In the country still ft's a cold, cold world when the silver's go But there sho't no use bewailin': Thereas run high, but the ships sail on An'the sallors sing with the sailin'.

An' the winds may blow,
An' the lightin' kill;
It's the best old world
In the country still !

—F. L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitut

A MISPLACED SWITCH

1 am not at all superstitious; don't believe in the signification dreams, warnings, premonitions, nor tokens. To be sure, when I was very young, it was wont to startle me somewhat when old Aunt Sookie the "corpse lights that old Deacon Jimpson seen on his harness a few an' broke bis neck," or "that Mis"

Increasing years and a disposition and in our gardens. They are above to inquire into the cause of any mys. us, beside us, and below us. and why these things can be so.
Before giving an account of the

strangest event of my life, 1 wish it to be understood that 1 am not writing a "story," but am giving a strict a sharp incline is the roundhouse some British localities.

caretaker, with nothing to break the yet he manages to live well; he is at monotony of the long hours of dark- ways fat and sleek and usually has a ness except the occasional coming in large family.

If takes a great deal of food to feet departure of the night expresses, of the rats of Newark; and how so large which there were two Nos 35 and a penulation manages to keep alive and switches were left right, and as he each other. It is said that they once at was known to be a careful man, no a blebop. Doubtless, this was a bad see the stage." "Your seat was well giving proof of the intelligence of the family, questions were ever asked as to bishop and a mean man, and it is fair loward the front, wasn't it?" "Yes; and the walls were decorated with many rare whether or not this duty had been to the rate to say that his reputation but a foot-ball player sat directly in articles of virtu and bric-a-brac from South performed.

looked at the little nickei clock on which they pass a considerable part of the nicest young men in town."-It was 1:45; in a little their time." This may all be very true New York Weekly. more than ten minutes I would hear and probably is; but our office cat is e the dull I ar of No. 36 as she ran very useful animal, all the same. across the river bridge a mile below. would flash by and I would lay the tiser. switches for the outgoing No. 35.

As I looked at my clock the thought struck me, "Suppose that near Grump, Ky., is without doubt the the baggagemaster had forgotten to most remarkable somnambulist in close the switch on the main, what then? Why, nothing could save 36 going straight into the turntable land while asleep. of the terrible possibilities of such as For a long time Mr. Clarke suspected

Something within me said, "Gr and see if the switch is right." Go! Go! Go!" shricked the voice.

the sound of No. 36 crossing the river, but heard it not.

"The switch is wrong," urged the mysterious voice. "Can't be that it's wrong."

never yet failed to close that switct to drain a pond. But great was his and he's closed it to-night, without a surprise when the next morning he

·1:'s wrong to night," said my tor- during the night. mentor, "it isn't far; go and see to

when the clock told the hour of 2, a cold sweat broke out upon me. The train was now overdue, and still I sat there, pretend ng to make out an interchange report, but in reality trying to light off by stubbornnes the something that kept constantly clamoring for me to go to the switch The clock hands pointed to 2:04; there were as yet no indications of the approach of No 36, but I could stand

and ran to the switch. a boilow roar as Train 36 struck the river bridge; another minute and was waving my lantern in an 'all right" signal, heard the pleasant but toot of recognition and knew What do you suppose waked me up? by the sound that the engineer had "Was it the heat?"-Life.

given her a notch or two more preparatory to rushing up the g ade. There was the wave of a friendly hand from the cab window as the tra n rattled over the switches. stood still and watched the red lights on the hind car as long as I could see them, and then tottered weakly into the office and sat down to think

of what might have been. My story is told. Whether the forewarning given that night come under the head of presentiment, premonition, coincidence, or mere acci dent, I know not: I have given facts themselves. - Will Templer, in Faru and Home.

RATS IN A CITY.

Phey Probably Outnumber the In

A curious friend asks us a curiou Newark?' We really don't know, and Smart use: to come over to borrow a we don't know anybody who does "drawin" of tea of my mother, and know, but we should say that, upon s before going stand with her hand on moderate estimate, there are at least the door latch while she told about 500,000. If is were possible for any citizen, male or female, old or young, Jimpson seen on his harness a few to take into one view the entire rat populate afore he fell off n a load of hay matter within the city limits, that cititen would be appalled. We don't often Ellet might 'a' knowed her little see the rascally little animal, and we Aleck wasn't goin' to live long, fur the very night he was took sick they come three short knocks at the bedhe sees us, but he is everywhere-in the room winder, an' a terrible groanin' sewers, in the house drains, between didn't live but three days after that the walls, between our floors and celllngs-rats burrow under our buildings

terious noise or appearance had much Wherever the human is, there the to do with dispelling the slight im. rat is; and he is in some other places pressions made on a childish mind, where the human isn't. It is said that, and I repeat that I am totally free formerly, in some of the islands of the from all superstition along the lines Pacific, he was the only inhabitant. of which I have spoken. Notwith But, speaking generally, the rat assostanding my skepticism in this di- clates himself with human civilization; rection, I must allow that strange he travels from country to country in things sometimes happen, things ships, and it is not unlikely that he which might be explained by those takes occasional trips on the railways. who have made the mysterious work. Some of the old romancers say that he ings of the human mind a close is a great swimmer, and that multistudy, but which leave the ordinary tudes of them have been known to mortal in a maze of doubt as to how cross rivers to find fresh pastures upon which to depredate.

ly accurate account of a psychological least one naturalist is of opinion that mystery, the key to which I have the black rat is a native of North never yet found. During the sum. America. But there is a difference of mer of 1884 I was night clerk in the opinion on the subject; and it has been car record office of the B. & H. Rail. alleged that he is a native everywhere. road Company at Wolstina Junction, Mr. Waterton says that he belongs to the terminal point of the road. and Great Britain; at any rate, that he was Dh. Peary, please now settle down, where it delivers its passengers and a familiar citizen there before the adfreight over to the safe keeping of vent of the brown rat, which, he in- And give yourself, the world at large, the great trunk I nes. The office is forms us, came into the Islands from situated at the end of the immense Germany along with the House of Han- Boston Courier. freight yard, and a mile below the over. He immediately made war upon; Slobbs-Jenkins told me Miss Benjunct on proper. A little way back the black rat, with tremendous effects, tonstreet was an old flame of yours. of the office and at the end of ou te although black rats are still found in Blobbs-An old flame? Impossible! Is No. 49. There are forty-eight other

with its accompanying turntable in St. Pierre says that the dog is a lon."-Philadelphia Record. front. The roundhouse track is con- friend and the cat a courtier-that the "Oh, boy, I'll give you a dollar to nected with the main track by a dog is attached to the person and the switch a little below the office and cat to the house of his master. But the laught, ma'am." "Where—where is to wait until his turn comes." as they diverge and run either side rat is neither a friend nor a courtler, he me precious pet?" "Black cat up the of the building, it is left standing in its for himself, first, last and all the joad's got 'im."-Chicago Record. what is called in railroad parlance, is for himself, first, first and an load's got 'im."—Chicago Record.

8 Y.

Mine was a rather lonesome jot.

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Mine was a rather lonesome jot. In those days there was no night switch him with food and shelter. He switch hand my duties were tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not, neither does he spin; every tolls not him with food and shelter. He says things they're sorry for." "Yes," tolls not neither does he spin; every tolls not neithe

which there were two, Nos. 35 and a population manages to keep alive and Herald 86, the latter coming in and the in such good condition is past all under former going out at 2 o'clock a. n. standing. The rat is not very particu father would consider my suit favor-It was the custom of the crew of No. lar as to his food, it is true, and if he ably?" "Really, Herbert," the mer-25 to run their engine out at 1.45, is very hungry he will fill himself with thant's daughter replied, "I couldn't cross the main track, run around fron filings, if he can get nothing else tay. Did you buy it at his store?" their coaches, which lay on the op- and when he is dry and can get no posite side of the yard, couple on and back their train up to the junction where, on a siding, they awaited the once, to our cetrain knowledge, he has coming of No. 36 before they could depleted our ink well. They are great go out, the B. & H. being a single-scavengers; they keep us free from a track road. It was the duty of No. good deal of vermin that might other 35's baggagemaster to see that all wise baffle us, and occasionally they est

One still, hot night in August I was of that description. Occasionally a rat is domesticated heard the engine of No. 35 come out of the house, stop at the water plug for a few minutes, cross over the main and perhaps a dozen other main and perhaps a dozen other tracks to the coach tracks, and a few (the coach tracks)). tracks to the ceach tracks, and a few minutes later I bade Conductor Stew-art good-night after he had stopped at my open window for a moment to greet me. I listened vaguely to the labored breathing of the engine as she backed her train up the rather sheriffers. This gendeman says that "their sharp and handsome heads, their intelligent looks, their intelligent looks, their sherp and handsome heads, their districts the pink rile sharp and handsome heads, their sherp and hands she backed her train up the rather which they sit licking their paws and heavy grade to the junction, and then washing their faces, an occupation in

And we remark that, next to ellver A moment later the mellow glare of the important question now agitating but in the school of experience I have her headlight would light up the long the Iroquois Club and the police of Chi serned that a successful architect rows of freight cars standing in the cago is this: If it takes seven cats seven jught to be able to draw good houses." yard, the engineer would blow a long minutes to kill seven rats, how many -Indianapolis Journal. whistle, and I would wave my lan. cats will it take to kill 100 rats in 50 tern over my head as a signal that minutes? There are wide divergences all was right, then he would give two of opinion on the subject; when an short toots of recognition and the agreement is reached our readers shall jands!" he shouted. The passenger

While He Slept.

his neighbors of stealing into his truck patches after night and doing the work, but finally one night, while nailing some boards on his backyard fence, I glanced at the clock once more he struck his thumb with a batchet and as I drew a fresh report sheet toward awoke, thus realizing for the first time me; it was 1:55, and I listened for that he had been working in his sleep. Among other things that he has done while in the somnambuliste state was to lay a worm fence for a distance of n his mouth.-Boston Transcript. 200 yards. One night he fell asleep, I thinking that he would rise early on argued, this time aloud; "Patsy's the following day and cut a small ditch found that the pond had been ditched

On one occasion he got up shortly I was getting very nervous, and several pounds of butter in a basket took it to a near-by grocery and traded it for coffee and sugar. For a long time he was at a loss to account for the missing butter. Neither did he know and children.

strange behavior at the time. it no longer. I serzed my lanters Mr. Clarke lived alone, but since he has discovered his condition has en-It was wide open.

I closed the switch in feverish who takes care that his employer does that as the still air broke into



n chilly days the maiden grieves Though dressed in garments news the can't display her silk waist's

And heavy jacket's, too. "He said I was his life's sunshine. I guess you will find that all meon-

hine."-Boston Courier. "Professor, how does the hair-cut mit you?" "The hair is altogether too hort-a little longer, please."-File-

ende Blaetter.

"What would you do, miss, if I should ttempt to give you a kiss?" "I should rtainly set my face against it, sir."ichmond Dispatch. "Tell me, guide, why so few people

scend that magnificent mountain." Tai-pin Gate, outside Brass Smith Road Because no one has ever fallen off it." Fliegende Blaetter. "It may be weakness," said the dying il to this town." "What for?" "For

fe enough to leave it."-Atlanta Con-"That whisky is fifteen years old. I now it because I've had it that long yself." The Colonel-By Jove! sir, ou must be a man of phenomenal self-

"Now that we are married, Penelope, ind have nothing to conceal from each ther, how-" "I'm 29, George, How such did you give the preacher?"-

Tommy-Paw, why is it the good die tay good because they die young.—Inianapolis Journal. He (waxing serious)-Do you believe

the truth of the saying, "Man pro- to reply." ses; God disposes?" She (archly)depends upon whom man proposes .-Brooklyn Life. While you with life are blest;

Why impossible?" "She's from Bos-

"Do you think," be asked, "that your Washington Star.

Oh, legislators, while you strive To remedy our ills, If you would keep us all alive,

Pass some ten-dollar bills! -Atlanta Constitution. Mabel to Blanche. "No. I couldn't a good housewife. Choice books lay around

front of me."-Judge. A .- "When I see you I always think ig." B.-"But I have no office!" A.-

sever! Why, I gave up half-a-dozen

"Years ago," said Mr. Barnes Termer, he eminent tragedian, "I started out to be the architect of my own fortunes.

The black-bearded pirate, with tnife between his teeth, boarded the assenger ship. "Throw up your long line of coaches and sleepers be promptly informed.-Newark Adven langing over the rall smiled feebly. 'I think I did, not less than an hour igo," he said, gaspingly .-- Cincinnati

"Are all these young men anxious to secome surgeons?" asked the visitor. They are," replied the lecturer upon urgery. "But how can so many ex-ect to make a living?" "Easily, sir; saily." answered the lecturer. "Think f the effect of the present bleycle

rase."-Chicago Evening Post. In reply to the cry for assistance, the rofessor said: "If I could help you, I ouldn't help helping you. It is because cannot help you that I cannot help efusing to help you." And the menlicant darted around the corner, with error in his eyes and ories of "Help!"

Changes Made Her Rich. in what was then the open country. that made the cost of the land remain- tons. During the war of 1812 this little after he had fallen asleep and putting ing in possession of the woman seven- craft attacked and captured a British the horse and his rider have grown ty-five cents. She managed to get a brig off Castine, Me. cabin built upon her ground, and by At the same wharf lies another raising vegetables and other honest industry, she made a living for herself Her name is the Julia Ann, and she is

of her original purchase.

from Spring street to Broadway, and it is safe to say is worth at least \$1000 storms of old ocean.—Boston Herald. per front foot on each street.

The cabin in which this woman lived

That ground now extends through

feel fur-straight

CHINAMAN KNEW ENGLISH. A Genius for Expression Equal to His

At the business ports of China it is customary for the Europeans to issue what is called an "express"; i. e., a spe cial bill printed and delivered quickly by hand, announcing the arrival of any special goods, etc., as a means of advertisement. Our friend John Chinaman, at Canton, not to be outdone in ti .s style, issued the following epistle as an "express" last month, and which is highly amusing:

FOR SALE. Best Peppermint Oil Made from Its Real

ly Leafs. Can be Curable for the Sicknesses

Male, Female or Boy. Dizzy-Use to put or wipe few drops of the forehead, bothsides under eyebrows noseholes and bothsides the back of ears

Fever-Wipe on the forehead and nose Fit-Wipe most to the noseholes, an drink few drops mixed with tea.
Giddy—Wipe bothsides of forehead an

Gout or Goutswollen-Wipe bothsides of forehead, noseholes and much to the Headache-Wipe on the forehead an oscholes. Believe us. CHOY THOONG SUNG.

Had to Wait His Turn. In the days of General Sam Houston

litor, "but I can't help but feel grate- flueling was much more common than After removing to Texas Gen. Hous ical opponent, who felt his honor disfigured to such an extent that he sent a challenge to Houston. The bearer of the challenge was received with courtly civility. He handed the written challenge to Gen. Houston, who read it, and taking up his pen wrote something across the back of the folded paper and placed it in a pigeonhole of his desk. He t hen went on to entertain the bear er of the challenge with the pleasant conversation for which he was noted. ung? Mr. Figgs-They don't die After a time the man began to grow imoung because they are good, but they patient, and reminding the General of the challenge asked him if he was going

to reply. "Oh, yes," said Houston, "I am going "Well, are you going to accept the

rhallenge of my friend?" "Certainly I will accept it." "Will you fix the date for to-morrow?"

"No, not to-morrow." "Next day?" "No, nor the next day either." "Well, will you fix a date?"

"No. I am not able to fix a date. You saw me number your friend's note; it blanked scoundrels ahead of your friend and I must take them in turn. As soon as I have killed them off I will

The bearer of the challenge bowed himself out; but of course his friend's Rarbara, witnessed by a throng of peoturn pever came, and it is not probable that he was anxious for it to come .-Knoxville Journal.

WOMAN'S ENEMY.

VICTIMS. When It Does She is But a Wreck--- Phy sicians Have Long Been Powerless --- The Experience of a Balti-

From the Herald, Battimore, Md. Mrs. J. P. Grove, a marriel lady with grandchildren, lives 417 Pinkney Place, Baltimore, She would easily pass for state of good health and probably her life to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. A Herald reporter called at the house a few days ago and was informed that Mrs. Grove had gone out for a walk and would soon be back. The seribe was ushered into the parlor to await her arrival. The room gave every evidence of refinement and the care and attention of a good housewife. Choice books lay around giving proof of the intelligence of the family, and the walls were decorated with many rare articles of virtu and bric-a-brac from South America, Japan, and other countries. When woman of half her age, and owes her present "Did you like the matinee?" said of refinement and the care and attention of America, Japan, and other countries. When A.—"When I see you I always think
If the proverb: "To whom God gives
an office, to him he gives understanding." B.—"But I have no office!" A.—
Well, don't you see how that fits?"—

America, Japan, and other countries. When mrs. Grove was announced the reporter was natonished to find her such a young looking and healthy woman. She is well educated, and is a fluent talker and interesting to listen to.
She, however, declined at first to speak of the results she had experienced from taking the Pink Pills as, she said, she did not like to be. I never had such relief from any other medicine. A short time ago I had an attack of peritonitis which left me in such a prostrated and nervous condition that I despaired of recovery. I could neither sleep, eat or read with any degree of peace or satisfaction, and life was absolutely a burden. Having heard that others had been cured of the same troubles by Dr. Williams Pink Pills, I recovered several haves and began to take I secured several boxes and began to take there. As if by maric I at once began to improve. They cured me, and now I have ne symptoms of nervousness or of the diseas which so prostrated me. Now that's enough, young girl and, with a pleasant good morning to the reporter, disappeared within the portals of her happy home with a little grandchild clinging to her skirts.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a con-

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a con-densed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, 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 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicins Company, Schenectady, N. T.

Ancient Vesiels in Boston Harbor There are at present in this port taking in cargo three of the oldest vessels affoat. At Sargent's wharf is the schooner Hiram, Capt. James Hatton, from Calais, Me. This craft, which is sixtyfour tons register, is 69 feet in length, 22 feet beam, and about 7 feet depth of hold, and was built at Biddeford, Me., in 1813. She is now owned in Calais. The oldest of the trio is the schooner Polly, now loading at Commercial wharf for her home port, Rockland, About forty years ago a poor colored Me., where her owner and master, Capwoman with a family of children be- tain McFarland resides. The Polly was came the owner of a piece of ground built in Amesbury in 1805, and is 61 feet long, 13 feet wide, and 6 feet deep, Other transactions were completed having a net tonnage capacity of 46

schooner even smaller than the Polly. owned by her commander, Capt, Loring whence came the coffee and sugar. As the city grew, her piece of land Rand, of Winter Harbor, Me. She was However, since realizing that he is a increased in value, and in time she was built at Gloucester in 1819. The Julia confirmed somnambulist, he has ques able to sell lots to an amount that put Ann has a tonnage of 20 tons, her angle as that into which radius and again?" the girl asked, with eyes full tioned the grocer, who recollected the her in easy circumstances. But she length is 54 feet, breadth 15 feet, and occurrence because or Mr. Clarke's still retained possession of a large part depth of hold a little over 6 feet. All three of these ancient craft are in ex; two or three times and is warmed to cellent seaworthy condition, and bid

For Building Up

There is no medicine like Hood's Sarsaparilla, because it lays a solid foundation in making pure, rich blood. "Weak lungs affected my health

for two years. The least cold troubled me greatly. I read about Hood's Sarsaparilla in the newspaper and after one bottle I it a great deal be ter. Since taking

ix bettles I don't think there is any uilding up medicine that equals wonderful change in my health." Mrs. A. Lambrecht, Franklin, N. Y. Hood's Sarsaparilla

is the Only True Blood Purifier

Prominently in the public eye. \$1;6 for \$5 Hood's Pills are tasteless, mild, effec-

British Army Regulations.

Just before he retired, the old Duke of Cambridge, who, while a sort of martinet, is not particular about his appearance, found out that some of the ank and file of the British army were wasting their substance on hair oil and ton happened to give offense to a polit- it was evident that the dry rot of ef- arms, "cork corsets," and many other inmates of the barrack rooms. The ticity are required. by the queen's regulations, which, in- which are still unexplored. deed, regulate everything in the British laces. Fortunately no such dry rot has yet affected the few soldlers that go by the name of the United States army. They are a tough, rugged lot.-Phila-

delphia Times. Novel Swimming Match. A novel swimming match between man and horse took place in Santa ple. C. R. Diver, the superintendent of the local street car service, entered his senutiful black saddle mare against Dick Jenkins, an expert swimmer, who s said to have held the State record for our years, and also has the navy record at Mare Island. The course covered was from the beach to a raft about 100 vards out and return. From the start the mare, which was ridden by her advance of Jenkins, who abandoned the contest there.-Santa Barbara dis-

patch to San Francisco Call.

Eggs Are Dated in Paris. In Paris markets the eggs are all lated, and one pays according to their reshness, so that it is possible to be ertain of newly laid eggs, or if it be ecessary to be economical then yesterlay's eggs or day before's are taken at slight reduction.

Avoid Pucumonia, diphtheria and typhoid fever, by keeping the blood pure, the appetite good and the bodily health vigorous by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills act easily and yet promptly. No peace was ever won from fate by subterfuge.

The unaffected of every country nearly resemble each other.

I believe Piso's Cure for Consumption say ny boy's life last summer.—Mas. Allie Doy ass. LeRoy, Mich., Oct. 20, '94. I love prudence very little if it is not

If afflicted with sore eyes fise Dr. Isaac Thomp-on's Eve-water. Druggists sell at 25c. per bottle

Circus Rings.

In various ways the circus of the

resent day differs from that of the past, but the ring remains unchanged it is always forty-two feet nine inches in diameter. Go where you will, search the world from China to Peru, with diverging tribs to the frosty Caucasus and the desert of Bahare, and never a forty-two feet nine inches in distreter.
There is a reason for this remarkable horses are nomadic; wherever their wanderings bring them, they must find the ring always the same, else they will he disturbed in their performance, if hired by a prominent lawyer. She had not really rendered incapable. Trainnever done regular work before, and ed to the forty-two feet nine inch ring. angle of declivity toward the center mind a brief. He had pegged away of the ring which the radius of twenty- about five minutes, when the girl stopone feet and a given speed produce. The mound on the circumference of the ring always has on the inside a yer. level, so to speak, of earth, at the same speed throw the driver. As for speed, that, after the horse has gone round his work, is the same through the act. In fact, a strap generally holds his head so that he cannot get beyond a certain pace.

A CAT with its fur ruffled doesn't since you sent in your bill—Yals the last importance in place of it.—Los Angeles vice in regard to eating plain food he would this empty show means, and onment and a fine of 150 marks as "the Low much this empty show means, and onment and a fine of 150 marks as "the Low much this empty show means, and onment and a fine of 150 marks as "the Low much this empty show means, and onment and a fine of 150 marks as "the Low much this empty show means, and onment and a fine of 150 marks as "the Low much this empty show means, and onment and a fine of 150 marks as "the Low much this empty show means, and on ment and a fine of 150 marks as "the last immy through a time believe that the same of the last immy through a time of 150 marks as "the last immy through a time o

A NEW INDUSTRY.

The Cultivation of Cork to Be Intro-

The Department of Agriculture is to soon issue a bulletin on the subject of ork. It will advocate the culture of ork trees in this country, urging that orests of this species of oak could be stablished with great profit in the outhern States. Statistics show that 2,000,000 of cork is imported into the United States annually. It is steadily George Higinbotham, was known increasing in value, fetching now eleven times the price that was paid for it in 1790. The soil of California is particularly well adapted to the cork oak, which grows there with greater rapidity than in Europe, Already about 1,000 of the trees have been planted in the San Gabriel valley. The University of California has distributed several bushels of the acorns, which, by the way, are very good to eat, tasting like

The variety of uses to which cork is it is as great a necessity as the agave case, he forced himself to see it with to the Mexican or paim to the Arab, the eyes of both plaintiff and defend-From it be makes boats, furniture, sad- ant. Hence the almost unerring justice dles, shoes, horseshoes and even cloth- of his decisions." ing. Other employments for the materi- Once at a large dinner party a naval al in southern Europe are for roofing, officer was describing how his ship had palls, clothes, window lights, plates, been overrun with rats, and how he tubs, drinking vessels, religious images, had called in a rascal of a rat catcher, tences and coffins. The waste cork from who had pretended to rid the vessel of the cutting of bottle-stoppers is utilized the vermin. for filling cushlons and mattresses and in the manufacture of cork-dust bricks. A very fine kind of pasteboard is made from cork, the substance being mixed with paper pulp and pressed to squeeze out the water. Cork waste is also used curling tongs. He forbade it. To the for making life-boats, buoys, linoleum, old Duke of Cambridge's critical eye inner soles for shoes, artificial legs and

feminate luxury had set in among the articles in which lightness and elasyounger men not only curled their hair | The ancient Greeks and Romans were and anointed it liberally with oil, which familiar with many of the uses to of itself must take up a good deal of which cork is put at the present time, time properly belonging to their most They knew that the cork tree produced gracious soveleign, but the curls were a new bark after the old had been de allowed to stray a half inch and even tached. Employments for it were re- business men. more in front of the forage caps, which, stricted, however, until the seventeenth of course, is conducive to all manner century, when the development of glass logic and powers of persuasion to rec f unmilitary excesses. Moreover, the manufacture and the widespread use of oncile two of his friends who were obforage caps themselves were, in too bottles made it a necessity. By the end stinately resolved on going to law. many cases, cocked at an angle, for no of the eighteenth century the tree was other purpose, apparently, than to give largely cultivated; cork forests were the curls a good show. A general order rented, and workshops were establishhas now been issued calling attention ed for the cutting of cork. The cultivato the queen's regulations, which pre- tion of the cork oak began in Spain and scribe the manner in which the hair extended thence into Portugal and shall be worn by private soldlers and France. There are at present in the the way forage caps should be kept on world 3,500,000 acres of cork forests, the head. The order does not specify more than half of this area being in the exact punishment for contumacy, France, Algiers and Tunis. This does but doubtless this is also provided for not include the forests of Morocco

Though of modern origin, the cork army, to the number of buttons on the industry has attained immense importtunics and the material of the shoe- ance. In the last half century the production has more than doubled. About \$8,000,000 worth of prepared cork, representing 587,000 hundredweight, was sold last year. Portugal occupies the than in any other way. first place as a producer, while the United States, England and Germany are the principal consumers. Spain exports vast quantities of manufactured cork for bottles. In this industry, as well as in the quality of the product, she sur- tiety the rich. passes all other countries. The world consumes annually 7,000,000,000 cut corks. The sizes and forms of these are regulated according to 150 models.

Champagne corks consume the bulk ket. They cost a cent aplece wholesale. This is because they have to be cut by that comes from men very quietly. hand. Ordinary cork that is intended owner, was seen to have the advantage. by steam, so that it may not take the dges off the revolving knives. Corl thus treated does well enough for comnon purposes, but it has lost its elasticity and oes not make stoppers tight enough for champagne. The cutting of cork by hand is a trade requiring much skill and long experience. The knives employed are so quickly dulled that they have to be sharpened constantly by the cork cutter as he works. The great champagne houses often engage the entire output of cork-cutting stablishments in Spain and Portugal. In these countries the business occupies whole villages. Agents from the facories and export firms of Seville and Lisbon go through the villages each ear, buying up enormous quantities of cut corks of all sizes and qualities. They are sorted in the cities and done

up in bales for exportation. Corks v. y so much in quality that he price runs all the way from two ents to \$5 a gross. Much of the fines park is turned into stoppers for medi-

ine bottles. Cork trees are raised from seed usual y, the large and sweet acorns produc ing the biggest trees and the finest cork. Small and bitter acorns produce coarse and inferior trees. The bark produc of a full-grown tree is about eightee pounds, worth five cents a pound. The ork of commerce is not a natural prodact of the tree, but an abnormal development of the bark under certain treatment. Natural cork is useless for purposes of manufacture, being too coarse. Sometimes it is so woody and dense that it will not float. The wild cork, or outer layer of the natural bark, is renoved when the tree reaches a dlameter of six inches or so, leaving the in-terior denser and softer cork layer. The latter is called "lard," or "mother cork," and from it the cork of commerce develops. While the tree is in sap, there is no difficulty in removing the cork, care being taken not to injure the inner layer, which, if hurt, would not produce any more cork in that spot. When the tree is not more than two feet in cir cumference, a single vertical cut is made and the cork is taken off in a sin

IN OLDEN TIMES

ger trees it is removed in slabs.

gle piece, called a "cannon." From big

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action, but now that it is generally known that Syrup circus will you find without & ring of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for uniformity. Circus riders and circus a time, but finally injure the system.

The Important Park

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"What's the matter?" asked the law

"Would you mind saying that all over "Why?"

"I forgot to put any paper in the me

eep.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

With her family disappeared long since, but if so minded she could have a palace in place of it.—Los Angeles

"Last night I dreamed that I died.

With her family disappeared long since, but if so minded she could have a palace in place of it.—Los Angeles

With the Doctor.

Doctor—Have you followed my adalouder; but the borse knows just been sentenced to four weeks' impris
and keeping quiet at home? Patient

With the Doctor.

The ringmaster snaps his whip, the clown shouts, the band plays louder and louder; but the borse knows just been sentenced to four weeks' impris
and keeping quiet at home? Patient

chine,"-Syrecuse Post,

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his biographers says:
"He had the unusual habit, whether on the bench or in private life, of put ting himself in the place of the man before him; of trying to look at things put is extraordinary. To the Algerian from his point of view. In hearing a

"But," added the officer, "there were

nearly as many at the end of the next voyage. I believe he left a few that he might have another job when we came into port."

"Oh, no!" exclaimed the chief justice, in a pained voice. "Don't say "He thinks now," said some one who

knew him well, "that he is the ratcatcher!" which no doubt was the case. His almost childish unselfishness and his enthusiastic eagerness in peacemaking commanded a remarkable affection and homage from even worldly On one occasion he exhausted all his

Finding his labor of no avail, th chief justice suddenly led one of them apart, and throwing his arm over th man's shoulder, said:

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