Prof. Thomas Nixon Carter of Har-yard was talking about Socialism. he said, "but in the future it is to be reckoned with. Socialism will, in the future protect the poor against in-justice and hypocrisy. It will expose fraud. Yes, Socialism, like old Higgins Wentworth, will bring out the

"Hisgins Wentworth was hoeing one April morning when three rough one April morning when three rough-looking men climbed the fence and creased the field to him. They had just been shipwrecked, they said, on the brig Maria. They had lost even their clothes. Would Higgins help

the the sailors' faces, for he know the ways of men. Then he said:

"You, the how-legged one, go stand twenty pards to the right, and I'll get ye to help me a minutes with the seedin'. You, baidly there, you stand twenty yards to the left.'

"The two men complied; and then Higgins Wentworth said quietly to the man who remained. 'What did you say your captain's

mame wast' "Williams, Capt. Williams," was

the reply. "The old farmer sauntered to the man off on the right.

What was your captain's name?" he saked. 'Everett, sir,' the man answered.

"Higgins Wentworth crossed the field to the third man. "'What was your captain's name?"
"'The name was Capt. Jones.'

'Higgins Wentworth leaned on his hoe and gathered the three men about "'A fine lot of sailors you are,' he

snorted, 'to go to sea in a ship with th se captains! No wonder you were wrecked. It served you right."— Washington Star.

JUST IN TIME.



Agent-Anything I can do for you Ma-Yes, ye can scratch me back

for me; I can't reach.

Lacked Length of Legs. A large and pompous person wear-ing a high bat, a long coat, yellow spats and a congenital sneer, for several days made himself obnoxious around a Washington hotel a bit ago.

He announced he was from New
York, nagged the beliboys, jawed the
clerks, cussed the service, roared at
the food, complained about his room and the elevator and the telepho and the bar, and everything else.

One afternoon he walked over to the porter and said: "Here, you, I'm going to quit this town and go back to New York where I can get some decent service. I want you to buy me two seats in a parlor car on the 4 o'clock New York train. Get me two seats now, and meet me at the sta-tion with the tickets. I want one chair to sit in and one to put my feet

The seats were delivered at the train just before it pulled out. One of the seats was in car No. 3 and the other was located in car No. Cleveland Leader.

Too Much for the Bird. A trained ostrich recently discon certed its exhibitor at a music hall by continually endeavoring to break away from all restraint and to climb over the footlights into the orchestra.
The widely-advertised act came to

a sudden end, and the professor emerged from behind the curtain and apologized for the actions of his pet in about these words: "Lydies and gentlemen-Hi ham very sorry to disappoint you this hevening. We are compelled to cause

our hengagement until the manage-ment bengages a new horchestra

"The one at present hemployed 'ere 'as he air on top of 'is 'ead, and my bird tekes it for a hegg."—Detroit News Tribune.

Sold It on the Spot. "I want a hammock that will not break down," said the fair maid, ad-dressing the floorwalker of the depart-

we haven't any in stock that we could guarantee in your case."
"What do you mean by my case?"

asked the young lady, "Just this," answered the party of

the floorwilking part: "If you were a homely girl we could guarantee any hammeek you might select."—Chicago

Strictly Legal. "What is a young man to do when his aftention has been arrested by a

pretty girly"
"Why, carry his case to court, of course."—Red Hem.

There isn't one chance in a thou-sand that the owner of this member and this hand organ wrote the sign that is attached to the monkey's back, but it is effected just the same: "No feeds ds mook. Give him de fit." And nobody does feed him, for cartainly nobody wants to see a monkey throw for the culture of bacteria, but not a

AND PERSONS ASSESSED.

ENLIGHTENING BELINDA.

of a Right Start.

"len't it funny," sold Belinds, pra tising at the plane, "you start playing a thing wrong and you play it all

"Why, not at all," said Belinda's wise brother; "that is true of many things besides playing a plane. Did you never hear it said of a man who seemed to be making heavy weather of it in some undertaking who seemed to bungle and take wrong steps and not to be sure of what he was doing, who was struggling along and trying hard but not to very good purpose-did you never hear it said of a man in such case that he got in wrong?

"Why, certainly: everything de-pends on making a good, that is to say a correct start; on knowing your ground and being sure of yourself, on starting right. That's one sort of good start

When we say of a man that he had a good start in life we mean that he started with adventages, in favoring circumstances or with friendly sur-roundings, under conditions likely to promote his success; but when we say of a man that he made a good start we are speaking of what he did himself; we mean that he was slert and keen looking out for things, see Ing that things were right and making sure; knowing the course; so that he could keep in the channel and go ahead without doubt or confusion.

"The man who makes a good start can go ahead with confidence and certainty, without fear and consequently without danger of getting twisted and tangled up on the way. It's just the same as it is with your practicing.

Belinda didn't any whether she did see or not; but her brother's discourse having here apparently come to a full stop, her fingers fell heavily on the keys of the plano.- New York Sun.

Victim of the Country Parlor, An Atchison woman recently had an old-fashioned experience. She called on an old-fashioned couple who ook her into The Parlor. It was a cold day, and there hadn't been a fire in The Parlor in two years. But it was The Parlor, and contained a marble-topped table, an art square with a blue bird in each corner, and a sofa and one dozen fancy cushions. The host had a bad cold, and the hostess coughed all the time, and the guest was specing, but, nevertheless, they sit in The Parlor and experience all the delights of looking at the marble-topped centre table, the art square with a blue bird in each corner, and the sofa and the one dozen fancy cush-The guest asked to be taken to

"No inced!" said the hostess. "You are our company, and we always Hon or our Com.

The guest never learned what ef-fect the cold room had on her host and hostess, for she caught a cold that settled on her lungs, and died the next week. And in her final delirium of fever all she talked about was marble-topped tables, art squares and blue birds and fancy sofa cushions.— Atchison Globe



"Freddie, I consider it my duty to astise you. It gives me great pain."
"Auntie, I don't mind the whippin', but I'd hate for you to lacerate your feelin's on my account."

Jerome S. McWade said of the management of children in a recent Sunday school address. "Diplomacy su ceeds best with the little ones. A lad of nine came all puffing and rosy in out of the cold the other night and

"Pa, I'm tired. I've sawed enough wood for this evening, sin't If I'm awful tired.'
"Tired,' cried the father, looking

up from his paper with an air of sur-prise and disappointment. 'Why, I bet your mother a quarter you'd have the whole plie done before supper."
"Did you?" shouted the boy, taking

up his hat and mittens again,
"'Well, you'll win your money if the saw holds out. Nobody ever bet

on me and lost."
"And he rushed back to his hard tack again, his eyes flaming with en-thusiasm."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Comparing Notes

Mrs. Newley-My little Robbie is emarkably strong; he is only four years old, but he can raise his high chair with one hand!

Mr. Spoondler-Oh, that's nothing: in the apartment house where I try to do my sleeping there's a baby that's only four months old, and that child can raise the roof with no hand at all. -Chicago News.

Ironing a Disinfectant. It has been proved by experiment that it is possible to disinfest clothing very satisfactorily by ironing. Clothing which has been worn by children affected by various contagious diseases and which contained bacteria or pus, diphtheris and the like, was sprinkled and troned. It was then rubbed on plates of gelatine prepared JAPAN'S Y. M. S. A.

Her Wise Brother on the Importance The Letters Stand for Young Men's Buddhist Association.

Japanese Buddhism is remarkable for the great number of sects into which the believers are divided. Every conceivable tendency of thought is represented by a different grouping. Of late there has moreover been great activity in the formation of Buddhist

societies among the educated people. Among organizations recently, formed the Great Japan Young Men's Buddhist Association, which works among the students of the different Tokio universities, is perhaps the most important. Many of its older members have attained high position the Atlantic, and the society therefore enjoys a considerable influence among the intellectual classes. It includes among its members adherents of all the different sects of Buddhism.

In 1873 Prince Iwakura went to America and Europe at the head of a mission. Kume, who accommodated the mission in the capacity of an ex-pert on Chinese and literary subjects, was detailed with another member te make an investigation of the state of religion in the West.

In their zeal to begin work they early on the voyage accosted a Roman Catholic priest and questioned him about Western religion. They got an account of the Ten Commandments and of the Trinity; but soon the ta-bles were turned and they were themselves questioned on the religion of

The answers which they gave did not satisfy either themselves or their hearers. So a council of war was held in the smoking room that night. What attitude should the mission take when questioned about Japanese reli-gion? It was first suggested that they might claim Buddhiam as the re-ligion of Japan, but it had to be confersed that there was no one in the mission who knew enough of Buddhism to give a trustworthy account of

t, especially on doctrinal matters. Confusianism might be professed, but this would not help matters, as Occidentals look upon the doctrines of the great sage as merely a politico-ethical system. Shinto was ruled out, as it was then too little known in the West, and also because a religion which lacks sacred books and one whose observances are so archaic might not particularly impress the Western mind. There remained no alternative but to confess that Japan had no religion—an unfortunate situ-ation, because heathen are consider-ed but little better than wild beasts

The "Art" of Happiness. Life requires an art, and some peo-ple say that happiness is the whole of

it. But if happiness is an art it is in many ways an illicit one. Studi-ously to try to be happy is to assume that one has a right to be happy, and this is to disregard the warnings of numerous sages. But even if it were not implety to claim happiness, it would still be a futility. Happiness is matter of temperament; thousands people who have every reason to be happy (as we vainly judge) are unhappy, and thousands who ought, by all the rules, to be miserable, float buoyantly and jauntily on the trou-bled ocean of their affairs. One can waste a good deal of pity on men who deserve it but do not require it. The writer has one such case in raind. The man's business failed, nor could he rise again for all his efforts; the ill luck that pursued him was persistent, inexorable. His wife, who had graced his prosperity, was gutte unable to redeem his distres; rather she sad-died him with the blame, and became at once a prove atlon and a hindrance.
His daughter made undestrable mar-riages, ar his sons, instead of help-ing mun out of the ditch into which he had fallen, engratefully relieved. his pockets of the chief part of what little remained in them. When the writer met this man, just after a par-ticularly heavy shower of major and minor misfortunes, he experienced that kind of embarramment which has in speaking to a person a heavy bereavement. But rassment was unnecessary. The man's laugh was as light, his face was as free from lines and his step as springy and cager as in the days of his ease T've got half-a-crown in my pocket, he said with a slap on his thigh, "and I'm off to see the pantomime." And off he went like a boy.-London Spec-

Self-Lighting Cigars. As in France, Germany has a tax on matches, and there have been several ingenious devices to defeat the tax. Of course, the chemist has had a look in, but the law was too much for science. Now another scheme is offered, a boon to smokers-very young smokers, of course. Whether the inventor is a chemist we know

tator.

not, but he has invented the auto-matic light. The substance is placed at the end of a clear or cigarette. Draw it, as the case may be, across a rough surface, and the cigar or cigarette lights itself. There is not much new in a proparation which lights when drawn scross a rough surface. The old lucifer match was perfection in this way, but, also for the smoker!

-London Globe. District of Columbia. The District of Columbia comprises an area of 69,245 square miles. The government consists of two civilian commissioners appointed by the Pres ident and confirmed by the Senate and one army engineer officer, detailed by the Secretary of War, the three constituting the Board of Commi

ors for three years.

Bees in Warfare.

News has been received of fighting in the Kagoro and Attakka districts of northern Nigeria. Bees play an important part in warfare with these Nigerian tribes. The villagers on rethe man who is attacked by them in rounded the villages.-London Daily THE MEMORANDUM HABIT.

Absent-Minded Husband Made Care fu. Notes of His Wife's Admonit

There is a certain absent-minded man of Lowell, Mann, who never loaves home, even for the briefes by his wife as to many things he must ot forget to do.
"Now, James," said she, on one

such occasion, "Do please remember to wear your He should you be called on to wear evening dress at Aunt Mary's. You mortified the whole family greatly the last time you went, ried."

"I'll make a note of it," was the good-natured response of the forget

ber that Aunt Mary's brother, Tom is a sensitive point with all of them. Den't mention him."

"Then, too, dear—do he careful about getting in draughts. You got an awful cold the last time." "I'll try to remember," returned the

V.Sersupon the wife imprinted a farewell kiss upon his lips, and with a suspicious catch in her voice added. "I hope, dear, that you'll think of me every day while you're gone."

"Yes, dear, I will," responded hub-by, absently, his mind on the four o'clock train. "I'll make a memoran dum of it."-The Tradesman A WINNING GRAFT.



colemn vow twenty years ago that I'd never do another stroke of work till women was paid the same wages as men! (Got a trifle.)

A Latin Tragedy. He was a British workingman, and he had so many children that he used to call the roll before Sunday's dinner, to make sure they were all there.
"'Erbert!" he cried, as his wife brought on the steaming joint.

" 'Orace!"

"'Ere, pa!"
"'Ezekiah!"

"'Ere, pa!"
"'Enry!" Enery, who had just reached the

venth standard, decided to show off.
"Adsum!" he bawled. For a few moments father regarded him with baleful eyes.

"Oh, you've 'ad some, 'ave yer?" he growled at last. "Well, you jist git away, then, an' make room for them as ain't!"-Answers,

Sincerest Flattery.

At the dinner of a literary club in Chicago two minor poets were heard "Harold," said the one, "I've just

en your triolet in the Spread Eagle Mugazine. "Ah!" exclaimed the other, a pleas ed expression coming into his face, and with the air of a man preparing

imself against a burst of praise "Yes," continued the second poet; and do you know, I heard rather nest little compliment passed on it by young lady of my acquaintance."
Harold scemed still more pleased. May I ask what she said?"

Whereupon the first minor poet gurgled. "Why," said he, "she wanted to know whether I had written it."-Lippincott's.

Golf Defined. On the terrace of a country club, vertooking a green dotted with sheep,

group of non-gotters were taking A male pon-golfer, who took his tea

through a straw, said thoughtfully: "Golf might be defined as billiards cone to grass." 'Spreen on the green, I'd call it," uald a female non-golfer. "Or the last flicker of the dying fire of athletics," specred a young

football player.

The misuse of land and language, suggested a tennis champion.
"No, no, you're all wrong," said a famous angler, "Golf is simply a game wherein the ball lies badly and the player well."-Louisville Times.

He Got the Nickel. "I met a new variety of panhandler on Park Row the other day," said a man. "He approached me and with a marked Teutonic accent said, 'Do you speak German'!" Much flattered that he should have picked me out as a particularly intelligent person, I answered, 'Ja, Ich spreche Deutsch.' 'Say, give me a nickel,' he said. He not M."-Now York Sun.

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