Since 1881, according to Mulhall, Great Britain's stock of gold and silver has remained nearly stationary.

Tampa, Fla., is banking on become ing the metropolis of the State. It has now a population of 30,000.

Says the Chicago Dispatch: A French scientist claims that he can influence the course of bullets in battle by electricity. That's nothing, when compared with what Spain is doing right along in Cuba. Weyler is doing all his fighting by telegraph.

In Sweden the education of journalm is treated as a function of the State. Under this system the young scribe develops his "nose for news" at the expense of the taxpayers. In the United States he has to hustle for himself, but he gets there all the same.

In a plea for the mines bill, which the British Government has been somewhat dilatory in passing, the London Chronicle makes the statement that "1000 miners are killed in Great Britain and more than 100,000 injured every year. Since 1851 48,219 miners have been killed and 4,500,000 injured.

The meeting of the United States League of Building and Loan Associa-tions in Philadelphia calls attention to the marvelous growth of these associa the present time there are no less than 5860 building and loan associations, with 1,655,456 shareholders and \$496, 928,405 assets. The yearly income of these associations is estimated at \$200,000,000. Fifty years ago a building and loan association was regarded with distrust and there were few so venturesome as to purchase stock. To-day there are millions of homes in this country which could never have been built without the money furnished by these associations. There

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"And who wouldn't?—listening to such impossible theories?"

"You don't have to! I never asked you to talk to me. I came out here to be by myself, and you deliberately followed me. Why didn't you say with the others? They are all pleasanter than I am."

"Humility," he said, "is a cloak that fits badly on your shoulders."

"What is badly on your shoulders."

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"Shall I tell him, Miss Doane?" years averages about forty ounces, and beyond the age of forty years the weight slowly but steadily declines at the rats of about one ounce in ten years. Moreover, the brains of idiots are generally much below the average, some weighing less than sixteen ounces. A German biologist has calculated

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HEART, MY HEART!

Heart, my heart! so fond to linger,

Come away!
Once with beckening finger,
Sweetly once she bade thee stay;
Once hat heavenly bliss was thine,
Once her love, and poured like wine;
Come, oh, come! make no delay!

Here are those bright looks she gave the
Hers alone!
What can lingering save thee?
This sweet touch or that soft tone?
Love no tearful claim can make;
Hers to give and hers to take;
Yes, the kisses all her own.

Oh, the wealth that back she closes

Cheeks, my only roses:

Out, alas! I do remember; Hers thou art! Given some fond December, Never from her breast to part. Bitter, bitter is thy lot

To be hers that loves thee not. Mine no longer, breaking heart.

—M. Ghose, in the Academy.

### IN SUPPORT OF A THEORY.



claimed.
"Oh, fie!" she said, "to speak so rudely to a woman."
"It is not rudeness, but truth."
"Then they are apparently synony-

mous."
"I can't help it; it exasperates me

excellent opmoderation of the mood to night."

"Then according to your theory you aght to be most attractive."

"Shall I tell him, Miss Doane?"

"And it I mart,

be happy. You are so

true, and have my confidence so not tell, but I have been horrid to you, so rade and disagreeable that I don't see how you can stand me."

"Why, you are going back on your theory."

"The girls will certainly laugh, and Carl will never leave me alone about it, but I don't care," lifting her face resolutely, "I love you, and there's buskes, sho ostentatiously put up her parasol and turned in the other direction.

But he was not to be so easily thrown off; with a curl of the lip (for he had recognized the mancurve) he had recognized the mancurve her without the lip (for he had recognized the mancurve) he had recognized the mancurve her without the will later she looked up.

"I alwas fortnight later; the house of the hope of the rose of the wov on and and disagreeable that I

my posing. You have told me that me pain. Experience has taught me that if a man saw much of you he

e!"
you say, I have gained my point—and yet—"
''Yes," he said, "and yet?"
Instead of replying she turned her for had seither away, but not before he ado been that her eyes were full of been that seen that her eyes were full of been that seen that her eyes were full of the said, "You never meant to hut me; 'it was a pretty bit of acting to you, and if I ware mot to blame. There, look up. What will your cousin say if he learns ibly if he look that will your cousin say if he learns it distressed you?"

What is it to me what my cousin thinks?"

Mr. Stewart started. "Pardon me, but I thought that being engaged to him..."

him-"
"I am not engaged to him. Noth-"Garphic expression. Yet undeniably true in this case; but why do you take it for granted that I will throw him over?"

Mr. Ainslie's face expressed the utmost consternation. "Well, really, don't know, but I thought, I somehow concluded—"

"What?"

"Why," a brilliant idea striking him, "that you didn't care for anybody, and wouldn't until you had seen more of the world, for you are very young, Kate, in spite of your many experiences."

"Carl," said Miss Doane solemally, which bar has lost a shining mark in you, but I am proud to claim you as a she said."

"I am not engaged to him. Nothing is further from my intention."

A silence followed. Then Miss Doane rose to dopart, but Stewart, whose mind had been adjusting itself to do en en but going to marry your constitution, which was not entitled the changed stratation, put out a decimal that when the strength of the draw nearer. "I know I'm a what's worth having is certainly worth awits for Kate, will you marry me?"

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"Perhaps."

He drew nearer. "I know I'm a whit's worth having is certainly worth awing for kate, will you marry me?"

She smile?, but here you do love me, "stellar for my intention."

### WISE WORDS,

Loafing is not rest.

Envy is a dog that bites before bark

The man who loafs is least satisfied with his pay.
Good fortune does not always travel

n a carriage.

If all our wishes were gratified, how our we would all be.

When we measure others we make

On the day we have done no go the have done much evil.

When the world can't understand aman it calls him a crank.

Truth often knocks at the door him who has ears to hear.

It costs about as much to be stingy as it does to be extravagant.

Character is something that stays when everything else is gone.

How easy it is for a lazy man prove that luck is against him. We sometimes pray for more grace when what we need is more grit.

Our trials do not weaken us. The only show us that we are weak.

A self-made man generally spoils his poy in trying to make him like him-

No man who gives as much as no aght to give, ever wants his money

The things which do the most ake us happy cannot be had money.

Don't try to stop the wind. Have your ship ready to be helped on its way by it.

When one man is heating a furnace or another, he never thinks about the rice of coal.

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It is hard to understand why unassuming people are so apt to queaking shoes. -- Ram's Horn.

### Immense Rose Bush

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San Francisco has an immense roso bush, which looks like an enormous bouquet. At the top of one side hang clusters of pure white roses. In the middle at the top are red roses, blooming in profusion. Pink roses hang in gay garlands at the top on the other side. All over the bush are branches of roses of other lines and colors. The delicate La France, the white Alme. Planties, two varieties of Homer roses, the Pauliue. Lebeau, the Black Prince, the Castillian and the white Lamarquo lend variety and attest their prolific blooms to the virility of the stock upon which they were gratted.

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The owner of this rose bouquet is H. L. Barker, who is connected with the State Eurcau of Mining. Once there were thirteen distinct varieties of roses on the bush, but the tea roses grafted on proved to be short lived, and only the hardier varieties have survived. There are enough now, eight in all, to make the bush a curiosity. Mr. Barker's explanation is that he likes to experiment with plants, and this rose bush is about lifteen years old. Branch after branch has been grafted on. The original tifteen years old. Branch after branch has been grafted on. The original stock is the June or cabbage rose. The width of the top is not less than twenty-five feet, and the height equals the width. There are many stocks or trunks springing from the roots. Carbon is plentifully supplied to intensity the color of the blossoms.— Sav Francisco Call.

Elected Vice-President, But Never Served

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William Rufus King, born April 6,
1780, died April 18, 1853, was a VicePresident of the United States who
never served in that capacity, and one
who took the oath of office on foreign
soil—something which can be said of
no other executive officer who has
ever been elected by the people of
this country. King was an invalid,
but his friends urged him to take seeond place on the ticket with Pierce in
1852. Both were elected, but Mr.
King's health failed so rapidly he was
forced to go to Cuba early in 1853,
some two and a half months before
inauguration day. Not having returned to the United States by March
4, Congress passed as special act authorizing the United States by March
4, Congress passeds a special act authorizing the United States Consul at
Mantanzas, Cuba, to swear him in as
Vice-President at about the hour when
Pierce was taking the oath of office at
Washington.

This arrangement was carried out to
a dot, and on the day appointed, at a
plantation on one of the highest hills
in the vicinity of Mantanzas, Mr.
King was made Vice-President of the
United States amid the solemn "Vaya
vol oon Dios" (God will be with you),
of the creoles who had assembled to
witness the unique spectacle. VicePresident King returned to his home
at Cabawka, Ala., arriving at that
place April 17, 1353, and died the following day. His remains were laid
to rest on his plantaton, known as
Pine Hills.

Is Paper Furniture Coming?

### SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Ninety-four per cent, of the street railroads in the State of New York are now operated by electricity.

The latest works on anthropology say that it cannot be proven that any race of giants ever peopled the globe.

The only fur-covered, four-footed member of the animal kingdom which lays eggs like a fowl is the native beaver of Australia.

The human brain, according to

beaver of Australia.

The human brain, according to Cuvier, is the one-twenty-eighth part of the body; that of the horse but the one-four-hundreth part.

Soil brought up from a depth of 326 feet in a vault in one of the Bel-gian mines is said to have grown weeds unknown to the botanists.

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C. C. Parsons, Bessemer, Ala., says that it is impossible for a bee to carry and store poisoned honey. It would kill her before she got to the hive.

Professor Metericht, the Paris meteorologist, calculates that a hot, bright day in midsummer sees not less than 5,280,000,000 tons of water evaporated from the surface of the Mediterranean Sea.

The pathological museum, for which Professor Virchow has been collecting material for the last forty years, is at last to be built in Berlin, the Government having voted the necessary funns for the structure.

It is said that Dr. Max Wolf, of Heidelberg, who has discovered a number of asteroids, has nover directly seen an asteroid. His discoveries have been made from photographic plates, while stars are shown as points.

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There seems to be some difference of opinion as to the location of the coldest spot in the world. "Dr. Myer says that at Hildje, Siberia, eighty-five degrees below the zero of Fahrenheit is considered nothing out of the ordinary."

ary.

Drs. Brissaud and Marie, two French authorities on nervous diseases, cite Prince Bismarck as one of the few instances of very bright mind found in a very tell body. They say that the healthiest persons are rather under than above the middle height and that the children who come out best at school examinations in France are those whose bedies have grown are those whose bodies have grown slowly.

slowly.

W. H. Loyd, of Duluth, Minn, an officer of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, has invented a method of telegraphing diagrams and drawings which deserves notice. It consists in telegraphing by predetermined signs the positions of a series of points on a sheet of paper cross ruled into squares and then joining the points thus laid down on a similar sheet of paper at the distant station by lines, so as to reproduce the original figure.

An Incident of a Kentucky Flood.

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Rousseau Johnson lives with his family in Hatton, through which Dutch Fork of Benson Creek passes.

Mr. Johnson's little frame houses its on a gentle slope fifty yards from the creek. About 3 o'clock Tuesday morning he was awakened by water creeping over the bed on which he, his wife and three small children receping over the bed on which he, his wife and three small children slept. They all jumped out, Johnson and his wife grabbing the children, while her husband jumped through the kitchen window on the children, while her husband jumped through the kitchen window on the upper side of the house and then lifted them through. The rain was falling in torrents and they sought shelter in the woodshed. The water rose rapidly and they had to leave, going to the henhouse, ten feet distant, and further up the hillside. They romained there until 6 o'clock in the morning with the water up to their ankles, Mrs. Johnson holding a monthold baby in her arms all the time. As soon as daylight came Johnson made his way to the house of a neighbor, where he received a horse and wagon and hauled his family away.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## This Fish Ate Roses.

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A fish that eats roses as a regular diet is owned by a well-known piscatorialist. It is a Japanese fantail and lives in a small aquarium with miscellaneous specimens of the finny tribe. The way this fish happened to begin its diet of roses was quite accidental.

The present owner was one day changing the water in the aquarium when a small tea rose fell from the lapel of his cont into the bowl. The lantail was floating near the surface, and darted for the rose and began eating it. The owner did not interfer and the fish consumed nearly all the rose. He thought the matter odd and daily put a rose into the bowl. That was two summers ago. One of the owner's daily duties since that time has been to secure a rose for the fish. Last winter, when roses were not plentiful, he neglected this duty, and the fish would not go near the food put into the bowl for several days.

How to Eat Bananas.

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The banana yields more food to the acre than any other plant, and yet it disagrees with no end of Northern stomachs. This is because we eat it disagrees with no end of Normern stomachs. This is because we eat it the wrong way. But the wife of a missionary to the tropics tells the glad tidings from heathen shores of how to eat a banana. When you have stripped off the willing rind, just scrape off the stringy and hairy coat that lies beneath the rind, and you may eat your banana without tasting it all the rest of the day.—St. Louis Star Sayings.

### Silver More Durable.

A gold coin passes from one to another 2,000,000,000 times before the stamp or impression upon it becomes obliterated by friction, while a silver coin changes between 3,250,000,000 times before it becomes entirely defaced.

### THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

Woman's Variability-A Bright Woman-The Summer Art School-A Serious One-Proud, Etc.

MORE GOLDEN THAN SILENCE

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Jawkins-"Why do you applaud that rot?"

Hogg-"Hang it, if you would do the same it would help us not to hear it."—Truth.

### HISTORY'S ITERATION

Mand Askit—"Which one of them did you say you hated?"
Grace Cariot—"Sh! they'll hear you; I'll kiss the one I mean on both cheeks."—Pack.

A BRIGHT WOMAN. A BRIGHT WOMAN.
Miss Gowanus—"Il envy the way
you can talk to Mr. Caustique; he
never sits on any of your remarks."
Miss Gotham—"No; I make them
too pointed."—Judge.

## A WISE PRECAUTION.

"Large ears are a sign of generos-ity," observed the philosopher.
"That's true; but then most men with large ears are sensitive about it, and try to conceal them."—Harper's

A SERIOUS ONE.

Citizen (offering bonds)—"I own a six-story flat house in Harlem."

Magistrate—"That's all right. Any incumbrance?"

Citizen—"Well, there's the janitor."

THE SUMMER ART SCHOOL

"The summer are school.
"This is very good, Miss Bagley, but
you want to bring your background
out a little more strongly."
"I know, Mr. Crane; but don't you
think the frame will do that?"—Harper's Bazar.

IMPRESSED WITH THE FACT.

"Johnnie!" said Mr. Chafile to that hopeful youth, "I did not know until to-day that you were whipped at echool last week."
"Didn't you know it, pa? I knew it all the time."—Texas Sitter.

"I owe no man a cent," said he proudly. They gazed on him with wondering admiration.
"No man on earth. The only persons I owe are my landlady and my washerwoman."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

NOTHING MEAN ABOUT HER.

Mabel-"Emily steams her husband's letters open every chance she gets."

Maude-"Oh, well, she isn't mean about it. She seals them up again and never blows him up."—
Truth.

PROOF OF ABILITY. "Young Jones is a pretty bright fellow."
"Didn't he deliver the valedictory

at his college commencement a couple of weeks ago?"
"Yes; and he's begun to revise his opinions aiready."

ON THE TRAIN.

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Rural Passenger—"Young man, I'd
like to get your views on the crime of
Seventy-three."

Cholly—"Aw — weally — aw!—
there's so much ewiminal news in the
papers—I—aw—didn't notice
anything about it, doncherknow!"

NATURALLY. Teacher-"Tommy, when was Rome

built?"
Tommy—"In the night."
Teacher—"How came you to make such a mistake?"
Tommy—"You said yesterday Rome wasn't built in a day."—Brooklyn Life.

# SOLDIERS TOO COMMON

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Mother—"Ella, you have been playing all the afternoon with these toy soldiers. That's not a proper amusement for a big girl like you."

Daughter—"But, mamma, I am not playing with the soldiers. I picked out the officers and played with them."

—Texas Sifter.

# Blobbs-"What nonsense it is for

Blobbs—"What nonsense it is for newspapers in their accounts of weddings to describe the brides being led to the altar,"

Slobbs—"How so?"
Blobbs—"Why most of the girls could find their way in the dark."—
Pearson's Weekly.

SOUND BUSINESS POLICY. Mrs. Walker-"I don't see why the

doctors all recommend bicycle riding. If it makes people healthier, it is a loss to the dcctors."

Mr. Walker—"I know; but they figure that one sound, healthy rider will disable at least five pedestrians per week."—Puck.

CONSOLING TO THE PATIENT

"Mourning goods, please," she said to the floorwalker at Sanger's em-

to the floorwalker at Sanger's emporium.

"Yes, madame; this way, if you will," and then adding, feelingly,
"death is a sal thing, madame,"

"It is, indeed!" she responded. "I'll not make any purchases this morning. I only wanted to see the latest things you have in the mourning line; my husband is a very sick man."—Texas Sifter.