BY ANNA M. PRATT. a my tables over and over, and backor six times nine, and I

A MORTIFY HIG MISTAKE.

y. Eliribeth Wigglesworth, who alsaid on times a ne is fifty-two," and I nearly

# BECAME A COMET.

You'll get lost there!" shrieked

Jupiler anxiously,

stars and spaces! How do you know sun. e e's c single respectable planet sysn'it be cold and dack, and-"

that's it," remarked Saturn fore him-untried, un'rodden, screenble laugh.

back again, why cannot I?"

many a day after this."

he was a little mite of molten Alay. sting than diffeat abself. thing he wouldn't revolve soberly and would veer 'way off, first in one direction and then in the other, and Mother in his proper orbit. I say, let him go; tune, once so elder-brotherly, so my ides, he has no density to speak of, bodies want with such flimsy stuff in before him. our system, anyhow?"

This augered the Youngest. 'Now, I shall go," he said bittor-

"Mother doesn't tell me whether to go or stay," said the Youngest, once smiled and passed on, never revealing

dear presence that had kindled and in the perusal of hyperbolic orbits are ant than when he first come to us." warmed the restless little spark into full at present. Good-night, sir." breathing and being; but the words, But the secret of "hyperbolic orbits" came slowly and without joy:

It was but the young and untried Star had since then been wonderfully be as thy heart bids, and I shall trust | derer, whose early appeal he had chos n to that bidding to sometime bring thes | to ignore. ack to my loving shelter;" and the Urenus seemed to have been mostly Mother bun drew a soft bit of cloud asleep while the Youngest Planet had over her face as there came the mem been away.
ory of another restless planet-child, "Why, halloo! who's that?" he cried ory of another restless planet-child, circling back a brilliant change- rubbing his eyes at a great rate.

est rapturously, hearing only the con-

Mercury cailed sorrowfully after him, ens. and "Good-by, good-by," came in Saturn was cross: the chorus from the nursery of Asteroils. see it in every motion. We'll have peace now," shouted

"He does rotate well," said Earth, looking after her youngest brother with a satisfied smile. "Training will you're that sity little Planet who ages

"If you're really going," cried big upiter, "give my love to Neptane-I aven't been near him for ages.

sneered Saturn. snapped out something in re- ter all. urn, the Youngest, flying even faster | sand centuries ago that was a Comet,

them only knew him by name- bit, nor your tail neither. Nobody

this str pger, who, from pure wonder- deen't any axis, so what's the use of it at rent, nearly stopped short in his rote-all? And you haven't a single moon!

"What! You? the Youngest Planet? The Comet was almost a raid to sek. ind, pray, what may you be doing so far away from the Sun?"

"I'm going to be a Comet," floated heavy—"no, I don't. There was a

back a reariess voice: hiready he was Comet here once before, it was -0, "But, hold on! wart!" spluttered Uranus in dism wat such daring. But are. by this time the Youngest was nearing

called out the Youngest as he came closer, "and Mars is just as cross as ever, and Saturn more spiteful, but be sufficiently heart," she said.

The first my favorite Mary Ann (though 1 pagest) the way a dreadul sname.

The first ruch a perfectly lovely child such a content of the way and the way and the way and the way and the way are of the content of the way are a content To give such a perfectly lovely child such a sate of city for the law of sate of city for the law of sate of city for the was barely aware of the existence of cither Mars or Venus, and he had never even heard of the Youngest Planet. The risks of sate these one as well as the answer of two times two.

Law I broker Keptone an Asteroid?" asked stupid old Jupiter, who is the was harded for the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was the Youngest Planet. The was placed in the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic allowing the was a queer fellow, and an elliptic term.

for the small, flery atom speeding past him. small, flery atom speeding past him. but withought of an out when teacher said, "Now be rought tell if you can."

"Hold on a minute," he cried. "Who are you anyhow? Bless my moons, you must be one of our system. I could tell that rotary motion anywhere the Comet passed on.

None of the Asteroids remembered -but I didn't even know you were in the Youngest Planet.

the heavens. "I haven't been for a long time," apologized the Youngest. "But, please, Brother Neptune, I want to be Mars, getting redder than ever with Comet, and, ohl will you tell me (for

"Onl don't ga," pleaded Venus; "it will be an attachment sight of Mother San." Little Mercury, the planet next to office and t the Youngest, said nothing, but one or it's only every million centuries. Of two tears sizzled down his warm checks course to do that, you'll have to find at the thought of all the dreadful out all about hyperbolas and parabolas she found time to disapprove of the things that would surely happen to his - and I don't see how you'll ever learn Comet. venturesome playmate out beyond a by yourself. I never could understand how it was done. Oh! look here—the ary, one may say. That tail of his is Dog Star has classes in that sort of of no heavenly use, and who knows hallstone for what some of his brothers thing, and if you'll just tell him you're but it may be dangerous? Then his not

and elasters said; they were always tell—my brother, he can give you a point or two worth knowing. Dear me!—a my brother knowing. Dear me!—a what has he been doing all those ages? Comet,"—and the Elder Brother He shines, they say, with his own light; ter time in his revolutions, and he was turned slowly and sally on his axis, as healts quite happy at the thought of he recalled another youth-time, now that borrowed light is not the best, reduced away from all their tirezome long since vanished, and the once ing; but when his dear sister throbbing hopes that had never got be- know that gives forth light, and I, for Years begged him to stay, and when youd the dreaming into the doing, and one, say that for anybody else to set up the heard Mercury's tears, he faltered that now merely played the part of an shining on his own account, is sheer Do you think that it is dangerous old set of memories in the staid sacrilege. I don't care if they do say there?" asked he of Venus.

On! I'm sure of it," she cried. took a lessurely one hundred and sixty. Solar System is good enough for me, Out among all those strange suns and four years in his journey round the and always shall be. But what could street at the side of her mother or her

And, meanwhite, the Youngest em among them? And then, what will Planet, sparred by an ambition that be cold and dark, and—" overleapt fear, caution, danger, and the hundred handmaps barring any But I couldn't get very cold, beone to dare beyond the common tical groove, wheeled on, past Nepton Said Venns. "The Comet is a splendid young light, and, with his nature, I have need half so many kept in view the dear old Solar System, think he has done far better as he has, ds over me at night as you do- on aud on, until all that was familiar than to stay here like the rest of us aud and that Comet that was here only last faded finally out of sight, and endiess rotate century after century in the unknown stretches of sky space lay be- same old way.

Perhaps he would and dearer to him than all the bright rosy cloud-bank and motherly sun ray was no hope, the doctors said, that she rial building to Iraak Walton, to take onagest Plant proposes to become a from its safe shelter. He now wanted And Saturn laughed-a dis- nothing kindler than the Sun's light, the company of his sisters, Venus and Didn't you tell me yourself that | Earth, big Jupiter and little Mercury, the Comet was really one of our own and he yearned for the sound of Satsystem, only that he had been away so urn's sharp tongue, and the sight of backward and forward. "My brother long that we younger ones conkin't re- Mar's red face. He wheeled slowly Uranus has eight! I'd rather be Uranmember him? And if he could roll d wn Space toward the far spot where us than a Comet. Oh! I forgot you out into space and could keep growing spun a small speck—the Solar System. warmer and brighter and could come And he woulded, as he shook out his think much of them here. They're so ra cant plumage for the flight, if this flighty and far-off, and they only come What the young globe needs is a resultness that swept the skies here once in a great while. Earth says good black colipse," growled big Jupi- would be recognized as the poor little they're afraid to come." ter; 'and if I were Mother Sun, he wayward Planet who had dared and shouldn't have a sight of my face for toiled and suffered to gain such glory, and whose conquering in the bard fight cent, orderly little globe, content to "He's always been wilful and un- with circumstance and condition hal, manageable," said earth. "Ever since after all, only left a little less bitter

elliptically like the rest of us. No: he himself as he remembered Saturn's unelliptical habits.

"It is I-do you not know me?" Sun had all she could do to keep him oried out the Comet to Neptune-Nephe'll never amount to any sort of mighter than the small speeding globe planet with his vagrant notions. Be- that nges before had venturesomely gone that way-Neptune, now dazzled and what do we weighty, sensible and wonder-stricken at the presence worst planet! But his temper, Earth,

"What! the Youngest? Well, bless than yours my mounts! Ablyon were whirled for At which Earth—and quite excusa-a Comet and no mistake. You could bly—tent off in a perfect eclipse of never have settled down into our hum- rags. "O, dearl" sobbed Venus, and again drum planetary ways. But, br ther, was heard the sizzling of Mercury's it was my message to the Dog-Star that did so much for you, and no mistake." And the splendid young Comet only ore wavering, though his heart still that the high and mighty Dog-Star leapt toward the unknown-the bound- hadn't even so much as remembered less blue highways where he longed to | oor Neptune. "Let me see," had said speed farther and faster than could be this elegant personage in supercilious freamed of in these dull, narrow asswer to the planet-fieldling trem-

had somehow been got at by the de-"My faith is with thee, my bravest. termined little body, and the Dogstrength that I once held back. Let it compla sant toward the brilliant wan-

who, long ago, had bitwise ventured out, as the Comet swept into view.

forth into the unknown, and, as she "The Youngest Planer," answered forth into the unknown, and, as she "The Youngest Planet," answered to draw from in the interest of "tansy well knew, never to return, for, in his the radiant stranger, unable to keep cheese," "rum and tansy," "tansy bitstead, the slow centuries had brough | from laughing at Uranus who was now

"See here, you're—you custom that has come down through Then I'm going," cried the Young-know the others can stand this a rt of the ages. So powerful its properties thing, but Neptune and I, 'way off here sent, and guessing nothing of the mother-sainess. "If mother says I all that light pretty mark knocks me may, it must be all right. Good-by, out of the celliptic. My! won't Saturn Venus,—good-by, Mercury."

be farious when he sees you? be thinks Venus,—good-by, Mercury."

"Good-by, good by," Venus and his rings beat anything in the heav

Saturn was cross: the Comet could "Don't you remember me, Saturn?

\*ried the Comet. "No, I don't," answered Saturn promptly; "and I don't want to if ago wouldn't revolve in his proper ellipse, and who would go flying into Nowhere, in spite of all his System's advice; why, all I can say is that suppose you'll be back before you'd much better have staid off there among your disreputable fixed stars of until I'm a Comet," answered and not come back to bother us. Be-Touggest Planet bravely, at which sides, you're not much of a Comet, af-We had one here three thousharp words, could only be sure I'll admit. He was almost as bright as these rings of mine. By the way, I Presently he whizzed by another brother, one who lived so far off that, equal to them in all Space? Well, I don't think much of your eccentric orthers. knows just what a Comet's tail is, any "Good-by," cried the Youngest to how; it can't rotate nor revolve, and it

dear! I can't remember anything these

Summata Sentinel La and

"Don't you remember a small, filmsy Neptune, the other far-way brother.

"Jupiter sends his love to you," into Space one century, in spite of all

and, for their sake, as much as anything else, he felt a kindly sympathy for the small, flery stop, speeding part

"We're not expected to remember things," said Ceres saucily. The Comet sadly went its way

"Yes, I remember you," bawled red and indeed, I'm going to be-a facel Mars. "You were a bad, ill tempered little Pianet, and you were with the state of "To be a Comet? Well, you are a tuing else. Earth and I never had any brave body. O, no! there's nothing so frightful about Space. It all depends made trouble," and he glowered say-Earth was very much engrossed

"I have only had a satellite these last thousand centuries," she said apologetically. But busy as she was,

"He is not quite-well, quite planetyou expect of anybody that can't ever revolve in an ellipse?

All this to Venus who, of all the planets, was most truly glad to see her long-lost playmate. No, earth, I don't agree with you,

And she gladly made the Comet wel

ever before had entrance. Mercury was still very young, al-

"The Sun savs I may have a satellite some day," he said gleefully, rocking

were a Comet, but you see we don't There was a new planet, toosmall Vulcan that seemed like a de-

spin forever in the very orbit once designed for the wanderer. But Earth had her fears that the Comet would "But I became a Comet," he said to lead Vulcan astray, and teach him bad, "I sha'n't feel satisfied till that vaga-

bond goes out of our System," she confided-not to Venus this time, but to peppery Mars, "Why, he influences even my moon." And Mars burst out with, "That's so

Always making trouble. He was the was never one bit more disagreeable

But the mother love, the cherishing creating Sun warmth-that great heart

never failed the wanderer. "My brightest and best!" she whis pered. "My shining one, that taught himself to give forth light and so earned the glory that goes with it and follows after!"

And the words lifted the Comet's spirit, and, lo! as he sped forth on a lipses.

| bling before him, "Neptune, I think new journey, the wondering planets then spoke the mother voice—the you said? H'm! No, all our classes cried, "Look! H is even more radi-But Earth only said. "That comes of his baving staid so long with us, you may depend."-HELEN CLARESON, in Wide-Awake.

"Tansy"-a humble plant. Its name

Tansy

has seen far better days. In Greek it was athanasia. How little of the original is left-only a shred. In old New England days, and even now, the kitchen garden had its tinsy bed to draw from in the interest of "cansy ters," and, in case of fliness, "tansy It is only a trace of classic tea." custom that has come down through that should Jove's messenger administer a draught of tan-v cordial to a nortal he took on immortality. The Yankee took it for another reason. popular was Tansy that it was adopted . a christening name, and in several European countries to-day Athanase (immortality) is very popular. As an example of word debasement tansy is rather striking .-

Davenpas - -- octat. to time Passed -Out. Theater Treasurer-I can't help it

My orders are imperative. Read the notice behind you. Walker Wayback (persuasively)-But my dear friend, I am an artist. played with Booth for over three

Theater Treasurer-What did you play for heaven's sake? Walker Wayback-I played the bass drum in the Salvation Army .-

The Good Man's Little Fallure. "Young man," exhorted the blue ribbon leader, 'young man, pause! Pause before it is too late. There is uin, degradation, damnation, perdition, shame, sin and destruction to

the bowl!" "Ah," said the frivolous youth, 'come off! I don't drink out of a bowl! I use a glass!"-Boston News.

OHIO'S MONUMENT.

times. But he wasn't so bright as you | the Buckeye State Erects a World's Pan Ancient Wooden Anchor Taken from the Shaft at a Cost of \$95,000. Ohio has erected a monument in high and rests on a base 14 feet quare. The crowning figure, sym-



of the famous Roman matron, nelia, is ten feet tall, and the gures around the shaft measure even feet and represent "Ohio's Breatest Sons" -- Grant, Sherman,

A LULLABY.

The cost of the monument is

baby was ill. Baby was a winsome little creature, and she had made many friends as she had toddled along the nurse, and now these friends came to the door to inquire about her.

There were all sorts of people, From the stately old judge, who had scraped an acquaint nce with the little maid over the front sate to the small news- birth of Izaak Walton, whom Enpaper into her plump little hand, inclined have long heard of, shall be they were a motley crowd-Baby's celebrated at the Exposition. The around to the back door, steeping should take the form of an angling softly upon the straw strewn sidewalk and going away with bowed heads Planets, by the wild takes of that

| Description | Descri

though he was actually older than the that old back Sam had sent, and she Dove in England. would stretch out her hands for them, or for the orange which little Jennie had brought for her, but afterward lessly at times and making a pitiful little wai ing sound.

The great room was hushed and darkened. The little white crib stood in the centre, and beside it dozed the irse, worn from hours of watching. I he only sounds which broke the painful stillness were Baby's irregular breathing and the quick, nervous ticking of a tiny gold watch which lay be-side the medicines upon the table. be grate an I fail with a tinkle into the ron ash pan below, then Baby would start up suddenly as if in frig t.

the mother, p le and hollow eyed, knelt teside the crib, watching each movement of the little sufferer. Baby's dark eyes were opened wide, but there was no recognition in their gaze-only a vacant stare. She lay quite still for some time, then the little head, with roll from side to side upon the pilw, and she attered her queer little of pain. It was hardly a human cry all. It was like the mounting of some dumb animal, and each sound cut the mother's beart like a knife-stab.

The woman bowed her head in her lands and a guiver ran through her rame. Then the strange cry rang out ouder than before, and, as with a sudden inspiration, she began the lullaby that Baby loved so well:

Si-r-e-p, Baby, sleep. Thy fu-ther watches his sheep she faltered in a low, trembling volcet Thy moth-er is sh-a-king The dream-land tree And down fail I tile dreams on thee-

Sl-c-ep Baby, sl-c-ep! "Sleep, Baby, sleep," she began, out the words ended in a sob. One can keep from weeping if one is silent, but the voice opens the floodgates of tears, and the woman had not wept be-

Was it her fancy that Baby seemed a litte quieter? She could not trust her voice again, but she went to the open piano and with her fingers she drew forth the melody which her aching throat refused to make. Softly over and again she played the sweet little air, looking back over shoulder at Baby all the while. The moaning grew fainter and the carly head turned less uneasily. The mother's fingers grew tired and stiff, still she played on and on while the nurse dozed in her

At last the nurse's head nodded so abruptly that it seemed as through her neck must have been broken, and she woke with a start. She bent over the 'crib. Baby was sleeping naturally, and there were little eads of perspiration on her white

chair.

fore each. The nurse beckened with her finger for the mother to come nearer, but the mother's trembling limbs refused to act, and she crouched with hands half raised as, if to ward off a blow. "Don't tell me," she faltered, I cannot -bear -it-vet. "But see," whispered the nurse, "it

is not as you fear. The fever is broken and your baby will live. MARIE MOORE MARSE.

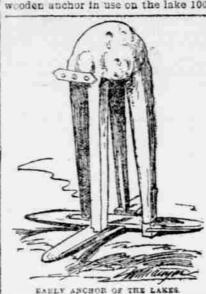
Oil on Water.

Mrs. Veriknu-Ob, I bought a eautiful ocean landscape to-day. Mrs. Bornso-Is it an oil or water Mrs. V - Water color, of course Didn't I say it was an ocean land

scape. - Detroit Free Press. THERE is more fabulous wealth than there is of any other kind. Cranes, storks and wild geese fly fas enough to make the trip from orth-ern hurope to Africa na week, but most of them rest north of the Mediter

RELIC OF EARLY NAVIGATION.

Bottom of Green Bay. One of the many curious exhibits at of the State Building on the which will be shown in the Transpor-Fair grounds, Chicago, which when tation Department of the World's the Exposition is over with will be Fair, and one which will be of interset up permanently in the city of est to lake captains, will be an old Columbus. The monument is 31 feet wooden unchor in use on the lake 100



ears ago. It is a primitive contrivince, and has been secured for exhibition by Chief Smith through the State Historical Society of Wisconsin. This old anchor was taken from the bottom of Green Bay, Wisconsin, four years ago. It is a curious contrivance, and was not uncommon on trading vessels on the upper great lakes in 1792. The anchor is about five feet across from tip to tip of the fluxes, and about four feet high. It

Sheridan, Garffeld, Chase and Stan is regarded as a picturesque relic of early navigation. Three of the legs are a part of the stump which forms the head. The fourth leg, in front, is movable, and is secured by an fron bar as shown in the picture. This was moved outward in order to fill Every one seemed to know that the the basket with stones and then pushed back into place and natled in

ngulu.

It is proposed by a special agent f the United States Fish Commission, who is in charge of the angling exhibit at the World's Fair, that the three-hundredth anniversary of the boy, who liked always to deliver the glish-speaking persons piscatorially devoted admirers—who came on tiptoe agent thinks that the celebration tournament which should be an exbibition of skill in casting artificial flies and bait. The commissioner ily worse from day to day, and th re desires also to have erected a memo-At first she had noticed the flowers | ton and Wotton's house on the River

Izank Walton was one of gentle souls much heard of and alluded to, an author of books on she sauk into a stupor, tossing rest- angling that have great celebrity and few readers. Izaak lived to a green old age. He was just 90 when he took the balt dropped by death and was landed in the Elyslan fields. His life was gentle and contemplative, but he himself said nothing so much in praise of fishing as his friend Str Henry Wotton, whom he quotes "a most dear lover and frequent practicer of the art of angling, of which Occasionally a clinker or a bit of he would say, "Twas an emwas then not idly spent, a rest to his mind, a cheerer to his spirits, a diverter of sadness, a calmer of unquiet thoughts, a moderator of passions, a procurer of contentedness;' and 'that it hegat habits of neace and patience in those that professed and practiced

It is the lover of old books rather than the lover of the fishing rod who knows Izaak Walton, and precise knowledge of his fame is confined, therefore, to a small number of English readers. The fisherman to day would care very little about his advice concerning the manner in which bait should be attached to the hook, as witness: "Thus use your frog: Put your hook-I mean the arming wire -through his mouth and out at his gills, and then with a fine needle and silk sew the upper part of his leg with only one stitch to the arming wire of your hook, or tie the frog's leg above the upper joint to the armed wire, and in so doing use him as though you loved him.

We don't fish that way nowadays, and when we do impale a frog, as is sometimes done, we don't talk of handling him as if we loved him. This is a practical age.

Let us admit that Walton was "as excellent angler and is now with God." The words are his own. But if we are to celebrate at a World's Fair the memory of a fisherman who is known throughout Christianity, not to the readers of English litera ture alone but wherever the gospels are disseminated, perhaps it be well that we take up St. Peter. who had a double office-to spread his nets for the tenants of the deep, and, by the commission of the Savior, a fisher of meu-

REV. THOMAS DIXON, JR., the Bapcist sharpshooter of New York who paid \$155 recently for thirty-one robins that he shot out of season on Staten Island, reaped the recompense of his reward for being a brute. is gratifying to be sure that there is at least one place in the country where justice deals alike over game aws violated, and the Staten Island Squire who was not afraid of his f the \$155 fine, even if the law does iot allow it.

CHICAGO will do the right thing by sisitors. In any event the men who find the hotels full have a right to go cab, or better still, one of our own elsewhere and do the same thing american horse cars. themselves.

The Deficiency.

He-Sorry to have kept you waitng but my watch was wrong. I shall never have faith in it again. She-It's not faith you need but vorks. - Life.

Stella-I felt like a fool standing there at the counter waiting for my change. Clara-So did L standing there with you

HOW HINDOO GIRLS WED.

THE SMALLER THE BUIDE TES MORE ELABORATE AND INTERESTING THE CEREMONY.

the extreme. Whether the outlay of strength and rupees that such an event mours has anything to do with the tenacions prohibition of a second marriage for the gentler sex, bas never been explained, but as the Hindoos In the first place, with them to

born to the poor Banian he helps them out of the world by the simple and negative method of not giving them food. One man scimitted, quite as a matter of course, having followed this up through a long succession of some twenty girl babies.
But it the baby's papa has a financia:

osition that admits of her growing up and is a Bombay Hindoo (that is, with no prejudice against Europeans), you perhaps be bidden to one of those age when our children are playing with dolls. In that case, allowing for variations in individual taste, you will pitiable sight. Here hands and cloth find the affair something in this At about six in the afternoon, when

the air has a trifle more life, and that thing they call prickly heat is a degree less aggressive, you make your way to the house of the bride's father. Out- running fight. side the door your notice is first ettracted by many rows of shoes that may be a delicate attention that the gods cannot belp wondering how on earth any one ever knows his own pair again. The drawing room into which you are ushered is in tawdry imitation of a French hotel. There are gay rugs everywhere and the furniture, which is exceedingly ornate, is covered with bright crimson sa in. By this kind y provision of chairs, however, one is enabled to sit "a la Anglais." On entering, the head of the house

or squatting Hindoos follow his examfatigably in return, but always with your right hand, else the company will thirk your manners exceedingly funny, and what is more prove it oy laughing. The bride and bridegroom move about informally, sceaking to acquaintances. The groom shares with his Western brother the para exical tant. He is noticeable only for a high and have succeeded very well. I extorban studded with a priceless number of uncut gems, that make it loos neither comfortable nor brill sut. The bride, on the contrary, is rather charm-Her costume consists merely of a tight fitting vellow India silk bodice, loosely at out her supple body, and one end thrown over the hair. She is further ornamented by earrings, finger rings a nose ring and langles-that reach to the shoulder; on her pretty ankles are the heavy anklet chains that clink when she steps. Altogether she would be a lovely and picturesque little object if she were only playing in tableaux instead of

pitual real life. But all interest in her is immediately sunfied out on the arrival of the Nautch girls. They are two or more hired dancers, whose performance appears to be the most welcome and wonderful feature of the en ire occasion. dress they are not unlike our own ballet girl, wearing from lifteen to twenty gauze skirts; the longest of these reaches to the feet and the others are graduated to within half a yard of the waist. Their so-called dance is strange and weird, and after the first fifteen minutes remarkably uninteresting. It is made up of a series of impossible poses, in parts so slow as to reminone of the last twitches of a mechanical toy when it is nearly run down. A-an Indian ballad has it-

They posture, bob, whirtling, weighle like cels, An all the time shuffle about on their heels, Keeping time to the pipers and tom-tomners straits.

With the clink of their anklets of resonant

When this has gone on until you are exhausted and the rest of the audience is reduced to a state of entranced breathlessness the really sacred part of be rites begins.

An adjournment is made to an oute. room with an earthen floor, in the centre of which a bright fire is burning. Around this, in the presence of many witnesses, the young couple promenade solemnly seven times, carefully clasping each other's right hand. By one of the oldest customs ever kept they must go always toward the right, because it is a festive occasion; should a mistake be made and a turn to the left be taken, the direst misfortune and sorrow would be the result anticipated. In the meantime a priest, the dirt of whose once white garments is supposed to add to his holiness, goes about ma jestically, muttering a lot of mystical

Finally this atso is gotten through with, and the coolies enter bearing a bowl of richly buttered rice. The groom then, as a sacred duty feeds his wife. holding the oily mixture out to her in his palm; afterwards he partakes him self and does the proper thing in wiping his greasy month on the silken gown of his mother-in-law-which last goes to prove that human nature and the position of that unfortunate lady are pretty much the same the world

Later, when the feasting begins, squire who was not afraid of his separate table covered with English lain duty deserves the whole amount delicacies is set for the Christians present. Although your invitation means staying until 3 in the morning, after supper the ordinary individual is glad to say good night in his best Hindustanee and make his way homeward in a

> A Different sutt Each Day. Wagg-Well, for my part, I like to see a man well dressed. Now I never wear the same suit twice.

Wooden-Why, pardon me, but the suit you're wearing now is the same one I saw you in a year ago and every

"I tell you it's a different suit every day. "Well, how do you make it out?" "It's a ways older."

VISITED THE PETRIFIED FOREST

Republican.

The Wonderful Sights Witnessed by an Adventurous Eastern Clergymen, Rev. Dr. H. C. Hovey of Middle ton, Conn., has just returned from a visit to the petrifled forest in Arizo-In this country, where the march | na. Speaking of his experiences to a rom "Lokengrin," a white silk frock | Kansas City Times man, he suid: and a few unintelligible responses "When I arrived within about fifty make an elaborate wedding, the bare miles of the spot where this wonder dea of a small twelve year old girl was said to be, I discovered that my requiring nine hours to bind herself to only way to reach it was to leave the grains. the man of her choice seems absurd in railroad right there and take horse across the sandy, arid plains, as for some reason the railroad will disem back no travelers near the forest After covering a part of the distance I found a place where my horse could are a practical people and an avari-crous people, it does not appear un-stream of liquid mud 500 feet in stream of liquid mud 500 feet in breadth and of unknown and un- that can be folded up to go in a trunk fathomed depth. 1 finally found a he a woman and unmarried is little spot where I could cross on driftwood of the dwellers along the African short of a crime, yet to marry, obvi- until I reached a point about ten feet | coasts. ously, one must have money. As an from the farther shore. There was a outcome of this, when daughters are house near by at which, I was surprised to find, there lived a nephew of the celebrated Albert Barnes, who wrote the best commentary extant on the New Testament. Although he was ill abed he did all he could to assist me on my way. His wife volunin a distant pasture. After she had been gone an hour we became very greatly puzzled to know the reason for her long absence. I was proshigh functions that come for her at an trated with fatigue and could not walk out to look after her. After three hours had past she returned a

the club she carried. The dog that accompanied her was in a dying condition from the attack of welves. which they had beaten off after a long "I left next day for the forest an was successful in finding it. The the guests within have taken off out of wooderful beauties of that place have respect to the household gods. This never been told. It was all strewn with the strong limbs of that once refuse to get along without, but you green forest. Here silence reigned and all was as a sepulcher of the dead. Some great earthquake had rended the trees from their places after they were turned to stone and the fragments lay heaped in grand ruins all about the ground. It was once a waving green forest of great extent, and here were such varuable stones as agate, onals, chalcedony, carnelian, beryl, onyx, and many others in the comes forward to greet you with a greatest profusion. They glittered profound salaam, then all the standing where the great limbs were broken in twain and strewed the ground on all p'e, and it is your duty to salsam inde- sides. I gathered fifty pounds of the most beautiful specimens, obtaining a few rubles and samphires. I took all I could carry, and it was only after the most strenuous efforts that I could get the railroad men to let me carry them away. For some reason they have adopted these plans to keep

ing were torn and there was blood or

## pressed the stones to my home and will soon follow them."

A Millingry Complication. It was her new bat: there wasn't any doubt about it, for she wore it with with yards of the same material swathed | that | peculiar self-conscious | manner that always goes with the first appearance of a bit of feminine flummery, while the occasional glances that she cast at her reflection in the shop windows were those of admiring

pride. And being a new hat it bore the latest idiocy in millinery-those long strips of vari-colored ribbon that hang limply down the back of the wearer and rejoice in the name of

"streamers." They were fully four feet in length, and they snapped and cracked in the Broadway breezes like the penant of a frigate of the line

Down the street came that eminent Thespian, Mr. Otis Skinger. He was in a reflective mood, was Mr. Skinner, and he wore an expression akin to that which is only witnessed upon the lithographs of popular price tragedians. As the fair one of the beribboned hat passed him a lively gust of wind whirled the especially where it flows through streamers toward the player and lassoed him in a way that would have An American traveler states that its done credit to the cleverest lariat bue is rather yellow.

swinger in Texas. One strand wrapped itself heatly ish tile. The damsel turned pluk and dropped her purse and parasol.

Then she dived for them with a suddenness that snapped the cogitative actor's hat into a neighboring | cent, and the native born seventy-eight rear off of her own. It took exactly two minutes to disentangle things. and when the player was finally rebroken up girls in this town bolted and they only work for enough to enable into a horse car and indulged in a cupcon of hysteria.

Add when Mr. Skinner gazes upon remarks upon the subject of streamers are short, sharp, and decisive .-New York Commercial-Advertiser.

The common balsam has a most singular method of disseminating its seeds. When they are ripe and prepared for germination the seed pod explodes with the slightest touch, and the seeds are scattered in every direction with such force as to care them a distance of twenty or thin has invited the men who frequent the feet. Plants have many curious methods of scattering their seeds, but there is none stranger than the vegetable artillery represented by the alsam -Globe-Democrat.

### Medical beisure. A physician in New York city is

now using an attachmen to the stethoscope by which, he claims, he can establish the outline of the heart so accurately that it would be possible with certainty to thrust a pin through the patient's chest to a point within a hair's breadth of the heart without touching the latter.

An Artist with Horse Yence. Friend-What on earth are you do

ing to that picture? Great Artist-I am rubbing a piece of raw meat over this rabbit in the foreground. Mrs. De Shoddie will be ere this afternoon, and when she sees her pet dog smell of that rabbit she'll buy it. - New York Weekly.

Paper flowers are in demand.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

-The original plu was a dish bone. -Meh mmed begen the Koran at

-The petrary was a m disval cata

-Plate armor was used from 1410 t.

histy-five.

- Rice is the least nitr genous of all

-The standard Roman sword was

twenty-two inches long. -A penny was recently found imbedded in the heart of a peach.

-Viltary hammers were first commonly used in the Tenth Century. -A new folding baby carriage is one

-Dallas, Texas, didn't have any nequitoes until the railroad was built through It.

-The shark is worshiped by some

-It is asserted that mosquitoes can te driven away by evaporating gumcamphor in the room.

-At the siege of Sancerre, 1672, the teered to go out and get me a horse Huguenots, to economize their power, used slings and blows.

-An English company is being or panized for the acclimatization of lephants in South America.

-Homer says the Greek bow was used by placing one end on the ground o secure steadines; of aim. -The shield of Charles V. was in

aid with gold and contained over 600 figures engraved on its face. -The soil of Hayti is said to be very fertile. Corn is easily grown and three crops can be raised annually.

-There is some curlosity to know whence came the shower of dead fi es hat recently fell at Mount Joy, Penn. -The lesso is an invention of the outh American Indians and was in se when the country was discovered by Spaniards.

-A corn stalk bearing several ears. eventeen feet high, is the tallest prouct from the Chino Runch, at Pomono, Cal., last season. - 1 Detroit lady, over 70 years of age

has a head of hair which turned from white to a j-t black-the color it was 'n her girihood. -Both oranges and lemons are packed : nripe - the latter when quite

reen and the former when just turning from green to yellow. -A squash weighing 283 pounds was recenily displayed by a farmer at Pomona, Cal. It is four feet in dlame-

-One million three hundred thousand pounds' worth of tickles and sauces are exported from England other countries yearly. -Porphyry boulders, which greati

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olor, are to be found in the Casoade Mountains east of Roseburg, Oregon. -The peach is of Persian origin and he apricat is Syrian. The former fruit is mentioned by classical writers as early as 200 B. C., but the latter not

esemble watermelons in siz-, shape and

resent Surz Canal was projected by Necho, an Egyptian king, about 600 B. The two seas were actually united 270 B. C -the greatest number of deaths from earth quicke shock was at Yeddo, Japin, in 1703, when 100,000 people, it

-The first canal on the line of the

s stimuted, lost their lives in the terrible seismto upheava'. -The fifth in Russia, outside of the large cities, is simply barbarous. There is not one village in a thousand which pays the sl glitest attention to ordinary

sanitary precautions.

-Dr. C. P. Carver, of St Augustine, Fig. was the oldest house in America. and lives in it too. According to deeds in his possession his Florida house was tult in 1560 by a Frenchman. -The 'Beautiful Blue Danube.

Vienna, is not at all romantic looking.

-A c rlous grewsome sight can be One strand wrapped itself neatly seen in the window of a shop on Walabout Mr. Skinner's neck, while the nut street, Philadelphia. It is the second coiled around his glossy Brit- skeleton of a full-grown man seated in an arm chair, his pose being one of uxurious ea-e. -The men in the Union A my of for

doorway and nearly wrenched the percent, of every one hundred who went forth to the reld of battle. -The soil of Hayti is so fertile that thre crops are often raised in a year leased from his unexpected bondage The natives, however, are too indolen' one of the worst rattled and generally to avail themselves of these advantages,

eign birth numbered twenty-two per

hem to live. -Cockscombs are considered a great delicacy by the French, who use them the ruin of his stately headgear his in their famous sauce a la financiere, for entrees, and especially for garnishes. They are considered a dainty tidbit 'ipped in butter and fried.

> -There was exhibited at Berlin, Germany, recently a set of false teeth made out of paper which a dentist had contrived for a patient thirteen years before and which after constant use during that time were in excellent con--A clergyman in Oxford, England,

river on Sundays 'o come to church in their boating flannels. Hitherto such costumes had been frowned upon and he boatmen had not gone to church. -There is in China a secret society called the "Triad." It is a capital crime to belong to it, yet it has more

than thirty millions of members. Its

object is to overthrow the present dyn--The term "tabby cat" is derived com Atab, a famous street in Bagdad chabited by the manufacturers of silken stuff called atibl or tiffety. This stuff is woven with waved markings of watered silk resembling a "tabby" cat's

-Gutta percha was first introduced in o Europe from Malaga in 1842. The annual consumption now amounts to 4 000,000 pounds, and the East Indian trees which supply the demand are dimi: ishing at an alarming rate. The milk tree grows in South Africa. The say from it is a good substitute for

"nilk. There is a man resident in Yorkshire reported to be wearing shoes sixteen inches in length,