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INCOMING steamers report having nghted great icebergs, but none of the captains have the gumption to tow one of the things into port and put an end to the talk of an ice famine.

NEW HAMPSHIRE proposes to do a sensible thing, and that is to create a not long ago by one of the oldest settlers of Eastern Iowa? The tale—or to we've the forestry of the White and Franconia Mountain districts. Private greed will soon destroy them if thy are not thus protected, yet the fores a tree come there? That the unsophistical is a state of the come there? That the unsophistical is a state of the come there? That the unsophistical is a state of the come there? of the State, merely for their leauty cated pioneers could no explain; so and value as attractions to tourists, are they resorted to invention, and gave worth preserving.

pired of the impotent demonstrations of the mobs in the streets of Lisbon, who probably represent chiefly the disorderly elements to be found in all great cities, ready to shout for or against any policy. With the subsilence of the mob excitement the Govsument may be able to fix up some sort of an agreement with Great Britain as to African postessions,

be restored, minus the name.

MAX O'RELL, who is shortly to lec- t nine or ten miles. ture in Toronto, compares America with France, and he says the people here have not learned to enjoy life like crowding for wealth and power that

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ience of 20 years, however, is wh lly in self favor of State institutions; indeed, the patients in county houses are very likely to be made worse by carelessness, neg.

Not until the following evening did. insune patfents.

world will not alter this inexorable fact.

The plant, the capital and the labor of the anthracite mines were arranged to: the anthracite mines were arranged ter those stirring times; and popular taste and fifteen years ago in ignorance of the has applied to the hill, which will size of bituminous supplies, and in the sooner or later be made famous by this belief that anthracite could keep pace story, and the very euphonic but very with their production. It has not.

THE West coast of Africa is getting neighbors. Horse stealing was the to be as attractive a place for commercial adventures as America was two centuries ago, and the manners and troyed for want of live stock which dismethods of the new-comers are much appeared at the most inopportune times, the same as that of the French. Eng. Horse thieves in those days expected no country. Each nation acquires posses tune to fall into the hands of the setts'an of as much available territory as possible, conciliates or drives out the natives, and then prepares for a struggle with its Christian neighbors. There, as here, Great Reliain, Assessment, as here, as here, Great Reliain, as here, a as here, Great Britain demands, and it likely to get the lion's share, and, it must be confessed, she deserves it, for her people have austrated the arriver, to finish the work of vengeance. One her people have sustained the greater man after the other was supplied with a part of the expense and danger that hempen necktie, and arrangements have attended early explorations, and were made to send them to kingdom have made a settlement possible.

are prospering immensely and going shead rapidly, the result of superior intelligence, the introduction of imteiligence, the introduction of im- their fate, but providence interfered in while China has kept up her old sys- to save the life of the guiltless. tem. It is said that popular Indian Pound, equal in quality and flavor to eight times this sum.

LEGENDS OF THE WEST. The legends of the west are as sturdy, as independent and as forcible as the men who created them, and for this

reason, if no other, deserve more than passing mention.

What could, for instance, be m poetic than the story of the "Lone T. ee," which was related to the writer currency to a story which will live long after they are forgotten. Early in the The Portugese people are getting the so-called Blackhawk purchase had been consummated, a young couple em-igrated from New York State to the est. The man (Bill Brewster was his name) was open hearted, hospitable and courageous, and hiswife was a representative American woman of the middle class, industrious, kind and faithful. Af er their arrival in Iowa the two

young people went out "prospecting" ooking for suitable land) every day and finally reached a tract of fat prairie and which prom sed to yield rich crops. Here they decided to take up NEW OBLEANS, though prohibiting prize fights, has determined to permit disanctery and worry, then and there seen that it would be pretty difficult to revenience of the prize fights, has determined to permit disanctery and worry, then and there seen that it would be pretty difficult to glove contests under the management of gave birth to a son, and at the same semisriv organized and chartered ath. noment-to commemorate the eventbelie clubs. No great harm would follow this amendment to the law if it would be carried out in its proper spirit. The sapling, in course of time, became could be carried out in its proper spirit, stout oak tree, and stood for many that firmness of arm was not imbut when glove contests are permitted rears in its isolated position, a mystery in respectable clubs, others not so re- o the uninitiated, an object of never speciable will be formed to evade the law, the gloves will be diminished in size, and ultimately prize fighting will intil a vandal cut it down, four or five lent of American life and manners,

Scarcely less interesting is a bit of egendary talk current in the region of he Wyoming Hills -a chain of mound the French, "who are the happlest peo-ple in the world. They are satisfied to the towns of Davenport and Muscatine, take a little at a time in all undertak-ings. Here there is such a pushing and blace of thousa: ds of Indians, and hunlreds of their dead were buried in gicantic mounds constructed on the crests men do not know what happiness is, of the elevations. When the white You must keep pace with the process settlers first appeared, they received a sion or drop out and be lost," Max sold welcome from the red men who appears to be a tolerably close-ob- wandered through the country which was once their own, but had been ceded o the United States government by

heir chiefs. The savages carried vengeance in is proving that it is not merely an or- hearts and murder in their eyes; namental Society, but that it was or and many a bold agriculturist, who had ganized for service. An urgent memo ial bas been addressed to Congress, asking seturned from his cornfield, and the that something be done at once to pre wailing and lamentations of widowed serve the forests of the public domain. women and fatherless children were The fact is well known that many million do line's worth of timber is destroyed by his and stolen by the estimate being that an annual loss of \$10,000,000 is sustained in this way.

In the estimate being that an annual loss of \$10,000,000 is sustained in this way. No attention, worthy of this important | all weeds growing on the summit. The gress should promptly take such action of his home again. He was murdered

His wife, growing anxious about his New Your's State Commission in lumary comes out strongly in opposition to county care for the insane, and in the talk but had been been as the county care for the insane, and in the talk but had been been as the contract of the talk but had been been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the talk but had been as the contract of the cont the task, but had not proceeded far favor of State institutions. A quarter when she noticed a red man on the hill, of a century ago county houses were and, turning around, one behind her, advocated, on theoretical ground, Escape seemed impossible; but just at chiefly because it was thought to be an that moment a crevice large enough to advantage to put the patient in the country, and not to gather a large number in a single institution. The experopening closed, and to

Not until the following evening did lect or ignorant treatment; while large the crevice open again. The girl, al-State institutions can afford to employ most famished by this time, crept out the highest talent for the care of of her hiding place, and, seeing that all danger was past, ran home, where she related her strange story to a number of neighbors who had met at the cabin THE anthracite coal mines are idle to solve the mystery of her disappearbecause bituminous coal is cheaper. ance. Subsequent search fa led to re-All the combinations, consolidations, veal a cavern anywhere near where the capitalization and reorganization in the girl had been so miraculously saved; but

significant name of "Providence Hole," Bituminous coal steadily drives out instance of providential interference anthracite, which does not keep pace with the affairs of men has many bewith the growth of the country, and the lievers among the good folks inhabiting result is that no rest or peace will the bottom lands of the Cedar near its come in the anthracite regions confluence with the Iowa river. In the early days of Iowa this part of the teruntil the inevitable scaling down takes ritory was inhabited by a wild desperate class of people, who lived on what they could steal from more industrious

ish, Swedish and Dutch settlers of this mercy when they had had the misfor-

come at the same instant. The signal was given. A fierce stroke of lightning and a deafening roar of thunder In 1864 China supplied ninety-seven followed the command which was to per cent of the tea used in the world, end the earthly existence of nine human can hardly be excelled, still, simply on and India three per cent. In 1888 she beings. Eight bodies dangled in the general principles I would say that supplied forty-three per cent, and India saved by the lightning, which had manner of way better than any one I afty-nine per cent. This decline is relative, and not real active, and not real active extensive ext ative, and not real, owing to increased hanging from the trunk of the tree. It symptoms were of being out of condiconsumption. But the India growers was a miracle, for the man, after recov-

The tree made famous by this incident planters have expressed the belief that is still standing—at least it was two within a few years Indian tea can be lated has become a treasured legend ing these follow and draw shots one sold in the European and American among the old settlers of the vicinity, markets at ten and fifteen cents per which is no longer the hiding place of least little wavering may cause a mis-pound, equal in quality and flavor to desperadoes, but a veritable Eden in-Charlese ten now selling at from five to habited by intelligent and prosperous but the balls are 'set up' for your of habited by intelligent and prosperous but the balls are 'set up' for your of habited by intelligent and prosperous but the balls are 'set up' for your of farmers.—C. W. Weippiert in Journal nent. How often do you see amate night times this sum

ABOUT BILLIARDS.

Imiata Sentinel La and

Known Players.

The game of billiards is attracting more attention in the three countries where it is played than ever before. France, England and America can ruthfully be said to be the headquar ters of the sport, but the game is ex-tending to South America, Australia and other regions, where all kinds of sport is taking hold. The intricacies of billiards continually amaze old players as well as novices. The numerou ombinations seen in an ordinary game never weary an onlooker, and or while some shot is made that will starttle the oldest enthusiast, who may never have seen a similar one before. It needless to say that billiards is a wonderful game and if one is skillful at it the fascination of knocking the balls around takes a firm hold, and physical fatigue

the expert seldom thought o'.
The question has often been asked, "What trait or quality does one need to become an expert with a cue?" A wong the great professiona's of the present time men of all ages, sizes, and, apparently, dispositions, may be found. All it again. In fact, he led the army a sizes of cues concerning length and say exactly what does constitute a good player. A good billiardist must have good eyesight, judgment and a full control of the arm, and yet to see the variportant.

Some players, in making a shot, lean very far over the table, and seesaw the the many times, sometimes fast and othertimes slow; sometimes the seesaw novement will look unnecessary, and wood without the necessity of hauling that it had to be indulged in to enable that even they must be convinced the cue almost at arm's length, and do times describes a curve, and a front view of the stroke would lead one to hink that sending the ball where the class." player wished it to go was simply a matter of luck, so irregular does the ourse of the cue seem to be.

Some players hardly lean on the table matter, has been paid to it, and Con- settler's footnever crossed the threshold takes aim and simply gives his cue a swered without referring to his Testalittle forward motion, just as though, by the hilden foe, and his body thrown as the comparison is drawn, "you held a hammer a few inches over a tack, ould you not hit that tack much ammer higher.

"The main thing," Daly continued. without drawing it way back, and with all their might. Shaefer has a pe- | was, I lived up to it in Arizona." ullar snap to his stroke which must be through many peculiar angles, and when it comes to draw or masse shots ne is unsurpassed, although Vignaux, the Frenchman, used to be very fine on iraw shots. I once saw the nan make the opening shot of billiards by a direct draw several times in sucession on a wager, and no better illustration of his powers at drawing a bail ould be g ven than that,

"Speaking of Shaefer and Vignaux. did it ever strike you what a difference ounds less than the Frenchman, and yet Shaefer can give a cue ball much more force thon the Frenchman can, and at the same time with less effort, Another and scarcely less interesting It is a hard matter to expla n, and, as I orn with the ability to give that wonnap at the cue. '

When asked what shot he considered the most important in billiards, Daly said: "in my opinion these light little draw shots determine a man's plain trength. I know that if I am off at all it shows itself more in those than in any other. It may be perhaps because a good player will use more of them than any other style, but whatever the reason is, they are the ones I ; lace most mportance in. The difficult part in the ordinary draw shot is to make it and only impart to the object ball a certain amount of force which will cause it to and where you wish to have it go. Many mateurs can draw a ball well enough but they have to hit a cue ball so hard

that it is impossible for them to determine where the object ball will go." In answer to the question regarding who, in his opinion was the b st allaround billiard player, Daly said: "Shaefer, most assuredly, although it would be a close rub between him and George Slosson. Shaefer has knocked about a great deal and played under many different conditions. He not only s a born billiardist, but practice has leveloped him wonderfully. Slosson, of course, plays a beautiful game, and his knowledge of all-around billiards tion for playing billiards, Daly said:

proved machinery, and better methods, a way that could not be misund retood don't dare try to make it in that way, but may take some way where the chances are less in making it, simply because you can use a certain stroke needs a great deal of confidence, for the least little wavering may cause a misbut the balls are 'set up' for your oppoin playing for a little money, get down

to the clore of the game and then each other shot. The reason is that their nerves are a little affected, which makes their aim and arm unsteady.

A little room in a little hotel, In a little country town.

In a little country town.

A man was lying down. and, of course, a good, firm stroke cannot be made then. They can't help it.

There is no question that to play billing a man's leafs a man's.

A man was you had a great big man, with a gret big snore (For he lay on his back, you see).

And a peaceful look on his face he wore, For sound asleep was he. nerve wonderfully, for, no matter how skulful one may be, nervousness will render his knowledge of the game alternative many believe at the solution of the same alternative many believe at the solution of the same alternative many believe at the solution of the same alternative many believe at the solution of the same alternative many believe at the solution of the same alternative many believe at the solution of the same alternative many believes at the solution of the same at the same at

Geronimo and the Sunday School

Readers of the Tribune may remember Gero imo, the distinguished Apache, who, a few years ago, created a che, who, a few years ago created a sensation down in New Mexico and Arizona neighborhood. Geronimo and His son and his daughter, too. Arizona neighborhood. Geronimo appeared at that time to be sowing his But, with a thump-bang-whang-the wild oats. Not only did he disturb the caused by playing several hours is with the expert seldom thought o'. settlers and kill a good many of them, the expert seldom thought o'. whoop at the United States army. And while the army thought it was chasing him up a canon to avenge the insult, the irreverent savage used to come down another canon and woop at ong chase, but he was caught at last and transferred to Florida, where the Government could keep its eye on him,

Geronimo is probably an instance of man who went West too young. learned to drink and scalp his fellowmen. But at heart Geroulmo was, in the words of the political procession, "all right." His intimate friends knew this all the time—it was only casual acquaintances-say, for instance, those who had met him once only and been scalped-who insisted that Geronimo the player to even come near making a that his heart was in the right place, shot. Some players hold the butt of For, since his residence in Florida, we are told by a special despatch that he not give the stick a straight forward has "lost all heatred of the white peo-and back motion, for the butt some ple." More than that—and even his friends may be surprised at this-Geronimo is "teaching a Sunday-school It is said to be a rare and beautiful

sight to see this dangerous savage engaged imparting Sunday-school instruc-Some players hardly lean on the table tion. He is much attached to the boys a making a stroke, a though they put and girls who make up his class. He the cue far in front of them, making a loves to lay his hands on their heads long bridge with the hand resting on and toy with their curly locks. Once the table. Their head may be directly or twice, on such occasions, the Super-over the butt of the stick, and many intendent of the school has noticed him night think that if a person with that make a quick, impulsive movement style would only stoop a little lower with his other hand toward his belt, and get down near the point of the but, finding it empty he only sighed but, finding it empty he only sighed tick, a far more accurate shot could be layed. Many players while "strok-ng" move their cues forward and backward and forward for a distance of at the creed and otherwise make changes least two feet, and others will not cover in not only the forms and the le son, ver six inches. Several experts claim but even in Scriptural passages. Inhat a player who can make a shot and deed, he has not got over it entirely over the least ground with his cue will yet, and only recently the Superintende more accurate than one who seesaws | ent was astonished to hear him explainseesawing will throw one's aim off.

Maurice Daly says that one reason why
Jacob Shaefer is so accurate is that he

asked some question, Geronmo anment, and became sadly confused beas the comparisen is drawn, "you held fore he got through. "The old Mosaic a hammer a few inches over a tack, doctrine," he is reported to have said, 'was, as you know, an eye for an eye, more squarely than if you raised the a tooth for a tooth. That, my children, is now passed away, and we have "The main thing," Daly continued, something much more beautiful and is to get force enough on the cue practical in its place. It is this: If ye smite a man on the right cheek make thereby lose your aim. All shaefer him turn likewise the other that ye eems to do is to give the ball a little may smite that also. And if ye take pat, and enough force is imparted to away a man's coat take ye his cloak drive it further around the table than also. This is the new dispensation. plenty of players could by slamming at children, and, rude savage though superintendent Interrupted him at this sorn in him, for I have never seen point and took him into a back room my other player with it. He gives a and read him the chapter he was trycall an invisible force which carcies it ing to expound and illuminated the whole subject for him When Geronimo came back to his class he admitted his mistake, but still insisted that his plan seemed the better. But those having him in charge are confilent that he will soon get over these little eccentricities and become a model teacher. He loves to employ pictorial act in his class, and recently, when the was under consideration, he drew a really striking picture of the scene on the blackboard. There was a great crowd of the Phili-tines running away as fast as their legs would carry them, feet 6 inches tall and weigns about 100 | while Samson, alone and brandishing his well-known weapon, was coming close behind. The only possible fault that anybody could have found was that Samson was made with feathers in his hair and a string of scalps around said before, Shaefer must have been his waist, while the Philistines were all in the un form of the United States

Army. But, though Geronimo may occasionally make a little mistake, we are sure that everybody will be glad to hear of the great change which has come over him. It is better to draw Samson with a scalping-knife in his belt than to be using it on a Southwestern settler. Chief Geronimo is entitled to all praise for the new life he leading .- New York Tribune.

The Meaning of Hebrew Names.

A mode of bringing to notice the barbarian stage of the Israelites at the time of consideration is to trans'ate into English familiar personal names from the Old Testament, such as the Dog, the Dove, the Hyena, the Lion's Welp, the Strong Ass, the Adder, and the Running Hind. This brings into immediate connection the English translation of Indian names, such as Big Bear, White Buffalo, Wolf, Red Houd, Black Hawk, Fox, Crow, and Turtle. Such Israelite names probably of Gentile origin, that is, from the clan or gens, for the Israelites were surely Gentiles in the true sense, although later they abjured the charge. But individuals among them may also have adopted such names because they could be represented objectively. Such selection is made by some Indians apart from their totemic designation. Indians possess very few names that cannot be represented in pictographs; and the very large topic of tattooing i connected with this device anteceden to writing. The compilers of the Old Testament probably desired to break down a former practice, as is shown in any marks upon you" And there are other similar indications.

Freespeech - I see Dr. Lodly's church ias given him a three months vacation. Fogg-Why, does he need so long a

Freespeech-No-but if you had ever heard him, you'd know his con-

The Drummer's Dream

most useless. If you don't believe it, try making a shot for fun, and then try it again and bet \$5 on it."—N. Y. Sun.

Annulus of the smiled and smothered a scornful laugh When his fellow commercials blowed.

For he knew no other had sold the half of what his order book showed.

express myself. And a glorious change this made in his life.

bang again.

The "boots" had knocked at the door;
'It's very near time for the 6.10 train!"

And the commercial's dream was o'er.

MY OFFER.

An offer of marriage is a delicate

thing to indite; but when I had written mine to M'ss Marian Lee, I felt that it was, take it all in all, a very tolerable It was a warm day, and I had no particular fancy for the iong walk to the post-office, and just then I heard

sister Augusta call to the nurserymaid, whom she always addressed as Bobbins,' though, of course, she had some baptismal name of her own. 'Take these invitations to the postoffice, Bobbins,' she said. 'If you hurry you'll catch the last mail.'

I was not anxlous that my sister should see the address on the letter and comment on it; so I waited until she returned to the house, and then slipped out of the library and called Jack.

'Jack,' said I, 'run after Bobbins and give her this le ter.'

Jack snatched it and obeyed me. saw him hand the letter to Bobbins. I saw her turn and look at me. Even at that distance the sly look in her blue eyes struck me, and I saw her put it carefully in her pocket and walk

My heart began to beat furiously. I had done the deed. I had cast the die. All I could do was to wait. I d d with that letter pending, of course that

I endeavored to possess my soul with own thoughts, it was some time before I noticed that Bobbins was behaving herself in a very reculiar way.

At last, one evening, as I sat upon the porch in the twilight smoking a

cigar, and wondering when I should get a reply to my letter, Bobbins flutered out in a miraculously fluted cap and apron, and sidled into the corner 'It's Master Jack's hat as he left nout 'ere,' she expla ned. But thoug -

she found the hat, she still remained in the corner. pass more easily; but this was evidently not what she wanted, for in a moment a small pink claw rested on my

shoulder, and the voice of its owner said, 'O, Mister Reginald, 'ow 'appy I ham, to be sure! 'I'm very glad to hear it, Bobbins, 'And don't you think, sir,' said she, that when a young person as not the pen of a steady writer, answers by

word of mouth is far more satisfactory to them as is in love, and waiting for them anxious like?" I knew that Bobbins had a sweetsugar warehouse, and was spoken of by the other servants with admiration on account of his size, but I had not ex-

pected to receive her considence in the matter. Was it possible that she dis cerned in me that fellow-feeling which makes us all akin? At all events, I could answer her as one who knows. 'Yes, Bobbins,' said I; 'never entrust to the postman what you can do with 'And if you think so, sir.' said Bob-

bins, 'the difficulty of a want of hearly seducation 's hovercome, and I kin eply werbatum, as I heard my master ay the other day, and my reply is this: llif you loves me as I loves you, no knife can cut our 'arts in two. 'Bo h sensible and poetical, B bbins,' said L.

bins, patting me on the cheek. Bobbins was an abserd little creaure; but she was a girl and I was a young man. It seemed to me at that

bins, and I did it. At that moment the voice of my b-loved nephew Jack parted. sounded behind me. 'Where is my hat?' it squealed. And Bobbins fled, with much show of trepidation; while I dusted my lips, contact with Bobbins' cheek having proven to them that she was not behind her betters in the use of violet powder. That evening Jack distinguished

moment the proper thing to kiss Bob-

simself by making a statement that 'Uncle Reggy had a mash on Bobbins,' for which vulgarity, I am glad to say, he was promptly sent to bed, explaining between his sobs, however, that 'he saw him kiss her.' My sister was very grave with me hat evening; but Bobbins was so curi-

ously prim and so positively plain, and my opinion of her appeared so thoroughly established, that I was not long under suspicion, and having escaped poor? A girl who never opens her this time, I was determined not to mouth without making a very ludrillow Bobbins to place me in a false position again. And this was why hen I saw her the next day 'niggling' up the garden path in a more than usuilly affected fashion, I hid behind the She had just parted from her athletic

weetheart, and was coming toward he gate in what seemed to be a rather inpleasant state of mind. However, hat was nothing to me; and I came rom my retirement in an unconcerned shion, whistling, and expected that Bobbins' young man would be sensible mough to steer himself out of the way. lowever, he did not. He came straight n, his fist doubled, his brow bent, his wer jaw protruding, and our toes met, nd my eyes on a level with his scarfin-a small golden hogshead. Then ion that he should 't rn to the right, s the law directs,' and not 1, I stood

What do you mean by this here? ald he, in low and awful tones, 'Come, ow-I want to know.'
'What has tappened to you, my good

erating a manner as I could assume. I have understood that your reason

for being ab ut the premises, now and circulated the report that I asked you then, was Bobbins, said I. 'Hol' said he. 'And ain't there noth-

in' sayerid in your 'ristycritic heyes? Hain't a poor man's young lady has much 'is own as a swell's is?'

'Rather more, generally,' said I. And then the honest look in the account of is doings. Hi never would of the more dwrathful giant's eyes touched me. I have thought hit, being brought up to gun to face. was a lover also, and krew the pangs that doubt of his chosen fair may make a man endure. 'Come,' sa d I, 'I cannot pretend to

misunderstood you. You are talking about my sister's maid—Bobbins. Has somebody told you that I—.' 'I paused; I scarcely knew how to

'She's that uplifted,' said the giant, his under lip quivering, as I don't the missive. It was the offer of marknow her. She was willing enough to riage I had written to Miss Marian Lee have me six months ago; but now that you hoffers 'er the hopportunity of rising habove her station, her hairs are horful. 'Owever, if she takes you, she takes you spiled as to beauty -hof that I warns you.'

'My good friend,' said I, 'I'm not afraid of you; but I assure you that I since I gave it to you to take to the don't want Bobbins to take me, I've post office. This is a pretty trick, in it in 1654. The grounds and gardens no made love to her; she is quite mistaken. Nothing could induce me to marry her and I have no wish to beguile her into impropriety. Now you mention it. I remember that her manner did indicate some such suspicion. She's an idlot to dream of such a

th ng.' The giant's face relaxed.
'Hif it's all her vanity, and you swear to it, I don't care a snap of my finger-tip habout it!' said he. 'Hi'll play the same game hon 'er, and she'll be glad to summon me back when she finds out her tolly.

'No doubt,' said L. 'And she'll 'ave to summons,' said the giant. 'I ain't goin' beggin' myself. Women folks is allers up to

'I do,' said I. 'No hoffence, then,' said he. I nodded, and we parted.

Bobbins was certainly a very imagi. native young woman, but I was warnedand therefore armed against her.

When I met her I looked over her head; when she threw herself in my way I walked the other. I wore a

doleful counterance, I imagine, for my letter to Mar an had never been auswered, and I had decided that this wait. A day passed—two—three—and still no reply. Under ordinary circumstances I should have called; but, as I looked. However, I could not escape my fate. One morning, when my sister had

I endeavored to possess my soul with patience. Being so occupied with my for a ride, I sat in the library, writing ome business letters, when the door opened softly and a little old woman entered the room. She carried a large and bulgy blue umbrells in one hand, and a palm-leaf fan and an immense pocket-handkerchief in the other. courtseved to me, waving the fan and Landkerchief as she did so, shut the door and advanced toward me.

'There is always heaves-droppers in great 'ouse like this,' said she, 'and what I 'ave to say is conferdenshul. If I am not mistooken, you har Mr. Regynuld Thompson?'
'That's my name,' said I.

'Ho!' said she, placing her umbrella in an upright position against my desk, and seiting herself in an arm-chair 'very, well, sir. When I tell you that am Missus Bobbins-Miss Bobbins' mar-you will understand why I am

'Not in the least, madam,' said I. '1 should have supposed that that relationship would lead you to the nur ery, not to the library.

Mrs. Bobbins waved her handker-

'My darter tol 1 me you was as 'and as a stone. No matter; she 'as a parheart, who did something athletic in a ent as will see her righted. Air you trifling with my darter's affectious or air you not?"

'Certainly not,' said I. 'I have explained to her sweetheart that I don't want to cut him out, and it's all right, 'Oh,' said Mrs. Bo bins; 'Jim is had the bottom of it, is 'e?'

'No doubt,' said I. 'I am not, at all 'Hall said Mrs. Bobbins: 'hal You are a willin', then? You air trifling with 'er young 'art, 'Apply, the law 'hoffers hus redress. She has proofs against you, sir; and she will go into court of justice, sir, and constitute case of breach of promise and win dam ages and publish you, sir, to the hull

world for what you air.' 'I never saw or heard anything quite so abominable as this,' said I-'never 'My lawyer-for I 'ave one-shall call on you before the sun rets to-morrow, said Mrs. Bobb ns. 'You shall rue the day you trifled with a poor but hones gurl. Hi leave you to your conscience. She waved her fan and handkerchief at me, caught up her umbrella and de

'What I tool I was to kiss that girl!' said I. 'And what an idiot she must

That evening my sister and sister's husband followed me to the library with such an evident intention of seeing me that my heart sank in my They closed the door seated themselves before me and Au-

gusta began the attack. 'Reggy,' she said, 'what does this all mean? You haven't really fallen in love with Bobbins? You don't want to marry her? What would ma say, and Aunt Pellice and brother William? Oh, Reggy, say it is not so!'

*Why the deuce should I want to I given reason to fancy my taste so poor? A girl who never opens her crous mistake, too, and your children's nurserymaid! Marry her, indeed!' 'I am relieved, said Augusta. 'But,

still, you have done very wrong. You have made love to her; you have led her to believe your intentions honorable. She was confided to my care by a widowed mother, with excellent references from a London clergyman, and I am responsible for her safety to a certain degree; and she assures me that you have made solemn offer of your heart and hand to her, and after leading her to bestow care ses upon you, jilted

'Very wrong, Reggy-very wrong!' added my brother-in-law. Shocking, you know-shocking!

'At all events, it is all a lie. respectable young woman is a black-'She has proof, Reginald,' said brother-in-law.
'Ah!' said I. 'Ring for her, and let us see what she has to say.'

'It's too cruell' said Augusta. has a heart if she is poor. But I had rung the bell and requeste the girl who answered to send Bobbins to the library.

'Well, Bobbins', I said, facing her as

gain by such a monstrous falsehood?" "Indeed, mum," said Bobbins, ad dressing my sister, 'I can prove the fact. I was engaged to be married, hindeed I was, hand it's ! roke off or keep my pl ce, but for 'is words and

book, hand 'is name at the hend, which you may read it for yourself.' She took a note from her pocket as she spoke, and offered it to my sister. 'This is your writing, Reginald,' she

deeds, and 'ere it is, mum, hin black and white, as plain as your prayer

Republican.

said. I dashed forward, and gazed upon nearly a month before-the one I had sent to the postoffice by Bobbins,

'What are you doing with this? asked I. 'It is an offer of marriage; I admit it. You have all read it, but it is intended for some one else. I have

Bobbins looked at me solemnly, 'It was the day you sent your invitation to the lawn party, Augusta,' sail, 'I told Jack to give the note to Bobbins to post. She has kept and opened it and taken advantage of its

Marian Lie was-' 'No, I beg pardon, sir!' said Bobbins, who was now a pale shrimp-pink from chin to crown, 'hit was not addressed to nobody. Master Jack honly said, says hi'm to give you;' hand, 'having no haddress, I thought it wus to me.'

'Is your name Marian?' I asked,
"No, sir,' said Bobbins, 'but hit is Mary Hann, and I thought 'Marian, somethin' 'igh or low. Don't you find my hangel,' was your poetical and it so yourself, sir?' your 'and and 'art. 'Ere's the envelope. b ank.

This was the explanation-in my agitation I had forgotten to direct my My sister's sympathy was all for Bob-

bins. I wasted none on anyone but my How I had suffered that weary That very evening I made my offer verbally—as all offers should be made and Bobbins long ago married her discarded giant, and even condescended to

rece ve a wedding present at my hands. A Highly Disrespectful Bull.

General Bumblethor, e is certainly a very big man-big in stature and bigger still in his own concelt, brimming over, as he constantly is, with his own importance. General Bumblethorpe was never in the army; he never was even in the Militia. But he was air. Surveyor General once, a good while ago, and has of con se worn the title of General ever since, and has always in day a bottle of ink, the last drops of day a bottle of ink, the last sisted upon it. He has been a shade which were exhausted with the last more overbearing since he became a line of the novel; this gave him the General in this way, though he was notion of naming the book "The Con-

through the outskirts of the country town which he had honored by cho-sing it as his place of summer sojourn. In upon a pair of bars leading into a grassy and inviting meadow. The bars he let down and walked into the meadow. He had but half crossed the meadow when he saw, to his herror, a great black and white Holstein bu emerge fro a the dark shade of an appl tree and a vance toward him. Ger eral Bumblethorpe is not an active man, b t the steady advance of th enormous a imal stimulated hom for the moment to great activity. And he own rapid flight also served to stime late the bull, who lowered his head and charged furiously, bellowing the while It was a mad chase, but General ambiethorpe had some good to s o advantage in the start, and the opposite fence of the field was not far away The General ran wildly and succeeded In turning a somersau tover the tence

just in time to escape the infuriate And then it was General Born is thorpe who was infuriated. From the safe side of the tence he stormed and raged at the buil, and, seing a tain ouse not far away, he stalked over to. The farmer was choring around the barn when the General rushed up

exclaimed General Bumblethorne 'Wal, I guess 'tis,' said the farmer. 'Well, sir, do you know what it' en doing?

hasin' ye, mebbe. 'Yes, sir, chasing me; and it is an outrage that I will not tolerate-an out age, I tell you, that I should b pursued and humiliated in this way!' 'Wal,' said the farmer, 'it's a thing that bulls will do, ye can't help it, y

'Help it!' said the General, black with indignation, 'do you know who

Well, sir, I am General Bumble-'Is-that-so?' said the farmer with great deliberation; 'is that-so? Why in hunder didn't ye tell the bull, Gen'-

Recipes for Beauty,

Nowadays, when a woman's well kept dressing case abounds in silver marry that little fright? said I. 'Have corned buttles containing role water, glycerine, camphor, scented powders and creams, and -if she 'corrects' her face still further-in a porcelain pot of some well advertised patented rouge, it is curious to read the following, as given in a western paper, de cribing some of the recipes for obtaining beauty very much prized by the belles of thre centuries ago. They were formulated by a certain shrewd Master Alexis who lived in the early part of the Seventeenth century. The following is sup osed to keep off pimples:

'Take rock salt and break it into

small pieces and get the freshest laid egg possible. Put both into a dish over the fire and when it begins to boil stir with a stick.' A preventative for wrinkles reads: 'Take a couple of calves' feet and boil in river water until half consumed, a pound of rice and boil with crumbs of fine bread, two is guided altogether in his work by the pounds of fresh butter and the whites sense of touch. A dog, horse, human of ten fresh eggs. Here is another face or anything alive or dead be modsuggettion, economical at least: 'Take els with as much ease as any of the flowers of rosema y and boll them in white wine, then wash your face with retain the faculty of sight. From 1855 it. Afterward use it for drink-thus to 1871 Vidal received, it is said, more you make your face fair and your breath | medals than any othe exhibitor of sweet. Good Master Alexis unders ood the amazing credulity of women, but if they followed his advice how direful the resul's must have been, and how Paris Exhibition, were the blind woodshe entered, 'it appears that you have lanswer for.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

-After three years of the incandescent light in the house of a gentlemen in England, in which was a collection of fine water -olors, he finds that some account of 'is doings. Hi never would of the more delicate pigments have be-

-A duck belonging to a Rockland (Me.) man was frozen into a pond re-cently and was found with just her head out of the ice. The ice was broken and the duck freed, apparently none the

worse for her night out. - Explorer Stanley refuses to lecture or talk about his travels. He cannot be blamed for his silence. It would cost him exactly \$200,000 to open his mouth. This means that his publishers have offered him that sum for a bo k, and he is under contract to put all his

good things into it. -Turleries is derived from the word tuile, a tile, because tiles were made on the spot where the palace now stands. been waiting for an auswer to it ever Catharine de Medici began the buildwere laid out by Lenotre, a celebrated

-The weight of the great Greenland or right whale is said to be 100 tons, or 220,000 pounds-equal to that of eighty-eight elephants or 41) bears. The opened it and taken advantage of its whalebone is such a whale may taken contents. A note addressed to Mis at 3360 rounds, and the oil at from 140 to 170 tons.

-In the year 1889 there were laid in the United States 5,300 miles of track, which means an investment of \$106,-'Here's a letter has Uncle Reginald 000,000. This seems large, but it is says hi'm to give you;' hand, 'having estimated that Americans abroad in

1889 spent \$100,000,000. -Gladstone is 80 years of t, but his mind and body are in as tine a condi-tion as when he was only three-score. His voice is still clear and ringing, and he is never thrown off his goard. He is tall, slim and bony has been all his life fond of healty, out of door exercises, and to this he attributes his vig-

ous old age. -The Bank of California has a lurge force of men at work constructing an irrigation canal fourteen miles long, to rrigate a tract of 50,000 acres that the bank owns in Fresno county. The canal will be sixty feet wide and six feet deep. This tract of land will be cut up in twenty-acre farms and placed

hand fell over a small area in Carson City, Nev., during the recent cold spell. They didn't, however, come from the heavens, but from a factory's steam pipe, whence they emerged in the shape of steam, being converted into snow by contact with the cold

sufficiently overbearing before that.

One fine afternoon last summer Genfrom this idea, however, and made over eral Bumblethorpe was taking a wak the title to Alphonse Karr, who has signation.

-Pontiac, the famous Indian chief during the war which he waged against the English in 1762 issued promissory notes or bills of credit, written upon birch bark, to purchase supplies for his warriors, and such was this chieftain's reputation for integrity that the French readily received these bills which were subsequently all refeemed, in the latter respect being unlike the Continental bills of credit -The hangm in in New South Waler

is looked upon with such horror that he recently found himself completely beycotted on reaching Wagga-Wagga to perform an execution. The cabmen refused unanimously to drive him from the railwa station; the porters also de clined to carry his liggage, and the unlucky executioner was oblige! to trudge off off on foot, struggling with his various traps. -A letter from Port Spain, Trinidad.

speaks of the recently discovered corative qualities of a plant locally known as cousin mahoe, whose botanic name is the triumfetta semitriloba. of dyspensia, indigestion and liver complant have been a mething wonderful, The doctors on the island prescribe it largely, knowing its valuable proper -A French savant calculated the

time required for a journey around the earth, and has obtained the follow ing results: A man, walking day and night, without resting, would take 425 days, an express train, 40 days; sound at a medium temperature 32 hours; a cannon ball, 21 hours; I ght, a little over one-tenth of a second; and electricity, passing over a copper wire, a little under one tenth of a second. -Mutilated bank notes to the value

of half a million dollars are frequently destroyed in one day at the Treasury Department in Washington, thrown into a large hopper and ground to a pulp, which is afterward sold by contract to a paper manufacturer, s that the dainty sheet of paper on which a lady writes her invitations may represent what was formerly a hundred thousand dollars.

-Among the exhibits at the Conven tion of the Western Packers' Canned Goods Association, in Indianapolis. were two cans containing beef soup part of a lot prepar d for the United States navy in 1819. are supposed to be in good condition. If not, the fermentation and creation The soup to-day is, therefore 71 years

-Correggio's "San Giovanni," cited in the biographies catalogues as having been in a church and subsequently lost. is thought to have been found. A gentleman bought the picture lately for a very trifling sum from a poor family in the town of Correggio, and, after submitting it to experts, it has been pronounced the real t e real thing, a picture of great vigor and spontaniety and in Corrieggo's best style.

-A blind sculptor, Vidal by name is among the wenders of France. He sense of touch. A dog, horse, human dezens of Parisian sculptors who still works in the Paris art exhibition. Many of his works, made in the solitude of his perpetual midnight, were at the much said good Master Alex's had to 'er contended in friendly rivalry with answer for.