Work Going on-Great Boring Should be Open in 1904.

Very great progress hes been made with the tunnel under the Simplon, which should be open for traffic in 1904. The total cost when both tunnels are completed will be about \$300 a lineal yard of single-line tunnel. A correspondent says it will be 12½ miles long. The Mont Cenis tunnel has a length of nearly eight miles, and all trains have to attain an altitude of 4,248 feet above the sea level. The Ariberg is 6½ miles in length, with a height of 4,300 feet. The St. Gothard is 9 1.3 miles, with a maximum altitude of 3,788 feet. The Simplon will have the great advantage over the others that its traffic has not to be taken to a greater atitude than 2,314 feet above the sea level, or 1,474 feet less than in the case of the St. Gothard, so that no costly approaches nor helical tunnels are required to gain access to the tunnel at its north end nor will the handage of trains be so heavy as in the case of the other tunnels. The work will at first consist of one single line tunnel, lined with masonry throughout, and one parallel passage 10 feet wide by 8 feet high, preparatory to a second tunnel placed 56 feet apart, axis from axis. When the traffic necessitates a second tunnel it can be completed for about one-third of the cost of the first tunnel. The experience gained during the construction of the previous tunnels is being turned to very good account, and is resulting in a great saving of life, in much greatly abbrevlating the period of construction. The menhange shifts every eight hours, and are brought out in trainloads. They are not allowed to enter the cold Aipine air when emerging from the tunnel in their wet clothes, but are landed in a covered building or station, in which there are cubicles for changing their clothes, which are at once hung up in heated rooms to dry, ready for the next day's work. Adjacent is a restaurant at which they can get much of the resulting in the resulting in part saving of their mining clothes, which are at once hung up in heated rooms to dry, ready for the next day's work. Adjacent

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N. L. Chew, of Indiana, assistant auditor of the treasury for the post-office department, obtained his position because of his name. The fact is that the assistant auditor of the treasury department for the postoffice department spends from 40 to 50 days every quarter signing his name to warrants. He signs at the rate of 5,000 or 6,000 a day. It can readily be seen that Mr. Chew can earn more money for the government by signing his name than could Edgar D. Grumpacker, the Indiana congressman. He got the job because he had a short name. He can save three or four days in the month over A. L. Lawshe, his predecessor, although Mr. Lawshe was a very rapid writer.

Samoa's Official Chaperon.

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The chaperon is becoming extinct here, but she is an important person in Samoa. She is the constant companion of the toupou, or village guide, who is appointed to entertain strangers and show them the various sights. Each village in Samoa elects a girl for this office, and it is necessary that she should be the daughter of a chief. Her house is provided for her by the village and she is surrounded by a court of native girls. No man who lives in the village is allowed to enter the sacred precincts, and the taupou goes nowhere without an elderly woman. If the taupour resigns her office the chief can appoint another damsel of high degree.

WHERE DOCTORS FAIL

To Cure Woman's Ills, Lydia E. Pin'kham's Vegetable Com-pound Succeeds. Mrs. Pauline Judson Writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Soon after my marriage two years ago I found myself in constant pain. The doctor said my womb was turned, and this caused the pain with considerable inflammation. He prescribed for me for



For Boys and Girls.



Whenever I happen to bray. They smile as his music descends from a

That hangs o'er the heather
But though they declare tha
is too loud,
I hold it's a matter of taste, angs o'er the heathery waste, gh they declare that my voice

'Now listen: 'Hee! Haw!' That's a part of my song. of my song.
And surely you'll willingly own
to lark in the sky is sufficiently strong
To equal the volume and tone.

"O yes!" said the donkey, "I fully agree
That many will joyfully stage
That to the lark, but will frown upon
To hark to the lark, but will frown upon
Whenever I happen to bray.
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And none could convince him his judgment was wrong.
So great was this donkey's conceit.
He is a substitute of the summer day long.
And thought that his music was sweet.
A very good donkey he was on the whole.
But ran all his value to waste
By striving to prove that a musical soul is purely a matter of taste.



Lincoln's Thoughtfulness.

The greatest men are masters of the minutest details. It is those who accomplished little in life who never have time for this or that or five minutes they can spare to do a kind or thoughtful act. Abraham Lincoln was one of the great ones, and just listen to what he had time to think about anidst the troublous times in '61.

During the campaign of 1860, while Abraham Lincoln was in Springfield, Ill., a youngster named George Patten was introduced to him and shook him by the hand. Proud of his distinction, George lost no chance of parading the affair before his schoolmates, and for a time was looked upon as a most important personage. But gradually his prestige faded, and several of affair before his schoolmates, and a time was looked upon as a most important personage. But gradually his prestige faded, and several of George's older companions openly poohpoohed the story. This stigma well-nigh broke his ooyish heart, but he was resourceful and resolved to obtain clear proof of his meeting with he was resourceful and resolved to obtain clear proof of his meeting with the great man. So he wrote a letter to Washington, keeping silent the while, and in course of a month a reply came which read:
"Executive Mansion, March 19, 1861. To Whom it may Concern: I did see and talk with George Evans Patten, last May, at Springfield, Ill. Respectfully,

Tales of the Mongoese.

In the Philadelphia Zoo there are five little mongooses, which attract much attention because of their peculiar habits. A few years ago a large number of these creatures were brought over from India to some of the West Indies to destroy the rats, which were very numerous on the islands. They did the work expected of them, but also a great deal more. They soon left some of the Isles entirely without birds or fowls. The mongoose became a bigger nuisance than the rats were.

The mongoose is about the size of a cat, with a long, slender body, somewhat like a weasel's. It is easily tamed and is kept in many Hindu houses to rid them of snakes, rats, mice and other vermin. It fearlessly attacks and kills the terrible cobra, and has been said to avoid death from snake bite by eating a certain herb which counteracts the poison, but really protects itself by the extreme quickness of its movements. The ichneumon, or Egyptian mongoose, is held high in public regard because it destroys great numbers of crocodile eggs.

Grant Never Hesitated.

The life of Gen. Grant should be read by every boy of the rising generation. So many opportunities presented themselves for him to decide quickly between right and wrong, and he never hesitated to choose the right. One instance was at the time he was a visitor at the French capital.

The president of the republic as a special token of respect, invited Gen. Grant to a place on the grand stand to witness the great racing which occurs in that country on Sunday. It is considered a discourteous act to decline such an invitation from the head official of the republic. Such a thing cline such an invitation from the head official of the republic. Such a thing had never been heard of, but Gen. Grant, in a polite note, declined the honor, and said to the French president: "It is not in accordance with the custom of my country or with the spirit of my religion to spend Sunday in that way." And when Sabbath came that great hero found his way to the American chapel, where he was one of its quiet worshipers.

MRS. PAULINE JUDSON,
Secretary of Schermerhom Golf Clab,
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impatient because I grew worse instead
of better, and in speaking to the druggist he advised him to get Lydia EPinkham's Veretable Compound
and Sanntive Wash. How I wish I
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saved me weeks of suffering. I tool
three long months to restore me, but
it is a happy relief, and we are both
most grateful to you. Your Compound
has brought joy to our home and
health to me."—Mrs. PAULINE JUDSON,
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striking illustration of this truth is found in the following incident:

Thomas Bailey Aldrich once received a pathetic letter announcing the death of a little daughter and asking if he would not send in his own handwriting a verse or two from "Bable Bell" to assauge the grief of the household. Aldrich sent the whole poem and not long after saw it displayed in the window of an autograph dealer with a good, round price attached.

When a boy George Washington compiled a book of rules on behavior. The following are some of them:

Every action in company ought to be with some sign of respect to those present.

Be no flatterer, neither play with anyone that delights not to be played

anyone that delights not to be played with.

Let your discourse with men of business be short and comprehensive.

Undertake not to teach your equal in the art himself professes; it savors of arrogancy.

When you speak of God or his attributes let it be seriously, in reverence. Honor and obey your natural parents, though they be poor.

Undertake not what you cannot perform, but be careful to keep your promise.

When a man does all he can, though it succeeds not well, blame not him that did it.

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Associate yourselves with men of good quality, if you esteem your own reputation, for it is better to be alone than in bad company.

"Father of the Man."

Among the old Romans there was a saying that "the greatest reverence is due to boys," meaning, as Wordsworth has it, that as "the child is father of the man," it is necessary to treat it with becoming respect. It was for some such reason as this that Johann Trebonius, the great German teacher, always appeared bareheaded before his scholars. "Who can tell what famous men may be in this class?" he used to remark. "There may be among them learned men and wise lawmakers, and even men born to rule empires." One there was among his boys destined to secure undying fame. They call him Martin Luther.

How He Knew.

One of the young women connected with Hull House, Chicago, was recent-ly showing a collection of photographs of classical pictures to a street urchin, and when she came to a copy of the "sistine Madonna" she asked: "Do

"Sistine Madonna" she asked: "Do you know what that represents?"

"Yes," said the boy, "that is Jesus and his mother."
"Did you notice," continued the teacher, "how beautiful their faces are? You cannot find such beauty of expression in any other picture."
"But it's the rim around their heads, ma'am, that gives them away," interrupted the boy.

Answered.

A certain learned professor was instructing a class of schoolboys about the circulation of the blood. To make sure that they understood, he proceeded to question them.

"Can you tell me," said he, "why it is that if I were to stand on my head there would be a rush of blood to my head, and that there is no rush of blood to the feet when I stand upon them?"

For a moment, there were

For a moment there was a silence, and then a small boy answered: "It's because your feet are not empty, sir."

DUR BEST CUSTOMER.

A Revolution in Our Trade With Great Britain.

It is in Great Britain that we find It is in Great Britain that we find in its fullest development the effect of the American commercial invasion of the world's markets. It is true that American competition has been making notable inroads into the commerce of or the world's markets. It is the that American competition has been making notable inroads into the commerce of all the countries in Europe. But important as is the effect which has been produced upon commercial conditions in the Continental countries, that result is almost insignificant when compared with the consequence of this competition in Great Britain. From the beginning of our history England has formed our most important market, and for two generations at least we have been the largest customers for English products. In the last half-dozen years a change has taken place in the trade balance between the two nations, which is, perhaps, the most notable single commercial event to be recorded in the last decade. We have been steadily reducing our purchases from the mother-country; we have been making astounding increases in our sales to her. Comparing, for instance, the change which has taken place in the trade movement between the two nations in the last half-dozen years, we see that our annual purchases from the United Kingdom have dropped \$16,000.000. In the same period cur cales to Great Britain nearly doubled, going up from \$387,000,000 in 1895 to \$631. 000,000 last year. This change in the annual trade balance, showing for us a more favorable total by \$250,000 000 than we had six years ago, is a change of such import as can only mean revolutionary transformation in the industrial life of the two nations. change of such import as can only mean revolutionary transformation in the industrial life of the two nations. These figures are so significant that they need to be dwelt on somewhat, to fix in the raind their importance. Six years ago we sold to Great Britain \$228,000,000 more than we bought. Last year we sold to her \$488,000'000 more than our purchases. In every business day last year we sent to her \$1,500,000 more than we bought. For every dollar's worth of goods we bought we sold her four dollars and forty-one cents' worth of our products.—From "The American 'Commercial Invasion' of Europe." by Frank A. Vanderlip, in Scribner's.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

Praise from another is far better than self-praise.—Democritus.

One must be poor to know the luxury of giving.—George Eliot.

Genius begins great works; labor alone finishes them.—Joubert.

From the looks, not the lips, is the soul reflected.—McDonald Clarke.

He only employs his passion who can make no use of his reason.—Cicero. Liberty is the right of doing whatever the law permits.—Montesquicu.

It's easy finding reasons why other folks should be patient.—George Eliot. Better be unborn that untaught, for ignorance is the root of misfortune.—Plato.

If poverty is the mother of crimes, want of sense is the father of thom. -Bruyere

The certain way to be cheated is to fancy one's self more cunning than others.—Charran.

The strength of criticism lies only

in the in the weakness of the thing criticised.—Longfellow.

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The seeds of knowledge may be planted in solitude, but must be cultivated in public.—Johnson.

The same people who can deny others everything are famous for refusing themselves nothing.—Leigh

Almost every one of his turn has lamented over something which afterward turned out to be the very best thing for him that could have happened.—Schopenbauer.

George Ade contributes to the Cen-ury's "Year of American Humor," a

Up-to-Date Business Maxims.

George Ace contributes to the Century's "Year of American Humor," a "Modorn Fable of the Old Fox and the Young Fox." Here is some of the former's sage advice:

"Get acquainted with the Heads of Departments and permit the Subordinates to become acquainted with you. "Always be easily Familiar with those who are termed Great in the Public Prints. They are so accustomed to Deference and Humility, it is a positive Relief to meet a jaunty Equal. "The first Sign of Extravagance is to buy Trousers that one does not need. Every Young Man on a Salary should beware of the Trousers Habit. "Do not give Alms promiscuously. Select the Unworthy Poor and make them Happy. To give to the Deserving is a Duty, but to help the Improvident Drinking Class is clear Generosity, so that a Donor has a right to be warmed by a Selish Pride, and count on a most flattering Oblituary. "Never try to get into Society, so called. Those who Try seldem get in, and if they do edge through the Portals they always feel Clammy and Unworthy when under the Scrutiny of the Elect. Sit outside and appear indifferent, and after a while they may

The largest gold coin now in circulation is the gold finget or "loot" of Annam, a French colony in Eastern Asia. It is a fiat, rounded gold piece, and on it is written in Indian Ink its value, which is about \$225. The next sized coin to this valuable but extremely awkward one is the "obang," of Japan, which is worth about \$50 and the next comes the "benda" of Ashantee, which represents a value of about \$45.

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Romatter what alls you, headache to acaneer, you will never got well usually our bowels you without a gripe or psin, produce easy natural movements, cost you fast 10 cents to start getting your health back. Cascaers Candy Gathartic, the genuine, put up in metal boxee, every tablet has C. C. Stamped on it. Deware of imitations.

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Earliest Russian Millet. Will you be short of hay? If so, plant a plenty of this prodigally prolific millet. 5 to 8 tons of rich hay per acre. Price, 50 lbs., 81.99; 100 lbs., 83.00; low freights. John K. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis.

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Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

It's peculiar that the chap who is weak minded is generally headstrong.

I Coughed

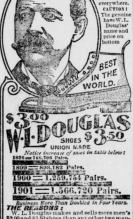
"I had a most stubborn cough for many years. It deprived me of sleep and I grew very thin. I then tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was quickly cured." R. N. Mann, Fall Mills, Tenn.

Sixty years of cures and such testimony as the

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Princeton University is to receive from Professor D. Wilson, a collection of Syriac manuscripts, said to be the largest and most valuable ever made by a private individual. Many of the documents date from the reign of the Emperor Constantine.

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