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FEAST OF HORSES.

Hindustan.

Dosern, or the "feast of horses," is a Descra, or the "Teast of horses, is a very old festival in India. The Hindows say that on a time long ago the good Rama weut to war with the king of Ceylon and was victorious because his array had better horses and bullocks than the king" ensure to war with the king of the man or not I am not certain. Now, there's my wife. I've known a good many wo-men in my time, and I don't think I'd be the king's army. So yearly, at the time willing to change her for any woman I of a new moon, the Hindoos worship the ever met, saw or heard of. We've been

THE ETHICS OF GAMBLING. Very Old Pestival Still Colebrated In She Knew It Was Not Right to Bet

on a Certainty. "Woman," remarked Mr. Gooseling of

tainty

replace?"-Washington Star.

The Shoplifters' Harvest,

ishment it seems impossible to stop the

SUSPECT EVERYBODY

INIVERSAL DISTRUST RULES IN THE SAFE DEPOSIT BUSINESS.

Even Patrons Have to Submit to Galling Restrictions-Comedy In the Taking of Pedigrees-Remarkable Memory of Employees.

Many millions of dollars in plate, jewets, stocks, bonds, cash and other desira-ble things are locked in the vaults of the safe deposit companies doing business in New York city. These millions are guarded with scrupulous care. So much pro-tection is thrown about them that their owners are obliged to submit to restric-tions in handling their property which would be galling indeed if the reason was not obvious. There is a fortune for a daring thief behind the vaults' steel rs, and the sight of riches lying easy necess has turned many a well mean-

ing but weak man into a rogue. This is one reason why a visitor at the ices of these companies, be he patron not, is regarded with embarrassing spicion and why the man who desires become a customer is forced to submit an ordeal faintly suggestive of the panish inquisition. Mark Twain trans-ermed the old adage about putting "all your eggs in one basket" into the smart coloran, "Put all your eggs in one basket and watch that basket." The safe deposit company has all its "eggs" in one basket. and the watchers of that basket are Argus eyed.

Of the 26 compaties doing business in this city 17 are independent organiza-tions, and the remaining six are identified with parent hanks. The capital of the independent companies is over \$5,000,000; and the value of the riches in their keep-ng may be roughly estimated at from 40 to 50 times that amount. One representa-tive down town company has in its suberranenn vanits 17,000 steel compart-nents, ranging in size from boxes 16 by S by 5 inches to safes in which a 10-yearold boy might stand opright. The annual rental of these compart-

tions varies from \$5 in the one case to \$500 in the other. The smallest boxes are large enough for a comfortable for-tune. What can be tooked away in a big safe would tempt a Cressus. Usual-by these fatter compartments are rented by business partners. Each compart-ment has a double combination, half of which is known to each partner. Bothmen therefore must be present when the safe is opened, and an attendant has to use his key before the heavy doors can swing back.

The customer who wishes to get into he vaults, perhaps to enjoy the pleasing astime of cutting off little green couparatime of cutting of intice green cou-pons with a sharp pair of scissors, does not find it a simple matter. There is an outer gate guarded by a watchful Cer-berus, an inner gate at which is a sec-onal Cerberus, and finally a thied gate, around which is clustered a small army of attendants. When the man with the manner has maned these concentric has money has passed these successive bar-riers, he gives the key to his box to an preps, he gives the key to his box to an attendant, who is distinguished among his fellows because he possesses a truly remarkable memory. He knows the per-son to whom each one of the 17,000 boxes belongs. If there were 27,000 boxes, he would know their 27,000 own-ers. He wouldn't brag about it either, the memory is the most variable asset His memory is the most valuable asset in his business. When this minemonic wonder has re-

When this minemonic wonder has re-ceived the key to any one of the boxes, he goes with the customer merringly to the right number, and, unlocking the box with the necessary aid of his own key, he carries the steel drawer to one of many little rooms equipped with scissors, puste, pen, ink and the like. Here the enstomer locks himself in. When he leaves, the process is reversed, and at length he arrives on the sidewalk with a length he arrives on the sidewalk with a considerable idea of his importance to the company which has the good fortune safeguard his wealth.

A person who wants to rent a box is everyly catechised. His pedigree to the third and fourth generation is deemed essential. His age, his profession, his hab-its, even his hopes and aspirations, are put on record. A few days ago an old gentleman and his wife, who were either

RAMES OF OUR RAILROADS.

Note Island and Pavine. Many towns otherwise practically un-known are kept before the public be-cause they had the luck to be worked into a railroad title. For instance, who knows the real name of the Monon railway? As

the real name of the Monon raiway? As a matter of fact it was organized as the Chicago. Indianapolis and Louisville road. The little town of Monon, Ind., gave it its popular name. The Wabash system does not take its name from the tiver, but from a station of this name on the little town of this name on

Cotton Belt. This is how the St. Louis Southwestern railroad has been mod-

enized.

A

more picturesque.

duced if to Katy.

Curtous Changes In Titles Drotabi About by the Public. Falling leaf and failing tree. Lines of white in a suffer sea, Shadows rising on you and me, Shadows rising on you and met The weathers are mirrching three ready to fly, Wheeling out on a windy sky, Goodby, summer, goodby, goodby! Goodby, summer, goodby, goodby! The fashion of naming cullcosts in changed considerably in the list quarter of a century. The three and four wood titles have about gone out of siyle, and one word names succeed them. For in-stance, the Santa Fe is no longer referred

stance, the Santa Fe is no longer reacever to as the Atchison, Topeka and Souto Fe, although this is the corporation title. The old Chicago, Burlington and Quin-cy has been contracted to simply Burling-ton by the public decree, and the title Rock Island has replaced the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific. Hush! A voice from the faraway." "Listen and here" it seems to say. "All the tensorows shall be as today; "All the tensorows shall be as today;" The orni is faravel, the erose is dry. The think must break, and the lamps must Goodby to Hope! "Coeffe, goodby!

What are we waiting for? Oh, my hearth What are we warring for the how and parts Kiss me straight in the boow and parts Again! Again! My heart! My heart! What are we waiting for, you and 1? A pleasing look, a stiffed ery, Goodhy forever, goodhy forever,

GOODBY.

Goodby, goodby, goodby! -Paolo Tosti.

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Cured Twenty Years Ago.

ized. As it passes through one of largest cotton producing regions of Curred I wenty Years Ago. Twenty years ago had Christmas I was taken sick with Dropsy. My legs nail feet were budy wolken, I was continued to my bed, all my friends thought my time had some. My head pained me terrible, and finally my wile was urged by Mrs. Spring, the curst, to try Thounpoor's harosma and Dambioin and Mindrake Fills. They would curre me. "An easily the As a hat resort we tried Banosina, river, Kidney and Lambaga Cure and handeloin and Mindrake Fills. They would handeloin and Mindrake Fills. They would handeloin and Mindrake Fills. Twish to say that the pain and wereling begin to leave me at once, and a few bottes made a complete curs. I have recommended it to otherswith good results. Tam well and have been ever since, which was the full Garfield was elected. Aryone can call mm if they wish to know the virtues of "lik-tam 4." the United States it is very appropriate. Because a little road up in Nova Sco-tia with the ponderons title of the Donin ion and Atlantic reached the land made famous in Longfellow's poem tourists have given it the title of the Evangeline road, and perhaps this is more appro-priate than the other. It is certainly 803.6

Years. About filteen years ago I was all run down with nervous prostration and palpitation of the heart (offern petiting black in the lace any homght to be dying. This, flesh till from its pomole uny weight was confined to op pounds and for six mouths I was confined to inr bed A relative of mine who had hern troubled will female weakness and nervous prostration and had been carred by Thompson's florowing, re-commended it to me. I begun to take the har-pound in and palpitation of the herr time parts of one and was materity error of mercon prostration and palpitation of the herr time part to gain in firsh suffit is a short time. The Now (11A) agains for mercity weak, doing my own homsener). Guir, is merely called Kaysee, cutting off Guin, is merciy emissi Kaysee, entrong out the last part of it. Sap is short and severt. It has been contracted from S. A. P., meaning San Antonio and Aran-sas Pass, one of the principal lines in Texes. The New York capitalists who built another road thought that Mis source Karana and Texas would be a

Monser Rood, 3 miles south of Titureille, Pa souri, Kansas and Texas would be a suitable name, but the Texas people re-All druggists, \$1.00 a bottle or six

\$5.00.

Including nicknames, the shortest name of any railcoad in the United States is the Sap, which has already been re-ferred to. It is 637 miles in length. 2 little cond in Mississippi, the Chester, Perryville, Sainte Genevieve and Farm ington, has the longest title of any in America. This contains no fewer that 43 letters; but two other lines are clos to it, the Richmond, Nicholasville, Irvine and Beargyville and the Southwestern Arkarsas and Indian Territory. The Chester line is only 27 miles long.—Chieago luter Ocean.

Fairly Good Incomes.

It is difficult, if not impossible, to cal-culate with any degree of accuracy the amount of money turned over collectively in the course of a year by the costers, but

interesting figures may be supplied by placing on record the gross receipts of some street traders.

Many will be surprised to learn that a coster in the fruit or vegetable line will

make a turnover of anything between i8 and £12 per week, a full third of this be-

ing profit. The figures vary much, nat-urally, with the season of the year and

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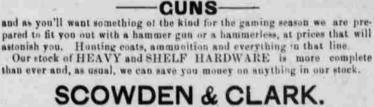
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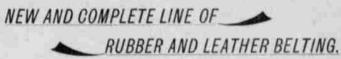


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THOMAS MURRAY, Baker, South Franklin Street, March 16th, 1900. Titusville, Pa. No Return of Disease in Fifteen Years.

Down in Texas and the neighboring states they have a habit of handling the railroads without gloves when it come to giving names. A favorite plan is b take the principal initials of a road and spell them out. Only a native of the southwestern ranches would know Pee Gee stands for the Kansus City, Pitts burg and Gulf railroad. Another Texas road, the Kansas City, Beaumont and

change which must have shocked the directors was in the case of the Cleveland, Ciscinnati, Chicago and St. Lonis. This was altogether too much for its patrons and the railway men, and some one thought of the size of the cities named and called it the Big Four.

horses and buildelts.

on the morning of Dosern I was sur prised to find my Arab pany Raja all we had many more. It's the only way on the morning of Dovern 1 was sur-prised to find my Arab peny Raja all trimmed with bright yellow flowers. He had a wreath around his neck, long pendants of flowers hung about his ears, kind of meal my wife can have brought anklets of the same bright flowers were tied around his legs just above the hoof and again above the knees, and tiny bouquets were tied to the harness in many places and on the reins too. It was prety, and I am sure Raja felt "dressed t for he was dignified and quiet all that day and carried his head a little higher than usual. Sometimes he does frisky things, but we are not at all afraid of he is intelligent, and if we say, "Rain! Rain!" in a decided tone he seems know that we wish him to be dignified. Raia means king, and we gave him that name because we think him the king of Arab ponies.

At Dosora the bullocks, which are as much used here as horses, had their horns stained with bright colored paints, generally a different color for each horn. and strings of little tassels of many dif ferent colors were tied from the tip of one horn to the tip of the other, or bright ces of ribbon would be used instead of the tassels.

The white homes, of which there are very many here, and the white bullocks, too, were painted, some in stars or it round dots. Others had the rising sup painted on both sides of their bodies in red and gold colors. Some borses had only their tails and manes c. ored, while few drivers painted the sides of the cart and the wheels also.

After all this decorating was finished the people unde pujch to the animals, which means that they worshiped the bornes and the bullocks. I could not find any one who would tell me if they wor ped the carts, too, but I think they did. After this is done the people give each other presents, which should be of gold, but as the people are most of them too poor to give gold they give the leaf of the "gold" plant, and that answers very

When evening came, and the coachman who had trimmed Raja with the fresh flowers had not received "backsheesh," he felt very much neglected and ent word to me that it was the custom of the country to give the coachman a donation. I sent him a rupee and made him quite happy .-- St. Nicholas.

A New Discovery.

"I wish you hudn't had your hair cut so short, Harold?" exclaimed the young. woman, turning from him involuntarily. "What difference does it make, dear-est?" asked Harold, with tender anxiety.

"You-you have destroyed an illusion," she sighed. "That is all." "You didn't think I was a post, did you, Chara, because I wore my hair sure to win."-New York Sun.

long?" "Na, I never suspected you of being a

poet." "Nor an artist?"

"Then what illusion have I destroyed?"

ve demanided. "Perhaps I should say, Harold," she answered, with tears in her voice, "that you have unconsciously revealed a fact I Jack-Oh, st you have unconsciously revealed a fact I never suspected, dear. Your ears don't match?"-London Answers.

possessors of suddenly acquired arses and ballocks. narriel 20 years, and in all that time we've never had a cross word that we wealth or recent arrivals in the city from up the state, called at a Broadway safe osit company for the purpose of rent-a box. The box was to be entered ing a box. in the wife's name, and her husband was asked if the wife had any peculiarity by which she could be identified. The old on the table when she's a mind to. I'm man hemmed and hawed and rubbed his chin doubtfully. willing to make as many concessions as the next man, but I really think there is "Well," he said at length, looking at his wife out of the corner of his eye, "well, I must admit that Alice is a lettle a limit that any reasonable woman ought to observe. Not that my wife is not as reasonable as any other married woman, mind you, for she is. But there are times ick tempered." "Why, William," was the refort, "I when she makes me doubt the strict ac

haven't said a mean thing to you in going curacy of the time honored maxim I have quoted. Now, for instance, the m 20 years "Now, Alice," said her hushand, feneother day I was doing something or oth-er around the house, like a man has a

ng for nu opening, "don't you recollect the time' right to do on his own premises, and, just as men sometimes do, I put my finger "No, I don't, and you don't neither." At this point the examiner thought it where I had no business to put it and hit it a lick with the hammer. "'Well,' said I to myself, though my

hest to interpose. He said that the mat-ter of identification would be waived The essential parts of each applicant's wife was sewing by the window on the other side of the room, 'I'll bet I'm the record are communicated to the attenants, who are required to keep intellibiggest darn fool in ten states." "All of which I had a perfect right to gent watch of the drift of pat A woman who expected to meet a friend in the vanits on a Saturday moraing asked an attendant if any one had called sny, but my wife looks up from her work, and says she: "'William, don't you know enough

to see her. "Not today," was the reply, "but your about the ethics of gambling to know that you have no right to bet on a cersister was here last Thursday afternoon.' a statement which was perfectly true. "That's what she said, and under the

Instances of this watchfulness might circumstances what on earth could I say but nothing, and that's what I said. But multiplied. Persons who don't have to worry about I hit that nail a lick with the hamme

where their food and clothes are coming from are proverbially careless. This care that drove it clear in over its head and broke a pane of glass that cost a dollar to lessness is the cause of much trouble to safe deposit companies. One woman left a pearl rope worth \$25,000 lying on the table in a room she had just quitted, and another was mildly anxious because, as One of the judges of the court of special sessions in talking to a friend re garding ineffectual efforts of store own she confessed to an attendant, she didn't know what she had done with bonds ers and courts to check shoplifting said: "No matter how severe we make the punwhich a modest valuation put at \$80,000, Evidences of thoughtfulness are afforded by the lists of found valuables posted

so called kleptomaniacs. Notwithstand each week. ing the large number of convictions, shop No one should visit a safe deposit comlifting is on the increase. The owners of one of the largest department stores in pany in the hope of finding such articles on the floor. If he did, several large, ro-bust men would hold him until a policethe city make a charge in their books each year of \$50,000 to loss by shop-lifters.' That is a big item, but this firm does not make many mistakes in its books. This estimate has been reached man came .- New York Mail and Ex-

Kentucky Negro Superstition.

after close observation and careful en-culations and may be regarded as pretty nearly correct. This firm, too, has abol-ished its private detective service. It If a log should fall on a negro and kill him, the chances are that the log would rot where it might lie, as it would be hard to find anybody willing to move it. It is a belief smang negroes that whohas decided that \$50,000 worth of goods will be stolen from its counters annually, ever removes a log or tree that has been the means of death will meet a similar detectives or no detectives. It figures that with the detectives it is apt to have other big losses. A detective anxfate, and there are many who share the superstition. It is said a number of years are a man in Harrodsburg, it is ions to make a showing will often arrest a woman when the charge cannot be supposed, attempted to steal a log from some wood pile and while crossing the loy proved in court. Then, there is an action street slipped and was killed by it. He was found the next morning and his body removed, but for six months or more the log remained untouched on the side of the street, although the weather was "Open the very severe and fuel was scarce among you mean?" the darkies.

There is another superstition among af a coffin the person who transplanted I just puts the kay in me postet and says I will die. Burgin Record. I it will die,-Burgin Record.

the state of the markets, but he is recked a poor fruit co make an average of £2 10s, to £3 weekly profit. Despite this income, which many a clerk would envy, tales of distress are well. frequent among them, owing to their uni versal improvidence. Fish is not to profit able a line of husiness, parily owing to the more perishable nature of the stock, and a fish coster who is a "Lana" after THE MCCUEN CO.

er reckoning up en Saturday night ha no cause to grumble at his week's work. The profits of venders of penny toys, pumles and other articles so familiar in the Strand and elsewhere vary according to their cost, which ranges from 44, to 7d, per dozen. A pound to 25s, is reck-oned a good weekly earning, but during the recent button craze energetic workers had no difficulty in clearing double this

mount in some instances. The gutter oilcloth merchant calculates upon a profit of 6d, to 1s, a piece, accord-ing to size, and can dispose of 40 or 50 pieces in the course of a Saturday even-ing alone, to say nothing of slacker business done during the rest of the week. street bookseller recently admitted that he had "never cleared less than £2 i week," and on further inquiry that do not appear to be much above the ave The proprietors of those miscella is stands to be found chiefly in the age. East End, where everything from a violia how to a saucepan lid may be purchased have a difficulty in telling their profits as, owing to the nature of their stock some things sell rapidly while other ar ticles lie on hand for months. That there is money to be made at this trade is evi dent from the fact that many of its fol-lowers are pointed out by their less fortunate brethren as being the owners of the houses in which they live.-London Mail

A Ceylon Cocoanut Porest.

The tree which gives character to the landscape in the bland of Ceylon is the coconnut pairs, whose slender gravish trunk sours up for 60 or 80 feet and then bursts into a dense crown of great feath-ered leaves, each from 10 to 12 feet in length. These pulms grow close together in vast groves, and to one walking about under their shade their appearance is very striking and recalls the comparison which has been so often made between a forest and a cathedral, for there is a rule but evident resemblance to architecture

in the lofty nisles formed by the shafts of the palms and roofed in by the arched and densely intermingled foliage. The sunlight filtering through the leafy conopy makes a golden green (wiligh), in which multitudes of gandy batterflic-sport about and flit from cup to cup of the pink campanulate flowers that cover the ground.

Why the Door Was Locked.

"Nora, I can't get into the parlor. "Sure, it's meself knows that, and yes won't with the kny in me pocket." "Open the door immediately." "Will yea go in if I do?" "Certainly I will." "Then yes don't get the kny." "Open the door immediately. What do "Sure, it's by yer orders." "My orders!







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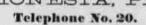
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