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ON THE BEACH.

I clasped in mine her tender hand, And side by side, with loitering pace, And pausing sometimes, face to face, We wandered slowly on the strand.

We left behind a laughing crowd— We felt no need of company; Ourselves, our thoughts, the beach, sea, The clear blue heavens that o'er us b

Made us a perfect solitude,

Where all with peace and joy was filled
Where jarring fears and care were stilles
And speech were interruption rude.

So on we wandered, hand in hand, O'erglad to be to each so near, So heart-content, so fond and dear, Alone upon that pleasant strand.

And when our footsteps were retraced, The comrades we had left behind Exclaimed: "Well, what's upon you

Old boy? What fancies have you chased While wandering slowly and alone? You are not wont to stroll away: What do the wild waves say to-day.

I smiled. They could not see the hand I clasped in mine, the upturned face; Their duller eyes beheld no trace

But that sweet hour along the sea Will never vanish from my heart, Whed, silent, from all else apart, I walked with unseen company.

AN AFFAIR OF HONOI.

The hot rays of a July sun came down with uncomfortable intensity upon the glaring white sand of the beach, as a somewhat flashily-attired young man shielded himself with an umbrella, and watched the more active specimens of humanity disporting them-selves in the brine, which was tossed rather tumultuously by strong southerly

"By gracious!" he muttered at length: "That girl in the blue-bathing suit had better be a little more careful; she'll

get beyond her depth." And he took a few steps nearer to the bathers-mostly females, one of whom, a little distance from the rest, seemed decidedly venturesome, the receding waves forming a dangerous

"There!-I thought so!" he cried, flinging away his umbrella and dashing across the narrow strip of sand, as a cry of alarm rose up from the water, and a blue-clad form disappeared from sight, drawn under by the backward rush of the waves.

He met the next incoming wave, but succeeded in getting beyond it, as a white face appeared in sight and a pair of plump arms were held despairingly toward him.

He was a strong swimmer, and, spite of his clothing, which impeded him somewhat, managed to reach and grasp the imperiled maiden ere the saline waters closed over her again.

clutched about his neck, and it seemed clutched about his neck, and it seemed abyss of misery as a dingy blacksmith altogether probable that they would perish together; but he broke from her drudgery rose up before him and seemed drudgery rose up before him and seemed clinging grasp, in a measure, and battled manfully with the turbulent element, so successfully that the next ing object of his newly awakened breaker landed them, breathless and adoration. exhausted, upon the beach-in a safe position, if not a graceful one.

"You should keep within the protect tion of the life-lines," enjoined the rescuer, as he assisted the half-strangled damsel to her feet.

And a moment after she appeared in a bathing house, leaving him to cast rueful glances at his ruined clothing, and wonder who the pretty girl was

whom he had saved. And then he realized that he was bareheaded, his hat having disappeared in the hungry maw of the waters, that rolled and tumbled, as though seeking more substantial victims.

In an incredibly short space of tim the door of the little box opened again, and a bewildering vision of loveline burst upon him, and in place of the trantic, terror-stricken girl of a few moments before, he beheld a stylishlydressed young lady, her amber-brown eyes shining with mirth and her face dimpling with smiles, tripping daintily toward him.

"I am exceedingly grateful," sh said, in a clear, low voice, "and feel that I must apologize for being the source of so much inconvenience to I had no thought that the water had such power"-and she drew up her pretty shoulders with a slight shiver, as she gazed at the incoming

"Oh-I-please don't mention it, stammered the young man, who was little used to ladies' society, bowing his hatless head and fumbling in his vest pocket, from which he drew a piece of drenched pasteboard upor which she could just decipher:

"P. Filmore, Boston, Mass."

"I am from the 'Hub' myself," sh said, laughingly, her white teeth gleaming between her ripe-red lips; and her shapely hand drew forth a tiny card case, from which she abstracted a dainty bit of enameled bristol-board, bearing the legend:

Miss Olive Orrington, Ellington avenue, Boston. The heart between Peter Filmore's saturated vest gave a quick throb as he glanced at the card and recognized the aristocratic locality in which she lived. "I hope, Miss Orrington, you will receive no ill effects from your immer-

And then he stopped confusedly, as silver laugh rippled from her full lips. "Excuse me, but there is little danger of that, as I was already in the water; but I fear most disastrous consequences would have ensued but for your timely assistance. You are the one who have suffered," and she looked commiseratively at his drenched attire and un-

retired to rest behind the hill-tops, ere covered head. "Never mind that," he said, picking up his umbrella, which had been rollmy defenceless head with this, and I the angels, once more seized the oars have other hats at the house where I and pulled his precious freight shoreing about on the sand. "I can shelter my defenceless head with this, and I am stopping. Have you friends here?"

"Not any," she returned, "I am stopping at the hotel yonder." "And I am boarding at a private house just over the hill," he answered, as she stopped and looked inquiringly "and I consider myself very fortunate in making your acquaint-ance, even under such adverse circum-

and thrown aside as impracticable, he had ever made, but he felt amply repaid by the bright smile with which nearer to a solution than before; but thrill pervaded his being to which he had heret fore been a stranger.

It had been the custom of Peter It had been the custom of years past to Filmore for a number of years past to how his parents were set upon his being attempted in Arkansas.

throw aside the duties of life once in the 12 months, and for a few weeks at least to be a gentleman of leisure. His occupation was the hard and rather unromantic one of blackworth and restricted the slightest affection, and then, as his well-nigh hopeless love added fervor to his words, he urged introduction was the hard and rather the statement of the slightest affection. unromantic one of blacksmith and car-inge-ironer; but he possessed a soul above that of the common Vulcan, and when the summer days grew warm and balmy, the leathers are war and balmy, the leathern apron was cast delight consented.

aside, and behold the grub was a butterfly. The savings of a year were generally consumed in these annual recreations, and when they terminated, he would go penniless back to the shop and patiently smite the glowing iron and await the payl results from slavery.

delight consented.

Their arrangements were of the simplest possible character, and twenty lower hours afterward the guests assembled in the hotel parlor to witness the impromptu marriage, though all day long a horror of what he was doing had and await the payl results from slavery. But that night a new impulse was been creeping over Peter Filmore, chill-

ment in his heart. The latter feeling and he went to meet the guileless, conglowed and lighted up his honest, not than a prospective bridegroom. unhandsome face, as he thought of her

this thought only helped to augment of flowers and simple adornments that the other, for something seemed to be whispering to him that if he could win shone upon her fair person; and then, the heart of this confiding maiden, he at the last moment, his manhood as-might thereby lift himself above the serted itself, and be begged for a moment's private conversation with her. All throught the night these thoughts brown eyes of the girl as they stood haunted him, and visions of plump, alone in a side-room. She seemed al-white arms, a fair, frightened face, most fainting, and grasped a chair for

necessity of earning his bread by the

her bright eyes, thronged in upon his fitful slumbers, and the next afternoon

sweat of his brow.

down upon the beach.

trifle unstrung yesterday."

like echoes from fairyland.

in a low, almost hoarse tone.

splashed in over the side, and brought

"Don't you know how much I have

loved you, Miss Orrington?" he whis-

And hour after hour passed heedlessly

But the reaction came as soon as he

cruel gulf that lay between himself and

engrossing idea of possessing her. One device and another was hit upon

im to his senses somewhat.

of beautitude as this,"

led her.

her twentieth.

She did not look in the least dis

belle was from what he had imagined!

Her laugh had such a wholesome,

her bright eyes, thronged in upon his fitful slumbers, and the next afternoon he dressed himself carefully in his yet distinct, and then he stopped,

"other" best suit, for his wardrobe was while the deceived girl sank into the not exceedingly ample, and strolled chair and sobbed piteously. "I would have made you a good

down upon the beach.

Miss Orrington was there, and greeted him with childlike frankness.

"I have been looking for you," she said naively, as she gave him her hand, and poor Peuer was vanquished completely as the strong, yet gentle clasp of the said upon. It would take nearly my last the forest said, as he picked out the clergyman," he said.

"I would have made you a good wife," she moaned, as Peter gasped for breath and tottered back and forth before her.

"Here, have a cigar," said Twain pushing a box before him, "and let upon Moses."

"You musn't smoke, you know," the doctor said, as he picked out west.

of the bathers. "My nerves were a Miss Orrington sprang to her feet and bounded forward. Her arms were about his neck, her tear-bedewed face turbed, and when they parted Peter was pressed to his, while the words she Filmore felt that he was a doomed uttered seemed to come from the depths man, for he well knew that, under ordi- of her tender, girlish heart:

nary circumstances, his case was as hopeless as it could well be. How graam nothing but a ladies' maid, and I ous, and sweet and smiling she was, thought I would try to do this summer and how different a creature a city as my mistress does; but if we love each other what do we care for money? I thought you were going to cast me off hearty ring in it, and she was so unafbecause of my poverty! fected in her manner, while in years she could scarcely, as yet, have exceeded

her hand, which he devoured with his kisses; while the stern of the boat sank best kind. The air is certainly delicious. kisses; while the tranquil water, which deep in the tranquil water, which splashed in over the side, and brought empty of life as when "darkness was upon the face of the deep."

And no man has settled here. For nearly 100 miles not a sign of man is seen. You seem to be a sort of Columpered passionately, as though fearful that prying ears might hear him, spite of the seclusion of the waters, and her bus, as if no man had ever been here low answer assured him that his passion was returned.

before you. At every turn of a great granite cape these lines rhymed incessantly in my cars.

We were the first that eyer burst by, and the moon cast many an admou-ishing glance backward at them as she Upon that silent sea. An hour past midnight and we nea d the central object of the they realized the lateness of the hour, and the happy Peter, who envied not Cape Trinity, a granite wall of about 2,000 feet, which in places literally overhangs the ship. Our captain laid the vessel closely against the monolitu once more sought his pillow, and he moaned in agony as he thought of the

hollow of God's hand. No sound anywhere. No sign of life cruel gulf that lay between minische the girl whom he worshipped; for the thoughts of bettering himself by the thoughts of bettering himself by the alliance had all given place to the one-alliance had all given place had all given place had all g luring light. No lighthouse, no light from the habitations of man far away on the mountains; only the stars that hung above us, locked in the stony hel-

> -The cultivation in Florida of -The domestication of buffalo calv

Mark Twain's Exercise

consultation he remarked: "Clemens, what you need is exer-

creeping into his brain, and another ment in his heart. The last ment in his heart. The last was a simple was ing his heart and paling his usually more commendable had found lodge.

And now, as the hour drew near. was admiration for the fair young girl fiding girl, he felt more like a con-he had rescued, and it warmed and demned felon going to his execution,

unhandsome face, as he thought of her smiling graciousness and apparent obliviousness to the fact that he was only a hard-handed son of toil. And this thought only helped to the fact that he was gleamed like ivory above the dainty muslin drees she wore, with the knots A look of horror gleamed in the

most fainting, and grasped a chair for framed in the whirling water of an support as he leaned toward her, with angry sea, a dainty, trim maiden, with set lips and the impress of death upon dewy lips and a mischievous glint in his face.

ber fingers closed upon his.
"I shall not venture into the water to-day," said the lady, as they sauntered along the sand and watched the antics

"Oh, Peter, Peter! I am so glad!

Never a happier bridegroom than Peter Filmere led his blushing bride to

to stand between himself and the smil-This river of death of Saguenay, bottomless. You might, if possible, The place where he had met his fate drain the St. Lawrence river dry, says was a rather secluded seaside resort in Mr, Le Moine, the Canadian authority, Eastern New England, and as he and yet this dark, still river would be joined in the company of Miss Orring- able to float the Great Eastern and all ton day after day, he determined to her majesty's ships of the line. "A win her, if possible, let the consequences be what they would.

ner majesty's ships of the line. "A bottomiess river" sounds strangely new; bottomiess river" sounds strangely new; keep it up! It's splended exercise, and indeed, were it not so I should not just see how it has built up other great stand the expenses." He had developed of late a wondertrouble you or myself to mention it. ful liking for feminine society, and sur- But this river is thus far unfathomed. prised himself at the ease with which It is full of counter currents, swift, ne glided into the ways of the hitherto perilous in the extreme. As the vast charme1 circle; for though he was an red moon comes shouldering up out of entire novice in such matters, he was the St. Lawrence away above toward entire novice in such matters, he was the St. Lawrence away above toward hour's chopping every day. You wait and expenses." fairly well read and above the average the sea and stood there a glowing period a month and see me! I'll be able to of intelligence.

So one evening late m July, as the sea lay like a huge mirror in the soft radiance of the silver monlight, he dropped the oars which he had been described by the sea and stood there a glowing period in a month and see me! I'll be able to a great day, we draw back from Tadousac, where the ancient church and out talk Beecher."

All this was several days since. Clebrate of the silver monlight, he dropped the oars which he had been grass, and, rounding a granite headland, mens noticed his new axe lying where dropped the oars which he had been we slowly steamed up the silent river of plying with unusual vigor, and allowed the boat to drift over the glassy surforward, but even its mile of water the boat by the slightest symptom looked narrow enough as we crept up the would resume exercise. He would been able to find the furniture." death. face, unruffled by the slightest symptom between the great naked walls of slate His companion was looking dreamily and granite that shut out these dark He would acquire muscle. So he boid toward the shore, from which strains o waters from every living thing. On ly marched for the same piece of woods music and sounds of laughter floated the right hand great, naked and monotonous capes of slate and toppling "Isn't this delicious," said Miss granite. On the left hand, granite and Orrington, turning her radiant face slate and granite, and all silent, all new toward him. "It seems as though I and nude, as if just fallen half finished could live out my life in such a state from God's hand. One mile, two miles, twenty miles, and only the weary wali A strong hand seemed to grasp the massive monotony of nude and uncom throat of the young man.
"It is heaven on earth," he answered, pleted earth. Now the walls would seem to close in before us and bar al possible advance. Then as we round The strange sound of his voice started another weary and eternal cape of "Are you sick?" she said, reaching "Are you sick?" she said, reaching overhanging granite, in its few fright-her hand toward him from the seat in ened and torn trees, the dark way the stern of the little boat. "Your would open before us. And ten, twen ty, thirty miles more of silence, gloom, river of death. No sound. No sign of voice seems to sound so strangely.
"No, I am very well, indeed," he returned, with an effort, "but I was life is here. Summer or winter, springthinking how soon these pleasant days must end." time or autumn, all seasons alike, no bird, no beast, not even the smallest in-The oppressed feeling came suddenly sect, save only a possible housefly that upon her, and her rosy cheeks paled in may harbor in the steamboat and so be the moonlight.
"I had never thought of that, she This is literally the river of death. I faltered, "It seems as though we had know no spot like it on the face of this known each other a lifetime." And the look in her face made him forget everything; and, at the risk of capsizing the frail craft, he threw himself on his knees before her, and clasped self on his knees before her, and clasped all kinds of life con not be due to the

and for a moment rested there. We seemed so small. The great steamer was as a little top, held out there in the

mets of their everlasting hills.

Mark Twain went to Elmira last summer to find a quiet place to write-

soon changed to anxious innocence, the hero of many an experience of roughing it (in pictures) and tramps at home ind abroad (on paper), made reply:
"Well, that's all right, but who's gong to do it for me? You see," he coninued, "the men on the place are all

busy, and the children ain't big enough to accomplish anything and—" "You must do it yourself !" was the rofessional stop put to his demur.
"Do it myself? How in thunder do you expect-why, what can I do? There

ain't a good poker player on this hill, and the hammock broke down yesterday, so I can't use that—"
"No, no," interrupted the doctor, you must have active, exertive exerise: something that looks like work

"Best thing you can do," said the loctor, as he took his leave. "It brings into play so many varied muscles, expands the chest, deepens the inspira-tion and superinduces a more bountiful oxygenation by the beautiful process of gone over the river with the attachnosis and exosmosis, and hence

"Here, have a cigar," said Twain, ushing a box before him, "and let up

"Oh! no, I've stopped smoking said Twain, as he carefully placed a sheet of copy paper over the three old stumps and a brier pipe, "I found that it disagreed with my family long

The doctor departed, and Clemens, with a glow of renewed health already shining in anticipation on his brow. took one of the farm hands from the harvest field and sent him to town after a new axe. He returned with the tool bright-bladed, sharp-edged. Finally, thinking he had the hang of the thing. Clemens had the man hitch up and drive up the road about a mile to a you-we-haven't-got-the-furniture-wepiece of woods. The members of the can't-find-it." family went with him to look for flow- "I don't care if the sheriff's fees are her twentieth.

Again that night he sat as he did the evening before and wrestled with himself and wrestled with himself at one with himself and wrestled with himself at one with himself at the delay; and the honest blacksmith is as proud of his took out the axe, unwrapped the old foot the bill. Store the furniture at the careful of the instrument; "the defendant has to fook out the axe, unwrapped the old foot the bill. Store the furniture at ment in the country?" self. At one moment her evident pleasure in his company lifted him to spiness, and a prince of his gorgeous palace and stump of a dead pine. The family "Look here Mr. P.," the defendant wandered away picked one or two flowers, and then hastened back, as they the best I can do?" heard him shout their names.

> said, as they came near. They saw er at the other end said in tones which four blisters on his hands and a piece Mr. P. recognized as those of a clerk in of new leather shining on one of his the sheriff's office. "Blank, blank you, boots, but no wood lying around. How- what do you mean? Are you crazy? ever, they said nothing and went Don't you hear? We haven't got the home; the hired man carrying the ax. That evening, sitting on the piazza, applying arnica to his hands, he said:
> "It's hard work, but I'm going to men! Why, you know, Greeley prolonged his life many years by chopping at Chappaqua, and Gladstone is alive demand."
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> yet and making things hot in Egypt "Pay the full amount due," replied by reason of the beneficial results of an Mr. P., "and we'll throw off the costs

mens noticed his new axe lying where pidity. Hold on and I'll spell it out to he had left it on his return from his in- you." It widened a little as we went itial trip, its brightness changed to re and began operations on the old pine. But a few minutes had elapsed before a six-footer appeared before hun and

the following colloquy ensued: "Now, you skin right out o' here oung man! These is my woods, and P. said. you'll learn to let folkses property done after I'm through with ve!

Searching on his forehead for an in aginary bead of sweat, Twain glances dubiously at the enraged bacolic, and "Well, wh-what-seems-to-be

he matter with you?" "Matter, I'll show ye! Tryin' to steal

"But, my good man, I don't wart our wood ! "Then what are you cutting it for?" "Why, for exercise, that's all.

octor said-" "Oh, that's too thin! Exercise You look like a man that would do anything for exercise. Now (with renewed energy), you get right out o' here! Right out," and the farmer

nade threatening advances. "But-but-look here, my good man you don't know who I am. You are talking to a—"
"Yes, I do know. You're that Cle
mens. I've heard about your being

here about four weeks ago, and I've had my eye on you ever since! Now (picking up a pine root), you git."

Clemens took up the axe,cast a withering look on the bucolic, and sadly climbed out of the wood, over the tence, and out of danger, the voice of the enraged landowner sounding in his ears or some distance down the road.

A man may excel in trap-shooting and yet never become anything of a field shot; it is not in him. There are men whom neither trap work nor field work can ever make crack field shots. We have frequently been out shooting with a friend whose company we value most highly; he has a large fund of wooderaft, is a close observer, and as full of ardor as any sportsman we ever knew. He has followed the dogs day in and day out, woodcock, grouse and quail; fired no one knows how many housands of shots at the birds. The total amount of game actually brought to bag by him the last ten years comprises two ruffed grouse and woodcock -and there is every reason to believe that the grouse were killed by accident As a field shot this man is a veritable

ncorrigible "duffer." But at the trap

he can break ten glass halls straight, or

A lady entered the office of a law necticut town. Mr. P. immediately prepared the necessary papers and got an attachment. A clerk was despatch repared the necessary papers and got an attachment. A clerk was despatch ed to New York with the directions to put the attachment in the hands of the error of many an experience of roughing it (in pictures) and tramps at home parted, and Mr. P. awaited develop-ments. An hour later Mr. W. entered the lawyer's office. He wore a non-monster, and from its indescribable body

> that you are trying to seize my prop-P. answered, "who hired Mrs. Blank's house and quitted without paying the rent, and are removing your furniture

"That's about the size of it." Mr. W. said, "and I thought I would just stop in and ask whether you had got you know! You can walk down town, or—"
"Hold on, you've struck it," exclaimed Mark. "I'll chop wood!"
"Best thing you can do," said the doctor, as he took his leave. "It brings

"Who's that?" came back. "I-P.," was the answer, Mr. P. recogniz-ing the voice of his clerk who had

"We've hunted everywhere," came through the telephone, "and can't find Mr. P. turned to Mr. W. and said "What are you going to do about it?"
"In the first place," Mr. W. replied,

'I want to know whether you got my furniture-ha ha!". "Tell the sheriff," said Mr. P., with his lips to the telephone, "to take the furniture off the boat and put it in the storehouse,"

"Hold, there," Mr. W. exclaimed his tone of jubilant banter changed to one of genuine alarm; "I don't want the furniture taken off the boat." "Well, what shall we do?" Mr. P.

said; "you hear my orders?"
The telephone bell rang violently. Mr. P. put his ear to the funnel and heard these words delivered with great distinctness and emphasis: "I-tell-

The bell rang again furiously. "I've done enough for to-day," he P. put his ear to the tube and the speak

> know where it is." "Just so," replied Mr. P. "Do the best you can, and damage it as little as

"Now don't be severe," Mr. W. said,

And then carefully, letter by letter, the voice spelled out: "We haven't The defendant by this time had got

out his pocket-book and was counting out the bills. When he had paid the \$200 Mr. P. went to the telephone and called up the sheriff's office once more. "Now, then, stupid, what's the matter?" was the reply. "Give the sheriff directions to let the furniture go." Mr.

miet Sabbath while the preacher held Then he sat down and wrote a re ceipt. The bell went off again like mad. Mr. P. coolly placed his mouth to the telephone and said: "Say, tell tion. Another sharp report followed the sheriff to let the furniture go and

come to me for his fees." Then Mr. P., with a smile on face listened for a reply, "Blank, blank stirs and joined the excited people out-reason, namely, to get the warmth and cany. you, you thick-headed ass," came over side. From their commanding situa-dryness not found beside the Pacific.

highly complimentary reply. Then it was Mr. P.'s turn. "While you were bellowing over the wires," he said, "the defendant was by my side, and I women and children, with a few men the suit's settled."

Wanted to be a Pitcher

"Who is this gentleman that alls a daisy?" "He is a ball player, my dear." But papa said he had a 'phene nal curve,' and that they couldn't his

'Yes, my dear." "But, mamma, he stood up straight,

"Yes, mamma, but I didn't see the "Neither could the batters, my dear, "But what makes every one talk bout him and call him a 'daisy?'"

the door. "Because he's the new pitcher from Chicago, whom the manager of the club has just secured at \$3,000 a sea-"But is he so very smart, mamma? "Only as a pitcher." "But can't he really write his own ame, mamma?"

When I grow up can't I be a pitcher, a mma? Perhaps, my dear. But why?" "Could I get \$3,000?" 'Perhaps. 'And not have to learn to read

And yet they give him \$3,000?"

5) they say, my dear "

BABLEY added to pea soup helps to

The Oyster's Trunk.

Said Prof. Rice, of New York, "I firm on Montague street and consulted will show you the proboscis of an oys ful are those which catch and reflect Pers. summer to find a quiet place to write. He became somewhat out of health, and one day recently he was interrupted by the family physician, who called to make a friendly visit. Into his sympathetic ear was poured the tale of the humorist's woes, and after a moment's consultation he remarked:

| Mr. P., the junior partner, as to how she should act in a difficulty. She had rented part of her house to Mr. W., You see in this little bowl of water something rarely seen except by scientists experimenting like myself.

| You see in this little bowl of water something that looks like a piece of thin scale, with a fragment of substance to it. all the size of a lady's finger nail: their own. Their minds are formed by the conditions of the present which was to leave shortly for the Consultation he remarked:

chalant air. He carried his hands in his pockets and a cigar in his mouth. there rose a great serpentine coil which prophets, and great contemporary fame except in a few extraordinary instances

form its proper functions."

throbbing of the centre of life.

Again the lens was adjusted and the

Making a Start.

"I am on my way East and have about three hours in which to see Deis to me, will be unreadable to our troit," said a stranger yesterday to a po liceman on Jefferson avenue. "I great-grandchildren. The most genual caricature ceases to interest when the

"Yes, sir."
"Ah! Exactly—exactly. And the jest police force?

"Just as I expected-exactly. s, of course, one of the healthiest cities the world?"

at your doors?" "We have, sir."

law and order prevail in all directions?"

"I supposed so-yes. The city is improving, and is certain to become a great metropolis?" "That's what we think "

"Yes, sir." "Exactly-exactly-just as I supposed. They said the same in Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago, Indianapolis and Milwaukee. If you will now the loveliest summer climate in the

Strange Happenings in an Old Church.

Years ago at Yarmouth, Me., one

orth upon the ruin of unbelievers, and

the congregation slumbered peacefully in their high-backed pews, a signal gun was heard from the Princes Point Staand still another. The minister did not wait for the "fifthly" in his discourse, but dashed down the pulpit in San Francisco for quite a different vorite country seat of the rulers of Tusthe wires into Mr. P.'s ears, "we haven't got the property."

Then Mr. W. quitted the office. Mr. P. rang up the sheriff and received a highly applicable and received a light an stranger. An hour passed and they returned. The bark was-a schooner from down the coast which had sailed up for timber! The Chronicle tells only the bare story, but with a grain of facetiousness as if the humor was evident enough without any comments. It does not attempt to account either for the fall of the plastering in the same church at the very moment when the parson, a gloomy man with a sonowas enlarging on the passage, "Blow ye the trumpet! Babylon shall fall "Papa meant the ball, my dear."
was emarging on the palagrang and I didn't see any one try to hit ye the trumpet! Babylon shall fall ye the trumpet! Babylon shall fall and become heaps," but simply says that "the people thought the end of the world had come and did leave the meeting-house in great distraction, injuring a woman seriously by tramping upon her in their haste to get out of

A Lamp-Extinguisher.

outwards through oblique slots in a case downwards along the side of the lamp and its stand. The wire is supplied close on the wick-tube and thus put out

-It is estimated that 600 boats are

tion.

Books which are immediately success

"I understand," said he to Mr. P., ing for a victim. "We are not certain of the functions is revenged by an undeserved complete"We are not certain of the functions in the functions is revenged by an undeserved complete"We are not certain of the functions in the functions in the functions in the function is revenged by an undeserved complete"I understand," said he to Mr. P., "We are not certain of the functions in the functions in the function in the fu

of the proboscis yet, but think that, like an elephant's trunk, it is made use of to catch and pass the food to the them from the first. To the many they mouth. When the oyster is five months old it loses its proboscis; that is, it is in all the qualities which for the moabsorbed and becomes part of the lips, ment are most admired. They pass I will now show you the main artery unnoticed amid the meteors by which weich helps the oyster's heart to per- they are surrounded and eclipsed. But Again the glass was adjusted. "You are seen gradually to be no vanishing see that dark line which contracts and coruscations, but new fixed stars, enlarges continually; that is the artery sources of genuine light, shinely serenreferred to," To the reporter the artery ly forever in the intellectual sky. They looked to be at least an eighth of a mile link the ages one to another in a comin length and as large around as a log. mon humanity. Virgil and Horace "We will now look at the heart; lived nearly two thousand years ago, sometimes it doesn't appear to beat, but I guess this bright morning it will be outward form and fashion have utterly dollars.

Mass.; the yield of the precious metal thus far is said to have netted over ten dollars. right. Ah! yes, there it goes beautiful- perished. But Virgil and Horace do not grow old, because while society The reporter's eyes had now become changes men continue, and we recogquite used to both the ocean and its nize in reading them that the same drawings of Rubens. queer inhabitant, and soon his eyes heart beat under the toga which we ested on a throbbing mountain. There feel in our own breasts. In the Roman rested on a throbbing mountain. There seems feel in our own breasts. In the Roman of Honor, Pierre Jean, died lately, aged throbbing of the centre of life.

Empire, too, there were contemporary 94. He was in the retreat from Moster of the centre of life. popularities; men who were worshiped "I have counted the pulsations of the as gods, whose lightest word was heart," said the Professor, "and it ran treasured as a precious jewel—on whose from thirty-five to fifty a minute; that breath millions hung expectant, who of a full-grown oyster does not beat had temples built in their honor, who so fast. I will now show you its tenta-in their day were a power in the world. These are gone, while Horace remains -gone, dwindled into shadows. They monster examined, and from its sides were men, perhaps, of real worth, stretched away out into the sea were a though of less than their admirers supnumber of long arms, but without hands posed, and they are now laughed at or fingers, and the monster kept and moralized over in history as de-mony have been already taken in a stretching them out and pulling them tected idols. As it was then, so it is mining suit that is before special comnow, and always will be. More copies missioners in San Francisco, and the of "Pickwick" were sold in five years than of "Hamlet" in two hundred.

Climate of Our Large Cities.

The cities of the Union experience every variety of summer temperature. the entire interest. In Boston and Detroit there are a few days of hot weather; the rest are cool, and in October summer gives place to the copious autumn rains and a chill gauge rulway, connecting five of its "Ah—yes. You have a noble river that is more penetrating than the your doors?" that is more penetrating than the winter cold itself. But nothing can be business in the State. "We have, sir." more delightful than the temperature —The first steel rail successfully "Exactly—I presumed as much. You of June, July and August in Michigan made in this country, and which was

"Exactly—of course. Taxes are hot spells last but a few days and then low, the local government efficient, and are relieved by showers and coolness." The summer temperature of Chicago is and magazines now published in the much like that of New York, The unfortunate citizen of Cincinnati swelters 1028 over the number published las from June 1 to October 1. The nights year. bring no relief, being even warmer than the days. The average temperature in "Of course—of course. You have pure air, good water and freedom from epidemics?"

the days. The average temperature in St. Louis is excessive, though more reasonable. New Orleans enjoys perpetual summer, with a degree of heat ricksburg and which lost an eye at Annot intolerable to the native but un- tietam. bearable to the visitor from the North, Mobile, Charleston and Savannah have similar climatic conditions. Perhaps have the kindness to direct me to a nve-cent barber shop I will enjoy a shave and then see the city. With the start you have given me I can not fail to do you have given me I can not fail to do instinc."

worm in mountains, that extend through the western part of the Carolinas, a portion of Tennessee and the northern coun-ties of Georgia and Alabama. Its char borne and nights whose coolness is balmy and invigorating. But else-where at the South, in the West and in many cities of the North the summers are looked forward to with dread, and those who are able escape to the mountains and woods or seek a refuge in the country boarding-houses, which offer a choice of evils. Those who live in the

Color-Hearing

Popular expressions are often very significant. "I saw three dozen lights of all colors," or some similar expresof all colors," or some similar expres-sion, may frequently be heard from persons who had received violent blows velled per hour. on the head or face. Under the influence of shocks of this kind, the eye really seems to see infinite numbers of the Gulf of Mexico. To do this they sparks. Shocks of a certain class im- will try to borrow \$5,000,000 of the pressed upon the nervous system seem to have the faculty of producing phenomena of light. This remark has been \$10,000,000 within five years, if the suggested by the facts which we are State sells the school lands, about to relate, which lead us to suppose that sonorous vibrations are susceptible in certain cases of provoking luminous sensatious. There are, in city now connect with the centre, and fact, persons who are endowed with such sensibility that they cannot hear rous voice and pessimistic views of life, a sound without at the same time perceiving colors. Each sound to them has its peculiar color; this word corresponds with red, and that one with green, one note is blue, and another is yellow. This phenomenon, "Color-hearing," as the English call it, has been hitherto little observed.

Dr. Nussbaumer, of Vienna, appears to have been the first person who took serious notice of it. While still a child, when playing one day with his Two extinguishing plates, hinged brother, striking a fork against a glass under the cap and Lear the wick-tube, are furnished with arms which project he saw colors at the same time that he perceived the sound; and so well did he connected with a wire, which extends discern the color that, when he stopped his ears, he could divine by it how loud a sound the fork has produced. His with a handle or knob, by means of brother also had similar experiences, which it may be pulled down so as to Dr. Nussbaumer was afterward able cause the two extinguishing plates to to add to his own observations nearly identical ones made by a medical stuthe light. A spring surrounding part of the wire restores the different part of the apparatus to their normal condiduced clear colors, and the low notes dull ones. More recently, M. Pedrono, an ophthalmologist of Nantes, has obkill the live birds sprung from a trap as often as any other gunner in his give it an appetizing flavor, and it adds vicinity.

Barley added to pea soup helps to —It is estimated that 600 boats are an ophthalmologist of Nantes, has observed the same peculiarities in one of down and die every day at 4 o'clock, his friends.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

-Florida has seventy-one newspa

-Boston has 100 gallons of water a day for each inhabitant. -Some land in the city of London was lately sold at the rate of \$3,300,000

-John Guy Vassar of Poughkeepsie has made a gift of \$25,000 more to Vas-

sar College,

—Penitentiary convicts at Laramie, Wyoming Territory, turn out 90,000 bricks a week.

-Earl Spencer is a first-rate cricketer as well as horseman. He was a ominent member of the eleven when at Harrow. -A South Carolina inventor, named

McClain, purposes making wash tubs, buckets, etc., of annealed glass, -Street cleaning, repairing and maintenance in Paris, official returns

show, cost \$1,680,400 a year. -A new substance as brilliant and hard, and withal fireproof, has been invented to supersede celluloid.

-In the coral fishery, it is reported to the Italian Ministry of Commerce, 4000 men annually find employment. -A Club Barber Shop is sustained in Lowell, Mass., and no one else is

allowed to use the exclusive chairs in it. -New York Schools are attended by 120,000 pupils. The appropriation to the department for this year is \$3,000.

-They have a gold mine at Dalton, -One section of the National Exhibition of Architecture opened lately at

Brussels, contains the almost priceless -The oldest member of the Legion

cow and at Waterloo. -A grange co-operative Meridian, Miss, which started business in 1879 with a capital of \$50, sold last month \$5869 worth of goods.

-A coin issued by Lord Baltimore

was recently dug up in the principal street of Waterville, Maine, three feet below the surface of the ground, -Twenty thousand pages of testi-

-On account of its representation of Yet "Hamlet" will last as long as the a conspiracy, Strauss' operetta, "Prince "Hiad;" "Pickwick," delightful as it Methusalem," has been interdicted in Russia. -Six widows, the oldest 98 and the youngest 78, and with an average age

and is not yet.

of nearly 90 years, live within a short distance of each other near New Haven, -The registered debt of Berlin is surplus profits of the gas works pay

-One firm in Gates county, North Carolina, owns thirty miles of narrow-

have churches and schools for all, of course?"

The summers in New York city are longer and more disagreeable, but the course standard course -A Cincinnati publication represents the total number of newspapers

> -Wm. H. Spear, clerk of Chief Engineer Cuyler, of Prospect Park, N. Y., has a horse that had part of its tail

> -There are 11,000,000 horses in this country, or about one to every five human beings. According to the census of 1880, Illinois has most horses (over 1,000,000), and Penusylvania comes fourth on the list, with 533,587. -Elias Dockey, of Northumberland county, Pa., the other day found a turtle

on his farm with the date and initials,

"1777-J. D.," scratched on its shell. The initials are those of Mr. Dockey's grandfather, who owned the farm at that time. They are also those of the words Jokingly Done. -Camels have been pred in Italy to iver 200 years, it is stated, and the stud of four Arabian camels sent by King Humbert to Mr. J. W. Garret, of Bal-

Ducal farm of San Rossore, long a fa-

-A way to measure the speed of trains is to count the number of fishplates passed in 14) seconds in the case of ordinary rails 21 feet long, and in the case of steel rails, which average in length 30 feet, 201 seconds—the num

-A syndicate in Galveston proposes o build wharves out to deep water in State's surplus, which will exceed

-In St. Petersburg, Russia, the telephone wasonly introduced a year or so ago, but the most distant parts of the numerous public stations have been es-tablished at which persons can converse with each other at a distance at the small cost of 24d. per message. -London, it seems, is to give up the wood pavement and return to the Ma-

comes saturated with filth, which is given off in a fine dust, under the influence of the hot sun, bad alike for the eyes and lungs.

—There is a man living in Walton county, Georgia, who is 50 years old, and has never ridden in a carriage or railway car, and has never ridden across a bridge in any vehicle. He lives in a house sixteen feet wide and seventy feet long, and so low between floors that a full-grown man cannot stand up-

right in it. The furniture of the sit-

ting room consists chiefly of a bed and

cadam system. The former, according to a report by Professor Tyndall, be-

barrel of nome-made syrup. "What influence has the moon on the tide?" the teacher asked John Henry. And John Henry said it depended on what was tied; if it was a dog it made him howl, and if it was a gate, it untied it, just as soon as a cow or a young man came along. It is such things as this