men with good ships. And it is this that gives reason for the confidence the Nation displays in its defenders. Men like Dewey, Sampson, Schley and Sigshee would do wonders with a tugboat.

Public playgrounds for the children of our cities and towns ought to command the earnest consideration of every conscientious American citizen who would better the life of the Republic and advance the cause of real civilization. That man or that woman, however old, who has outgrown, or does not know the tremendous force for good or evil in the play spirit of youth, is indeed a pitiable creature.

When American women once start any movement they generally make it a great success. An English teacher, who is spending a well-earned vacation in this country, says that the collections of needlecraft made by the New York Association of Sewing Schools is not only better than the famous collection in South Kensington, but is the best in the world. The compliment means much, when it is remembered that the association is

THE CHANT OF THE CHANTICLEEP. At the break of the dawn, At the edge of the gray, Our cock sings this song: "Tis a beautiful day-"Tis a beautiful day-a beautiful day!" Then the cock of the walk, Just over the way: "Tis a beautiful day!" Then we hear the brave rooster From far, far away: "Tis a beautiful day-a beautiful day!" From the depths out of somewhere The volce of a fay: A bea-n-ti-ful day!" Our warbler makes answer, More gruntled than gay: "That's just what I say-just what I say-

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Contraction of the second

until daylight.

ment until Chuseday afternoon,"

easy chairs, and he commenced:

urged.

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THE MINE RATS' WARNING. A Story of a Pennsylvania Colliery. BY HENRY EDWARD BOOD.

AVE us! But there a mile or more before reaching the are some lazy peo-ple in this world!" Colonel James breasts where they were at work, and Lazy Tim was one of these. "At the time I'm tellin' you of I

After silence an hour.

What's already been said:

(Perhaps it's been fed): "Plen-ty-of-bread!"

ILL

But with plenty of anger He answers instead: "That's just what I said--

-Mary Prentis, in Toronto Globe,

"There's plenty of bread!" Then far in the distance

For all those abed

Fogarty uttered was doing inspection work -going this remark, and through one part of the mine and anthen paused by the other to see that the timber supportcigar-stand of the ing the roof was safe, and that the Central Hotel, to tracks along the gangways were all obtain a light for right. By the way, though, if you his pipe. It was haven't been under ground much, I'd long after mid- better tell you something of it. You night, and in the know, two or three hundred feet below open air thermometers registered far the surface there is one set of workbelow zero. Snow lay too deep for ings called a 'lift,' laid out something comfort in the streets of the little on a level, though mighty irregular. Pennsylvania mining town, and over First, when you get to the foot of the

the mountains beyond great drifts slope in the car, you find the main spread themselves, as if trying desper- gangway, 'a sort of main road, and ately to crush out of view fences, oftentimes there are many branches or bridges, buildings, even the roads. small gangways leading from it. Now Colonel Fogarty had just come from the coal is blasted out of chambers the last trolley-car which would run called breasts, which are located at regular intervals like, with great pil-"Come, sit down here and have lars of coal and rock left standing becigar while you tell all about it," I tween them to support the roof; en-

gineers and miners have to be mighty "Well, I don't mind," replied the careful not to blast away any of the Colonel. "Fact is, I'm not particu- pillars, for the roof reaches way up to arly hurried to-night, this being Sat- the surface, and besides the millions urday, and I being without an engage- of tons of soil and gravel and stone between the miners and the open air, So we sat down, and leaned back in there may be a forest on top of the surface, and often towns and cities stand "The laziest man I ever knew," be- over mines that are being worked. gan Colonel Fogarty, "is dead now. So you see that it is a risky job to rob He was too lazy to keep on living, I the pillars by blasting away part of suppose. But I knew him ever since them, specially when you remember I was a youngster, and was working that three hundred feet below a city, as driver-boy in the mines, miles away from the Lehigh region, long before 1 buildings, there may be one lift; and

stem, and on her first 'happiness- THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE. party.' Save us! but it makes me all choke up to think of it now, and it Our cock sings with power: "There's plenty of bread— There's plenty of bread— There's plenty of bread—plenty of bread!" Then the next one takes up happened years and years ago. 'Finally I got up and put my pipe in my pocket and started to go on agaiu, but I stopped a minute, lookin' at the breast he was working in, and said: 'Ain't you beyond your line on The music has spread "There's plenty of bread-plenty of bread!" An echo assures us that pillar, Timmy?" 'A little, p'raps,' he replied, 'but I haven't cut away much of any, and the inside boss hasn't kicked yet.' "'It's no business of mine, Timmy but as a friend, I want to tell you that

That's just what I said-just what I saidrobbin' a pillar is risky. "'I know that, Jim,' he begain again, 'but I must have work. Before

you go, what time is it?' I pulls out my watch. 'Just halfpast twelve, time for the train to be passin' overhead with your kids aboard.'

"'Yes, but it's like to be some time yet before it does go,' was the answer. And then Lazy Tim leapt to his feet and stood trembling. In another second he gasped: 'What's that, Jim? quirer. Do ye hear anything? Quick, man, speak!'

"I strained my ears and peered out into the black gangway, 'I think I hear squeaks, Tommy-but I dun-

"'Yes, it's the rats, Jim! Therelook there -they're leaving the mine!

he screamed. And as he spoke I saw a great furry gray rat pass the breast like a streak of light, and then two came by on the jump, and then a bunch of a dozen, more like sperrits than rats except for their blood-curdling squeals. 'Something's happened, Timmy! Save yourself!' I shouted, starting for the gangway, but he flew past me with a single bound, yelling The pillars! The pillars! I've been robbing them for weeks!'

"I used to be pretty good on the sprint before I went to Harrisburg and got fat, and the way I ran along that gaugway was a caution; but Lazy Tim went by me like a cannon

ball, and an eighth of a mile away he met a car and a mule standing still, it raises the rent."-Brooklyn Life. where the driver-boy had left them when he heard the rats coming. Tim tore the traces loose, jumped on the mule's back, and started for the foot of the slope, a mile distant, yelling like a lunatic, beating the beast with his big fists, and kicking her with his heavy boots, all the while lying flat over her neck so his head wouldn't strike the roof. On they went, the

mule tearing through the darkness with never a stumble, splashing through sulphur water, leaping over mudholes and shaking with fear. Now and then one of her heavy hoofs would come down soft on a ratthere would be a single dying squeal -and the next second her shoes

would strike sparks from the rails. was elected to the Legislature at Har- two hundred feet below this one, an- As for Timmy, his head was giddy

eyes as he went whirling up toward

the surface. He tried to think what

knew was that he had robbed the pil-

fled; the surface was about to cave in

at that very minute an exension train

with five hundred children was due to

pass over the spot, and among them

were his wife, and Johnny, and little

"No wonder he was half crazy when

the car reached the surface; but his

faint feeling had gone, and with the

strength of desperation he vaulted to

the ground and raced down the rail-

road track, waving his coat above his

head and yelling with all his voice.

But just as he got in sight of the spot

yards dashed down into the mine.

'We picked Tim up from the

ing on the floor and little Mary sat in

her basket-chair holding his hand,

and his wife was cooking supper. The

last section of the train had just got

by and around the curve before the

say that not a man on the surface or

"And I guess you're right," I said

-New York Post.

below was killed or even hurt.

-and they do, every time?"

Cripple Mary.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. One English firm turns out motor STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE cars driven by electricity, oil, steam, compressed air or gas. FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS. Clocks can be accurately leveled by

new shelf, which has a fixed wall The Age of Germs_Outclassed_Most plate supporting a pivoted, adjustable Acute-A Waste of Money-Comforts shelf, with levels in the top, to be set Cost-Open to Doubt-Unpardonableby thumb screws on the under side. Equal to the Occasion-Proof, Etc. No parental care ever falls to the Sat on a tuffet, Eating of curds and whey; lot of a single member of the insect tribe. In general the eggs of an in-

after the parents are dead, so that most

A German mathematician has calcu-

a solid cube measuring 718 metres on

each side and worth about \$1,450,-

"An Indiana chemist," says the

from limestone. Atter some sort of

which, it is said, it is converted into

beautiful white color, soft as down,

It is stated, says the Medical Rec-

ord, that telephones are to be placed

in the wards of one of the Paris hos-

pitals, within reach of the bed-ridden

patients, so as to enable them to com-

There will also be an arrangement

insects are born orphans.

A microbe espied her And slipped down inside her, And she had influenza next day. -Cincinnati Enquirer.

Little Miss Muffet

A Woman's Reason.

ger than a Webster's Dictionary, but "Poor Mollie has lost her reason." powerful enough to enable a surgeon "That oughtn't to worry a woman. She can say 'because.' "-Indianapolis to look through a man's body, has been invented for use in war by Pro-Journal. fessor Reginald A. Fessenden, of

Most Acute.

Pittsburg. She-"Yes, it is the province of Among the curious inhabitants of voman to suffer in silence. Australia are a species of termites He-"In silence? That must be called the "meridian auts," because suffering, indeed."-Cincinnati Enthey invariably construct their long, narrow mounds so that the principal axis of the dwelling runs exactly north Outclassed.

The Rejected One-"I have a rival, and south. The Girl-"Hardly that. I have

lated that three tons of sea water hold promised to marry him."-Philadelabout a cent's worth of gold, and that if all the gold in the oceans of the globe could be collected it would make

"Tell the class what an island is, Sammy.

000,000,000,000. surrounded by United States battle-Pharmaceutical Era, "has applied for patents on a process for making wool

chemical treatment the rock is subjected to a drawing-out process, by the finest and most pliable wool, of and both water and fireproof.'

apartment with an elevator; it raises

First Deaf-Mute-"He wasn't so very angry, was he?"

Second mad that the words he used almost blistered his fingers."-Indianapolis

Nervous Old Lady (to deck hand)-'Mr. Steamboatman, is there any fear of danger?"

fear ma'am, but not a bit of danger."

Jobson-"Just see how hard Dob-

'Mrs. Jobson-"Yes. Mrs. Dobson

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Over life's sea my sweetheart rides, And over my spirit with her abides. Over life's sen my sweetheart sails, And never my prayer for her safety fails. May sorrow and shame he blind to her! May all good things be kind to her! And gladness he ever destined to her, sect are destined to be hatched long As over life's sea she rides

Over the seas my sweetheart sails, And God's love tempers the varied gales, Over the sea my sweetheart rides, God's finger restrains the changeful tides. A portable X-ray apparatus, no big-Since the heavenly love is not blind to

Must all good things be kind to her. And gladness be ever destined to her, As over the seas she sails. —Ethel Maude Colson.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Some men are alive simply because it is against the law to kill them .--Atchison Globe.

A dangerous counterfeit two-dollar certificate is afloat. Spend every twodollar bill the minute you get it .--West Union Gazette.

She-"Why don't you talk more when we're out together?" He-"Tm too polite to interrupt you, my dear." -Detroit Free Press.

Charley-"Why are you gazing so intently at Miss Arcient Golddust?" Jack-"T'm trying to make up my mind between her and Klondike. Judge.

Sunday-school Teacher-"Who is it that sees everything we do and thears everything we say?" Tommy Slimp-kins—"Our hired girl."—Norristown Herald.

"The streets are overrun with bi-"Well, that would be all oveles." right if the people on the streets were not run over with them."-Philadelphia Bulletin.

Lord St. Agnant-"I say, old man, deuced queer people in this country." Lord Nozoo-"Yes; neveh let y'know when they're going to tell a joke, y' know."-Puck.

Tom --"You say you have got money enough to get married and live com-fortably?" Jack-"No; I said I had got money enough to get married or live comfortably."-Puck.

Algy (fervently)-"I love her, Clarence, although I am well aware that she has got a past." Clarence-"But are you well aware that she has got a-past forty?"-Judge.

Doctor- "Well, it's ten to one you won't see me to-morrow." Patient-"What! Any d-danger, doctor?" Doctor-"Oh, no. Those are merely my office hours."-Harper's Bazar.

Unlike children, animals do not ask Why pay a dollar to a fortune teller

then? phia North American. Geography Up to Date. ships."-Chicago Record. Open to Doubt.

one so quickly?"

"Yes, but not nearly so quickly as

Impassioned.

may be enjoyed by the invalids. Journal.

Imaginary Dangers.

son is working at beating that carpet."

"Yes'm; an island is a body of land Simpkins-"I thought you said Breezy was wedded to the truth?" Timkins-"So I always thought." Simkins-"Well, if he ever was, he's a widower now."-Tit-Bits. Comforts Cost.

"Wouldn't you prefer to live in an

municate with their friends outside.

whereby the telephones may be switched on to a wire connected with a concert hall, so that the performance Deaf-Mute-"He was

A gun has recently been patented in France, of which the flash is scarcely visible and the noise of the dis-

Deck Hand (carelessly)-"Pleaty of

-Harlem Life.

Energy.

charge greatly reduced. It is the invention of Colonel Humbert, and a trial piece with a calibre of 37 mm.

zle a block which has an interior aper-

(about 1.5 inches) has already been tested. The improvement consists in screwing to the extremity of the muz-

ture the same as that of the gun.

Animals "Look" Questions.

still a young organization, having been started but a few years ago, although, on the other hand, its collections represent the work of at least 2000 different schools and institutions.

It is very proper that indecent books should be excluded from public librazies, and for that matter from private ones also; but touching the former the wrong means are used to accomplish the end desired. Instead of simply excluding the objectionable volume, without comment or discussion, a set of high sounding resolutions must be adopted by the Library Board and published to the world, Cariosity is an inherent attribute of human nature, consequently the public generally, who perhaps would never entertain a thought touching the book, are aroused to hunt it up, and by personal examination satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the judgment of the board. Mr. Edward Everett Hale sums up the whole matter in a nutshell when he says: "Nobody is so happy as the nasty publisher of a nasty book if the director of a public library is foolish enough to say it is nasty." Hereafter, suggests the St. Louis Star, let Library Boards simply exclude the book without comment, and the end will be accomplished without bestowing upon the publisher a class of advertising that money cannot buy.

- The Philippine archipelago includes nearly 600 islands, of which, however, only thirteen are of considerable size. The largest of these, Luzon, has an area of 40,000 square miles, which is nearly as large as that of Virginia. Manila, the capital, has a population of 300,000 and a large amount of wealth. Its trade in sugar, tobacco and hemp is very large. The second island of the group in size is Mun-/ danao, with an area of 37,000 square miles. The total area of the Philippines is about 150,000 square miles. or more than three times the area of Cuba. The total population is fully 8,000,000 and is badly mixed. There is as great a variety of religion as of blood. There are Mohammedans, Buddhists, Shintoists and a few Christians. Though Spain has possessed these islands a long time comparatively few Spaniards live there. The natives hate the Spaniards heartily, and in some of the islands the life of a Spaniard is not safe. Insurrections have been even more frequent in the Philippines than in Cuba. In fact there has for a century past hardly been a time when there was not a revolt in some of the islands.

risburg. Timmy Hoolahan, or some other, and a third and a fourth hunsuch name, he was called, but as long dreds of feet below the others-mind as I can remember he went by the you, with scores and scores of miners name of Lazy Tim-and he was that, in each lift blasting away, and loadfor sure. Let me tell you, when we ing coal into little cars that run on went to school the teacher would rails along the gangways from the always give him out a Wednesday breasts to the foot of the slope where lesson on Monday, because by no they are hauled up to the surface. earthly chance could he ever get But like sailormen and railroad hands. around to studying a Chuseday lesson minors get so used to danger, day af-Monday; and he'd always eat his lunch ter day, that they don't seem to feel before school commenced in the morn- it always; and fools that they are. ing instead of at noontime, for the when the supply of coal begins to give reason that he never got around to out they will, at times, run the risk of eating his dinner the day before. Lazy robbing a pillar in order to make their Tim was a sort of inexpensive creature, work last a few weeks or months some ways, because he wouldn't out- longer.

grow his clothes, or wear 'em out "Well, on this particular July day, either, so he saved money for his years ago, I tumbled out of the car at father, and when he got to be a man the foot of the slope, and started along he spent less than any of his friends the gangway looking about and infor the same reason. Why, many and specting as usual. There were some many a time I've known him to go little repairs needed at the muleinto Lanky Pete's place, down the stables, I remember, and I spoke to road apiece, and order a glass of beer the stable-boss about 'em. 'Do the at seven o'clock in the evening, and mine mules live under ground?' you when ten came he'd have a full half of ask. Of course they do, for years and it left, and he'd get the barkeeper to years at a stretch, without ever seeing put it away till the next night. That's daylight. Save us! But I could tell the kind of a man Lazy Tim was, and ye some curious tales of those big, never in the whole course of his life shaggy mine-mules, and may-be I did he hurry, excepting the time the will some time. But as I was sayin' mine rats gave him warning, and that's nothing particular happened that July what I'm about to tell you of. day until about noon, when I hap-"In the first place, here at the very pened along by Lazy Tim's breast,

beginning of the story, let me impress just as he was openin' his dinner psil. you with the fact that the queer doings Anyway, he sang out to me, 'Come I'm about to relate didn't happen in along an' eat here, Jim,' and I sat this town, or anywheres near it. 1 down beside him, at the same time may want to go back to Harrisburg one taking the lid off my own pail. We of these days, young man, and I don't talked politics and one thing and anpropose to have the railroad people other until I lighted my pipe. I said, down on me when the time comes to 'Tim, why don't you fire up with your look for votes. It was years and years pipe?' and he replied, 'My matches ago, too, and may be Lazy Tim never are beyond in my coat there, and I told any one else about it-but it is a thought I'd wait until you finish that true story, if it is strange and mysteri- pipe, and start another, when I could ous, and it may help explain one of use your match. This didn't surprise those queer things college professors me, but I mention it just to show that and such like have been puzzling over lazy Tim was still Lazy Tim at the ever since rats first commenced to age of thirty, and when the father of two children, one of them a little girl leave sinking ships.

"It happened years ago, on a hot cripple with something the matter summer day in July. I went to work with her back, so that she couldn't at seven that morning, but the sun walk. And then he stretched out, came down hot even then as I walked and told me that Mary was getting from home to the slope. But as soon some better, the company doctor said, as I got into the car there with half a and that very day, for the first time in dozen other boys, and we commenced her life, she was going away from to slide down, of course the air got home-poor little thing! 'Where's cooler. There isn't any summer or she goin' Timmy?" I asked, and he winter under ground; the air is the answered, 'She's going on a Sundaysame all the year 'round, coolish and school excursion with my wife and moist, but neither hot nor cold, and a Johnny, too. There's to be three secthermometer would mark about the tions in the train, and all the Sunday same in July and January. That's schools of the region have joined in the main reason a man who has once She never was strong enough to go labored under ground hates to come to anywhere before, and she's been the surface and work. The miners talkin' and laffin' over this for weeks! and their butties can keep comforta- The train starts at noon sharp, and tle year in and year out so long as they the last section is due to pass over the stay below the surface, and that is why surface above here where we're workso few of them ever get sick, barring in' at 12.30, but it's likely they'll be miner's asthma, and I suppose that considerable late, they always are, comes from the dampness as much as However, from 12,30 till one I'm just goin' to lay here and smoke and look anything else. 'However, we got aboard the car, up at the roof, and think of little

and went under ground. Of course it Mary goin' on her happiness-party, was dark-dark as a stack of black as she calls it.' I nodded with apcats-but all of us had lamps in our proval, and said, 'Good for you, Timcaps, and we'd learned to see in the my!' I wanted to say more, but I been made in British Columbia, which, dark that way pretty much as animals couldn't for thinkin' of the white- it is claimed, will be able to supply can. Some of the men had to travel faced little mite with big eyes, and the pipe makers of the world with am along the gaugways under ground for legs and arms no bigger than my pipe- ber one hundred years,

with terror, and he prayed and swore, sets him at work at something of the as he clung to the mule, his eyes shut kind just after he reads the war news so as not to see the dancing shadows in the paper."-Brooklyn Life. cast by his lamp, or the sleek rats as Possessed. they skipped by him, or the white

Mr. Dukane-"I couldn't sleep a moss on the sides of the gangway that wink last night." looked like streaks of snow, so hard

was heriding. Half-way to the slope he clattered by the driver-boy, and Mr. Gaswell--"You had insomnia, I suppose? Mr. Dukane-"No; insomnin had then by other miners who were run-

me."-Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph. ning for their lives; and before he knew it the mule came to a dead

Proof.

stop, so sudden that he pitched over Minnie-"What frauds these begher head to the ground. He jumped gars are. I met a 'blind' man who close to the signal-bar, and by good said, 'Please give me a penny, beautiluck an empty car was waiting there ful lady.' " He grasped the bar and sounded the Mamie - "Yes, he said that to make

danger-signal, and got his answer you think he really was blind."-Infrom the engine-room far above. Theu dianapolis Journal. he crawled into the car and shut his

A Waste of Money.

Mrs. Homespup-"What did the he should do and couldn't. All he doctor say was the matter with you, Silas?" lars near his breast; the rats had

Silas-"I fergit what he called it." Mrs. Homespun-"D'ye mean to say you paid him \$2 and didn't git no good out of it?"-Truth.

Unpardonable.

"My wife and her neighbor used to be inseparable, but they don't speak now.

"What's the trouble?"

"She persuaded my wife to buy a silk gown that turned out to be part cotton."-Detroit Free Press.

Equal to the Occasion

over his breast there was a crackling He-"They say dreams go by contraries. Do you believe it?" sound, and then a rush and a roar like She-"Yes, I think they do. a thousand thunder-storms. Trees by He-"Alas, I dreamed last night the rail trembled and swayed and toppled over, as they and a great body that you had promised to be my wife.' of earth and the tracks for a hundred She-"And I dreamed that I had refused you."-Chicago News.

Woman's Wiles.

ground where he had fallen and car-"What a hold Maud seems to have ried him home, and when he opened on all her rejected suitors." his eyes that night Johnny was play-

Why shouldn't she, the artful thing? She always tells a man, when she refuses him, that she is afraid to marry a handsome man, because she would be so jealous."-Cincinnati Encave-in occurred. And I'm glad to quirer.

Ilis Memory Sure to Live.

Beagle-"Old Foxley is dead. He'll be long remembered by the people of this town.'

public bequests?"

amount of \$50,000."-Boston Transcript.

s your belief?" Well, mine rats are not witches, is hopeless."

but their ears are so sharp that they can hear the coal and rock groaning and grinding and commencing to give way long before they do cave in, and long before the sounds reach the ears of us humans. That's my theory of

before," said the Judge, peering

Valuable discoveries of amber have door to you lessons on the piano.' Judge, quickly.

questions. They only "look" them, and though they constantly and anxiously inquire what is to be done, how it is to be done and the exact wishes of their masters, and occasionally even of other animals, the inquiry is made by the eye and attitude. A terrier, for instance, can almost transform his whole body into an animated note of interrogation. Of the two remaining forms of

speech-statement and request-the animals make very large uso, but employ the latter in a far greater degree than the former. They use sounds for request, not only in particular cases in which they desire something to be done for them, but also in a great number of cases in which the request Be is a form of warning-"Come!" careful!" "Look out!" "Go ahead!" "Help!" The speech which indicates danger is sufficiently differentiated. Birds, for instance, have separate notes of warning to indicate whether the danger is in the form of a hawk or cat, or of a man. If a hawk, cat, or owl is on the move, the birds, especially blackbirds, always utter a chattering note, constantly repeated, and chickens have a special sound to indicate the presence of a hawk. But when disturbed by man the blackbirds have quite a different sound of alarm and the chickens also. Animals on the march are usually silent; but the

hamadryad baboons use several words of command; and the cries of cranes and geese when flying in ordered flocks are very possibly signals or orders .- London Spectator.

Photographing the Arteries.

Several experiments with Roentgen rays have obtained unsatisfactory pictures of the various structures of the body before they have been disturbed by dissection. More gratify ing results have just been reported by Drs. H. J. Stiles and H. Rainy, who have made the arteries of the dead body opaque by injecting mercury into them, and have thus secured skiagraphs showing the intricate arterial system with remarkable clearness. The picture of the arteries of a child's head might suggest-were it not for the varying width of the linesa multiplied pendulum trace of an earthquake. The great number of the blood vessels, in fact, is a point brought into prominence by the pictures, causing one to wonder the deep incisions of surgery do not inevitably cause bleeding to death. The ten dency of blood to coagulate is a detail in nature's system of fortifications whose importance is little considered.

A Flag With a History.

The flag that covered a part of the graves of the 161 American sailors on the occasion of the memorial service at Havana has just been taken to Chicago by George C. Mages, who sent the pennant of the battle-ship Maine to Chicago some weeks ago. Two Cuban seamstresses sewed the Stars and Stripes together for the tourists who made the arrangements for the memorial service. The Cuban women of Havana declare they will make March 4 an annual day of memorial celebration for the dead sailors of the Maine.

to learn the future when the experience of others shows that you will have a little joy, a great deal of trouble, and die old and poor?-Atchison Globe. Old Lady-"Didn't I tell you never

to come here again?" Tramp-"I hope you will pardon me, madam, but it's the fault of my secretary. He has neglected to strike your name from my visiting list."-Tit-Bits.

Diggs-"Blank, the banker, died this morning." Biggs-"That so? Of whom did he die?" Diggs-"You mean 'of what did he die,' I suppose?" Biggs -- "No; who was his physician?"-Chicago News.

Mother-"I'm afraid Mr. Crisseross is not serious in his intentions." Daughter-"He is awfully bashful, you know; but he is offering himself piecemeal. Last night, he wanted me to take his arm."-Tit-Bits.

Sunday-school Teacher-"Johnny, what does it mean where it tells us to 'honor our father and mother that our days may be long,' etc, ?" Johnny-"It means we must get up when they call us in the morning."-Puck.

"No, Herbert, I am sorry, but I am sure we could not be happy together. You know I always want my own way in everything." But, my dear girl, you could go on wanting it after we were married."-Boston Globe.

"Pessimism," said the Sage, "is but a matter of temperament. One pessimist I knew was always saddest on pay-day, because he realized that there would be nothing more coming to him for a week."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

Bobby-"Don't you know that folks can't get married after they are dead, Mr. Littlepate?" Mr. Littlepate-"Why, of course I do." Bobby-'Then what are you dying to get married for, as Sister Jane says you are?" -Judge.

"Maria, it does seem to me that \$26.75 is a tremendous price to pay for a hat to wear just one Sunday. "John, a man who can't tell a hat from a bonnet is no judge of what a suitable price is. Your ignorance mortifies me."-Chicago Tribune.

"This coffee, my dear," said Kick les, "reminds me of what mother used make." "Does it really?" exto elaimed his wife, a pleased look com-ing into her face. "Yes; and she used to make about the worst coffee I ever drauk,"-Boston Traveler.

"Squibbs is a great editor, isn' he?" "I should say so; he is so accustomed to speak and think of himself as 'we' that, when he wanted to ride home from the office the other day, he absent-mindedly sent the printers' devil after his tandem."-Bicycling World.

The Ideal Paste.

Those who keep scrap-books and wish to preserve their peace of mind from the spoiling of their flour paste should add a small quantity of salt and a half teaspoonful of crude oil of cloves or sassafras to the flour and water while boiling. A very handsome but expensive adhesives is the fresh white of an egg. MostImucilages turn dark in time and discolor the thickest paper.

and glancing at the hotel clock. "How do you suppose those mine rats Beagle-"He left debts to the could know an accident was coming. long before any of the miners knew it An Eye to Business. "I haven't the slightest idea. What

Customer-"And am I doomed to blindness?" Opticiau-"It is inevilable. I think

yon'd better look at my beautiful line of artificial oyes at once."-Jewelers' Weekly.

Justice Without Mercy.

through his spectacles.

"But there's one curious thing I'd like to ask you about," Colonel Fogarty continued, rising from his chait Spitts-"Why, did he leave many

"Seems to me I've seen your face

"Yes, your Honor; you have," re-"Seven years!" came from the

Optician-"My dear sir, your case

plied the prisoner. "I am the prolessor who gives the young lady next