Process to Remove Printing from Un-canceled Cards.

An advertisement has appeared in ome of the dally papers, in which a eash payment has been offered for uncanceled printed postal cards. This was all that was stated, and as it seemed to be out of the general run of advertisements, a call was made on the advertiser to find out the object of this

It seems that many business houses bave occasion to have a large number of postal eards printed, to advertise some special line of goods or for the use of some traveling man. For some reason or other the conditions may change, so that perhaps only half of the cards are used. Being printed, they cannot be used in any other way, and the result is that in nine cases out of ten they are consigned to the waste basket, as the Government does not redeem uncanceled postal cards as it does stamped envelopes.

A process has been discovered by which all of the printed matter may be removed from the card, leaving it in the same condition as when bought at the postoffice. A charge of 1/2 cent per card is made for this work, or in other words, a man sends 500 cards to be "made over." The man who does the work charges \$2.50 for his services, and the customer saves \$2.50, as the printed cards were of no use to him.

The process by which this work is ac complished is not patented, as the in-ventor is fearful that after the ingredlents become known, some one else may change them enough to escape an infringement, but at the same time obtain the same result. The solution is made at night, after the factory hands have gone home, and is given them the next day to use. The scheme has been in operation for six months only, but the inventor has letters from all parts of the country from prominent bustness houses, that have taken advantage of this offer to save 50 cents on the dollar, and he feels sure he has got a business that, after it has become known, will prove a good paying investment .-Boston Transcript.

Tom-How do you like that novel I brought you yesterday?

Alice-Oh, I don't like it at all. don't care to finish it.

Tom-How much have you read? Alice-One chapter.

Tom-Then you really haven't got into the story. The first chapter's merely a sort of an introduction. Alice-But the first chapter isn't the

one I've read, and the heroine dies! No, you may take it back.

No Difference.

Physical troubles of a like nature sming from different causes are often coming from different causes are often a puzzle to those who suffer pain as to their treatment and cure, as in the case of lumbago from cold or a strain in some way to the same muscles. The treatment of such need not differ one with the other. Both are bad enough, and should have prompt attention, as nothing disables so much as lame back. The use of St. Jacobs Oil will settle the question. Its efficacy is so sure in either case there is no difference in the treatment and no doubt of the cure.

An electric locomotive in a Canadian oal mine shows a saving over mules f \$2528 in 200 days, and an electric pump in the same mine shows a saving over steam pumps of \$1,573 in 970 days.

Chew Star Tobacco-The Best. Smoke Sledge Cigarettes,

During the last 100 years the popula-tion has increased at the rate of nearly 1,000,000 annually.

I believe Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my boy's life last summer.—Mrs. ALLIE Doco-Lass, Le Hoy, Mich., Oct. 20, 1804.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Absolutely cures scrofula, Salt rheum,

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"I had a strong appetite for liquor, which was the beginning of the breaking down of my health. I was also a slave to tea and coffee drinking. I took the gold cure, but it did not help me."

This is a portion of an interview elipped from the Daily Herald, of Clinton, Iowa. It might well be taken for the subject of a temperance lecture, but that is not our object in publishing it. It is to show how a system, run down by drink and disease, may be restored. We cannot do better than quote further from the same:

system, run down by drink
may be restored. We cannot
quote further from the same
"For years I was
unable to do my
work. I could not
sleep nights or rest
days on account of continuous pains in my stomach and back. I was unable became increased.
I left my farm and
retired to city life,
for I was a confirmed invalid, and
the doctors said I nover be

well again. "Soon after I hap-"Soon after I happened to use four
boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for I RETIRED TO CITY LIFE
Pale People, and since then I have been
free from all pain, headache and dyspepsia.
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strong drink or tea or coffee, and feel
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"My weight has increased 48 pounds. I cannot say too much for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and claim that they have cured me.

"John B. Cook."

Bubscribed and sworn to before me this sixteenth day of Pebruary, 1897.

A. P. Barrin, Notary Public.

To people run down in health, from whatever cause—drink or disease—the above interview will be of interest. The truth of it is undoubted, as the statement is sworn to, and we reproduce the oath here. For any further facts concerning this medicine write to Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

The name and address of the subject of above interview is John B. Cook, of 208

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervous-ness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer, 2 trial bottle and treatise free Dz. R. H. KLINE, 1.td., 231 Arch St., Phils., Pa.

Kien Long and His Physicians. There used to be related a curious anedote of old Klen Long, emperor of China. He was inquiring of Sir George Staunton the manner in which physiclans were paid in England. When, after some difficulty, his majesty was made to comprehend the system, he excinimed:

"Is any man well in England that can afford to be ill? Now I will inform you," said he, "how I manage my physicians. I have four, to whom the care of my health is committed. A certain weekly salary is allowed them, but the moment I am ill the salary stops till I am well again. I need not inform you that my illnesses are usually short."-Harper's Round Table.

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ellulose for Armored Vessels Is to Be Turned Out in Vast Quantities—Something of the Factory Methods - Farmers' Bane Now in Great Demand.

When the pioneers of America, who had successfully tusseled with the Indian and possessed themselves of his inheritance, tackled the Indian corn-stalk, they retired baffled and beaten, and from that time to the present the stalk has been monarch of the field, at once the biggest nuisance and most worthiess product of the farm. But a Moses has arisen to deliver the farmer from his thraldom. From a unisance in farm economy the stack has become a valuable product; from a worthless waste it has attained to the dignity of \$4 a ton rating, and now it is daily arciving in great loads from all parts of Winnebago county, Illinois, and is being piled in immense stacks on the grounds of the Marsden Development company at Rockford.

Already, says the Chicago Record, here are several thousand tons of the stalks collected, and by the time the crop is all in there will be many times as many on hand. The past year was not a good one for stalk development, and the average crop does not exceed 1000 pounds an acre, but normally nearly twice this amount would be The vast piles of stalks will be turned into a marketable product before summer comes again, and the beginning of a great industry will have been fairly made in Illinois. If the claims and hopes of the officials of the company are realized, the benefits of the Marsden patents to the world at large will be stupendous financially, and a great waste in agricultural economy will be stopped. It is stated on good authority that the crop of cornstalks in the United States for 1895 reached the immense aggregate of 160,000,000 tons, and this of a product unfit for food for man or beast.

The processes of the Marsden com-

pany are many, but there are only two products that they are commercially operating with. Mr. Marsden has proved that over sixty different products may be made from stalks, among the leading minor possibilities being alcohol of a superior quality, shoe enamel which will not crack, smokeless powder of a high degree of efficiency, paper much better than any now produced from wood pulp, an ef ficient material for use in electric insulation, a material possessing in marked degree the property of non-conduction of heat. But these thus far have been commercially overshadowed by the corn pith cellulose, and, as a by-product, an excellent cattle food.

Although the process of the compa-ny is secret and the agents of the concern will neither allow inspection of the plant nor indicate the methods employed, the general idea of the operation which converts the stiff fibre-covered pith into merchandise is quite simple. The stalk is ground very fine and the resulting comminuted mixture of pith and fibre, the two differing greatly in specific gravity, is separated by the use of a strong air blast and the action of gravity, the heavy fibre first falling, while the pith is carried on by the blast to another receptacle. There is no waste product; the heavier part, the fibre which has composed the stock and blades, is put into sacks and goes as stock food, while the pith is sacked and as corn cellulose goes to the Eastern market to aid in armoring battleships.

The stalk yields pith and fibre in about equal quantities, but on the scales the tale is different, the pith not being more than 10 per cent. of the product. The stock food is estimated to be about equal to hay as a stock ration, and serves the same pur-pose—that of a base for feeding heavier rations. It has not been put to a test on the farms, as it is not sold at all in the open market. The whisky trust appreciated the advantages of the food, and has contracted for the entire output of the present factories, using it in the cattle-feeding barns.

The plans of the Marsden company has an authorized capital of \$50,000,000, look to an immense enlargement of the business and the spreading of their factories through the corn belt as fast as the demand for the products grows. Every part of the cornstalk, other than the pith, is used in the food, as also the fibres which bind the pith itself in its natural state, but which are separated in the great grinder.

The discovery of the possibility of utilizing the cornstalk was made through the use of cellulose in naval construction. It was found soon after the adoption of armored craft that they were more liable to dangerous leaks if the armor were once penetrated than a wooden vessel would be, being less buoyant. With the development of modern heavy ordunnee of wonderful pe_etrative power the question became a serious one. It was solved by French designers. The vulnerable area of the ship is not large, the most dangerous breaks being but little be low the water. The French plan pro vided for the construction of an arch ing false deck from a point a few feet below the water line to the deck, leaving a space about thirty inches wide between this deck and the outer shell of armor, the side of the battleship. This space is densely packed with cellulose, stowed by hydraulic pressure In the French construction cocoanut fibre was used and answered fairly fibre was used and answered fairly the requirements. It remained for Mr. Marsden to apply the despised pith of the cornstalk in place of the more expensive cocoanut. At first it was claimed only that the new materi-al would be an economy, but the tests made by the government established a great superiority for the American product.

SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

French experiments have shown ten metal increases the strength of steel

A Leipzig firm is manufacturing wall bangings of aluminum which are fastened by nails of the same material to vooden boards or laths.

The operators at the Cross Mounrin coal mines, in the Jellicoe regions of Tennessee, are preparing to put in electrical apparatus for mining coal. A sea ofter of average size is about

ix feet long from the tip of his nose o the end of his tail. It is little like a land otter and more than twice as arge. A whole skin is worth from

Railroad cars of steel are supplanting the wood ones. They are more oomy, lighter and can be made longer. In strength they are far superior to the ordinary car and they are adapted particularly well for freight.

Science announces that the Austrian steamship Pola has gone to the Red ea for scientific explorations, and will this year cover the ground between Dschedda and Aden. Dr. Franz Steindachner, ichthyologist, has charge of the zoological work, and observaions will also be made in physical ceanography.

Ernest Salzenberg, director of the ity gas works in Crefeld, Germany, as invented an incandescent gas ourner which produces a golden-yelow light, most soothing to the eye and extremely powerful. It is said that a single incandescent jet enables person to read fine print at a dis ance of 100 to 150 feet from the light.

That birds build their nests by imiation has been called in question by A. G. Butler of London, who says that the reason why many of them at he beginning of the season trifle with milding material for some time before hey produce a satisfactory result is hat they are unable at once exactly o remember what the character of the jest was in which they first saw the light of day.

STATURE DENOTES CAPACITY.

ommingling Strains Have Worked No

Deterioration. In a paper read by Major Henry S. Kilbourne, surgeon, United States army, before the Association of Miliary Surgeons of the United States, he dvocated the theory that the physical power of a race or people, and consequently their capacity for work, is neasured by their average stature, For every inch of height between five and six feet the extreme breathing capacity is increased eight cubic inches; he vital capacity being at its maximum at thirty-five years. A table of neasurements of 190,621 native white Americans, accepted for the military service of the United States, shows hat the number of men below sixtythree inches in height is but little greater than that of the class above seventy-three inches. The most numerous class is included between sixtyeven and sixty-nine inches, and this standard class would have a greater chest girth than the average.

The mean height of 125 United States naval cadets above the age of twenty-three years was 67,80 inches, As these men are drawn from all parts and classes of the United States, they represent very nearly the typical physical development of the American people of twenty-five years of age.

Major Kilbourne concludes that the commingling strains of Celtic, Danish, Norwegian and German blood among our people have thus far worked no deterioration of physical quality. "Not so with the swarthy, low-browed and stunted people now swarming to our shores. Absorbed into the body of the people, these multitudes must inevitably evolve an inferiority of type. To realize the result of such a contingency, let it be considered that the oss of an inch in stature might bring in its train the loss of national ascendancy. Let us take care, then, that the state shall suffer no injury."-Boston Transcript.

Bound in Human Skin.

In Camille Flammarion's library is volume of the famous astronomer's works which bears the unique title "Souvenir d'Une Morte." It is unique because the title is wholly incompa-tible with the contents of the book, which is mainly devoted to scientific matters. However, when one hears the story that is told of this little volume it does not appear so strange after all, though interest in it grows all the greater. It is said that Mr. Flammarion, meeting a beautiful lady at a reception one evening, openly ex-pressed his admiration for her really ovely shoulders. So impressed was the lady that when she died her will directed that enough skin be taken from that part of her person to bind the next work of the distinguished scientist. This was done, and the book referred to is the result.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Coins in Statuary Hall.
When the pedestal of the statue of
Blair, which Missouri has presented

to Statuary hall, was standing in that hall the other day awaiting its bronze figure, some one noticed that in the centre of the stone block was a small square hole. The Missouri delegation square hole. The Missouri delegation was present to watch the placing of the statue, and one of the congressmen, fishing through his pockets, found a penny. He put the coin in the square hole, and also deposited a bit of paper with his autograph.

The example was contagious. Every The example was contagious. Every member of the delegation put in a penny and his name, some curious by standers did likewise, and by the time that the statue was placed in position there was almost enough copper in the pedestal to sheath a ship.—Washing-

BITTER-SWEET.

The maid I loved, and still shall love, What song of mine her praise may ren-der?

What song of mine her praise may render?
All song could say, she stands above. Beyond all words, being dear and tender, Bright as the stars, yet not so high; Fair as the moon, but far less flekle; Sweet as the lovely months that lie Between the seed-time and the sickle. Oh, were my vows like breezes shy with fragrant sighs to breathe apon her, — Oh, were my hopes like flowers to lie About her path to do her honor,— Oh, were my voice a silver lyre. To sound her praise and sing her giory.— My happiness and heart's desire Had not been now an ended story.

—Pall Mail Gazette.

HUMOROUS.

D'Auber (sneeringly) — What on earth, may I ask, is that picture of yours intended for? Hyart (complacently)-For sale, dear boy!

Skirner - What makes Colonel Puffington so successful as a conversationalist? Babel-He's so taciturn-gives the others lots of chance to talk. "Do you speak German?" "Well,

yes; but not to natives of the Father-land, as they evidently did not learn the same language as I did at col-

"Was the bonnet expensively trimmed?" "Very. It had a 8450 price tag of the Maison de Snooks, and I fancy that alone never cost less than \$20."

Mrs. Gabbleton-I am told that Mrs Hennypeck has lost all hold on her husband. Old Aunt Broadhead-Yes; I've noticed that he has shaved off his chin whiskers.

Kittie-I heard today that you married your husband to reform him. Sarah—I did. Kittie—Why, I didn't know he had any bad habits. Sarah -He had one -he was a bachelor.

Bill Pluggem-Failed in my attempt to hold up that bank cashier. Swattem-What was the cause of the failure? Bill Pluggem - Over production. I produced one gan and he pro-

"And are you really going to sing in the chorus?" "No-not exactly. When the manager, heard my voice he said he'd let me go into the ballet."
"Humph! If you had danced for him
he might have let you sing."

The Mistress - Be very careful, Marie, when you give little Algernon a bath. He shrinks from it so. New Nurse-Do he, me'm; that's bad. Wid two or three more shrinkin's there'll be nothin' left of him.

Robert-I see in the papers that there are germs in bills. Richard-What? Is that so? I must give directions at home, when Dunwell comes again with that little bill, to tell him that I do not consider it safe to receive it. "I see," he said, looking up from

his paper, "that a couple are to be married in a wild beasts' cage. What folly!" "I don't know," she retorted. "When one has to live with an old bear she might as well get used to it from the start." And the curtain dropped.

Benevolent Old Gentlemen (pointing a moral to village school children) Now, why do I take all the trouble to leave my home and come over here and speak to you thus? Can any boy tell me? Bright Child (innocently)-Please, sir, perhaps you like to hear yourself talk, sir.

"I know," said the somewhat irresponsible friend, "that you don't be-lieve in signs in the ordinary sense. But don't you sometimes find yourself in circumstances which cause presentiments of evil?" "Yes; every time some people ask me for a loan feel as if I were going to lose money.

"She has a wonderfully forgiving nature," said the young woman. "I offended her unintentionally, and when I spoke to her about it she said she was perfectly willing to overlook the past." "Yes," replied Miss Cay-enne. "That is a specialty of hers— overlooking the past. She says that she is only 28 years of age."

Certainly Complimentary. "John," said Mrs. Harkins, "1 heard a nice compliment for you to-

day."
Mr. Harkins put his paper down, twisted up the ends of his moustache, looked pleased, and said:

"Well, that's nothing so remarkable. Treceive compliments nearly every day."
Mrs. Harkins went on sopping her tea, and her husband waited for her

to resume. Finally, he said:
"Well, why don't you tell me what
it was? Who was it that compli-

mented me?" "Oh, you couldn't guess in week."

"Mrs. Deering?" he ventured,

"Not Bessie Fallington?" he rather eagerly suggested.

"Oh, well, of course, if there's any secret about it, I don't care to hear what it is or who said it."

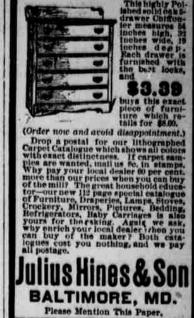
"There isn't any secret about it Mrs. Harkins sweetly replied. "Mr. Hannaford told me that every time he and I met he became more thoroughly convinced that you were a man of ex-

celient taste. John Harkins then shoved his hands down in his pockets and walked out-side to think it over.

A Question of Emphasis. Sloper (as Miss Eastlake, his intended, finishes a solo) - What

voice! Duncan (who has been rejected by Miss Eastlake)-Yes, what a voice!-Harlem Life.

James Connors and his wife, an East St. Louis couple, have been mar-ried three times, the triple ceremon-ies having been performed on account of religious differences and family ob-



No. 088.

Prone to Doubt. "Women are naturally ineredulous."

emarked the whist player.
"That's contrary to the common imression.

"I don't care; it's tree. You never an make one believe you the first time you tell her what are trumps."-Washington Star.

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Some Slipshod English. Carlessness in grammar and rhetrie is not by an means confined to

the uneducated. "I will try and do you no harm," says one of the leading characters in "Marcelln." And again, "You will try and make him alter his mind." "I will go and see her soon," is another example of making "and" take the place of

The use of the verb in the plural number after "neither" is a frequent error: "Neither of the girls are going." Neither of them were really gay."

The adjective "real" is often made to do duty as an adverb by careless speakers: "We had a real nice time," that's a real good book."

To say "the mother insisted on May going," instead of "May's going," is as far from right as to say, "they depend on him going." Yet some of our best writers are guilty of this omission of the possessive case.

"Funny," in the sense of singular or peculiar, is a word that is often heard in connection with very serious matters: "It is funny that no notice was given of the funeral," "It is funny that none of them wore crape."-Harper's

istence beyond the reach of any telescope yet constructed.

A woman is very apt to regard her friends as so many debts to be cheerfully and promptly met.



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