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Oh, Heart, I Know, Out from the messy earth, with drip and abstracted."

As if from the blue air

shadow, And left it gleaming there.

Such colors as It wears, too, in its bosom-The pinks of marns and eves, The red of clover, blue of violet blossoms, The green of the green leaves

yellow, Down to its race to drink.

saying Was free and fair as this. pullying with brightness, dancing and de-

Almost before we knew of it, or heeded. The meadow lands were past; Recks thwarfed and the work of man im-

on Heart ! the way was sweet as first we

The sait and turbulent sea!

STEALING A MILLION. Monsieur Bouloy was a broker and lanker on the Rue St. Augustin, Parls. Feb, 5, 1860, an elderly lady, in widow's weeds, accompanied by a young man about 20 years of age, who walked with a crutch and a stike, alighted from a carriage at the door of Monsieur Bodov's office which they entered.

fuced herself as the widow of a Monseur Duperre and the young man as her son Henri. She assisted the young man to sit down in a comfortable position, saying: "My son, monsieur, has the misfort-

Monsieur Bouloy expressed regret

and was good enough to send us hither of them.

Monsieur Bouloy bowed and assured the lady that it would give him great | Bouloy was probably counterfeit, Were | for five, pleasure to aid her in any way in his this lady and this young man summer the stanced through the winwith a gang of lorgers? Supposing they power. He glanced through the winand the livery of the famous physician. for the outlaws? One thing the deteccule, "are what I thought of parting that valuable property was in the safe.

take a rise." "That is just it, monsieur, " she said:

After some talk Monsieur Boulov

opened the safe and placed the envel- them out thus: ope with its contents therein. While he was so occupied the young man gave a groan. The lady arose hastily and

"Dear mel another of those dreadful

Monsieur Boulev turned and saw the lady with her arm around the neck of countenance at the closed eyes and went to see M. Bouloy, "Monsieur," be cald, "what do you

"Ab, it is very sad, madame," he said. "What can I do for you?" 'Oh, monslear," was the answer,

"If you could procure him a glass of brandy it would speedily restore him." "I will do so with pleasure," he replied, and quitted the room, going into the adjoining one and directing a young clerk to get the restorative. Then he turned to the private apartment and said that he had dispatched an employe for the brandy. It was speedily rought, and the young man revived son after a few drops had been swallowed. Then, with many thanks and expressions of gratitude, the widow and her son withdrew being accompanied to the carriage by Monsieur Bouloy. Monsieur Bouloy returned to his sanc-

tum, locked his safe, and attended to further business. Next day a Monsieur Plat visited they put the figure down and added the Monsieur Bouloy, and the latter gentle- interest. I have a clew at last." man, knowing that the former had a short time before held a large amount sired to sell, asked his visitor what he had done with it.

"Why," said he, "I hold it still, and should be glad to have more of it." Then Monsieur Bouloy said he had a eur Plat asked to see it. Monsieur centimes. Bouloy opened his safe and took out

side a lot of blank scrip.
"What means this?" he exclaimed, as he examined the worthless stuff. Then he turned toward the safe, and bank?" asked the detective. began nervously to remove its contents. Tam robbed!" he cried. Robbed of ever a 1,000,000 francs in notes of the Bank of France, I was directed by Gen_to realize for him on valuable quepine, and departed. scurities, and to keep the proceeds at

toe, and I am robbed of all. I am a track." ruined man!" "Have you no clew to the thief?" asked Monsieur Piat.

Police. I beg that you will say nothing the affair to any one."

dence which was a respectively dence which was a respectively and the bell.

Was Mme. Fourcy at home? No.

Moveling any one." Monsieur Piat pledged his word

straight to the prefecture of poice, and both would be in soon. wing his statement before the chief The detectives watched, one at each then the chief The detectives watched, one at each then the chief The detectives watched, one at each the chief th Requepine, a famous detective, end of the block. Presently a well Was called in, and all the facts were built, good looking young Hoguspine

grean and the at came on just as you very good reas

before you had time to secure it. As as limp as a wet rag. Rouquepine put soon as you left the room another en- handcuffs upon him and led him into a velope was substituted for the one in side room, closing the door so as to So

swered," the detective replied.

were recommended to me by him. He is my physician and an intimate friend." After further talk M. Bouloy departed and soon after his arrival at his of- ing her, as far as he was able, from fice he was joined by Roquepine. The biting him. latter examined the safe, listened anew The two to the recital of all the facts, and departed. He first went to the residence of Dr. | the house.

Tocanier, and found that gentleman at home. As he related to the doctor the innocent young person, was greatly circumstances of the visit of the lady alarmed at what had happened, and calling herself Mme. Duperre, and the was hastily preparing to quit the house. young man whom she represented as Roquepine marched her into the parlor, her son, to the office of M. Bouloz, and and placed her in charge of the officer the subsequent disappearance of the on duty there. Papers were seized, and money from the safe, the doctor's as- Roquepine, calling a cab, conducted tonishment grew beyond description. | the woman and the young man to the

before," he said. "She represented that officer in care of the house. she had been recommended to consult

exclaimed 'for to tell you the truth, doctor, I am to poor too hire a vehicle, "My coupe was at the door, and what could I do less than place it at their disposal? It was accepted with thanks, and, out of delicacy, I told the coachman to receive his instructions from the into the usual noonday cup of coffee,

Dr. Tocanter summoned the coach-The lady, who was shown into the Rue de la Paix, and that the lady re-scheme which his mother, a very ungrivate room of the principal, intro- quested him to take them to the office scrupulous woman, readily undertook of M. Bouloy on the Rue St. Augustin. | to sid him in executing. There they alighted, and he was asked une to be lame, owing to an injury he turned to the coupe the lady directed the day after. He carefully noted the received when a child:" and asked the hady how he could serve alighted and he saw them no more.

"My late husband," she replied, "left ever. These persons had evidently disguised, to carry out the plot they some valuable stocks, and I am anxious been cleverly disguised, and more than had devised. The fact that Dr. Tocato dispose of a part of them. My phy- likely the lameness of the young man lifer was the general's medical attendsician, Dr. Tocanier, recommended me had been assumed for the occasion. aut, and possessed of an elegant coups, to apply to you as a gentleman of honor They were not likely to go in company suggested to young Fourcy the first inted with the best again, and he might search months in a part of the programme.

The money was recovered, and methods of transacting such business, vain effort to come across either one

Then another thought struck him The stock which had deceived M. dow and recognized the handsome bays were, in what direction must be look

17,400 frs.

17,670

Now the question was, What did these figures signify? To what did they relate? The detective copied them, took them away with him, meditated over them far into the night. He reached no an expression of anguish upon her satisfactory conclusion. Next day he

> take these figures to signify?" "It is very hard to say," was the re-"All that strikes me is that it is

an addition of 17,400 francs and 270 francs, 27 "Under what circumstances would the detective asked.

you add figures together in that way?" M. Bouloy smiled, "Ah," said he, "how could I tell, under any circumstances, when I

wished to reach the amount of two numbers?" "When do you do it most frequently, monsieur?" was the next question.

"When I am adding the interest to the principal," was the answer.
"That is it!" exclaimed the officer. "Now I have it. One or the other of tency with tranquility of mind. those parties had 17,400 francs on deposit somewhere, and, on drawing it,

Roquepine went on a tour of the banks where deposits were usually of the stock which Mme. Duperre de- made. On this day in the Rue de Maubeuge he found a small private bank, the cashier of which found that Jan. 26, 1860, Mme. Fourcy had drawn from the bank the sum of 17,490 francs, and that the interest due to her on the large quantity of it to sell, and Monsi- whole deposit was 270 francs and some

"Where does Mme. Fourcy reside? the envelope. On opening it his astonishment was great when he found inside a lot of blank scrip.

"Where does state where the sked the officer.

"Her address as given to us is, No. -Rue de Laval," was the an-

swer. "Did she usually come herself to the "She came herself as a rule, but she

was sometimes accompanied by a young man," the cashler replied. "Many thanks, monsieur," said R> As he went along the street he said hand to give to him at a moment's no- to himself, "Now I think I am on the

He went to the prefecture of police and reported progress. Accompanied by another officer he visited the Rue de "I am dazed-I cannot think," was Laval, No. -, Mme. Fourey's resithe answer. "I will at once consult the dence which was a respectable, well kept

Was the young gentleman at home? facily, and the gentlemen quitted the No. When was either expected? The the together, Monsieur Bouloy going domestic did not know, but thought

very becoming, came along, Roquepine "It is all very clear to me, monsieur," said the detective, "Mme. Duperre and ler son are the thieves, without doubt.

The fainting for the state of the steps of No. — As he entered the steps of No. the fainting fit was a ruse, and the reupon him, with a revolver to his head. quest for brandy was made with the "You are my prisoner," said the ofleave them alone with the safe, The
leave them alone with the safe, The
lave the safe the safe the safe than the safe th had placed the exvelope in the safe and amazed and taken aback that he became

the s fe, and the package of money was leave it slightly ajar. In a few seconds a ring came to the bell. The domes-"But how did the thieves know the tic's footsteps were heard, and the door money was there?" asked M. Bouloy, was opened. The next instant there "At present this is hard to say, but | was a scuille, and Roquepine knew that by and bye the question may be an- his assistant was doing his part of the work. But a prolonged struggle and "But they came in Dr. Tocaneir's many screams in a woman's voice were coupe," said the broker, "and said they heard before an elderly woman, elegantly dressed, was forced against the

door and into the parlor, the officer

grasping her by the wrist and prevent-

The two prisoners were made to sit down, and while his assistant stood guard over them Roquerine searche!

The domestic, who appeared to be an "I had seen the lady or young man prefecture of police leaving the other

Investigation showed that the young me as to the fainting spells to which man, whose name was Frederick, was she said the young man was subject, in reality the son of the woman known and after questioning hum I prescribed as Mme. Fourcy. He had been for some for him. They were about to take time in the employ of Gen .-- as pritheir leave, when the young man was seized with a fit. The lady seemed almost distracted with grief, and ap- loy had converted the general's stock peared most anxious to get her son into money, and that it was in the safe awaiting the general's pleasure. As "However shall I get him home," she soon as the letter informing the general of the fact came into young Fourcy's sands be conceived the idea of getting ossasion of the money. How to do it, however, was the difficulty. As a preliminary measure, and to prolong the time for consideration, he poured

of the general a drop of a powerful drug, which brought on a sudden and man and questioned bim. He said that painful attack of dystentery. Then the he was first directed to drive to the soung man's active brain concocted a The following day the general was to await their return. As he had been too ill to go out, and, at his own sug-

directed by Dr. Tocanier to receive his gestion, the secretary visited M. Bouloy nstructions from the lady, he thought to inform him that the general would that it was all right. When they re- call upon him probably the next day or soon after turning into which they lately went home, and, assuming the disguise which he had prepared, depar-The detective was more puzzled than | ted with his mother, also thoroughly

mother and son convicted of the robbery and sentenced to penal servitude, the one for three years and the other

"These," she continued, Grawing tive thought was certain—namely; that was liked and looked up to by all who patch was the breast of the bird. It forth a large envelope from her retiforth a large envelope from her retitive, as warm friend and good neighbor.
The boys and girls all liked him because
that valuable property was in the safe.

Another thing seemed equally clear—
that the prize to say, madame," he said,
"that at present this stock is selling far

"the location of the safe.

The boys and girls all liked him because
he never forgot that he had been young
once hims if. He was never stiff and
known collector of birds, informed me below par. I may inform you, how-ever, that it is hable at any time to to see the envelope and its contents. Their good friend. He became rich, the Maine coast he noticed numbers of He examined these mementoes of a was made mayor of New York city, pale lights moving about, which he crime with great care, and he made a and lived to be very old. He lost his thought belonged or were attached to "and I desire you to keep it by you discovery. Inside the flap of the envel- life in a steamboat disaster. Those who the herons. These certainly were not until such time as you think it judi ope were a few figures in pencil. They found his dead body found a scrap of firelies, being too large; and while he ope were a few figures in pencil. They found his dead body found a scrap of firefles, being too large; and while he were very indistinct, but with the use of a powerful lens Roquepine made them out thus:

| True | Printed paper in his pocketbook. It was so worn with oft reading that they could scarcely make out the words, but like it. In all the breast powder. this is what was upon the paper:

ployed attend to the cultivation of your | did not.

Always speak the truth. Make few Live up to your engagements.

in the face.

are the very sinews of virtue. Good character is above all things

Your character cannot be essentially jured except by your own acts. If any one speak evil of you, let your life be so that none will believe him.

vour income.

Make no haste to be rich, if you would Small and steady gains give compe

Never play at any game of chance. Avoid temptation, through fear you may not withstand it. Earn money before you spend it.

Never run into debt, unless you see lainly a way to get out again. Never borrow, if you can possibly avoid it.

Do not marry until you are able to pport a wife. Never speak evil of any one. Be just

fore you are generous. Keep yourself innocent if you would ley Evans, as we sat one night at the Save when you are young to spend

when you are old. Read over the above maxims, at least, once a week.

Where Pumice Comes From

Nearly all the pumice used in this country is imported in the lump from Italy, where it is found in the neighborgood of Mt. Vesuvius, and is ground re; the only exception being small lots of California pumice stone, which have reached the market from time to time. There are abundant deposits of pumice stone at Lake Honda, San Francisco Well you stone at Lake Honda, San Francisco county, California; also at Little Owen's Lake and other localities in Inye county, lake and other localities in Inye county. ty, in the same state. It is of good quality. Whittier, Fuller & Co., of told me of Swithin's love affair. San Francisco, own the Lake Honda deposit, and manufacture from 60 to 70 Evans began, "that the thing happened. tons per year, supplying the market on You remember old Balch, don't you. the Pacific coast for the most part. The Italian kind sells at \$25 per ton in New York city. During 1882 the imports amounted to \$29,019, and the exports to \$2.423. Pumice stone is used niece of his came on from Baltimore to chiefly in polishing marble,

A Good Mucilage,

A mucilage very convenient for any household experiments may be had by serve it an ength of time.

DUCKS AND GEESE.

ne of the Natural Peculiarities of the Game Now in Season.

The duck and goose shooting season commenced with the past month, to all intents and purposes and the fine birds that are now thronging the bays and inlets all along the coast, every water tank in the San Gabriel having its quota of ducks and geese. The cause of this seemingly sudden appearance of the birds is the beginning of the fall migration, these and many other birds leaving the North and retreating to the warmer countries of the South, They fly, as a rule, in flocks-the peculiar ngular and other shapes being familiar to all. At this time thousands are killed off for the market, and the family parties are often broken up before the long journey is ended.

Scientifically the ducks belong to the family anathræ, the tree, river and sea ducks being the familiar forms. There are many interesting facts about them not generally known. One of the most beautiful is the wood duck, common in many parts of the country and partieslarly interesting from the peculiar care they seem to take of their young. They often build in trees along the banks of streams, and when the young appear it would seem something of a puzzle how to get them safely to the water, as of all creatures a young duck on land is the most ungainly; but the mother woodduck overcomes the difficulty by taking the ducklings in her bill and figing with them, one by one, to the water. The Canada goose is said to have been observed to do the same thing with its

The ducks are all noted for their beautiful plumage, many having rich metallic hues and tints. Perhaps the little Chinese Mandarin duck is as attractive as any, and in China it affords fine shooting, though being hard to folow. A friend of the writer who is in business in the Celestial Empire, has made some attempts to introduce them into this country, but as few sportsmen would resist the temptation to shoot so carious a creature, in all probability

they were soon killed off. But the shooting is not strictly coafined to these game birds, as with them come many divers, cranes, herons and killdeers, many of which are fine eating. An old hunter once told me when we were crane shooting together out on the Florida reef that he had seen a crane whose breast was illuminated with a pale phosphorescent light, so that as the animal stood in the marsh the light was reflected upon it, and small fishes being attracted, fell a victim to their curlosity. To show that he was correct he pointed out the powderdown spot on the breast of a bird we y with its greasy, oily nature and the yellow features, the spot might well become slightly luminous under certain conditions. I taink I have heard of another or perhaps two more instances of the seen by a trained observer or naturalist who was positive that the luminous Stephen Allen Price was a man who matter elimited from the powder-down

down patches of these birds examined Keep good company or none. Never by the writer, they could well become

lummous-in fact, from their peculia-If your hands cannot be usefully em- nature it would be very strange if they The most conspicuous birds now flying over are the sand hill cranes, large flocks being seen every day, and individuals being shot from time to time Keep your own secrets, if you have near the reservoirs. Their flight is very beautiful and much like that of When you speak to a person look him the wild goose, one bird leading the on the face.

Good company and good conversation | rest ranging off in regular order on either side. Their flight as observed from the Sierra Madre foothills is a literal flying down hill. The birds first attain a height of a mile or so above the sea by flying round and round uttering loud cries that can be heard for a long distance -at least three miles with the wlnd. In the ascending Drink no kind of intoxicating liquors. | movement they present a magnificent Ever live (misfortune excepted) with-your income. As they turn, their white silvery feathers cate; the sun and a When you retire to bed, think over galaxy of stars is seen, scintillating for what you have been doing during the a moment and then disappearing, to reappear higher up. This circling is continued until a sufficient elevation is attained, when they form in line and shoot away, literally soaring "down hill," covering perhaps five miles of country, perhaps more, before it is necessary to rise again-and in these repeated ascensions and slides they attain the land of promise, which to them at present is a warm country for

the winter months. The Unmarried Widower.

"I'll bet a hat that's Swithin up in the second box to the left," said Char-

"I thought he was still in Europe," I replied, looking up at the aforementioned box.

"No," said Evans, "he got back week before last. Just see how he is firting with Miss DeKay."

"Min a light yourself," How L "Why shouldn't hel she's a great

"His wife hasn't been dead a year," replied my friend.
"His wife?" I echoed, "I didn't know he had ever been married," "You never heard of that college ffair of his, then?"

We went to Evans' rooms, and he "It was in Swithin's senior year,"

professor of electricity and magnetism? visit him. She was not in very good health, it was said, and thought the change of air would do her good.

the professor's niece, who was said to be a stunner.

"Well, we went, and old Balch received us in his old-fashioned, stately way. When we were all collected in the reception-room, he excused hi for a moment, and came back with his niece on his arm, A more beautiful creature I never saw. From her delicately arched little foot to her shapely head, she was absolute perfection. She

teeth, and most perfect form that ever a girl was blest with. Don't think, old fellow, that I was in love with her. I never, in looking at her, experienced any other feeling than pleasure at her artistic perfection. But Swithin, poor fellow, was struck all of a heap. He came very near losing his degree by neglecting his studies. Half of the time was with the Professor's niece, and the other half he was either thinking, writing, or dreaming about her.

had the brightest brown eyes, whitest

"There was just one drawback to Swithm's complete happiness, The young lady was an invalid, and always received and dismissed him while leanng on her uncle's arm. It seemed to Swithin, too, that at those times, her eyes were brighter, her cheeks redder, and her whole manner more animated han at any other time during his visits. But perhaps he only imagined this, beause at those particular times he would have much preferred to see the lady "However, things progressed smooth-

enough, and the wedding was set for e evening of com aencement day, within, was on the commencement rogramme, and had laid himself out to particularly brilliant, for she had comised to be at the exercise with her uncle. But she had a headache that morning, and wishing to appear well in the more important event of the evenng, she did not attend. Swithin was very much disappointed, and forgot his part several times. You remember what an absent-minded man Professor Balch was? Well, he forgot all about ommencement, and his chair was

vacant throughout the exercises. "Finally the eventful hour that Swithin had been so impatiently lookng forward to arrive. Nearly the hole college attended the wedding, or the bridegroom was very popular. At the last minute old Balch couldn't found, and almost an hour was wasted in hunting him up. And, where do on suppose he was finally discovered? In the electrical laboratory, busy with his jars and wires. When he was told that the guests were assembled and hat he was delaying the ceremony, he ooked sort of surprised, he seemed to ave forgotten the whole thing. Then the amazement of every one be broke at in a loud guffaw and set off rap-

Before he came the bride looked als and wearied out, but when he took her arm to lead her to the marriage altar she somewhat recovered her ed by her bridesumids, to where the

white-cravated minister stood ready to

eak the fateful words, with all his acway. The bridesmalds shivered a tile and suspiciously wiped the cor-"The minister pronounced the ceremony in solemn tones. When he came to the passage. 'Do you take this man,' te., there was a pause. The brides mids almost cried outright. The bride hivered all over like a leaf; she twitchd her head around convulsively and oke lat the professor. There was a adden whirr, like that made by the hee's of a clock just going to strike, nd she fell with a crash to the floor, all he light fled from her eyes, the color one from her checks and tips. There fle lay, a cold, gray, metallic-looking,

"By the Great Are Lights!" shouted be professor, his hair standing erect, I forgot to wind her up!"

The bridesmaids shricked, the guests owded round the prostrate form. "She's fainted! stand back! give her ir!" cried Swithin as he tried to raise er tenderly in his arms. But the momnt he picked her up his face grew ashy ale and he let the body fall to the floor

with a clang. "She has no need of air now!" said the Professor sadly, "my beautiful pet! child of my brain! For years I toiled over you, until you were at last com-plete. You were a perfect counterfel of life. Now, your sparkling eye is dull, your delicate mechanism is broken. othing is left of you but a heap o steel fragments!" and with bowed head and lands folded behind him, he sadly walked away.

"For a few minutes we silently look ed at the broken wheels and distorted springs-all that remained of the once beautiful bride. Then, one by one we slipped away." For a minute my friend laughed soft-

ly to himself, then I asked him to finish ils story. the institution. Swithin was the mos cut up fellow you ever saw. He set out at once for Europe, and has just go back. By the way he takes to Miss DeKay's society I should say he had

forgotten the memory of his first mar-"Well," said I, after a long pause, "that's a pretty tough story, Evans. It's very strange that I never heard about the affair before." "If you don't believe me," said Evans

with a light laugh, "go and ask Swithin

How Languages are Formed.

It has been a perplexity to scholars how such a vast variety of languages and dialects can have originated in our world, especially if they all grew out of one original tongue. Mr. Horatio Hale says that the perplexity will be removed if the scholars will look low enough, and take in children as well as adults, "No; he was only a sophomore when He gives several striking cases of groups of children accustomed to play with each other, and left mostly to them-seives, who formed languages which they used with perfect freedom, and understood with ease, but which were quite unintelligible to others. If child-I don't believe any of us ever saw the inside of his house up to the middle of benefit. Mr. Hale offers some substanour senior year. About that time a tial reguments to prove that language speaking men have not existed in our world for more than seven thousand years.

"One day 'Old Electricity' astonished us by inviting the whole class up to bring forth?" said Gubbins to his wife his house on a certain evening. The as he tumbled out of bed in the morn-

JUST LIKE A WOMAN.

flow a Pretty Girl Saved Her Lover in Nick of Time.

"I saw an amusing incident the other evening," said the treasurer of a Chicago theatre and one that revealed a woman's true character. Just before the curtain rose a carriage drove up in front of the office and a young gentleman alighted, followed by one of the prettiest young ladies I have ever seen. There was considerable of a crowd Just then in front of my window, and it was two or three minutes before he reached me. Finally he appeared and asked for two seats in the orchestra circle. I had none left that suited hun, but offered him a box. He concluded to take it, and put his hand in his pocket for the money. The lady stood just behind him, but outside the little brass rail. He evidently had searched for the money in the wrong pocket for his hand came out empty only to dive into another. His face gradually flushed as the search proceeded, until it grew flaming red. I should have been perfectly willing to let him have the box, as I knew who he was and guessed that in changing his dress he had forgotten his money; but I

wanted to see what he would do, "The little woman waiting for him became impatient at the delay. The nervous tapping of her fan on the rai was not exactly in unison with the strains of the orchestra that could be heard from the interior. At last, realizing that he had forgotten his pocketbook, the young man addressed me by name and said:

"I-er-have left my-er pocketbook in my other trousers, but I will give you my card, and if you will oblige me with the tickets I will send you the amount in the morning." "Here he made a dive into his inside

pocket for his eard case, but failed to oring it to light. He had forgotten his card case as well as his purse,
"I was about to hand him a blank face. Her right hand held a handkerchief to her lips, while her eyes, brim-

rily. She was evidently enjoying his discomfiture to the utmost, and I was mentally reproaching her for lack of sympathy, when I spied just under the elbow of the now thoroughly embarrassed man a small hand pressed against his arm to attract his attention,

thoughtfully and delicately had tendered held enough to pay for the box, but as plainly see two or three \$10 bills, neatly folded, in one corner, while in the other was a flower and two or three pieces of

watched her face much more closely vested this year to feed the entire than he did the stage. After the cur- world. to bet a bottle of wine that their engagement is announced before a month is passed."

Masculine Beauty.

Somebody has found out that winsomeness is impossible in a man pos- eastern countries would be wanting be a handsome fellow, perhaps even a beauty, and yet that fine and subtle harm which attaches itself to female veliness, can never be his! The mere beauty of manliness, of character and orains carries a heavy weight in its high, fully developing in the most ideal ower of personal attraction. Such as manner Herculean strength. In this t is it captivates women a hundred imes quicker than the acknowledged nandsome man, who, after all, is a rara ivis. Take, for instance, the collection of men at Harvard recently as representa- Isaac's Cathedral has four equal fronts ives of moral and physical culture, how many handsome men were in the crowd? Handsome, that is according o Apolio Belvidere and the Nicholas Smith standard. To those who loved them they were doubtless angels of ight; to their valets, not heroes certainly; to the critical and impurtial the Egyptian pyramids. observer, the personification of brains were and what they had done with the talent confided to them. The man of regular features and commanding presworld at large there are few men beauties. Life would be detestable if lovely woman was not alone on her pedestal. It is melancholy to acknowla desperate bore.

The Old, Old Story. Two young ladies were conversing in street car in the high key which the rumbling of that public conveyance lemands if one wishes to be heard ren could do this in play, it would be a simple matter for adults placed in an isolated position, and cut off from communication with the rest of the world, to make a new language for their own banefit. Mr. Hale offers some substantial matter is attached while the car is in motion. Wen, said one of them, "the reporters at sister's weading the other night were just too curious for anything. Of source we notified the newspapers that the end of the axlettree outside of the hub—an extra precaution against accidents. Over the horse's shoulders and the wedding would take place but, benefit. Mr. Hale offers some substantial or the carriage or wagon by double translation with the rest of the world, to make a new language for their own balleties it one of those ren could do this in play, it would be a while the car is in motion. "Well," would you believe it, one of those horrid reporters walked up to ma that night in the parlor and asked her the other impudent questions, Ma told inm to just step into the back kitchen and wait until everybody had gone away and she would tell him all about

-Gas has been struck in small quan-

THE LAND OF THE CZAR.

An Interesting Description of Demas Barnes' Journey in Russia.

Russia is a sphinx. She may not inaptly be compared to a great beehive, with walls so thick that to outsiders a sound is seldom heard, while within is an intensely active population, whose occupation is not merely to gather pollen from Cossack roses on their own vast plains, but whose pin-ions are capable of flying from the Black Sea on the south to the Arctic Ocean on the n rth, and from the German Empire in the west of Europe to Behring Straits of Eastern Asia. Neither is the imperial stomach gorged by swallowing small provinces on her own borders, but she gulps down, apparently without discomfort, whole nations, like Poland, Turkesten and Finland, and now, judging from ap-pearances, she is about to establish herself on the Persian Gulf. A cordon of sentinels guard her frontier at every point, and censors control the press, inspect telegrams, and overhaul the mails. The guage of railroad tracks

is broken at the frontier towns, so that no car or its commodities can enter or leave the territory without scru'iny. Even her language is a bar to intercourse. The Russian alphabet contains thirty-six characters, partly Roman and partly composit. Seeing my own name written in Russian I could not read it. The multiplied vowels and peculiar consonant sounds effectually prevent a foreigner from understanding a word when pronounced, and it is impossible for a foreigner to inquire for a person, town, street, or number-a bad p'ace to be lost in. The Russsian dictionary contains over 90,000 words. Poetry is such a diluted language would seem to lack that epgrammatin'c terseness which is essential to convey force and emphasis. To describe such a prople under such conditions and at card when I caught sight of the lady's a single sitting is impossible. It would require a local residence for years and the entire space of twenty newspapers ming over with laughter, sparkled mer- to convey anything like an adequate idea of the Russian Empire-the country and its people, to say nothing of its

I er tered Russia from the north. It would have made no difference had it been from the east, the south or the west. Russia is fortified on all sides, in its grasp was a dainty purse of shell not alone by fortresses and guns, but by a secret espionage which, without be-"The young man saw it just as I did ing able to locate or describe, is felt, and with a sigh of relief took the prof- and one insensibly proceeds with fered pocketbook, but not without a caution. One is not permitted to leave gentle pressure on the hand that so a car or a boat or to enter a hotel, or again leave a city, without showing a ts offering. I doubted if the purse passport and having it duly indorsed. Cronstadt is the seaward sentinel of a cost of \$10,000,000.

islands covered by immense forts, and the channel to be traversed by vessels cloth, evidently some of the samples to winding between them, create an imweak points. Indeed, one look into the The tickets being paid for, the couple | throats of those frowning guns conveys ntered, and through the little door in | an idea of impregnability. The next he back of my office I saw them stop in | impression of strength made upon my the vestibule and engage in courteous mind was by the extent of Russia's liscussion. He seemed to wish her to wheat fields. It has so happened that I lake back her purse, which she finally ind, and, opening it, gravely took out the little wad of bills and put it in his and parts of Mussia. From the English hand. He at first refused to receive it, Channel to the Ural mountairs, and, I out she persisted and he accepted the understand, far beyond them, it seemed oan. His hand closed over hers, and to be a nearly unbroken field of yellow if ever a man's face could show absolute | grain. America has no longer a corner devotion his did then. I honestly be- on wheat. The average crop of the lieve be would have proposed to her on United States is about twelve bustlels the spot had she not, with a woman's per acre. If Russia, by reason of poor ntuition, forseen the probability, quietly | farming, at e ages eight bushels per acre, aken his arm, and moved toward the she can, I think, owing to the cheapentrance of the box. I saw them later | ness of her land and labor, undersell us. luring the play and I am sure he Apparently, she has enough wheat har-

ain fell I stood on the sidewalk and heard him tell the driver to go to a Magnificent City of the Neva. Its ashionable restau ant. I am willing streets are broad, buildings massive, parks numerous, museums interesting, and its monuments grand. I have endeavored to refrain from giving space for reference to pictures, statuary, churches, architecture and art, which most travelers describe with minuteness. But a part of the charm and bloom of

were the esthetic wholly eliminated from what I say, In front of the Hermitage Museum at St. Petersburg are ten monolith Siberian marble statues supporting the portico, each one of which is fifteen feet great depository of national wealth, among many other things is a solid jas- recently, the owners wanting the money per vase, ten feet broad, sixteen feet to speculate in mining stocks. long and about nine feet high. St. in the form of a cross. At each of the facades project great portices supported by double rows of monolith columns, seven feet in diameter and sixty feet high-sixty-four in all. Sublimely beautiful and in effect upon the mind, not unlike that produced by a view of

The River Neva is here about half a and strong mentality. Probably among mile wide. It is crossed by ten bridges, them were many vain brothers, self conceited brothers, though these weaknesses could not be based on personal appearance, but rather on who they made busy by hurrying crowds of men, the evening, with miles of simrial lights and the evening with the spanning personal appearance, but rather on who they made busy by hurrying crowds of men, the evening of it. women and vehicles, the sight is one of exceptional beauty. Driving in the regular features and commanding presence, the polished poet and scholar, the to be remembered. The private carwiry bundle of nervous thought, were riages are fine barouches, quite like our In this way \$100,000 has been realized all there, but where was the pure, own, and generally drawn by black physical beauty, that type lauded by Tartarian or Bulgarian stallion horses. the Greeks, because coxistent with intellect and the highest culture. It tails and are driven at a rate of speed was no more there than in any average that would make the Commissioners of Pacific Railroad Company for injuries theatre audience. Happily for the Central Park stare and clear the concourse of people in a short time. The drosky is a small four-wheeled, onehorse carriage, very low in the body, seating two passengers, and a driver in for eastern Turkey as a missionary, and front. All drivers wear long surtout who, before reaching her destination, admiration on the grounds of looks is coats reaching to their feet, plaited over the hips and bustled behind. The cap miles through a barbarous country. is low, broad on top, with a carved rim, exactly like that of a gentleman's stovepipe hat. Around the top of the hat are attached several small quills or feathers, in numbers according to the Cossack or provincial rank of the driver. The harness is made of very small ple-ces of strong leather. It is attached his collar is raised an ornamental ox bow, about twenty inches in height. Within and on this bow a e arranged pretty tassels and small bells. In Moscow horses attached to omnibuses, hotel coaches and private carriages are driven four abreast. Being conveyed from the depot in one of those Orient.

plian feats.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

-Salt water perch and butterfish are in market in London

-The Leadville mines have produced \$110,000,000 to date.

-Thaddeus Stevens' estate, just settled, foots up \$27,000. -There begins to be dust at the bot-

om of Cape May wells. -Mile Rhea has a gown made by Worth, which cost \$4,000.

-Water is five cents a barrel at Wemelsdorf, Berks county. -The Liberty statue would make a nice design for an ear ring.

-- The Sandusky carp hatchery has a million "ready for adoption."

-Grand cid army bean soup is liked by patriotic Reading persons. -Hog cholera is bulling the pork market in some Ohlo counties.

-Bluffton, O., parties will plunge into incubation on a large scale. -An Indian flint plow has been exhumed in an Ashtabula, O., field.

-Fremont, O., has struck a well which is called a good "gasser." -At a Frankiin, Ind., baby show,

one of the prizes was for intellect. -The French government costs 463, 000 francs, or about \$90,000 an hour. -Before next June a statue of Miles Standish will frown on Boston people. -Jay Gould has bought a pew in a

New York Presbyterian Church for \$2,000. -Senator Hearst, of California, is said th have an income of \$750,000 per

year. -Jesse L. Williams, a Fort Wayne, Ind., millionaire, left \$25,000 to local charities.

-Fire losses for November in the United States and Canada, aggregate \$10,000,000. -The shrinkage in national bank circulation during this year is put at

-Francis Palms, the Detroit multimillionaire, left only \$2,000 for charitable purposes. -Mrs. James G. Fair not only got a

divorce, but she got \$4,000,000 of her

\$56,000,000.

husband's money.

-Mrs. Langtry's first investment on this trip, was \$11,000 in a New York real estate morigage, -Mary Harper, a Cleveland servant

tive in Philadeiphia, -Capitalists in Australia are talking of laying a cable to British Columbia at

girl, has inherited \$250,000 from a rela-

-Andrew Carnegia has decided not to middle of a wide, shallow bay, the build his \$1,000,000 castle on the mountain near Johnstown, Pa. -It is believed that the Chinese in

California "sait" from \$1,000 to \$2,000 in silver dollars every week. -Queen Victoria is thinking of re

storing Col. Valentine Baker to his old rank in the British acmy. -Ex senater Bruce, of Mississtppi, says he is going to prepare a lecture on

his experience in the senate. -The silver mills of Montana represent an investment of \$20,000,000, and

mining machinery as much more. -The holders of the boxes in the Metropolitan Opera House in New York this season represent \$700,500,000. -James C. Flood, the Cultifornia milionaire, has just finished a \$2,000,000 brown stone house on Nob Hill, San

Francisco. -A clever swindler succeeded in selling \$25,000 worth of tickets to an alleged Patti concert in the City of Mexico, -Fees paid the lawyers in the Mor-

gan will contest in New York, amount

to \$500,000. The estate is worth \$10, 000,000. -The public has paid for Appleton's American Cyclopaslia" in its various editions, including annual supplements,

nearly \$15,000,000. -Last year the fruit and farm produce shipments at St. Joseph and Beaton Harbor aggregated \$1,250,000; this year they reach \$1,500,000. -A Blair, Neb., bunker invested

\$28,000 and a house and lot in whisky, which he consumed in eighteen months His bank is closed now. -Over \$4,000,000 was withdrawn from the San Francisco savings banks

-A change of S mills per ten a mile in the freight rates current on the Michigan Central means to that road a gain in gross earnings of \$1,000,000 a year.

-Pierre Lorrilard favors a legacy tax of 10 per cent, on all fortunes exceeding \$200,000, which, he says, would not oppress the heir and could not be re gretted by the dead, -Ballet dancing is a pretty good bus-

-The Bayarian authorities are getting money to pay the mad King's debta

already. -Bill Redden, of Salt Lake, obtained a judgment of \$20,000 against the Union

received in one of the coal mines owned by that corporation. -A heroine of note is Mess Mary Dewey, of Vermont, who has started

-People who know something of John Mackay's operations in the mining market of San Francisco, say that he squeezed \$2,000,000 hast week out of speculators, who, in defiance of his advice, went "short" of his favorites.

The applications of electricity become more varied every day. Am-pressure, heat, steam-pressure and water stages its use, and now a California electrician has invented a process whereby gold, silver and copper can be instantly smelted by a lightning stroke.

An ingenious process for giving silver surface to iron has recently been devised in Austria. The iron is first covered with mercury, and adver is deposited upon the surface electrolytically. The iron is two heated to about 300°C, and equipages, one feels as if he or she were the mercury evaporates, leaving the entering the chariot races of the O'ym-

frickie. The brook begins its ways; Lies on the meadow grass, like a wet sickle, Though all the summer days;

Through all the summer nights lies on the The new mach had cast down her crescent

It holds the flitting figure of the swallow,
The habbling botolink;
And the field lark comes, with its breast of

And to its merriment and blithesome below is never any end-As if it were a friend, th, Heart I I know a stream whose first es-

And now, how changed it is!

And chifs their shadows cust. found it. Charged now so utterly: There is but bare, bloak sand—just beyond