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"I suffered from stomach and liver troubles and was confined to my house for a long time. I was entirely deaf in one ear, I endured great distress in my stomach and could not eat hearty food. I had given up hope of ever being well. Reading of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla I decided to give it a trial. Soon after I began taking it I could see it had a good effect. I continued its use until my deatness was cured and my. stomach and liver troubles relieved." W. T. Norron, Canistee, N. Y.

# Hood's Sarsa-

Hood's Pills are gentle, mild, effect tive. All druggists. 25c.

Japan is almost as large as Califor nia, fraving 147,000 square miles, while the American State has 158,000.

The average height of the French woman is 5 feet 1 inch. The American women are nearly 2 inches taller, an the women of Great Britain 1-2 inch aller than their American sisters.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All

Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

The Papuans of the Malay coast of New Guinea are still in the most pri-amitive state. They are wholly unac-quainted with metals, and make their weapons of stone, bones and wood.

An Unique Game.

For a simple amusement try the telegraph game. Provide as many telegraph blanks as there are guests. They will give them for the asking at any telegraph office. Select the initial letter of ten words; for instance, T, H, B, A, E, E, I, W, S, G. Hand each guest a telegraph blank, and have him or her write thereon a message to you, using these letters for the beginning of each of the ten words. Collect the relegrants and read aloud. If letters not commonty used in making words, like Z, X, Y, etc., be selected, the greater ingenuity is required to write the telegram. For instance, using the letters above for an illustration, one could write:

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Mrs. J. G. Blank:

This has been an enjoyable evening. I

will say good-night.

Of course, each person has the same etters, and the idea is to note the dieresity of the sentences.—Woman's A Companion.

A Comparison of Sea and Land.
The triviality of the sea compared with the land is the theme of a recent article by John Holt Schooling. A bucket 743 miles deep and 743 miles from sides to side would hold every drop of the ocean. This bucket could rest quite firmly on the British Isles. To fill the bucket one would need to work 10,000 steam pumps, each sucking up 1,000 tons of searper second, for 422 years. So if any one wants to be cid of the sea, the way is plain. But to get rid of the sea, the way is plain. But to get rid of the earth would be 4.555 times more difficult, requiring 2,000 great guns, each firing 1,000 projectiles a second, each projectile consisting of 100.000 tons of earth. At the end of 1,000 years this mundane sphere would be all shot away.

perience of reading her own obituary notices, the Australian papers having made the mistake of supposing that she, and not her husband, died recently.

### MRS. LUCY GOODWIN

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I wish you to ublish what Lydia E. Pinkham's egetable Compound, Sanative Wash and Liver Pills have done for



New Idea in Furnishing.

Those who love the flavor of new mown hay will be glad to learn of a new idea in the furnishing of a country bome or summer cottage. The Indians of the North make a clumsy but handsome matting of the Indian meadow grass, which is very aromatic and keeps exhaling its odor for mouths and even years. It is applied as a wainscoting to a sitting room and also as a carpet to the floor. The color is a cool and handsome sage green and the perfume in damp weather makes the house seem like a hayfield in midsummer.—New York Mail and Express.

To Stiffen Laces.

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The best kind of starch to use for stiffening laces, handkerchiefs, washing silks or any other thin fabric is made with gum arabic. Put an onnee of gum arabic into a bottle and pour over it a cup of cold water and place it over the fire until the gum is dissolved; then strain it through a fine sieve or a piece of cheesecloth into another bottle. When it is cold add to it half a gill of alcohol and it will be ready for use when needed. For dainty laces half a tenspoonful of the starch mixed with a half cupful of water will give ample stiffness. Larger amounts should be added according to the nature of the different fabrics.

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French nurses are no longer wearing muslin caps with long streamers of wide colored ribbons. That is quite out of date in Paris. A "bonnet" or face cap lined with pink or blue silk, and without trimmings, has replaced it. A wreath of ribbon without ends is seen on some fine needlework caps, but the ribbons are narrower than those formerly used. Britany caps are seen in the Bois and parks, and the Bordelaise is met occasionally. It is a silk kerchief carefully twisted over the head. The Florentine headdress always attracts attention, with its fine golden pins rum through raven tresses. An Alsatian nurse is recognized by her big bow, and a Spanish nurse by her black lace.

Fans and Parasols For Brides.

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Fans and Farasols For Brides.

Fans and parasols are as usual favorite gifts this year, either for her friends to bestow upon the bride or the bride to present to the attendants. The fan, like the parasol, can cost very little or a great deal, and in both cases be dainty and pretty. Charming fans for bridesmaid gifts are of silk and gauze, with sticks of painted woods, decorated with gold and silver scroll work, or of feathers with a circle of gauze let in the middle, showing a little Watteau scene painted thereon, or a monogram wrought in sequins. Parasols of light silks with net or mousseline overslips and big show of mousseline on tip and handle, and—for the wedding—a spray of lowers fastened on one side, are not expensive, and charming souvenirs for ortidesmaids.

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Serving the Hostess First.

The custom of serving the hostess first at luncheons or dinners seems a highly commendable one. There are to many little vagaries and novelties of service nowadays that it is difficult to know them all. A lady who was a guest of honor at a recent dinner found herself embarrassed by having a platter handed her holding, apparently, a whole turkey. She glanced it over with quick apprehension and could see no evidence of its having been carved. Thinking that frankness was the best way out of the situation, she appealed to her hostess for instruction, which, of course, was courteously imparted. It was with both chagrin and relief that she found the turkey was in a condition to yield to the touch of a fork inserted in any part of the fowl of which she wished to partake. The list of table silver grows every season. Many of the utensils are passing fancies and are not heard of, perhaps, outside of circles who constantly seek such novelties. Obviously, the hostess knows how she wishes her guests served, and her example is often a relief and comfort.—New York Evening Post.

A Fad For Engaged Girls.

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It used to be the correct thing when a young woman was engaged to be married to have a double picture frame in her boudoir, or bed room, containing a photograph of her flance and herself. Twenty-five years ago it was the fashion to have your photograph taken with the young man you were engaged to, and that was placed on your dressing table. Now there is a new fad. You must not, of course, be photographed with your flance—that is not considered good form. Nor must you even have your picture in the same graphed with your fiance—that is not considered good form. Nor must you even have your picture in the same frame with his. The new fad is to have a frame holding four cabinet size photographs, and in this you must put four pictures of your fiance in four different positions—one full face, one side face, one three-quarters face and one profile. It is rather an interesting idea, as it is astonishing how changed a person's expression is with the face in different positions. One of these sets of photographs was seen the other day on a young girl's writing desk, and it was hard to believe that the profile and full face were of the same man. This is one of the latest fads for en-

Lines About the Throat.

Years, as they increase, leave the track of their wheels first on the throat. Sometimes a woman may have a soft, smooth complexion, and shapely juvenile figure, even when advanced in middle age, and she might pass for quite young were it not for those tell-tale lines at her throat. And these are so successfully concealed by the ruffle that we need not wonder at its long reign of favortism. Middle-aged women, therefore, cannot be too thankful to the ruffle, and they cannot coax fashion too much to keep it in favor. Lines About the Th

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French Home-Cooking.

"French Home-Cooking." said one who has lived in a small city of France, "is not properly appreciated in this country. Most of our people adopt and enjoy that which is found at the great hotels and restaurants, and never seem to realize that these represent the wealthy classes of the large cities, and not the cooking of the homes of the French people. This is probably more scientific and appetizing than the home-cooking of any other country. France has passed through many periods of great poverty and distress, and has learned through the best of all teachers, necessity, how to live upon the simplest and cheapest materials. Their own artistic nature has added to this both beauty and enjoyability. Thus, for example, the famous pot-a-feu is soup, made, nine times out of ten, from vegetables alone, and yet it is richer and more nutritions than most home-made soups prepared from meat and bones.

"The bisque, which is nothing more or less in its simplest form than boiled milk, into which has been rubbed or grated some animal tissue, and the cream, which is boiled milk in which has been put grated vegetable tissue, are other excellent illustrations.

"Through this simple use of milk, soup can be made from a cold boiled potato, two or three tomatoes, some carrots, celery, lettuce and other familiar food substances.

"Another class of simple and wholesome dishes consists" of the salads which are served to perfection in southern France. The lettuce and chicory, the salsify, water cress, beet top, the heart of a cabbage, the sprouts of beans, dandelions, sorrel, chives, shalot, onion, lentils and onse trubule forms of plant life, are employed for this purpose. In this country enough vegetable resources of this sort are allowed to go to waste in the meadows and fields and gardens to give a salad once a week to every man, woman and child.—New York Mail and Express.

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Fashion Fancies.
Checked moire poplin.
Foulards in small scrolls.
Ties of heavy repped silk.
Scoop-brimmed hats again.
Bordered foulards and pongees.
Neckties of plaided black ganze.
Madras in plaids for shirt waists.
Japanese kimonos or house gowns.
Black skirts with bayadere stripesBlack mohair sicilian for odd skirts.

Scarlet shirt waists of heavy repped silk.

Black taffeta skirts having pinked ruffles.

Covert cloth top coats in black and colors.

Plain and fancy crepons in black and colors.

Poplins having a velvety effect in the finish.

Straw hats trimmed with ruffles of taffeta silk.

Light cloth blouses having a flat, fitted basque.

Turbans with a straw brim and soft silk crown.

Shoulder capes of lace and mous-eline lined with silk. Short cloth jackets with tucked sleeve tops and revers.

Negligees of striped and plaided fannel and flannellette.

Black grenadine with roman stripe in bayadere effect. Tailored suits of heavy cottons, as piques, duck and madras.

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Black double-faced satin sashes from four to eleven inches wide.

Large silk and velvet flowers in the burnt orange hues.

String ties, stocks and Ascot ties of bright plaid taffeta.

Tailored jacket suits of covert and serge for girls of eight to sixteen.

The sun will be low in the Western sky, With white clouds drifting lazily by, Where the sea and horizon together lie, When my ship comes sailing in. Jut of the mists of gathering night not the crimson sunset light, Yith its fading dream of a day o bright.

ces that call from the deep sea's

As my ship comes sailing in.

I'll wait and watch through the weary years
With alternate hopes and despairing fears,
Till on the horizon a sail appears
And my ship comes sailing in.
—Edith M. Church,

None but the brave deserve the fair; and they cannot always support them.—Puck.

Druggist—"Here's something that will cure you when everything else fails." Customer—"Oh, I don't want to wait until then!"—Roxbury Ga-

Edythe—"Last night when I accepted Jack I thought he would never stop kissing me." Alice—"Yes. That is the way he always does."—
Standard.

Mach. "Yes"

Standard.

Mack—"I thought Higbee married a new woman." Wyld—"So did he—until he discovered her family Bible with the date of her birth in it."—Standard.

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"Ah, my dear, of course you did not have your sewing circle to-day, when it was so stormy." "Oh, yes! Edwin, dearest. We had it by telephone."—Puck.

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"You're my first and only love," he declared. "I can believe you," she answered with a shiver, for they were sitting at least ten feet apart.—Detroit Free Press.

Johnny—"Pa, what does it mean by 'unknown tongue?" Pa—"It is the tongue of the silent woman, my son. By the way, you needn't tell your mother I told you that."—Standard.

Little Hans (to Karl in the Nursery)—"Look here, Karl; we must be very naughty to-day, so that we can promise on papa's birthday to-morrow that we will be better."—Fliegende Blaetter.

Mrs. Theosophist—"I declare, this baby has been crying ever since he was born!" Mr. Theosophist—"Perhaps, my dear, he finds the world sadly changed since he was here before."—Puck.

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sadly changed since he was here before."—Puck.

Editor—"I really don't understand bhis poem of yours." Foet (relieved-ty)—"Thanks. I thought possibly you were going to say you did, and that I was losing my grip as a magazine poet."—Syracuse Herald.

Daisy Peachblow—"Doesn't Dick Dashlight look terrible this morning?" Miss Leftover—"I refused him last night." Daisy Peachblow—"Poor fetlow! The surprise must have been a great shock to him."—Standard.
"That man Williams never lost his head in a football game, did he?"
"No, I think not. He's lost an ear, part of his nose, eight teeth; but I do not remember ever hearing of his losing his head,"—London Tit-Bits.
"Isn't it strange? Minnie despises

ing his head."—London Tit-Bits.
"Isn't it strange? Minnie despises Mr. Wilkins, while her mother thinks he is the greatest person in the world."
"That's easily accounted for. The first time he met them together he took them for sisters."—Standard.
Mollie—"I wonder what is worrying Mabel. She seems to have something on her mind." Chollie—"I don't know, but she had something on her head last night that worried me a good deal. I sat behind her at the opera."—Standard.

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Death From Gas of a Cesspool.

In cleaning out a cesspool, the utmost care should be taken to agitate the air of the place before sending the cleaners into it. In the case noted, a man, after working for a moment below the surface, complained of a most nauseous taste and smell in his mouth and nostrils, and came out of the pool to breathe. He returned to his work, but was obliged to leave the place again for the same reason. A third time he went down, and when he did not send up his buckets as usual, his co-worker looked in and saw him lying on his side, half buried in the refuse. In attempting to rescue him be, himself became partly unconscious, and it was with great difficulty that he got out of the pool and had sufficient strength to give the alarm. Before such places are cleared out, disinfertants should be thrown in, and as much of the cover removed as possible in order to admit pure air. If a force pump is at hand, a stream of air should be thrown into the place in order to drive out whatever dangerous gases may have accumulated there.—The Leader.

Leader.

The Type in the Oxford Bible.

Statistics have a fascination for many people, who will be interested in learning that there are 773,746 words in the authorized version of the Bible and 3,566,482 letters, including Æ's. These figures, says the Periodical, the monthly journal of announcements issued by the Clarendon Press, relate to a text Bible, and are independent of verse figures and figures (if used) in chapter headings. To estimate the total number of separate bits of pieces of metal which together make up thrypes of an Oxford Reference Bible there may then be added fully 1,100,000 letters, figures, points, spaces, etc., in the text, and 900,000 n the marginal notes, making a total of 5,566,482 pieces in all.—London

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To the Point.

A certain Eastern company that some time ago was anxious to purchase a silver-lead mine, found itself in a state of uncertainty. What seemed to be a really attractive mine was found to be in the market, and negotiations for its purchase were entered upon. The result of these negotiations is reported by the Spokane Miner and Electrician.

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As the ore assayed well, and everything looked propitious, a mining expert was sent to examine the mine. His report was favorable, in fact, it was too favorable. He certified that the ore was there in large quantities, and that it was extremely valuable. His unqualitied praise aroused the suspicion of the would-be purchasers. If the mine was indeed so valuable, why was the price so low? The company determined to investigate more closely. At this point a well-known mining man of Spokane recommended that a certain rough-and-ready genius, a man who had graduated from no college, should be sent to look at the mine. "You can depend on his judgment," said the miningman, "and he will tell you nothing but the truth. You had better trust to his report, which, in all probability, will be short and very much to the point."

The advice was followed, and the event showed the wisdom of the adviser. As he had predicted, the report was short and full of pith. It read substantially as follows:

"Deer Sirs—I have made an examination of the Cliff Dwellers' mine and relived in the colling breeless' mine and re-

"Dear Sirs—I have made an examination of the Cliff Dwellers' mine, and report that the ore is there as ripresintee that it assays high, that it is there is plenty, but to get your supplies in an your ore out you will need a pack-thrai of bald agies."

The mine was rejected on the groun of inaccessibility.



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