Zait upon my ox team, calm. ath the lasy sky, And crawl contented through the land And let the world go by. The thoughtful ox has learned to wait And nervous impulse smother. And ponder long before he puts

One foot before the other. And men with spanking teams pass by And dash upon their way, As if it were their hope to find

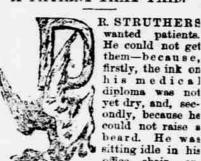
The world's end in a day, And men dash by in palace cars, On me dark frowns they cast, a the lightning-driven Present frowns Upon the slow old Past.

What do they chase, these men of steam Their smoke-flags wide unfurled, Pulled by the roaring fire-fload That shakes the reeling world? What do you seek, ye men of steam, So wild and mad you prese? Is this, is this the railroad line

That leads to happiness? And when you've swept across the day And dashed across the night. Is there some station through the hill Where men can find delight? Ah, toward the Depot of Content Where no red signals stream, I go by ox-team just as quick As you can go by steam.

-Sam Walter Foss, in Yankee Blade

A PATIENT THAT PAID.



his medical diploma was not yet dry, and, secsitting idle in his descring to conjure up some means of increasing his income. He thought of starting a medical institute and of

town was retrograding, and he dismissed it angrily from his mind. Two patients were the extent of his practice. One of them would die soen, and the other was nearly well. The income from them was hardly sufficient to pay his rent. The last two letters from his father, inclosing much needed checks, had been very curt. One of

enough now to have an income of your In fact, young Dr. Struthers was at his wits' end. He was not the man to worry over anything, however. There would be a way out; he was sure of that. He lighted a eigar, puffed at it a time, walke lover to a mirror and

looked at himself. "I'm not bad looking. I'm dresses well enough. But I'm so deuced young they won't put any confidence in me. have half a notion to go to my friend Soutley of the Academy Company, have him make me up, put some lines in my face, so I would look about thirty-five. Then I'd require a brass-buttoned lackey to receive the patients. If I only capture one millionaire dyspeptic, one over-worked capitalist and one aged dowager with the heart

disease-um-um-I'd risk the rest. "Well, there's nothing to do but to wait for them," he said, sitting down again. "I sometimes feel like hiring anvaseer to solicit patients. handsome, capable young doctor, careful attention given to gout and dyspep sia; mild medicines used.' That doepn't sound badly. Hump! Medical dignity prevents it, though. I must sit here patiently and trust to that little nickelplated sign to do the rest."

At that moment a carriage drove up in front of the house. The footman alighted and opened the door for a handsome young woman to step down upon the stones. She gave the footman a signal, he climbed upon the box and the carriage wheeled about and

She rang the bell and called for Dr Struthers. The doctor heard her call and it gave him time to make a pass a his hair with a brush, to tidy up hi clothes a bit and to mutter : "Here's a patient at last .- I hope.

"Are you Dr. Struthers?" she asked. standing in the doorway, a picture of loveliness and stylish clothes.

"Yes, I am. Will you come in and be seated? She sat down listlessly in the chair provided for her, uttering a despairing

little sigh as she did so. Dr. Struthers mustered all of his dignity, self possession and wisdom. As he looked at her for a moment before she spoke, he wondered if she could be ill at all, she was apparently

so rosy cheeked and healthy. "You see, doctor," she said, "heart disease is hereditary in the Tyler family and -- and I've got it." This with another despairing little sight. Heart disease? Fortunes had been

made out of heart disease. The doctor took hope, "Yes," he said, slowly, waiting for

her to go on. "You see Skuyler said it was all my

imagination," she continued between gasps for breath. 'They said I thought I had it when I hadn't it." There was the suggestion of a pout on her pretty "Very presuming of them, I am sure,"

interposed Struthers. She liked him for his sympathy and she became more confidential.

"I know I have it. Why, when I go np stairs it heats so fast and I can't get my breath just the way poor dear mamma said her own did." She reached for her handkerchief and wiped away two small tears with it. "Papa-I beg your pardon for not telling you before, pape is Mr. Cortland Tyler-pana says it's all nonsense just because Dr. Skuyler says so. If Dr. Skuyler told papa he was going to die to-morrow papa would believe it, She stopped and blushed, astonished at herself. "Oh! I've got the heart disease, so I came to a new doctor who would know that I

shall be able to tell you in a moment," the young physician said sagely. He ceived her. There is really no organic moved his chair over to her side and trouble with her heart. I am curing months was entirely cured.—Reading bent his head down so that his ear would be directly over the heart of his sense I am earning my pay. As to the beautiful patient. A little thrill passed others of her 'set' they are all conval through Miss Tyler's heart and made it escing through the use of plain medibent faster as she felt his head touch her cost and looked upon his handsome stock of light hair. A young doctor Dr. Skuyler, who charges \$10 a conwas much nicer than an old one she sultation for hoodwinking his pathought. He listened to the pit-pats tienta" for a moment, and found that the bests were perfectly regular, but were faster

When he raised his head Dr. Strathers looked serious and a little alarmed.

'What is the matter? Tell me! Don't keep me in suspense!"

"I trust you are a brave woman-"I knew it! I knew it!" she cried. From have a very serious heart the present prescription she will soon thirty-six years. During last year, is alck as her sickness affects his combon have patience, courage, and will be well, and that she need see me only years for both sexes.

follow my instructions you can be occasionally—yes, I can't forbear occasionally. Then if she really thought ! "Do you think so, doctor?" rere tears and an appeal in her eyes.

"Tell me what I shall do. I'll de

ust as you say. I -I don't want to die."

"I'll not let you," he said, encourag-ingly, reaching over to his table for a There was nothing organically the Matter with Miss Tyler's heart. It undoubtedly did palpitate rapidly at times when Miss Tyler took over exercise. But this was due to poor digestion caused by overeating-sorry but true

The acctor wrote out some hiero glyphics on his blank, which intergood to take.
"Now if you will take this to your

druggist, Miss Tyler, and follow directions on the label." "Yes. And what am I to do to show that I am courageous?" she asked anx-

"I would like you to get a pair of lumb bells." "But that would make my heart beat, loctor.

"Use them very moderately each day, increasing as you find you can. Also diet yourself." "And Dr. Struthers, you don't think that—that—" she said as she arose to go, looking into his eyes appealingly.

"Be cheerful, do not get downbearted. Come and see me every day. I am sure I can cure you. I am also very glad that you came so soon. Defirstly, the ink on lay would have been dangerous." "Do you know I think young doctors"-she was standing by with her hand on the knob by this time

ondly, because he -"are better than old doctors. They are just through studying, and they are beard. He was letter informed about to beard. He was I am going to send a lot of 'our set' to

When she realized what she had said she blushed. The doctor felt like playing leapfrog

in a chair, clapped his hands upon his the millionaire's side in a moment. He knees loudly and repeatedly, and gave asked a few questions of Mr. Tyler,

"At last! At last!" he muttered. them had said: "It seems you are old Then he ran to the window, and as expected it, and perfectly understood he watched the receding carriage passing along toward Fifth avenue he cried that "yes" so well that he asked

> grace—you're my savior. You'll send he considered the answer was to mean your 'set' to me—and I'll take care of life or death for her. The doctor told your dyspeptic dowagers and your gouty millionaires. Jove, I'm as good as in a paying practice already. Six months from now I'll bring pater down to the city and take him out to ride in the

> Extremes meet. The smoker tugs viciously at many cigars both when in tried to rend the evening paper and trouble or desperation and when in made a failure of it, while Dr. good prospects of joy. Dr. Struthers Struthers was shown up stairs to see made a furnace of himself that after- the patient by the servant, who had renoon. He thought of his fair patient sumed the normal state of her indifand contemplated a more luxurious ference and the turn up of her nose. office nearer Fifth avenue, because he had nothing better to do.

Now Mr Cortland Tyler was an uncommonly practical and shrewd man in his business affairs and a sentimental and devoted man in his private af-Clara as any worthy descendent of the good old Dutchmen of Sir Peter Stuyvesant's time would a beautiful and afectionate girl who was his only kin. But Mr. Cortland Tyler had very little nonsense about him even in private ife, and when poor oid Dr. Skuyler told him that his daughter's heart

lisease was impointation he was indined to believe it. As to the new doctor, Struthers, Mr. Tyler disapproved of him, and at first rbade her to see him ngain. Miss lars knew her father pretty well (that vas why she had so many luxuries and mickknacks), and she suggested that ossibly Dr. Skuyler was not infallible. though an excellent physician shdmitted, and that, perhaps, if she did ere heart disease the new physician night be the means of saving her life. Her father was powerless against such rguments as these. The thought of

eaving him as his devoted wife had one, made him shudder. When he iscovered that after two weeks of Dr. truther's treatment that Clara was ertainly none the worse off, and an arently better, he was quite won over.

Miss Tyler did send some of her 'set" to the handsome and learned roung doctor with good results. Dr struther's practice began to be a pracice. Colonel Torrence, whose gout ad been going on for years from bad here was improvement. Mrs. Arthurs ooked at the young man sharply brough her lorgnettes, and confesse openly that, although she detested lieting, she had not been so comfortable

or years. Prosperity, however, had brought peace of mind to Struthers. His new cases were no worrying him or puzzling his medical resources except one particular casethe first one, the author of his good inancial fortune and that was an af sir of the heart. It was at the end o the fifth week of his treatment of his air patient that he stood, his hands in his pockets, looking into his mirror. The doctor had a way of looking into his mirror when he wished to be perectly frank and honest with himself erhaps he was a little vain. The doctor had to face a fact this

norning-namely, he was deep in love with Miss Tyler. He had sense enough o know that, although he was of good New England family from a good New England town, he could searcely presume to an alliance with a Tyler of New York for years and years. Be sides, he had only met the young woman processionally, and he was as I didn't mean to say that, but I'm sure sured by the confidence she placed in him that she regarded him highly in

that light. "But, but"-he looked at himse closely in the glass to see whether he was really a fraud or not-"I have deher of the palpitations, and in that much of a fraud as that venerable old

Dr. Struthers was an impulsive man and his impulses were often good ones. He had made up his mind that he had not been treating Miss Tyley justly, and having reached this conclusion he proceeded to right matters so much as

"There's but one thing to do and that is to write to her," he said. "That I will do, telling her that if she continues

was—well, was proper form—she would invite me to call. If she only would." The doctor ran his hands deeper into his pockets and looked ravenously at the figure in the carpet in contemplation of that joyful state of affairs. seized a pen and started at least five different notes, taking four times five minutes before he reached anything like the expression he wished to use.

The note completed at last, so that i partly suited him, was quickly borns to the residence of Mr. Cortland Tyler, where a maid carried it up to the room of Miss Tyler, who was the only repre accusation against so pretty a woman and ennui and lack of regular occupasentative of the family at home. This young woman was lying on her couch thinking—thinking of Dr. Struthers. She had greatly enjoyed her morning preted meant plain pepsin compound calls, and her heart itself sincerely with some ingredient which made it trusted that it would not mend to rapidly.

To come to the point at once, she was in love with him. The servant handed Miss Clara the note just at the moment she was wondering if it were possible he could care anything for her. She opened the note, read it and gave a little scream.

To this day it is a question whether or not Miss Tyler actually fainted. If s certain that she came very near it It is also certain that had not Mr. Tyler arrived at that moment the befuddled servant, would have been as liable to have rushed into the street and cried "fire!" as to have done any thing else. As it was Mr. Tyler was very much frightened when he saw his daughter gasping for breath. By the tonishment sufficiently to begin to consider whether to send for Dr. Struthers or Dr. Skuyler her woman's diplomacy and intuition had returned sufficiently for her to say:

"Don't be frightened, father. not so bad as it formerly was. didn't want you to know it."

That settled it. Mr. Tyler at one umped into his carriage and drove as fast as he could to Dr. Struthers's office, where the young physician had been indulging in the postime of calling inventing a patent medicine, but he had no capital. To remove to a smaller was as young as he looked in many respects. He contained himself, not messenger boy's hands. On learning withstanding, and bowed her out very what Mr. Tyler had to say, he seize his medicine case and hat, jumped into After she has gone he threw himself his overcoat, and was in the carriage at vent to a low whistle to express his de- which were answered to the extent of Mr. Tyler's knowledge, and to which he said "Yes," quietly, as if he had the situation. The old gentleman liked whether his daughter was dangerously "Goodby, thou angel of mercy, of ill or not in a tone that plainly showed him that there was no danger, and without doubt she would be entirely ecovered within three months. "I thank you, sir," said the father

n a trembling voice. When they arrived at the house Mr. Ivler sat down before the grate and The physician prescribed, and then somehow or other, he came to take

both of her hands within his own and sook into ter eyes intently while he "Yes, yes. Of course I came. I "And I of you."

Hope sprang again into the young octor's breast. "May I-may I some day-" He tumbled a little, but she helped him ut with "Yes."

There was silence for a moment. "Doctor, don't you think my heart nearly well?" "I hope it hasn't had a setback to

dear. But your father?" His ountenance darkened. "I'll attend to him. When I am ared, as you saved my life, he should e willing to give me over to my reuer."-New York Press,

COMMON DANGERS TO THE EYES

An eminent oculist declares that

fatiguing sort. For this reason, the grand human figure. The little one, with the keyboard similar to that pos- a large Lacard on the base of the with the keyboard of his instrument,

the keys as little as possible. While the injury that may result writist who is not sure of her fingers serious as that resulting from the practice indulged in by many in these days of railroad travel of persistent reading on trains. This practice is most trying on those delicate muscles that regulate the shape of the eyes lenses and so affect the focalization of the organ. The danger is greatwhose ballasting is imperfect and whose rails are roughly laid, producing much jarring and consequent rapid changing of the distance be

tween the eyes and the paper. In some cases the eyes of a victim ford a perfect cure.

In the case of a person who su'fered tortures for two or three years from eye disorder due to train read ing, neither rest nor professional skill availed until by accident the yellow window shades in the of fice in which he was employed were removed, when he was able at

Times

Charcoal is valuable as fuel, but has other uses which make it one of the most serviceable of articles. When laid flat, while cool, on a burn, it causes the pain to abate; by leaving it on for an hour the burn seems healed when the wound is superficial. Tainted Strewn over heaps of decomposed pelts, or over dead animals, charcoal prevents unpleasant odors. Foul water

wenty-two years it is computed that grous in Canada. the average life of women in France has been thirty-eight years and men

A DETROIT BUILDER. TELLS A REMARKABLE STORY

ame to Detroit About Forty Years Age PEAL RESELS BELANTERCO MODIES SENIOR MOITBETTA

(From the Detroit Evening News.) Away out Gratlet avenue, far from the di and turmoll of the business centre, there are any attractive homes. The intersecting rects are wide, clean and shaded by large eaf-covered trees, and the people you men are typical of industry, economy and house toll. There are many pretty residences, be sone more inviting in its neatness and hom like comfort than that of Mr. Levi Eleey, the veli-known builder an I contractor, at 71 Moran street, just of Gratiot. Mr. Elsey is an old resident of Detroit, having moral here about forty years ago. II , 121 erectal | 14 9 hundreds of houses in different puris o' the city, and points with pride to sur't builting as the Newberry & McMullan and Campter blocks, in which he displayed his ability as a

"I have seen Datro't grow from a village to a city," he observed yesterd if in conversation with the writer, "and I don't thin't there are many towns in America to-lay equal to it in point of beauty. I knowalmed everybody in the city, an I an inci lent wile's recently sappened in my life has intereste. "It is now about eight years ago sines was stricken down with my first case of it's ness. One cold, biestering day I was do r

town and through my natural carelessa wi at that time I permitted myself to get chilled right through. When I arrived ho me these right through. When I arrivel ho me the evening I felt a ser ous pain in my left less. I bathed it that night, but by morning I found it that night, but by morning I found it had grown worse. In fact it was so serious that I sent for my family physician, and he informed me that I was suffering from varieous rains. My leg awelled up to double its material same and the pain increase in volume. The agony was simply awful. I was laid up and never left my bed for eight weeks. At times I felt as though I woul grow frantie with pain. My leg was beninged and was propped up in the bed at an angle of thirty degrees, in order to keep the blood from flowing to my extremities.

"I had several doctors atten ling me, but I believe my own judgment believe me but a but I believe my own judgment believe me months could move aroun!, still I was on the sick list and had to doctor myself for years,

that and had to doctor myself for years, was never really cured and suffered an amount of anguish. "About two years ago I noticed an artic"

"About two years ago I noticed an artic" in the Econing Notes about my friend, H Northrup, the Woodward awants mercann. In an interview with him he stated that I had used Dr. Williams' Pink Polls for Pa People and that they cured him. I knew his very well, having built his house out Wood ward Ave., and I thought I would follow a suggestion. I must confess I did so will maryelous success. From the time I beget to take the Pink Pills I left myself growing to be a new man. They acted on me like a magical atimulant. The pain departed an I soon was as strong and bealthy as ever Before trying the Pink Puls I had used any amount of other medicans without any noticeably benefit. But the Pills cured me an I was myself again.

was myself again.

"When a person finds himself relieved an injoying health he is apt to expose himself. again to another attack of illness. Som three months ago I stopped taking the P.u.z Pills, and from the day I did so I notice that change in my condition. A short time since I renewed my habit of taking them with the I renewed my habit of taking them with this same beneficial results which met me formerly. I amagain nearly as strong as ever akhough I am a man about fifty-six years of age. I tell you, sir, the Pink Pille are a most wonderful medicine, and if they do as well in other cases as they did in mine they are the best in the world. I freely recommend them to any antiscor.

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densed form, all the elements necessary to give new file and richness to the blood and estore shattered nerves. They are an un-alling specific for such diseases as locomotor a, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, ca, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous sobe, the after effect of la grippe, paltection of the heart, pale and sallow com-lexions, all forms of weakness, either in olexions, all forms of weakness, chart in notice or female. Pink Pills are sold by all lealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price (50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50—they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine lo., Schenectady, N. Y.

"Hands Off."

A very charming and witty widow esiding in Washington gave her little daughter a mythological primer several years ago, and the child immediately became intensely interest. ed in the romantic stories of the gods and goddesses. Long after she had exhausted the primer she was appetite for incidents, which happened in the Elyslum fields and hereabouts, satisfied. One day her mother thought it would be a good dea to take her heart's delight over to the Corcoran gallery and show her the statuary and casts and other works which have the heroes of mythology for their subjects.

While pursuing the pleasant purpose the pair came upon the Torso typewriting has an injurious effect on reclining legless and armless upon its massive pedestal. The mother was The operator is obliged to glance stumped to explain to her daughter ncessantly back and forth from the what was the scarred and broken keyboard to the shorthand notes, and | mass of plaster signified other than this is muscular exercise of the most being the dismembered remains of a oculist says, it is desirable for type- however, quickly helped her pa ent writers to cultivate a familiarity out of her predicament. There was sessed by the accomplished planist pedestal bearing the forbidden words with the keyboard of his instrument, "Hands Off." The little miss looked so that it will be necessary to look at at what she deemed was the title of the work with an expression of scorn and the same sentiment was indito the eyes of a hard working type- cated in her inflection when she spoke. "Hands off," she remarked and her keys is not to be regarded too with a spiff of superior wisdom. lightly, it is not likely to be near as ... Hands off. I should say they was -and the foots, too!"

Biblical Origin of Slaug.

How many of the readers of the department of the Republic know that the original "kicker" in the metaphorical sense is mentioned in est, of course, on those railroads the Old Testament and that an expression used by Jesus himself is responsible for our slang phrase, What's it to you?" In the first book of Samuel, second chapter and twenty-ninth verse, "A man of God" says to Eli: "Wherefore kick ye at of the railroad reading habit are so my sacrifice and at mine offering? affected as to focus at different dis- The prototype of the second phrase tances, and then his sufferings are alluded to above is found in the anmost acute, and though much relief swer which Jesus gave l'eter, as remay be afforded by the treatment of corded in the last chapter of St John, by Professor Lancaster. He proved a skilled practitioner, nothing that a twenty-second verse: "If I will that the average speed of transmission discontinuance of the habit will af- he tarry till I come, what is that to be the shock is 16,00 feet per second. thee?"-St Louis Republic

An Oddly Shaped Parm.

Maine probably has many oddly haped farms, but the I ewiston Journal doubts if one can be found more reculiar in form than that in the east part of Dexter, formerly owned by the blone'r blacksmith, Elliah W. Sprague. This was eight rods wide and a half mile long, with the highway cutting it at right angles into unequal portions. The inconven ience of so narrow a farm, with the pasturage and woodland at one end. s obvious to any one, but in this form it has continued from the days of the for fath rs to the present time, in use as a farm all the time. meat surrounded with it is sweetened. A farm only twenty rods wide and half a mile long was in use a great many years near Farmington Falls, Dextor farm beats it by nearly twothirds for narrowness and general From statistics covering the last addity. Farms of this shape are num-

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French Electionsering.

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Aquaria For Hire. You may hire almost anything in New sen regetation and strange creatures of the deep. The aquarium is an occasional table ornament at a feast, and is usually hired for the occasion. The trade in all the things that go to make up the aquarium is a growing one in New York, and those who engage in this business here taken to themselves the title squarest. You may have of those gentle men almost any queer fish, at prices ranging from ten cents to \$10 per specimen, together with any one of tweaty, rarieties of aquatic plants. Oblicago

The spots on the sun were discov-

KING OF GRASSES.

CULTIVATING PAMPAS PLUMES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

They are Hardy and Quite Easy Grow-Work on a Pampas Plantation-An Important Industry.

ERY few of us who have see the plumes of waving pampa sold in the streets know when they are obtained. In our own ountry they are grown most extensively n Southern California where they for an important source of industry, though the pampas was originally a native of

the plains of South America. Ris mainly used for decorative pur poses now, but it is thought that son day, if it becomes cheaper, it will be used for making fine grades of paper, as t has great durability. There are a number of varieties of the

pampas grass, but the orange and the emon-colored plames are the two kinds most valued. These, growing beneath the trees of the orange and the leanon, show a most beautiful effect of color. When the industry was being de reloped great caution was displayed and an air of mystery surrounded it. An attempt was made to keep the new enter-prise in the hands of a few, who would ealize enormous profits, but in the ourse of time the question was discussed n the newspapers, and the monopolists

had to give in to the many, who wer

not slow in setting out extensive plan-

The plant has thin bayonet-shaped eaves, often not an inch in width, and in length from ten to twenty feet. They grow upward and then curve over until their sharp-pointed tip rests on the ground or on the leaves below. The plant in itself is very ornamental, and rarieties of it are occasionally seen in our gardens in the East.

When growers wish to set a new plantation they take the full grown plants from the ground and divide the roots after cutting off the tops. Then they plant the roots in rows from ten to sixteen feet apart. The plant is hardy and quite easily grown. Sometimes they are ade to occupy the whole plantation and sometimes set in between rows of walnut or orange trees. When they grow too large either the trees or the pampa grass has to be removed. It is generally he grass, but sometimes a tree will have to go to make way for a particularly fine

pampas plant. The right time to plant then is in January, and they grow so rapidly that in seven mouths they will show a few plumes. From May to August they need much irrigation and careful cultivation. and in August the plants send out long spikes, which are the plumes in embryo. t is time to cut them is succes a small bit of white begins to show on the tip. They are counted as they are cut, and strewn on the ground in piles of twenty. The cutters are paid by the thousand, and experts are sometimes able to cut 7000 a day. Each hundred cut by the aborers is registered for them on a card by the overseer.

The men who work on the plantation re mostly Mexicans, and though these ons of the Southland have the name of ossessing an indolent and rather careess nature, they show most marvelous skill and care in their work. The visitor is always charmed with their courtesy and pleasing manner.

f the plumes open on the plants they ave no commercial value whatever, as they would fall to pieces in the course of a short time. With each year in the life of the plant the plumes grow larger and fuller, and at the end of five years the plants produce a lew less in number, perhaps, but muc's larger ones than beore. The length of a plume is from eighteen to thirty-three inches. After being cut, the plumes are taken

o the huskers, who sit leisurely under the trees in the shade and peel off th outer covering of the plumes. This task is not at all difficult. The huskers are also paid by the thousand, and a good deal of rivalry exists among them. Some time ago a champiouship belt au l medal was given to a man for huskin; 39,000, and there is no disputing that his industry deserved a champion belt. if not something more substantial.

After the husking tae plunes are spread, and this requires deft handling and a great deal of skill. Fog and even light rains do not injure them, but the are never left exposed to the sun and wind. After 30,000 or 40,000 are ready to be taken in, many hands have to b employed to gather them that they may not be spoiled by too much sun. Count lers women and children, as well as a great number of men, are becages into service at these times. They pack the plumes on broad shelves in the curing houses, where they are made to acquire the silken finish which alls so much to

their beauty. When the plumes are taken out of the casing they look very flat indeed, owing to the heavy pressure to which they have been subjected, but moderate heat will course them to fluff out again and look s beautiful as ever.

The pempas is rightly called the king of grass. It finds a ready market in Europe, where it is sold to manufactorie of ornamental articles. Some of ther use at least imil a millions plumes po year, which makes a fine profit for the Oslifornia growers. They have planned. pording to a scientific journal, range in it is said, a wonderful display for the Columbian Exposition, and it seems at if their exhibit should be of great besuty, for they do not lack the material and means to make it so.

England has been the latest, with Italy, to recognize and appreciate the beauty of the pampas. In Germany they find great favor. Wash used in England as wall decorations, they are usually arranged in groups of three, which in a way represents the old By emman coats of arms adopted by the Prince of Wales, with the motte, Ich Dien (I Serve.) - American Farmer.

Camille Flammarion has arrived at the conclusion that in less than ten million years the land on our planet will be covered by water. An American, Mr. Henry, in Lon-

myon, France, has constructed a clock entirely of paper, which has run regularly for two years, with no greater variation than a minute a month. Persons whose temples are fuller bove the eyes than below, whose heads mlarge above the ears, are usually

more gifted with musical taste than those with contrary characteristics. A new kind of wire for telephone ise, having an aluminum-bronze core with a copper-bronze envelope, is being experimented with in Germany. It is said to have a low resistence and great tensile strength.

An acting model of the human heart. ith every detail, has been made by French physician. The blood can be seen coursing to and from it through artificial arteries. More than half the street railway

operated by electric power.

mileage in the United States is now

Covering a Bald Head With Frog Skin. Doctor John Ege, Reading's akingrafting specialist, who a year ago or more gained considerable notoristy by successfully transplanting skin from the forearm of a colored man to the leg of a white man, and who subsequently manufactured a dime-museum quently manufactured a dime-museum freak by planting a flowing mustache upon the upper lip of a handsome young woman, is continuing his ex-periments in that direction. The docor's latest achievement, performed with every evidence of success, is that of supplying a baldheaded man with a covering of hair that a football player might envy. The patient upon this operation was performed is Charles Mueller, of Washington, and the subject from whom the material was drawn

to cover the bare spot on the patient's head was a Mr. Gertiesu. Doctor Ege removed from the head of Gertiesu a piece of scalp 11 inches wide by 2; inches long, well covered with hair, and replanted it upon the head of Mueller. The sorenesss created by the removal of a portion of Ger-tiesu's scalp is almost healed, the doctor having so skilfully drawn the lacerated scalp together as to almost remove all evidence of its removal with the exception of two small spaces, which he purposely left with the view of further experiments. He will cover those spots with hair-covered skin taken from some animal, and upon the successful at-tachment of that transplanted animal skin upon the head of Gertiesu de-pends the fate of the future baldheaded

If the doctor be successful the baldneads will no longer be compelled to hide their baldness under the oldfashioned uncomfortable wig, but can simply surrender themselves to the floctor and have transplanted to their pates the covering of some other fellow who is willing to surrender his head for a golden salve. - Philadelphia Record.

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