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The reason that Cervera was bottled tp is that it was Hobson's choice!

Oklahama is preparing to offer a 30,000,000 bushel crap of wheat az an argument for statehood.

The whole number of men engaged on auditing work in the offices of American railroads is roughly estimated at 10,000.

Ex-President Harrison declared the heroic deed of Lieutenant Hobson in sinking the Merrimac in the entrance to Santiago without a parallel in his-

Truly, we live in an appreciative Bravery meets with prompt reward. Fidelity to duty receives quick favor. All commanding officers of Dewey's fleet are promoted for gallantry, and all the world applands. Faith, hope and charity are abroad in

The crop expert of the Orange Judd Farmer figures it out from present indications that we shall have a 700 .-000,000 bushel yield of wheat this year. The outside commercial estimate of the 1897 crop was 580,000,000 bushels, and the biggest harvest ever reaped-that of 1891-was 685,-000,000 bushels, so it-can be imagined with what a glow of prosperity the country will be painted.

Germany's debt in 1877 was \$4,-000,000. In 1887 it had increased to nearly \$125,000,000. It is now \$535,-250,000, and is still going up with a stendiness which bears strong testimony to the fluancial resources of the drugal Fatherland. It will soon be able to point with pride to a national debt of the highest class, scientifically adjusted to the capacity of the people to bear it, like a pack-saddle to the back of an Andorra mule, just a shade easier to stand up under than to lie

So finely are the scales of nature adjusted that it is probable every defect has its compensation near at hand. Man's part is to find it. In Kansas and Nebraska the rainfall is insufficient to supply the needs of agricultural vegetation. Nevertheless it has recently been ascertained that an inexhaustible deposit of water lies directly below all the arid region; while the wind, nature's agent to lift the water, blows during the whole summer. It was from air registering one hundred degrees below zero that Nansen, by means of a windmill, wrested the power to light and heat his ice-bound

"You may fire when you are ready, Mr. Gridley," said Admiral Dewey to the Commander of the flagship Olympia on that memorable May day in the harbor of Manila, and the battle began. The glorious victory was not secured quite so cheaply as we thought, after all. Captain Gridley was injured and, being invalided, died on his way home at Kobe, Japan. He is the first officer of high rank to perish as the result of the war, and his memory will be justly honored as much as if he had died on the deck of his ship in the thick of battle on that Sunday morning when he opened the fire upon the Spanish fleet.

There are in the principal cotton spinning countries of the world about 97,000,000 spinkes and 1,920,000 looms. Of these totals 45,200,000 spindles and 660,000 looms are credited to England. In the last ten years there has been an increase of more than 3,000,000 spindles and 60,000 looms in Great Britain. Nevertheless, the exports of cotton have gone down instead of up during this period. The United States now have 17,300,000 spindles, against 13,500,000 ten years ago, and 354,000 looms, while the European Continent has 27,000,000 spindles (23,000,000 in 1897) and 850, 000 looms. The exports of textile machinery from Great Britain have in creased from \$26,000,000 in 1893 to \$33,500,000 in 1896.

A powerful labor organization of New York City, Typographical Union No. 6, 18 making the interesting experiment of teaching its unemployed members how to make a living by truck-farming. The union has secured from the city a tract of ground comprising two hundred and fifty acres. Each applicant receives half an acre for purposes of cultivation, and is expected to devote a minimum time of twenty days to the task during the season. The preliminary expenses of the farming operations are borne by the union, in co-operation with a charitable organization of New York. So far, many members of the union, who would otherwise be in idleness, are spending their time profitably in proving the practicability of this industrial experiment.

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STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE.

Good Cooking.

As a rule the Western mountaineer

is not a gastronomic connoisseur, and

the visitor at his table is quite as like-

ly to hear dried apples referred to as

"fruit" as he is to find any other kind

of fruit on the table. Occasionally,

however, one of them is sufficiently

fortunate to get away from his fast-

the valley has an opportunity to ac-

tainable. It was such a one I caught

up with one morning in June along

after a few preliminaries, "where I

can stop for a week or so while I look

up some timber I have in this neigh-

"Ther' ain't much uv that sort

eround here," he replied, "exceptin"

you go ter Mt. Pleasant, an' I reckon

that's too fer. But hol' on," he broke

in with a sudden thought, "thar's the

Widder Tackett. She axed me vis-

"Is it a pretty good place?" I in-

"Well, I reckon," he said with

"Oh, I beg your pardon," I hastened

to explain. "I only asked to know if

Ain't nothin' like it nowhar, no mat-

ter what kind uv a pie she sets afore

yer. It's all ne plusibus unum, an' no mistake. Why, I'm tellin' you

that I sot down to one uv her pies last

week, blamed of I recomember what

kind it wuz, ef I ever knowed, an' I

wuz eatin' right into it like a hot

shovel goin' into a snow pile, an' Bill

Rogers acrost the table frum me called

me a liar an' I never said a blamed word

to him tell I had plum et my pie and

got my teeth picked. Blame my but-

I did not like to inquire further into

the mystery of what happened to Mr.

Rogers after the last taste of the pie

American Carpets.

United States is the greatest producer

and consumer of carpets. The manu-

facture is confined almost entirely to

the States of Massachusetts, Connec-

tiont, New York, New Jersey and

Pennsylvania. In 1890 there were

175 factories in this country which

manufactured carpets other than rag

carpets, and the value of their total

product was nearly \$48,000,000.

About 30,000 persons were employed

as operatives in the carpet works.

Sales statistics would doubtless show

a large increase over these figures, as

they in turn showed over the statis-

Not only are American carpets suc

cessfully supplying home wants, but

they are also being exported to a con-

siderable extent. The same mill

cent sale supplied 25,000 yards which

were sent to furnish two palaces for

the present Czar of Russia. The car-

pet sent was a plain velvet, especially

designed) The prevailing color was

green, with a pattern of flowers .-

Indians in Wisconsin.

9000 Indians of various tribes, all of

whom, with the exception of the Win-

nebagos, wear practically the ordi-

nary clothing of the white man. The

Winnebagos alone cling to the native

mode of living, occupying their wig-

wams in even the coldest weather.

One-half of the members of the other

tribes speak enough English for the

more than one-half read the English

language. They are fast learning to

recognize the legality of matrimonial

them are engaged in pursuits of civil-

ized life; ten per cent. in hunting,

fishing and root gathering and the

like; only five per cent, live exclusive-

ly on government rations. Of the

1800 Oneidas, the 1300 Menominees,

and the 500 Stockbridges and Mun-

sees, all live on labor in civilized pur-

suits. Many of the Oneidas compare

favorably in thrift, cleanliness and

rational life enjoyment with the whites

in their vicinity. - Milwaukee Senti-

Building a Big War Balloon.

United States government is now in

course of construction at Professor

Myers' balloon farm, at Frankfort, N.

is to be used in or rather above Cuba.

In many ways it will be remarkable in

has but thirty-six pieces in its make-

ship of so many pieces is that if in any

the tear would extend only a short

distance before being stopped by a

seam. The carrying capacity of this

monster balloon will be one-half ton,

the basket being made to accommodate

India's Census.

The idea in making the great air

Wisconsin has at this late day about

tons of I did, colonel."

one week.

ties of 1880.

New York Tribune.

some emphasis; "she's goin' ter be my

mother-in-law, come next September.

quired thoughtlessly.

The young man's face flushed.

borhood. Do you know of any?"

"I'm looking for a place," I said

the ridge of the Rockies.

quire some virtues not otherwise ob-

A LITTLE PATH.

A little path that 'mid the trees A narrow lodgement finds, And in and out, and all about It slyly creeps and winds; itill on and on as if it tried Still on and on as if it tried.
To find some neek where it might hide.

And you and I, this summer day, Together seek to trace
The rambles of this runaway
And find its hiding place,
And little feet that in the quest

And now we find a fallen tree That helped it o'er a brook; Then up a hill and down, until, Within a shady nook, There hangs a nest where thrushes stay And sing to cheer it on its way.

Deza-little feet that bide with me Where'er my path may tend!

I sometimes almost wish that we Might never find the end,
But all our round of summers through This little path we might pursue,
—Albert B. Paine,



eight o'clock a blew in from the

bay, and Sandy McDuff bared his forehead to it with a sigh of relief. Sandy was sitting in front of the headquarters of one of the infantry regiments, talking with the colonel, two captains and a subaltern. The camp was set up in a grove of Florida pines. McDuff listened very attentively to everything that the colonel and the captains had to say; for these men had smelled powder, felt steel and heard the Indian warwhoop. But he closed his ears to the sub. (who talked a great deal), and put him down as a windbag. Perhaps the reason for this was that Sandy was a scribbler, and felt that there was good copy in what the older men had

He lit a Cuban cigarette, and mentioned the recent victory of the American fleet over the Spanish. The sub. slapped his knee and turned to the

"By thunder, sir," he exclaimed; one face to face and shoot him down his rooms in town.

that the men who talk least about

a story of a major of Irish extraction. "We were out on rather a rough campaign, with this major in comhe began. "Twenty-five trip to Port Tampa.

friendly Blackfeet, hired as trailers and scouts, were put in my charge. One night the major sent a note over to me which read something like this: to do guard duty.

to my own men, so the first thing in him highly. the morning I went over with them myself. I saluted, reported the men major that, first of all, my command was not crazy, and second, that they were here to act as scouts and trailers, and knew nothing of regular military work. The major requested me to remember that we were a long way from the post and that he was my superior officer. I bowed, and returned to my own tent. Half an honr later those six Indians were back in their quarters. I returned with them immediately and tried to make excuses for them, saying again that they were unfit for

cried; 'then bring them over here double quick.'

"He called to one of his men and ordered him to drive two stakes into the ground at a distance of about two hundred yards from one another. Then the major gave a carbine to one of the redskips and told him to shoulder it. Now, you red idiot,' he said; 'do you see this stake here and that stake over

"The man looked and grunted. "'All right; spend the next two hours trailing from this one to that

They tried to laugh at the captain's story, and then McDuff said, "Goodnight," and started back for the town.

At the hotel one of the regimental bands was playing, and the grounds and the rotunda were gay with summer dresses and dapper uniforms. Sandy seated himself in a quiet corner and talked "war" with Billings, of the

"We will start for the island within seven days," said Billings.

"That's been the time ever since I came down here. Why don't you make it ten for a change?" replied Me-

At that moment the band struck into "The Star Spangled Banner," and every one arose. While standing thus McDuff noticed a familiar head and shoulders at the other side of the room, surrounded by attentive uni-He left Billings and hurried across, and the uniforms made way for life for a considerable time.

colonies more than forty-five per cent.

HE day had been The band played its last selection overcharged and retired. The newspaper men with sun and drifted off to make copy for next day's unfanned by papers. The girl in white and blue any wind; the sat on, and McDuff waved her fau. white sand in They talked like old friends, which the streets had means that sometimes they did not attained to such talk at all. Yet they had known each a heat that peo-ple moved about the North and she about the across it hur- East. They discussed books and riedly: But at horses—the press and the army. "I saw young Brown of the Tenth" fresh breeze to-night. What a lot he has to say

about things he knows not of," said McDuff. As the girl did not answer he continued, telling of the "call-down" delivered by the colonel. She laughed—a little sadly.
"The colonel knew that Mr. Brown

would very soon have a chance to test his emotions," she answered.

McDuff smiled, feeling the weight of his war pass in his inside pocket. "We all expect to get to Cuba inside of two weeks," he said.

The girl looked at her watch. "It is now eleven o'clock," she said, "At half-past eleven Lieutenant Brown starts for Cuba on a tug loaded with ammunition and rifles. He has fifty Cubans and a few of our regulars under him and will try hard to make a landing. You see, Mr. Mc-Duff, that it is considered a talent in the army to be able to talk a great deal without telling anything.

Sandy had no reply ready for this statement. He wondered how she came to know it all. But he did not "those fellows deserve all they get. It ask. He only remarked upon the latewould give me keen pleasure to meet ness of the hour and went off toward

Three evenings later McDuff re-The colonel looked at him for a few turned from a hot ride, and went up seconds without speaking. Then he on to the second balcony to cool off. hate a He unbuckled his leggings, pulled a man, and think nothing is too bad for cigar from one pocket and a newspahim; but when you have had to kill per from another, and dropped into a one you will not consider it such a steamer-chair. The first thing he saw was an account of the landing of the Brown did not reply to this, and the tug "Lilly" on the Cuban coast, of a colonel seemed lost in somber thought. | fierce fight with a Spanish cavalry, and Sandy was rather pleased with what of the heroic behavior of Lieutenant he considered the "sitting upon" of H. C. Brown and his men. The rethe young lieutenant. One of the portalso said that a newspaper corredearest clauses of his philosophy was spondent with the party had escaped capture only through the bravery and fighting are the ones who fight best. skill of this same young Brown, who One of the captains, who served in had freed the man, single-handed, from the Cavalry against the Indians, told the clutches of three Spaniards. The enemy was defeated, the arms and ammunition safely lauded, and even now the "Lilly" was on her return

McDuff immediately refastened his leggings and went around to call on the girl in white and blue. He found her in a rustic chair, under a clump of 'Send over six of your crazy Indians yellow-stemmed bamboo. He took to do guard duty.' "I resented this term when applied thought of Brown, and then praised

"He was more successful on both his other expeditions of the same kind." ready for duty, and then told the she replied. "They never had to fire a shot before."

McDuff was painfully surprised. "Why didn't he tell me that he had been landing Cubans ever since the

declaration of war?" he groaned. A week went by and still the troops were not ordered on board the transports, and still the war correspondents waited for the countersigning of their passes. McDuff grew tired of rushing about all day asking people what they knew, so he decided to lie low and do some work. He found that if he tried sentry duty. The major was in a to write during the day he lost too "'You say they are trailers,' he ly killed by divers insects. So he turned; "then bring them over here turned out a few hundred words every morning before breakfast, and spent the rest of the day reading W. Clark Russell's icy novel, "The Frozen Pirate." This and an outfit of white

duck clothing kept him fairly cool. One night, much to his surprise, he received a call from Second Lieutenant Brown. As they shook hands he noticed an expression on his visitor's face-a shadow about the eyes which had not been there at their last meeting. They sat down, and McDuff spoke about Brown's rescue of the

war correspondent. "Yes," replied the officer, 'it made a good newspaper story; but I am sorry it came in my way. Remem-ber what the colonel said the other night about killing a man? Well, the colonel was right. One of the three fellows who had hold of the correspondent was a young captain-a man who had received his education in America. He and I were very close friends once. About five years ago he went home to Spain, and last week I shot him while he was looking straight into my eyes-just beginning to recognize me. The man I rescued

wasn't worth that, I think.' Then Brown put his face in his hands and cursed the necessity of war. - New York Independent.

Spain has more sunshine than any other country in Europe, the yearly average being 3000 hours.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Sugar alone will apparently sustain Of the shoes imported into British

are of American manufacture. The toxine remedy against the lo custs in Mashonaland, Africa, is said to be proving of some efficacy.

A Frenchman, M. Bleunard, uses the X-rays for measuring the adulteration of flour with chalk and sand, The voice of a woman is audible in a

miles, while that of a man has never reached higher than a mile. According to Nilsson, the zoologist, the weight of the Greenland whale is 100 tons, or 224,000 pounds, or equal

balloon at the height of about two

to that of eighty-eight elephants, or 440 bears. The expedition of Major Gibbons, to cross Africa from Cape Town to Cairo, Egypt, will have aluminum launches that may be separated into sections

Paper artificial teeth are now made in Germany. They are said to be not brittle, to retain their color, and to be lighter than china teeth, and they do

not melt in the mouth. M. Victor, the French naturalist, says that a toad will live twenty-eight months completely embedded in plaster of paris poured on as a liquid, and then allowed to harden.

The introduction of the electric light in the Roman catacombs has been chronicled already. Now it is proposed to light the galleries of the great pyramids of Egypt in like manner.

Glass bricks are gradually coming into use, and it is said that glass will soon be used for making statues for public squares, as it resists the corroding effect of the weather much better

than marble or granite. Although this country has not the advantage of a location that Great Britain has as regards German markets, yet one-third the sewing machines and two-fifths of the bicycles imported into that country in 1897

came from the United States, Rattlesnakes are said to have a natural antipathy to the leaves of the white ash. Some naturalists assert that a rattlesnake placed in a circle composed of half white ash leaves and half hot coals will cross the coals before he will encounter the leaves.

The fibre of the ramie plant, originally an East Indian perennial of the nettle family, but now cultivated in the West Indies and in the southern part of the United States, and used for almost every purpose heretofore served by cotton, is conceded to be the coming textile fibre.

The new oxygen treatment for wounds is regarded by the medical profession as of the greatest value and as a distinct advance in surgery. Not only does it bring about healing in cases that seemed hopeless, but the new skin is wholly unlike scar tissue; it is soft, thick, smooth, fair, loose, warm skin, not ridged or seamed, and hardly to be distinguished from healthy structures.

Witcherafi in Bavaria.

The oldest mention of witchcraft in Bavarian law is the imposition of a fine of thirteen shillings (about twenty cents) upon persons who injure the harvests by magic arts; in addition to this fine the sorcerer is also made pecuniarily responsible to the owner for loss of property. Penalties of a like character were also inflicted upon such as foretold events, produced storms or caused horses and cattle to disappear by means of diabolical machinations, In Arbeo's "Life of Corbinianus," the first bishop of Freising, it is related that as he was one day riding up to the castle he met an old woman reputed to be a witch, accompanied by men bearing meat and one of them leading a live animal. On asking whence they came and what they were doing, he was told that the duke's son had been vexed by demons and that she had healed him. This information so excited the wrath of the bishop that he leaped from his house and gave the old hag a sound beating; he also took away the gifts which she had received for her services and distributed them among the poor at the gate of the city. This incident oc-curred between 718 and 724.—Popular Science Monthly.

American Ordnance in England. A significant item is found in the reports of an English ordnauce factory, where 1500 men are now employed night and day. The manager, who is an ex-navy officer, has been authorized to spend \$115,000 on new buildings and \$85,000 on new machinery. It is stated that the whole of the last sum will be expended in the United States, as the Americans only produce such machines as are wanted. All this new plant will be driven by electricity, an Ohio firm having got the contract for the whole of it. The machines are mostly vertical lathes, not obtainable in England. One of the novelties which the American firm is said to have disposed of a number to the English Government recently is a six-inch gun, which, in consequence of the employment of a base ring of soft copper of a peculiar shape, pressing against a ring of asbestos, will show no signs of wear. At least, a gun from which 300 rounds had been fired. had its muzzle velocity reduced not more than 100 feet per second.

A Vexed Question Settled.

It is noteworthy, in view of the arguments aroused on account of America commencing hostilities with out first formally declaring war, that of all the wars of the last 200 years, only ten have commenced with a formal declaration of hostilities. Ac cording to French statisticians, 147 have commenced with hostile acts. Forty-seven of the latter broke out in the eighteenth and sixty in this century.-London Tit-Bits.

THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE. A Mountaineer Who Appreciated Really

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

Praying For His Girls-Good Intent-Superiative-No Excuse For Being-The First Disappointment-Away Down-Proof Positive- He Knew His Boy, Etc. He got his daughters off his hands, And thought it quite a treat, Until he found he had to keep Their husbands on their feet.

He didn't mind the Harrys or The Georgies with their fils, The Jacks and Petes he rather liked, But drew the line at Bills. -Harper's Bazar.

"Are you going to do anything for your country?" "Yes; I will try not to write any

No Excuse For Being. Humorist's Wife-"I don't see that this joke of yours has any sense to it.' Humorist (wearily)-"No, only nonsense."-Somerville (Mass.) Journal,

war poetry."-Detroit Free Press.

sleep an' eat two er three men of they The First Disappointment. Millie-"What does this motto on wuzn't too pertickler." the ring mean?"

Willie-"Faithful to the last." "The idea! I thought I was the first!"-Indianapolis Journal.

Patience-"What is the cheapest looking thing you ever saw about a bargain counter?" Patrice-"A husband waiting for his wife."-Yonkers Statesman.

Proof Positive. Yeast-"I understand Snapton has been after a political job. Crimsonbeak-"Yes; I see he's not

doing anything now. I guess he must have got it."—Yonkers Statesman. Superlative.

"She sobbed as if her heart would "Her heart? She could not have sobbed more bitterly had her chainless wheel been wrecked."-Indian-

apolis Journal.

Often the Way.

Browne-"He was a great scholar. Why, it took twenty-five large volumes to hold all he knew. Towne-"And yet he didn't know enough to fill one pocketbook."-San

Francisco Examiner. One of the Rumors.

First Citizen-"Yes; there is news from Madrid, but I don't believe it." Second Citizen-"What is it?" First Citizen-"They say the Spanish Cabinet is organizing itself into a 'Don't Worry' club."-Puck.

Hard Requirement. He-"I'm about to get a good position under the city. Nothing to do, practically, but sit still and look

She-"Oh, I do hope you'll be able to fill the place."-Cincinnati En-

"How do you know that illustration was not made by one of the modern

humorous school of artists?" "Because in putting the alleged humorous lettering upon it he has not misspelled any of the words."-Chi-

cago Post. At the Boarding House Table. "It appears that the ancient Egyptians hatched out eggs in incuba-

tor ovens." "That accounts for it. I wondered where the chickens we have every Sunday for dinner came from."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Painful Reminder. He-"How is it Miss Halftones never puts the date on any of her pic-

tures?" She—"Well, you see, last year she signed one Jane Halftones, '97, and some one asked her why she put her age on her paintings.'

"Are you going to use bricks in the construction of your house?" asked a

"No," replied the owner of the property, as he glanced over the estimate furnished by the contractor, "rocks."-Chicago News.

Her Understanding.

"Has your measles gone, Bessie?" shouted a little friend to the tot who was looking wistfully from the win-"Yes, they's left. I heard the doctor tell mamma that they broked out

last night."-Detroit Free Press. He Knew His Boy. Mr. Beach-"Here is a letter from Charles."

Mrs. Beach-"Read it." Mr. Beach (reading)-"My dearest, darlingest mother-"Great Scott. The young scoundrel needs more money again already.'

-Tid-Bits.

Proprietor-"I think that lady over there is not being properly waited

upon.' Shop-Walker-"Oh, she doesn't want to buy anything. Everything that has been shown her she has declared perfectly lovely. She hasn't found fault in the least with anything."-Tit-Bits.

Notice Before Bombardment. The Father-"That young man who used to call on you and stay so late is in the navy now, I understand?"

four persons. The Daughter-"Yes, papa; and think of it! His boat has been disabled! The last time I saw him he was The latest Government census in Inbeing towed in." dia showed 6,016,759 girls between five

"Well, don't let me see him around here all hours of the night, or you will see him toed out."-Yonkers RATES OF ADVERTISING:

each insertion.

Marriages and death notices gratis.

All bills for yearly advertisements collected quarterly Temporary advertisements must be paid in advance.

Job work—cash on delivery.

DIRGE OF THE DRUMS.

Dead! Dead; Dead, dead; dead! To the solomn beat of the last retreat That falls like lead,

Bear the hero now to his honored rest With the badge of courage upon his breast, While the sun sinks low in the gleaming west-Dead! Dead! Dead!

Dead! Dead! Mourn the dead! While the mournful notes of the bugles float Across his bed. And the guns shall toll on the vibrant air The knell of the victor lying there ness, and living temporarily down in

"Tis a fitting sound for a soldier's prayer— Dead! Dead! Dead! Dead! Dead! Dead, dead! dead! To the muffled beat of the lone retreat And speeding lead,

Lay the hero low to his well-carned rest, In the land he loved, on her mother breast, While the sunlight dies in the darkening

-Ralph Alton.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

He-"If I were not in a canoe I would kiss you." She—"Take me ashore instantly, sir."—Tit-Bits. "Do you keep fresh eggs here, waiter?" "No, sir; but I can have a

tiddy to see some uv you folks at the couple laid to order, sir."-Brooklyn mill and tell 'em she had a place to "What a strange expression on Schultz's face!" "Yes, he has either committed a murder or he expects to

be called on for a speech."-Fliegende "Jennie is awfully proud just because her sweetheart is going to the "She isn't half as proud as Maud. Hers has just come back from the Klondike." — Indianapolis Jour-

she had good eating. Some of that we get in private houses even in the Hicks-"Do you think it will pay me to read Brosher's book?" Wicks cities, you know, is not the best in "Cities be blamed," he said, with a -"I think it will. It will relieve you fine feeling; "yer ain't never tried the of all desire ever to read anything Widder Tackett's pie yit, mister, an' yer want to keep still till yer co. else from his pen."-Boston Tran-

> "General, in my regiment I have a company composed entirely of Hollanders." "All right, Colonel. When we form a line of march that company shall be the Vau guard." Chicago "There!" exclaimed Mrs. Upjohn as she wedged her way into the crowd-

dles. "I can breathe more freely now!" She had just left the bargain counter.—Chicago Tribune. Managing Editor-"I tell you, sir, we've got to be more enterprising." Trembling Reporter-"What shall I do?" Managing Editor-"You must

turn tramp, marry a queen and pawn

ed elevator with her arms full of bun-

was safely housed by my informant, but I made a fair guess and went on to see the Widow Tackett concerning her crown."-The Jewelers' Weekly. "That hospital," said the guide, board and lodging for one man for "was built and endowed by a deaf mute." "Indeed!" said the loquacious lunatic; "then it is the first authentic case of being dumb-founded Of all the nations in the world the that I ever encountered."-New York

"I read the other day," said Mr. Northside to his wife, "of a young caunibal who ate his father and mother, and I can readily understand what he became." "What did he become?" "An orphan."-Pittsburg

He-"They say that Jack Crumley has been talking a good deal behind your back lately." She (turning pale) "I'd like to know what he's been saying." He-"Oh, you know well enough. It was all done on his tandem."-Tit-Bits.

"This room is very close," remarked the guest to the head waiter; "can I have a little fresh air?" The welldrilled automaton raised his voice to a high pitch: "One air!" he yelled; which turned out the carpets in a reafter a pause adding, "and let it be fresh!"-Tit-Bits.

"Yes," sai'l Miss Passeigh, "I enjoy the society of Mr. Airyland. keeps me interested. He is always saying something that one never hears from anybody else," "Really!" rejoined Miss Cayenne; "has he been proposing to you, too?"-Washington

day," said the elderly boarder, "makes me feel like a young man." deed!" was all Mrs. Hashcroft deigned to reply. "Indeed. When I think of that lamb we had for dinner I feel that if it was lamb I must be still a boy. -Standard. Visitor (at Sing Sing)-"That con-

"A dinner such as we have had to-

purpose of ordinary conversation, and vict is quite a joker. He says the cells are large and airy, the views magnificent and the table unsurpassed." Guard-"Oh, he's no relations. Eighty-five per cent. of joker; he really means it; he used to own a summer hotel before he came here,"-Puck. Lady (in railroad train on windy day)-"Dear me! I can't get this

window up." Gentleman (behind)-"I would assist you, madam, but presume the railroad company has glued the windows down to prevent the loss of patrons by pneumonia."-New "Where were you last night, old man?" "Oh, I was at a grand dinner at Mr. Vanderdam's. Never saw so many rich people together before.

The aggregate wealth at table, not An immense balloon for use by the counting me, was at least \$100,000, 000. Counting me, it was about \$99, 992,432,371,"-Harlem Life. Y. It is understood that this balloon Brown-"Mercy on us! We are in for it now. Here comes Trotter, just back from a six months' trip abroad; its construction. It will consist of he'll bore us to death with his talk 1298 pieces. The ordinary balloon about it." (Groans from the rest.) Trotter-"Well, boys, how are you all? I have just returned from a sixmonths' trip in Europe. way one piece should become torn,

groans.) I am just going to sit down here for two or three hours (more groans), and I want (groans) you to tell me all that has happened here while I was away." (But they didn't; the shock was too great.)-Puck. Big Pocketbooks.

The Swedes and Norwegians carry their loose cash in immense pocketbooks: some of these have been in use and nine years of age who were already for two or three generations, and conmarried, of whom 170,000 had become tain almost enough leather to make a pair of boots.