In every school in Paris there is a ROMANCE OF SEA DIVING. restaurant where free meals are served to the children who are too poor to

An English paper has discovered that Cleopatra was a cyclist, for did not Antony advise her: "Of Caesar seek your honor, with your safety?"

Within the last eighteen months the Spanish Generals have reported to the home Government something like 16,-000 decisive victories, avers the Atlantic Constitution. As a matter of fact, however, not a single decisive victory has been achieved.

The Paris Academy of Science has lately revised Huxley's table on the 'chemical composition of man.' new analysis shows that there are 100 grains of iron-not sufficient to make a ten-penny nail, much less a plow share-in the average man's body,

the first importation draught horses from America by dealers to Hamburg, over a year ago, fully 10,000 American horses have arrived in Germany. They have given such thorough satisfaction that dealers from Berlin, Hamburg, Bremen and other points have become enough in-terested to import themselves.

The State Assessors of Maine are making their annual tour of the wild lands. It is said the lands are so wild that in some sections the valuation has not gone up four cents an acre in that they choke each other's growth. Maine's forests have only had their edges trimmed by the lumber consumers in their rage for deforesting.

John Hardy, the inventor of the vacuum brake, died in Vienna recently. He was born at Gatehead, England, and spent his early years as an appren tice to a locksmith. He subsequently worked under the renowned George tice to a locksmith. Stevenson. At the age of twenty-one be left England for France. In 1860 he went to Austria to assume an important railroad position. He brought out his invention in 1878.

Some things are very funny, but not half as funny as other things. For example, relates the New York Herald. two men tried to break out of State Prison in Maine recently. One of them, James Buchanan by name, was unsuc-cessful. He didn't have the push and genius of his namesake. The other was called Oliver Cromwell, and of course he got away, just as the great Oliver would have done under like circumstances. There are some little men with big names and some really great men with names as common as

The offer by Marshall Field, of Chicago, of \$2,000,000 as an endowment of the Field Columbian Museum is a reminder to the World that in the matter of gifts and bequests for public purposes Chicago has in recent years rather taken the lead from New York.
"Apart from the direct gifts of Rockefeller, we believe that Chicago University has received a much larger aggregate of endowment from Chicago citizens that our Columbia College has received in the same time from the citizens of New York. This is not as it should be.

Dr. Hopkins, of the agricultural experiment station at Morgantown, W. Va., who has given the subject much study, says there is great danger of the early destruction of the Ohio as a navigable highway, and along with it the Potomac, James and Tennesse Rivers. To save these rivers, repre senting 2000 miles in the aggregate, it is necessary to save the forests in small part of Pennsylvania and Maryland, and a considerable part of West Virginia and Vir-From the estimates given by Dr. Hopkins it appears that an are out 1,000,000 acres should be reserved if we hope to save to posterity these immensely valuable highways of

Possibly one of the reasons for the low prices of wheat the past few years, suggests the American Cultivator, is that so many substitutes have been found for it as human food. We still use a great deal of wheat, but in cities cially wheaten bread is less the staff of life that it used to be. The use of oat meal has increased, and it daily forms part of the nutritive ration, and very good nutrition it is. We use far more fruit than formerly, and also more potatoes. The latter are not so good in nutritheir increased use is not for our advantage in health and strength. Like starchy foods, potatoes are difficult to digest, and should only be eaten in moderation, except by those whose digestion is strong.

MANY EXCITING EXPERIENCES FALL TO THE LOT OF DIVERS.

One Diver Recovered a Girl's Jewels and Married Their Owner-Lost His Leg But Won a Wife.

UBMARINE exploration has furnished material often enough for the novelist and dramatist, but the romantic developments which from time to time come into divers' actual experiences parallel anything told in works of fiction. The deep sea diver trusts prov-erbially to his luck; he never knows

what he may have to contend against when the sky has faded from sight and the waters have closed above him, and fascinating indeed are the stories that he occasionally brings to the surface. Divers' romances, however, are not

Divers' romances, however, are not always unpleasantly sensational. The luck is sometimes of a brighter order, as in the case of a native of Cork last year. Employed as a diver by the Ocean Salvage Corporation, he was sent out to help lighten a passenger vessel that had gone down in the vicinity of Sandy Hook. While hacking a way through some debris on the lower deck, his axe struck deeply in a metal casket, which he stuffed into his belt for subsequent examination. It turned out to be a case of valuable jewelry belonging to a young American lady, who had survived the disaster, and whose father counted his dollars by the thousand. Restoration being made, the diver received a handsome reward for his trouble. But the bit of romance began here; there is a sequel that is uncommon out of novels. That chance meeting brought about a mutual liking between the two, and, three months later, heiress and lucky diver walked from the altar arm-in-arm.

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Even more interesting, in a similar way, was the experience of a diver, who, having the misfortune to lose a leg in one of his submatine exploits, won a wife and a fortune as compensation. The lady, a widow, was a resident of Ceylon, and a stock of very costly dresses had been ordered by her from a Parisian firm. These were conveyed by steamship as far as Colombo and then transferred to a small trading vessel to be taken farther along the coast. On nearing its port, however, the trader collided and sank and the lady was all but inconsolable. There happened to be a Eritish transport waiting in the vicinity to repair damages, and a diver on board volunteered to make an attempt to recover the mourned apparel. Armed with axe and grappling hook, he went down and succeeded in extricating the chest and attaching the hook. Then he fastened the connecting cable to his waist, and prepared to ascend; and upon emerging from the hatchway, was spellbound at seeing the dreaded form of a shark hovering expectantly arm-in-arm.

Even more interesting, in a similar upon emerging from the hatenway, was spellbound at seeing the dreaded form of a shark hovering expectantly in his path to the surface. The creature had evidently been attracted by an instinctive idea that dead bodies would be released from the wreck; and showed no intention of going away unsatisfied. The diver gave himself up for lost; to stay below much longer was impossible, and the moment he moved the shark might make a rush and sever air tubes and life line. Finally, desperation and exhaustion impelled him to give the signal, and he was hauled swiftly toward the surface. Not quite speedily enough, however; the shark seized and snipped off his leg at the thigh just as he went to scramble up the ladder. The dresses were recovered, but the diver's life and reason hung in the balance for a long time; and the end of it was that the lady marked her appreciation of his loss and pluck by falling in love with and taking him for husband. A very thrilling submatine romance was that which took place off the coast of France a few years back. A cargo vessel had foundered unaccountably within sight of port, and a conject of the disaster and the prospect of raising the goods, A. representing the firm of insurance brokers who had instituted the investigation, and B. acting for the owners and captain. A. reached the bottom first and found himself on a bed of white sand. Presently, as he flashed his electric light to and fro, he made out the ill fated mass of timber resting upon a cluster of crags, which he climbed at once. A conscientious inspection of the hall showed him what he had half susas spellbound at seeing the dreaded orm of a shark hovering expectantly his path to the surface. The creature

conscientious inspection of the hul showed him what he had half sus conscientious inspection of the hull showed him what he had half suspected; design had been at work, and there was an anger hole through which the water had evidently rushed and brought destruction. He turned to point this out to his companion, when the latter suddenly clutched him by the waist, dragged him down again to the sand and murderously tried to break the glass in his helmet. Believing that he had to cope with a madman, A. made, a fierce fight for life; they rolled over and over on the white sand, which went up in clouds about them. However, he was worsted, and lost hold upon his line; it was cunning alone that saved him from an awful death. He feigned a swoon; then, as B. gave the signal and went to ascend, caught him by the legs in a fast grip, and so was hauled up with him. Once on deck he really lost his senses, and it was some time before he could tell his tale. on deck he really lost his senses, and it it was some time before he could tell his tale. Meanwhile B, had gone ashore, and was attempting to leave the country when arrested. At the subsequent trial the infamous facts leaked out. It transpired that the ship owners had over-insured the cargo, arranged for the vessel to be southed at a certain time, and then, driven to extremity, had promised B, a share in the profils if he took care that the imminent discovery should never be allowed to reach the surface. The plot had falled, and speedy punishment tollowed for all concerned in it.—Household Words.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL

Over 360,000 species of animals have een described by naturalists up to the esent date.

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The new British army magazine rifle will throw a bullet to a distance of over 4000 yards.

The law in England now compels every case of lead poisoning to be reported at once to the authorities.

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It is said that a woman's voice can be heard in a balloon at a height of two miles, while a man's voice cannot be heard at a greater height than one mile.

Lawson Tait, the well known Birmingham doctor, has designed an in-strument whereby the electric current is applied for the surgical arrest of

The fifty-six largest towns of Austria have an aggregate population of 3,-536,000. The death rate in 1895 varied from 1.22 per cent. at Weinberge to 3.67 per cent. at Teschen.

The wearing of corsets has been pro-hibited in the electrical department of a California High School. The steels were found to have an effect on the in-struments, and in consequence delicate experiments were found impossible.

experiments were found impossible. President Octave Chanute, of the American Society of Civil Engineers, has offered a special prize of \$100 for the best monograph on the kite, giving a full theory of its mechanics and stability, with quantitative computations appended.

It has been discovered after numerous experiments that a dark hair is much stronger than a light one. One dark hair ean carry a weight of 113 grammes, while a light colored hair will break if a weight of 75 grammes is hung from it.

A trial of what is known in electrical science as "the third rail system".

A trial of what is known in electri-cal science as "the third rail system" was made recently near Boston, with the result that no open electric car, in the teeth of a breeze blowing fif-teen miles an hour, ran several miles at the rate of eighty miles an hour.

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The Proctor Memorial Association contemplate erecting an international observatory on San Miguel Mountain, California, with a telessope constructed on a new principle, with a magnifying power four times greater than the new Yerkes lear recently set up in Chicago or the 36-inch lens in the famous Lick observatory. The lens is to be built on the sectional plan, the invention of Louis Gathmann, of Chicago. The site for the observatory has been donated by Mr. Isham.

New Way to Light Fires.

This inventor may not get a monu-ment in this generation, but in years to come the new women will be called upon to subscribe the money that will in enduring bronze commemorate the virtues of the man who removed from their husbands' lives the great bug-bear of making a fire in the cold range oear of making a fire in the cold range or the chilly or draughty grate, says the New York Journal. The new fire-lighting fan does away with the treacherous kindling that gayly burns out and leaves no impression upon the stubborn coal.

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It is a simple mechanical contrivance this "fan," shaped as its name. It fits close to the stove front or the grate. Within its sheet-iron walls is a main spring and clock wheels to work it. It is wound up by turning a handle at the side and set going or stopped by a lever.

When the apparatus is to be used a small quantity of paraffine oil is poured into a cavity in the blow pipe, which is filled with asbestos fiber. When the fiber is thoroughly soaked a light is applied, and the fan set to going, thus foreing from the outlet into the grate an oxidizing flame which quickly spreads through and thoroughly ignites the coal with which the grate has already been filled. The machine is also used for blowing up a dead fire, the spring being wound up, and the fan set in motion for from three to ten minutes.

Japs Are Fond of a Joke,

The skill of a Japanese juggler is illustrated by a recent incident at a Japanese dinner, where one of them was employed to entertain the company. A foreign guest determined to have no optical delusions about what the juggler did.

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He never let his glances be distracted, and was not once off his guard. Noticing this, the old juggler played to him entirely. An immense porcelain vase was brought in and set in the middle of the room, and the juggler, crawling up, let himself down into it slowly.

The skeptic then sat for half an hour without taking his eyes from the vase, which he had first been convinced was sound and firm and stood on no trap door.

After this prolonged watch, the rest of the company assailed him with

of the company assailed him with laughter and jeers, and pointed to his side, where the old juggler was seated fanning himself, and had been so seated for some minutes.—London Tit-Bits.

The Palestine Railway.

tels proposed to extend the railway between Jerusalem and Jaffa to Port Said, a distance of about 220 miles from the former city. This would admit of tourists now passing through the Suez Canal visiting the early the Suez Canal visiting the early scenes of the Christian religion with-out delay. out delay.

Great Britain's Ships,

The number of vessels which entered the ports of Great Britain last year was 348,330, and their total tonnage was over 94,000,000. Of these ships 357,289 were sailing under the British flag, and no less than 217,029 were steamers.

THE FIELD OF ADVENTURE.

Awful Experience With a Centiped -The Hero of an Albert He Saved His Child.

ATTLESNAKES, scorpions, ATTLESNAKES, scorpions, tarantulas, gila monsters—they are all good things to keep away from," said a mining engineer, recently returned from the West, "but for all-around hatefulness they simply aren't in it with a centipede. No, they are not necessarily fatal. No poisonous insects are, notwithstanding the stories one hears to the contrary. But they are bad enough. Did you ever see one? They are not pretty, and they don't look in the least like those thousand legged worms which we call centipedes here. The genuine thing may be anywhere from one to six inches long. I killed two, eight inches in ipedes here. The genuine thing may be anywhere from one to six inches long. I killed two, eight inches in length, but that is not common. Their bodies consist of a lot of joints, something like a string of flattened beads. Each joint has two legs connected with it, and in the ends of these lies the poison. There are nineteen joints, so that, although he hasn't a hundred feet, as his name implies, he is still very well provided with them, Thirty-eight legs, and every leg a sting? He can't attack you from the ground, of course. He doesn't have to, for it is at night when there is the greatest danger from these pests.

"He is of an investigating turn of mind, and is fond of exploring one's body as one lies asleep. Scorpions or any of the other creatures sting only when they wish to, and only wish to in self defense; but with a centipede it is different. He may simply walk over one, with each step making something over three dozen foot prints, and cach of these will large a remain.

over one, with each step making some-thing over three dozen foot prints, and each of these will leave a ranning sore, around which the flesh will final-ly slough off—a horrible scar being the result. If the creature is angered or startled—and it takes very little to anger him—every claw is instantly driven deep into the flesh, and the re-sult is ten times worse. "So far as speed of traveling goes, the centipede would be lost in the turn by many smaller insects; but in this clinching specialty of his, I think he must be the quickest creature that lives.

"There was a remarkable case in point which took place during this last trip of mine," continued the en-

gineer.
"We were camped somewhere near the southern end of the line dividing New Mexico from Arizona. It was just dawn when something woke me.
My instrument man and a rodman lay on the opposite side of the little open tent. The rodman was also awake, and was gazing silently, with an expression of horror on his face, at the bare chest of his companion. Then, from which the companion. om under the arm of the sleeping

man, appeared the linked body of a big centipede, fully six inches long. "It went forward a little way and stopped; then crawled leisurely on "If wens to:
stopped; then crawled leisurely on
again. There was nothing to do that
I could think of. A sudden movement, a sound, or even a shadow,
would at once cause the brute to fastwarmth of the body seemed to

would at once cause the brute to fasten himself.

"The warmth of the body seemed to please him, and he stopped again, Luckily the transitman never stirred. The inaction was ghastly, and I saw the rodman's hand gradually—very the inaction was ghastly, and I saw the rodman's hand gradually—very gradually—move toward the saddle which served him as a pillow, disappearing under it. Then it slowly emerged, grasping a heavy pistol, cocked. Always with the same deliberation, the muzzle was brought to within a few inches of the centical the barrel carefully pointed so that it would just miss the man's breast, and the trigger pulled. The sleeper awoke with a scream, starting up and trying to clatch at the place, but before he he could do so, we had pinioned his hands and forced him back. The centical pede, naturally, was blown to dust, but between the time that bullet left the pistol, two inches away, and reached the end of his six-inch body, the creature had found time to bury seven of his thirty-eight legs.

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Presently, as the Captain was descending from the poop, he saw a heavy body strike the main rigging a little above the bulwark, and rebound into the sea. That "heavy body" was McCallum, and the ship being almost under full sail at the time, he was carried wantilly astern.

hailed the ship, asking for a lifebuoy to be thrown to him; at the same moment the master, Captain Gunson, called all hands to man a boat. The first mate, Mr. Whistler, who had been asleep in his berth, ran on deed and heard Pochn's hail. Calling to the boatswain to heave him a lifebuoy, he at once sprang overhoard, secured.

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he at once sprang overboard, secured
the lifebuoy which was thrown to
him, and succeeded in reaching
Pochin. This poor man was already
on the point of sinking, but with the
help of the lifebuoy Whistler was able
to keep him up.
Meanwhile, considerable delay had
occurred in the dispatch of the boat—
for one thing, her lashings had been
secured very firmly for the passage
round Cape Horn, and when she was
launched so many men crowded into
her that she capsized, which says
much for the popularity of Whistler.
The boat was soon righted, however,
and dispatched in search of the third
mate and two seamen. All this time and displaced in search of the third mate and two seamen. All this time the two men in the water were rapidly becoming exhausted, and they had made up their minds to abandon the lifebuoy and strike out side by side

becoming exhausted, and they had made up their minds to abandon the lifebuoy and strike out side by side for the ship, when they were confronted by a new, weird danger.

An immense albatross swept down majestically on Pochin and Whistler, and, after hovering round close to their heads, alighted on the water just beyond arm's length. There the great bird remained, staring them in the face and only waiting until they had become a little more exhausted. In a few minutes, however, the boat reached the spot, and its crew drew their perishing shipmates out of the water. Directly they were litted into the boat both men became insensible, and Whistler was delirious for some time afterward. Amazing as it may seem, the two men had remained in the piercingly cold water for upward of forty minutes. The expectant albatross was greatly disappointed at the turn events had taken, and had to be driven off with a boathook. It was a remarkable fact that the attack of this bird contributed not a little to the saving of the lives of both Whistler and Pochin. This was because their vigorous efforts to beat off the bird materially helped to keep their blood in circulation, thereby averting the fatal cramp.—Strand Magazine.

He Saved His Child.

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The Brooklyn Times tells of the narrow escape from drowning of a little daughter of Mr. Rankin, a builder of Brooklyn, in a mill dam at Huntington, L. I. Mr. Rankin took his wife, daughter and a woman friend out rowing. Unconscious of danger, Mr. Rankin allowed the boat to drift along directly toward the mill race. Mrs. Rankin heard the sound of the rushing water, and remarked to her husband that there might be danger near at hand. He quieted her fears and took up the oars to row along faster, when the bow of the boat reached into the current which shot across the opening of the sluiceway. across the opening of the sluicew Instantly the boat was whirled ab in a way that nearly upset it, and in spite of the efforts of Rankin to hold on to the corner of the stone wall, the boat was drawn under the bridge toward the gates. Realizing that nothing could prevent the boat from being turned over when it struck the gates Rankin told the others to seize hold of the gates and hold on.

When the boat struck it was upset, and all were thrown into the water. Mr. Rankin and the ladies succeeded in catching hold of the gates, but the child missed, and was swept out of sight. She had been carried under the gates. n to the corner of the stone wall, the

the scar was as though a red not ladle had been laid across the man's body; the path of the centipede forming the handle, and the bowl, a place as large as one's hand, made by the dying clinch. I'll take my scorpions straight, if I have choice. No centipedes in mine."

The Hero of an Albert Medal.

Most extraordinary are the details of the gallant action for which an Albert medal of the first class was conferred on Thomas Averett Whistler, first mate of the ship Ennerdale, of Liverpool.

Early in the morning of December 17, 1885, when the Ennerdale was rounding Cape Horn, an apprentice named Duncan McCallum was sent aloft to loose the skysail. The Ennerd with onthing but a dagger, swam straight toward the monster fish. For fitteen minutes the battle raged, appliy ending with the victory of the reckless sailor. Fourteen times he called the deamless of Messrs, J. D. Newton's Dale Line of steamers.

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body strike the main rigging al little to be seen and a little to be seen and the ship being almost under full sail at the time, he was carried rapidly astern.

Immediately after this tragic occurrence, H. S. Pochin, an able seaman, leaped overboard after the apprentice, but the latter sank before Pochin could reach him. All things considered, the rescuer's position was now pretty serious, and fearing lest he should be seized with cramp before a boat could come to his assistance he



Within the past twenty years a new and very beautiful stone has been introduced in jewelry. It is the green garnet, sometimes called the "Uralian emerald," being found in the Uralian emerald," being found in the Uralian Germer, the gem expert, says of it: "It varies in color from yellowish green to an intense emerald color, and has such a power of refracting light that it shows a distinct fire like the diamond of zircon, and in the evening has almost the appearance of a green diamond."

WOMEN TO BE PROUD OF.

women to be proud of.

The two American women who have received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from German universities this year are Miss Georgiana Lee Morrell and Miss Alice Luce. Miss Morrell as a graduate of Vassar, and before going to Germany was a teacher in the Girls' High School in Brooklyn. She was the first woman at Heidelberg admitted to the English lectures, and she won her degree by translating a poem from the Auchinleck manuscript in Edinburgh from Middle English into German and editing it. Miss Luce is the fourth woman upon whom Gottingen has bestowed a doctor's degree. Wellesley was her alma mater, and between her graduation and her term at Gottingen has bespott two years in the study of philology at Leipzig.—New York Independent.

SAND PIES IN PLACE OF MUD PIES

"They will play in the dirt!" claimsd a horrified mother to her ilady callers, when two neatly drey young hopefuls came into the rection room with mud-bedaubed ha tion room with mud-bedaubed hands and dresses a perfect sight from the dirt ground into them. "Of course they will," responded the daintiest of the callers. "Mine have a mania for dirt that is appalling; but I had several loads of clean, white sand put in our scrap of a back yard, and the delight of it to my babies is worth with nessing. I can put their pretry white light of it to my babies is worth witnessing. I can put their pretty white
dresses on them and send them to that
sand pile, knowing that all I will have
to do to make them presentable is to
shake them down a little and empty
their shoes. Of course they are not
permitted to have water after they are
freshly dressed. Just try my plan."
—New Orleans Picayune.

The statement that earrings are ain coming into fashion has brought again coming into fashion has brought the subject of piercing the ears to the attention of physicians, and has evoked a good deal of comment on the future of this practice. For reasons too scientific for ordinary discussion, so the doctors tell us, the conditions of the system of the human family has grown more susceptible within the past few leaves, and numbers of cases of blood-poisoning from piercing the cars have been reported. Whether this will restrain anybody from wearing earrings is a question that it is hardly worth while to discuss. Battle and murder and sudden death have no terrors for people who desire to follow the fashion.

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What a pity it is that some one could not set the fashion for goodness, cleanliness, amiability and health, and have it followed with such engerness as that bestowed upon some senseless and silly fad! I twould be of infinite advantage to the human family if such could be the case.

the case. As to the subject of earrings, they As to the subject of earrings, they are positively unbecoming to the majority of women. Besides, the ears get drawn out of shape and their symetry is entirely destroyed. This, however, counts for nothing, and it is too much to expect that any impression will be made on the rank and file of women by the statement that they may lose their lives from blood poisoning if they set out to follow this revived fad.—New York Ledger.

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Most women will deplore the passing of the huge sleeve. It has its drawbacks, but with all its faults women love it still, and the prophecy that the tight sleeve will return next winter is not pleasing to us. The news from London is that the Princess of Wales is wearing extremely small, almost closely-fitting sleeves; indeed, she never seemed to favor the great pulls that won the admiration of Paris and New York. They say, too, that the Duke of York so disliked large sleeves that the admiration of Paris and New York. They say, too, that the Duke of York so disliked large sleeves that he asked his wife not to wear then, and the obedient Duchess did as she was bid.

One of the new sleeves fits quite tightly to the shoulder, although they have full epaulets. The sleeve that wrinkles like a gant de suede is extremely popular. Over these a small puff reaches half way to the elbow. The majority oi women, however, still cling to the more generously proportioned sleeve. Next winter, perhaps, will be the time of rejoicing for the woman whose plump arms look will in covering devoid of furbelows.

Sleeveless jackets continue to hold their own, in spite of the changes in the creations they cover. They are very appropriate for summer ways, since the beauty of summer gowns depends so entirely on their freshness. One odd little sleeveless jacket is of seeded white duck, trimmed along the edges with black volvet. A quaint little cape flares out over the sleeves and is caught up over the breast with encremous pearl buttons. The flaring Marie Antoinette collar is edged with

black velvet ribbon. This cape is very pretty when the material used is white broadcloth, and the trimming can, of course, be varied. Gold braid gives it a very stylish air,—New York Mail and Express.

Queen Victoria's eyesight has be-come so impaired that she finds much difficulty in reading.

The Queen of Denmark, although seventy-eight years of age, is still pretty and retains her vivacity and charm.

By a vote of 13 to 5 the Directors of the Melbourne (Australia) Hospital recently appointed two female physi-cians as assistants.

Miss Ella Hepworth Dixon declares that cigarette smoking is enormously on the increase among well bred women in England.

women in England.

One of Jane Hading's regal gowns, which cost her \$2000, was of rich turquoise blue velvet, embroidered with white and yellow silk poppies.

Two Chinese girls have recently graduated from the medical department of the University of Michigan. Both have a flue record for scholarship.

ship.

The late Clara Schumann, the pianist, left a diary extending over half a century and containing much valuable material for the history of music durithments. ng that period.

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Miss Mary French Field, the eldest daughter of the late Engene Field, is about to make her first appearance as a public reader. She is said to possess considerable histronic ability.

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A lady has been appointed registrar of births, marriages and deaths by the city of London. Miss Kemin, the lady in question, has for some time acted as assistant to her father.

Nearly 400 of the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute nurses went by special train to Windsor the other evening, and were inspected by the Queen in the grounds of the castle.

Dr. Sarah I. Shuey has been elected.

Dr. Sarah I. Shuey has been elected President of the Oakland (Cal.) Board of Health. She is the first woman in the city who has ever been elected to a prominent office on any of the municipal boards.

nicipal boards.

The Duchess of Cleveland, mother of Lord Rosebery, although in her seventy-eighth year, is an inveterate globe trotter. She has just returned to London from the Cape of Good Hope and the Transvaal.

Miss May Abraham, recently appointed superintendent of factory inspectors in England, is a very beautiful woman of the most refined Jewish type. She was formerly private secretary to Lady Dilke.

Queen Amalie of Portugal has been

secretary to Lady Dilke.

Queen Amalie of Portugal has been devoting much of her time to an attempt to discover an anti-fat pill, in order to stay the tendency to extreme corpulence which has been threatening to disfigure her husband.

Miss Daisy Barbee, of Atchison, Kan., was graduated recently with the highest honors from the law department of Washington University at St.
Louis, having captured the thesis
prize over thirty-eight competitors.
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lass. Miss Amy Reade, a niece of Charles

Miss Amy Reade, a niece of Charles Reade, is making a short sojourn in Oakland, Cal., where she is engaged in writing a work upon the United States. Miss Reade, who is a great traveler, and has just completed a tour of the Southern and Central American countries, like her gifted uncle, writes novels "with a purpose."

A pretty compliment was paid to the Princess of Wales by a little child during her recent visit to the Marchioness of Salisbury at Hatfield House. The little girl had been promised that she should see the Princess of Wales soon; the Princes entered the room, and after staring at her for a while the child turned to her mother, saying: "Mamma, I've seen the young Princess, but where is the Princess of Wales?"