

## STATE AND STATE

waist.

at the back.

For Women of Moderate Means.

Some plain but smart-looking win-

ter costumes of cloth or cheviot for

women of moderate means who will

use the suits for general wear during

the entire season, are made with a beautifully shaped and fitted prin-

cesse back and a redingote front. The

skirt beneath is of a matching or con-trasting color, as is preferred. Some

of these gowns have a fitted bodice

front, trimmed simply with braid or

stitching and tailor buttons, and often

there is a guimpe Russe inserted in the rounded opening about the neck.

For slender figures, however, most of these new garments are made with a

trim-looking but seamless, dartless

Style of the New Toques.

larger than former shapes. They are

wider, and are therefore becoming to

women with slender faces, when the

trimmings are not arranged too

straight and high. Many of the

covered with standing and

Short Cloves Worn.

selves very smart in one-button gloves,

and a few years ago six-button ones

were very commonly worn, but the length of the sleeve of the moment has

sent many buttoned gloves out of

fashion, and three and two buttons are

the smartest thing to wear just now.

Indeed, longer gloves than these are out of the question if we are to look at

Our grandmothers thought them-

The new toques are considerably

NEW YORK CITY (Special) .- As time | ing it. The collar is also lined with goes on it is made manifest that the crepe. power of the fancy theatre waist has not been lessened in the smallest degree by our long familiarity with its charms,



French models are composed of ex-quisitely shaded velvets; that is, there is not a single piece of shaded velvet nor will the shadow of the shirt waist diminish in the least during the win-The former tried and true friend in every wardrobe is putting out someused, but three separate weaves. For instance, one handsome toque is comamendments on its previous condition. That is to say, it is arriving in the shops made of satin or the very soft posed of a beautiful trio of tints. shading from deep prelate purple to palest Parma violet. Another bas velsatin surfaced silks that have sufvet grading from dark jacqueminot red ficient body to stand fanciful stitching. to rose pink, with three ostrich plumes This is pretty and commendable and matching three distinct shades, held the effect is very like the sketch of a by a triangle-shaped buckle of French bodice given here, the original of which was of black peau de soie, hand brilliants. A third model shows an artistic blending of moss, mignonette painted in design of iris in the natural and stem green velvet, the hat being olor of the flower. The collar is of nearly shirred chiffon and a similar finish is gracefully drooping green plumes. at wrists.

Scores of the silk and flannel shirts just out of the workrooms show how they have shed their loose shirt sleeves and broad cuffs for dress waist sleeves and cuffs that drop over the hand; it is easy, therefore, to hazard a prophecy in favor of this fashion that is going to rob our shirt wafsts of one-half their simple charm.

#### Mourning Costumes. Contrary to what has hitherto been the custom, cloth is now considered a

all in the fashion and to preserve our

# KLONDIKE DOG EXPRESS.

## SCAMPERS ALONG WITH THE SLED AT FIVE MILES AN HOUR.

The Way Mail is Carried Between Lake Bennett and Dawson - Stations Thirty Miles Apart - Principal Dog Diet is Bice and Dried Salmon.

The Dominion Government has just closed a contract with the Canadian Development Company for carrying the mail between Lake Bennett, the present terminus of the White Pass Railroad, and Dawson. The service, which is to be weekly both ways, will ginning to put locks on the doors at be as picturesque and unique as was Dawson, and to build their coaches the old Pony Express across the plains. But instead of the brown desert for a pathway, this new route will lie along the icy bosom of the Yukon. The "malimute" dog will take the place of the caynae. Captain Ritchie, General Superintendent of the company that is undertaking the work, came out by the same steamer that brought the writer up from Dawson the other day, stopping off at every police station to arrange for the feeding and sheltering of the men and dogs until such time as the company may be able to build stations of their own, writes Cy Warman in the New York Independent.

front, slightly drooped, and turned The stations of the Northwest back over a vest of braided cloth, or mounted police are thirty miles apart. with passementerie simulating sou-It will take 160 dogs and forty mentache braiding-or else a vest of plaited silk framed with velvet revers that twenty drivers and twenty helpers and hostlers. Seventy tons of dog fodder reach from the turn-down collar to the and 200 tons of supplies for the men will The sleeves are close coat be coached along the line before the shapes, and most of the models show river closes. There will be no delay the skirt still made with a slight dip -no stops-save for the changing of The dogs will be changed at teams. each station, but the men will make

two stations without stopping. A man is expected to cover his run one way, sixty miles, inside of twenty-four hours. Here he will have from two to two and a half days' rest and then double back, making 120 miles in a week. It is expected that this coustant use of the trail will keep it open and in good shape. Each man and team will travel the same section of the trail constantly, and so become familiar with is and be able to take every advantage to avoid delay. mill-run of the statements made by the various prevaricators with whom I discussed the matter shows that the average depth of snow between White Horse Rapids and Dawson, 450 miles, is two feet. There is absolutely no wind-no drifts-so that when once the trail is beaten down it becomes a firm, smooth pathway, over which a good team of "Inside dogs" can scamper with a mail sled at five miles A man went out over an hour, the ice last winter on a bi-cycle in eight days, breaking the record. To be sure the dogs drawing the mails will be the swiftest and hardiest that money can secure. They will be carefully handled and fed, for

each team and sled will represent a \$50C. A single team once sold for \$2,500 at Dawson. The principal dog diet will be boiled rice and dried salmen.

In case of illness or disability of the regular men there will always be a man available from the mounted police to take his place; so that it would seem an easy matter to give the coun- power is practically unlimited, and it try locally known as "The Inside," as will be utilized more and more good a service in winter as it has in in good a service in winter as it has in in proportion as the need summer, when the company has three it arises and as its use steamers a week each way. Last year, comes, at different places and when those who had undertaken the at successive periods, cheaper than work failed, the police took the mails coal. The substitution will proceed and carried them through in good gradually, until, when the coal supply shape, saved the Dominion Govern- finally is exhausted, nobody will have

messenger will be a six-shooter. With that he will be expected to defend himself against the wild beasts of the trail, to protect the mails in his care and to make a stand-off with any

enterprising highwaymen who may see fit to extend their operations to the Yukon. There have been very iew nighway robberies in the Northwest and very few murders. " But all sorts and conditions of men go to a gold country, and upon two or three occasions men have been found capable of killing their companions. Of course, as the country settles up and becomes "civilized," there will be more killing. Already they are be-

inside the cabins,

Taken From the Newspapers. One of the eleverest journalistic medicys ever published was printed in London Fun, and afterward widely copied in the other English papers. It brings in the names of most of the London periodicals quite ingeniously. In the early part of the Nineteenth Century of the Christian Era a Citizen of the World strolled at night along Pall Mall on his way from Belgravia to Whitehall, accompanied only by the Echo of his footsteps. An old Engineer and soldier of the Queen, ne had traversed by Land and Water the greater part of the Globe and had, since his Broad Arrow days, fought

At this moment a Watchman, who had been a close Chserver of his movements, approached and said, "Come, my noble Sportsman, you must move on!" "And what if I refuse?" demanded

the other, standing like a Rock, with his back against a Post, immovable as Temple Bar.

"To be Brief with you, my friend, I shall in Truth stay here a Week if I think proper. "Well," rejoined the Civilian,

am the appointed Guardian of this thoroughfare All the Year Bound, and I protest against your making any Sketch or Record here. Are you a Builder?"

Instantly a grasp of Iron was laid on his arm.

head?" asked the Traveller. "Oh no," replied the other, all of a

Quiver; "pray don't; I was only in

Should Coal Give Out?

pendent upon coal, so that the wheels of industry will stop and the forests be consumed for fuel when coal gives out? Of course not. It is an idle fear. Already we have the beginnings of a new method of utilizing natural energy which will prove enorcost to the company of something like mously more effective than coal ever has been, and will be practically inexhaustible, to whatever extent industry may expaud.

water power, will ran the word's industries, furnish its light and heat, and be the universal substitute for all forms of combustion methods. Water for be comes, at different places ment some \$50,000, and all without anything more than a curious or

coal. -- Gunton's Magazine.

He Was Taken Down a Peg.

You can always trust the American

woman to take care of herself. The

friends of a girl who lives in Eight-

centh street are telling these days of

an adventure which befell her one

afternoon within the fortnight. She

was standing, this Eighteenth street

girl, at the corner of F and Eleventh

streets, waiting for a girl friend. A

very dapper young man, a stranger,

doubtless, in the town, for most Wash

ingtonians are too well aware of the

girl's social eminence to venture on

any impertinence to her, stepped up,

bowed and said, airily:

moment.

ment agencies?'

"Waiting for somebody?"

The girl turned to look at him.

"Guess you've forgotten me."

ent on with growing familiarity.

The girl looked at him steadily for

"Oh, I remember now." she said.

It was at Colonel Blank's. You are

don't know of anybody who wants a

And then, slowly and calmly, she

Colonel Blank's butler, of course. No.

butler, "Have you tried the employ-

Prosperous French Peasants.

To get a correct idea of the French

nation one must abandon Paris and

get out among the people of the prov

inces. When you get out in the rural

districts a charming sight is presented

of beautifully cultivated farms, each

farm being as trim and neat as a

flower garden. There is not a foot o

waste land to be seen. The first thing

that strikes a stranger is the profu-

sion of fruit. Nowhere can be seen

more luscious pears, peaches and

A Peeress' Boer Husband.

Cape Colony, is the husband of an

English peeress. He is Pieter Pieterse, who in 1892 married the widow of the eighth Earl of Stamford. This

lady was a Miss Solomon, whose

mother was an African native. She

married the eighth Earl of Stamford

(before his accession to the title) as

his third wife. As her husband suc-

ceaded to the earldom of Stamford

without the estates she has always re-

A Boer who lives at Wynberg, in

grapes.-Washington Post.

walked away. -- Washington Post.

aw you at a dinner last week.

## CURIOUS FACTS.

Lima, Peru, is without umbreilas, The quickest wink on record in about one-sixth of a second.

Half a century ago nails were slowy wrought one at a time with bammer Harmlosen, was of great interest to the student of public events in Ger-many. That this is no longer the and anvil.

A novelty is the cold scorage of pions, God-fearing, simple-minded Germany of yore, the land of thinkers, This is done in several places hops. in England. the country "of high thinking and low

In a mine near Butte, Mont., live hundreds of cats that have never seen the light of day.

The inhabitants of Winton, England, believe that with the close of the century the world will come to an end

Some naturalists believe that have here. But there were several pecunever drink, but get enough liquid Har features. One of them was the for their needs in the dew on the fact that the members of the club and grass they eat. those introduced by the latter be-

Fishing is the favorite pastime of a Rock Rapids (Ia.) dog. It swims out into the water and catches the fish in its month.

The Sioux and Blackfeet Indians will at parting dig their spears in the earth as a sign of confidence and mu-tual esteem. This is the origin of the term "burying the tomahawk."

From the stomach of a woman who died in Indiana, a short time since, the handles of six silver teaspoons were taken, and now the stomach of a dead child at Lebanon has turned law of their own making. One man they fleeced of \$100,000 within a sinout several silver coins.

The burning of the bride's playchings is part of the wedding ceremony in Japan. The bride lights a torch, which she hands to the bridegroom, who with it lights a fire in which the toys are destroyed.

Toothache troubled a cat belonging to James Dever, of Norristown, Penn A dentist extracted all her teeth and fitted an artificial set in her jaws. Every night, before retiring, she runs to her master to have her teeth removed.

All candidates for scholarships at the grammar school of Hampton, England, are now required to undergo a phrenological examination. If the bumps are not satisfactory the pupil is not allowed to enter into the com petition.

handed and impartial. Altogether, A novel experience is chronicled the trial, which monopolized public by Mrs. W. M. Schowengerdt, of Independence, Mo. She put on the stove a kettle of water to boil for tea. As the water became warm, she heard a splashing in the kettle, and presently saw a snake's head emerge from not yet forgotten, but this one is worse the spout. She had filled the kettle than any before .-- New York Post. from a cistern.

### Varicolored Bird.

The most variegated bird in the world has lately been discovered in India and Ceylon. No less than nine prisoner in the Soudan, is related by different colors are distinguishable in him in his book describing his experi-ences: "The day after the battle of its plumage. It is called the nine colored pitta, and with its long legs, short Kirbekan, an outpost was being sent tall and plump body it bears considforward. Moving to its position it erable resemblance to a thrush. espied a wounded dervish making But its colors are gay and beautifully harsigns for water. One of the soldiers slipped off his camel to give him some,

Its powerful long beak is curved on and his comrades moved on. As time went on, and their chum did not catch top and is generally held firmly closed. The foot is widely spread, the middle them up, they came back to see what toe very long. The wings are short and well rounded. The bird is a light had happened. There he was still attending to the wounded dervish, his brown, with black stripes on the upper hand resting on his shoulder, and part of its body. The head and sides there was no movement from either. of the neck are black, while a white Approaching-this was the tale plainly line passes over the eyes, forming a written. The lines on the ground kind of eyebrow, and the throat showed that 'Tommy' had taken the part of the back are white. The other parts under wounded man in his arms, and half supporting and half dragging him, had placed him in a sitting posture in the body are a yellowish brown, with a greenish tinge. The tail and under the shade, with his back against a parts of the wings are a bluish green, rock; then, taking his water bottle. while the long wing feathers are a he began pouring the life-giving drops pale blue. The tips of the shoulders down the throat of the dervish, for he have spots of azure blue and the still grasped the empty water bottle. pinions are black. With returning life came, of course,

## A GERMAN PERIL

#### The Passion For Gaming is Fast Corrupting the National Life. In a certain sense the trial of a num-

ber of officers of the gaming club, Der

living," this trial strikingly proved.

True, such men as were here arraigned

or heard in evidence are to be found

in every large and luxurious town, and

'sports" of more or less hardihood

and recklessness may be met with as

frequently in New York or Chicago as

tunes, driving them into ruin and

suicide, and exacting these gambling

debts pitilessly to the uttermost farth

ing, under an unwritten but powerful

gle night, and then left him to a shameless death.

that the code of morals of these young

and middle-aged men, though by birth

the very flower of the nation, is worse

than that of many a professional thief

of low extraction. And another and

perhaps even more startling feature

seemed to have no adequate realiza-

tion of the iniquity, but treated these

high born offenders with a degree of

consideration and forbearance which

it certainly would not have shown to

them if they had happened to be of

plebeian birth. This demonstrated

very glaringly that Prussian justice is

no longer what it once was-even-

Example of Dervish Treachery

vas an eye witness, while he was a

There were many instances sworn

INTERNATIONAL LESS FOR DECEMBE Subject: Lossons in Givin

THE SABBATE

Memory Verse: Mal.h

CONNECTING LINES. CONNECTING LINES, the whole book of Mala hast chapter of Nehemia belongs to this section of opens his prophecies people of God's great love toward them and h they were so slow to then reproves them sho and forewarms them i whose delay they commi

whose delay they complete denity to His temple to table to endure, for it a wicked. 6. "A son honoreth hist to honor. "Where is a fear." Since it is evided your Lord and have a the command you by My era-also may be esteemed you about the extraordiance bestowed upon you, was per dispositions which I thad in you in return?--for Ms and fear of othe Lord and Master, and lo ward Me as your failter. 7. "Ye offer polluted is cording to your own was scribtd by law. "By you elars how little value y worship of God, since you slight and contemptons performed." 8. "The bill for same 22:21. This is designed isread for offering such service of God's altar as and such as, if offered to not be accepted. 9. "Beseech God." Ast cessors. Suppliente Ga-nation as well as yours functs have been commi-laws; for ye have been to of them by the disregard of them by the disregard of them by the disregard for a service. The pries yuity because it was the improper offerings. 10. "Shut the doors for prist that general avari-prestied among you; for or ministers whose duty shut the doors of the temp longed, with few exceptions, to the circles of the highest German aristocracy and of the army, and repre-sented not exceptions, but types. The other was the fact that the morality. the tone, of these men was proven by themselves to be surprisingly low and debased. Proof was produced that they had not scrupled to despoil comrades and friends of their entire for-

to in court showing beyond any doubt of the case was that the court itself

hee without making a g ing fees for it. You we have the doors of the t up, and God's worship have no pleasure." I can in mean so intent upon th ye are; and under the d end both to your private lices which you offer. I. "My name shall b Jews found no joy in the but neglected it, or sourg by it. God would here no would raise up a peopler and magnify His name is Gentiles." All other me ered by the Jews as not family of God. "Incense True praise. "A pure of and contrite heart. Thai lived in darkness and shall better glorify God whose history tells of all stability. attention for several weeks, uncovered many undesirable conditions in Germany. Several previous sensational trials of a similar character, such as the one in Hanover six years ago, are An incident of which Carl Neufeldt

whose history tells of all stability. 3:8, "Will a man rob 6: the highest of crimes. An is that done by those elai people. "Ye have." The the guilt of priests, but 4 tion. "Wherein." To do the guilt of priests, but 4 tion. "Wherein." To do how the set about 1, beyond hope. "Tithes." tithe was "the teath" d their property. the pritithe was "the tenth" of their property, the pro-chards, vineyards, flocks their grains. One tithe, corresponds to our Stat-for the support of the Gas-the poor; another tithe religious worship, for fl-priests, etc. Lev. 27: 80-8 "Offsetings." The first fra-one-sixtieth part of the a The word is general here. Offerings and sacrifices the by the law to make. East were due to God's worsh they robbed God. they robbed God. 9. "Ye are cursed." T searcity. God had thusp

neglecting to build the te 11); now, for not maintain service, 10. "Bring ye all the to your solemn engagement

Nob. 10: 29. "Into The s chambers which surrous three sides. Those had in Nehemiah's absence i been fitted up for the ab Tobiab. Neh. 10: 38, 13 there may be meat." If provision for the dailys the maintenance of M priests and Levilce who service of My temple

priests and Levites who service of My temple. Take God at His word, has been a failure. "Wi A poetical, proverbial c ing a great down-pourin Kings 7: 2. Every good gift is from above, and c the Father of Hights. J you out a blessing." " God meant that He wou vast reservoir of blessing evidently allusion to cor-implied that the land h from a severe drought.

implied that the land he from a severe dronght. Jews in the time of Heast afforded an example of if ful obedience, in the near offerings. In overflowin stowed upon them by 60 10. "Not be room enous Constant obedience will; shower of blessing. 11. "I will rebuke." If ing. "The devourer." canker-worms, the cate other destructive inset sakes." Because of My for the sake of your pro-

sakes." Because of your p for the sake of your p

vourer had been sent 12. "All nations al

Happy. So great will and happiness that the

extend to all nations, time. God's people de delightsome land, a land and still waters, of deal and delightful skies.

people who render low things that are His own. land." Your country will as the pleasant land, so

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vourer.

called. TEACHINGS.—It is a gro-mock of serving God. thief who robs God. Ar-dries up the tonntais obedient God's blessing drops for plenty. What far outrenches what we selves. Disobedience of rourse.

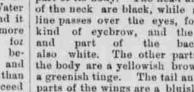
His Record Saved Him

H. B. Ford was a

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cently got home from

Neb. 10: 29, "Into the



What then? Are we utterly ce-

monized.

Electrical energy, developed by

"Do you wish me to Punch your

under more than one Standard. Taking out his Tablet he stood and vrote as follows: "The study of Publie Opinion offers a wide Field for the intelligent Spectator and Examiner of the Times----



MOURNING CONTUME

course, heavily trimmed with crepe, tion. with which material the hem of the dress is invariably covered. Another favorite textile for mourning is "Cashmere de l'Inde," and again cheviot and "drognet."

For half-mourning, all the new pas tel shades of blaish-grays which are now so fashionable are adopted. On these the trimming, though not necessatily of crepe, must in all cases be black, or black and white mingled.

Capes, or the new long semi-fitting garment, are more seen than shor jackets, which are considered some what too negligee. These garments are made this year of considerable length, reaching to within about twelve inches of the foot of the skirt. Among furs, astrakhan, caracule and Mongolian-goat are suitable, not as a trimming for the dress, but in the shape of capes or boas.

In Paris no deep mourning attire is considered complete without the long creps veil, starting from the back of the bonnet and reaching to the extreme verge of the skirt; but only during the first three months does it cover the face, after which period it is allowed to droop over the back of the dress, while a short square veil shields the face.

A pretty new fashion for half-mourning for children's wear shows dresses of some heavy weave of white woolen textiles trimmed with parrow bands of black crepe. In this case the hat may also be of white felt or velvet, trimmed as lightly as possible with crepe, but without either feathers or flowers.

The mourning costume shown in the large engraving is of black cloth, trimmed with festoons of crape. On the waist a bertha of crepe surrounds a tucked chemisette of the same mate-

rial. The long cloth coat shown is cut

suitable textile for mourning, of dainty cuffs in an immaculate condi-

MOUBNING CLOTE COAT.

The Wister Girl.

In her velvet gown and her sable collar and muff, with a string of pearls about her throat, this winter's girl will be robed like a queen.

For the House.

This dainty costume is of soft, elinging wool goods in a charming shade of silver gray. The frills and



A DAINTY COSLUME.

sash are of pink silk. The long train adds much to the effectiveness of the house toilette.

A Louisville judge has ruled that if very narrow gores and piped with creps. There are two rows of black a woman wears a man's hat she must crepe scalleps, one on the front of the take it off when she appears in his deep-shaped flounce, the other head- court.

the faintest hope of reward, save the academic interest in the matter, and meager salary allowed them. It would probably not a ripple will be produced be a handsome thing for the Canadian in the steady onward flow of the Parliament to vote a few thousand for the benefit of those patient, faithful, silent guardians of the Klondike trail.

The telegraph, which as I write is at Fort Selkirk, will be into Dawson and inventors will doubtless bring out by the end of October, so that Mr. Burdette, the mail superintendent, can handle the mail by wire, just as a train dispatcher handles the trains on a railway. It will be possible to know by it, our houses lighted and warmed just where the mails are at any moment. The driver will register at each pense than is possible to-day with police station, and from these records the time of the men will be made up

When the river has become safely and securely locked horses are to be tried on the trail, but not many men in the Klondike believe in horses. They are harder to house and handle and feed. They must eat two or three times a day and have a warm place to sleep. Not so with a native dog. Give him one "square" a day and a cozy drift for a downy couch and he is happy. Besides horses are expensive. A good horse is worth from three to five hundred dollars in Dawson. I asked a man for the hire of a horse to ride up to Milrooney's Forks, sixteen miles, and he wanted \$30. I explained that I only wanted the animal for one day. He understood, he said, and that would be the rentthirty dollars. In view of the fact that the Klondike cayuse hustles his own hay in the hills, this struck me as rather high rent. At the risk of having the statement doubted, I want to say here that I saw horses in Dawson that were said to have wintered on the creeks, pawing through two or three feet of snow for their feed, and they were in excellent condition for beginning another winter on the Klondike. Not far from this woodpile there is a whole herd of horses that were shipwrecked and abandoned here a year ago. They are now romp-

ing over the heliotrope hills rejoicing that they are not compelled to work in a field here, where the summer sun shines twenty-two hours a day. They are already half wild.

From my stateroom window I see a scow loaded with horses drifting down to Dawson. This is the third that we have seen on its way up, and I am consoled by the thought that that highwayman may have to let his cayuse at ten dollars a day next year.

Down the Dolton Trail, that touches the Yukon first at Five Fingers, we see a drove of 300 cows, also bound for Dawson, where milk is selling at \$3 a gallon-twenty-five cents for two swallows in a small glass. These ows have tramped all the way from Pyramid Harbor, feeding and fatcening on the rich grass that grows here in the highlands of the Great Northwest. The man who owns them is a passenger on this boat, and that is how I happen to know about the cows.

sided in South Africs, although she The only firearms carried by the retains the title by courtesy.

pinions are black.

Their short wings do not permit any very extended flight, and their long world's industry. As the use of water legs show that much of their time is power to develop electrical energy inpassed on the ground, where they feed creases to the point of formidable com on different kinds of beetles, which they crush in their strong beaks. and inventors will doubtless bring out Shy and difficult to approach, they improvements making it possible to are generally found in the bush of the store the power or conduct it long disuplands singly except at breeding time tances at small cost, until our factories and while the brood is still young. railroads, and ships can be operated The natives of India call this bird "Nouraug." and food prepared, all at even less ex-

Grew From a War-Time Nat. During the war of 1861-65 large

quantities of a certain Japanese nut were sent into Harrisburg, Penn. These auts served as food for the horses quartered in the city at that time. The seeds were very hardy; wherever they fell they took root. One fell upon the broad, high wall surrounding the County Jail; it sprouted, and sent down roots on the inside of the wall to the soil fifteen feet below. The tree grew and flourished until this present fall, when it became necessary to tear down the wall in order to carry out certain improvements. The casual observer, passing the old jail wall, supposed that the tree grew close to the inner side of the wall, not realizing at what a strange freak of nature he was gazing. The tearing down of this wall has exposed to public view another of these odd trees. The seed of this fell upon one of the huge stones forming the foundation of the jail. The need sprouted, sent its roots down into the adjacent ground, and went on growing until it became a large, strong tree. In the process of growth its immense roots forced apart many of the foundation stones of the jail; in fact, it has rendered the front part of the building so insecure that it will probably be cut down .- Pittsburg

Any Port in a Storm.

Post.

"You admit," said the magistrate, "that you entered the house of this gentleman by the back door at 2 o'clock in the morning?"

"Yes, your honor." "What business did you have there at that time of night?'

"I thought it was my own house, "Then why did you, when this lady approached, leap through the window, jump into the cistern and hide yourself?"

"Your worship, I thought it was my wife."-London Answers.

Character in the Eyes.

With black eyes the intellect will be powerful, the passions strong. What the owners of blue eyes may lack in power and emotional strength they make up in subtlety and versatility. Hazel eyes show steadiness and power of affection; fascinating green eyes belong to deceitful and coquet-tish persons. The proper distance between eyes is the length of one eye.

returning strength - strength sufficient for the dervish to slip off his knife, poise his hand for a second of time behind 'Tommy's' back, while he was occupied with his mission of morey, and then, plunging it in with sufficient force to divide the spinal column, the dervish died happy an 'Tommy' fell dead across his shoulder. That dervish was glorified in the Soudan, and thousands of others were awaiting the opportunity of dying as gloriously."

Cost of Living in Different Cities.

An investigation into the comparative cost of living at the different Enropean capitals resulted in the follow ing facts:

At Vienna the prices of most articles of food are lowest; at Madrid they are dearer than in any other capital, and such things as bread, meat, sugar and coal are very expensive indeed. At St. Petersburg, also, the price of bread is still considered a luxury above, the means of the work-ing classes. Next to Vienna, Brussels is an mexpensive city; Paris is a little higher in the scale, while London is still more expensive. An American spends on an average \$50 year for food, a Frenchman \$48, a German \$45, a Spaniard \$33, an Italian \$24, and a Russian \$40. Of meat the American eats 109 pounds a year, the Frenchman 87 pounds, the German 64 pounds, the Italian 28 pounds, and the Russian 51 pounds. Of bread the American consumes 380 pounds, the Frenchman 540 pounds, the Span iard 480 pounds, the Italian 400pounds, and the Russian 655 pounds. Outside of Europe, in times of peace, Manila is cheaper to live in than any other city in the world.

#### Dangerous Fleasantry,

A citizen of Boston who attempted a little pleasantry while the Dewey function was going on in the streets of Boston, received a sudden eye-opener as to the danger of a too free use of irony, or sarcasm, or even of perpetrating an innocent little joke in mixed company. One man near the grand stand asked facetiously, "Who is this man Daway?" whereupon two or three other men, who had a somewhat seafaring look, promptly knocked him down and hammered the Admiral's fame deep into him. -Buffalo Commercial.

Remarkable Ring.

Mrs. William Astor has discovered wonderful Egyptian snake ring, which literally writhes in constant movement on her finger. The ring is constructed of flexible gold wire, in which a ruby, an emerald or an amethyst is firmly set. The slightest movement of the fingers sets the wires quivering, and the ring scintillates and seems to go round and round the finger with a weird, serpentine move ment, -- Philadelphia Prosa

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