them without mulue haste, making facerious remarks as he brings up the plunder.

The lone highwayman of Shasta, who was captured recently, had a very near method of taking care of passengers when they were numerous enough to be troublesome. His outilit consisted of a six-shooter and a bundle of barley sacks. He stopped the inward-bound stage within the town limits of Redding, and put a barley sack over the head of every man in the crowd. Just as he finished that part of the job the outward-bound stage deeper and how the staged drow up, and he stopped that part of the job the outward-bound stage deeper and supplied that part of the job the outward-bound stage drow up, and he stopped that part of the job the outward-bound stage drow up, and he stopped that streated similarly. A citizen of Redding, driving for a doctor, fell into the transport streated similarly. A citizen of Redding, driving for a doctor, fell into the range of the name the schoolmarm of the limit of the proper stream of the progress always appropriates money for that purpose. Buthen came the schoolmarm of the sugar and the su

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## SHIPS AS BURIAL PLACES.

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Barial ships have so far been discovered to the number of about a dozen in Sweden and Norway. The bodies laid in them, burned or unburned, were equipped with pathetic care. Besides being elaborately armed and adorned, they had placed at their disposal means of employment and diversion, such as writing tablets, forging tools, whetting stones, scissors, cooking utensils, chessmen, draughtsmen and dice. In one of nine boats containing as many bodies, disinterred in the churchyard of Vendell in Uppland, weapons and implements were associated with the remains of three horses, three dogs, a cow, a pig. ram, ewe and goose. Another sheltered the bones of a goose, a duck, a falcon, rock owl and crane.

The inference seems justified that all these birds were domesticated. Inside the ribs of the celebrated Gokstact ship some peacocks' feathers lay scattered with fragments of gold-embroidered silken stuff; and the tumulus near Sandeford, from which it was uncarthed in 1880, contained the skeletons of at least twelve horses and six dogs. But the treasures of the sepulchral chamber amidship had long ago fallen a prey to some of the numerous and nameless thieves who

"Ransacked the graves of warriors old. Their falchions wrenched from corpses hold."

The vessel itself, which is of oak, clinker-built and 75 feet long, is preserved in the Archæological Museum at Christiania.

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Life in the North, however, fundamentally homely, was attended in those days by accessories of considerable splendor. Gastronomic refinements were indeed unknown. Boiled veal counted as the 'best of danties'; roast pork with wheaten bread might also be provided for favored guests, in default of which delicacies, curds and buttermilk were welcome; and the bill of fare during a royal visit comprised, on alternate days, fish and milk, meat and ale. Yet the tables spread with such simple repasts were often gay with embroidered cloths and radiant with gilded vessels, dainty glass breakers and repousse silver and bronze drinking-horns. They were surrounded, too, by gorgeonsly clad revellers. Scarlet cloaks lined with fur and secured with magnificent fibule of bronze inlaid with silver, or of silver gilt diversified with filagree-work, garnets or walrus ivory, were fung over silken tunies, or kirltes made of a kind of velvet called "poll."

These were belted in with girdles finely wrought of precious metals; gold, rings encircled legs, arms and fingers; silk caps, adorned with lace, covered the head; shoes were of leather covered with beaten gold and stitched with silk; a gold and like a diadem confined tawny and

silk caps, adorned with lace, covered the head; shoes were of leather covered with beaten gold and stitched with silk; a gold band like a diadem confined tawny and profuse locks flowing down to the shoulders. We hear, beside, of gloves made soft with down, of suits of "many-colored English cloth," rain-and-dust cloaks and of fur-lined mantles with golden neck straps. Sigurd the Jari figures in St. Olaf's Saga as clad in "a flue kirtle and blue hose, high shoes laced around his legs, a gray cloak and a gray broad-brimmed hat and a hood over his face, a staff in his hand with a gilt silver mounting at the upper end, from which a silver ring hung."—[Edinburg Review.

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Mr. W. E. Bear, the well-known English writer on agricultural statistics, supplies to Bradstreet's a "rough estimate" of the shortage in the wheat harvests of Europe this year, and of the sources of supply from other parts of the world. Mr. Bear's estimate, it should be noted, takes account of the short rye crop as an element in calculating the demand for wheat. He begins with Russia, whose wheat production last year (including Poland) was about 212,000,000 bushels. This year Mr. Bear thinks her crop will not be over 180,000,000 bushels. This year Mr. Bear thinks her crop will not be over 180,000,000 bushels. This year Wr. Bear thinks her crop will not be over 180,000,000 bushels. Rumania has a good crop and may be able to spare 30,000,000 bushels. Rumania has a good crop and may be able to spare 30,000,000 bushels. Rumania has a good crop and may be able to spare 30,000,000 bushels. Rumania has a good crop and may be able to spare 30,000,000 bushels. Rumania has a good crop and may be able to spare 30,000,000 bushels. Rumania has a good crop and englegiate will be under the necessity of importing 281,000,000 bushels. The owner of the exporting countries will have a deficiency of 371,000,000 bushels, so that Europe in the other quarters of the world. What countries can supply this amount? Mr. Bear thinks that India may furnish 33,000,000 and the United States 144,000,000, leaving still a shortage of 104,000,000, leaving of 100,000 bushels per week average for the whole year. The editor of Bradstreet's considers Mr. Bear's estimate of the European deficiency rather under than over the mark.

Largest Plank in the World.

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The Northwest Lumberman gives an engraving from a photograph of a redwood plank that is 16 feet 5 inches wide, 12 feet 9 inches long, and 5 inches thick, and is about 90 per cent. clear. It was taken from a tree 35 feet in diameter and 300 feet high. According to its rings it was more than 1.500 years old. The tree was cut 28 feet from the ground, and the plank was hewed out of the stump, representing a section taken from near the heart of the bark. After it was displaced it was lowered by block and tackle, with a locomotive for power. In the way of labor its cost represents the time of two men for a month, simply to prepare it in the rough for shipment. To this the cost of transportation must be added, making a total of about \$3.000. It was moved by water to San Francisco.

After being on exhibition some time, a car was specially prepared to transport it to Chicago. This was done by cutting a slot in the centre of a flat car, in which stirraps were pendent. The plank was placed on edge in the slot, its lower edge being within about a foot of the ties. The Northwest Lumberman gives

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Pronunciation "Bees."

Pronunciation "Bees" have taken the place of the once exciting and profitable spelling bee. In the various summer schools pronunciation bees have become episodes of great interest and not a little hilarity; while rural culture, always ready to combine healthful fun with intellectual progress, is certain so adopt the fashion eagerly and be ready to inaugurate it when husking's over. It is clearly important, therefore, that to make pronunciation bees helpful in the promotion of correct language certain standards shall be accepted as final and authoritative.

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The first necessity will be a committee perfectly familiar with the marks that indicate sound in all well regulated dictionaries. There are many thought-less people who do not bother their heads about sound marks in dictionaries. They look in them, as a rule, only for spelling and meaning of words. Dictionaries are as important for pronunciation as for orthography and definitions. In every standard work of this nature pronunciation is minutely indicated and only carelessness can fail to discern the proper place to accent a word of more than one syllable and the values to be given to vowels and combinations of letters. Differences in high class dictionaries are few, slight and unimportant.

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Pronunciation bees should be zealously encouraged throughout the country. Americans are lamentably indifferent to pronunciation. They scarcely take the trouble to open their mouths widely enough to pronounce intelligibly half the time. They speak flatly, unmusically and incorrectly in consequence of this indifference to articulation. If they were more painstaking about the adequate and accurate use of vocal organs, they would intuitively cultivate gans, they would intuitively cultivate a pleasant speaking quality of voice, men slightly raising pitch and women lowering it for dominant tone, securing at the same time flexibility and range which insures agreeable variety of note in conversation.

which insures agreeable variety of note in conversation. It is necessary, of course, to choose one master or mistress for a pronunciation been in order to maintain order and to have consistency and uniformity in principles of pronunciation. At Chantauqua a professional elocutionist held this post. It would be interesting to know whether he has himself learned that institute does not spell toot, nor news noos and that literary is not liter' nor library libry. It is well for local committees to find out in advance a little about their pronunciation before they open the bee. The bee itself is a good thing.

If beards of education throughout the country were to require the attendance of teachers and school officers at pronunciation bees twice a month many teachers would be at the foot of the class; and there would be below them none but school officials. Pronunciation bees in fashionable resorts this summer would also do something toward making less barbarous the amateur theatricals of next winter.

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