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Sixty-seven ships will probably be in ssion in our Navy during the present year.

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Ten men in New York City, declare the World, have a larger annual incom than all the farmers of New York State combined.

The Manufacturers' Record of Balti more says that the Southern States are planning to spend nearly two million dol lars on the World's Fair.

The Fort Worth Gazette predicts that according to the census of 2000 Texas will be entitled to a larger representation in Congress than all the other States in the Union combined.

Cheese making in Canada has enormously improved within recent years as a result of the method of instruction which has been promoted by the Government in sending competent instructors among the cheesemakers.

Epidemics may sometimes have com pensating advantages undreamt of by sanitarians, moralizes the New York Sun. Thus we real that in coose juence of the prevalence of small pox at Meltingen, in Switzerland, the local authorities have suspended legal proceedings for debt and fraudulent bankrupter.

In future the steamships of the several transatlantic lines will have neat, fourberthed enclosed rooms provided for steerage or third class passengers, who will thus in their sleeping rooms be placed on the same footing, as regards privacy, with the ordinary cabin passengers. This will be a great boon to and will no doubt be appreciated by steerage passengers to America.

The Government of the Swiss Tyrol has passed a bill imposing heavy fines on persons who may be cau ht while selling samples of the beautiful and rare Alpine flower called edelweiss, which has been pulled up by the roots on the mountains to such an extent that there is danger of the plant becoming extinct. The people complain that tourists are rapidly killing out that and other Alpine plants, and persons bent on money-making have helped on the destruction by gathering the plants for travelers.

If the history of the "Conscience Fund" could be written in full, observes the New York Tribune, a pathetic and interesting chapter would be supplied by the experience of the man who sent \$1000 to Postmaster General Wana maker the other day, with a note saying that it was the balance of interest due on the sum which he took from the Government in 1865. The writer stated that he had paid in all \$17,500, and added: "No man has suffered more for his crime than I have, and I now pray the Lord's for giveness for my sin." the hands of a master, like Hawthorne. how effectively such an incident could be treated !

The Canadian ceasus takers had trou ble with their Indians. The Indians are described as being, not unnaturally, very curious to know what the census was for At one place they would demand to be paid for giving their names, and at another the enumerator had to bribe them with tobacco before they would tell the names of children and others who were out hunting or berrying in the woods. At a village of Howqual-gate Indians where a white man had seldom been seen, the whole population surrounded the party demanding explanations. The chief said the priest had told him that the Lord had raised them out of the clay and given them the land, and he supposed that the Government was now trying to find out their numbers so as to do away with them and get their land. Only after an hour's hard talking through the Indian interpreters the chief was persuaded that nothing but good was intended.

	LIFE'S LOSSES.			
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1	Upon the white sea sand			
2	There sat a pilgrim band			
1	Telling the losses that their lives had known,			
	While evening waned away			
1	From breezy cliff and bay			
1	And the strong tides went out with weary			
1	moan.			
1	One make with animalian lin			
	One spoke with quivering lip Of a fair freighted ship,			
	With all his household in the deep gone			
ļ	down:			
	But one had wider woe			
	For a fair face long ago,			
	Lost in the deeper depths of a great town			
	Some spoke of vanished gold,			
I	Some of proud honors told.			
	Some talked of friends that were their			
	trust no more;			
	And one of a green grave			
	Beside a foreign wave,			
	That made him sit so lonely on the shore.			
	But when their tales were done			
	There spake among them one,			
	A stranger, seeming from all sorrow free;			
	"Sad losses have ye met,			
	But mine is heavier yet,			
	For a believing heart has gone from me."			
	"Alas!" these pilgrims said,			
	"For the living and the dead,			
	For fortune's poverty, for love's sore cross,			
	For the wrecks of land and sea;			
	But, howe'er it came to thee,			
	Thine, stranger, is life's last and heavies loss."			
	-Chicago News.			
	THE STORY OF A SACQUE.			
	WAS in love with			
	a woman whose			
	face I had never			
	gazed upon,			

had never looked at, and who had never been de-scribed to me! She was of me-dium height, she a fair complex-ion, blue eyes, a full figure, rather boulders, a small waist, a slim, had never looked

square shoulders, a small waist, a slim, wore her hair in braids, doubled up; she was young and rich, and her Christian name was Kate.

clever people in the world. I could easily judge her height by the cloak that was before me; a long, auburn hair on the back gave me another

auburn hair on the back gave me another clue, both as to the color of her har and eyes. That her figure was full the sacque plainly showed, and two depressions on the back gave evidence of the way that the owner wore her hair. That she was young was shown by the fact that the gar-ment had been worn by some person who was still straight in the back. On the film-ing were embroidered two letters—K. R. ing were embroidered two letters-K. R. Now, in ninc cases out of ten, when the initial letter of a lady's Christian name

brother? It happened that I could not on any day during that week leave my office between the hours of 2 and 4, and yet common decency required that the sacque should be returned at once. I finally resolved to send my young brother with the jacket. Again and again I in-structed him to find out who the advertiser was, and everything else that a person of an inquiring turn of mind could pick up. Of course lordered him to decline all reward. to decline all reward. During that day my thoughts, instead of being in my office, were with the seal-skin sacque, and I hurried home as soon as I could abandon business and inter-viewed my brother. As generally hap-pens when you trust affairs to other peo-ple, the boy had muddled the business; he did not even remember the name of the man who had advectised. I was in the man who had advertised. I was in despair, for I had hoped that something would come out of that advertisemenf. The situation was not a pleasant one. I was in love with a woman whom I had never seen, and I had thrown away my only chance of inding out where she re-sided. the man who had advertised. I was in

her to the young lady. For the latter the strain had been too severe, and she would have fallen, if I had not caught her on my arm. I fanned her and she quickly recovered. The little one seemed much affected and lisped out: "Katy naughty, Aunt Mary! She won't do so any more." night in the cutter. It will hold three, won't it?" "'No," replied I, suspecting that the friend was her school-chum; "of course it will not."

it will not." "Ah," said she, "I am so sorry, be-cause I promised to take Miss Roman up to her brother's house, on the Blooming-dale road, to-morrow evening." "Oh," said I, "you referred to the cutter. Of course that will easily hold three." "I thought it would," said she, quite demurely." Her aunt smiled at her and took her hand. The young lady walked as if she were still weak, and so I offered her my arm, which she leaned upon as we moved slowly to her home, not far distant. I said very little to her, for I did not wish by worry her. When we reached her three." "I thought it would," said she, quite demurely. On the following evening, Jenny, Miss Roman and I rode in the cutter up to Miss Roman's home, on the Blooming-dale road, and after that evening, one cutter might have been seen on the Bloomingdale road quite often, and I can assure you that neither of its two oc-cupants was my sister. "Annt Mary" drove my sealskin s.cque inamorate en-tirely out of my head, and, in a very short time, I felt that I must win Miss Roman, or live a bachelor till I died. The evening, after the snow had dis-appeared, I drove to Miss Roman's home in a buggy, thinking that, thought the weather was still cold, we might have a pleasant drive. She agreed with me and was wrapping herself up in a warm shawl, when her sister-in-law urged her to wear something warmer. Miss Roman an upstairs, and almost immediately re-appeared clad in a sealskin sacque. I glanced carelessly at the sacque for a moment, but then something about it caused me to scrutinize it more carefully. It was undoubtedly the sealskin sacque I had foud. I was struck dumb with astonishment, and I did not recover my voice until we had entered the buggy and had started down the road. "Miss Roman." I presently inquired, "please tell me whether you once lost that sauque?"

said very little to her, for 1 did not wish to, worry her. When we reached her home the mother of the little girl hap-pened to be on the piazza. She hurried toward us as if she feared She hurried toward us as if she feared that the young lady was ill. My com-panion explained that she had fainted, and that I had been kind enough to as-sist her. The new comer at once took possession of the young lady, who bowed to me with a pleasant smile, and then I departed.

bowed to me with a preasure surrey and then I departed. Of course, I am blessed with a sister. I state the fact in that way, generally, though privately I am ready to admit that she has fallen into an unpleasant habit of compelling me to escort her to theatres and parties. Abstractedly, I admit that there is considerable pleasure to be derived from escorting pretty girls to places of amusement; but, then, those pretty girls must be other fellows' sisters.

One evening, early in the winter, my sister entered the room where I sat en-gaged in reading the evening newspa-per, and she proceeded at once to de-velop a little plan she had thought out: "Harry," said she, "Mrs. Labrunt gives a party next week, and I want you to so with me."

to go with me." "Now, Jenny," expostulated I, "I really cannot take other fellows' sisters out, unless the other fellows recipro-

'But you don't take anybody's sister "But you don't take anybody's sister out now; so you may as well take your own sister to Mrs. Labrunt's. That was too true. Ever since I picked up that sealskin sacque, I had left all ladies to their own devices "Anyhow," she said, "it's settled, and you must go. Besides, my school chum will be there, and I want to in-troduce you to her." That school chum had been held up, in words, before my eyes on hundreds of occasions. We had been threatened with numerous visits by her. which, for-

with numerous visits by her, which, for-tunately, had all been prevented by unforeseen circumstauces. Jenny had fixed

tian name was Kate. Scientists will picture to you a masto-don when they have unly a two-bone is a starting point, and I certainly am not ready to admit that they are the only her heart upon a plan which she had de-vised, of marrying her friend into our family; and, as she couldn't marry the girl herself, she had selected me as the victim.

victim. Of course I went to Mrs. Labrunt's party, and of course I found the usual jam there. The brothers of the other girls seemed to be very fond of dancing with my sister, and, as I was not partic-ularly anxious to deprive them of that privilege, they carried Jenny from my side. I was introduced by our hostess to an immense blonde. I am a fair-sized man, but she towered at least a head above me, and, oh, what a stride she had ! man, but she towered at least a head above me, and, oh, what a stride she had 1 I had always supposed that, in the waltz, it was the duty of the gentleman to guide the lady; but on that occasion I changed my views. To use a rather coarse expression, the lady walked all around me. I escaped from her clutches as soon as I decently could, and wan-dered into the greenhouse. There I sat down, and, while I was wondering

initial letter of a lady's Christian name is K, her full name is Kate. I bad fallen in love with her at once, though I did not know whether her nose was of the tip-tilted or classical order, or whether her mouth was of the gigantic kind, which easily closes over a whole potato, or of the dainty style, which struggles even at a kiss. However, I concluded that such a charming creature must possess a beautiful face. Two days afterwards the following ad-vertisement appeared in the daily papers: dered into the greenhouse. There I sat down, and, while I was wondering whether I had not better look after Jenny, I heard a lady speak; somehow the voice seemed known to me. "Now, Mr. Labrunt," she said,

encugh to remember it.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. Canes are now made of paper pulp. Red hot irons touched to the flesh, a Berlin physician argues, will cure hys

A newly patented device makes the load of a car vary the leverage of the brakes.

brakes. An atlas of the sky is now under way. It is a stupendous undertaking and will require years to complete. Professor Smith, of Rochester, N. Y., thinks that the latest arrived comet has been 8,000,000 years in getting here.

Boiler scale is used as a material for cement floors in the Santa Fe shops at Topeka, Kan. With good ramming and puddling it makes a good floor.

According to the Hatch Experimental Station of Massachusets, electricity ap-plied to the roots of plants gives more satisfactory results than when applied above.

The latest kind of lock for nuts on railroads, machinery or other places is formed of an elastic non-metallic wash-er, to be placed on the threaded end of the bolt.

Mr. Kite, in his system of ventilation, employs a jst of water at service pres-sure issuing from an orifce in the form of a Greek cross, for inducing the air current. These jets may be upward, downward or horizontal.

downward or horizontal. The necessary equipment for six miles of electric tramway is now on its way from this country to Siam. Six genera-tors, two complete steam plants, twenty car equipments and extra parts to last for six months make up the order. The road is to be installed in Bangkok, and will be the first electric tramway in Siam. Siam.

"please tell me whether you once lost that sauque?" "Yes," said she, "I took it off in the carriage once; and, while I was in a store, the movements of the horses jarred it from the seat, and, the carriage-door being open, it fell out. But how did you know that?" "Because I found it." I replied. I coufess that I don't know how it came about, and I haven't the most re-mote idea of the words I used; but it happened somehow that the horse was Electricity has now been applied to Electricity has now been applied to stone carving—the blow being struck by means of Carstarphen's electrical recip-rocating tool. With this machine the stoneculter or this sculptor can devote his entire attention to the lines his in-berument is to follow, while doing the work more rapidly than by his own mus-cular power.

cular power. A magnificent specimen of the hama-dryad, or king-cobra, twelve and a half feet long, has been shot in a tree a few miles from Castle Rock, Iudia, on the Southern Mahratta Railway, and the skin has been sent to the Bombay Natural History Society. The existence of this formidable Burma snake in India has not here hency years here.

A Kansas City paper says that there is a boulder in the Ozarks which will at-tract a jack-knife dropped nine feet away, and that along the line of the fifth principal meridan in the counter of principal meridan, in the counties of Carter, Reynolds, Iron and Washington, the lines of east and west surveys are de-dected from the true course several de-grees, the needle being affected by de-posits of loadstone.

A new case of mimicry, observed by Siard, is reported. One is a saw-fly and the other is a fly. When both inand the other is a n. . When both in-tects are quiet, they resemble each other perfectly in color and patterns, and as the saw-fly is protected oy its unpleasant smell from the beaks of birds, it is probable that the fly is mistaken for it by pirds on account of the bad taste of the insect it resembles.

The largest machine now in use for The largest machine how in use for lawing stone can deal with blocks three fect one mch high by eight feet three inches long and six feet six inches wide. The saw of this machine is seven feet three inches in diameter and is a steel three increases in diameter and is a steer plate mounted on a screw spindle, along which it can be shifted by means of large nuts so as to vary its position for a cut in any desired place. The rim of the saw is studded with diamond.

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Everything That Grows Under Tropical Sky Found There-A Earthly Paradise.

2 T is worth a trip half way round the world to visit this charm-ing island of spices and palm groves, surrounded as it is by a double gridle ot golden sands, in which are embedded precious gens that sparkle and twinkle in the lazily rolling surf. Long hefore the island is reached one

Long before the island is reached one isgreeted with its perfumed and spicy breezes as they are wafted far out to

The island of Ceylon is situated, as is

See. The island of Ceylon is situated, as is well known, near the southeastern ex-tremity of Iodia, only six degrees from the equator. Under this tropical sun, with several hundred inches of rain-fall annually in many places, the island presents the appearance of one wast fernery and hot house-garden—a paradise of flora, beautifully disposed into plann and highland, valit and peak, where almost everything grows that is known to a tropical sky. For miles and miles one rides through bewers of wav-ing palms of tailput, the leaves of winch have been used for 2500 years, and are still used to this day by the Buddhists for their sacred scripture books. They are prepared and the letters scratched on them by means of a stylus, and so whole inspired volumes are written just as the Egyptians used to write on pa-pyrus. Here one present series chosen af ex-ter and the stream and the series of the series and still sed to the series are written pa-pyrus.

pyrus. Here one passes through groves of cocoanut, areca and betel-nut palms, with their long slender, stems and beautiful foliage and fuits. A cocoanut tree pro-duces from 100 to 300 nuts annually, and many natives would starve should the crop fail—a thing which has not happened for 2000 years. We next drive along the roads lined with towering feathery bamboos as thick

as one's body. From these houses are built, furniture and utensils and orna-ments are made. Then one sees the broad-leaved bread fruit trees, bearing a delinious fourt the size of evolves of the second se broad-leaved bread fruit trees, bearing a delicious fruit the size of a melon; sugar cane of enormous size; large jackfruit trees; huge india-rubber trees, from which caoutchoue is obtained. These trees have as many roots above the ground as there are branches. Another huge tree frequently seen is the banian or Indian fig three, with its hundreds of branches that have taken root in the

or Indian fig three, with its hundreds of branches that have taken root in the ground. Then there is the sacred Bo tree seen frequently. This tree sprang up to protect Lord Budda wherever he chanced to rest. Then we pass orchards of bananas, cluchous, allspice, nutmegs, cannas, cloves, dracænus, crotons, cin-namon, erythroxylon cocoa, from the leaves of which cocaine is obtained; pa-baya, from which a dignestive forment is

paya, from which a digestive ferment is made; cocoa trees that yield chocolate, and so on down to tea-fine ceylon tea of which there are thousands of acres, just as there were thousands of acres of coffee

as there were thousands of acres of colfee some few years ago, yielding millions of pounds of good coffee. But the death blow came to coffee in the shape of a fungus, and a green bug, which destroyed the trees so completly that Ceylon coffee has now all but disanpeared. The nights in Ceylon, especially up in the mountains, are perfectly delicious. The atmosphere is cool, clear and per-fumed with many delicate argunas from the flowering shrubs and spices. Myr-inds of fireflies dart hither and thither in gittering clusters, lighting up the in glittering clusters, lighting up the darkness like so many tiny electric lights. Everywhere the crickets and frogs and

many unknown birds and beasts sing and ery in choruses that lull one to forgetful-ness in the sweet arms of Morpheus. In the starry vault the beautiful southern cross and many brilliant constellations shine overhead like so many unknown worlds, which in fact they are, with the

north polar star scarcely above the hori-

CHEERFULNESS. erfulf Meet each woful chance be cheering a smilling countenance With sugar a smilling countenance That, like the famous stone of old That turned whate'er it touched to Thou makest sorry hearts to sing, And winter blossom like the spring. Be cheerful! Little flowers that grow Along the roadside do not know Why clouds must lower and raindrops fall-Yet they smile bravely through it all. Be thou as they, go do thy part, And carry sunshine in thy heart. —Eunice Holbrook.

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#### HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Acts beneficially on the liver-Bacon.

The telephone takes everybody's word. -Binghamton Republican. Singular that a tireless wheel should give out first.—Lowell Courier.

College students should go to bed early, and avoid the rush.—Puck.

The butcher is always happy to ment his customers.—Boston Transcript.

The race is not always to the swift, if there is any money to be made by selling

We may always expect the impecuni-ous friend to call on us in a short time. -Puck.

The world may owe us a living; but it pays the debt in mighty small installnents.-Puck.

A man may be self contained without containing anything remarkable.-Bos ton Transcript.

The man with an impediment in his speech never speaks well of anybody.-Boston Transcript.

"This is worth following up," as the dog said to himself when he saw the coon up a tree.—Chicago Blade.

Everybody has more or less calase to be unhappy. Happy is the may who is too busy to be miscrable.—Truth. There is a right time for everything,

but the four dollar watch seldom man-ages to hit it.—Somerville Journal.

No doubt, in business matters, a man's word ought to go a long way. We suppose that is why there is such a gen-eral use of the telephone.—Fun.

got blenty more zn hein."-Jester. No bird remains in last year's nest, And therefore may we scorn it; But-tis the lad who knows it bst-It's different with a hornet. -Washington Star. The Bearing of It: "Then, perhaps, you're afraid that I couldn't support a wifei" "Not in the least; but I think that a wife might find you insupport-able."-Judy. A New York Found man whose cird

A New York young man whose girl went to Chicago and picked up another tellow, got a letter from her the other day so cold that it must have come on in a refrigator car.—Truth.

Father—"Hans, you must not go bath-ing to-day, as you have got the stomach-ache." Hans—"That wou't matter, daddy, I can swim on my back, you know."—Filegende Blactter.

Mrs. Youngwife—"Could you tell by my manner that I had been married but a short time?" Mrs. Thirdly—"Easily." Mrs. Youngwife—"How?" Mrs. Thirdly -"Well you seem to believe everything your husband tells you."-Boston Post.

Mrs. Newfad-"You must meet Mr. Mrs. Newlad.—" you must meet Mr. Risibles, Margie.—the great humorist. He is such a perfect gentleman. Why, do you know, he told me this evening that he never hughed at his own jokes, except as an act of politeness to his -Puck.

"Even the grip has its good points," said pretty Mrs. Jones; "it's apt to make a charming widow of one." "Well, it'll never make a charming widow of you," said her grumpy husband; "I'd cut my throat before I'd let it do that."-Bing hamton Leader. "Good morning to you, Herr Fassber der. I have to ask you a favor. You see I want to pawn my bed, if you will only be so kind as to let me sleep in it at nights; you can keep it for yourself all day, you know."--Familien Wochenblatt.. "Maria," called out Mr. Billus in an book; I can't find it anywhere!" "It is exactly where you left it last night, John," replied Mrs. Billus from the top of the stairway. "It is in the left hip pocket of the striped trousers you hung up on the last hook in the closet; but there isn't anything in it—no x."—Chithere isn't anything in it-now."-Chi-cago Inter Ocean.

happened somehow that the horse was walking wherever his own will led him, that my arm was around Miss Roman's waist, and that my fips were occasion-ally pressed against the sweetest lips in the world. "Ah," said I, looking into her clear eyes, "there is only one thing I regret." "Regret!" said she, in a tone of surprise. "Yes," said I. "I had dreamed that your name was Kate, and now I find that it is Mary." "But it is Kate, too," said she; "I

"But it is Kate, too," said she; "I was always called Kate in my Western home. My name is Mary Katherine; but I never used Mary till I came to my brother's house. Mysister-in-haw is also named Kate; and, to avoid confusion, they call me Mary." "Then you shall always be Kate to me," I exclaimed. Strange as it may appear, Jenny heard of my performances on the following

of my performances on the followin day, although I did not breathe a word of my performances on the following day, although I did not breathe a word about them to any person in our house. Then, for the first time, my sister in-formed me that my Kate was Jenny's school chum. Nevertheless, I propose to marry my Kate, and the school-chum of Jenny, and "Aunt Mary," and the owner of the scalskin sacque.—New York Name News.

### Nesting of the Passenger Pigeons.

Perhaps the nearest approach in mass and multitude to the shoals of fish once Two days afterwards the following ad-vertisement appeared in the daily papers: Lost-On the sidewalk, near No. 25 Blank street, a lady's sealskin sacque. A lib-eral reward will be paid to the finder if he will leave it at 1001 West Forty-ninth street, between 2 and 4. Inquire for J. R. I felt at once that my sacque was' the one called for by that alvertisement. Was J. R. a husband, a father, or a brother? It happened that I could not

It is confidently expected that long distance telephones will be in working order between the Columbian Exhibi-tion grounds, Chicago, and New York and Boston.

The allotment of wall space in the Fine Art building to various nations for the hanging of pictures, to be exhibited at the World's Fair, has been made as follows:

Nation.	Linea: fust.	Hanging sp square f
United States		34
Great Britain	1,401	80,
Canada		3
France		33
Germany		93
Austria		11.
Belgium.,		1.9
Italy	810	12
Norway		
Sweden		7
Denmeria		3
Russia	554	7
Spain	55.1	
Holiend	. 1.53	6
Japan	306	19
Marrian	1.05	

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The space applies for, had to be out down in almost every case, for the simple reason, that the aggregate exceeded the total space that is available. The space allotted to Great Britain, Germany, etc., as a rule, included that for their colonies. In the space allowed France 4192 feet will be devoted to Prench masterpieces owned in America.

know a cactus from a cabbage!

sided. Finally, I concluded to investigate No. 1001 West Forty-ninth street. The building was closed and abardoned. The affair was evidently at an end. I resolved to cast all thoughts of the matter aside, and I concluded that a day's relaxation would help me. I took a trip to the Century House, on the Har-lem, hired a boat there, and exercised lem, hired a boat there, and exercised my muscles by rowing up and down the stream. About three o'clock I deter-mined to walk to Manhattanville, as well

didn't suppose you were acquainted with Miss Roman." "I have had the pleasure of meeting

her once," I replied, "and she is kind Just at that moment Mrs. Labrunt appeared at the door and called her hus-band. When our host and hostess had

departed, I offered my arm to Miss Roman and we strolled among the flow-"I never even thanked you on that

nes, which were looking kindly at me. "And now for the cactus!" I exclaimed. We wandered around the room chat-ting merrily for some time. Suddenly she halted:

the halted: "Do you know," said she looking at he archly, "that I do not believe you I assured her that she was mistaken, hunted for the cactus, and, of course,

found it near the spot where we had met at first. I danced several times with her during

I danced several times with her during the evening; and I really believe that, if it had not been for my fancy for the owner of that sealskin sacque, I should have left that house without my heart. When Jenny sav me with Miss Roman an expression of astonishment crept over my sister's face, and, as soon as I had left "Aunt Mary," Jenny ran to her and gushed all over her—but that was Jenny's way.

ever be the value of this astonishing conclusion, it is certain that Dr. Sagnisch, a German naturalist, saw in one valley a wood nine miles long, in which the pigeons had occupied with their nests very tree and sapling across the breadt

of the valley, some trees holding from fifteen to twenty nests, from which the enty nests, from which the young were shaken down into sacks, baskets and carts by the people who came

to collect them. Not content with this prodigality of day," said she, "for-" nature, the greedy pigeon hunters of "Please, Miss Roman," interrupted I, Michigan have for years shot the nesting "Please, Miss Roman, Interrupter I. "don't think any thanks are required. I parent birds, together with the young, am very happy that I was able to be of service." I bowed as my eyes met her clear, blue I bowed as my eyes met her clear, blue

#### The Brain Worker's Lunch.

The man who wants a clear head has need to be especially careful in selecting food for his mid-day meal, and for this, lood for his mid-day meat, and for this, plain soups, cold chicken, milk, cresses, lettuce, rice, or rice pudding, sand-wiches made of beef or lamb, bread and butter, or plain cases are foods that are nutritious and easily assimilated. Alco-

hol in any form is not on the list, and pastry, fancy cakes, and ice cream are mentioned as foods to be avoided. For the late dimore a max may, as a rule, eat the late dimore a max may, as a rule, eat what he wants, only taking eare not to overload the stomach, and to have his food varied and abundant, and so nicely served that cating is pleasurable.—New York Post.

Ed A. Babcock, of North Ste Conn., while crossing his rocky farm met an odd and brilliant-looking snake of a species that was supposed to be extinct in Connecticut, and after a lively chase captured it. It is a little fellow not half grown and is black, except that a broad golden band encircles its neck. It be-longs to the golden-band racer species, which grows to be ten or fifteen fect long and are swift and ferocious.

#### A Modern Roc's Egg.

A great rarity is now exhibited at the ardens of the British Zoological So-

gardiens of the British Zoological So-ciety in London. A fossil egg of the aepyornis, of which very few specimens are in exist-snee, and fetch from \$500 each. The egg is nearly a foot long, and is only rivalled in size and rarity by that of the great auk, which also brings a fancy pri

price. A few of these eggs have been found in Madagascar. The bird that laid them is only imperfectly known from fragments of its huge skeleton, tut is supposed to be the origin of the famous roe by which Sindbad, the sailor, es-caped from his captivity in the valley of diamonds. The latter, however, as is usual in legends and myths, is very much exaggerated as to size.—New York Journal. York Journal

#### A Miracle Performed by Scared Geese.

A friend of ours, whose veracity we should never think of impeaching, re-lated to us a most extraordinary experi-ence of his while wildfowl shooting in the Big Bend country. In that secluded spot, flanked and buttressel in by tow-sring hills, is a natural cul-de-sac of the Pit River, probably an acre in extent, and much resorted to by wild ducks and zecore. Visiting this early one unusually scese. Visiting this early one unusual fold morning recently he was surprise beyond measure to see the lake covered with ice and a flock of wild geese frozen ast to its surface. Imagine his astonishment on drawing near when the entire lock with a mighty classor rose before tim and sailed away, bearing the pond with them and leaving only a hole in he ground to mark the spot....Atla Cal. i Advance. zon, all making a picture so pleasing that once seen is never to be forgotten. It is like a dream of fairyland.

Ceylon has an area of 25,000 square miles and a population of 3,000,000 souls. Of these 2,000,000 are Cingalese, and all faithful Buddhists; 800,000 and all faithful Buddhists; 800,000 Taneils, who are Brahmins and Hindoos; 6000 Europeans of many religious sects, and the rest Mohammedans, Japanese, Chinese, Burmese, etc., with a handful of aborigines found on the island 2500 years ago, when Buddha first planted his foot on Adam's peak to preach and save the human race. These aborigines are the human race. These aborigines are called Veddahs, and live like animals in the jungle and woods. They were mis-taken by early travelers for monkeys, which indeed they seem to resemble. They go naked and speak an unknown

Colombo is now the port of entrance for all large vessels. The city is charmingly situated on the blue Indum Occan's sparkling sands. It is filled with avenues of waving palms and flowering shrubs, of waving palms and flowering shrubs, and possesses many fine buildings and a good English fort. The city has 130,000 good English fort. The city has 130,0 inhabitants, mostly Cingalese. The live in small huts made of bamboos, They the midst of cocoant groves. Their huts have a large hole for a window and half a side out, which answers for a door. One room is usually all these huts possess. In this the natives cook, cat door. One room is usually all these buts and sleep. Furniture is usually all these buts and sleep. Furniture is usuanown. Their backs are mats of palm leaves. They sit on the floor, not cross-legged, as do the their haunches. They live on jack fruit argely—a coarse fruit, twelve inches budge by six wide, that grows on hage trees. Besides this they cat cocoanus, bananas, bread fruit, nuts, rice and curry and papays, a fruit about the size and comments of the tasts of a muskmelon. The natives have rather darker skins theorem and floor they are well do very simple. They wear long hair, which are good looking. Their clothing is years simple. They wear long hair, which heir dark skinned bodies. This coables them to go chout in a tropical sun with-out bhatering or cracking their skins.— San Francisco Chronicle.

### Made Them Face the Music.

Made Them Face the Music. This story about General Custer is picked up by the Buifalo Courier: The gallant cavalryman believed in having martial music on all possible occasions. He would have the band out at 5 o'clock in the morning and the last thing in the vrening. One day when the narrator's regment had just come into camp Gen-eral Custer ordered the band out. The men were tired and reported that they had lost the mouthpieces to their instru-ments. "Very well," said the General, "you may take pickaxes and shavels and help repair the roads. You may find the missing mouthpieces while you are wer s-ing." It is unnecessary to state that the band shaved recore ofter. ing." It is unnecessary to state that the band played soon after.

### How the Hand Travels in Writing.

A rapid writer can write thirty words in one minute. To do this he must draw his pen through the space of a rod—six-teen and a half feet. In forty minutes his pen travels a furiong, and in five and a half hours a full mile. He makes on an average sixteen curves or turns of the pen for each word writien. Weitings a pen for each word written. Writing the rate of thirty words a minute, Writing at must make cight curves to each ground; no in an hour 28,800, in five hours 144,-000, and in 300 days, working five hours each day, he makes not less than 43,200,000 curves and turns of the pen, -Baltimore American.