It is believed that there is a big future for hop culture in North Carolina. Soil and climate seem to the American Farmer well adapted to the plant, especially in the Piedmont region, and some New York hop grow ers are talking of removing thither.

The progress of invention and dis covery and applied sciences is constantly adding new words to our language. The words and phrases unlanguage. The words and phrases un der the letter "A" in Worcestor's die tionary are 6933, in Webster's 8358, in the Century 15,621 and in the Standard, now in process of publication, 19,736

The question has often been raised whether or not the sender of a tele gram was obliged to use the blanks provided by the telegraph company for the purpose. This point has been decided, states the Chicago Record, in the South Dakota Supreme Court. The court held that the Western Unior Telegraph Company, against which suit was brought, must accept messages tendered whether or not written upon the regular telegraph blanks. The plaintiff evidently combined enter prise with public spirit in his method of testing the point. He was awarded \$50 damages under the decision and has forty other cases pending.

The growth of the Christian En deavor Societies, according to Secre-tary Baer's report, has been remarkable New York still leads with 2893 societies; Pennsylvania is a good sec ond, with 2628; Illinois third, with 1822; Ohio fourth, with 1765; and Iowa fifth, with 1186. Massachusetts and Indiana are not far behind. In Canada we find 1882 societies. The growth in the South has been encour aging. England has over 600 societies Australia, 525; India, 71; Turkey, 41 societies; New Zealand, 24; Japan, 84 Madagascar, 32; Scotland, 3; Mexico our neighbor, 22; West Indies, 19 Africa, 15; China, 14; Ireland, 10 France, 9; Sandwich Islands, 6; Ber muda, 3; Brazil, 2; Persia, 1; and Chile, Colombia, Norway and Spain, each 1. In all, nearly a thousand se cieties in foreign lands, making a grand total enrollment for the world of 2241 lo cal societies, with a membership of 1,577,040.

Five States-Iowa, Vermont, Mich-igan, Wisconsin and Illinois-have no interest-bearing debt, and there are six or seven other States whose bonded debts are mere bagatelles. Among the number are New Jersey, Nebraska, Kentucky and California. To a for eigner, or anyone else not familiar with the facts, remarks the Chicago Herald this would convey the impression that the Americans bear an extremely light burden of debt. Such an idea would be somewhat modified, however, by the knowledge that the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe pays interest on \$500,-000,000 or more, the annual interest charge exceeding \$25,000,000-almost as much as the entire interest charg of the Federal Government. Th Southern States have a bonded indebt edness of \$144,000,000 in round num The total bonded indebtednes of all the States in 1890 was \$224,000. 000, on which the annual interest charge was \$10,000,000. The total bonded debt of the States is about third of the National interest-bearing

debt.

The Railroad Gazette has collected statistics of the attempts made during the first six months of the present year at train-wrecking and train robbing in the United States. Con trary to the general supposition re garding these crimes, the statistic show that the greater number of then have occurred not in the sparsely settled Western States, but in the older and well-settled States. The figures show sixty-one attempts to wreck trains and twenty-one attempts to rob tham. Massachusetts and Iilinois head the list in the number of attempts to wreek trains, and Oh follows. In these three advances States were male more than one-ha of all the attempts to wreck trains, an the State of New York comes next i order. The only explanation offera for this prependerance of train-wreek-ing in well-settled and, generally speaking, well-governed States, is that the mileage of railroads is greater in those States than in others, and the tramps, who are responsible for most attempts to wreck trains, flourish in settled regions. thickly In the geographical distribution of attempts at train-robbing lowa heads list; Indian Territory and Okla homa taken together have the same number as Iowa. Texas follows, an then come Kansas and Nebraska, Sixty seven per cent. of all the train rol beries or attempted train robberie occurred in these four States and tw.

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The Everlasting mocks our transient strife The pageant of the Universe whirls by This little sphere with petty turnoil rife-Swift as a drea n and fleeting as a sigh. This brief delusion that we call our life, Where all we can accomplish is to die. -Louise C. Moulton, in Youth's Company

IN A ROOF-GARDEN.

BY ALEXANDER L. KINKEAD. AROLINE GRA

ACOLINE GRA-Man's home was in the lower part of New York City, on the top floor of one of the build-ings whose roofs are so many stories about the sub-root of the build-ings whose roofs are so many stories about the side walk, and of which her father was and second the rather was and second second walk, and of which her father was an descendent to the side of the side of the stars, led to the janitor, and which was tenanted by packets, the side of the side of the side of the side, graveled, flat roof was to him a your of the day—on matter how high the temperature in which the pedestrians on the pavements below when where, in boxes, his wife raised flowers, and where he could at almost any hour of the day—on matter how high the temperature in which the pedestrians on the pavements below we aveltering—find a breeze, which the pedestrians on the pavements below we avelter of the tent, he sat and anoted his pipe. The fine of the site was settended howers, and where he was unchecked by a consciousness that she was not ob-eroof to take in the wash, or to water the flowers, or in the performance of some other household duty, her some yas as urrestrained as if she were a sourtain git enjoying the freedom of a force.

some other household duty, her some was as unrestrained as if she were a mountain girl enjoying the freedom of a forest. Though she was usually gay she had times of reverie, and one evening, while following a vein of serious thought as she sat under the tent and watched the darkness deepen on the bay, she heard footsteps on the gravel behind her. Supposing that George Dunwell, the engineer, had got over his pout and was coming to chat with her, she did not turn her head. The new-comer repeated his "I beg pardon" before she was aware that there was a stranger on the roof. She started to her feet and faced about. A tremor shook her, and she felt a chok-ing sensation when she saw a tall man, with a ful beard, standing near her. Remembering that she was alone with him on the top of that high building, and that the big iron gate we lowered before the main entrance, she was afraid, yet she gasped: "What do you want?" "I want to get out, please," he said. "What are you doing in?" she in-quired, her courage returning at the sound of his pleasant voice.

"I want to get out, please," he said. "What are you doing in?" she in-quired, her courage returning at the sound of his pleasant voice. "I worked too long, forgetting that the big gate would be closed at six. Indeed, I never thought of it at all till it began to get too dark for me to see the lines. Then, knowing I was a prisoner, I lit the gas and finished a statement of an account I was making. When it was done I came up here to get the janitor to let me out." "He and mother and the children are absent; he took the key to the side hall door with him. So you will have to wait till he comes back." "Is there no way I can get out? I have an engagement for the evening and I want to keep it." "There is the five escape," she re-plied with a smile. "But that reaches to the second floor only," he said, with no little im-patience.

"But that reaches to the second floor only," he said, with no little im-patience. Her smile disappeared, and, as if to atome for her levity, she said: "I will ring for George; he may be down in the engine room." It was with a straggle that she foreed herself to make this resolution, and the effort was visible to the stranger, but his anxiety to get away from the building was such that he did not remonstrate when she passed him on her way to the kitchen. Slowly she went down the stairs, and he, moving mearer to the door, could see her hesi-tate before pressing the button of an electric bell. The light from an electric lamp fell over her, defining the grace-ful lines of her slender figure, and as, listening for a reply to the signal, she held her ear to the tube, he watched with some compunction her expression of expectation gradually yield to one of disappointment. "He's gone," she said, presently, and the stranger fancied he heard her sigh.

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"You might," she answered serious of the score and foor; it would help you reach the top."
"Please show me the way to it." her generated, coming into the kitchen.
Without a word she took a bunch of keys from a hole neur the button she had pressed so hard when signaling that awful distance."
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"WHEN WE CONFRONT THE VAST NESS OF THE NIGHT." When we confront the Vastness of the Night, And meet the gaze of her eternal eyes, How trivial seem the garnered gains we prize-The laurel weath we flaunt to envious sight The moder such to be well built for the level of the func-tion of the laurel weath and to envious sight The moder such we flaunt to envious sight The moder such and the level of the heart that cries An instant on the listening air, then dies-built!

he determined to cultivate friendly relations with the janitor. His easy, off-hand manners won that official, and when at last he broached the subject of occasional visits to the roof he was somewhat taken aback by the heartiness of the invitation. "Come up whenever you feel like it. There's always a breeze up there, and you'll find the family sociable." A this first visit Henderson found the family absent, but at the second he was more fortunate. He was cor-dially welcomed by Caroline, whom he breezes of the roof. "Ilove to smell a good eigar. George smokes such a strong old pipe," she said, when at her request he had lighted a eigar. "No, don't move; I said I loved it."

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Henderson looked at her askance, and mentally asked: "Is she artless, or is this candor merely a plain statement that George is only a friend of the family?" She was soon interested in his chat-ter, and before he was ready to go his cigar was burning his fingers. As an excuse to prolong his visit he said he would like to look over the edge of the roof into the court below. She rose and went with him, cantioning him not to lean over too far. Down in the court-yard a fountain was throwing up timy streams that broke into drops, which fell glistening in a sunbeam re-flected from a window several stories above the flagging. The motion of the water was pleasing, and Henderson looked steadily at it. Suddenly the fountain seemed to leap toward him, and before his eyes there was a dense darkness.

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darkness. When he could next distinguish ob-jects he was some distance from the roof's edge and before him stood Caro-line, her face white and strained. She was trembling and her lips were shut as if they could not part, so frmly had she closed them when making the supreme effort of her life. In an in-stant he realized that he had grown dizzy and would have fallen to the stones in the court yard had she not prevented it. That he had fallen he knew from the bruised feeling on his arm and shoulder, but he had come in contact with the pebbled surface of the flat roof. He put out his handstoward her and strove to speak as he moved forward. She made a deprecatory gesture and took a step backward, then turned and field. Stupified by her action he groped his way like a blind man after her into the kitchen. Not finding her there, he sought the main stairs and staggered down to his office. There he threw himself on a lounge, and in explanation of the shudders that convulsed him at inter-vals he said he had a chill.

shudders that convulsed him at inter-vals he said he had a chill. It was several days before he went to the roof again. To find Caroline at home both embarrassed him and gave him pleasure. He was glad to see her, yet was embarrassed by the feeling that no words could adequately ex-press his sense of obligation to her. She endeavored to put him at his ease. If didn't tell anybody but George, and he said it wasn't so hard to do if a person was only quick." "Yees, but you did it, and I came to tell you how deeply grateful I an to you."

"'Oh, it wasn't anything, really! I

roof Mr. Graham found Caroline and George holding an earnest conversa-tion. He looked surly and defiant, and she was mad, but very much in earnest. The janitor turned away, but Caroline called to him: "Come here, father, and hear what I said to George"

a gloom, and he carging is plot very submer as the stars with and he carging history as the stars with a decime to a state of another electric light. Thus she to the fine eached her innee, and when at last she came to a hait it was before the door of a closet, which was open when he reached her side.
The step-ladder was heavy, and he staggered under its weight. Compassionately, yet with a feeling of slight contempt for his strength, she took hold of one end and helped him to carry the ladder to the gate and put it up. It reached near the top, and in a moment he had cleared the gate.
"Thank you," he said, when he reached her could help you take the ladder to its place. Good night."
He started across the street. Atthe opposite eurb he paused and marked is cord by the shadow rising from story to story as she turned off the electric stores as have to an assed. He soon noticed the pavement. "I won't have another man contring to asy for a style befitting a spossible partnership. So the morn in a fashionable boarding house, and to dress in a style befitting haves to an increase of pay and a possible partnership. So the morn in gafter his adventure at the gate had no time for thoughts of the shadow rising from story it to story as also zealous in business, and to dress in a style befitting haves to an increase of pay and a possible partnership. So the morn in gafter his adventure at the gate had no time for thoughts of have still of that he dad no time for thoughts of have still of the sider. This idea, whose sentilly that it would be very pleasant to smoke a trigger to him not observe mentally that it would be very pleasant to smoke a drease to him no his way how, and have stora moment painfully embarassed. What had occurred? He could not guess, but he improved his law. "It was for a moment painfully embarassed. What had occurred? He could not guess, but he improved his law." He start, it was to rain an few words told the realy of a solid. The shore the pay and a possible partnershi

claimed, raine and surprised to see him, and was for a moment painfully embarrassed. What had occurred? He could not guess, but he improved his opportunity, and in a few words told the story of his love. "It isn't fair," she said, recovering

"Why?" he asked, surprised at such "Why?" he asked, surprised at such a reception of a proposal of marriage. "Because--" she could get no further further. "I love you," he said. "Ever since

"I love you," he said. "Ever since that day you saved my life I've been getting deeper in love with you." "That's just it," she exclaimed. "You wouldn't--" Her words stuck in her throat again. Her words there we were the and then

He stared at her a moment, and then a gleam of intelligence shone in his es. "You mean if it had not been for

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With a feeling that his case was hope-less because it needed argument to sup-port it, he set about to explain how his affection had grown. It had begun with gratitude and developed into love as he knew her better. It was so deep and strong and admiring, as if it had come from daily association, and not with such an impetus as it had been given. But she would not be persuaded.
"It seems to me," she said, slowly, "as if you thought you must."
"I do," he said, carnestly. "I must, because I love you, and will be most unhappy if you do not love me."
"I don't, and I am sorry you feel bad about it."
She was as simple and straightfor-words to express to her clearly that he was making no offer of himself as pay-ment of an obligation incurred by him when she saved his life, and that he really loved her.
"iPlease don't say anything more, Mr. Meigs. Let us forget about it, and you must come up here as usual. We shall always be glad to see you, and it wort eve be as-as uncomfortable as it was that day George acted so rudely."

idely." "Oh !" said Henderson, seeing, as he rudely." "Oh." said Henderson, seeing, as he thought, an opportunity to show him-self to her in a favorable light. "He came in the other day and apologized like a man for his rudeness. There were a lot of people in the office, but he spoke loud enough for them all to hear him. I was surprised, but I shook hands with him and told him not to mention it at all. He seemed very glad and we parted good friends." As he spoke a light shone from Caro-line's eyes illuminating her counte-nance as its glow deepened. When he cansed she was gazing out over the bay, gray in the mist through which steamers and tugs and ferry boats crept cautiously. For a moment she seemed unconscious of Henderson's presence, then she turned to him and said, frankly:

frankly: "I was afraid George was not a gen-tlemen, but now I believe he is one. I suppose he couldn'thelp being jealous." Henderson could not find an apt reply, and after a few minutes of awkward conversation took his de-parture. parture. The next time he met her she was

Alle hext time he met her sale was wearing the ring that he had hoped to replace, and was apparently very happy. He continued to go up to the roof garden, but the intervals between his visits grew longer. Presently the chill winds of fall began to blow, and he never went higher up than the floor on which his office was located. — Frank



RAM'S HORN BLASTS

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to

The devil's claws are often covered white gloves. A FOOL is sure to tell who he is by the questions he asks.

MAN's doubt of God makes angels wonder. (Luke 1, 19.)

Wonder. (Luke 1, 19.) THE day is sure to come when the devil's money will all burn up. WE please God most when we are most anxious to be like Christ. No MAN ever sinned in deed who was not first sinful in thought.

God's promises are heaven's bank-notes, made for circulation on earth.

EVERY man lives in a glass house into which somebody is always look ing. No MATTER how good the gun is, it is wasting powder to shoot at the

It would seem sometimes that the art of graceful walking might be num-bered among the lost sciences, so few women master the accomplishment, or

THE great thing about influence is that it sets forces in motion that will

THE selfishness of man is probably the ugliest thing upon which angels ever have to look.

ever have to look. DoN'T put much dependence in the religion that tries to advertise itself in a shop window. THE heart of man nevel finds out what rea¹ joy is until Christ begins to rule and reign in it. You can find a hundred people who are couraceous where you will find

women master the accomplishment, or even acquire any approach to perfec-tion in this exercise, which is the foundation of all others. Every one succeeds in propelling themselves along by means of their feet, but that is not true walking. An English au-thority says: "The body should be held erect, the shoulders down, chest extended, and the leg moved from the hip, the whole figure above being im-movable. The movement from the knee is said to be the secret of bad walking, combined with the discom-tort of tight shoes and high heels, which turn the figure in a most un-graceful manner. A short, brisk walk is beneficial, while a tramp of miles results in wearines." are courageous where you will find one who is patient.

one who is patient. THERE is something wrong with the Christian who never gets happy outside of prayer meeting. If the devil ever rubs his hands with satisfaction it must be when a hypocrite joins the church.

hypocrite joins the church. THERE is many a wife whose hus-band belongs to church, who never suspects that he has religion. IF God could forgive his enemies without repentance, nothing could keep the devil out of Heaven. HOW.MUCH bigger it always makes us feel to look at other people through the large end of the telescope. THERE are men who eccures high

THE AUSTALIAN WOMAN. Though pretty, tall and well-form ed, says the North American Review, the Australian woman is not graceful. Her toilet has none of the chic of the Par-isienne's, and little of the sobriety of the English woman's. Overdressed or dowdy, she produces the impression of not only having little taste, but no ar-tistic sense of the fitness of things. Stylish and elegant women are to be seen more frequently in Melbourne than elsewhere. Dress is dear to the soul of an Australians, and much is spent on it. Australians, and much is of equality, and believing in uniform-ity of dress as the sign of equality often sacrifice actual confort to ob-tain fashionable clother. Maturalian family makes a brave show on holidays. There may be bare fare cheap feathers and gloves in the street. Vanity is stronger in the Aus-tralian woman than ambition, just as indolence is more inherent than en-ergy. She is elever, but not intellec-tual; seen of perception. The Aus-tralian is affectionate and in manner hydraketed. Tact is natural to her; also THERE are men who occupy high positions in the church, at whom the devil has never thrown a single stone. IF some people were birds, they would sit down in the dust and com-plain that their wings were a heavy load load.

THERE is many a wife hungering for an occasional word of approval who will be burled in a rosewood casket.

The man who will deliberately break one of God's commandments, would break down the gates of Heaven if he could.

WHEN a particular man marries a poor housekceper, it takes a good deal of love on both sides to make their home a happy one.

HOW BABY GREVERT GROWS. hospitable, friendly and so sympathetic. Strangers tosympathetic. Strangers to-day, to-morrow you are intimately ac-quainted. In friendship there is no tentative stage, but a plunge in medias

He Is So Big Now that He Must Have a New Incubator. Joseph Grevert, who is being raised In an incubator at the home of his parents, No. 315 East Twenty-sixth street. New York, passed his thir-teenth day of existence comfortably,

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HOW TO DRESS FOR TRAMPIN In a picturesque country, a Walking Club is productive of many jolly times; and aside from the pure enjoyment, the gain in health from this exercise is

teenth day of existence comfortably, and with an appreciable gain of strength. Heretofore Joseph has been fed a drop or two at a time with a medicine dropper, but as if in mockery of superstition, he celebra-ted his thirteenth day in the incu-bator by nursing from a regular sure-enough bottle. He also cried in reg-ulation baby fashion so loud that it could be heard outside his box. The incubator has all modern im-provements. Joseph has gained a pound and a quarter since his birth, and now weighs three and one-quar-

and aside from the pure enjoyment, the gain in health from this exercise is very great. Of course, for this, the question of dress for the girls and women comes up; and it is an impor-tant one, for much of the benefit to be derived depends upon its suitability and comfort. The first consideration is lightness, the next case. Every garment, from the skin outward, should be so made and shaped that it will not get out of place; you never want to be reminded of your clothes. A dressing that has been tried for many years in eight and ten mile tramps, in the mountains and down by the sea, and has proved the acme of comfort, con-sists of a raw silk undervest—for cool days, high-necked and long-sleeved; for hot ones, low-necked and short-sleeved—loose, perforated corset, com-bination garment of pongee, and a di-vided skirt of the same material. An outing gown of dark blue serge or of gray summer camel's hair—clearing the ground by four or five inches—a silk or French flannel blouse, soft felt hut with brim that shades the eyes, and mouse-colored laced boots of ooze calf, complete the outfit. The adram-

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A soft, uncrushable silk egence is very popular in Paris. silk called A GOOD HAIR WASH

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Laces are worn in every conceivea-ble way for decorating costumes and

Tucked vokes, with big frills of the

In win and mull. French dotted Swiss, with tinted de-signs, is one of the dainty fabrics for summer gowns. Embroidered nuns' veiling makes pretty and inexpensive evening dresses for young girls. Ruchinges for the nuck are supercom-

Ruchings for the neck are very popu-lar, but are smaller and narrower than those formerly worn.

those formerly worn. A bow of accordion-plaited gauze is the only trimming on the front of a large hat of lace braid. Recently imported silks have raised designs in chrysanthemums, lilies and butterflies on a white ground. Recently invorted eithe have raised

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of the features of autumn jackets. The latest parasols are made of lace and lined with rainbow chiffon, and have gold mountings on the handle. Dresses of white serge, duck, mohafr and cashmere are trimmed with pas-sementerie and large crochet buttons. A pretty idea for decorating finger bowls is to have a bowl of larger size, so that space for flowers is left be-tween.

The "Eulalia" coat is a cream-white cloth jacket trimmed in various ways to make it appropriate for many

occasions. A hat with the brim bent up in a sharp point over the front has the top almost covered with heavy, handsome ostrich tips. A new fashion in stationery for out-of-town use is a rustic paper, with the name of your house printed in rustic letters at the top. Little of the descence have resists made.

Little girls' dresses have waists made of straight widths of the material shirred into a band about three inches,

shirred into a band about three inches, with standing ruche above. The turban is increasing in popu-larity. The favorite trimming is standing loops of ribbon with long-stemmed flowers at the front.

The hair at present is completely vaved all over the head. Fortunate

is the woman whose hair waves natur-ally. Others must betake themselves to the curling iron.

Narrow-brimmed hats, somewhat on the sailor order, but with brim narrow at the back, are trimmed with solid wreaths of roses, chrysanthemums and other similar blossoms.

other similar blossoms. White has been very generally worn this summer, and pretty, simple dresses of white linen-lawn, with hemstitched tucks and hems, have been quite the thing for dainty young ladies. English silk woven in Bradford is designed for traveling costumes. It resembles line cloth, is almost without lustre, light in weight, and has a smooth surface that repels dust. Cuffs worn outside the sleeves are

Confis warne that repeas dust. Confis warne that repeats dust. among the new fancies, and are shown in lace, linen and kid, while with out-ing gowns the kid cuffs are chosen to match a lace corselet of the same.

Black round hats trimmed a largo wired bow of wide white applique lace, springing from the center of which are long, slender, jet ornaments, promise to be one of the fancies of the summer

A new waist trimming is made of a straight piece of material about four-teen inches long. This is gathered in very full at the collar and droops of its own free will over shoulders and bust

Plain French cashmere is a favorite Finin French cashmere is a favorite material for house gowns, which are made with a simple round waist, with immense silk bretelles that cover the shoulders and graduate to a sharp point at the belt.

girl.

A GOOD HAIR WASH. The following hair wash is said to oe harmless: Dissolve an onnee of ualts of tartar in a quart of warm water and add the juice of two lemons. When the effervescing is over, dip the hair in the basin and with the fingers rub the scalp until it is covered with iather and all the dandruff and dust has been removed. If the water is black, you may know that your head is red and clean. Rinse in warm wa-ter, again in cool and a third time in cold water. It will take from one to three hours to dry the hair, and it should not be done up until it is dry. --New York World.

THE ART OF GRACEFUL WALKING

THE AUSTRALIAN WOMAN