An English judge has ducided that the railway passenger who is so unfortunate as to have his fingers in the crack of a carriage door when the gaurd suddenly slams the door cannot

recover damages. sweep Across the trembling deep. It is said that King Menelick of Abys-

sinis thinks of visiting the St. Louis exposition. Possibly he has heard of the pleasure which the United States takes in extending courtesies to royalty They strip the tossing trees, They rudely drive belated wanderers home, They tear across the less. No rest for them—from dawn to evensong Their mirth is loud and long! and does not desire to be left out.

The Constitution of the State of New York provides that no person shall be eligible to the office of Governor "except a citizen of the United States, of the age of not less than thirty years, and who shall have been five years next preceding his election a resident of this State."

In Porto Rico, where lilliteracy has been the rule for centuries, \$35 new schoolhouses have been opened since Springs and O'Fallon's stations on of him, he let his pony go at top speed. the United States took charge of the the Patte River. It was dangerous Yet be was hardly abreast of the island, 60,000 children are attending ground, the common hunting-ground swarm of wild riders when the binff school daily and hundreds of thou. of the Sioux, Cheyennes, Pawnees, coulees emptied in long, ant-like files sands are demanding admission. These Arapahoes, and several other hostile upon the river-flars. tribes. figures are from the report of the Commissioner of Education. trail was obliterated by the tramping two of their own riders were scurrying

and the dust of north-moving herds of along before them. Carl now noted Hello! Are we to have wireless bison. He passed several hunting that Bear Bonnet was no longer ridtelegraphy? The Army Signal Corps parties of Indians in the distance, ing with him neck to neck. The Sloux experimenters at Washington have suc but they were not strong enough or had dropped a bundred yards or so to were too busy with their hunting, to the rear. ceeded in talking 480 feet apart at an attack, and Carl escaped the usual The messenger gave his pony an apordinary pitch of voice heard as disperilous chase to be expected when proving slap upon its neck. If Bear tinetly as if they were thirty or forty ever Indians were encountered. feet apart. The "telepathy" of the The messenger was making his way coyote, couldn't keep the pace, he dreamers seems indeed to have come by his sense of direction through be thought, his own more heavily weightfogging dust clouds, when his pony ed animal must be superior to the inalmost within range of realization. shied at a limp and battered Indian. dian stock,

attempting to get to his feet in front He made the most of the precious The Christian Register condemns the so-called "Chautauqua salute," which young Sloux, with a broken shoulder to be considering his identity. Then has been popularized at religious gath and other injuries got in a mishap of the Indians recognized him as a white erings, and which consists of waving the chase. tundkerchiefs simultaneously. "Unless For a moment the express the date of the second th all the handkerchiefs are clean," it says, and the knowledge that the injured the noise they made-launched their "think of the microbes with which the man's tribesmen would, sooner or later, ponies in pursuit, atmosphere is charged after hundreds return to look for him, were balanced. The washout canons of Pony Creek of them have been waving in the air against the possibility of his death or wore six miles away. He knew the further injury under the hoofs of the intricate windings of those canon-curs. of a hall closely packed with human | tramping herds. beings."

could not rise to his feet. Carl's dodge his pursuers there. He leaned The ancient town of York, Me., decision was quickly made, and the well forward, and his "Spanish tickreaches its two hundred and fiftleth an. deadly enemy was picked up and lers" sought his pony's fanks. niversary this year, and contemplates given-much to his astonishment. The response was running which celebrating it appropriately. There is ger's saddle. doubtless - a seat behind the messen- resembled the skimming rush of a only one other town in the State older | Carl was but a few minutes behind of space, in that clear atmosphere, he than it. This is Kittery, the site of the his scheduled time at O'Fallon's, heard the whoops of the Siony. A pro-United States Navy Yard. Kittery was where the Indian was grumblingly cossion of sage-bushes flitted by as if settled in 1623, and incorporated in taken in and fed and cared for blown by the wind. Presently the sy-until he recovered. Little was learned ing rider looked behind to see what had As he fiel dow It is said there is no other town

THE WINDS AT PLAY. These many days the winds have been at In rained woods high carninal they

AN INDIAN'S GRATITUDE

By Franklin Welles Colkins.

One afternoon in the late fall his at first; they must have thought that

But seeing that the wounded bunter in advance, there was some chance to

Y friend, Carl Von Eps. | party of Sloux rode into the valley the

was, in his younger days, a express rider saw that he had the race

rider for the pony express. of his life before him. Presently, as

He rode between Big dust overhung the near bluffs in front

And they have swept the sky Clear of all clouds that barred their bois-terous way terous With wild delight they yell as on they

Are to the ocean sped.

The golden elms to one another bend, The revels wax space. The forest seems to dance from end t end, The beeches interlace! And for the orchestra to this mad crowd

The Indians seemed not to notice him

Bonnet's backskin, with the legs of a

rider, probably fleeing from the cour-

and if he could reach them far enough

The winds are piping loud. --F. B. Doveton, in Westminster Gazette

He found 'twas his lot To be wholly forget. be messenger's right. Instantly the flying borseman divined that those bow shafts were launched with no bostile purpose. Bear Bonnet wanted him to turn to the right--to ride to the "She's awfully stuck up." mouth of Pony Creek! "Awfully! I never saw any one There, the express rider knew, were make a worse botch of trying to apan old buffalo ford and a trail which pear high-toned."-Philadelphia Bulle-

arrow to the string. Wonderingly, the

messenger swung the muzzle of his

pistol to rear. But his quick eyes

noted the arrow of his pursuer; it

passed to his right at so wide an angle

that he gave an involuntary hoot of

derision. The Indians upon his left

noted the shot, and yelled encourage

Again, as Carl was about to fire ppop

bim, Bear Bonnet let fly an arrow, and

it passed, like the former, far upon

ment to their fellow.

came in at the month of the main tin. canon, and so passed by easy stages along the river bluff toward the stage station. The route was at least as "That girl can't talk a little bit." near as the pony trail, but the ditch-"Is that so?" like canon was so steep that its des-

turned his flagging horse toward the

mouth of Popy Creek. And now he

rider less than reckless.

cover.

as his own.

Creek.

""Quite true. The only thing she said cent would test the courage of any to me the whole evening was 'Ne.' and I had to propose to her to get her to Little difference need the danger say that."-Tit-Bits. make to him at that moment! He

First Aid to Automobilists.

OUR BUDGET

Happy, Nevertheless.

'Cause he never embezzied a cent.

Not Well Done.

Repartee.

he was a trusted employe,

With a life in obscurity spent

OF HUMOR.

-Washington Star.

leaned forward and spursed the animal home and this automobile is a wreck. to a last desperate burst of speed, a There's only one thing to be done." final herole effort to gain fichting She And that?" The crowd of Sloux, now fast gain- est parsonage?-Puck. ing upon his exhausted mount, veiled

Ingenalty in a Flat.

their trimmah which shrilled men his Alyce-"What a lowely comy corner. ours and set all his nerves atinole. Mayme-such a protty couch." Would they follow him over the preelpitous earth-banks of the canon? Mayme-"Isn't it? It's made out of Ardentiy he hoped so. At least some five trunks and a hatbox, seven pilof their necks might be broken as well lows, two bolsters, and an old plane cover."-Detroit Free Press.

He now lay flat upon his pony's back Same With Feeting. and neck, and the trained animal understanding the necessity, strained with any feeling?"

every muscle in a last rare sourt of "She doesn't. running. Carl did not again look bebind until his reeling beast was hurled

of it. This wounded hunter was a moment when the Ogalallas seemed headlong into the vast ditch of Pony time,"-Philadelphia Bulletin. Bruised and dizzy, the fallen rider Household Economics. picked himself up, to see his gallant

pony lying, heels up and stone dead, in last year we had accounts with two Ordinarily it would seem that the shoe the bottom of a dry ran. The mail firms and now we have with ten." bags had been torn from their saddle Wife-"But don't you think it a good fastenings and lay at the edge of the idea to distribute our obligations over him and to consume his time. In the a wider dels?"- Brooklyn Life. In the same instant he saw Rear

Bonnet's buckskin, with doubled Her Optation. "In some of the oriental countries a haunches plow like a hurled projectile down the nearest slope; saw, with his woman feels disgraced if she allows brain in a whiriing maze, the young | her face to be seen in public." Sloux leap from his saddle, thrust a "Yes," answered Miss Cayenno, "and lead rope at him, and then swung his after seeing some of their faces I quite loosened mail-bags upon the steaming agreed with them "-- Washington Star.

Showing Interest.

COUNTRY AND CITY MILES. Reasons Why One Seems to the Pedestrian

Much Larger Than the Other.

"I have observed a curious thing about distances," said a thoughtful eithen yesterday, "and I have heard many persons comment on the same thing, but I have never seen any satisfactory explanation of it. In fact, I suppose nearly every person who has had an opportunity to contrast conditions as they exist in cities with the more open conditions in rural sections has observed the same thing. At any rate, most men are inclined to regard the city mile as somewhat shorter than the country mile. Of course, there are many things which will suggest themselves in explanation of this matter, if we think about it seriously, and yet they are not at all satisfactory when we weigh the problem analytically.

"Suppose we walk the distance, Along the line of the city mile we find many things which will crowd into the mind, pictures along the way, pretty trade displays in show windows. handsome buildings, men and women bustling hither and thither, and a thousand and one other things common enough on the city theroughfares. "We are thirty iwo miles from things which produce a secies of psychological effects which deaden to some extent the idea of distance, and, consequently, the city mile is seemingly shortened. On the other hand, the country mile, to the average personwho has no taste for the artistic and can see no beauty in the succedness. of the hedges, is simply a long and harren stretch. But thus far I am threshing over old straw. This is the common view of the matter, and no doubt these psychological processes play an important part in determining the impressions received with reference "I thought you said she never sang to distances under the different conditions assumed.

"But here is the particular thing I "Pshaw! In that last song she was | would like to call your attention to: feeling the key more than half the The city mile will be made in much less time than the country mile. As a rule, a man will walk a mile in the city in two-thirds of the time it will Husband--"My dear, this is awfol; take him to walk a mile m the country. would be on the other foot. There is much to arrest his attention, to stop country the way is clear and there is nothing for a min to do but hustle for his destination. Of course, the walking is better in the city because of good sidewalks and the lift of the feet is not so heavy. But the main reason for the shorter time required. in my opinion, is found in the stimulus which the city pedestring receives from the excitement around him. Everybody is going at a breakneck speed. Everybody is husiling. There is noise and husale, and in spite of the fact that his attention is arrested, and in spire of being bumped and jostied about by men and women going in opposite di-Teelloug, in suite of deluys at erossimation caused by passing cars and vehicles of every kind, the pedestrian is worked an to a anicker movement. "Excitement is the thing that deadens the idea of distance and makes it seem so much shorter in the city than in the country, and excitement is the thing which causes a man to walk a mile in the city in just two-thirds of the time required to walk the same distance in the country, and the authorence between a dirt road and a paved street for walking purposes has but little to do with it."-New Orleans Titles Deri-

origin of the name is not known.

Bear Bonnet. have written on the wall of the debtors' jail twenty-five years ago, peared, coming out of a bluff coulce to Apparently the young Sioux had selfi "When I leave here I shall become a meet him on the pony trail. allowing no man to trust him," had red man drew near, with a sign of easily perceive that it might become been generally adopted, New York City friendliness, Carl recognized Bear necessary for Bear Bonnet to show a would be a village and America a Bonnet. nonentity among the nations, remarks motioning the Sloux to wheel and ride if need be, but not come too near! Carl

the New York Mail and Express.

George S. Boutwell, in his "Zixty with an emphatic motion, signifying, in percussion-caps were in their places. Tears in Public Affairs," says that the sign language, "Halt there! there is no form of education that more Trouble ahead." fully justifies its cost than the educa. The messenger drew rein, and there mile on the messenger's left. There tion which is gained in a Presidential passed a rapid colluquy, mostly in were more than a hundred in pursuit, the sign manual, between the riders. according to the messenger's judgment. canvass. The newspapers, the maga- Carl learned that his situation was one and a large squad of the foremost sines, and, more than all, the speakers of extreme peril. Bands of Sloux were certainly riding ponies as fleet

-"stump orators," as they are called coming on to cross the river, were as his own. -communicate information and stimu retretched out for a mile or two paral- Ahead of him, three miles away, lel with his trail, and some of them the bluffs met the river; a mile be late thought. The voters are con- were just beyond the river bluffs, youd their rise lay the washeuts of verted into a great jury, and, after Already he was half-surrounded upon Pony Creek; and still a mile and a half after leaving the canon-and much full allowance is made for weakness, his left, and the river, full in the spring beyond the creek his trail descended to ahead of his scheduled minute-he corruption and coercion, are greatly ad. flood, was roaring upon his right. Bear Bonnet urged him to turn at Platte. vanced in their knowledge of men, once to the river, not to attempt cross- | Carl's pony had already made a sharp of policy and in comprehension of the and then go into hiding upon one of the had appeared; and the animal was. 13 business were as great as is ever shore.

represented, the educational advantage messenger's pony across the river him- messenger swept across the flat valof a presidential canvass are an adequate set-off. "Heap Ogalallas," said Bear Bonnet. | Sloux.

"Come so-come so-come so! Ho. Oh, what a good, an indispensable mail is that bachelor who can make a colo, git!" Carl, scanning the bluffs, now noted swiftest riders were now scurrying up bigger living than he needs, and is alprises his nieces with gowns and opportune hats; who has no serious trouble bazards.

man, though he may be ever so good a

one. There is no use of spending much and the bluffs. at home, and he can't repay a large in- gage Carl's attention. The swarm com- trail. Under his legs Carl could feel half of their feed for the entire year. vestment in kind without incurring dohim! It is a great calling to be a good he scanned the bluffs, the approach ing up the bluff.

bachelor, and about one bachelor in a of trailing dust clouds. In the speed, hundred makes a fairly satisfactory racer lay all his hope to reach O'Faldemonstration that it is his exclaims lon's with the mail bags. Harper's Weekly.

from the taciturn Sioux except that become of Rear Ronner. With set Bonnet break his how and fing himof the name in the world, and the his Dakota name was, translated, surprise he noted that his first and casual judgment of the Indian's clean. self face downward upon the bank of

Some mouths later, long after the limbed buckskin had been after all a ditch, where he lay as if stunned The dead millionaire who is said to hunter had returned to his people, correct. Bear Bonnet was not losing by a fall from his horse. Cunning and Carl was swinging forward toward ground, but to what end was the In- loyal young Sioux-he had paid a debt of gratitude at a fearful risk to him-O'Fallon's when an Indian rider ap- dian thus giving chase?

frightened antelope. Across two miles sacks. Carl recovered presence of mind,

The massemper's new mount immed thought it necessary, for his own saferich man," achieved his purpose. But The messenger eyed the Indian's ty, perhaps, to change his tactics, to ditches and washout holes in perilous If his rule of "trusting no man and advance with suspicion, and hitched seem to be taking a very earnest part and quick succession. And now a sea pistol hoister forward. Then as the in the chase. The express tider could ties of astonished screeches broke out shows the head and to the year and the bullets and arrows of his pursuers knocked up spurts of dust upon the hostile hand in downright earnest. "How how ?" should the messenger. Very well, let him take care of himself, embankments as he flitted by them,

Nor did the Ogalallas fall in daring. alongside. But Bear Bonnet halted took a revolver from his holster and They thundered over the steeps and and waved his arms up and down twirled the cylinder to see that its six into the canon in a yeiling rout.

pony's back. At touch of the mail-

remumbering suddenly his peril and

the necessity for action. In an incred-

ibly brief space of time he was mount-

As he fiel down the canon, the ex-

But in a twinkling Carl had dodged behind a projecting spur and turned In the meantime the string of low his scudding mount upon the old lying riders was stretched for half a buffalo trail. With each touch of the spur the express rider felt a growing confidence, and in a minute or two of running he knew that he had under him a pony as fresh and swift an that Judge. of any wild rider in the chase.

In point of fact, the Indians did not chase him much beyond the mouth of Pony Creek. In five minutes or less the stage station in the valley of the drew rein at O'Fallon's.

When the story was told to the boss of the station and his men, they said [ing."-Washington Star. In their abilities to deal with measures ing, but to sink saddle and blankets, gallop of six miles when the Sloux that something handsome should be done to reward that "Sam Patch of principles of government. If the losses willow-fringed islands not far from moreover, weighted with mail bags a Sioux." They held his pony at the and a heavier saddle than the In- station, hoping that Bear Bonnet The Indian said he would swim the dians used. Despite this handicap, the would himself came for it, if his tribesmen did not kill him. Then as the buckself, and would return the animal to ley to the foot of the abridging bings, skin disappeared from the company's its owner when the danger had passed, keeping nearly even pace with the herd one night and no others were taken, they knew that the brave young

Siouz was alive, but would not come to But their lines were surely converging upon his trail, and a score of their claim a reward - Youth's Companion. Our Native Suarrows.

a faint vell of dust above the high the hill slope but a quarter mile or se While the English sparrow is often ways ready to share his surplus; who lands in front. His danger was immi- upon his left. If it were not for the a nuisance, our native sparrows are counsels his nephews and fortifies nent, but his duty to his company and fact that the pony express trail borr unrivaled destroyers of weed seeds. them with timely remittances; who sur- to the mail service was above the to the right, at the level of the high They have long been known as seed. consideration of personal safety. He lands, Carl would now have turned entrys, but it is only larely that their must, as heretofore, "ride it out" at all to the river for the slender chance of precise relation to agriculture has been

escape by swimming across. demonstrated. The native sparrows of his own, and is ready always to The young messenger felt grateful His horse had made a splendid run, are the most abundant and widely disshoulder such troubles as others bring to the Sloux for having ridden ahead but was plainly giving out. Carl cast tributed of the small birds inhabiting to him! The trouble with Benedict of his fellows to warn him of danger. a backward glance. Bear Bonnet was the rural districts of the J nited States. But to Bear Bonnet's urgent counsel within fifty paces, and was easily fold. As a group they are constantly present is that his hostages are given. There he shook his head in smiling negative. ing the pace. The messenger's only on cultivated land, for although many are claims upon his heart, his time, his and slipping to the ground, tightened hope now was that he might reach the of them retire to the South during the income. He must consider obligations his saddle cinches. The Indian followed Pony Creek canons in time to gan a winter, their places are taken by other and proprieties. He is a mortgaged suit. Then, to Carl's surprise, the cover from which he might stand off species from the North. In a garden Sloux, mounted upon a swift pony, the Indians until help should possibly within a month they will sometimes

rode at his side and between himself arrive-a hope slender enough at lest, destroy as much as nuety per cent. At the level of the bluff the foremost of such weeds as precen grass and affection on Benedict, for he can get it Soon there were other Sioux to en- Sioux were swiftly bearing in upor his ragwred. Weed seeds form more than

ing towards the river were Ogalallas, the sharp heaving of his pony's finks, and during the colder months of the fierce fighters, and the most implacable The animal was steaming wet, and year it constitutes about four-fifths mestic hazards. But a good bachelor, bostiles. The messenger rode swiftly, panting like a wolf run to earth. farl of the food of many species. Morewhat a great property he is, and how but at first held his horse in careful only wondered that the gallant bay over, twenty five per cont, of their food pher." inestimably valuable to those who own reserve, noting with shrewd eyes, as had not dropped in that terrible stnin- consists of insect pests, which is no

Again the express rider looked be group, especially when compared with chapter.

eleverness and endurance of his trained hind him. Bear Bonnet was now in the crow blackbird, cowbird, catbird close chase, not more than thirty pices and redwinged blackbird, which range be the only man on earth who can away. Even as Carl looked, the young from ten to twenty per cent.-Country make a baby look pleasant when it Some minutes before the first big Sieur unstrung his bow and fitted an Life in America.



The Kid-"Wot yer lookin' fer, mis The Post-"An inspiration, my lad."

The Kid-"Say, tell me wot dat is ocrat. an' gimme me a quarter an' I'll and one fer you."-New York Journal.

The Housing Problem. House-Agent - "Have you any childiren ?"

House-Hunter -- "Yes, but they are very quiet and well-behaved." House Agent-"Oh, but I mean have you any children living, ma'am?"-

Casympathetic.

"Bunkins takes life very casily." "But he is always triling hard lock atoriete." "Yes; that shows his shrewdness. If

he put in all that time telling funny stories people would say he was loaf-

He Had.

after listening to his tale of wor. "Yes, ma'am," replied Toffeld Knutt, Tm a hunter. "A hunter? Of what?" "Grub, ma'am."-Chicago Tribune.

Bad Family Examples.

which show how geniuses were once uaruly children." Jones-"Why not?" parents to believe that their unruly

children will all thru out geniuses." Detroit Free Press.

Not the Mudern Kind. "She's not what you'd call an admoved woman "

"Oh. no." "Has no mission in life. I suppose?" "Oh, I believe she claims to have me but it's nothing of any importance.**

"What is it "" "Just a mission to make some good

nan happy, I understand "--Chicago News.

A Studio Secret.

"Sometimes," sighed the weary papa, as he tried in vain to quiet the turbulent infant, "I wish I was a photogra-

"And why?" nonchalantly asked mean showing for a graminivorous mamma, as she turned to another

"Because a photographer seems to doesn't wish to."-Chicago News.

His Hard Lack.

It is not unusual for percens indicted for crime in this jurisdiction to plead guilty, but very soldom days it happen that a prisoner who admits that he has been rightly accused is compelled to enter a plea of not guilty. Such an incident occurred here pocently.

It was desired to make a test case in order to secure a ruling from the Appellate Court on a knotty legal proposition. A certain colored individual who was in the toils was selected to furnish framework for the issue. He was escorted into court for arraignment. Prior to that formality, however, the prosecuting officer took the precaution to remark: "Of course, you are going to plead not guilty." Such "Haven't you any occupation?" a plea was essential in order to take asked the woman at the kitchen door. the matter before the higher court. The response was a surprise and somewhat disconcerting, far the attornevs and the court were anxious to go ahead with the test proceeding. The prisoner declared "I'se guilty, an' I wants to be sentenced right here an" now." This disarranged the program Brown-"I don't like to read takes very decidedly.

It required the combined persuasive efforts of the presecuting officer and the counsel assigned to represent the Brown-"They metely encourage lazy | defendant to induce the latter to consent to plead not guilty. As he was led from the court room be shook his head dubiously and marmurad: "I didn't want to do it, 'cause I'se guilty all right. Don't know what they're op to, 'deed I don't." - Washington Star.

Repaid.

At a certain ball in the country the other evening a gentleman undertook to introduce a companion to a young but somewhat stout lady who seemed to be plning for a dance.

"No, thanks, old fellow; I don't care to waits with a cart." A "cart" is understood in the district referred to as a partner who

does not do her share of the dancing. but has to be drawn round. A few evenings later the same young lady, who had overheard the conversation, beheld the young man seeking .

an introduction and asking if he might have the honor, etc. "No, thank you," she replied;

may be a cart, but I am not a donkey cart."-Tit-Bits.