INCREASE OF DIVORCES

One For Every Twelve Marriages In the United States.

ANNUAL RATE 66,000 NOW.

More Than Twice as Common as Forty Years Ago, Census Bureau Reports Divorces Now Increasing Three Times as Fast as Population.

That divorce is two and one-half times as common in the United States as it was forty years ago and that one marriage in twelve nowadays ends in divorce are conclusions reached by officials of the census bureau at Washington in a new compilation of statistics of marriage and divorce covering the twenty years from 1887 to 1906, inclusive.

A previous investigation covering the twenty year period from 1867 to 1886, inclusive, had been carried out by the department of labor, and Mr. Carroll D. Wright, who was then com ated with the present inquiry as an expert special agent of the census bu-

In the twenty year period covered by the latter investigation there have been 12,832,044 marriages recorded. In the same time there have been 945,625 the same time there have been 945,625 divorces. For the previous twenty years there had been reported 328,716 divorces, little more than a third of the number for the second twenty year period. When the first investiga-tion was instituted, forty years ago. divorces occurred at the rate of 10,000 a year. Now the annual rate is 66,000. This increase, however, is to be con-sidered in connection with increase in population.

population. The rep report adduces statistics to show that diverges are now increasing about three times as fast as popula-tion, while during the decade 1870-1880 they increased only about two and two-thirds as fast. The divorce rate for each 160,000 of population increased from twenty-nine in 1870 to eighty-two in 1905. In the former year there was one divorce for every 3,441 persons and in the latter year one for every 1,218.

But a more significant divorce rate is that which is based not upon total population, but upon married popula-tion. The rate for each 100,000 married population was S1 in the year 1870

and 200 in the year 1900. Geographically Illinois leads in total divorces granted for the last twenty year period, with 82,200, and Ohio is second, with 63,982, other states being

close up. New York's list of divorces for the twenty years ended and inclusive of 1006 was 29,125, whereas for the pre-vious twenty years it had been 15,-The rate in 1900 was twenty three for each 100,000 population. In

1880 it was sixteen. Pennsylvania's total for the last twenty years was 39,686 and that of Massachusetts 22,940. The highest rate in the eastern states is that of Maine, 117 for each 100,000 population.

Wives obtain two-thirds of the divorces. Desertion constitutes 38.9 per cent of the grounds for all divorces, and neglect to provide, unfaithfulness and drunkenness are oth Five divorces are gran for cruelty to one for Lusband. Allmony was asked by three wives out of sixteen and obtained by

where out of sixteen and obtained by two out of sixteen. An odd feature of the report is that the proportion of husbands who asked for allowary was 2.8 per cont and that 2 per cent obtained it. In Utch sis husbands obtained divorces for non-curricet

apport. The fifth year of married life so ship upon the rocks. From the first to the fifth year the ratio increases, but after the fifth year there is less

tendency to separation, although the number of divorces does not fall be-low that of the first year. The average duration of marriages terminated by divorce is about ten years. Sixty per cent, or three-fifths, last less than ten years, and 40 per cent last longer. cent last longer.

Cargo of Five Thousand Cats Japan, it seems, is infested with ats, and the reason is explained by a Paris contemporary-viz, that the Japanese cats, which are not prolific are pampered to an extraordinary de-gree. During the last few days, the

SLEEP CURE FOR SIN. Young Folks Clergyman Says Wives Can Keep Hus-

New Candy Game. The hostess should write the follow-ing questions on sheets of paper, of course omitting the answers, and give one to each guest, awarding boxes of bonbons for prizes: What candy is a spice and a money making extablishment? Penpermint

naking establishment? Peppermint. What sweets are wild flowers of the

what goodies result when a sour fruit rolls off the table? Lemon drops. What candy is a lively goat and a near neighbor of the English? Butter-What candy is rubber and "to fall?"

Gumdrop.

And which consists of a famous riv-er in the east and a variety of nuts? Jordan almonds. What candy good for the throat is

gray with age and hunting dog? Hore-What American dainty is "to ex

plode" and an important food product? Popcorn. What species of caramels are an un what popular flavor is likely holly and mistletoe? Wintergreen,

What bonbons should show which way the wind blows? Straws,

The Dijon Poplar. A traveler in France speaks of a poplar tree that the writer saw in the city of Dijon, which is the oldest tree If its kind in France. It is 122 feet in height and is forty-five feet in cir-umference at the base. The city councll has an authentic record of the his-tory of the free since the year 722. The people of Dijon are proud of it, so much so that they not long ago voted to levy a tax to put a railing around ft, so that it might be protected from possible injury. It is good to see sen-timent of this kind.

Questions and Answers.

When could the British empire be purchased for the lowest sum? When Richard III, offered his kingdom for a

What is the largest room in the vorid? The room for improvement. What is the largest room in the world? The room for improvement. When may a man be said to break-fast before he gets up? When he takes a roll in bed.—Philadelphia Ledger. ABOUT A WATCH.

Marvelous Feats Performed by the Most Delicate of Machines.

The watch is the smallest, most delicate machine that was ever constructed of the same number of parts. About 175 different pieces of material enter its construction, and upward of 2,400 separate operations are comprised in its manufacture. Some of the facts connected with its

performance are simply incredible when considered in total. A blacksmith strikes several thousand blows on his sunday comes around, but the roller jewel of a watch makes every day and day after day 432,000 impacts against the fork, or 157,680,000 blows in a year and

ithout stop or rest, or 3,153,600,000 in e short space of twenty years. These figures are beyond the grasp does not stop here. It has been esti-mated that the power that moves the watch is equivalent to only four times the force used in a flea's jump; conse-quently it might be called a four flea power. One horsepower would suffice to run 270,000,000 watches.

Now, the balance wheel of a watch is moved by this four flea power one and forty-three one-bundredths inches with each vibration-3,558% miles continuously in one year .- Chicago News.

Find the Seven Babies Here is an ancient but interesting

puzzle

bands Home by Using It. The sleep cure is the latest discovery in the realm of mental suggestion. Just who discovered it has not been

revealed, but its marvelous powers were described the other day by the Rev. Henry C. Rose, rector of the Church of the Redeemer, in Newark, N. J. Of course sleep itself helps to refresh tired mortals, but the Rev. Mr Rose said that by mental suggestion when the subject is asleep husbands can be cured of vice, crimes can be prevented and bad habits of children removed. As an instance of the power of mental suggestion when the sub-ject is asleep the clergyman cited the

case of a woman who cured her hus band of his nightly habit of going to his club. As described by the Rev. Mr. Rose As described by the Rev. Mr. Rose the sleep cure is based on a simple theory. He said that while the con-scious self is asleep the subconscious self is awake. In fact, it never sleeps. All a wife has to do is to sit by her husband's bed and appeal to the wide awake subconscious self to make the bueband read. The elergramen said be

husband good. The clergyman said he and the Rev. Elwood Worcester, rector of the Emmanuel Protestant Episco-pal church of Boston, experimented on about a hundred children of depraved minds and that thirty-five were cured entircly, forty-five were helped mate-rially and that the treatment failed

only in twelve cases. In describing the case of the woman who tried the sleep cure on her hus-band and thereby stopped him from neglecting his home for his club the elergyman said that the wife sat by clergyman said that the wife sat by her husband's" bed and told him that the next night he would not go to his club to drink and carouse, but that he would come home, have a good dim-ner and spend the evening with her. "The next day the husband came home as his wife said he would," the Der. Mr Dese nexted. "The formet

Rev. Mr. Rose asserted "He forgot his club, and soon, after persisting in the treatment, the wife cured him entirely. If such treatment is beneficial to the husband it will be good for wives too. They might be kept from extravagance in dress, and many un-happy homes might be brightened."

Lambs For Spanish Children.

Directly after Lent there is observed in Spain a custom that is particularly interesting to children. It is what may be termed the sale of the lambs, for on Monday morning after Easter the shepherds have their lambs and goats on sale in all the cities. The animals are kept in temporary pens, and it is the rule for parents to permit their children of from five to twelve years of age to purchase a pet lamb or goat. After the animal is selected it is tak-en to the home residence and given the freedom of the courtyard and quite often the greater part of the house. It is every child's ambition to train the pet so that it will at least follow its owner like a dog, and if a few simple

tricks are added to the lamb's or kid's education the master or mistress is proud indeed. Girls especially delight in these pets, and often the animals are so bedecked with bows and ribbons ilmost to hide their bodies. The of the lambs is a very old custom is supposed to have originated

through some form of the church.

The Dog's Tail. A prominent citizen was on trial charged with harboring a vicious dog. The attorney for the defense had been consulting a dog expert and had learned that if a dog holds his tail up over his back when be barks he is not angry, while if he holds it straight out behind him he is in a belligerent, bloodthirsty frame of mind. Auxious to air his newly acquired information, the lawyer began cross questioning

"Now, did you notice the position in which this dog's tail was held when he came at you?" he came at you?" "I did not," said the witness, "for that was not the end from which I anticipated injury. I had another end in view. Now, if the dog had been a

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ney. "Answer the question. In what came at you?" "I believe, sir," faltered the terrified witness. "that it was behind him."-

Chicago News.

Nothing but Cod. Kate Field once visited the Isles of Shoals and went fishing with a New England skipper. During the voyage she interviewed the old salt on the fish question, with the following re-sult:



Copyrighted, 1908, by Associated Literary Press. "Billy," announced Daisy solemnly, 'I gotter die."

Billy Seaton's big blue eyes grew round with surprise.

"Don't," he urged. "Tommy Bind-ley's birthday party is next week, and they're goin' to have five kinds of cake and three kinds of ice cream. Billy was sick last year and this is last year's party too."

"I'm not going to be dead that long," explained Daisy. "This is only a little dead.

"I don't see no fun in dying just for a little while," scorned Billy, his fears allayed. "If I was to die I'd want to stay dead—but I don't want to die," he added hastily.

"I don't want to," admitted Daisy, "but I gotter. You know my lace shawli Billy nodded. He had reason for re-

membering the shawl, for had he not been spanked for throwing a bit of jelly cake at Daisy when she was wearing it? It was old and yellow, but

they had made a terrible fuss about it. "I cut a teenty plece offen it," con-tinued Daisy. "It was the littlest bit of a piece, but"-her voice hushed to an awed whisper-"Tm goin' to be spanked when ma gets home tonight." Billy nodded understandingly. It was Mrs. Dunlop's principle to permit at least twelve hours to elapse between the detection and punishment of ju-

venile offenses, during which period the culprit was permitted to suffer

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ets!

sister, could give any information.

Billy ?" demanded the frantic mother.

village. The poor, sensitive little thing

an instant all was

Paul Findlay was one of

"An' give me your big jackknife?"

Say coo-ee three times. Remem-

ber, you promised not to give us

the self satisfied manager of the cam-

paign went in search of the chef to

coax him to cook the frog legs for sup-

the bank farther up stream.

It was not long before Paul returned,

Paul nodded and rushed on, while

"And the knife," assented Paul.

has drowned herself."

Daisy. Billy?"

E.

mouthed admiration to he Munch

sea tale. Then the child was carried upstain to be washed and dressed for dinner and the beaming Mrs. Dunlop cooed

soft pleas for forgiveness. Billy strolled away to one of the summer houses, there to encounter Paul and Alice in the first bilssful stage of their sudden engagement. They did not see him for a moment. Full, look-ing up, was the first to notice him. "Come for thy pound of flesh, O Shylock?" he demanded.

Billy shook his head.

"I just was walkin' around," he ex-plained. "I didn't know that you was here, honest." "All the same," declared Paul,

"prompt payments make good friends." He slipped the knife and a shiny quarter to Billy and watched the boy

race across the lawn. "It was Billy who suggested that I look higher up the bank," he explained as he returned to the girl. "I told him that if his tip was any good I would give him my knife." "What do you suppose gave him that

"What do you suppose gave him that idea?" cried Alice, with surprise. "I don't know," said Paul loyally. "The workings of Billy's mind are not for the understanding of us grown-UDS.

Billy, out by the stables, derived huge satisfaction from making lon white shavings with the new knife. long, "I wish ma would give me time to

die before she spanks me," he was tell-ing himself mournfully. "I hope Daisy dies again soon. Truly Billy's mind was unfathom

HOME IN THE NEXT LIFE.

Ex-Senator Chandler Believes It Will Be In One of the Stars.

William E. Chandler, former United States senator from New Hampshire and former secretary of the navy, has come into the limelight again as the advocate of a new religious doctrine. He believes that after we lay down our physical beings upon this earth our souls will go to some of the stars, there to be reinvested with physical bodies and to have the same con-sciousness of existence as here, only

to greater perfection. Mr. Chandler, who talked with a re-porter of the New York World at his summer home at Waterloo, N. H., before his departure for Washington, where he will spend the winter, said: Where he will spend the winter, said: My faith in a future life is strong and ever present with me. It is only faith. We have no knowledge, and it is intend-ed that we shall have no knowledge. We do not live as disembodied spirits. We go to one of the stars, where we inhabit new physical bodies, which embrace our present souls. We see and hear and have the senses, taste, smell and touch, and perhaps other new and more joyous senses. enses. We must start with the vast, startling

-----"ALL THE SAME, PROMPT PAYMENTS MAKE GOOD FRIENDS." those agonies of anticipation far more effective than the gentle spanking which constituted the nominal expira-

we must start with the vast startling, overwhelming thought that there exists a power that can create an immortal soul, capable of living for ever. Once created, the soul must go on and on throughout the eons of eternity. The great object of existence could not be satisfied by anni-hilation. It can be satisfied only by im-mortality. Admitting the future existence of the soul, what more logical thought can we have than that our souls go to some oth-er part of the universe to take up their abode there? They do not exist here on this earth. What can be the object of such an existence? There is no communi-cation between the souls of the departed and the souls of these who remain. Such a spirit would be a very unheppy one. I do not believe in spiritualism in the com-mon meaning of the word. The idea of spirit rappings is entirely unreasonable. If we go to some of the stars-to Sirtus, to the North star or to the sun-we shall be reinvested with physical bodies. The joys of existence attendant upon the use of the five sensee must not be sacrificed. And what more reasonable thought than that we shall be invested with new senses as enjoyable, if not more so, than the five we have in this existence? dishes three times a day? Do it in the morning when fresh. Scrape the din-ner dishes, stack in a large pan filled with cold water and cover. Treat the supper dishes the same way, and do not allow your conscience to keep you awake one single hour. It will not make the task too heavy the next morning if you try my way. After washing each piece in hot Billy preferred his mother's plan, in which the sole of the maternal slipper followed hot upon the heels of discov-ery, and he regarded the tiny culprit compassionately. "Ma won't be back until 4," said "You'll help me, won't you, Billy nodded, and so it happened that when Mrs. Dunlop appeared on the plazza of the summer resort hotel to ask if any one had seen her small daugater not even Alice, Dalsy's elder At this opportune moment appeared Billy from the road leading from the small stream by courtesy called a river. In one hand he carried a pail

into a pitcher or deep jug until some odd minute when one is not so weary with well doing that another turn of the screw seems next to impossible. The Tapestry Craze. One of the most attractive forms of embroidery which have been revived recently is the tapestry work used on cushions, screens, chair backs and provide the gradient places to be

of frogs and in the other a battered and dripping wreck that once had been a straw hat. With a scream which startled the other guests Mrs. Dunlop hurried across the lawn toward the approach-ing boy, for her mother's eyes had recognized the headgear which to others was still a shapeless mass of we

And what more reasonable thought than that we shall be invested with new senses as enjoyable, if not more so, than the five we have in this existence? My idea is that when our souls leave this earth we do not scatter to different planets. This would be a terrible separa-tion. Suppose we are sent to Mars and our dearest friends have gone to Sirius. The very thought is distressing. Surely in the great beyond we shall re-join our friends. We shall not scatter. We shall know each other there as we have known each other there as we have known each other here and shall have friends among those we meet in this life and among those we meet in this life and among the event we shall not scatter. I love to think that in the next workl life will be a little easier than it is bere. After the cares of this life are over we shall need rest. The most prevalent hope is that of a little rest before entering upon new labors. The new life will be a little easier. A little rest is what we long for. But when we reason upon the sub-ject we must believe that the life to come is one of activity, a life of work, a life of service. 'Where did you get Daisy's hat, "Found it," was the prompt response. "I was down below the dam huntin" frogs and this came over the dam." Trops and this came over the dam." "It is my Daisy's," sobled the fran-tic mother, clasping the wet thing to her breast. "She cut up her lace shawl that had been my own grand-mother's to make a dress for her doll, and I told her that she should have a whipping when I came back from the village. The poor sensitive little thing

Senator Chandler does not believe in the transmigration of the soul on this planet. Nor does he believe that the soul has had any previous existence.

THE BEE'S STING.

TABLE DECORATIONS. Bisque Figures In Pose of Premiere of the Ballet.

Hostesses who are at their wits' ends rying to break away from the trite and formal in the matter of decora-Phases of Christmas Cheer as

YULETIDE FEASTING.

Observed In Denmark.

PASTRY BY THE MILE EATEN.

Whole Family In an Old Town Helped

to Make Cakes, Says Jacob A. Riis. Continuous Eating Performance For

One of the Christmas season's cus-

toms as observed in an old Danish town is described as follows by Jacob A. Riis in his article entitled "Yuletide In the Old Town" in the Christmas

Century: When we were not dancing or play-

through the two holiday weeks. Pas-

try by the mile did we eat, and gen-eral indigestion brooded over the town when it emerged into the white light

of the new year. At any rate, it ought

to have done so. It is a prime article of faith with the Danes to this day that for any one to go out of a friend's

house or of anybody's house in the Christmas season without partaking of its cheer is to "bear away their Yule,"

which no one must do on any account.

which ho one must do on any account. Every house was a bakery from the middle of December until Christmas eve, and, oh, the quantities of cake we ate, and such cakes! We were sixfeen normally in our home, and mother mixed the dough for her cakes in a veritable horse trough kept for that exclusive purpose. As much as a sack

exclusive purpose. As much as a sack of flour went in, I guess, and gallons

of molasses and whatever else went to the mixing. For weeks there had been long and anxious speculations as to "what father would do" and gloomy

conferences between him and mother over the state of the family pocket-book, which was never plethoric, but at last the joyful message ran through

the house from attic to kitchen that

the appropriation had been made, "even for citron," which meant throw-ing all care to the winds. The thrill of

it when we children stood by and saw

it when we children stood by and saw the generous avalanche going into the trough! What would not come of it! The whole family turned to and helped make the cakes and cut the "pepper nuts," which were little "quares of cake dough we played cards for and stuffed our pockets with, gnashing them incessantly. Talk

about eating them incessantly. Tark about eating between meals! Ours was a continuous performance for two sol-id weeks. The pepper nuts were the-

We rolled the dough in long strings like slender eels and then cut it a lit-

the on the bias. They were good, those

nuts, when baked brown. I wish I

had some now. It all stood for the universal desire

that in the joyous season everybody be made glad. I know that in the old

town no one went hungry or cold dur-ing the holidays, if indeed any one

ever did. Every one gave of what he-had, and no one was afraid of pauper-izing anybody by his gifts, for they were given gladly and in love, and

that makes all the difference-did then and does now. At Christmas it is per-fectly safe to let our scientific princi-ples go and just remember the Lord's

command that we love one another. I subscribe to all the scientific princi-ples of giving with perfect loyalty and try to practice them till Chris:

mas week comes in with its holly an

the snell of balant and fir and the memories of childhood in the old town: then-well, anyway, it's only a little, while. New Year's and the long cold

DEATH VALLEY.

The Burning, Blasting Winds That Sweep This Arid Waste.

The prevailing winds in Death val-ley are from the west. Though origi-nating in the Pacific ocean and sat-

urated with humidity in traveling the

intermediate distance, they are inter-cepted by the lofty peaks of four ranges of mountains, which absorb all of their moisture, so that by the time

they reach the valley all humidity has disappeared. The blasts are as if heated in a fiery furnace, and no liv-

ing thing can survive the intense heat Even birds indigenous to the region

die. It is in the months of greatest heat

that the sandstorms of Death valley are most deadly. They rage with in-tense fury, obliterating the landscape

and dimming the light of the sun, withering the scanty vegetation and

covering the trails deep in powde

winter come soon enough

way

ing games we literally ate our

Two Weeks.

tions for the dinner table appear to owe a debt of gratitude to the result of the happy collaboration of two Frenchmen, M. Pierre Carrier-Belleuse, the painter, and M. Gregoire Cal-vet, equally celebrated as a sculptor. Together these two artists have spent three years in designing and ex-

ecuting a dozen or so of the daintiest and most bewitching dancing girl fig-ures imaginable.

Each figure perpetuates a character istic pose of a perpendicts a definition of the ballet. It is the psychological moment of the dance, when the little figure, the gauzy skirts, the graceful limbs, the expres-sion of the irresistible countenance, all combine to define an emotion that is

captivating. The graceful abandon of the figures and the management of the ballet skirts convey a wonder sense of motion. The figures seem almost to skip on too tips, to whirl about, to fly, so painstaking, yet apparently careless, have the artists been with their detail. The material of these joyous little statuettes is "biscuit de Sevres." The models are executed for the art market at the French national factory at Sevres. Probably no other medium would express the artists' ideas half as well. Every one acqualated with examples of bisque statuary will understand how exquisitely light and fragile must appear these dainty fig-

It can be imagined how well these charming figures serve as accessories to the decorative piece de resistance on a dinner table. Perhaps they are placed in a line up and down the length of the table or in groups here and there. If the hostess is lavish in such matters, she may place one be-fore each cover-to be carried away as a souvenir.

EASY DISHWASHING.

Lightening the Weary Work of "Three Times a Day."

One of the unnecessary things in housekeeping is the continuous washing and wiping of dishes, says a woman in the Housekeeper. Methinks I hear a cry of horror from a horde of housekeepers, but many of them have nevertheless at one time or another rebelled against the stack of dishes which looms up, like the schoolboy's hash, "three times a day."

It is queer how some women will aside from the beaten path. They have yet to learn the joy that comes from taking an independent tack and making the work subservient to the worker, from being the master instead of the slave. To many women the bugbear of housework is dishwashing. Why wash dishes three times a day? Do it in the

After washing each piece in hot suds and rivsing in hot (not warm) water, put them, piece by piece, in the wire designer (or in the

wire drainer (price 10 cents) as nearly

on edge or aslant as possible, and let

Glasses, of course, and silver must be wiped, but the former can be left

filled after using and the latter put

The Tapestry Craze.

cushions, screens, chair backs a seats and in smaller pieces to

nounted on stools, blotters, box lids,

and the designs are most attractiv

and a straight and

It is comparatively simple work,

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chronicler proceeds, a ship has left one of the principal German ports with 5,000 cats on board. These on arrival are to be settled in the various maritime towns of the mikado's dominion and we further learn, says the London Globe, that the present constrainent of cats is to be followed by four others, each of 5,000. The name of the prin-Globe, that the cipal German port is not given

"Job" Insurance.

"Job" insurance. Insurance Commissioner James V. Barry of Michigan has discovered a new form of insurance among rail-road conductors, says a Lansing dis-patch. It is a "job" insurance scheme by which every man who loses his po-stion through any cause except drunk-enness or garnishment of salary re-ceives \$500. The next legislature will be asked to page the be asked to pass a law regulating and controlling this form of insurance. William J. Ross, a Michigan Central conductor, is the organizer.

A Monster Cave.

A cave has lately been discovered in New Zealand which is larger even than the Mammoth cave of Kentucky.

Women and Words.

Mrs. Stubb-Now, women are not im-pulsive, like you men. They always measure their words. Mr. Stubb (with a sigh)-Oh, if some of them would only give short measure!-Chicago News.

Getting His Own Back. "The giraffe has a tongue eighteen inches long." said Mrs. Talkmare "And knows how to hold it, too," growled Mr. Talkmore, who had had a long curtain lecture the night before.on Answers.

sult One and one and one make three, any ne would say upon glancing at this picture of the fine little boys, but it is not what you see first that is the right the question. "How many Look again, and perhaps are there? you will be sharp enough to see that one and one and one make not three, but more than twice three—seven. Look among the squirming arms and legs, among the chubby hands and feet, and you cannot fail to make up the puzzling addition. And after you have found all seven of the baby boys take the picture and have some fun with your friends watching them fuss and fume that they cannot see more than the original three babies.

Would Let Folks Know It. Somebody sent this to the society editor and made affidavit that it really

happened. Here it is: They were out at an afternoon card party. A stout woman dropped a card to the floor. "Would you be so kind as to pick up that card

for me?" she inquired of the little wo-man at her right. "Certainly," said the accommodating woman at the right, picking up the card.

"You see," explained the stout wo man apologetically, "I've got on a brand new fifty dollar corset, and I'm afraid I'll strain it if I lean over." "Hum!" commented the other wo-man enviously. "If I had a fifty dollar corset I'd wear it on the outside. I really would." - Cleveland Plain Dealer

Sad Termination. Sald She-Did the story you were writing when I last saw you end happily or unhappily? Said He-Unhappily. The publisher-tefused to accept it,-Chicago News.

Said I to the skipper: "What do you consider the best fish for boiling? Skipper-Boiling? Why, cod, to be

-And what is best for baking? Skipper-You couldn't have no better fish nor cod for baking.

-How is it with broiling? Skipper-I never tasted no better fish for broiling than cod.

I-What is your opinion about fry-"Frying!" repeated the skipper,

and drew him toward a clump of scratching his head. "Why, what would shrubbery. -What fish is best for general pur-

"Cross your breast never to tell?" obligated Billy. Paul gave the desired assurance

He

bartered Billy

her hat off."

as Dalsy

but be?

Skipper-General purposes! Cod can't beat for general purposes, I tell

Knew All About George.

"Do you know, my daughter, that every name means something? For instance, Charles means brave, William resolute, George"-"Oh, I know what George means. mother "Well, what is it?"

you!

"George means business. He told me so last night."-Chicago Inter Ocean.

Apt Pupil.

Friend-You took your son into your establishment some months ago to teach him the business, I understand. How did it turn out? Business Man (wearly)-Great suc

cess! He's teaching me now.

The Return. Magistrate-1f I remember rightly, this is not your first appearance in court. Prisoner-No, your honor; but I hope you don't judge by appearances. -Harper's Weekly.

An Ugly Weapon Something Like Three Bladed Sword. Kindly hands led the mother back to the plazza and the men at once organ

The bee's sting is made up of three separate lances, each with a barbed ized searching parties. Alice Dunlop numbered her conquests by the score, and each suitor was hopeful that by reedge and each capable of being thrust forward independently of the others. covering her sister, dead or alive, he should win a gratitude that should later turn the scales in his favor. The central and broader lance has ollow face furnished at each side with a rail or beading, which runs its whole length. On the back of each of the other two lances there is a longi-tudinal groove, and into these grooves though to do him justice he would have acted as gulckly without the incentive. He was hurrying across the lawn when a pudgy hand tugged at his coat fit the raised beadings of the central lancet

Thus the sting is like a sword with three blades-united, but sliding upon one another-the barbed points of which continue to advance alternately into the wound, going ever deeper and deeper of their own malice aforethought after the initial thrust is made. It is a device of war co pared to which the explosive bullet but a clumsy brutality. Yet this is not

"You know the old mill?" reminded Billy. "Not the new one by the dam, but the one where the dam used to 118 To make its death dealing power doubly sure this thorough minded ama zon must fill the haft of her triple blade with a subtle poison and so con-trive its sliding mechanism that the same impulse which drives the points successively forward drenches the

weapon with a fatal juice. "The Lore of the Honey Bee whole From by Tickner Edwardes.

"She was all tired out from her trange he concluded as he placed her in Mrs. Dunlop's arms. "She never was in the water. The wind blew "it isn't desirable. But sometimes you can't prevent a man's party from shrinking."-Washington Star.

Tears were turned to rejoicing. All of the summer girls hastened to of fer Daisy candy out of their boxes, and growled the wife.

isy sleepily told her well planned of how she had strayed into the



Copies of old tapestries, of Watteau

and other subjects, of Dutch scenes

and of simple floral patterns, are

traced on canvas and all the portions of

the design applied in the correct color

ings. The embroiderer merely works

over the lines in careful stitches, as

n the most conventional needlework. The example given is a Louis chai

seat in rich colorings which give a

in embroidery.

effect of perspective seldom attained

Phenomena of Heredity

It is one of the phenomena of hered

ity that a boy wants to be what his father was—if a shoemaker, then a shoemaker; if an ironworker, then an

ironworker; if an artisan of any line

then an artisan in that line-and the father and mother who have come to hate the smell of leather or the grime

of the smithy, the oil waste of the ma

work cajole or coerce that boy into something that is genteelly dull or respectably stupid and kill the germ

that would have produced the manu-facturer, the mechanical engineer or the capitalist.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Then She Missed It.

Wiggs-Poor old soul! She doesn't believe as much in the efficacy of pray-er as she did. Waggs-You surprise

me. She has always been so extrem

It .- Catholic Standard and Times.

At all times the aspect of the valley is superlatively desolate. spot on earth surpasses it in aridity or Tophet-like heat. During the heated term an hour

without water means death. Meat becones putrid in an hour. Eggs are cooked in the blistering sand. Water is only palatable by means of large, porous, earthenware jars, common all hot countries, suspended in drafts and reduced in temperature by means of the rapid evaporation of the moisture from the outside.



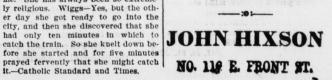
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bearing his tiny burden and explain-ing to those who had dragged the pond that it had occurred to him to search Unavoidable.

"You were always a fault finder?" "Yes, dear," responded the husband

meekly, "I found you."

"Do you think a man ought to be greater than his party?" "Well," answered Senator Sorghum.