when the grass is consumed. No diagram is needed to show the effect of such a raid on a cattle range. The finge of the cattlemen is not hard to lunagine.

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A Skillful Road Builder.

"There lives near my home." said a resident of Rockland, Me., "a man named Edwin McIntyre, who leads a hernit life and has a queer hobby. One of the prettiest and best kept pieces of road in Maine passes in front of liis lonely retreat. It has been built by Mr. McIntyre, who for the last twenty-five years has, when not otherwise engaged, employed his tilne picking up rocks and stones near his home and pounding them into pebbles, which he has put in the highway. In twenty-five years' time he estimates that he has pounded 950,000 stones and made them ready for road use. The town authorities, recognizing the value of the work, have for several years compensated the man by giving him his road tax. He claims that he has already placed on the road twenty cords of these manufactured stones. Other towns in Maine envy Rockland such a faithful and skilful road builder."—Washington Star.

Washington Star.

A Cat Worth Having.

J. C. Packard possesses a large mongrel cat that has an excellent prospect of becoming famous. The cat is developing into an excellent watchdog, if the expression may be permitted. Several times recently strangers have been prevented from going to the house by Tommy's hostile demonstrations. The cat has a particularly bitter dislike for peddlers, and when any one of the description appears there is an immediate attack. The cat doesn't stop for preliminaries, but spits and snarls and growls and defies the world to come on. From a commanding position on the highest top of the porch he is master of the situation, and the unwelcome visitor is glad to retreat. Just what the cat would do under contrary circumstances is unknown; no one has been brave enough to find out.—Santa Barbara Press.

Mighty Tips.

When a watter in a San Francisco hotel was offered \$40 a month, with board and lodgings to go into household service in Honolulu, his answer was that he could not afford the change, because his tips far exceeded the proposed wages.—Chicago Times-Hearld

LOVE'S PLATFORM.

What's the party? Call it Fate; Cupid is the candidate; Hymen is his running mate; Love the balance of the slate. This our platform—we deplore Any useless lover's war; Annexationists are we, Hearts united, our decree.

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Cast your votes without delay,
Folls are open every day,
Cone early, open lay,
Cone early, open lay.
Carl F. W. Hegert, in the Book World.

PITH AND POINT.

Mrs. Muggins—"My husband is get-ting closer every day." Mrs. Buggins —"Yes; I've noticed you never let him get out of your sight."

She-"He stole a kiss." He-"Did he? I suppose you wern't looking?" She-"Oh, yes I was, and I made him put it back right away."

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Father (sternly)—"I hear you were kept in after school." Son—"It was a mistake." "It was, ch?" "Yes; I made a mistake in my lessons."

"I suppose," said the poet's friend, "you seek the plaudits of posterlty?"
"No," replied the practical poet; "I'm simply after contemporary cash."

Judge—"How old are you?" Fair Witness—"Well-er. [Pm-er— Pim—" Judge—"Better hurry, madam. Every minute's delay makes it worse."
"Did you knock when you came to-night?" asked she, "Oh, I thought you came with a fine," "Oh, I thought you came with a fine," "Oh, I thought you came with a fine," "Oh, I thought you came with a fine, "Oh, I thought you came with a fine, and in the tower? What became of them?" Willie—"Why, er—I guess they're dead by this time."

A man and his bride by the parson were tied.

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"Why, he and his wife appear more and more prosperous severy day." "Exactly; that's always the first sign."

"Say," remarked the pug. "that bulldog's awful savage, ain't he?" "You bet." replied the comical fox terrier; "why he chased a tramp yesterday, and he got so mad because he couldn't eatch him that he bit a piece out of his own pants."

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Hoax—"He believes in an eye for an eye." Joax—"I didn't think he was so rindictive." Hoax—"He isn't. It's interely a matter of vanity. He lost one of those he was born with, so he bought a glass one."

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Father—"I think you'd better send that young man about his business. He doesn't seem to me to be very steady." Daughter—"Why, father, he calls every night but Saturday. He couldn't be much steadler than that."

On the Edge of an Abyss.

In the second concluding chapter of his notes on the Harriman expedition —A Summer Holiday in Bering Sen"—John Burroughs describes in the Century a more or less thrilling experience on the island of St. Matthew.

The highest point of the island was enveloped most of the time in fog and cloud. While groping his way upon one of these level summits, probably fifteen hundred feet above the sea which flowed at its base, I came suddenly upon a deep cleft, or chasm, which opened in the moss and flowers at my feet and led down between crumbling rocky walls at a fearful incline to the beach. It gave one a sense of peril that made him pause quickly. The wraiths of fog and mist whirling through and over it enhanced its dreadful mystery and depth. Yet I hovered about it, retreating and returning, quite fascinated by the contrast between the smooth, flowery carpet upon which I stood and the terrible yawning chasm. When the fog lifted a little and the sun gleamed out, I looked down this groove into the ocean, and Tennyson's line in "The Eagle" came to mind as accuracely descriptive of the scene: The wrinkled sea beneath him crawis. Another curious effect was the bottom of the sea visible a long way out from shore. The water seemed suddenly to become shallow; or else to take on a strange transparency; the color and conformation of the rocky floor were surprisingly distinct.

Thackeray and the Sugar Maples.

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Apropos of the lapses of writers there is one by Thackeray, to which I have never seen any allusion. In the fifty-second chapter of the "Virginlans," George Warrington, in teling of his escape from Fort Duquesne, says: "Now, the leaves were beginning to be tinted with the magnificent luces of our autumn. * * At this time of year the hunters who live in the mountains get their sugar from the maples. We came upon more than one such family camping near their trees by the mountain streams." I was born in Vermont, and when, in my early youth, I struck the passage, my head reeled for a good long time.—Boston Transcript.

The Most Magnificent Tomb.

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The most magnificent tomb in the most magnificent tomb in the world is deemed to be the Palace-Temple of Karnak, occupying an area of nine acres, or twice that of St. Peter's at Rome. The temple space is a poet's dream of gigantic columns, beautiful courts, and wondrous aveques of sphinxes.

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would write to you, and see if you
could do me any good."—Miss Edna
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The greatest impetus was given to the slave trade by the act of parliament of 1684, which legalized slavery in the North American colonies. This does not mean that slavery was unknown in what is now the United States before that time, because, as early as 1620, a Dutch man-of-war landed and sold 20 African negroes at Jamestown, Va. In 1626 the West India Company imported slaves from the West Indies to New York city—then New Amsterdam. The city itself owned shares in a slave ship, advanced money for its fitting out and shared in the profits of its voyages. This recognition and encouragement may account for the astounding fact that in 1750 slaves formed one-sixth of the entire population of New York.

The general prevalence of slavery is shown by the fact that, at this time, there were 67 slaves in New Yorks small suburb of Brooklyn, and that in London itself there were resident 20,000 claves. Slaves were at that time publicly dealt in on the London Exchange. No wonder the traffic in human flesh was a recognized commerce, and that in 1771, the English alone sent to Africa 192 ships equipped for the trade and with a carrying capacity of A7.140 slaves per trip.—Pearson's Magazine.



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