The Motion Picture Interpreter.

The katsuban is a native and unique product of Japanese life and is called both a nuisance and a necessity. The name is an abridgement of katsudobenshi and means moving picture speaker. The katsuban follows every speaker. The authors in throws every action shown in motion picture plays and interprets it to the audience. He must not only have a fluent tongue, but have the ability to imitate professional actors of both old and new schools as well as being able to speak schools as well as being able to speak several degrees of falsetto to portray the various characters in the plays. The profession is by no means an easy one, and the skilled members are al-most as popular as the actors them-

selves.

The katsuban cannot be dispensed with because of the introduction of foreign films in Japan. It is necessary to explain the action; otherwise the picture would be unintelligible to most of ture would be unintelligible to most of the audience. Even in the case of na-tive pictures it is said that as yet many of the actors are not sufficiently clever to enable the management to dispense with the services of the katsuban.— Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

Horseshoes and Luck.

The luck of the horseshoe comes from three lucky things always connected with horseshoes. These consist of the following facts: It is the shape of a crescent; it is a portion of a horse; it is made from iron. Each of these has from time immemorial been considered lucky. Anything in the shape of a crescent was always considered a thing to bring luck. From the earliest times, too, at least since the world knew something of the qualities of iron, iron has been regarded as a thing to give protection and, incidentally, that would involve good luck. And, lastly, the horse since the days of English mythology has been regarded as a lucky animal. When, then, we had a combination of the three—the crescent, the iron and the horse—in one object, it became a true lucky sign in the eyes of the records. Pook of Wonders. a true lucky sign in the eyes of the people.—Book of Wonders.

Just Like Babel.

The difficulties which the ancient builders of the Tower of Babel experienced with the language difficulty may be easily understood by any one who has spent a little time in Basrah, in Mesopotamia. The dialects in common use at Basrah are said to be more than forty in number. The most popular is Arabic, but it is not the Arabic of Egypt or Morocco. It is a distinct tongue, with which the Egyptian or Moroccan experiences the greatest difficulty. Then there is Persian, with variations known as Bagdad-Persian, Neid-Persian and Basrah-Persian, Neid-Persian and Basrah-Persian. Turkish is frequently heard, while Armenian and Chaldean are the languages of the native Christian population. Kurdish is used by another section of the inhabitants, while Hindustani is the language of the Indian troops.

Holy Lands.
The Holy Land is a term used, especially by Christians, to designate Palestine as being the scene of the birth, ministry and death of Christ, but also employed by other religious sects to describe the places sacred to them from association. Thus the Mohammedourecount of Macca as the Holy describe the places sacred to them from association. Thus the Mohammedans speak of Mecca as the Holy Land, it being the birthplace of Mohammed. The Chinese Buddhists call India the Holy Land because the founder of their religion was born there, while the Greeks bestow this same title on Elis, where was situated the temple of Olympian Zeus.

Cuba's Fine Tobacco.

Ouba produces the highest priced to bacco grown in the world. The fine aromatic tobacco is not grown in all parts of the island, but on a little spot near the western coast, the size of which is no more than twenty-five square miles. Such tobacco as is produced in this limited area can be produced nowhere else.

"Why, a year ago you told me this place was easily worth \$15,000. Now you estimate its value at less than You must remember that I was try-

ing to sell it to you then.
want me to sell it for you." Now you

Economical Elopements. parents on both sides, are frequent in Bulgaria, the expense of the wedding ceremony and festivities being thus avoided by the thrifty peasants.

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PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

Rest Before Eating.
The importance of resting after eating as a necessary condition for perfect digestion has been emphasized, but it is equally important to the statement of t for perfect digestion has been emphasized, but it is equally important to rest, physically and mentally, before eating. Dogs that had run an hour before eating and others that had been resting were fed the same ration, and it was found that those dogs that had been rested before eating digested the meal much better than those fed while tired. Usually a dog will refuse to eat if very tired, and a man who has a natural appetite will feel little inclination to eat until after he has rested, following physical exercise. The practice of hurrying from the office or shop to the dining room and eating without resting and then hurrying back to work is one of the means by which the digestive and nervous systems are gradualty though imperceptibly broken down. though imperceptibly bro-

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Where Lost Gold Goes.
Within the last 300 years one thousand million pounds' worth of gold has

Where have the missing millions

Where have the missing millions gone?

About one-third lies at the bottom of the sea. The treasure of lost vessels which strews the route from England to India alone has been estimated at eighty million sterling.

In 1798 the British frigate De Brook wreeked off the American coast, took with her into the depths of the ocean gold worth £2,400,000, the spoils of an intercepted Spanish treasure fleet. Another British warship, the Hussar, went down with over a million sterling in gold in 1780, and another million in gold in 1780, and another million was lost in the Lutine in 1799.

Much gold, too, is lost through wer and tear. It is a soft metal in its nat-ural state, and despite the alloys used to make it harder it wears away com to make it narder it wears away com-paratively quickly when coined into money. It is the same with jewelry. In these ways and a hundred others the gold gained by men through sweat and blood finds its way back to the earth whence it came.—London Opin-ion.

ties have been perplexed to know whether the descendants of Queen Vic-toria did not inherit the surname of their father, the prince consort.

A Queen Off Duty.

The neatness of ber figure was accentuated by a dress of the vogue, and she bore herself with the graceful freedom of an unspolled queen of the period when royalty did not wear corsets. She was half a block ahead of me when I first noted her unaffected stateliness, continues a writer in the New York Sun. Perhaps my attention was drawn to her by the admiration of everybody within periscopic range, the concentrated worship of the hypnotized multitude impelling me to follow its example. I walked faster and, as the sailors say, was soon abeam of her. I sailors say, was soon abeam of her. I passed her, and as I did so I fear I violated polite precedents by viewing

her askance.

I recognized her instantly. She is my married sister's cook, and, as my brother-in-law has remarked, "She is some cook!"—Detroit Free Press.

The Jerusalem Chamber.

One of the rooms in Westminster abbey that are of peculiar interest is the Jerusalem (humber, which was built more than 500 years ago and was probably at one time the abbot's withdrawing room. It was in this chamber that Henry IV, died, in curious fulfillment of a prephery that he should distributed that the should distributed the should distributed that the should distributed the should distribute the should distributed the should distribute the should distributed the should distribute the should distribute the should distributed the should distribute the should distributed the should distribute the

It hath been prophesied me many a year I shall not die but in Jerusalem. Which vainly I suppose the Holy Land. But bear me to that chamber. There I'll lie. In that Jerusalem shall Harry die.

And in the same chamber Addis. D. Congreve and Prior lay in state before their splendid interment in the abbey.

Had a Good Excuse.

Dorothy, aged 4, was present at dinner the other evening when a number of guests were being entertained by her parents, and during the lull in the conversation she began to talk very earnestly: "Why do you talk so much, Dorothy?" asked her father. "Tause I's dot suffin' to say," was the reply.—Kange City Star

"G'wan, nigger, you all ain't got no

sense nohow."

"Ain't got no sense? Whut's dis yere haid for?" yere naid for?"
"Dat thing? Dat ain't no haid, nigger; dat's jes er button on top er yo'
body ter keep yer backbone from unravelin'."—Lamb.

Not the Result Expected.
Cashier—I cannot possibly live on the salary you are paying me. Employer—H'm! Just as I thought. You'll have to give us a bond tomorrow for \$5,000.
—Boston Transcript.

The Artist's Touch plates without making a noise.—Ideas

Already Informed.

Mrs. Grammercy—Why don't you tell that neighbor of yours? Mrs. Park—It isn't necessary, my dear. We're on the same party wire.—Puck.

Pertinent Question.
Convict—I'm in here for having five Visitor-How are you enjoying wives. Visitor—How are your liberty?—Exchange.

The rickest mine in the world is the within yourself.

Eye and Temper Savers.
ose who do fine needlework

any kind," says a writer in the Wo-man's Home Companion, "will find it advantageous to observe these rules

"Do not sit too long at the task. If "Do not sit too long at the task. If you wish to spend a day or a half day at it, keep at it steadily for fifty minutes and drop the work for the next ten minutes, occupying your time with something else through which the mind may be relaxed. At the end of ten minutes go back to the needlework, again applying yourself to it for fifty minutes, and so continue throughout the entire day.

"Always observe closely the rule re-

"Always observe closely the rule regarding light direction. Sit with your back almost facing the light, with the latter coming over your left shoulder. "When working with net or fine laces that are white or light colored wear a black apron that is without gloss, and never wear a dress or apron that has a figure or stripe of any sort in it. Use plain colors as a background for your work and use colors that are receding, like blue, dark brown or green."

Celebrated Bachelors.
Handel, Reynolds. Turner. Sir Isaac Newton and Cavendish were among the men illustrious in art or science who remained bachelors.
Among authors we have Pope, Goldsmith, Lamb and Macaulay. The feeble health of "the wasp of Twickenham" stood no doubt. in the way of his marrying. Goldsmith had not the same excuse, but in his case it was quite as well that he passed through life as a bachelor. A single man who habitually spends twice as much as he has is never likely to make a wise and prudent husband.
Lamb, "that frail, good man," as Wordsworth calls him, was a bachelor not from choice, but from affection. The singular loyalty with which he devoted himself to his sister in circumstances of melancholy interest prevented his marrying a girl whom, it appears, he truly loved. Lord Macaulay rested content with the loving sympathy of his sister, Hannah, the wife of Sir Charles Trevelyan, whose children were to him as his own.

Mental Twilight.

Mental health passes into mental disease most commonly in a gradual way, as light passes into darkness. There is a mental twilight, a borderland in which it is impossible to say whether the patient is mentally ill or not. It is always well for a man who undergoes such changes mentally to consult his doctor, and it is always well for the doctor not to make too light of such a change, because treatment is usually far more effectual in that borderland stage than it is when the symptoms have been fully developed. The best test of mental health is when a man feels a conscious sense of organic well being, although many persons go test of mental health is when a man feels a conscious sense of organic well being, although many persons go through life with more or less of a sense of ill being all the time and are not on that account to be regarded as

Our Old Paper Currency.
Fractional currency was the name given to government issues of paper money of small denominations during the war between the states. Owing to the suspension of specie payments in 1801 silver coins of small denominations disappeared from circulation, causing great inconvenience to retail trade and people generally. In March, 1863, congress authorized the issue of paper notes of small denominations, 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents, and they afforded great relief. The total volume of it was limited to \$50,000,000, and much of it became so worn out by circuiaof it became so worn out by circuia-tion that it was never redeemed.

Cracked Eggs.

When an eggshell is cracked, even so slightly that the eye cannot see it, germs and molds find ready entrance into the egg and spoil its contents.

Nature has provided the egg with a delicate protective, gelatinous coating, which, as long as it is intact, tends to keep out air and germs. Once this coating is pierced the keeping quality of the egg is lessened immediately.

Modern Travel.

The brakeman doesn't carry a lantern any more, the train "butch" tries to sell the passengers De Morgan instead of Bertha M. Clay, the conductor refuses to carry bables for fear the auditor may object, and the coaches are so light that spooning couples fail to amuse.—Salina Journal.

Three Naval Victories.

It is said that the three white lines which appear on the collars of sallors' blouses in the United kingdom, the lines being straight for men of the regular navy and wavy for men of the naval victories of Nelson—the battles of the Nile, Copenhagen and Trafalgar.

The Idea.
"Good gracious, John, why did you allow the agent to persuade you to take a cottage with no more ground

"Because, my dear, I did not go into this deal with any selfish idea of ter-ritorial expansion."—Baltimore Ameri-

How They Work.
In an argument against fanaticism
General Funston once said to a newspaper correspondent:
"Even the looking glass and the wine

glass have their uses. The looking glass reveals our defects to ourselves; the wine glass reveals them to others."

No Great Damage.

"She says I made a toy of her heart."

"Don't let that girl bluff you. She has been engaged seventeen times. Her heart is one of these indestructible toys."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

After the Ceremony.
"This was given to me for a wedding the I wonder if I could get her money back."—Life.

The road to success is as easy as the road to ruin.—Benjamin Franklin.

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We have opened our Steam Vulcanizing Plant. Call and inspect. On account of the vast increase in the price of tires, it will pay you to take good care of your tires and have all cuts and bruises Vulcanized at once --You know [A Stitch in Time]

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All Work Guaranteed.

TUESDAY

TOW the old range does love to heat things up, espe-I cially when it's sizzling hot outside! Then, there's always the coal or wood to carry, always that constant raking and poking, pulling this and pushing that, to keep the fire going.

But the ironing must be done. There's no other way to do it, is there? No, not unless you have a New Perfection Oil Cook Stove in your kitchen.

NEW PERFECTION
OIL GOOK-STOVES

have made thousands of women happy-freed them from the ironing day and the everyday drudgery and overwork you have now.

A Perfection will heat the irons on Tuesdays. And it's always ready to bake, fry, boil or roast at the strike of a match. You'll be particularly interested in the separate oven and the fireless cooker. Your dealer will explain about them. Ask him.

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One of the many good points about a Perfection is that it burns the most economical fuel-kerosene. And the best kerosene is Rayolight. It's so highly refined that it burns without smoking, sputtering, smelling or charring the wicks. Look for this sign:







J. W. MALLERY, Prop

dairy and food division have made a drive recently to get persons who have been selling ice cream which is shy the butter fats required by law. The samples were taken in Philadelphia, Allegheny, Blair, Cambria and other counties and in a number of cases were found below standard.

Harrisburg will be headquarters for the reserve organizations to b formed by the Patriotic Order Sor of America. The organization has of America. The organization hanamed a general committee to co-olerate with the state public safety committee, and it will start a movemen to organize 200 reserve companies

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hour, superintendent of the Wester
Pennsylvania Humane society, in rep
to a query "Is a cat property?" Att,
ney General Brown stated that the
laws of Pennsylvania in listing objects which may be termed property
have omitted the cat.

Barney Gladden, eighty-six, Greene county's smallest man, is dead. Mr. Gladden was five feet two inches tall and weighed 100 pounds. When the

The mystery surrounding the death of a man and woman in a hotel in Philadelphia was cleared when John J. Alexander went there from Pittsburgh and identified the dead man as Sergeant Ferdinand S. Alexander, his brother, who, he said, held a commission in the signal corps of the navy. Mr. Alexander took charge of the body and that of Louise Jones of New York, to whom Lieutenant Alexander was to have been married and wo shot herself shortly after Alexander had died from an attack of indigeshad died from an attack of indiges

Buildings in Harrisburg which were occupied by state government offices until a fortnight ago are to be sold by the state for the material they contain and removed to make way for Capitol park extension. The buildings will be sold this month and will be the last batch to be removed. prior to start for grading. As soon as Governor Brumbaugh signs the bills for funds the work of grading will begin. Over a score of houses are now being demolished.

Jesse Williamson II., well con-ected and a social leader of Phil-Because of the shortage of male labor women are employed in the plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company at Farrell. Three are now working in the cold roll department stripping tin. The women manage to keep up their end of the work with the men.

Captured in the Somme battle, William Carter, twenty-three, of Uniontown, is being held in a German detention camp at Zrbyest, Germany With other men he is compelled to work in the fields and elsewhere in aid of the kaiser's government.

Allegheny mountain coal operators, who have their mines in Blair county and have been retailing at \$2.56 a ton, advanced their price to \$3 a ton, to meet the rate suggested by the National Defense Council coal committee. This unexpected boost in price has aroused the indignation of thousands of commitments. tee. This unexpected boost in price has aroused the indignation of thou-sands of consumers who have been buying their coal at the mines.

county's smallest man, is dead. Mr Gladden was five feet two inches tall and weighed 100 pounds. When the Civil war broke out he volunteered, but was refused because of his short statue.

Henry Karsner, aged twelve, was killed instantly when he was crushed between two coal cars while playing on the tipple at a mine near his home in Pittsburgh.

Despondent over being compelled to move from the house in Altona he had occupied for thirty-five years, Harry L. Baker, aged thirty-five Pennsylvania railroad machinist, cut his throat in the cellar of the home of his son Reed, dying ten minutes later. The landdord had served notice some time ago that he desired possession of the property.