DIDN'T DREAD DEATH.

Volunteers For the Gallows In Place of Those Condemned.

On more than one occasion volunteers for the scaffold have offered themselves to take the place of the condemned.

Thus on the eve of the execution of Dr. Dodd, famous as the author of "The Beauties of Shakespeare," a man presented himself at Newgate and asked to be permitted to suffer in his stead. His request was deemed so extraordinary that he was taken in charge as a lunatic. But he was able to convince the magistrate, before whom he was brought the next day, of his sanity and so was discharged. All he asked as the price of his self sacrifice was £200, to be settled on his mother.

In another instance, which happened only a few years ago, a man who said he suffered from an incurable disease wrote to the home secretary offering himself as a substitute for a certain eminent scholar who had murdered his wife in a fit of passion. He asked neither fee nor reward, being, as he explained, tired of his life.

Then, too, there was the case of Eliza Fenning, which created so much pity that five persons came forward nd volunteered to suffer in her stead. Of course no notice was taken of their equests, the culprit, a pretty young girl, being executed in due course.-London Chronicle.

VENEERING.

It is Produced by Two Methods, Sawing and Slicing.

"There are two kinds of veneeringsawed and sliced-but it takes an expert to tell the difference," says a manufacturer. "The process of manufacture is simple and interesting. The logs, delivered at the factory in the rough, about thirteen feet in length, are first cooked in hot water vats to make them soft and workable.

"It does not matter how green they After being thoroughly cooked they are placed on machines designed for the purpose and either sliced by a powerful knife the length of the log or cut by a circular saw into slabs about one-twentieth of an inch thick.

"These slabs are the full length of the log and when first cut are so pli ble that they can be bent double with out breaking. The uniform thickness or thinness of the slabs is preserved by the action of the machinery and does not vary so much as a hair's breadth in the entire length of the

"After the slabs are sliced or sawed they are seasoned by steaming. This requires only about twenty-four hours, and then they are ready for the market. Some of the huge oak logs that come to the factory show by the rings in them that the trees were from 250 to 400 years old."—Washington Herald.

A Gorgeous Fish

One of the most gorgeous fishes in the world is found, strangely enough, not in tropical waters, but off the coasts of England, where the waters are gray and deep and cold. It is the opah, or kingfish. This species reaches a weight of from thirty to a hundred pounds and is shaped a little like the at sunfish of the Atlantic ocean in American waters. The fish has imnse eyes, of which the iris is a bright scarlet. The gill covers are green and cold, and the rest of the fish is flashing red and green, over which there play sheens of purple and gold. Again, over this sheen there is another still more transparent film of silver. which plays in large, white spots over the rest of the bright colors. The fins, which are large and sword shaped, are a vivid red

London and Paris.

There is evidence to show that London was a considerable town before e Roman invasion. Its Celtic name was Lyndin (lake fort). Tacitus, in the first century, calls it Londinium and describes it as a flourishing place. The earliest notice of Paris is in "Caesar's Commentaries." Caesar called it Lute-Caesar called it Lutetia and described it as a collection of mud huts. Lutetia began in the fourth century to be known as Parisia, or Paris, and in the sixth century was selected by Clovis as the seat of government. Of the two cities London is undoubtedly the more ancient, though w much older it is impossible to say.

Easy Dancing.

Little Alfred's mother had sent him the dancing school. He came home

Well, Alfred," said his father, "how did you like dancing? Did you find it

"Oh, no," answered the little fellow; It's easy enough. All you have to do to keep turning around and wiping

Tomato Toast,

down till thick half a can of s, with a pinch of cloves, half nful of salt, a dash of cayne, half an onion, minced fine, and caspoonful of minced parsiey; have buttered toast without crust and this over without straining.-

ASSASSINATIONS.

That Have Changed the His

tory of the World. Step by step throughout the world's history assassination has been a factor in determining the course of events and in molding the life of nations. Frequently the assassin's weapor which sent a ruler to death has sent upon the world's stage a successor whose career set irrevocable milestones upon the pathway of the peoples of the world. Especially was this true in those days when conquest was the guiding star of the rulers of the world.

Probably one of the most important and early assassinations was that of Phillip of Macedon, which occurred in the year 336 B. C. Not only did it terminate the career of one of the most remarkable men of his time, but it led to the accession of Alexander the Great, an event which very likely would not have taken place at all had Philip continued to rule and had him self selected the successor to his throne

Philip of Macedon then was at the height of his power, and the battle of Chaeronea had made him the undisput ed master of Greece. When leaving the theater in which his sister had been united in marriage to Alexander, king of Epirus, a man sprang toward the ruler and thrust a sharp, short sword into his side. As the assassin ran toward a swift horse his sandal caught In a vine stalk, and his pursuers killed him with their spears and tore him to

Olympias, his former wife, was said to have aided in the conspiracy. This assassination, one of the earliest in point of time, bore a strong resemblance in its surroundings to that which claimed President Abraham Lincoln's life. In both cases there was an individual murderer, the scene was a theater, the act was done with incredible audacity in the presence of a large concourse of people, and the murdere was crippled by a misstep after the fatal blow.

In the history of ancient Rome there stands out one political assassination which marks the first occasion on record in which the conflicting economical interests of different classes in a republic were settled by resort to the weapon of the assassin. This was the murder of Tiberius Gracchus, which soon was followed by the enforced suicide of his brother, Caius Gracchus. This deed was the direct result of the former's attempt to enforce an agrarian law passed as an act of justice to the poorer classes of Roman citizens.

In the turmoil that attended the voting of the tribes Tiberius was struck down to death by one of his own colleagues, a tribune of the propie. This chapter of death was written in 133 B. C. History has dealt at length with the assassination of Julius Caesar on the ides of March-the 15th of the month-in the year 44 B. C., and of the f this event in the history o ancient Rome.

At the time of the assassination of Julius Jaesar the Roman people had reached a degree of perversity and degeneracy almost impossible of modern comprehension. His death had a most demoralizing effect upon the people The hand of the master who might have controlled the unruly masses and restrained the degenerate nobility lay palsied in death. Later events had their mainspring from this source, and the years from 37 to 68 A. D. were marked by the assassinations of Tiberius, Caligula, Claudius and Nero .-

A Lost Compliment.

An eminent singer of foreign birth whose appetite is such that it almost rivals the fame of his voice dined at a table where all the women were reasonably mature, with the exception of the nineteen-year-old daughter of his host, who sat at the great man's left. The artist paid avid attention to his plate until the latter stages of the repast, when the dishes began to come slowly enough for him to engage in conversation with the young person, to whom in the Latin manner be paid a Latin compliment, assuring her in her private ear that to him she "seemed like a flower among vegetables."

"Then I can scarcely hope to occupy first place in your thoughts at dinner,' she responded demurely.

And the eminent singer could not think of an answer.—Harper's Weekly.

Had Practiced.

Cardinal Richelieu once listened to an earnest sermon by a shoemaker. The man was simple and unaffected and apparently not at all dismayed by the presence of the cardinal.

"How could you preach to me with so much confidence?" Richelleu asked him in evident surprise.

"Monsigneur," replied the shoemaker, "I learned my sermon by reciting it to a field of cabbage heads in the midst of which was one red one, and this practice enabled me to preach to you."

Doing Very Well.

"How's your son making out in business?" asked the first capitalist. "Very well indeed," replied the other;

he's got a quarter of a million." "Why, you started him with a mil-lion, didn't you?"

"Yes, and it's two months now since he started operations in Wall street."-

RESULT OF THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

In Reynoldsville and West Reynoldsville and the Total Vote of the Candidates in the County.-Unofficial.

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Gillespie	7	1	8	2	1.34
Langham	69	82	151	32	251
Smith	54	61	115	20	245
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North Wilson		89 42	150 91	34 27	240 133
Assembly—	7.915	4.0	191	21	100
Campbell	20	18	38	- 8	1343
Longwell	61	76	137	23	237
Miller		81	135	19	169
Mitchell		86	153	26	225
Porter	8	14	22	16	95
Smatl		34	61	37	100
Snedden	28	17	45	8	77
Snyder	74	60	134	21	195
County Treasurer—	4.05	***	0.40		14.45.00
Bell	125	115	240	31	139
Buffington		5	5	3	143
Caldwell	2	2	4	0	15 31
Gayley		ő	0	0	* 34
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Murray		33	68	11	63
Scheafnocker		39	59	31	90
Sheriff—					
Brillhart		71	137	47	78
Galbraith		46	89	17	240
Mayes	52	61	113	15	200
Walker	16	15	31	3	106
Register and Recorder—	43	28	71	12	205
Campbell		83	146	28	139
Lucas	10.00	42	84	29	118
Millin	21	37	58	11	169
Prothonotary—	14.0	27.5	***	100	4.70
Allen	32	57	89	19	152
Iryin		60	141	21	184
Mundorff		16	.34	7	128
Seller	45	67	112	31	184
County Commissioner—	1000	0.20	20	4.6	4000
Barr		40	74	19	184
Cooper	41	62	103	21	198
Frampton		9	9	3	81
Ingles		9	35 13	2 2	62
Jordan		59	108	42	277
McClure		102	176	24	79
Reitz	12.05	65	151	42	246
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Assembly—	IV AL	10.			
A. D. Deemer	20	37	67		105
C. W. Flynn	27	85	112		74
Irvin W. Simpson	10	37	47		101
County Commissioner—					
M. C. Coleman	8	.6	14		- 8
Thos, Cummings	- 1	2	3		11
C. M. Dinger	7	26	33		_ 22
Thos. J. Dunkle.	0	0	0		22
S. H. Harding	0	0	0		3
E. T. McGaw	13	62	75		54
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W. T. Pifer	0	2	2 2		32

NOT IN A HURRY.

A Royal Funeral and an Embarrassed

Blundering Official. The Comtesse de Boigne's memoirs contain an interesting account of departure from life of Louis XVIII., an event which the king himself had long been anticipating:

"He was a great stickler for etiquette and gave the most minute instructions about his obsequies. All the ceremonials observed at the departure of the kings of France were to be respected, and as he had an extraordinary memory he settled the procedure down to the smallest details. At the last the royal almoner made a mistake in reading the prayers for those in extremis. Louis XVIII, interrupted him and corrected the mistake with a presence of mind and calmness which never left him for a moment The family was assembled at the end of the room and was deeply affected. The doctors, the attendants on duty and the clergy were around the bed. The first gentleman of the chamber held the curtain. When the chief physician gave the sign that all was over, he let it fall and, turning around, bowed to the princes. Monsieur left the room sobbling, and madame prepared to follow him. Hitherto she had always taken precedence of her husband as the king's daughter. When she reached the door, she suddenly stopped, and through the heartfelt tears with which her face was stream ing she said with difficulty, Take pre cedence, Dauphin!' He immediately obeyed without any hesitation or re-The first gentleman announced 'the king.' The courtiers repeated 'the king, and Charles X. reached his

"The master of ceremonies made some slight blunders over the royal funeral. Charles X, overlooked them and spoke kindly to the embarrassed official. 'Oh, sire, your majesty is very kind, but there were many de-Next time we will do better.' Thank you, Breze,' replied the king, with a smile, 'but I am not in a hur-Thereupon M. de Breze col-

A Human Failing.
"Pa, what is the meaning of inconsistency?" asked Freddy.

"Inconsistency, my son," explained pa, "means a man who growls all day and then goes home and kicks the dog for barking at night."-Exchange.

It is difficult to say who does you the most mischief, enemies with the worst intentions or friends with the best.-Bulwer.

Queer Names

"We Chinese," said the law student, "give our children queer names. Our girls, for instance, are not called Mabel, Jenny or Matilda, but Cloudy Moon, Celestial Happiness, Spring Peach or Casket of Perfumes

"Our boys get less delicious names, Boys are made for work and wisdom rather than for dancing and pleasure, and their names show this, as Practical Industry, Ancestral Knowledge, Complete Virtue, Ancestral Piety, Discreet Valor.

"To our slaves we give still another set of names. Yes, those dear, pathetic little slaves of ours, some girls, some boys, who do a hundred various little tasks about the house, these lowly creatures have names like Not For Me, Joy to Serve, Your Happiness and Humble Devotion." - Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sitting on a High Hat. "If I were to offer to wager that I could sit squarely on my slik hat without crushing it, you would take me up, I suppose," said a clubman to a fellow member. "Well, you would lose," he continued. "A good slik hat should support the weight of a man say 140 pounds without yielding, providing the weight is applied gradually and carefully. The way to do it is to place the hat on a smooth, strongly supported surface, crown downward, and lay a board across the rim, in the hollow. On this seat yourself steadily and slowly, and you will find the hat does not yield. Of course, a hat that has once been bent or broken will not do. Nor is the rule invariable. It applies only to good hats. Have I ever tried it? Yes, I have, but not on my own hat."-Philadelphia Record.

The Significance of Small Duties. Don't object that your duties are so insignificant. They are to be reckoned

of infinite significance and alone important to you. Were it but the more perfect regulation of your apartments the sorting away of your clothes and trinkets, the arranging of your papers "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might" and all thy worth and constancy. Much more, if your duties are of evidently higher, wider scope; if you have brothers, sisters, a father, a mother, weigh earnestly what claim does lie upon you on behalf of each and consider it as the one thing needful to pay them more and more honestly and nobly what you owe. What matter how miserable one is if one can do that? That is the sure and steady disconnection and extinction of whatsoever miseries one has in this world.—Thomas Carlyle.

A FRANK CRITIC.

She Contrasts the Opera With a Cantata at Home.

It was Rufus Choate, who was not musical, who once at the opera gazed helplessly at his libretto and, turning to his daughter, who was musical, said: "Helen, expound to me this record,

lest I dilate with the wrong emotion." Mrs. Binus of Dulverton, who is also unmusical, recently attended the opera with her daughter and felt that her emotions there were hardly satisfac-

"Yes," she told her friends on returning to the village, "Louisy took me to the opery, and it certainly was a sight. It was real interesting looking round before it begun, and I enjoyed it some afterwards, too; really I did. There was so many folks in it and such a lot of going and coming and marching and grouping it made quite a picture.

"And the music, too-some of it had quite a swing to it, most as good as a p'rade. But it went on and on and on, and I begun to get pretty tired of it, and it kep' on and on, and I got tireder and tireder.

"You see, 'twa'n't like a cautata at home, where you know the folks. That's different. It don't matter then how long the story strings out, and singing any kind o' story does string it out ridiculous: but, knowing the folks. there's always something interesting you can turn your mind to and for-

"Now, when the Choral club gave 'King Rainy's Daughter' there was all their clothes to look at first off. And, my, there were some clever makeovers amongst 'em too. You remember Seliny Meade's dress for the princess she got out o' that old stained wedding satin o' Great-grandmother Barclay's? If that wa'n't a job to be proud of I don't know what is!

"And Sam Giddings' trousers-well, they weren't trousers exactly, but those things he wore on his legs-Sam felt he oughtn't to hire, and Jane Giddings made 'em herself! How she ever did it! I'd as soon try cutting out a suit o' court clo'es for the emperor of Chiny myself,

"Then I always find it kind o' entertaining to watch out for Lonny Baker's gold front tooth to flash when he opens wide on a top note, and-oh, well, you know how 'tis. 'There's always something.

"But at the opery there ain't, and by the end of an hour of bang and tootle and tum-te-tum and tra-la-la I'd had all I wanted, and but for hurting Louisy's feelings I'd ha' left. She says 'twas grand, and I dare say 'twas, but give me the town hall and home tal-ent every time."—Youth's Companion.

BIRD VISION.

Keen Eyesight of the Kingfishers and Water Birds.

So far I have determined that the keenest eyesight is probably possessed by water birds and kingfishers, although every kind of bird poss keener eyesight than does man. It is a fact that the eyesight of man is going to get worse in the future and is getting worse all the time that is, we are growing more nearsighted. The occupations of a majority of men in cities compel them to do their work at very close range. This removes the necessity of the farsighted eyes with which most men are endowed. It is probably a good thing that we are becoming nearsighted.

As an example of the visual capacity of some birds one has to think for a moment of a hawk poised several hundred yards above a meadow in which a field mouse or a small chicken is hidden. In a few seconds after the quarry is sighted it is seized by the bird, whose sharp sight has not only detected it, but whose wonderful accommodative apparatus permits of a sure and continuous fixation from hundreds of meters to less than a meter within an incredibly short space of time. Variations in the character of this acute vision are seen in many other birds-in the humming bird, that darts here and there so quickly that the human eye cannot follow it and yet comes suddenly to rest on an almost invisible twig; in the woodcock, that flits through the dark woods avoiding every tree, shrub and branch as if they were nonexistent; in the owl, that combines good diurnal with good nocturnal vision, and in the kingfisher, that sees as well in the air as he does in water.-Dr. C. A. Wood in Chicago Inter Ocean.

Some people think that they are fond of literature just because they like to read novels.-Boston Globe.

TOMB OF THE MINGS.

It Is a Risky Place For a Traveler t Visit Alone.

Every traveler in China goes to th tomb of the Mings if he stays more than a few days in Shanghal. The Chinese consider the Mings the great est rulers of the ancient kingdom, and they rank second only to Confucius The tomb is composed of two colossal figures facing each other and elabo rately carved in the style affected by Chinese artists centuries ago. Seen in Central park or Versailles they would look grotesque enough, but standing as they do among bleak and lonely hills outlined against the clear blue orienta sky, they have a rude grandeur and imposing simplicity which make them seem fit guardians of imperial dust.

It is not an easy journey the tourist must take if he wishes to pay his respects to the stone giants, nor is it a trip advisable for a woman to undertake, as it lies through a region where hatred of the "white devils" is considered as much a part of the Chinaman's religion as the worship of his ancestors. A donkey and a guide are necessary, and it is also wise to get a party of sightseers together for the excursion if possible and to go well armed, for once a foolhardy traveler started forth alone from the hotel on the Bubbling Well road, Shanghai, to visit the tomb of the Mings, and he was never heard of again. There are many places in the purlieus of Shanghai even where it is impredent for a white man to venture alone in broad daylight. An extra donkey is also needed to carry provisions as well as the cameras, for most tourists want a picture of the towering images which have so successfully withstood the wear of the centuries.-New York Press.

Odd North German Custom.

In northern Germany a familiar figure of the rural districts is a quaint old gentleman whose hat is very much decorated with flowers' and particolored ribbons and who carries a staff to the top of which is tied a huge bunch of real or artificial flowers knotted to it by long streamers of similar ribbons. According to the district, his costume also is old fashioned and unusual in other ways. He is the "hochzeitbitter," or person employed among the country folk to go from house to house and invite guests to attend a wedding. He delivers himself of a set speech in an old "Platt Deutsch" rhyme when he arrives at each place, accompanying it with wagging of the head and stamping of the staff, and is generally in rather a jovial condition by the time his day's labors are ended.

Milton's Retort.

John Milton was not a wit, yet he is reported to have made a crushing reply to a question from Charles II.

"Do you not think," said the king, "that your blindness is a judgment on you for having written in justification of my father's murder?"

"Sir," replied the poet, "It is true I have lost my eyesight, but if all the calamitous providences are to be regarded as divine judgments your majesty should remember that your father lost his head."

All That Didn't Sink.

"I suppose you have considerable floating population here?" inquired the visitor.

"Yep," replied the native of the little river town, "specially durin' the rainy season."-Puck.

Plenty of Advice.

"What are you doing for your cold?" "Nothing. My friends are looking after it."-Harper's Weekly.

The Zambezi, a great river two miles wide, falls sheer 420 feet. Niagara is only 158 feet high and about half a mile wide.

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