Danville, Pa., Nov. 19, 1908.

\$30,000 FIRE AT MT. CARMEL

A fire involving a loss of \$30,000 oc curred at Mt. Carmel Tuesday night. It broke out at 10:30 o'clock in the rear of Al Holshoe's saddler shop on the corner of Third and Oak streets, one of the principal sections of the town, and was probably of incendiary origin. It spread rapidly to the confectionery store of Frank Shoener, the jewelry store of Henry Greisinger, the millinery store of Miss Anna Long, the grocery store and dwelling of George McFae, the barber shop of Harry Schutt and the Lyric Moving picture theatre. All of the buildings except the last were gutted in turn. The fire was stopped at the theatre.

The cause of the spreading of the flames was due to the lack of water pressure. On account of the drought the Mt. Carmel Water company is economical in its distribution of water and after six o'clock shuts down on the pressure. On Tuesday night the Centralia dam was shut off and there was not enough force from the other dams from which water is drawn, to throw fair sized streams from the noz zles of the hose. By the time the watchman at the dam had been gotten by telephone and told to open the water mains the fire had such a start that it could not be gotten under control until it caused damage amounting in

THE BASTILLE.

Men and Methods In the Famous Old

The Bastille as a prison was apparently better kept and cleaner than sither Bicetre or the Chatelet, and imprisonment within its walls did not, it would seem, dishonor the prisoner of his family. A great many prisoners were charged as mad, and under this elastic term the violent maniac, the ambitious madman, the young spend-thrift, the megalomaniac, the reacher for the philosopher's stone or the secret of perpetual motion - all these tiresome persons might be and were

How, then, did these prisoners live? In the underground cells or dungeons as in the cells in the towers, the prison ers were on bread and water, as a rule In the other rooms in the main build ing three meals were served a day, with drinkable wine—"vin potable." In cer-tain cases, according to the quality and distinction of the prisoner, he might supplement the meager furni ture of his prison and get a provision of books. Very favored persons were allowed their own servant if he would consent voluntarily to undergo con finement. Voltaire began to write the "Henriade" as prisoner in the Bastille; Abbe Morellet of the Encyclopedia speaks of the great fortress as the eradle of his fame, but we must re-member that it was perhaps not advisable to say much about the Bastille when you were still living within its walls and that, as M. Mouin has re-minded us, "the old Spartans offered sacrifices to fear." Prisoners, moreover, had to sign on their release a elaborate declaration by which the swore never to divulge, directly or in directly, anything they might have learned as prisoners concerning the Bastille.—Mrs. Frederic Harrison in

Queer Talismans In Malta.

There are still to be found in Malta a number of small stones shaped and colored like the eyes, tongues and other parts of serpents. The superstitious among the Maltese connect these with the tradition that St. Paul when ship wrecked was cast on their island, and it was there that while lighting a bundle of sticks for a fire a viper fastened on the apostle's hand. St. Paul calmly shook the reptile off into the flames, and no harm followed. The natives wear these stones as talismans. er they suppose them warding off dangers serviceable in warding off dangers from snake bites and poisons. They are found in St. Paul's cave, imbedded in clay, and are set in rings and bracelets and when found to be in the shape of a tongue or liver or heart are hung around the neck. They are also taken internally, dissolved in wine, which method is attended, according to some people, by more immediate re

Islands In New York City. "I was showing an Englishman our city a week or two ago," said a New Yorker, "and was surprised to hear him express astonishment at the number of islands within our municipa boundaries. 'Is this entire island part of New York city?' he asked as him on several trolley rides ove on Staten Island. 'And all these is lands, too, are they New York city? hinquired another day as he went up the East river. His remarks put me to thinking, and I've discovered that no one of the really great cities boundaries as New York. Staten Is land in itself would make a good sized city. Some of the other islands, of course, are hardly more than specks, but they belong to New York city just

The Darkest Hour.

The proverb which tells us that "the darkest hour is that before dawn" is inaccurate, for light increases in the morning as gradually as it decreases in the evening. The saying should be "the coldest hour," etc., which is perfectly true and is owing to causes connected with the deposit of dew. Hoarfrosts, too, usually take place just before daylight and are an additional cause of the peculiar chilliness. tional cause of the peculiar chilliness of this time.—London Scraps.

AIDED HER RIVAL.

Romance of a London Society Leade and a Diamond Necklace.

they liked tell many an amazing story. There is no need to dilate on the fascination which scintillating gems exercise upon the feminine mind. That fascination is a fact and may serve to ex-plain a mortal enmity which existed recently and probably still exists be-tween two well known society leaders. To one of them a highly placed admir To one or them a highly placed admir-er mentioned his intention to purchase a diamond necklace. Knowing that the lady possessed more than a superficial knowledge of the value of stones, he begged her to select for him what he required. The price he was prepared to give was £1,500. The lady jumped to the conclusion that such a reques could have but one meaning-viz, that she herself was to be the eventual re-cipient of the gift. She thereupon vis-ited the jeweler's shop and inspected his stock, but at the price she was em powered to give saw nothing that par-ticularly took her fancy. A fascinating piece of workmanship, however, did attract her, the price of which was 3,000 guineas. The desire to possess it beguineas. The desire to possess it be-came irresistible. She arranged with the jeweler to send the necklace to the purchaser and invoice it to him at the agreed upon price, while she gave her own check for the balance. Then she went home and awaited the arrival of the gift. Some days passed, but there was no appearance of the necklace. A horrible doubt which assailed her became certainty a day or two later when she saw the identical necklace she had helped to pay for sparkling on the neck of a younger and more beauti-ful rival.—Grand Magazine,

A LECTURE FOR HIM.

Why the Bright Little Woman Scored

Her Thoughtiess Husband.

A bright little woman was recently overheard lecturing her husband as

"Now I'll tell you why I wouldn't go into the restaurant and have a cup of coffee with you while we were waiting for the train. I didn't like the way you asked me. Not half an hour before you said to Mr. Puffer, 'Come, let's get a cigar,' and away you went, holding his arm and not giving him a chance to decline.

"When we met John Howdy on our way to luncheon you said: 'Just in time, John. Come take lunch with us.' And then tonight, when we had to wait an hour for the train, you looked at your watch, turned on me and said in a questioning way, 'Would you like a cup of coffee?' And I did want it. I was tired and a little hungry, but I would have fainted before I v have accepted such an invitation. you went away a little bit vexed with me and had your coffee and bread and butter by yourself and didn't enjoy them very much. In effect you said to

me, 'If you want a cup of coffee, if you really want it, I will buy it for you.'
"You are the best husband in the world, but do as nearly as all the best husbands do.

"Why do you men seem to dole out things to your wives when you fairly throw them to the men you know? Why didn't you invite me heartily as you invite men? Why didn't you say. 'Come, let's get a little coffee and something,' and take me straight away with you?

wouldn't say to a man, 'Would you like me to go and buy you a cigar?' Then why do you always issue your little invitations to treats in that

ay to me?
"Indeed, if men would only act to ward their wives as heartily, cordially and frankly as they do toward the men whom they meet they would find cheerier companions at home than they could at the club." - San Francisco

A Grateful Crab.
"Alfred Sommerlad, musical director of the Devonshire Park theater, Eastbourne, and Edgar Bateman, the song writer, out fishing caught an edible crab," says an English periodical. "They tossed it back into the water. At that moment an accidental kick sent the bait box after the crab. There was one fragment of bait adhering to the hook, and this was lowered into the sea, and the anglers left the rod for a time. When they returned they found their basket, which they had left empty, full to overflowing with fine flounders, soles, ock, whiting and plaice. The explanation was soon forthcoming. Painfully making its way up the fishing line came the creature whose life had been spared bearing in its nippers a fine young conger eel, which it placed with the other fish on the basket. Then it dropped back into the water. Apparently the grate ful crab, knowing that he had caused the bait to be lost, had deposited fit teen and one-half pounds of live fish in the creel as a thank offering for its life being spared."

Piracy's Romance.

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Piracy is as old as history, but we think of it more particularly as woven inextricably into the romantic youth of the new world. The word itself suggests first of all to Americans at least such names as Captain Kidd, Bartholomew Roberts, Captain Ed-ward England, Captain George Low-ther and that terrifying and dashing ther and that territying and dashing buccaneer Sir Henry Morgan, and the chief exploits of these men were ac-complished at the expense of the coast of North America and the much har-ried shores of the Caribbean. The hison this account rather than because of its darker side of fire, murder, killing and inhuman cruelty that children even today, years after the last of the genuine pirates has been swent from the seas, are constantly playing in imi-tation of piratical exploits and that men and women still find a unique fascination in reading of the followers of the black flag.—Jackson Cross in Metropolitan Magazine.

"I went into the office looking like a fright," said the woman. "I didn't have a chance to straighten my hat or pat my hair or anything. I had intended to primp going up in the elevator. but there was a man standing before each mirror twirling his mustache, and couldn't even get a peep at myself."

New York Times.

ODD WAY TO REACH POLE.

Explorer Baldwin Would Use Portable The jewelers of Bond street could if

What is pronounced by experts to be the best plan for north polar research is the novel one proposed by Evelyn

Briggs Baldwin. "I am soon to lay this plan in detail before the Harvard union at Cambridge," said the explorer recently at New York, "but I'll tell you this much

now:
"Give me a cargo of logs, another of casks partly filled with emergency supplies and a single vessel specially con-structed, and we can go from Bering strait to the pole and right across the Arctic ocean. Scatter the logs, portable nouses, casks, etc., upon a group of ice floes surrounding the ship. shifting the supplies if necessary by means of windlasses, motors or dogs, and we'll succeed. A single crew can manage the three cargoes

"Had the Jeannette expedition adopted this plan it would have won. In ed this plan it would have won. In my support Rear Admiral Melville stated to me that a small house erected on the ice at the beginning of the drift of the Jeannette having been blown away before it had been fastened down was found two years later less than two miles from the ship, thus proving that the ship and ice proceed just as a balloon moves with the atmosphere in which it floats.

"With portable studios and laboratories our artists and scientists may work in tranquillity. With balloons we will view a wide belt of territory and, as did the Baldwin-Ziegler expedition frequently dispatch messages home ward. With our logs as fuel we'll barbecue the walrus, seal and polar bear. With the casks as emptied we'll form a flotilla filled with duplicates of our collections. "Good scheme," said Admiral Schley

the other day.'

THE DEVILFISH.

How These Monsters Are Caught in the Gulf of Mexico.

There is no more thrilling sport than harpooning the devilfish, the giant ray or manta, which has its home in the gulf of Mexico. Some of these fish, which are very grewsome to behold, measure from twelve to eighteen feet and weigh more than 1,500 pounds. It requires tremendous skill to harpoon them and infinite tact to land them once they are struck. It is not unusual for the fish to run for three hours

The fish is wily and will often go to the bottom to rest, to prevent which he has to be kept in a constant state of panic by hauling the tow in close to him. At a moment of weakening another harpoon and a rifle shot will dis-

During a recent run it was three hours before the cable could be fas-tened to the boat's windlass in order to pull the devilfish under the bow where another lily iron was secured in him, and then followed a rush of extraordinary impetuosity. Following three harpoons in his back and a shark hoop attached to one flipper was i felt that he was secure. Half an hou later his struggles were finally stilled by a lucky rifle shot in the head.

As night came on the sharks began to come in and long after dark could be heard fighting over the stranded earcass.—Illustrated London News.

SURGERY BY ELECTRICITY.

Noiseless Spark From Knife Point Said to Excel Scalpel.

Surgery by electricity is what is alleged to be possible with a remarkable electric knife just devised by a firm of medical instrument manufacturers in Berlin. The knife is now undergomg exhaustive trials at the hands of Professor Bier, the head of the uni-versity surgical clinic, with the view of demonstrating its efficacy.

It is claimed for it that operations an be performed more quickly and can be performed more quickly and that the healing process is more rapid than is the case where the ordinary

scalpel has been used.

To one end of a six or eight inch glass rod, through the center of which passes a conducting wire, is fastened the blade without a cutting edge of a form similar to that of the commonly used surgical knives or like the simple probe. A high frequency current is employed, and when this is turned on a noiseless spark half an inch long appears from the point of The spark incises the knife or probe. a hot knife goes through butter without any apparent cauterization, but Professor Bier's experiments have so far shown that a more profuse hemorrhage ensues than by the use of the common knife.

It is further claimed for the instru-ment that it sterilizes as it cuts, re-quires no sharpening and can be easily cleaned

Very Careful. Indulgent Uncle—Jack, are you care ful about your personal expenses these days? Jack—Yes, sir. I manage, with some effort, to make them balance my income to the exact cent. — Chicago

The world doesn't really grow worsevery time you need medicine.—Galves

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup

Relieves Colds by working them sai of the system through a copieus healthy action of the bowels. Relieves coughs by cleans

and bronchtal tubes. "As pleasant to the taste as Maple Sugar"

Children Like R. For BADKACHE—WEAK EXHIBITE THE DOWNLY'S Kidney and Stadder Pello—Sero and Stadder For Sale by Paules & Co?

TUMULT IN THE SEA.

Terrific Force of a Marine Upheava Off Cape Horn.

A sailing ship rounding Cape Horn was caught in a dead calm, something almost unprecedented in that stormy latitude. The sky was filmed with a light haze, and the sea was flat and lead colored. About 10 o'clock on the morn ing of the second day the ship began to shake violently, the masts whipped and bent like fish poles, and every thing movable above and below came down with a clatter. It was like strik ing a rock, only the shock was less pronounced at first, but increased in violence during the thirty seconds it lasted. The sea heaved in oily swells with a strange, hoarse murmur, and it continued to be agitated after the tremors ceased.

Half an hour later fish by the thou-

sands began to rise to the surface until it was covered with them. For-ty-seven whales were counted, many cowfish fully eight feet across, sharks without number and seals by the hun dreds. They were evidently stunned with the force of some terrific marine upheaval, and when struck with a pole by one of the sailors showed only faint signs of life. In twenty min-utes after the first fish arose to the surface they began to drop out of sight like pieces of lead. Whether they were stunned and, on recovering immediately dived beneath the waves in a panic, seeking safety in the depths, or whether they died from the shock and, instead of floating as dead fish do, were drawn under by some submarine whirlpool, were scientific questions too deep for the skipper, but half a dozen of the smaller fish hauled aboard by the cook for dinner were quite dead when examined. The calm continued twenty-four hours longer be fore the ocean resumed its usual aspectand a wind from the southeast permitted the ship to continue its course—New York Press.

A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL.

Cincinnati Girl's Automatic Device to Water Flowers In Cemetery.

Miss Carrie D. Jackson, 1361 Chapel street, Cincinnati, who was born and reared in Dearborn county, Ind., prompted by her love for her late departed brother, George W. Jackson, and other members of her family now resting in the family lot in Greendale cemetery, at Lawrenceburg, Ind., desired to erect something new beautiful to their memory. A happy idea came to her. She would have a of flowers, and set it in the center of a flower bed. Within the vase there should be a tank of water, which by its own automatic force each day would water the flowers in the pots and also the flowers in the bed planted

and also the flowers in the bed planted around the foot of the vasc.

According she went to work, employed a null hand, superintended the construction herself, and in a few weeks her ideals were realized. The original vase may be seen in Green dale cemetery. The tank has a capa ity of about one-half barrel of water and must be filled every two weeks During the heat of the day the water slowly drips from the large tank into a smaller one. By evening the small tank is filled, and by its weight it loses the valves of the large tank and opens the valves below, thus al-lowing the water to flow from it and refresh the flowers during the cool ours of night. By morning the small tank is empty, and the weights lift it into position again, the lower valves close, the upper ones open, and the tank fills as on the previous day.

When Miss Jackson completes the ornamental design of her vase and perfects the mechanism as she has planned it will be a thing of beauty.

THEATRICAL EXPOSITION.

Whole Field of Music and the Drama to Be Exploited.

The Italian ambassador at Washington has furnished a copy of the an-nouncement of the International The atrical exposition to be held at Milan in 1913 in honor of the first centennial of the birth of Giuseppe Verdi, the

The exposition will be divided into three sections-the theater, playhouses and productions; music, composition and interpretation; artists and theatrical literature, relics, biographies,

or theaters: ancient, mediaeval and modern produc-tions or plays, a special division being devoted to moving picture apparatus, heating, illuminating, etc.

The music section will include an cient and modern instruments and ac cessories, writings of the different pe

aces and nationalities.

The third section, which will be devoted to performances and theatrical literature, will include all that which pertains to the performers, to their work and to their memory, such as photographs, autographs, reproduc-tions of monuments. Divisions will be devoted to sacred music, national hymns, patriotic song, war song and folk song.

Donald Knew.

Margaret, aged ten, was a beginner in history. "Mamma," she asked, "what does 'behead' mean?" "To cut off a man's head, dear."

There was a moment of silent study.

then another question.
"What does 'defeat' mean, mamma?"
Little Donald, aged four, was inter-

ested. "I know, mamma," was his logical conclusion. "'Defeat' means to cut a man's feet off."—Delineator.

Very Different.

"In the olden days a reformer liable to be burnt at the stake." "Yes, and now we put him on the secture platform and give him 50 per cent of the gross receipts!"—Washing ton Star.

Objectively Considered.
Ruggles—What horsepower is your new automobile? Ramage—Two, I guess. That's the horsepower it took to haul it to the repair shop when it broke down on a country road the oth-er day.—Chicago Tribune.

A ROYAL FUNERAL

Strange Ceremonies That Mark

Burial of a Spanish King. Strange and almost welfd is the ceremonial which accordances the burial of Spanish kings. The pantheon, or royal tomb, is at the palace of the Escurial, situated 3,000 feet above the level of the sea and some distance from the capital. Only kings, queen and mothers of kings are buried there, the coffins of the kings lying on one side, those of the queens on the other. After lying in state for several days in the throne room in Madrid an enormous procession is formed, accompanying the body to the Escurial. A halt is made on the way, and the corpse rests there for one night.

In the morning the lord high cham-beriain stands at the side of the coffin and says in loud tones, "Is your majesty pleased to proceed on your jour-ney?" After a short silence the pro-cession moves on and winds up to the grand portal of the palace. These doors are never opened except to ad-mit a royal personage, dead or alive. When the casket containing the remains is at last placed in the vault the chamberlain unlocks it and, kneel ing down, calls with a loud voice:
"Senor! Senor!"

After a solemn pause he cries again:

"His majesty does not reply! Then it is true, the king is dead!" He then locks the coffin, gives the key to the prior and, taking his staff of office, breaks it in pieces and flings them at the casket. The booming of the guns and the tolling of bells an-nounce to the nation that the king has gone to his final resting place.

QUEER TELEGRAPH POLES

Wade of Adobe In Bolivia-Growin

Trees Used In Africa.

The most original telegraph line in the world once extended from the cap ttal of Bolivia, La Paz, to the town Oruro. In this part of Bolivia the are no growing trees, and wood is difficult to find that even the ordinar household furniture of the natives invariably made not of wood, but dried mud or adobe.

So when the war broke out between

Chile and Bolivia and a telegraph lin became urgent it was adobe that wa chosen for the queerest telegraph pole in existence. These pillars were built on stone foundations and measured about five feet square at the base, wit a height of about fifteen feet.

They were placed at intervals of about 361 feet and thus held the wire at a height sufficient to clear the only animals of the country, the llama and the donkey. The total length of the the donkey. The line was 156 miles.

Among other curious telegraph lines the growing pole line erected in Uganda by an English engineer, who could not find any dead wood which would withstand the white ants and hit upon the idea of transporting grow-ing bark cloth trees to the side of the

roads and using them as poles.

In the Dutch East Indies growing trees are turned to account also, but there a wire is stretched across the road between the trees on either s and the insulator is suspended in its middle, and the line is thus over the road and clear from vegetation.—Chicago Tribune.

Watch Springs

The watch carried by the average man is composed of ninety-eight pieces, and its manufacture embraces more than 2,000 distinct and separate oper:

Hairspring wire weighs one-twenti-eth of a grain to the inch. One mile of wire weighs less than half a pound.

The balance gives five vibrations every second, 200 every minute, 18,000 every hour, 432,000 every day and 157.

680,000 every year.

The value of springs when finished and placed in watches is enormous in proportion to the material from whi worth more than twelve and one-ha times the value of the same weight in pure gold.

The bishop of Richmond told a good story about his father. "He was a farmer," said Dr. Pulleine, "and a nice old gentleman too, One year he took i into his head to grow flax, so he sowed the seed and, having a good crop, sen it away to be made into a tablecloth Some time later when seated at dinne manuscripts, etc.

The theater section will include reproduction of ancient, mediaeval and self! Did you really? she answered. you know, I grew this tablecloth myself!" 'Did you really?' she answered.
with the greatest surprise. 'However'

We ask Providence to make us
thankful for what we receive and then did you manage it? 'Well,' most mys-teriously, 'if you'll promise not to tell any one I'll tell you. 1—planted a napkin.' "-London Mail.

The Earth's Visibility.

cessories, writings of the different periods or epochs among the different races and nationalities.

The third results and actional transparent atmosphere on a clear night and see the moon beautiful. and see the moon beaming brilliantly down upon us we may think, "What a wonderful sight the continents and oceans of the earth would present if we could view them from the moon!" the director of the astrophysical obthe director of the astrophysical observatory of the Smithsonian institution, a man on the moon would catch but fleeting glimpses of the outlines of our continents. "The true radiating surface of the earth as a planet," says the scientist, "is chiefly the water vapor at an elevation of 4,000 meters (13,000 feet) or more above the sea level." In consequence the man sea level." In consequence the man in the moon would see the features of the earth dimly outlined in the glare of light reflected from the atmosphere. Youth's Companion,

Camels and Campbells.

An Irishman and a Scotchman were discussing the horrors of living in a prohibition state, when the Irishman emarked:

'Sure, an' ye might get used to it after awhile. Ye know they say a camel can go eight days without drinkin'."

"Hoot, mon!" retorted the other. "It's little ye know about the Campbells when ye say that. There is na one o' them could go eight hours wi'out a drap o' somethin'!" Which ended the discussion.-New

What is everybody's business

hody's business.-Walton.

MOUNTAIN SLIDING.

Hawaiian Small Boys Simply "Drop Down the Edge of the Scenery." Water sports are by no means the nly vigorous athletics indulged in by he boys of Hawali. Mountain climbing is a favorite pastime, for there are peaks 4,000 feet high within easy wall ing distance of any part of Honolulu, and on the island of Hawaii there are two mountains fully 14,000 feet in height. Not infrequently the Honolulu schools give picnics on the mountain sides that the pupils may gather land shells. It is on these excursions in search of land shells that the Hawaiian schoolboys revel in the once national sport, mountain sliding.

A very steep mountain side is selected, where the grass is long and

sloping downward. Every one gathers

his own ti leaves. The ti leaf is som thing like the banana leaf, but not ner ly so long. With a bunch of ti leaves in his hand the first boy steps to the edge of the side, grasps the leaves by the stems in both hands, places the leafy part under him and sits down, gives himself a start and drops down the edge of the scenery like a flash, was assured that it was an easy mat ter to regulate the speed of descent by merely grasping the ti stems firmly and lifting them upward, this acting as a brake. I longed for the thrill of dropping down over the edge of a mountain and upon my brief sled of ti leaves began the descent. I went like the wind. It seemed as though my breath would be taken away from me or that I would plunge head over heels, to be dashed to pleces among the trees below. I thought of my brake and drew up on the ti leaves with all my might and came up with a jerk that jarred every bone in my body. There I sat, looking downward almost perpendicularly, held in position only by a few leaves resting on the smooth, slippery grass, but the sliding grass is nearly a foot long, and it is only after it has been repeatedly slidden over and beat en down that it approaches perfection in the eyes of the Hawaiian small boy and sometimes leads to accidents. When, for instance, the thin layer of ti leaves wears out beneath the slide a gentle tug at the stalks parts the sled

career by the trunk of a tree .- St The Mere Formality Won. "Yes, sir," said the pale, youthful suitor; "I have come to ask you for your daughter's hand. She is fair as

and sends the slider whizzing down-

ward in a most uncomfortable and un

graceful manner, all arms and legs. Lucky is the victim of such an acciden

if he is not stopped in his downward

lilies, charming"-

know, this asking for your daughter's hand, but we thought it would be pleasing to you if it were observed."

Mary's papa stiffened. "And may I inquire," he asked. "who suggested that asking my consent to Mary's marriage was a mere formal-

"You may, sir," replied the young man simply. "It was Mary's mother."

Paraguay's Sweet Plant.

A herb called by the natives can ehe, but botanically Eupatorium re-baudianum, grows wild in Paraguay. It is remarkable for its sweetness. Indeed, the native name means the "sugar plant." It grows along the borders of the rivet Amambahi and attains a height of only about five inches, and Country. The smallest bit of this plant when placed upon the tongue produces a surprisingly sweet flavor, which, it is said, lasts for hours. The saccharine power is much greater than that of

sugar.-Youth's Companion.

The Sleepless Seven "There were seven of the twelve," said one of the discharged jurors in speaking of the matter next mornin "who didn't want to sleep themselve and wouldn't let the rest of us sleep Whenever we dropped into a doze the came around and shook us till we we

wide awake again."

"And you had to submit, I suppo for they constituted the majority?"
"Yes. They were a rousing majority,"
said the hollow eyed juror, with a pensive attempt to be facetious.-Chicago Tribune.

A Life Note.
"Life is what we make it," said the

philosopher. "Alas," exclaimed the practical one,

go to figuring on just how much Providence is going to send us.—Atlanti Constitution.

A Present.

"That's a very fine purse you have "Yes. My wife gave it to me on my

birthday

"Indeed! Anything in it?"
"Yes; the bill for the purse."

One Exception, The Husband (during the quarrel) You're always making bargains. W there ever a time when you didn'

Turn thyself to the true riches and learn to be content with little.—Seneca

A lady in a town lying under the Rockies was much distressed at hearing a small clique in her town refer to themselves as the "smart set." She appealed to an ex-United States senaappealed to an ex-united states send-tor and asked him what he understood by the term "the smart set." He re-plied: "I think I can give you an inkling. In the eastern part of Colo-rado and in the western part of Ne-braska there is a large tract of land known as the rain belt." It never rains there."-Argonaut.

Discovery of Reed For Matting.
Reed fields covering hundreds of
square miles have been discovered in
Saskatchewan, Canada, says a Toronto
dispatch. The reeds are said to be
similar to those from which Chinese and Japanese matting is manufactured. The American government, it is added, has spent much time and money in seeking such material.

KEY WITH EVERY PAIR.

Limit In Rah-Rah Shoes is One That Locks on the Feet, When the men who decree the fash-ions put a quietus on the circus effect that made rah-rah clothes scream last



LATEST IN RAH-RAH FOOTWEAR — SHOE THAT LOCKS ON THE FOOT. summer they forgot to put the muffler on shoes. Now the winter tan college oxford comes along to relieve the plainness of trousers that are not reef-ed. This shoe raises the ante on anything yet seen in footwear. It locks

the feet.

Three nickel plated padlocks buckle
the instep. One key the shoe across the instep. One key goes with every pair. If the key is lost while the shoes are locked on—"Will they sell?" the shoe man was

asked. "They will. When the college boys get hep to those locks we can't

"When a rah-rah wears these will be "When a rah-rah wears these will be "When a rah-rah wears" was asked. have to walk lock step?" was asked.
"I knew you'd spring that," the shoe
man said. "Everybody else bas."

TORTOISE SHELL.

The Way the Plates Are Removed

From the Animal.

The comb of tortoise shell has a very pale and translucens yellow, the only really valuable kind of shell.

"Many people think his pale, un-mottled shell the cheaper kind," the dealer said. "Do you know why? Bethis.

"That is one vulgar error about shell. Another is that the tortoise is killed to get its shell casing. That is as absurd an error as it would be to

say a sheep was killed to get its wool.
"What is done is this: The fisher-men, having caught a tortoise, tie him and then cover his back with dry grass and leaves. They set for to this stuff, it burns slowly, and the heat causes the thirteen plates of the shell to loosen at the joints. With a knife the "Is that Mary you're talking about?" plates are pried off, and afterward the asked papa.
"Yes, sir. It is a mere formality, I of his shell is intact and will grow again. If tortoises were killed to get their shell they would long since have become extinct

"No, no. Every tortoise is, as it were, a farm—a shell farm. Fishermen catch him regularly and with heat and a knife gently remove his shell."— New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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