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Begging is a profession, as in every other Italian city, and the profits are much larger, because there are more strangers to appeal to. None but inexperienced beggars ever approach a native Roman, because they know it is useless, but they save all their energy and pathos for strangers, particularly Americans and English, whom they follow with the greatest persistence.-Chicago Herald.

Simple Transaction.

"I like de 'pearance o' dat turkey mighty well," said Mr. Johnson after a long and wistful study of the bird. The dusky marketman seemed strange-

"How could I-what arrangements could a pusson make dat wanted to buy dat turkey?" Ar. Johnson asked after a pause. "Easy terms 'nough," said the mar-

ketman briskly, "You get him by means ob a note o' hand."

"A note o' hand," repeated Mr. Johnson, brightening up at once. "Do you mean I writes it out and pays some time when"- But his hope in this glorious prospect was rudely shattered by the marketman.

"A note o' hand means in dis case," he said, with disheartening clearness. "dat you hands me a two dollar note, Mr. Johnson, and I hands you de turkey in response to dat note."

Arsenie Enters.

Styria, a duchy having a population of about 1,500,000 and lying south of Gratz, in the mountainous portion of the great German confederation, is noted for its arsenic enters. Arsenic eaters abound in every city, village and neighborhood, and in thousands of cases every adult in a family uses it almost the same as sugar, consuming about five and a ball grains in the 24

A small fron pot holding about a quart, which is still preserved, was cast at the Lynn foundry in 1645. It was the first iron article made from native ore in America.

DIAMOND BACK TERRAPIN.

Formerly Despised, They Are Now Considered a Delteney. Half a century or so ago diamond back terrapin were fed to slaves and Today they are the rarest dellency known to the epicurian world, says the Philadelphia North American.

Then they sold for \$1 a barrel, and laborers, when hiring out, specified that they must not be compelled to eat terrapin more than twice a week. Today a barrel is cheap at \$800, and millionaires travel hundreds of miles for a chance to feast on this most dellclous of all meats.

Of course this means genuine dia mond backs. There are many imita-

Every first class restaurant is the ountry features "terrapin a la Maryland" on its menu, but in not one case out of a hundred is the real terrapin served. The diner regales himself on what he believes to be Maryland's choicest dish. Instead he is merely eating fresh water turtles, "sliders" or North Carolina goldens."

The reason is simple. Restaurateurs don't serve real diamond backs because they can't get them. The world's total terrapin population does not execed 25,000 of legal size, and these are confined to the shores of the Chesapeake bay, the only place that produces

Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York enjoy a monopoly. These three cities get practically the entire output, but few ever find their way across the Blue Ridge. The epicure unfortunate enough to be born in Chicago or St. Louis must either come east or forego the joys of terrapin.

To select a real diamond back ama-teurs should be guided by these distinguishing and characteristic markings

It is of a greenish, dark olive color, sometimes running to spotted gray, yellow on the plate which surrounds the shell and has concentric dark stripes along the plate on both shells. The sides of the head are a dirty white, sprinkled with small black spots. The bottom shell is of whitish yellow.

The males are much larger than the females and have the concentric streaks much better defined. The female has the more delicate flesh. The male can be distinguished by his toe nails, which are much longer than those of the fe-

Too Previous.
The Subject (after the sitting)-1 hadn't sat for a picture before in ten years, don't you know, and I'm deuced glad the worst is over.

The Photographer (Innocently)-But you haven't seen the negative yet .official census was taken.

trained canary!"

PICKINGS FROM FICTION. The common flea leaps 200 times its

own length. To show like agility a man six feet tall would have to leap a distance of 1,200 feet. The cheesmite is about one-quarter of an inch in length, yet it has been seen to take the tip of its tall in its mouth and In some matrimonial waters are the then, letting go with a jerk, to leap out of a vessel six inches in depth.

And equally strange things are found among the plants and vegetables. A well known student of nature once tried the growing force of a squash. When It was eighteen days old and measured twenty-seven inches in circumference, he fixed a sort of harness around it, with a long lever attached. The power of the squash was measur ed by the weight it lifted, the weight being fixed to the lever. When it was twenty days old, two days after the harness was fixed on it, it lifted sixty pounds. On the nineteenth day it lifted 5,000 pounds.

equal this a men would have to jump

out of a well from a depth of 144 feet.

Much Ado About an "5,"

The printing of the Bible is the most strictly guarded work in existence, a fact which appears strange until we reflect on the mischlef an inaccurate Bible might bring about. The king's printers and the two universities of Oxford and Cambridge give to the world all the Bibles printed in the United Kingdom except some printed by special license. A few years ago question arose whether the word "spirit" in Matthew Iv, 1, and Mark I, 12, should have a capital "S," it having been previously printed with a small one, and, although the word was obviously wrongly printed, it was not until after the ruling powers at the universities and the king's printers had met in solemn council that leave was given to use the capital letter.

Nothing sanctioned by authority in 1611 may be changed without creating something akin to revolution in the places where Bibles are printed.-Liverpool Post.

Little Edith had been very ill, but was convalescent. Waking up suddenly and finding a strange lady at her bedside, she asked, "Are ou the doctor?"

"No, dear," replie your trained nurse "Oh," exclaimed .h, pointing to a cage hanging near s window, "trained nurse, let me A troduce you to my

London a hundred years ago had a population of 888,198, when the first

If you would have a noble son, be a noble father.—"144 New Epigrams." Keep me from caring more for books than for folks, for art than for life,-"The Ruling Passion."

kind of fish that swallow the balt, but leave the hook untouched.-"By Bread Some people, like some shrubs, must be crushed in order to obtain the real

value of their essence.-"By the High-There are things which could never

be imagined, but there is nothing which may not happen. - "China In Convulsion.

Independence is not synonymous with liberty. They are often confounded, but they are quite distinct.-"The Rights of Man."

Martyrdom, the apotheosis of resignation, comes more naturally to women than to men, more hardly to men than to women .- "Count Hannibal."

True self control is to be got in the midst of struggle. It is not mutilation in the midst of natural desires, but the subordination of each desire to the good of the whole man,-"Culture and

The Poor Little Fellow.

The street Arab lives by his wits, if he lives at all well. Two youngsters who peddle cough drops on Chestnut street have learned this thoroughly. One of these boys is much larger than the other, and a crowd was attracted to the corner of Ninth and Chestnut streets the other day to see the big boy pummeling the little boy. At the proper time the big one disappeared, leaving the little one surrounded by sympathetic onlookers. Several persons, pitying the "poor little fellow," gave him nickels and pennies.

The sequel showed that the "poor little fellow" was in league with his supposed tormeator. No sooner had the crowd dispersed than the big boy came along for his divvy. The scene was repeated several times, always with the same result.—Philadelphia Times.

"Are you fond of pictures?" asked the man who is interested in art.

"I should say so!" answered Broncho Bob. "Give me jacks, queens or kings every time. I always did hate to fool with tenspots or less."-Washington

When a boy goes to a party, he doesn't care about refreshments. He wants something to eat. - Atchison

Verdi was once traveling in the same railway carriage with General Tour-non, commander of the Ravenna dis-trict. They got into conversation, which soon turned on the subject of music, and the general, who did not know his companion, expressed a most enthusiastic preference for that of It-

ally. "I can hardly go so far with you," replied the other. "For me, art has no frontiers, and I give German music the preference over Italian." "Indeed, sir," said the general testily. "For my part, I would give all the German operas in the world for one act of 'Rigoletto.'"

"You really must excuse me from following you any further on this ground," replied the composer, blush-ing a little. "I am Verdl."

The Chief Sense

All the great families of living things have a dominant sense. We lead our life by sight and make artificial lights to render darkness tolerable. But the creature whom next to ourselves we prefer, the dog, lives in a very different universe. His dominant sense, like that of many other quadrupeds, is the very one we most neglect, the sense of smell. The dog will track his master, never lifting up his head to search the distance; often with hair falling over his eyes he follows on, not troubling him-self to shake it aside.

It may not be generally known that there is cruelty in the keeping of gold-fish. Half of such captives die from sheer want of rest. As fish have eyes so formed that they cannot endure the light, in a glars vessel they are in an entirely wrong place, as is evident from the way in which they dash about and go round and round until fairly worn

Helping Him. Cinder Charley—I told dat lady I was merely tryin' to keep soul an' body to-Billy Trucks-What did she say?

Cinder Charley—She gave me a safe-ty pin.—Philadelphia Record.

Debt is, like any other trap, easy enough to get into, but bard enough to get out of.—H. W. Shaw.

But for money and the need of it there would not be half the friendship that there is in the world. It is pow-erful for good if divinely used.--George

Investigation will reveal that every successful man gets down to work early.—Atchison Globe.

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