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over 50 sheep for every hundred of over 50 sheep for every hun
population, while Anstralin ha
to every handred of population. Unele Sam's fleet of five torpedo
bonts is called " $n$ mosquitosquatron," and if it lives up to its name the dis-
connort of the enemy will be all that Were dentists fashionable in snail-
dom what a harvest there might te
for the tooth operators. A scientist
who lins been studying the subject Who has
neeth.
That was a shrewd doctress in Now
England who recently tork a lawyer
for a hasband. If patients do not pay their bills ther hunband can sue, ani
the fees for legal services may be kept in the family.
North Carolina's system of working
convicto on the rond has, it is alleged,
rid the state of tramps, ns well a
proved profitable to all who use the
ronds. The state law gives magis-
trates the option of sentencing prisou-

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A Knasas City woman, nrrestel for
swinding people ns a fortne teller,
confessed the swindle, and offered an confessed the swindle, and offered a
an exense for her business that "fev
respectable women conld earn a respectable women conld earn an
honest living unless they became
swindters." Employment in varions
reputable lines of basiness had failed to bring her even a fuir living. A
soon as she begna to cater to publi gullibility her income grew
literally "had money to burn
other proof of the truth of other pr
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chen $\qquad$

| According to Federal statistics the production of oleomargarine for the fiscal year 1896-97 showed a marked decrease from that of the previons year. The falling off amonnted to over $5,000,000$ pounds; while since 1894 the sales of this particular butter snbstitute have declined by over 24, 000,000 pounds, or nearly 33 per cent. Hostile legislation is named as the main cause of diminished production and sale; but it is to be hoped, ndide the New York Tribune, that an improved public taste has hadsomething to do with the decreased uke of this |
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spite her wholesome ruggedness. Sh resented with indignation
ling's appellation, "Our Snows," and now she is pouting and
saying nanghty things under her breath becanse Conutess Aberdeen send prayer books and gody litera-
ture to her for distribution among the
Canadian people. Canada fears the kind Countess's solicitude for the
spiritual and literary welfare of the Dominion will be misunderstood, and
accordingly the unwilling Lady of the
Snows serves notice on all the world and England in particular, that she i
no heathen. She has a few books and

Consnl Keenan, writing fro ment the chief points of a paper on
the medical view of bioycle riding read by Professor MIendelsolinn, of th
Berlin university, at a meeting of the Medical society in Berlin. The pape
is just beginning to attract wide at tentioa in Germany, although it wa
delivered as far back ns January, 1896 . delivered as far back as January, 1896 . riding as harmful or absolutely dan
gerous, Besides the danger from ac cidents, inflammation
oint, inflammation pressure of the aaddle, etc., Dr. Men
delssohn pointa out other dangers Constant excessive exertion produces change thronghout the body to such
degree as to weaken the individna and cause a special susceptiblity catch cold is great, and the heart subjeot to the greatest danger in casea
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aria, (4) old age, and (5) childhood. Bria, (4) old age, and (5) childhood
Biegcling is benefleial, he contends, the following cases: (1) When ex sertain mild forms of claronic disturb sept absolute lung dilation. The Con sul calls attention to the fact that the pointe relating to the advisability of a certais temperament, but ob sorves thas "it must be conceded that dolanothe are true,"









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 was restfnl. Doris and Jack listene
contentedly,
thong again of Halliday while the girl looked encourragingly a
her father-even tenderly, Jack
tho thought. She stayed in the dining
room while the men amoked and then
Mr. Verrail, with many apologien
nottled settled in a big armelnir for his usum
after-dinner nap. It was nearry dusk,
and Jack asked her to play to him i
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