is said to be thirty years in Russia and twenty-seven in England.

"Let's all get a move on us and meet the good times we are wishing for half way," exclaims the Silver Knight.

Robinson Crusoe's island and cave and inscription, instead of being at the bottom of the Pacific, are all right. And there is another good story spoiled by the hard antagonism of fac

In a speech at Aberdeen, Scotland, General Booth said he was thinking of a scheme of universal emigration by which men could be passed from one part of the world to another and sur plus labor brought to places where it was wanted.

been called upon to investigate a peculiar case. A resident of that city complained that he had cut open a loaf of bread, bought from a baker, and had found curled up inside a live mouse, apparently none the worse for

The Baltimore News says that John Henfield, of that city, now seventy-seven years of age, is the oldest prac-ticing photographer in the United States. During the gold fever in California he traveled through the West in a prairie schooner, fitted up as a photograph gallery, and made as much as \$85 a day.

Says the Boston Journal: The curious statement is made that many of the Italian prisoners in Abyssinia have been so kindly treated, and are doing so much better there than they can hope to in their own country, that they are petitioning the Italian Government to allow them to remain. This does not agree with the earlier tales of Abyssinian cruelty.

The total cost of maintaining the Federal, State and Municipal Governments of the United States for the year 1893 was \$915,945,055. Among the disbursements were the following: For charities, \$146,005,671; for edu-cation, \$145,583,115; for roads, bridges and sewers, \$72,282,000; for postal service, \$65,000,000; for army and militia, \$35,500,000; for police \$24,000,000; for judiciary, \$23,000, 000; for prisons and reformatoric

Observes the New York Press: When we reflect that there are more farmers than there are laborers in all the manufacturing and mechanical industries, that there are 8,000,000 peo-ple earning a livelihood by work in the fields, more than one-third of all the men and women working in the United States, we understand that the prosperity of such a class means much for the prosperity of the whole country. This idea is emphasized when we think that the two-thirds not at work on the land are nevertheless quite as dependent upon land products for the food ssary to sustain life as though they themselves were tillers of the

President Hobbs, of the Indian the day of extravagant prices for fruit has passed, never to return. Unusually low prices ruled last year, he says, because spring opened simultaneously over a wide range of country, and be cause all kinds of fruit bore tiberally. But he looks for a long period during which the happy conditions will pre vail of plenty of fruit at reasonable prices for the consumer and at remun erative prices for the producer. The reasonable price to the consumer, he says, is brought about by the cheapened methods of growing and hand-ling and cheaper transportation, while the grower is to profit through wider

Speaking of the Postoflice Depart " must be put after the name of Nev York City in addresses, the Bostor Transcript says: "Of course everybody but the postoffice people knows that the State of, New York has its name from the city of New York, and that s reference to the State in something addressed to the city is superfluous and without reason. No doubt there is a postoffice named New York in Kansas, but that impertinent fact doe not put on the real New York the duty of identifying itself in any such super fluous way, Boston, Mass. is quite so absurd as 'New York, N. Y., but it is, nevertheless, absurd. Ever in old England a letter addressed sim 'Boston' generally comes to Massachusetts, though there is a ancient and respectable town of the name in England; and a book which bears the name of Boston on its title page is never supposed in England to have been published in the town of St

The average duration of marriages THE HARBOR LIGHTS OF HOME.



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my door. I put my boot on, and bade the visitor open tie door.

It was Antonio, my dragoman or courier, whom I had hired that day, and thus he spoke:

"Monsieur, sare, nous avons—we are got the fareman for the night."

Firman, you must know, is an Asiatie word, signifying, in this instance, a passport.

"Oh, have you! All right, Antonio; I am ready," said I, buttoning up my coat to the last button, and adjusting my hat before the mirror.!

"Vera good," returned my Albanian guide, who, by the way, had the most vilhainous lace inagenation; "come on, sare."

That firman, the Sallan's greater and hazards the object for which I had set until a fund set out. The two boatmen jumped on land, and drawing the caique almost high and drawing the caique

Antiseptic Qualities of Coins,

It is a well-known fact that paper money is liable to transfer bacteria from one person to another, and thus to spread contagious diseases It is also supposed that coins, which are more in circulation than notes, might similarly act as agents for spreading disease, and investigations in that direction were made at the Vienna University when Austria changed its currency to the gold basis. A report about his observations was recently published by Dr. Vincent in the Vienna Medical Gazette, in which is states that medals act, so to speak, as antisepties in regard to bacteria, or microbes, the fact being that these microscopic organisms have but a very short lease of life while on matals. The destroying influences of metals increase with their temperature, and also with the close touch of the microorganisms with the metal. At a temperature of ninety-five to 100 degrees Fahrenheit, which is common in the pockets where mency is carvied, the destruction of microbes occurs within three hours. The various metals used for coins are somawhat different in this respect, silver being the most antiseptic, and gold the most antiseptic, and gold the most antiseptic, and gold the precious metals.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.



GAY BIRDS ON PRETTY HEADS,

Peacock green and blue and gold
breast feathers, yellowish green and
blue green birds' heads, quills and
wings are much used on black, dark
green, grey and golden brown hats
and bonnets, and wide watered silk
bows with largo buckles of Irish diamonds in the center, are used with
good effect on black and green hats in
Rubens, Sir Peter Lely and Dutches
of Devonshire shapes—all large and
spreading in contour.

WOMEN AND PAIN.

Dr. Ottolenghi, a European physician, has been conducting experiments with an instrument called a faradimeter to determine sensitiveness to pain as between men and women. He tried it upon 682 women with remarkable results.

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Ho finds that women are less sensitive to pain than men, and that this sensitiveness is less in early life, increases to the twenty-fourth year, and decreases after that. The higher classes are most sensitive and the degenerate least. He found the later class year others, in the sensition of class very obtuse in the sensation of pain.—New York Journal.

A PRINCESS AND A GOVERNOR.

It is announced in London that in It is announced in London that in her capacity as Governor of the Isle of Wight, Frincess Beatrice will next summer publicly unveil the memorial of the Iate Lord Tenuyson, to be erected on the cliffs at Farringford. It gives the inhabitants of the island great delight and satisfaction for the Frincess to appear in her official role, and furthermore she js, like the Queen, a passionate admirer of Tennyson's poetry, so that her unveiling of this memorial to the late Laureate will be something much more than a perfunctory duty. Princess Beatrice herself frequently reads Tennyson aloud to the Queen.

Red in every tone and semitone is in high fashion this seaton, not only as a prominent accessory, but forming entire gowns, wraps and head coverings. Formerly American women employed this color with greatest caution, and ieft red to be lavishly and artistically used by the French. All that is changed, and the gay Parisienne is no more prodigal with aggressive colors than we—only a French woman knows intuitively how to mix and mingle her tones. She never adopts a color for a very long time, and she never wears the same gown long enough to have it bear its date or tire the eyes of her contemporaries. A French woman keeps alert, vigilant, interested pace with fashion in all her flights, but many of our country-women and nearly all English women are apt to teil in the work of that erratic deity.

IL is difficult to say what is the correct slipper for this season's wear, so be witching is the variety from which the dancing maid may choose.

They come in satin, kid and patent leather, and are as correct when beaded clear down to the toe as when plain, sometimes one, sometimes two or even three straps are worn.

Buckles either of jewels or beads are seen both with and without bows.

The well shaped Oxford tie, so long as it is in harmony with the frock, looks very smart.

as it is in harmony with the frock, looks very emart.

The edict has gone forth that the slipper must match the color of the gown exactly. Black slippers are only worn with black gowns, and white shoes with white frocks.

To have the footgear out of harmony with the exact color-scheme of the dancing dress is considered particularly bad taste this season.—New York Telegram.

THE DAYS OF LA VICTORINE.

The days of la Victorine are being revived, and we find ourselves submerged in the most Russian of coats, really nothing more than the old, familiar redingote, with its skirt reaching nearly to the foot of the dress skirt, and giving one a curious look of separatedness not at all becoming to all figures. There is a sungness and symmetry about these half-long wraps which make them very fascinating indeed, especially so for wintry weather. Beauties in this style are being built of all kinds of stuffs, velvets, broades, matchases and heavy cloths of all kinds. A striking cloak of this sort is built of seal-brown melton, heavy with braiding a la husser, and showing a wide collar, cuffs and an accompanying muff of stone marten fur, together with huge horn buttons. The cloak is lined throughout with golden yellow and white broaded satin. It his garment is intended for driving wear. garment is intended for driving wear, and with it goes a smart Virot hat of dark brown beaver, with a high crown and narrow, straight brim, draped softly with creamy lace, and two float softly with creamy lace, and two floating ospreys of grass-green. Another smart Russian coat is built of black velours and finished at the bottom with a wide band of Russian sable, while a wide collar and cuffs finish throat and wrists. The muffs carried are of the largest size and look wonderfully cozy. Coats entirely enveloping the gown are built in all sorts of heavy materials, and made rich by trimmings of fancy furs and huge, richly carved buttons. A fetching model is made up in the softest gray shade of melton, topped off by a flar-

Gossip.
Out of 68,000 school teachers in Prussia only 9000 are women. Sardou says that Sarah Bernhardt talks entirely too fast while on the

stage.

The woman tennischampion of New Zealand has only one hand, and that

Zealand has only the left one. It has been learned that the gowns of a certain New York society belle cost

a certain New York society belle cost \$25,000 a year.

Mrs. Annie Donahoe, of San Fran-cisco, has bequeathed \$200,000 to va-rious charitable organizations.

According to the Gazette de France there are in that country 2159 female authors and journalists and about 700 female artists.

female artists.

The Housekeepers' League of New York is perfecting the details of the plan to introduce cooking into the public schools.

Gladstone's little granddaughter, Dorothy Decreases.

Dorothy Drew, never wears shoes and stockings at all, either in the house or out of doors, except in town.

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Some cuterprising young women in the West have established a business firm to supply speakers with sermons and cesarys on current topics.

"Carmen Sylva" has received the decoration for Arts and Science from the Emperor of Austria. She is the first woman to win this distinction.

The Countess of Derby recently laid the cornerstone of a Liverpool hospital, toward the building of which the David Lewis trust is said to have given \$300,000.

Miss Juliet Corson, who has been called "The Mother of Cookery," is ill in New York City from an incurable silment, and is without means. She may live, in pain, for some years.

Lady Arran is managing a hand shitting industry in County Mare.

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Lady Arran is managing a hand
knitting industry in County Mayo,
Ireland. Although designed to give
work to such of her husband's tenants
as needed employment, the venture
has proved profitable financially, 7003
pairs of stockings having been knitted
last year and \$3000 spent in wages.

FASHION NOTES

Neck ruches are indispensable. It seems as though modistes had one embroidery mad.

gone embroidery mad.

The latest fashion in flowers is to have them match the gown in color.

There is no use talking, the small sleeve is certainly depressing to look upon.

upon.
Silver handles for toothbrushes are arranged so that the brushes fit into them, and can be renewed whenever

Some of the new evening gowns have a sash which is simply two long ends without loop or bows, sewn in at the belt at the back.

at the belt at the back.

The bronze shoe, prettily decorated with a beaded butterfly, which has a large cabochon for the body, is a favorite for evening wear.

The flower mufi, as a substitute for the bridesmaid's bouquet, is a prety feature at some of the recent weddings, and white chrysanthemuns, tied with white ribbon, are effective. Elastic corests are a new invention for reducing superfluous adipose tissue, and producing a long, slim waits without any harmful results. A French doctor is authority for the statement that they are effective.

Hats made entirely of fur are very

Hats male entirely of fur are very fashionable, and often match the cape or muft. Some of them are made of heads and tails of animals, the latter coiled to form the shape, and the heads being used as decoration.

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For bathing purposes long mittens made of Turkish toweling are much more convenient than a washcloth or sponge. At night put them in a washbowl of salt water, and in the morning wring them out, put them on and rub the body with them.

The old superstition against opals is slowly but surely passing away, and these lovely gems, with their ever changing colors and opalescent effects, are in the front rank of popularity among fashionable women. The opal has an 'advantage, too, over all the other gems, as it cannot be imitated.

The woman who possesses a quantage of the contract of the c

has an advantage, too, over all the other gems, as it cannot be imitated. The woman who possesses a quantity of old lace has a treasure this season, for fashion requires a very lavish use of real lace. Lace we must have, and if we cannot have real there are lovely imitations not to be ignored; Italian point, rose point, Brussels, Honiton, Mechlin, point Anglais, and Flemish laces are all worn.

It is a mistake to wear a shoc too small for you, thinking it will make your foot look prettier. It causes your foot to look cramped, heavy and clubby, and will effectually prevent you from walking well, comfortably or gracefully. Flat keels are the only sensible heels to shoes, and the only heels that will enable one to become an easy, light walker.

In city apartments, where space is limited, beds are frequently covered with embroidered tapestries, or silk cretonnes, the pill-was being stowed away in zome convenient place and replaced by an upholstered bolster. Where parlors adjoin the eleging rooms and beds are exposed to view, the fashion is a convenient one, but it is hardly to be recommended otherwise.

WHAT TIME IS IT?

Time to do well, Time to live bet

To give up that grudge,
To answer that letter,
To speak the kind word
That may sweeten some sorrow;

To do now the good You would leave till to-morrow. -Philadelphia Inquirer

HUMOR OF THE DAY,

She-"You seem to forget yourself, sir." He-"How could I do otherwise in your presence?"-Judy.

sir. He—"I two could at o therwise in your presence?"—Judy.

Friend—"I suppose everything you write now goes?" Author—"Yes, but most of it comes back."—Harlem Life.

"I know now," remarked the young man who was suel for breach of promise, "why they call it "courting?"—Tit Bits.

Editor—"Your story is flat." Author—"Yes?" Editor—"I wish to compliment you. Most stories we get are rolled up."—Puck.

Clark (excitedly)—"I tell you sir, this town isn't big enough to hold us both!" Fuller (calmly)—"Why don't you start a suburle?"—Puck.

She—"I think I might love you

you start a suburb?"—Puck.

She—"I think I might love you

more if you were not so extravagant."

He—"It's my extravagant nature that
makes me love you so."—Life.

She boasts a pretty, gold-trimmed purse,
The envy of the host.

But shopping lends from bad to worze,
It is an empty boas.

"Ungle Simon what is a phanou."

"Uncle Simon, what is a phenomenon?" "A phenomenon is a man who gets so rich that he won't accept a pass on a railroad."—Chicago Record.

a pass on a rairoat, "-Unicago hercord.

Tagleigh-"Balloon sleeves were leigh-"Sure. That is why they were named balloon sleeves,"-Boston Traveler.

Arthur-"I would marry that girl but for one thing." Chester-"Afraid to pop the question?" Arthur-"No. Afraid to question the pop,"-Brooklyn Life.

"T'll wager that woman submaring diver doesn't stay under the water more than ten minutes at a time."
"Why?" "Nobody down there to talk to."-Chicago Record.

Mrs. Newlywed (in tears)-"You

"Why?" "Nobody down there to talk to."—Chicago Record.

Mrs. Newlywed (in tears)—"You used to say that you would be glad to die for me." Mr. Newlywed—"Well, I would now." Mrs. Newlywed—"Well, you may now."—Judge.

Reporter—"Three men fell on live trolley wires to-day." City Editor—"Run em in the current events column." Chorus of groans from the force.—Clincinnati Commercial Tribune.

"Why do people take so much interest in what they call Darkest Africa anyhow?" "I presume they have a kind of idea it would be a good thing to go there and grope with the country."—Chicago Tribune. thing to go there and grope with country."—Chicago Tribune.

country."—Chicago Tribune.

Jagson—"I tried to pay the new
woman a compliment last night in my
speech, but it didn't seem to be appreciated." Bagson—"What did you
say?" Jagson—"Is aid that the new
woman would leave large footprints on
the sands of time."—Tit-Bits.

The Horse in History.

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As late as the ninth century European horses were shad only in the winter time.

The first horses in New England were introduced in Massachusetts in 1629 or 1630.

The horse in the art of the Romer Catacombs is an eablem of the swittness of life.

Queen Elizabeti had the reputation of being the most accomplished equatrience of her time,

It is said by competent persons that over 109,009 horses are every year killed for food in Paris.

The first King of England to establish a royal stable for breeding purposes was Henry VIII.

Students of the equine race declarata the mule has all the faults of both his ancestral lines.

It is a tradition among the Hebrews that Solomon had 49,000 charlot horses and 12,000 cavalry.

The Arabian horses have, from the

that Solomon had 40,000 chariot horses and 12,000 cavalry.

The Arabian horses have, from the earliest times, been noted for their fleetness and endurance.

World's Greatest Fortification.

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The most extensive fortification in the world, as every one knows, is the Chinese wall. According to recent surveys, this wall is 1723 miles in length, reaching from the gulf of Pacuelee to the confines of Turkestan.

This remarkable structure passes up steep mountains, down into gorges and ravines, crosses rivers, valleys and plains, seemingly regardless of obstacles. It is 25 feet thick at the bottom, and 15 at the top, and from 25 to 30 feet in height, with flanking turrels or towers 35 to 40 feet high, every 200 or 300 yards during its entire length. The exterior walls are of well-cut granite blocks; the interior is filled with earth and stone, and the passageway is paved with bricks one foot square. Its erection was begun in 211 B. C., and it was assigned to protect the northern frontier of China against the savage tribes of Siberia.

Avoid Extremes.

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Subjecting children to extremes of temperature is a common cause of their taking cold. It does not seem to be generally understood that colds can be caught by going suddenly from a very cold temperature that has chilled the body, into a very warm room; but this is the case. A child who has been out in very severs weather, and who is chilled through, should not be taken directly to the fire, but be kept away from it until fire, but be kept away from he has been in the room f and the extreme chilliness has disap peared. - Home Queen.