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Those who think a woman isn't trust ng and clinging enough should take a lovice out skating on the ice.

If the fiddler would do away with the credit business, the salvation of the world could be accomplished. None of us would dance if we had to pay him in dvance

Every time a woman thinks of owning a cow, she begins to build air cas-tles. There is nothing that will do as much toward nourishing hope in a woman's breast as owning a cow.

When a man is sick, his greatest trou-When a man is sick, his greatest tron-ble is that no one comes to see him, and he gets lonesome. When a woman gets sick, the greatest trouble is that so many come to see her that they make her worse.

It is related of the Princess Alix that when she was in Wales she put on a pair of corduroy tronsers, a blue flan-nel shirt, an old cloth cap and heavy miner's boots, and went down in a conl mine. If this sort of a person falls to manage a Russian Czar, it will be rath-er remarkable.

manage a Russian Czar, it will be rather remarkable. When we pass a chicken coop in front of a grocery store, and hear a rooster crow, in spite of the fact that he is as miserable and unfortunate as a rooster can well be, we wonder what he is crowing about. Some men are the same way about bragging; it is in them, and must come out, whether there is any occasion for it or not.

The career of Mr. William Cook, of Oklahoma, makes gay reading. Thwart ed in love, he gathered a band of dare devils around him and took to the mountains. Thence he descended at intervals upon the plain and robbed mountains. Thence he descended at intervals upon the plain and robbed trains, banks and government paymas-ters. His "army" grew with his suc-cess. He perfected an organization which levied toil on a great territory. His death was reported a number of times. Each time it turned out that it was not William, but the other man who died. To find this illustrious ca-reer brought to a sudden close by a commonplace deputy marshal, to read of William "throwing up his hands like a tenderfoot," is painful. It re-calls the unseenly departure hence of Mr. Kipling's border desperado who perished under the weight of the ter-ror stricken babu. No doubt we shall hear of William later, arraigned before the hanging judge at Fort Smith and dispatched in a bunch of half breeds and squaw men. So passes the little glory of the world.

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WHEN THE SKIES CLEAR OFF. The prospects will be brighter, The burdenswill be lighter, An 'the souls of us be whiter When the skies clear off. With sweeter roses springin', An 'as weeter birds a'singin', An 'all the bells a-ringin' When the skies clear off!

The silver-it'll jingle, The silver-it'll jingle, Till your fingers tingle, tingle ; Old friends'll meet and minglo When the skies clear off. An' trouble, like a feather. Will go sailln' out the weather Wol'l size an' dance together When the skies clear off!

There's a sign o' light a-comin'; Andros a sign o' light a-comin'; An' you har the wagoa hummin'; You'll be marchin' to the draumin' When the skies clear off. No matter what's the trouble-It'll trenk jest like a bubble, An' you'll drive in harness double When the skies clear off! —Atlanta Constitution.

A MYSTERIOUS CLERK.

Nadvertisement N advort is ement of the following tenor appeared in one of the daily jour-nals of a prosperous and rapidly growing American city some years since: "ACCOUNTANT - The services of an accom-plished and competent prison are desired by the advortiser to take charge of the books and correspondence of a

Active of the second correspondence of a flourishing business. Liberal salary and permanent position is offered to one with proper credestials. Ad-

tinually uprigned and conduct. Mr. Corlis had a daughter, his only child, in whom were centered all his hopes. The father thoughthe saw in the character of his new clerk busi-the character of his new clerk busichild, in whom were centered all his hopes. The father thoughthe saw in the character of his new clerk busi-ness qualities most desirable, and he believed him to be a man of integrity and worth; and at the end of a twelve-ment he in could detend of a twelve

quietly awaited another opportunity to carry out his long-cherished plan in reference to his daughter's prospects; while Miss Corlis lost no fitting occa-sion to second her parent's views and wishes. "Time fles with silent wings." A "Time fles with silent wings." "Time fles with silent wings." A "Time fles with silent wings." "The accident on the steamer?" "The accident on the steamer?" "To accident on the steamer?" "The accident on the steamer?"

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 A hundred candidates for this place presented themselves at the establish-ment of Mr. Corlis, and among the competitors there came a modestly attirel person, who more than the others seemed, at first sight, accepta-ble to the proprietor.
 The address of this applicant was paramee that of an carnest, well-dis-plosed man, who was desirous to get along in the world.
 He brought with him and presented to Mr. Corlis a faw brief letters of ranking house in the town. His story along in the world.
 He brought with him and presented to Mr. Corlis a faw brief letters of r.commendation from persons resid-ing eastrand, and exhibited a draft for a limited sum upon a responsible banking house in the town. His story was simple and straightforward, and his manners were altogether prepos-sessing. He wrote a fair busness hand, his credentials proved tatisfac-forty, at least, for he was cunning in accounts, and his knoweledge of the actionary.
 Ernest Maywood - for thus the mj pleant signed his name-proved a model clerk. He must have been some thirty years of age when he entered the employ of Mr. Corlis. He might accounts, and his knoweledge of the ranifications of debt and creditw as straordinary.
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-but to no purpose. Maywood was gone! Bis years, with their round of joys and sorrows, pains and pleasures, changes and fortunes, had passed away, after the accident rolated, when one evening there halted before the door of Mr. Corlis a carriage, from which alighted a lady and gentleman, who inquired if the merchant were at laome. They were shown into the drawing-room, and the cards of "Mr. and Mrs. Ervine" were sent up. The name was not familiar, either to Mr. Corlis or his daughter. "Ervine?" said the father, "Er-vine?! I do not recognize the name, daughter."

A Dog's Intelligence.

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A Dog's Intelligence. A Dog's Intelligence. C. Rugg Thompson, the six-year-old son of Dr. Thompson, of Glens Falls, is the owner of a large St. Ber-nard named Nero. The animal has light-brown coat and weighs about 159 pounds. Nero is an unusually intelligent dog. He has a great head for mathematics and can ald, sub-tract, divide and multiply with sur-prising celerity. Let a certain num-ber of persons enter a room. Then let half the number depart, and Nero will notify his master by barking how many there are left in the room. Should others enter the room after Nero has notified his master of than number present, he will quickly and accurately indicate the new number. Some of the problems worked out by this canine wonder would prove diffi-cult for a ten-year-oil boy to demon-strate. An interesting example of Nero's solity as a mathematician is shown when a series of figures run-ning from one to nine is placed on a blackboard. As each figure is set down, either in rotation or at ran-dom, the dog will signify by a bark the number. On one consion Noro entered a ho-tie with the doetor. A number of piects were standing, sitting, or mov-ning about a room. When asked how many persons were present, Nero de-liberately wikked about nuit he found four men behind a counter. Then he and on the correct number, fif-ten. He informed his master how many of the number were sitting and how many standing. —Troy Times.

Styles that Were. If some of the dandles and beauties of other days could only return to us in the flesh and wearing the habiliments of their age what a sensation they would create! Imagine a dandy of the reign of James I, of England walk-ing into your home with becedes large the reign of James I. of England walk-ing into your home with breeches large enough, if extended, to shelter a mod-erate-sized circus; or a fair daughter of Eve of the seventeenth century beam-ing on you with stars and half moons and a coach and a coach

patched the left side. After 1766 patch-es on the face were discontinued. Masks Were the Fashion. Masks formed another fashionable decoration for the face, half masks and whole masks being optionally used. The masks, when not worn, were suspended to the side by a string; when used they were held in position by the teeth by means of a round band fas-tened on the inside. During the reign of Charles II., of England, few ladies visited the theater unmasked. Moops, which were an extension of the "padded or failse hip" of the fif-teenth century, did not come into very general use until toward the close of the seventeenth century. A paper of a little later period speaks of a chair-maker, "one William Jingle, who con-trived a chair six yards and a half in circumference, with a stool in the cen-ter of it; said vehicle being so contriv-ed as to receive the passenger by open-ing In two in the middle and closing the seventeenth century bean ing on yo with stars an and horses de picted on be facel Yetthes were fashion were fashions in other days

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SIR WILLIAM RUSSELL AND A DANE OF 1646.

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when she is sented." The same Jingle "invented a conch for the reception of one lady only, who is to be let in at the top," and the paper continues, "the said conch has been tried by a lady's wom-an, in one of these full petticonts (hoops) who was let down from a bal-cony and drawn up again by pulleys to the great satisfaction of all who beheld the sight."

Viowand or day it for the the of Henry VIII, of Eng-land his bree-ches were the objects of a young man's en-the the browners of "pettheoat breeches" tied above the knee, ribbons hanging all about the waistband and shirt hanging out from the opened from t. We read of breeches uppable of a bushel of w² the British be British bush of the backets uppable of a bushel of w² the British bush of the backets the bushel bushel of w² the British bushel of the backets the British the British the British the British



e the British House of Com-mons to aford a dd itonal ac-commodations for the mem-bers' seats. It is related of a dandy of the time that on ris-ing to conclude a visit of cere-mony he had the misfortune to damage his "PACTIES." FASHION OF THE "PACTIES."

o that by the time he gained th e escape of bran was so great a e a state of complete collapse.

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AN ALSATIAN BELLE.

cony and drawn up again by pulleys to the great satisfaction of all who beheld the sight."
 One of our illustrations represents an Alsatian (French) belle of 1727. The most singular feature of this beauty is the coffure, which consists of an enormous three-cornered edifice of satin, lace and jewels, stretching out on eitien side far beyond the width of the figure and standing up in a point in front.
 Two of our illustrations, that of Sir William Russell and that of Lord Hownord of Edingham, deal with the time of Elizabeth. In the representation of Sir William Russell and that of Lord Hownord of Edingham, deal with the time of Elizabeth. In the representation of Sir William Russell the immense ruff worn very generally at that time is shown. A raller against the vanifles of those days says: "There is a certain liquid matter which they call starch wherein the devil had learned them to wash and dive their ruffs, while being dry will then stand stiff and inflexible about their necks." Imagine a Bridisi led of to-day dressed like Lord Howard of Edingham!
 Did Not Say "Hysterical Governess." A correspondent asks me why I have called Charlotte Bronet "a hysterical governess." But when or where did I ever write such nonsense about "the Accomplished Shirley brought this charge against me in Good Words. Looking in Good Words. Looking bover list, I see that I did say she was a governess, and expressed the usual reiver to often Hved in that underpaid and difficult profession.
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AN ALSATIAN DELLE. stand out, whereupon," says an old authority, "when a certain prisoner was accused for wearing such breeches contrary to law he began to excess bimself of the offnese and endeavored by little and little to discharge himself of that which he did wear with them fue drew out of his breeches a pair of sheets, a brush, a glass, a combe and night caps, with other things of use, saying, 'Your worships may under-stand that because I have no safer storehouse these pockets do serve me for a roome to keep my goods in and though it be a straight prison yet it is a store house big enough for them, for that wany things more yet of value within them.' And so his discharge was accepted and well haughed at, and they commanded him that he should no of our illusticutions is of a dancy.' gret for the unhappy lives which are too often lived in that underpaid and difficult profession. One catches an echo of many laments in Miss lironte's novels; her materials are inevitably derived from her experi-cee. But I find nothing about "hys-terical governess." People have called Jeanne d'Are "hysterical"; genius and hysteries have points of contact. But I did not even say that, as far as I an ware, and if I am to be accused of do-ing so, by Shirley or any one else, I must ask for documentary evidence. "No other is genuine." If the thing can be proved, I shall recant and burn my fagot; if it cannot be proved, per-haps the myth will be withdrawn. No-body can remember all the foolish things he may have written, but this particular folly, I fondly trust, is be-yond my power.—A. Lang, in Long-man's Magazine. Joseph Addison.

A bandy of 1646. One of our illustrations is of a dand, of 1646, taken from an old print. H wears a tall hat, with a bunch of ril bon on one side, and a feather on th other; his face is spotted with "patch es" and two love locks hang down upor



NEWS & NOTES PROMEN

January is the greatest shopping month of the year. Camphor placed next to furs will make their color lighter. Wedding outfits can be hired in New York for so much an hour. Lillian Russell is said to possess the finest collection of turquoises in the world.

Among your odd pieces of furniture ou must have a carved antique oak you mus spinning chair.

of 15,840 girls in the public schools of St. Louis 5567 were dark haired and 10,273 light-haired.

10,273 light-haired. Mrs. Havemeyer, the sugar king's wife, employs sixty servants and pays her boss cook \$10,000 a year.

her boss cook \$10,000 a year. Whon my lady shops or goes skat-ing she wears the heaviest gloves made, with huge bone buttons and big clumsy fingers. Miss Corn Sheep-in-the-Woods, a Sioux maiden, has, under the influence of civilization, become Miss Cora Bell Wether.

wether. There are twenty-four women taking the graduate course at Yale this year. Among them is one from Radeliffe College.

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College. The death of Miss Frances Mary Buss, at the age of sixty-seven, re-moves one of the educational pioneers of the day. The Rev. Lydia Sexton, who for fifty-six years had been a preacher in Washington State, died recently, aged ninety-five.

Massington State, died recently, aced Miss Cora Bonneson, a graduate of the law school of the Michigan Univer-sity, has been admitted to the bar in Massachusetts.

Messachusetts. When Sophie Lyons, the noted shop-litter, was arrested in St. Louis a much thumbed copy of "Trilby" was found in her possession. Mrs. Isabella Beecher Hooker attri-buten her sond beeld size

butes her good health in her old age to the fact that she employs an electri-cal masseuse at least twice a week.

cal masseuse at least twice a week. It is the privilege of one of the no-ble ladies-in-waiting to the Queen of England to extract the seeds from the orange Her Majesty intends to eat. Mrs. Arthur Stannard (John Strange Winter) is very superstitions, and always carries two scraps of gray fur inside the fleck of her dress as a talis-man.

men. There is no doabt that big sloeves are going out. The Princess of Wales and the Dutchess of York have all their gowns made with very moderate sleeves.

A colored woman in New Orleans is about to take her degree in medicine, and will be the first woman to practice in that city with a degree won in Louisiana.

Louisiana. Mrs. L. E. Castle, of Iowa, who is serving as justice of the peace, was elected to that position because the ticket had her initials instead of those of her husbaed. The ex-Empress Eugenie, of France, has recently visited Queen Victoria at Windsor, and the two ladies went out shopping together in the quaint and drowsy old town. A woman who was to play Lady

shopping together in the quaint and drowsy old town. A woman who was to play Lady Macbeth in a Topeka (Kau.) armateur show refused to go on because she couldn't have big sleeves for her sleep-walking gown. "Patti can eat more candy in less time than any human being I have ever seen," is one New York woman's verdict regarding the sweet tooth propensities of the diva. The appointment is announced of Carrie Liebig as a division surgeon of the Northern Pacific at Hope, Idaho. This is the first woman physician to be appointed in the railway service. M. E. King, of Charleston, Me., has two young daughters, aged respec-tively ten and twelve years, who have broken a two-year-old colt to wagon and sleigh without the aid of any one. Miss Ida Lockwood, of Munice, has

Miss Ida Lockwood, of Munice, has lately been commissioned Deputy Conty Recorder in Delaware County, Indiana. She has been a clork in the office for eleven years, and is the first woman deputy in that county.

Woman deputy in that county. Queen Louise, of Denmark, is one of the oldest European monarchs. She is seventy-seven years of age, but is quite youthful in appearance. She was a princess of Hesse Cassell and like Victoria she has been a good mother.

like Victoria she has been a good mother. Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, D. D., of Philadelphia, has received diplomas for the ministry, haw and medicine. She is Vice-President of the National woman suffragists, has an orotund speaking voice and is one of the most aggressive talkers of her sex.