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ters raised upon them. Tea Output to be Reduced. At the annual meeting of the Cey-fon Tea Planters' Association it was resolved to take steps to effect a combination with the Indian planters to restrict the output, says a Colum-be correspondent. If the owners of 80 per cent of the tea acreage in In-dia and Ceylon join in the movement a reduction of 10 per cent will be mode in the output, or an equivalent amount of green tea be manufactured. On no other basis, it was considered, can the present unprofitable condition of the tea trade be remedied, its growth in Ceylon having been so rapid as to overtake the demand. It was estimated that this year the ship-ments to London would be 5,000,000 pounds less than those of last year.

# THE SURGEON'S KNIFE

rs. Eckis Stevenson of Salt Lake City Tells How Opera-tions For Ovarian Troubles May Be Avoided.

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above testimonial is not genuine. Remember every woman is cordially invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham if there is anything about her symptoms she does not understand. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.



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Mamma, what and habdher period of silence, then: "Mamma, what am that going to were?" Still no answer, and tears filled the blue eyes, and the red lips became pursed with perplexity. The eyes filled and ran over, and still the mother sat unmoved, with a mischlevous smile urking in her eyes, waiting for further results, and determined to make up for all of this angulsh by a bountiful supply of hugs and kisses. In one supreme effort, as though real-taing that this was her last chance, Lucille burst into a mighty sob, and breaking the bonds of self-restraint with which she had bound herself, screamed out: "Mamma! What was that a'goin' to was?"-Milwaukee Sentinel.

"Mamma! What was that a'goin' to was?"-Milwankee Sentinel. <u>A Moonli Garden.</u> The following bit of description is from "Confessions of a Wife," by "Mary Adams," a new novel dealing with marriage, in the Century. It is a young woman who is speaking, and Job is her dog: "For Job and I went out into the garden, and the world was as white as death, and as warm as life, and we plungee into the night as if we plunged into a bath of warmth and whiteness-and I ran faster than Job. The yellow June lilles are out, and the purple fleurs-de-lis; the white climber is in blossom on the tree-house, and the other roses-oh, the rosest There was such a seent of everything in one-a lily-honey-iris-rose perfume-that I felt drowned in it, as if I had one flower trying to become others still. It was as quiet as paradise. I ran up the stops to Ararat, and Job stayed be-low to paw a toad. The little white solden heart, and such a scene as I cannot describe; it is the kind of sweet-ness that makes you not want to talk about it. The electric light in the street was out, for this suburh, being of an econdical ture of mind, never competes with the moon. There was moon enough-oh, there was enough. I think, for the whole world! For, when that happened which did happen-it seemed to me as if the whole world were looking at me." <u>Old American Bottles.</u> In early American Bottles.

were looking at me. Old American Bottles. In early American glassware the his-tory of our national art progress has been written. Choice and precious indeed are the crude blue-green and brown amber bottles made early in the nineteenth century—the portrait indeed are the ernde blue-green and brown amber bottles made early in the nineteenth century-the portrait bottles bearing busts of Washington. Franklin, Lafayette, De Witt Clinton, Zachary Taylor, Kossuth and Jenny Lind. Local decorative subjects on many lines of idea were treated by the first American bottle-makers; and the most exquisite Venetian bottle cannot outrank in value, to a patriotic Am-erican collector, the primitive old flasks ornamented with Indians, Ma-sonic emblems, the eagle, stars, flags, log cabins, cannon and steamships, or such outdoor themes as the seasons, birds, fruits, trees, sheaves of wheat, the fisherman, deer, the gunner and his hounds, and the first bleycle. The earllest American railway, with a car drawn by a borse, is historically cele-brated on a glass flask, as well as the bold Pike's Peak pilgrim, with bis staff and bundle.—The Century. The gold fields in Western Australia,

The gold fields in Western Australia, covering 324,000 square miles, are the largest in the world.

## OIL WELLS OF JAPAN.

OIL WELLS OF JAPAN. Modern Methods of Drilling Have De-beloed Petroleum industry. Mr. Rentiers, of the British Consu-late service in Japan, has submitted to the British Board of Trade a re-port on the petroleum industry, which has of late attracted much attention and reached considerable dimensions in that country. The only place in which the oil is produced in large quantitos is in the province of Ech-igo, on the west coast, the center of he industry being the town of Ar-nase, where the largest oil company in the country. Ans been at work since 1888 with machinery imported from the United States. Here wells are dug in the sea and carried above the scovered in 1889 and led to a fever of speculation. In 1892 there were be-tween 600 and 700 speculative com-panies with small capital at work in the Unites cased to exist, and with imported machinery. Hand boring has almost ceased to exist, and with imported machinery. Hand boring the oil came improvement in the transport of the oil to the refineries. Pipe lines were introduced to convey it from the wells to the refineries and fit has been proposed to construct a pipe line all the way to Tokio, the capital, about two hun-dred miles away. In 1899 the total production of the oil in Japan was 1833,915 gallons, of which 18,713, 230 gallons were produced in Ech-igo. A Historic Punch Bovl.

18.533,915 galions, of which 15,115, 230 galions were produced in Ech-igo.
A Historic Punch Bowl.
The most revered piece of silver plate in the United States navy is the massive 15.pound silver punch bowl of the battleship Indiana, which bears the honorable scars of an his-toric battle. During that famous blockade and naval battle before San-tiago de Cuba this rich piece of table-ware was struck by a fragment of a mortar shell fired from the Socapa batter, and which burst in the ward room passage of the battleship. A five-pound bit of the shell struck the bowl on one of the stoutest parts of the body, yet where the seal of the State of Indiana forms the central portion of a beautiful decoration. The seal is still there, but not as the art-ist designed it, for it now forms a part of a large, irregular indentat-ioffcers and men of the battleship, enhances the value of the bowl a thousand times over.

### Portugal Halts Civilization

Portugal Halta Civilization. The Portuguese sits at his cafe at the coast of his East African posses-sion and collects custom dues and sells stamped paper. For fear of the native he dares not march five miles beyond his seaport town, and the white man who ventures inland for the purposes of trade, or to culi-vate plantations, does so at his own risk, as he can be promised no pro-tection. The land back of Mosambi-que is divided into "holdings," and the rent of each holding is based upon the number of native huts it contains, the tax per hut is \$.00 a year, and these holdings are leased to any Portuguese who promises to pay the combined taxes of all the huts. Ho also engages to cut new roads, to keep those already made in repair and to furnish a sufficient number of pollec to maintain order.

police to maintain order. All Newspapers Talk Weather. There are over 2,000 daily papers in the United States, and each one of these prints in a conspicuous place the daily weather predictions. Did it ever occur to you that there is no other information that receives pub-lication and attention by readers each day of the year in every daily paper of the country? There are 47 tri-weekly papers in the United States, 434 semi-weekly, and 14,734 weekly publications, the greater number of which publish the weekly weather reny bulletins of the bureau for their respective States.

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come friend, and to-day the market is so Frog Farming. After laughing at the French peo-ple for their frog-cating proclivity, the United States is doing very well in that line, for the Food Commission estimates that we catch in this coun-try about 2,000,000 frogs. These frogs, which have been hopping for years more and more into gastronomic fa-vor, are sought for in all parts of the country, furnishing a paying indus-try, not only for the hunters of them in their natural haunts, but for scores of persons who have frog farms and raise them as they might raise chick-ens. To these persons the frogs mean an annual investment of \$100, 000, according to the report of the commission, and that means \$150, 900 to the consumers.

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