Berlin opened the new century with a uniform rate of two and a half cents on its cars.

Margaret E. Sangster says the serwant problem will be solved during the twentieth century. Can it be possible that she thinks people are going to learn to live without eating?

Dissatisfied with the result of the United States census, Raleigh, N. C., took one of its own, and found only 31 more people than the number reported by the official enumerator.

Evidences accumulate that the aborigines of North and South America were either of Asiatic origin or of mixed race, with a strong infusion of Chinese and other Oriental blood.

Frank Leverett of the United States geological survey has been in the neighborhood of Ann Arbor, Mich., for about six months making a study of surface geography for the government. He finds that the site of Ypsilanti was at one time the bottom of a lake, which was connected with Lakes Huron and

there was \$7,000,000 due the state in back taxes; now there is only \$3,000,- now watched the option of the clared that choice stock disappeared 000 due, and this is mostly from people moved slowly down to where several from their grounds. times. In the last two years the floatnearly \$2,000,000.

shipment from the White Horse beit if they tasted as good as they smelled, anas represented the whole of his having been recently dispatched to long and four miles wide. There is Suddenly a gruff volve brought him mable. There were many who would from 25 to 75 percent of copper in the | trembling to his feet; ore, and each ton carries from \$6 to \$10 worth of gold.

A record of the ascents of Mount on the poor farm." Blanc during the year of 1900 shows followed by the French, the Garmans and the Americans. Only fire Savoyards, who made the ascent in low I cayn't go right now. If it Croffers. There was no proof. 1786. The first Swiss and English as weren't fer that, I'd accommodate ye. "Do you know my paw?" asked the ste cry. The first American ascent was in

poses are an item of increasing value | cowed by long abuse. in the account of American progress. During last year they aggregated by tones, "But I low your paw must The boy's face lengthened visibly. 262,461,304, of which nearly \$35,000,900, be pizen mean, and--went to universities, colleges and other rupted the boy, fiercely. "Twas the "Well, I reckon he's lots to look or considerably more than one-half, icational institutions. Of the remaining \$27,000,000 a little more than a self, he did, and I come clean from I can give ye plenty of work drivin' half went to charities, while near'y Car'lina on the cars. We're goin' to mules until he comes." \$9,000,000 went to churches. The remainder of \$5,000,000 was divided about evenly among museums, art galleries and libraries. Andrew Carnegis orange grove, and he wrote me the was the largest public giver of the money to come on paper, and the postyear, his benefactions footing up \$4,225,000, of which all but \$625,000 went to Pitsburgh's institute and Ilthe eyes fiashed augrily. brary. The next largest public benefactors were Samuel Cupples and R. A. But the list of these public givers of comes. Likely he'll not be 'round bemillions includes less than 20 names. and is quite short when the number of our multi-millionaires is considered.

All the wonders of this age are not found in the inventions that annihi- into the wagon and began skilfully late time and space, create conveniences and luxuries, soothe suffering, protect health and prolong life. This ciling the boxes. chemist is achieving things as remarkable in their way, although not always so desirable, as the inventions of the electrician and the machinist. What would our ancestors have teams drove up, and the boy asked thought, for instance, of the chemists' leagurly: food? Our ancestors used to eat real man, "But perhaps he'll come to meet with man, "But perhaps he'll come to meet with man, and the piece. An ordinary ob down on this rere land thirty years at the upper portion, yet fills in smaller with the piece. An ordinary ob down on this rere land thirty years at the upper portion, yet fills in smaller with the piece. An ordinary ob down on this rere land thirty years at the upper portion, yet fills in smaller with the piece. An ordinary ob down on this rere land thirty years at the upper portion, yet fills in smaller with the piece. honey; we consume a substitute made | the next train. Likely he lowed pe of glucose, corn and sulphuric acid, wouldn't be round before then." Our olive oil is often cottonseed oil; our butter and lard beef fat; our coffee from the depet and left the boy nieue orange trees assumed beautiful procharcoal, red clay and ground excon- the quarter came up. caustic soda, saleratus, salt and water. pe can come back and wait for him grandfather began to fade in the saclosely resembling it can be made of Our forefathers of 1801 certainly bad an advantage over us here. The chemists were not in league against them. Paw mought think I got lost." But, on the other hand, we are vastly more in debt to the chemist than our I might have heard of him" ancestors for the remedies which bring

## KISSING THE BABY.

She kissed the baby---

So did !—
It was her sister's,
By the by—
She kissed the baby,
Crying: "Oh,
You canning thing, I Love you so!" kissed the baby, I saw where, And touched its cheek with My lips there!

She kissed the baby,
I did, too!
She spied, and said: "You
Told me you
Detested babies!
Now I know
Now I know

You told a story! Say 'tis so!-It was a kiss you
Stole from herCome, don't deny! I Saw you, air

"Can ye drive, sonny?"

caught it as it descended,

he disappeared from sight.

"Sure"

Seeing his team was in safe hands,

the man turned his attention to sten-

"Ye'll be sure and tell paw I were

An hour and a half afterward the

"You kissed the baby,

I saw where."
I told her, "and I
Kissed it there-I didn't know that You could see But, ob, the kiss was

Sweet to me-You kneed the baby, So did I-And now you're blushing! Tell me why?"

I saw the lashes Veil ber eyes:

I saw the baby
Looking wiseI heard the sighing Girl protest; On my breast!

"We kissed the bahy"-S. F. Kiser, in Chicago Times Herald.

## NAKARAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKA

BY FRANK H. SWEET.

THE RECEIVE OF THE PERSON OF T BRIEF stop, and the train | warned never to enter it again. He puffed impatiently away to- liad long been known as idle and ward Tavares. The platform shiftless, and for some time suspected

was soon left to the posses of being even worse. The prosperous condition of Nebras- sion of two fruit-farmers, who were | Cattle had mysteriously disappeared. ka is shown by the state treas transferring boxes of oranges from and no amount of search would reveal urer's latest report. Four years ago their mule-wagons to an empty car on their whereabouts. Grove-owners oca side track, and a small, sallow-faced casionally found orange trees stripped boy watched the operations of the of their fruit. Even nurserymen de-

who left the state during the hard cases of pineapples were awaiting No proof could be found against shipment. Seating himself on one of Croffers save that he was idle and disthese, he appeared to give himself up solute. He had entered a good homeing indebtedness has been reduced by to the enjoyment of the fragrance of stead claim three years before, but the fruit. Occasionally he bent his had done little to improve it. A rough head to gaze curiously between the cabin in the centre of a clearing of The rich copper deposits of Alaska slats of the boxes. Clearly he had several acres, a few straggling orange are beginning to be developed, the first | never eaten pineapples, and wondered | trees and a dozen or so razged han-Sometimes he glanced up as if he three years work.

were expecting some one, but he did | But the country had filled up rapidly fer's title could not be perfected for "I-I mought," stammered the boy two years yet and should be remain a frightened look creeping into his away, as he had been ordered, the land eyes. "I worked a heap with mules would revert to the Government and be open to the public.

"There, there, I didn't mean to scare Yesterday Mr. Windon would not that the Swiss lead with 38 ascents, ye. But I want some one to drive my have cared. The man, he thought, deteam over to the grove for another served nothing; but now it seemed to load. Smith'll take the other team and him that the patiful little figure on the point out what ye'll do. I've got to seat by his side ought to have some I can't see him any more." interest in his father's homestead. And The first to climb the mountain were a waitin' fer paw, and I perhaps they had been a little hard on moment, and as a half sob caught his

He spoke deprecatingly, and bent companion's allence rather prolonged his shoulders as if he expected a blow. "I-well-yes, I do recollect him, now other in silence. Then Bob disengaged

shrinking form and furtive giances particular duty over in Marien Coan- stood back to survey the massive fig-Giffs and bequests for public pur- reminded him of some dumb animal ty last week. Lookin after some ent. ure. · the business, I bilieve. I reckon he "Don't be 'feared, younker, I'm not 'lowed we 'uns would take care of ye And now we'll be pardners, and make hurtin' babies," he said, in more kind, till he got back."

"When mought he get back, and what "My paw never hunted me!" inter am I to do?" he asked.

poorhouse men that pestered and beat after, and mebbe it'll be a monthme. My paw wrote for me his own mebbe several-before he gets 'round

be pardners, he and I. He wrote so | "But he and I we're to be pardners" My paw's bigger than you, and he'll and make an orange grave. I low I who's jumped the place, Bobby, and fight all you 'uns that talk to him must look after the place while he's done all this 'ere fixin'? I ain't feeling bad. He and I are goin' to make an | gone"

Te're such a little fellow. Better stay know who's to live on the homestead office man gave it to me. He's bigger with me." The boy drew himself up slightly.

than you, and more favored." The "The poorhorse folks 'lowed Bob sallow cheeks were flushed now, and Croffers pever got scared," he said, "Sho, sho," expostulated the man. "I slowly. "I were made to stay along Tow I don't know your paw's name, in the cotton-field alghes and watch Mr. Window lowed I'd better look and I reckon he's a mighty fine man. the crop."

answer to the boy's questioning look. fore next train now, and ye'll be back Mr. Window told him about the homelong before that. Resides, ye can stend laws and the residence and imshow him this when ye see him," and provement necessary to perfect the Ghe tossed up a silver quarter and the. "Likely your paw'il be back after it blows over-after he's done his busi-Quite reassured, the boy clambered

ness, I mean," he concluded. el low I must go to-corrow, sure, to back the mules from the platform. | was Bob's only answer.

Accordingly, the next morning after breakfast Mr. Windom sent one of his boys to guide the Croffers boy to his father's deserted homestead. A drove a-waitin'?" shouted the boy before of half-wild razor-backed bogs were cows were making free with the tender twigs of the scunge-trees.

After driving these beyond the brok and blows of the poorhouse it was full owner come along some day and dation is a fixed liming that closes at and the crowd once more melted away of delightful promise. The stanted bornes you out."

The boy followed his new friend, perior glory to be Young Windom returned home, and doubtfully. "I must surely be back Rob was left to himself. Although early in the mornin," he observed I town only the week before, and his person instead.

It was not long before the Croffers mestead bigan to be regarded curv ously by such as chanced to pass that way. The broken fences, which had had given place to better ones all become almost a part of the landscape, around the clearing. Weeds, brush, rubbish and the straggling branches of cabin door swung gravely on two hinges instead of hanging tipsily to one side. The brush dlong the roadside was out away and a sidewalk attempted.

work, they looked questioningly at each other. Had they made a mistake? Surely the father of such a boy could not be wholly bad. Meantime one neighbor gave Bob some seeds, another showed him how to ridge up his sweet potatoes to the best advantage, another taught him how to put a bud into an orange tree. Later, when his peas and beans began to approach maturity, they frequently stopped and took his truck into town

The neighbors kept a sort of wonder-

ing oversight of the place, and when

it became known that Mr. Windows

had plowed a couple of acres for

the boy, and was to take his pay in

and sold it with theirs. The winter had passed and early summer was approaching, and still there were no signs of the elder Croffers. Mr. Windom told Bob that his business must have been more difficult. than he had expected. "Likely be would be back before long." Bob never heard the full story from any

He had been at work for Mr. With-

dark to see clearly, and for a moment with the Alglon collar. The model is but the thought of home made him be substituted, if desired.

The figure did not seem to notice him. As he was about to pass by, a broken sentence caught his attention: "Ye're diff'runt now, and dressed up, but ye're mine, mine! Only I dasn't come to je. I never done anything to be chased off like a bear and never let to meet Bobby. Poor little Bobby! I expect he's done lost before now, and

The boy's heart seemed to stop for a

"Paw! O paw! Ye have come!" tes they clung to each The man looked at him curiously. The 'ye mention his name. Ye see he had blimself from his father's arms, and

> "Ye are big, pawl just-surely-big. the orange grove. I've worked for the trees of Mr. Windom."

"Mr. Windom?" repeated the man in a dazed tone. "Does Windom know I were comin' back?" "He lowed you were a comin' be-

ore long, and he belped me get in the crop, he did." "Lowel I were a comin' before long," again repeated the man. "But hard on him, lad, 'cause he's taken "Ye'll be scared way out there alone, care of ye. Only I just would like to

It were mine-the only bit of ground I ever really owned." Bob looked at him wonderingly.

ewhy, paw, nobody's been here but me. We are pardners, ye know, and after the place and fix it up against But if ye'll take my team over I'll "If ye can de it, ye'll save your ye came back. But let's be gettin' house, but after Bob entered the man required. lingered for a moment, gazing at the

> "I'll be good to the boy arter this, I tered-to be driven out no more. To little girl's costume as can be devised | qui be lace or embrodery, as prebe "pardners" with Bob made him a good caisen - Youth's Companion.

Better Than a Recorded Deed.

promity replied. "But have you no papers at all?" "No paper talk sale. I jest squatted awn. Being strelled flat it flin saughserver would have been dismayed, ago, and her been yers ever since. ' folds at the feet and allows perfect means wide will be required, with "But if you have no papers wont the freedom for young know. The four- ane-quarter yard of all-over tucking

"Not skinsly, sab-bot skinssiy. pens, beans and molasses; our pepper Soon after the man who had given him portlens, the banains were examined That is to say sale, that the real own, then The back is smeach across that the real own. wonderingly; even the broken fency or has come along three different times shoulders and drawn down in gathers "Your paw must have mistaken the and poor cabin felt the touch of his and tried it, and every time he got is attached paymentally to the right nut shell. Even the milk we drink is sometimes under suspicion. A fluid the last train. Ye'd better come home with me fer the night and to-morrow hers" Even the glory of his captain their way, but my old gun, with a the shoulders, but full at the waist. right around yere"-Washington Post vers. The right front edge is tacked

An Oriental Way of Patting It. "What's your paw's name? Perhaps no thought of fear entered his bend that you come in time to take the Ori-He was too full of his new possessions, ental point of view on many questions. "John Croffers; and paw, he lows it A few sweet potatoes and other pro- A short while ago an American, the are a good name. His grandfather visions found in the cubin would last son of a missionary, who has been a cuffs, are slipped over the whole. pharmacopoeia is a monament to his The boy spoke proudly and looked at gone, he had five delbirs in money to years, wrote to his friend here to an eight years of age four and threeindustry and inganuity. Physicians of his new friend with flushed cheeks; fall back upon. His father had sent nonnes an addition to his family. He a hundred years ago would marvel at the resources of the physician of the Croffers had been led away from the and he had hidden the money away in Stranger and I are doing very well."

Would be wide, they and severe-eight with a low whistle of dismay. John such expenditure seemed wasteful. "I am thankful to say that the little yards twenty-se inches wide, or yards forty four trim as illustrated.

The resources of the physician of the Croffers had been led away from the and he had hidden the money away in stranger and I are doing very well."

New York Sun. New York Sun.

## PORCE SECURE SEC THE REALM OF FASHION.

New York Cify. - Whatever other chicket wide, will be required, with garments may come and go the useful three-quarter yard thirty-two or fortybananas were trimmed into shape. The Jacket is always in style, always in de- four inches wide for plastron, collar mand. The smart May Manton model and undersleeves.



WOMAN'S JACKET.

black braid showing threads of gold.

The fronts of the jacket are fitted dom several weeks, grubbing palmet- with single darts, and can be turned to, and was to take his pay in young back to the waist line, making long. orange trees. He had to leave home tapering revers, buttened and turned very early and did not return until back from the neck as shown in the One evening, as he approached and are joined to the fronts by means home, he fancied he saw some one of under arm gares. The sheeres are leaning against the fence. It was too in bell style, and the neck is fluished he stopped fresolutely. Visions of closed by means of small bustons and thieves and robbers rose before him; loops, but buttons and button holes can ling little gown illustrated is simple of

Velvet-Topped Slippers. Fascinating as well as fashionable s the little relvet slipper for house wear. It has a dangerously high beel, to set forth the beauty of an Audabasian instep. It has a dap which runs quite high, higher, indeed, than is necensary, over the instep. Velvet will stretch and so the slipper is rounded out with points of patent leather at the toe and around the heel. The hoshles used with reiver topped allopers are rather large. Neither jet nor gilt per rhinestone buckles are used with these. The silver buckle, looking as of fashioned as possible, and called "Colonial," is preferred to may other progration.

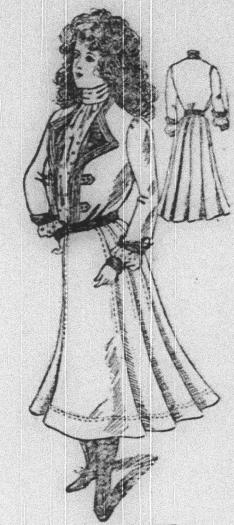
Eventug Gowns For Girls.

Dame gowns for unmarried girls are to be worn shorter, but the more elabterate the gown the longer are the tolds which take the place of the pointed train. Many flounces are popular, and shown includes all the latest features | satia is made with the shaped founce and is absolutely up-to-date. As ilius, much corded at the edge. Cordings, trated it is of smooth-faced castor col. hearly massed or in groups of graduored cloth, the revers and collar faced litted width, are seen on sik skirts but with white and binded with narrow for evening wear fussy little frills are

Three-Quarter Conts.

Three-quarter coats will enjoy # short lease of popularity for pleasant days. Their extreme plainness is rathafter dark. Mrs. Windom usually small cut, or closed to the throat in everying to most figures, but the tailforced on him a small basket of provi- Rossian style as preferred. The backs pre manage to relieve this by cutting stons or filled his pockets with oranges. include a centre seam and side-backs. The revers rather broad, which breaks

> Deley mather takes delight in fashloning her haby's clothes. The charm-



GIRL'S COSTUME. \$5,000,000 to Washington university. make it all right with him when he daddy's ranch, median size two and five eighth yards one's needs. As shown it is of French daddy's ranch, median size two and five eighth yards one's needs. As shown it is of French Slowly the two walked toward the two yards afty inches wide, will be fine needlework, but the same mate-

illustrated in the large drawing com | with a simple hear or frill with fine bines all the latest features and is an in its above. When the Firginian who lived in the terial is foule child in these an bine | jointed. again and again. The pleased skill with a standing or then over frill, as has many advantages that are all fis preferred the back, the from's and the full plot

> over the "full plastred the left is hooked invisibly into place. The

India linen, dimity and a host of other dainty white fabrics are suitable. The The open blouse and the tucked poles can be made from tucking, allskirt combine to make as charment it cover face or needlework, the trimming The very excellent May Minton model ferred, or flamel gownson be finished

versally becoming As shown, the ma- ! The re is can be square, round or The short is simply straight wrotched for cable with a family of with trimming of darker blue correct and full, the correct outline being inseven had fold me that forty acres full vest and undersleaves of detter directed at the top for the application found disposing of the few regetables of his land was a solid coal bed. I silk, but Henricita, cashagers and all of all three yokes. The sleeves are in left in the garden patch, while several asked him if his deed was all right. Hight-steight wood fabrics are equally blebop style, with they folds at the "Never had no deed, sah," he rather smitable, and color can be varied hands, and the neck can be finished

to cut this dress two and three-



INPANT'S LONG DRESS quarter parts of material twenty-one or needlework, four parts of insertion, n hundred years ago would marved at but the man turned his face away it for him to buy clothes with the remark. Inches wide, three and seven-eighth and three gards of wide needlework inches wide, three and seven-eighth and three gards of wide needlework.