One of the worst enemies of plants is the little red spider which loves a dry atmosphere and hides in the shady corners. Plants infested with it should be well showered, at least twice a week and sometimes carefully washed with a sponge and weak soap suds. The aph-is is another troubles and is is another troublesome pest and it is said that the application of strong soap-suds will destroy it, but one should use cantion in applying for fear of injuring the plant. The small green lice on roses may be exterminated by treating them to a smoking with tobacco or spraying with a weak solution of tobac co and water, or by sprinkling with Shanghai, and spent the first five years powdered heliebore when the plant is damp. The thrip is fond of moist places, and plants troubled with it should be transplanted into drier groud, The scale insect is especially destructive some insect an emulsion of kerosene and milk is recommended. A strong has been given to America.

Miss Eames comes of a highly musicto the cacti family and for this troublean excellent remedy; if washing the plant thoroughly with this does not cradicate the difficulty, it is well to take it out of the pot, shake the roots free highly accomplished musician, and was from the earth and wash them well with the sulphur water, pruning if they have become spongy from the working of that her daughter's earliest teacher. She did not for a long time forsee or desire that her daughter should go upon the the scale. Repot when entirely free operatic stage; but when it became from all appearance of the pest and see | manifest that her musical destiny would if your trouble has not been well repaid in the renewed growth of your plant. pily for the public endeavor to re-An occasional watering with lime water strain the development of Miss Eames' will generally drive away the worms great gifts. At Boston, Miss Eames which sometimes attack the roos of was heard for a short time at some of plants. The rose slug, the green fly, the principal churches and at concerts; cut-worms etc, are other varieties of but the day came presently when one

insect pests.
L. O. Howard of the Department of

tion showed them to be covered with slugs in all stages of growth. I sprayed the petals brown at the top. I puffed them but made the bushes look nasty. As the drouth continued, I brought out my hose and discovered to my delight, on the foliage every evening was the most efficacious and neatest remedy I had yet found. During the remainder of the season the bushes were green and beautiful, and free from slugs. This strong stream of water I found was a most desirable thing; it blew the plantlice off my current bushes; it thoroughly disconraged the web-worms on my shade trees; it made the little anta which build their little mounds on my lawn and in the cracks of my brick walk, tired of life; and, best of all, it broke up the nests and thoroughly disheartened the English sparrows which built in the ivy and over the windows of my house. When it is available, therefore, pure water, without "trim-mings" when thrown with sufficient force, is a good susecticide.

THE CULTURE OF VIOLETS.

Sweet violets are among the most charming flowers of the year and, speaking of their culture, a New York correspondent writes to the Florists' Exchange that light soil is most suitable to violets, which ought to be planted in ground that has a fair drainage. He plants them where they will receive the benefit of ram, dew and sun; keeps them warm and grows them in a place quite by themselves. He Violets do not care for company and half the failures come from placing them with other plants."

TULIP DECORATION.

One is sometimes at a loss for some original idea for floral decorations and me fortunate person strikes a new and taking idea it is at once taken up by everybody as a fad. Edith Sessions Tupper in the Chicago Herald has this so say about the manta for tulips at present prevailing among society peo-

The next fashionable flower for decorations is liable to be the tulip. There is quite a craze for this flaunting prominent florists in town introduced tulips in the decorations for a fashionable luncheon a few days ago and the idea was generally admired. Pink tulips are beautiful and would be very effective at a pink luncheon or dinner. I heard of a belle who carried against her turquoise crape gown a cluster of yellow tolips and the result was an artistic success. Tulips, too, have the advantage of economy; being chesp. than roses, lilies, violets or orchids However, this advantage will doubtless be removed should the flower become

VICE & MONTHLY MAGAZINE is always full of practical hints for flower lovers. A correspondent in the December number tells of a new use for old

"One of our neighbors had an old base-burner. He didn't like to see the cumbersome thing around without its doing some good, so he took off the other part painted the base dark brown, and put it in the garden, planting nasturtium seeds in the part where the Dipe was as well as the larger portion. Lo, and behold, it was soon a thing of The bright blessoms hung over all around, and almost seemed to warm up the garden, as when the old stove did duty in the sitting-room filled with bot coals."

Ammonia and water in proportion of a teaspoonful of the former to two quarts of the latter is a valuable liquid manure for watering plants.

"Summer's loys are spellt by And the enjoying of the Spring Fades as does its blossoming."

There is, perhaps, no more satisfactory plant for house culture than the modest and cheerful little primula. It remains in blossom a long time, one tier of flowers succeeding another and a bank of primu as may be arranged on a window stand which will be a delight all winter.

-Kenn

early as October Primrose seed should be sown early in Spring and against intervals until July in order to secure a succession of bloom for winter. Plant first in a seed pan in the house removing the young plants to a cold frame or a shady place

They must have good grainage, good soil of tine learn and sand mixed with a warm interest in her professional manure and should be watered carefully as too much moisture causes them to decay. The North window is a good place for the primrose plants as too

much sunshine is bad for them. The fern-leaved varieties make pretty plants but have not as desirable flowers as other kinds of primulas. The color are white, crimson and rosy lilac, some times assuming mottled forms which

are very handsome. The odor is slight but agreeable The double flowers are scarcely as pretty as the single ones. P. Vulgaris is the common English

primrose mentioned in Cowper's famil-iar lines. "... primrose by a river's brim A yellow primrose was to him and it was nothing more."

MISS EAMES.

LONDON, May, 1891. America has sent us many fine vocal-ists in recent years. Her latest rep-resentative is Miss Emma Eames, who within the bare fortnight that the Lonwon the suffrages of that critical public, and has taken rank as a prima donna of great promise, as well as of great performance. Technically Miss Eames is not a native of the States. Her friend, the Chinese Ambassador in Paris, who has a keen appreciation of her singing, likes indeed to call her "his compatriot," for she was born at Shanghai and spent the first five years. of her life in the land where the melody of the tom-tom provides all that that placed people require of musical delight. Boston, however, has the strongest claim to be accounted her home; for, out of the slender total of her years, the handsomer proportion

summon her thither, she did not-hapof the principal teachers under whom she had been studying said to her, "I Agriculture, writing some time ago in Orchard and Garden of the methods used by him in killing slugs on his rosebushes, says:

"When a dry spell came the leaves turned brown at once and an examination of the methods one in America can teach you more na too that you must go to Europe." So to Europe—or, more narrowly indicated, Paris—Miss Eames and her mother came some five years ago. Then followed a spell of I sprayed very hard work under the direction of solution Mme. Marchesi. Afterwards, when them with a tobacco-soap solution Mme. Marchesi. Afterwards, when which killed them at once but stained the foundation was laid for future operatic success, Miss Fames went to which also killed them, but pyrethrum learn at first hand how they intended that their expensive. I dusted them with sifted coal ashes which also killed them but made the learn at first hand how they intended that their creations should be interpretted. ed. Gounod was especially kind to her, and gave her many helpful suggestions for her rendering of Marguerite, and Juliette. She speaks in enthusias-tic terms of the master, and amongst her most cherished possessions are portraits of the great man, inscribed with charming expressions of interest in his

in declaring that the Parisian public is the most difficult to please of any in matters musical. "You must be perfect in everything," she says, "perfect in enunciation, in tone, in gestare, in everything, and then you must act with a certain amount of spirit, but if the measure is overpassed, they are displeased. If the Parisians observe too much elan in your performance, they say that your style is Italian—and that On this subject Miss Eames endorses the opinion of Dumas fils, who says that the French are not a musical nation like the Germans and the Italians, but that they "know more about music" than any nation. Miss Eames has now at all events the satisfaction of knowing that, having won her laurels in Paris, the tribute of other capitals will follow as a matter of course One minor drawback to her French

training, however, was revealed to her when she was called upon, after only one rehearsal, to sing the part of Elsa in "Lohengrin" last Saturday. She had positively not so much as seen the opera performed for five years; Wagner's muste being of course under a political "taboo" in Paris. Consequently she was obliged to trust to the inspiration of the moment for her drama-tic reading of the part. But if viewed as a piece of acting, we Londoners of that elan to which our Gallie neighbors object, her gestures, if few, were extremely appropriate, and her poses -notably at the end of the second act where, before entering the church as a bride, she turns upon her enemy one glance of pure scorn -were full of dramatic beauty. With regard to her vocal endowment, it is needless to add an thing to the words of our musical critic. It is one of those few voices that are full of personal character, and the most striking quality about it is its richness of timbre. It goes without saying that all that study and careful training could do to add to its flexibility and to perfect it as an instrument, have been done with the utmost suc-

has been singing three times at Covent Garden; on Monday in "Faust," on Wednesday in "Romeo et Juliette," and on Friday in "Lohengrin," but this rate of performance must be looked upon as an exception, for Mrs. Eames is a careful guardian of her daughter's voice, and holds that an opera twice a week is quite a sufficiently exacting strain upon her physical strength, as indeed most mothers would agree.

spectacular side of the opera. Since her debut last week, she has permitted the ladies amongst her audiences—and possibly the gentlemen besides - to enjoy the sight of some unusually splen-did dresses. Mis Eames brings all her costumes from Paris, and is very particular that they should be suitable o the circumstances of the part. To take a small instance, in "Lohengrin" it has been customary for Elsa to make her first appearance in a low-necked bodice and with bare arms. Eames very properly considered that a Princess who had come before the King of Germany to meet the over-whelming accusation of having murdered her brother, would be in no me to assume such festive raiment. Miss Eames accordingly covers her head and person in such soft white veiling draperies as are suited to her humiliated condition. Matters of this kind are apparently small, but inasmuch as they ave a bearing upon the total impression, a true artist such as Miss Eamer will never overlook them.

In private Miss Eames enjoys a celeb rity for the conversational gifts which she shares with some of her fellow countrymen; and, from her long resi-dence in Paris, she talks equally well in French and in English. She takes The old roots should be removed a lively interest in the literary, dramafrom the pets and planted in the open border in June to gather strength and as whatever she has to say about through the summer, when they will them is fresh and individual, her Lonbegin to flower again, sometimes as don pied-a terre (which those who know its whereabouts are under a seal of secrecy not to reveal) is likely soon to be as much the resort of people of 'light and leading' as was her salon in the Rue Boissiere. The Prince and Princess of Wales have been amongst plants to a cold frame or a shady place the first to congratulate the young artin the garden until time to pot in the ist, and Lady de Rothschild-by whose invitation to sing at her house she obtained her present eugagement-takes

> AN IMPARTIAL PARENT, -He-I met your father last night for the first

-How did he strike you. "Just like the rest of the boys. He

HE WAS NOT SUPERSTITIOUS,-The new walter at a Harlem restaurant a ked Jim Talboit, who was just about to tackle a beefsteak: "Are you superstitlous?"

"No. Why do you ask?" "I've got no particular reason, except that you are the thirteenth man who used that napkin to-day.

HOUSEHOLD WORK.

the place assigned to household work in social estimation has been a gradually descending one. This is only a natural result of the reaction from the to such work, that they were unfit for anything else, and that it was for the good of the body politic that every interest outside of the home should be left in the hands of men. Indeed, there was a time within living memory when no woman in Scotland was allowed to teach in a Sunday school It was both impossible and unnatural that such a state of things should continue in a civilized country. It is the purpose of this article to record the history of the advances made during the last twenty or thirty years in the position and in the intellectual culture of women, nor of the splendid services rendered by many during that period to the country at large. In such progress every right-minded man and woman must rejoice. Why, as one of the results of this celture, and running alongside of it, should not an effort be made to restore house old work to its old place of honor and dignity? The two are by no means incompatible; indeed, the one should help the other. That such an effort is neccessary will be universally acknowledged, and the earnest consideration of thoughtful women should be given as to how it may best be made. The estimation in which home life, in the true old sense, is still happily held, is too high for suggestions as to co-operative housekeeping being accepted as a way out of the difalthough some arrangement might suit a certain proportion of fami-lies and of individuals. In nine cases out of ten, when housekeeping troubles are under discussion, the position is assumed and maintained, that nothing can be done because of the inefficiency of present-day servants. With the servant difficulty we are just now concerned, and there is nothing to gained by denouncing them. The fact must be faced, that a crists in domestic arrangements is very slowly but equal-ly surely approaching. Let every girl be fully persuaded in her own mind, and deliberately choose her own work. At the same time let all who value wellordered home life for its own sake, and for the sake of their country's good, consider anxiously how it may be preserved. Not so many years ago sick nursing was held in lower estimation than domestic service is now. It was looked on as work fit only for women who were incapable of doing anything else, and the nursing of some of the best hospitals in the country was in the hands of women who would have had difficulty in obtaining employment in any respectable private house. What changed all this, and what raised the calling of a sick nurse to its present honored and honorable position? The change began as the result of the public enthusiasm created by the splendid services of Florence Nightingale to her sick and dying countrymen in the Cri-Since that time women in every rank of life have qualified themselves by thorough and efficient training to enter the service, and their example has had undoubted influence for good on nurses of every grade. An infusion of some "No." thing of the same spirit is wanted for household work. If all the misery, ill-health, discontent, and ill-temper for which ignorance of such work must be held responsible could be summed of the world more than anything else, and that dyspepsia is in the most cases the result of badly cooked food. If

Unlike most other marine animals. would enable a housekeeper to go depths in autumn. time required by an ignorant, blunder-ing woman; and the time gained could be devoted to professional, scientific, or artistic work, as the case might be. Make it the fashion and the custom for girls of the upper and middle classes to learn every detail concerning the keeping up of a house, and those beneath them in social rank will quickly follow their example. Training schools, affording opportunities for acquiring such knowledge, are gradually springing up in large towns and elsewhere The question of technical education coming to the front, and it is not un reasonable to claim that one-half of all public money set apart for this purpose should be devoted to the technical training of girls in all domestic sub jects. If this is done, it is not utoping to assume that what is called the "servants crisis" may never come. Fashion, efficiency, and devoted un-selfishness must all be enlisted in the

service of domestic reforms. Miss Eames by no means ignores the

A Congressman's Cure for Warts. Representative Culberson, of Texas, Jue of the brainiest lawyers in the House, can descend from constitutional argument to the discussion of trivial things. This was shown yesterday, when he informed a friend of an infall ble cure for warts. "Open the wart until it bleeds," said Mr. Culberson, "lay a grain of corn upon it and then feed the corn to a goose. After the goose has eaten the corn the wart will disappear. I have tried this remedy myself and it has pover failed." Mr. Culberson was very auxious that this recipe should not be repeated to the correspondents in the press gallery, but the gentleman to whom the advice was given thinks that the Texas remedy is worthy of a wide publication for its very novelty .- Washington Post.

"German Syrup"

Here is an incident from the South -Mississippi, written in April, 1800. just after the Grippe had visited that country. "I am a farmer, one of those who have to rise early and work late. At the beginning of last sands of cures after others fail, advice Winter I was on a trip to the City of Vicksburg, Miss., where I got well drenched in a shower of rain. I went home and was soon after seized with a dry, hacking cough. This grew worse every day, until I had to seek relief. I consulted Dr. Dixon who has since died, and he told me to get a bottle of Boschee's German Syrup. Meantime my cough grew worse and worse and then the Grippe worse and worse and then the Grippe hawk recently of great size. It meas-came along and I caught that also ured five feet and seven inches from tip very severely. My condition then to tip of its wings. got two bottles of German Syrup. I began using them, and before taking much of the second bottle, I was entirely clear of the Cough that had hung to me so long, the Grippe, and all its bad effects. I felt tip-top and have felt that way ever since." PETER J. BRIALS, Jr., Cayuga, Hines

Creates

An Appetite then pervading notion that women ought to confine their whole attention ache and other troubles of dyspeptic nature. It ache and other troubles of dys, ep le nature. In the most natural way this medicine gently tones the stomach, assists digestion, and makes one feel "real hungry." Ladies in delicate health, or very dainty and particular at meals, after taking Hood's Sarsaparilla a few days, find themselves longing for and eating the plainest food with unexpected relish and satis-faction. Try it.

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Travellers who have penetrated into the easternmost parts of southern Ras sia find some strange beliefs as to the power of fish charms. Many fish found in those countries have too small, hard round bones on the side of the head. They are believed to have the power when worn by the owner to stones. The more wealthy of the neck as a valuable addition to a neck-

The bones of the common bullhead are much used among the Russian peasants as a charm against fever. Among ing sleep. European nations in the middle ages doctors of medicine had faith that two bones found in the head of the tench have medicinal virtues. The bones were applied to the skin in cases of fever. The tench is a European fish, and the United States Fish Commissioners are endeavoring to introduce it to American waters. -[Jewellers' Review.

Not a Doubtful State. "Papa, what is a doubtful State?" asked little Freddy, who had been looking over the political news.

"Marriage is a doubtful state, my son," answered Brown, with a humorous twinkle in his eye as he looked at his better half. Don't you think so, Mrs. Brown?"

"No, I don't think it's a state at all." she answered; "to me it always seemed like a ter-ror-tory." Brown was silent.

SHIFTING THE BLAME. - "Did you sell your poem?" asked Scribbler's

"Whose fault was it?" "The editor's.

HARTFORD, CONN., April 14, 1896 np and revealed, educated women would surely be inspired to come to the rescue. Take for example the kitchen department of a house. Physicians tell us that dyspepsia reduces the working power of the men and women of the world more than anything else, and that dyspepsia is in the most cases, and that dyspepsia is in the most cases.

every girl spent a few months of her the lobster is not truly migratory in its life in learning even the first principles habits. It remains on about the same could have wished for a shade more of the art, this malady might gradually ground, it is believed, from year to year ed out. In addition, a knowl- | coming into shallower water in spring edge of this and other household arts and returning into the less accessible

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as mercury will surely destroy the sense of
smell and completely destroy the whole system
when entering it through the mucous surfaces.
Such articles should never be used except on
prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the
damage they will do is ten fold to the good you
can possibly derive from them. Hail's Catarrh
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Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Anold Spanish captain named Lucas Negreiras Perez, who is ninety years of age, returned to Spain recently in his own ship, the crew and passengers of which consisted of his own family, numbering no fewer than 279 persons,

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Digestion, nutrition and excretion are in continued activity from the cradle to the grave, to create and preserve our bodies against the abuses of appetites and ignorance. Sound digestion and healthy nutrition only produce pure blood and active liver, kidneys, skin and bowels must exercte and carry off waste or we are sick. These organs are stimulated only through the blood, not by mercury and poisonous minerals but pure marniess vegetables adapted to each, easily absorbed and easily carried off—nothing has ever surpassed—nothing equals. The St. Bernard Vegetable Pill hamiled down to us from Hypocrates, A sample of the St. Bernard Vegetable Pill will be sent free to all applicants. Address St. Bernard, Box 246, New York. Nature's Trinity.

A number of years ago a lot of swine were turned loose from a ranch at Ler-do, in Lower California, and they have increased so enormously that herds of 3000 are not uncommonly seen on the plains.

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umbus on his first American voyage is still unknown. The popular idea that

Cat Island was the one was exploded

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Wearth Inside a Statue. Pygmalion, the aucient artist, could not be more overjoyed when his statue became transformed into a lovely woman. than the heirs of the late Mme. Artaud, who recently died in Paris, France, when carefully hidden away in the interior of a common plaster of paris reproduction of the famous Venus of Milo. The history of the sudden find is curious and entertaining. Mme. Artaud died without making a will, and, as she had no notary, her children and grandchildren appealed to a financial adviser of the deceased who used occasionally put her money out in Stock Exchange tions. That the old lady had left a fair share of lucre was certain, and as not a stiver nor a bank note could be found anywhere in her rooms, the heirs came to the natural conclusion that the financial agent must have been intrusted by Mme. Artaud with her money before she made her exit from this world. The agent declared in the most positive manner that he had received nothing in a long time from Mme. Artaud, who, feeling her end approaching, gave up Bourse specu-

This did not satisfy the heirs, who plumply accused the agent of having appropriated what did not belong to him out as they had no proofs against him, they were unable to begin legal proceedlivide the furniture and general belongings of he deceased between them. The dining and salon chairs, tables and trapfrom \$1500 to \$2000, but as it would be impossible to obtain more than half their value, the discontant among the heirs Iribune. increased. A lottery of the effects having been originated, an old statue represent ing the Goddess of Love fell to oue of the daughters of the deceased, who was the inning. "Oh yes," she cried, joyfulabout to break it with vexation when one of her relatives proposed to examine it to see if by any chance it were a rare work of art. The base of the statue was covered over underneath with oil cloth, and when the covering was removed out tumbled a choice collection of bank notes, bonds, securities and obligations the whole amounting in value to about \$10,000. The plaster of paris Venus will be piously preserved by the family now as an emblem of luck and a happy beirloom. - London Telegraph.

Horsemanship of Mexican Vaqueros. In the days when I was a cowboy in Old Mexico, the vaqueros knew how to ride. Those fellows who go round with Wild West shows can't ride a little bit. See one of them lean out of his saddle to pick up something on the ground! He hooks his foot bebind his addle sml can hardly reach his hat on the ground as the horse lopes by. The aqueros I used to ride with could pick up a pin on the ground with the horse at full gallop. The rider would hitch the spur on one foot in the sinch of the horse, and the little bells on the seel, falling into the rowels of the spur would hold the foot as firmly to the sinch as if it were tied there. Then the rider could throw his whole body out of the saddle and could reach the very smallest object on the ground. Nowadays the cowboys don't seem to understand that trick. In fact one of them told me once that the only use of the little bells on the spurs was to jingle and add to the dashing appearance of the horseman-

A RECORD LOST. -Professor of His ory-"What do you know about Louis XIV's time?" Jack Athleticus—"Nothing, sir; never knew he was a sprinter."

HUMOROUS.

GAVE THE RUSE AWAY.—"Johnny, s your sister home?" asked the young nan at the front door. "Wait 'till I light the gas-or hold or is your hair sandy?"

"Why, no," replied the abashed "Have you got a moustache that curl

up at the ends? "N-no. I don't wear any moustache "Hum. Have you got a large seal ring on the fourth finger of your left hand?"

"No, I haven't." "Then," said Johnny, confidently, "she ain't at home," and he shut the door without further ado.

BREAKING IT TO HIM GENTLY .-Editor—"Mr. Plumduff, you may make a little change in your column to-mor-row morning. It takes up too much space. Cut it down one-half. Mr. Plumduff-"Yes, sir." "Then the other half won't need any

ing."
"Yes, sir." "And it needn't be leaded. Run it in solid." Yes, str." "That will make it take up about

special heading. Remove the head-

third of a column." "And then it can go in any part of the paper, wherever there is room for

"Yes ,sir."
"And if there isn't room it can be "Y-yes, sir." "And it hardly seems worth while to

"N-no, sir." "You are right, Mr. Plumduff. our resignation is accepted,"

NO CHARGE FOR THIS ONE. A man in Indianapolis writes to the Tribune as follows: "What is the market price of poetry of which the following is a sample?"

The sample is appended: Said a maiden to her beau, "Darling, must you really geau? The clock in the steeple strikes one."

He sighed in surprise-'Did it strike one of its size?" But she fainted on hearing the puone The market price varies according to ocation. We insert this one without

AT THE MASQUERADE, - Miss Sharp-"Ah, Mr. Dullard, you are looking the part of Black Prince to perfect Mr Dullard—"Ye-es, but do you know, Miss Sharp, I feel like a perfect

idiot. Miss Sharp (earnestly)-"Now, that will never do, Mr. Dullard. At a masquerade, as on the stage, one must for-get his real character entirely."

UNFORTUNATE .- "You've broken that lecture item off nicely," said the editor to the foreman. "How so?" "You've cut off all those present but

two, and made me say:
'Scatlered through the hall were J Bronson Smithers and and Mrs. Smith-IT SEEMED STRANGE TO HER .-

Wife-You don't tell me that Professor Husband -Yes, last night. And he was master of seven languages.
Wife—is it possible? And was he struck dumb in all seven?

THE BEST MAN .- "So you are mar-"Yes "

"Who was the best man at the wedling?" ' She was "

OMELETS IN HIS SHOES.

Valedictorian Who Would Have Given This story is told of Daniel Lockwood, Congressman-elect from Buffalo. When school-boy he was chosen valedictorian of his class. He prepared for the event by ordering a new pair of shoes. Late in the afternoon of the great day the shees came. But, great heavens! they wouldn't go on. Dan hadn't another pair fit to use. He summoned the shoemaker to a conference, and, while the perspiration rolled off his face, he

explained the situation.
"That's nothing," said Crispin; "get a couple of eggs and break one in each

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> -They were at the base-ball game, and he was trying to explain it to her. when the men came in at the close of ly. "I see, now-those men are out on a strike now, and have quit playing."-



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He Had French.

I was sitting in the rear end of a Chicago street car, and on the platform were the conductor and a young man of 20: I wasn't looking at either particularly when I saw the young man slide his hand down into the conductor's sack-coat pocket, where he kept his change. The conductor had his head turned away, but of a sudden he dropped his right hand, caught the other man's wrist, and with a move which seemed the easiest thing in the world he bent the fellow's arm back and broke it with a snap. As the bone broke the victim's clenched hand pened and a lot of silver was scattered

on the platform "Got enough?" asked the conductor. as he let g

"Yes."

"Then git." And the thief, who never even cried out, but whose face was white with the pain, dropped off the step and was lost to view. - [New York Sun

Neither Touched Nor Moved. Mrs. Norton inquired eagerly of Lord Panmure after the queen had piuned a medal on the breast of the brave Sir Thomas Troubridge, the Primean hero:

"Was the queen touched?" "Bless your soul, no!" was the reply. . She had a brass : ailing before her and no one could touch her !" Mrs. Norton explained:

"I mean, was she moved?" "Moved?" returned Lord Panmure, with wilful stolidity, "she had no occasion to move."-[Ladies' Pictorial.

Take Your Choice. Two rival sausage dealers have their shops adjoining. One of them has painted upon his glass window over a

pyramid of sausages: "At fivepence a pound; to pay more s to be r bed." while the other puts his sausages into an obelisk and paints

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