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"Weren't you surprised when he pr posed?" "No; why should I be?" erybody else was."—Harlem Life.

Never Touched Her: He—Don't yo ever tire of talking? She (quickly)-It depends upon who is talking.—Vogue Artist—That man Bacon offered me \$12 for that largest painting of mine. Caller—Oh, then you've had it framed's —Yonkers Statesman.

She—Young Baggie, I believe, take als fences well? He—Yaas, splendid y; but it's a pity his horse doesn't tak em at the same time.—Sydney Bulle in

"There!" hissed the jealous Moor:
"how do you feel now?" "Down is
the mouth," gasped the irrepressible
Desdemona from beneath her pillow.

"It is simply astonishing the way th bicycle is displacing the horse!" "It i indeed. Yesterday I found a piece or rubber tire in my sausage."—Cincinna Enquirer.

Enquirer.

Brown—Have you read this article upon "How to Tell a Bad Egg?" Jones —No, but if you have anything to tell a bad egg, my advice is to break it gently.—Up-to-Date.

whise Rechere (indignantly)—Did you ell Jim Jackson dat of he married madd hab a white elephant on hee andes? Miss Snoftlike—No, indeed, ildn't! Do yo' fink I'se color-blind?—Deads

ruck.

Amicus—Why, do you use the expression funny joke? Aren't all jokes unny? Editor—Not by a long shot, 'he jokes that other fellows get off t your expense are never funny.—

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at your expense are never funny.—
Truth.

"It seems to me, Miranda," mildly observed Mr. Meeks, "these cakes would be considerably improved by the addition of a little more ginger." "So would you, William," briefly responded Mrs. Meeks.—Chicago Tribune.

"Well, girls, Jack and I are to be married at last, and we are so happy." "Did you and Jack have some trouble in getting your father's consent?" "No, papa and I land a lot of trouble in getting Jack's consent."—Exchange.

Mrs. Brown—I have been so annoyed at my husband. He has been at the club every night for a week. Mrs. Jones—Why, so has my husband, and he said he hand't seen anything of your husband for a week.—Brooklyn Life.

She—It seems strange that men are no longer willing to do deadly combat for the love of a woman. He—Ain't if queer, though? Especially when women have so much more money of their own these days!—Indianapolis Journal.
"I once knew a man," said the imaginative boarder, "who was so fat that he was actually taller lying down than when he was standing up. What do you think of that?" "It strikes me," said the cheerful idiot, "as pretty tall lying,"—Indianapolis Journal.

A Dangerous Text: "Well, Uncle Rasbury, how did you like the sermon?"

lying."—Indianapolis Journal.

A Dangerous Text: "Well, Uncle
Rasbury, how did you like the sermon?"
"Pow'ful fine sermon, Marse John."
"Where did the preacher take his
text?" "Frum dat po'tion ob de Scripture whar de Postol Paul pints his pistol to de Fesions."—Washington Times.
Fair Patient—Is there no way of telling exactly what is the matter with
me? Dr. Emdee—Only a post-mortem
examination would reveal that. Fair
Patient—Then, for heaven's sake, make
one. I don't see why I should be
squeamish at such a time as this.—PickMe-Up.
"Modern society," observed the young

Mc-Up.

"Modern society," observed the young man, contemplatively, "has revised most of the old-time proverbs." "Yes," observed the chaperon, to whom he had just handed an ice, "for instance, now-adays we say, When the husband comes in at the door, the lover files out of the window."—Exchange.

First Summer Girl—Are you going to that old Christian Fudgeror, westly,

First Summer Girl—Are you going to that old Christian Endeavor meeting this evening? Second Summer Girl—Yes, indeed! Haven't you heard the subject to be discussed? First Summer Girl—No; what is it? Second Summer Girl—Whow to Hold Our Young Men."—New York Press.

"I was very glad, Mabel, to see you among those who were received into the church last Sunday." "Yes, auntie, but I was so provoked with the clergy-man! He gave me the old-style, un-fashionable handshake. And he gets a salary of \$6,000 a year!"—Chicago Trib-une.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Gas made from sawdust is used to illuminate the streets and houses of Deseronto, Canada. The sawdust comes from the lumber mills in the neighbor-

nood,
Threads of shredded steel are used in Germany as a substitute for sand paper. It is said to work more quickly and uniformly than sand paper, and does not clog.

does not clog,

Only about two minutes are required for the blood to course through the heart, thence to the lungs back to the heart, and then through the entire body, and return to the heart.

A Parisian inventor is endeavorinto perfect a phonographic watch. I he is successful, the world will soo see a watch which, by touching spring, will whisper the time in you

ear.
The report of the Railroad Commissioners of New York State shows that in 1890 twenty-six | per cent. of our street railways were electrically equipped, and in 1895 about ninety-four per cent.

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A ton of Atlantic water, when evaporated, yields eighty-one pounds of
salt; a ton of Pacific water, seventynine pounds; the water of the Dead
Sea, more than twice as much—187
pounds to the ton.

How much water shall we drink?
From one-third to two-fifths as many
ounces as there are pounds in our
weight. Thus a person weighing 168
pounds would drink thirty-six to sixtyfour ounces, or 3½ to four pints daily.

An aerial cable railway will soon be
built to the summit of the volcano
Popocatepetl, near the City of Mexico,
18,000 feet above the sea. It is designed both for the shipping of sulphur

18,000 feet above the sea. It is designed both for the shipping of sulphur from the crater, and for the accommodation of tourists.

Essential oil of garlic has been used

Hat and boots and hymn-book too,"
The only rhyme for "scalp," is "alp,'
It would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but
Byron has certainly done so in the
following passage from "Child Harold:"

old:"
"Above me are the Alps,
"The palaces of Nature whose vast walls
Have pinneded in clouds their snowy scalp,
And throned Elernity in ley halls
Of cold sublimity, were forms and falls
The avalanche—the thunderbolt of snow!"

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There is also the case of Dean Swift, who was at one time most anxious to find a rhyme to Bettsworth—the name of a friend. One day, while remonstrating with a workman, whose claim for wages he disputed, the nan exclaimed: "It's what my two-days sweat's worth!" Dean Swift had found his rhyme and gladly paid the claim without further parley.—New York Journal.

Styles in Men's Shirts,

A shirt that opens in the front is less likely to break across the boson than one that opens in the back only; and one that opens in the back only; and one that opens in the front only (many shirts are now made to open front and back, too) fits best; the buttonholes in the collar-band and the eyelets, or other openings in the bosom for studs, afford sufficient play, while the yore of the shirt romains firm and smooth. The shirt that opens front and back has the advantage that the studs can be put in place before the shirt is put on; in putting on and taking off the shirt it is opened at the back; the stud need not be removed until the shirt is sent to the wash. With this freedom from handling the shirt is likely to remain longer in suitable condition for wear.

The proportion of shirts made to open in front, either front and back both or front only, is all the time increasing.

More and more shirts are now being worn with cuffs attached.—Philadelphia News.

Illiterate Russian Conscripts.

About seventy-five per cent. of the

salary of \$6,000 a year!"—Chicago Tribune.

"Rastus, you infernal nigger, you told me that mule was perfectly safe, and when I went into the stable he nearly kicked the top of my head off."

"Yes, sah; I sayed de mewl wuz safe, sah. But et yo' kin recocliect, I didn't say nuffin' about wedder it was safe in his welchity. Dat mewl is able enough to be safe anywhar."—Washington Star.

"Hitterate Russian Conscripts.

About seventy-five per cent. of the Russian conseripts are illiterate. In the use of 250,000 men drafted into the army every year, 200,500 are unable to read or write. On entering its much more easily digseted/and/bence it can be used in larger quantities. Star the the credit of being one of the chief adjuncts to rudimentary public instruction.

Gold in the Coin.

fine.)

"Is there a charge for minting, and, if so, how much is it?"

Answer—The Government makes no charge for coining gold.

"Is there a charge for the copper used to prepare gold for the mint?"

Answer—When the bullion deposited is not suitable for coinage, and requires parting and refining, charges are made for these operations equal to the expense incurred in eliminating the base metals and parting the gold from the silver when the two metals are combined. There is also a charge of two cents per ounce for copper required for alloy. Upon gold bullion of standard fineness—that is, containing.9 gold and .1 copper—no charge whatever would be imposed.

"Will the mint give \$1 for 23.22 grains of pure gold?"

Answer—The depositor of gold bullion is allowed 100 cents for every 23.22 grains Troy of pure gold his deposit may contain.

"What is a \$20 gold piece worth in the market if melted into a lump?"

Answer—Twenty dollars (\$20), if it has lost nothing in the melting.

Suggestibility of Crowds.

dation of tourists.

Essential oil of garlic has been used to cure consumption by Dr. Sejournet, of Revin, in the Ardennes, Mixed with two hundred times its weight of sterilized olive oil it was injected under the skin, producing a marked improvement in the sixteen patients on whom it was tried.

In Siam there is a species of small black ant officered by mounted "generals." Almong the working troops monster ants—elephants as compared with the others—move at regular intervals, and on each of these ants sits or rides one of the small ants, evidently in command.

It is said that a new soporific, to which the name pellotin has been given, has been discovered in a Mexican cactus called anhalonium. The hative Mexicans eat slices of the plant, which they call "pellote." Its hynotte alkaloid has been separated by Dr. Hefter, of Leipsic. One grain of pellotin is equal in its effects to 15 grains of trional and thirty-one grains of hydrate of chloral. It is effective in quieting delirium tremens only in large doses.

In the Sunday Journal of June 21 was given a list of words for which it is either impossible or nearly so to find rhymes in the English language. "Thin buck too" was given as the only rhyme for "finbuctoo." There is a botter one, however, which was originated by a clergyman some years ago in a verse written during the progress of a social game:

"If I were a cassowary." On the plains of Timbuctoo, I would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but would require much thought to connect these words with good effect, but would require much thought to connect the serve of the serve the content of the connect of the con

Lost in a Can of Toundees.

The finding of a gold watch and chain in a can of tomatoes by an Indianapoliis woman brungs out a remarkable story. The find was reported and the circumstances noted in the Indianapolis News, and the next day a young woman who is employed in a cannery appeared at the office and identified the watch and chain.

She lost them, she said, two years ago, and while employed at the factory. She did not know how she lost them, and advertised at the time for several days. She says this would have discovered the property if it had not been sealed in a can in a storshouse. She had long ago bought a new one. The lost one was dearer to her, however, both because it was prettier and because it was given to her. Her theory is that the watch and pendant chain dropped from her belt into one of the clevator buckets, was carried to the filler and went through the filler to the can. The bow, or ring, which connects watch and chain was not found, and it is believed that this part was not solid gold, and was, therefore, eaten by the acid of the tomatoes. The mainspring was broken, but everything eise kept intact during the two years' handling of the can, and the watch is again as good as new and is keeping good time.

Music of Insects.

Gold in the Coin.

Despite off reiteration, the statement that there is \$20 worth of gold in a \$20 gold piece, and its consequent demonstration of the unimportance of the Government stamp in giving the coin value, is frequently called in question. An interesting and authority has been obtained by the Baltimore Sun from R. E. Preston, the Director of the Government Mint. The questions and the answers of Mr. Preston are as follows:

"What do you give for gold?"
Answer—The Government pays for gold at the rate of \$20.67 per ounce for coining gold.

"Is there a charge for minting, and, if so, how much is it?"
Answer—The Government makes no charge for coining gold.

"Is there a charge for the copper used to prepare gold for the mint?"
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SENATOR VEST man Taylor said he had promised his wife that he would come home early The others jeered. This did not daun other, it is the fact that he's what the call out West "gun-shy." Vest won stand for artillery a moment. So I fied westward and went so fast I simply burned up the region lying b tween Kentucky and Missouri. Afte ward Vest grew up with the country.

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In a well-known street in London a
beggar was often seen plodding about
with a small dog. The dog was held
by a piece of chain, and had round his by a piece of chain, and had round his necka placard, with "Pity the Blind" in large, red letters. Mr. T—, passing one day, dropped a sixpence into the man's outstretched hand.

"Halloa!" he cried, as he was turning away, "was that a halfsovereign I gave you?"

"No, sir—no," answered the beggar; "only sixpence."

"No, sir-no, answered the beggir; "only slipence."
"So," said Mr. T.—, "you are not blind, after all?"
"Bless you, sir, no!" he replied, "You see, the placard refers to the dog, He's blind—not I!"

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