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SOME patients suffering from nervous affections are afraid from sheer bashfulness and modesty to PER. SONALLY consult a medical man—other patients have not the self-pessession and coolness when in the consulting room, to accurately describe their symptoms—their habits of life, and the nature of the disease they suffer from.

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Let such persons (he or she) sit quietly down in the privacy of their own apartments, and with calm minds describe clearly each symptom of their case, a clear statement thus written, and laid before me, is far preferable in nervous diseases to a personal consultation. Where, however, a disease is of a peculiar and exceptional character, a personal consultation may become necessary; but my success in correspondence is great, that of the thousands upon thousands whom I have treated by letter during the last 32 years, not a single mistake has ever occurred, not a case has ever been made public—in fact, the very simplicity of my system of correspondence prevents publicity.

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How many have been enabled to enter into marriage state through consulting me?

How many after marriage have privately consulted me and been blessed, and their married lives made iruitful and happy.

How many wasted ruined youths of both sexes have also been restored to health, and thanked their manhood, for having consulted me by letter.

How many questions arise where the family physician is unable to marvel the case, and where often the patient lingers on, not daring to tell his family medica adviser the nature of his complaint, until consumption wasting, or mental diseases set in, and the sufferer gets beyond the curable stage, and is left a hopeless wreck.

A letter written in the privacy of the room and dropped in the post box reachs me quietly; the answer is returned as quietly and unostentatiously, and the patient, without stepping from his chamber, except to post his letter, is by return of post put in full possession of the nature of his case. His hopes are raised, a doubts removed, and he is comparatively a new man in fact, in many cases, a new being altogether.

The only addition to the ordinary written letter is the age, occupation, habits and symptoms, nothing more. The usual consultation fee of £1 (one pound) must be enclosed, otherwise no answer will be turned.

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There are thousands of cases in daily life where consultation with one at a distance, will remove by single letter, a great fear, a great care, and it often solves what appears as an impenentrable mystery. Many a sad heart has been made joyful on receipt of an explanatory letter from me.

To those who are about to marry, I would say consult me before doing so, and prevent many after troubles and remove many unnecessary fears and prejudices; to those, more especially who have suffered in early years from disease, or who have yielded to their passions. To these I say, at once, consult with me, do not tarry, delays are dangerous, and as an expert, my time may not always be at your service, you can, by simply enclosing one pound, have the benefit of my experience, in the same manner as it I lived in your own town, and with the additional advantage of thorough privacy.—Yours, truly,

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ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET

market, but the quiet season is now nearly passed over, and a revival of trade may be looked for shortly. Hay harvesting has now been fairly started, several small fields being down already. So far, however, only one or two loads of barley hay have been in, and the price obtained for this has not transpired. In wheat our quotation must only be regarded as a nominal one, as no sales have been made. Flour has been somewhat inactive, and an easier feeling prevails, sales being made at £11 2s 6d. A further decline in the value of wheat is observable at Horsham, where 4s 2d is now the ruling able at Horsham, where 4s 2d is now the ruling figure. A similar fall has also taken place at ANNUAL MEETING of the Council of this Shire Donald, where 4s 4d is quoted, but at St. Ar. will be held at this office at 12.30 p.m. on Thursnaud 4s 8d is given as the current price. In this district oats are very inactive. One line of minution and settlement of the Council's accounts 40 bags changed hands at 3s 1d, bags in. A few new notatoes are now coming forward from Warmambool. The market opened at the beginning of the week at 10s, but to-day 8s is the price obtainable. Fresh butter continues to be plentifully supplied at 9d, but eggs are becoming somewhat scarcer, and are now worth 9d. per dozen. We quote:—
Wheat, 4s 9d per bushel, bags in; oats 2s Id

to 2s 2d per bushel, bags in; pollard, 1s 3d per bushel; bran, 1s 1½d per bushel; flour, L11 2s 6d per ton; potatoes, Warrnambool, L2 15s per ton; potatoes, new, 8s per cwt; hay, sheaves, L4 per ton; trussed, L4 5s per ton; trussed, L4 5s per ton; 30a ner ton - chaff. 5s. per cwt; onions, 11s per cwt; butter, fresh, 9d per lb; butter, potted, none; hams, 10d per lb; bacon, 8d per lb; cheese, 6d to 7d per lb; eggs, 9d per dozen.

BALLARAT WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET.

Business fair :- Oats, 2s 10d to 3s 2d; Cape barley, 3s; English do., 3s 6d to 4s; wheat, 5s to 5s 2d; peas, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; manger hay, L5 to L5 10s; sheaves, L4 to L5; straw, L1 15s to L2 10s; potatoes, L2 5s to L2 10.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.

Messrs George Hague & Co. report under date November 30:—We held our seventh sale of the season to-day, when we submitted a catalogue of 1002 bales. There was a full muster of buyers present, and keen competion throughout our sale, more especially for wools in good condition and properly got up. We made a good clearance of our catalogue at prices that will compare favorably with any realised during

MELBOURNE WOOL & GRAIN REPORT:

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co. Limited, report under date Melbourne, 1st December :- Wool-The last series of sales in London commenced yesterday. Telegrams to hand report the market unsteady, and sales making in buyers' favor as compared with the September sales closing rates. Grain-The crop prospects, owing to the severe weather experiesced last week, are hardly so favorable. It is not contemplated that prices for new wheat will open low, the stocks in the hands of the millers being pretty well exhausted, lience, until the end of January, anything like a brisk export trade is not to be anticipated. The London market is reported firm, prices still having an improved tendency. The intercolonial markets are quiet. Wheat-Towards the close of last week the demand showed an improvement, and several good lines were cleared up at 4s 10d to 4s 11d. To-day 4s 11d to 4s Oats sold at 2s 4d to 2s 61h for Calcuttas and inferior feed, and 2s 10d to 2s 111d for New Zealand stout, duty paid. Barley—Feed has had business at 2s 9d to 3s, and medium mating at 3s 91d.

TOWLE'S PENNYROYAL AND STEEL PILLS FOR FEMALES quickly correct all irregularities, and relieve the distressing symptoms so prevalent with the sex. Boxes 2s 9d., of all Chemists. Prepared only by E. T. Towle, Chemist, Nottingham, England. Agents for Melbourne-Rocke, Tompsitt & Co., Wholesale Druggists: Hemmons and Co., Wholesale Drug gists; William Ford & Co., 67, Swanston



GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

GENERAL ELECTORAL LISTS.—ISSUE OF ELECTORS' RIGHTS.

TT is hereby notified that the General Lists of Nonand Legislative Assembly must be prepared during the week ending the 1st December proximo, and that persons who have not already enrolled may do so by obtaining Electors' Rights from the Registrars for their respective Divisions, or their Deputies, before or on that date.

ALFRED DEAKIN,

Chief Secretary's Office, Melbourne, 20th November, 1886.

Post Office and Telegraph Department,
Melhourne, 15th Nov., 1886.

TENDERS will be received until twelve o'clock on
Tuesday, the 14th December, 1886, for the supply
of 115 TELEGRAPH POLES and 16 STRUTS, and
for the delivery of the same along the policy. for the delivery of the same along the main road from Beaufort to Waterloo.

Specifications may be seen at the Chief Inspector's Room, General Post Office; and specifications at the Noon, General Post Office; and specifications at the Post Offices at Beaufort. Waterloo, and Buangor.

Tenders to be endorsed "Tenders for Telegraph Poles, Beaufort to Waterloo," and addressed (if by post, prepaid and registered) to the Honorable the Postmaster-General, Melbourne, or deposited in the Tender-box at the General Post Office, Melbourne.

The amount of the preliminary deposit to be enclosed with the tender is £10.

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VICTUALLERS' LICENSES. PPLICANTS for Victuallers' Licences must

A obtain from the Secretary or Treasurer of the Municipality in which their licensed premises are situated a certificate of the amount at which such premises are assessed. The certificate so obtained must be presented to the Receiver of Revenue when application is made for the licence.

D. GILLIES, Treasurer.

Treasury, Melhourne, 30th November, 1886.

School District of North Riding, Shire of Ripon.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Election of ONE, pe son to act as a Member of the Board of Advice for the above-named School District will be neld on the lith December, and that the 7th pastors and masters, and those whose great There mer has been fixed as the day of nomination. Somination papers must be delivered to me at my office before Four o'clock on the 6th

J. WOTHERSPOON.

Returning Officer. 27th November, 1886.

SHIRE 0 F NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Council of the Shire of Ripon, at a meeting to be held at this office at noon on Thursday, the 9th Since our last report very few transactions day of December, 1886, to made a General RATE of importance have taken place in the produce of ONE SHILLING in the POUND upon all rateable property within the Shire of Ripon, for the period commencing on the first day of January, 887, and ending on the thirty-first day of Decem-

A Statement of the Proposed Rate is deposited at this office for the inspection of ratepayers.

D. G. STEWART, Shire Secretary.

Riponshire Offices, Beaufort, 25th November, 1886.

SHIRE OF RIPON

are ready for inspection by parties interested.

D. G. STEWART, Shire Secretary. Riponshire Offices, Beaufort, 25th November, 1886.

SHIRE OF RIPON TENDERS, addressed to the President, and enclosing 5 per cent. deposit, will be received up till 11 a.m. on THURSDAY, 9th December, 1886, for the

NORTH RIDING. Constact No. 420:—Clearing and forming 70 chains of the Shirley and Beaufort road at Shirley, and making eight flat crossings.

Contract No. 421.—Gravelling 80 chains of the

Eurambeen and Streatham road, and pitching Contract No. 422.—Clearing, forming, gravelling, and building, oulvert on the Raglan and Middle Creek road, by Stevens' land.

EAST, RIDING. Contract No. 322.—Forming and gravelling 90 chains of Mortchup and Mount Emu road, by Simister's; building culverts, &c ..

Contract No. 323.—Supplying thirty-two tons (more or less) of 4-inch C. I. waterpipes, delivered at the Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong, or Smythesdale railway stations.
Contract No. 324.—Carting thirty-two tons (more

or less), pipes and castings from Smythesdale to Snake Valley. Plans and specifications may be seen at the Shire Office. Beaufort.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. H., JACKSON. Shire Engineer.

Shire Engineer.

Riponshire Offices, Beaufort, 25th November, 1886.

MEETNG of the inhabitants of the district o Beaufort is hereby convened to be held at the SHIRE HALL, Beaufort, at noon on FRIDAY, the 10th December instant, for the purpose of nominating a successor to Mr. Stephens, resigned, as trustee of the Beaufort Cemetery.

JUHN WOTHERSPOON,

For and on behalf of the President of the Shire of Ripon. Beaufort. 30th. November, 1886.

Beaufort Mechanics' Institute and Free Library.

A PPLICATIONS for the office of LIBRARIAN will be received by the undersigned up to the 9th December next.
D. G. STEWART, Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE.

FOR the prompt despatch of business all orders in future to be addressed to HENNINGSEN and KLUNDER or H. P. HENNINGSEN, the

Published every Saturday Morning.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1886. WE would indeed be wanting in the matter of respect towards our sisters in the flesh (if this were all that is to be considered) did we shrink from coinciding with and upholding the most rightcous sentence passed in Sydney by his Honor Judge Windeyer, as a result of which nine of the most atrocious fiends that ever walked this earth in Luman form now await, probably in fear and tiembling, the decision of the New South Wales Executive, as to whether that sentence shall be commuted, or the ends of justice be meted out. The interest that was manifested throughout the trial, which commenced on the 9th September, may be taken as an indication of the desire on the part of the public that larrikinism and fiendishness, which seem to characterise a certain class of individuals in Australia, shall be put down with the firm hand of justice, without partiality to youth or old age; and we heartily welcome the advent of that feeling, as we would not, neither could we, welcome any other. "The time has "arrived," to use the words of his Honor, "when a terrible example must be made of those who seemed to be restrained by no fear, sense of shame, or the odium and con-"tempt of their fellows," and it must have cost the Judge Windeyer a smart pang to say that "netwithstanding the jury's recommenda-" tion to mercy on account of the youth of the prisoners, he could hold out no hope to them that such would have any weight with the Executive." We very much doubt whether one out of every ten person in Australia will wish for a commutation of the sentence. The extreme indifference exhibited by the nine prisoners sentenced, in the face of the overwhelming adverse testimony of eighty-two witnesses, together with their cool and apparently unconcerned demeanor when sentence was being pronounced, must lead one to the conclusion that, although their years have been few, they have become case-hardened in sin, and this fact detracts from whatever sympathy we have with the condemned men. We certainly regret the conse-

them; but do not fail to hope that this

those to whom, to say the least of it, Provi-

effect without a cause, it becomes our spiritual

responsibility it is to make laws for the peace

and prosperity of the country and for the

wholesomeness of society, to take a retrospec-

tive view of their words and works, and to

out of them. Simultaneously with the ac-1 count of the Mount Rennie outrage comes an abduction of a girl under fourteen years of very clear on the point. Under the old Act it Parents, we are told, are responsible for their children. But who is responsible for the is best "not to risk accidents." An official parents? We answer that the law is responsible; the leaders and expounders of religion are responsible. The root of the evil is to be found in our system of education; it will be found there so long as the Education Act of 1872 remains in force, and as it is at present administered. Exanches of the evil exist in religious circles, for not only are those who compaise the so-called Christian section of the community apparently unconcerned—that is, practically unconcerned—but they are damaging their cause, and in a great measure, too, by controversies and attacks upon persons and statements who and which cannot possibly injure a truth that has stood for ages and that will stand as long as the world lasts. sies and attacks, and their thoughts and lives are influenced thereby; children note the indifference of their parents to religious duties; and in the absence of religious instruction in our schools, for which the law is

fused into the vising generation.

PARLIAMENT, it is expected, will be prorogued on or about the 16th December, so that there will be barely a fortnight from this date to transact what remains of the business on the pregramme for the session of 1886. As usual, for the first session of a Parliament, not a great deal has been done, and a large number of promises, se well as work that has bear the expense of all this! We will pro- divisions. bably be told at the next general election, by the Government, that business was delayed with whom it is the custom to make lengthy and uninteresting speeches when there is no the progress which he is making in an honorable occasion for the same and when pressure of alke to those who honor the father and those such proceedings we cannot doubt; so far as under the joint supervision of Dr. Adam, surwe can see there is nothing to hinder them geon to the institution, and Drs. Hinchcliff and (if matters cannot be arranged otherwise) J. Boyd, jun., of Sandhurst. A patient, runs. Carmichael, of Borung, was suffering from a from bringing in a short "Bill to regulate tumor which had its root in the upper jaw. Dr. Parliamentary Debates," limiting the time to Adam considered it necessary to excise the upper be occupied by any one speaker to say ten or jaw, and after consultation Dr. Hincheliff agreed fifteen minutes. All that may be said of necessary to take out the whole of one cheek in self protection. interest and to the point upon a great majority of the questions brought before the ration the patient was in a precarious state for up at 4s 10d to 4s 11d. To-day 4s 11d to 2s 113d paid, not much offering. Plour—This is still the weak spot in the market. Country has been sold at L10 to L10 5s. Town made, nomi-House, can very well be said in that time, fully two weeks, profuse bleeding occurring frein addition to that usually given. in a large number of instances members find a complete success. The patient deserves that "five" minutes affords them ample op. complimenting on the pluck she showed during portunity to speak to a question. We dannot but smile, kowever, at the "excellent" manner in which the Payment of Members Bill was pushed through the Assembly, and regret that a number of more urgent measures de not come in for like good treatment.

We have a grievance to air, which has n a question he asked the Premier on Tuesday night, when the House was considering The Railway Loan Account 1885 Application Bill" in committee. Mr. Uren asked-Has provision been made for the improvements promised at Windermere, Burrumbeet. Trawalla, and Beaufort stations?" and Mr. Gillies replied in the affirmative. We should certainly like to know how far these " provisions" have been carried out. As fac back as July last we were given to understand that the proposed "additions to the Beaufort "station were to be carried out by contract. "Plans were nearly ready, and tenders were to "se invited by advertisement in about ten "days." Our information respecting this is dated July 7, 1886; but so far as we are aware nothing whatever has been done, either towards calling for tenders or effecting alterations. The same remark applies to Trawalla, and we believe to Burrumbeet also. may be considered made. The inconvenience felt at the Beaufort station is very great, and we trust that the Governbe carried out at once.

The following are the reported yields from the mines at Waterloo for the past week:-Waterloo, 9 oz.; New Victoria, 25oz.; New Victoria, No. 2 Tribute, 5oz.; Saxon Consols,

We have it on good authority that Mr. H. De Baere, Chemist, formerly with Mr. A. Andrews, but who is now with Mr. O'Kearny, Chemist to his Excellency the Governor, intends commencing business shortly in Neill

It is with regret that we record the death of an old resident of this district, which occurred at his residence, Chute, on Tuesday last. Mr. Charles Crassweller came to this district some thirty years ago, and was for some time engaged in mining pursuits. As the industry became less profitable Mr. Crassweller transferred his attention to agriculture, and for some years has demned men. We certainly regret the consequences to which their evil course has led time called by the name of Charlton, but is now known as Chute, some 11 miles distant from Beaufort. The funeral took place on Wednessevere lesson will have a salutory effect upon day and was very largely attended, showing the respect in which deceased was held by residents dence is very merciful. But, as there is no bent of St. John's, Beaufort, conducted service at the grave in a very impressive manner. Deceased was 71 years of age.

Mr. W. E. Nickols will offer for sale this afternoon at 6 o'clock, rights for publicans' and other booths at the Boxing Day Sports and races on New Year's Day.

Wolfe's Schnapps is a powerful curative for see if there is any good thing that can come Obtain Wolfe's. disease, and is very agreeable to the palate.

Forms of application for the renewal of publican's licences, in accordance with the terms of the Licensing Act 1885, may be obtained from account of Brisbane atrocities of a similar Mr. H. P. Henningsen. A difference of opinion nature; and, nearer to our own doors, the exists as to whether it is necessary to advertise the notices, the wording of the act not being age. The responsibility of all these outrages was necessary and compulsory. Although a lies somewhere, and we sak-upon whom? decision has been given that there is no need to advertise, a number of the legal profession are of opinion, and advise their clients thus, that it notice from the Melbourne Treasury, published cants for licences must obtain a certificate of the which the licence is required are assessed, and get about again. that certificate must be presented to the Receiver of Revenue when application is made.

The Albert Park Bank robbers have been formally committed to stand their trial at the next criminal sittings of the Supreme Court in Melbourne, which commence on 15th December.

The Shire Council of Ripon announce their intention on Thursday next to make a general rate of one shilling in the pound upon all rateable property in the shire.

As will be seen by advertisement in another column the Ararat Volunteer Fire Brigade will hold their annual athletic meeting on New amongst which will be noticed the Jubilee Han-Parents note the results of these controver- dicap of £65. Entries close on Tuesday next, the 7th inst.

A number of tenders are called for in our adwertising columns for works in the north and east ridings of the Shire of Ripon.

Applications for the post of librarian to the Beaufort Mechanics' Institute will be received at present at fault, the bane of inamorality is up to next Thursday.

being steadily, surely, and lamentably in-From information supplied to the New South Wales Government respecting the prisoners condemned to death for the Mount Rennie outrage, it appears that eight are natives of New South from Victoria. Five are Roman Catholics, three years. Presbyterians, and one Anglican. Only one is over 20 years of age; four are 19, one 18 and three 17. The fate of the prisoners will not be considered by the Executive until a report has been received from the judge, and this may not be sent in until the close of the present criminal

Prospecting Board notwithstanding the strong been introduced, will have to be left unfulfilled opposition of the members for Stawell. Mr. and incomplete. And the country have to Browne being warmly supported by his colleague and the members for Ararat and Landsborough

The following paragraph, which we quote from the "Inglewood Advertiser," will be read by two or three members of the Opposition, with interest by residents of the Beaufort district. Dr. Adam is the son of the Rev. R. Adam, Presbyterian Minister, of Beaufort, and alike to those who honor the father and those business will not warrant such waste of time. who wish well to the son :--" An operation of a That the Government have power to stop very uncommon and critical character was performed yesterday at the Inglewood Hospital, bone, the palate, and the floor of the eye. The patient suffered severely, and after the ope- to hand. This is the Christmas number, and it quently at the back of the throat, which had to be stopped by plugs. The operation has proved the painful experience, and the medical gentle-men upon their skill. This is, we understand only the third operation of this kind that has been safely performed in the colony.'

Bradshaw's Guide for December is to hand In this issue are given a complete list of cities, towns, boroughs, and shires in Victoria, with their population; registrars of births and deaths. also the registrars of marriages; city and suburban police courts, with name of police magisbeen suggested by the member for the district trates and days when the court sits; reliable gardening notes; and an alphabetical coach guide to every place in Victoria. In addition, there is presented a sheet office calendar for 1887. These requiring copies may obtain the same from Mr. H. P. Henningsen.

We have received "Criticisms on State Edu cation in Victoria, being a selection from letters which have appeared in the 'Ballarat Star'," by Fairfield. The letters are well written, and to the point, and the author expresses in the preface, that he "has written in the hope of helping others to see the truth as clearly as he see it himself, and to assist them to separate the prevailing errors of the day from broad princi-We have no doubt ples of right and wrong." that the publication of these excellent letters will have the end desired by the author.

Mr. T. Cenel, one of the partners in the firm of I. Budge and Co., informs the "St. Arnaud Times" that he is sole possessor of a chemical secret by which good butter can be kept for two or even three years, and retain all its freshness and aroma. A peculiarity of the process is that the butter is preserved in pound "prints" just as it is brought to market. Should Mr. Cenel's discovery prove equal to what he claims for ithe says he has thoroughly tested it—his fortune

A sensational action for slauder, in which well-known residents of this district will figure ment will see that the promised work shall as plaintiff and defendant (writes the "Star"), will be commenced shortly in the Supreme Court in Ballarat. The plaintiff's case has been placed in the hands of a Melbourne firm of solicitors, who have retained as counsel Mr. Holden, of Ballarat. £500 damages are claimed. It is said that some startling disclosures will be made

The London correspondent of the Melbourne 'Punch" says :- "The failure has lately taken place of Klunder, the leading New York florist. Mrs. Winter's cousin was at the late Mr. Vanderbilt's house on the occasion of his daughter's blanche to decorate the house, and though she had seen some of the finest floral decorations in the world, she never saw, or expect to see, anything equal in point of taste or lavishness to Klunder's on that occasion." We are not aware genial purifying and strengthening power of any relationship betwixt the American florist and a propictor of this journal, but the para- becomes clean, the appetite improves, digesgraph suggests that whatever a Klunder takes in hand, his aim and object is to do that thing so well as to meet with everyone's approval, and assure the support of the public!!!

"Arrangements have been made" writes the Argus'" by the secretary of Railways (Mr. P. P. Labertouche) with the chairman of the Board of Examiners to hold the seventh examination of candidates for employment in the department at Ararat, Ballarat, Castlemaine, Geelong. Maryborough, Sandhurst, and Seymour, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, the 11th inst. Students for engineering will be examined at Melbourne on December 9 and 10, at 9 a.m. each day. Clerks will be examined at Melbourne at 9 a.m. on the 11th, and all classes of candidates at 10 on the same day. The total number of candidates who ent in formal applications for the 149 vacancies in the service was 1,801, but these numbers have Wolfe's Schnapps is more refreshing than been reduced by ballot to 445, the whole of brandy or whisky, and is a pure refreshing ben the service was 1,801, but these numbers have whom will be examined."

We acknowledge the receipt, from Messrs | Dunn & Collins, Melbourne, a sample of their shilling packets of one dozen Christmas and New Year's cards. Some of them are each worth at least a fourth of the price asked for the whole.

John Provis, a tributor of the New Victoria Company, Waterloo, met with an accident on Wednesday last. He was assisting at the loading and running of some trucks, when in some unaccountable way his foot got beneath the wheels, and his instep and ankle were sein our advertising columns notifies that appli- verely crushed. Having been brought into Beaufort his wound was attended to by Dr. amount at which the premises in respect of Nolan, but it will be some time before he can

A week of very warm weather terminated yesterday afternoon when a heavy thunderstorm, accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning, and a few showers of rain, passed over the district. The atmosphere subsequently became cooler, and promised an agreeable change for to-day. The rainfall for November is 1.91 inches.

Mounted - constable Bourke, stationed in Beaufort, met with a nasty accident on Thursday evening. He had been to Sailor's Gully, about 5 miles distant from this town, riding a very fory spirited young horse, and having returned, was giving the animal a rubdown, when Year's Day. An excellent programme has been recently re-shed, striking him on the inside of it kicked out, the hoof, which had been only the right leg just below the knee, inflicting an ugly gash. Dr. Nolan was immediately sent for stitches in order to keep it closed. Constable Bourke will therefore be unable to resume duty for some days.

A melancholy accident occurred on Tuesday forenoen in the neighborhood of Rochester. A man named Bush was driving home to Kyabram in a dray, in company with his wife and two children. He stopped at the Mount Scobie dam to give his horse a drink, when they suddenly got into deep water. The husband managed to get out safely with one child, but the mother and the other child were drowned. The a deputy (Mr. Holmes), and this he believed Wales, the exception being Read, who comes couple had been married only about three

There is now being exhibited at Leipzig an apparatus for putting criminals to death by electricity. So long as it is found necessary to retain capital punishment upon our statute books it may well be said that the electric method is the most merciful and least repulsive process that could be devised for carrying the sentence Mr. Browne was elected a member of the into effect. But if such means are adopted in this country, the details will certainly not be carried out in the theatrical manner which commends itself to the Leipzig amateur. In this apparatus, behind the chair in which the conlemned man is to take his seat—and by means of which, as we need not explain in detail, his body is placed in circuit with a powerful coilthere stands a conventional figure of Justice with bandaged eyes, holding the balance in her left hand and the sword in her right. The cribalance descends, closes the circuit, and all is

A telegram from Sydney reports that a publican named John Leck shot a man named Edward Lilley dead at the Old Tinapagee hotel, on the Paroa River. It is alleged that Lilley was in a dangerously drunken state, threatening all sorts of violence, and that he attempted to with him. On full examination it was found set fire to the hotel, when Lock shot him dead

contains a large amount of seasonable reading,

Tuesday next is the day fixed for receiving asminations for a member of the Board of Advice for the North Riding of the Shire of Ripon_

The adjourned annual meeting of the Council of the Shire of Ripon will be held on Thursday next, 9th inst.

LEASEHOLD RENTS.

Complaints have been made by a number of selectors concerning the action of the Lands Department in charging rent for leasehold blocks from the 1st July last, although the leases have been recently issued. The selectors are said to regard the demand for six months' rent in respect to one or two months' occupation as savoring somewhat of extortion. Mr. Morrah, the Secretary of the Lands Department, explains that under the Land Act, leases were required to be dated as they had to select a delegate outside of the Arafrom the 1st of January or the 1st July following the date of issue. The arrangement worked very unsatisfactorily, putting many selectors to great inconvenience. A lease issued immediately after the 1st July had to wait until the following January for the approval of the Governor-in Council, and meanwhile the selector could not obtain possession of the land to effect necessary improvements, such as the construction of fences and buildings. To obviate this the Minister of Lands framed a new regulation, authorising leases to be ante-dated, so that immediately the lease is issued the tenant could go into occupation, leases issued during the first six months of the year being ante-dated to 1st January, and leases issued during the lat or half of the year to 1st July. Of course, this involved the payment of the rent for the half-year partially run, but it has enabled selectors who took advantage of the new arrangements to secure the present season's grass, which is said to be worth considerably more than the rent paid in respect of the expired portion of the half-

Holloway's Pills are the medicine most in repute for caring the multifarious maladies which beset mankind when dry sultry weather generally gives place to chilly drenching lays. In fact, these Pills offer relief even if (Mrs. Webb) marriage, when Klunder had carte they fail of proving an absolute remedy in all the disturbances of digestion, circulation, and nervous tone which occasionally oppress a vast portion of the population. Under the exerted by this excellent medicine the tongue tion is quickened, and assimilation is rendered perfect. These Pills possess the highly estimable property of cleansing the entire mass. of blood; which, in its renovated condition, carries purity, strength, and vigor, to every tissue of the body.

Consumers of Wolfe's Schnapps especially those taking it medicinally, should purchase it only by the bottle, and thus ensure the genuine article, as there is a fraudulent imitation in the market. Large and small bottles are obtainable at every respectable hotel and Wine and Spirit Merchant's in the the tor label of the yellow wrapper.

verage. Ask for Wolfes.

PROSPECTING BOARDS ELEC. TION.

The election of members of the boards to regalate the expenditure of the Prospecting Vete took place in the several mining centres on Wednesday last. In the Ararat District, Mr. David White, who was nominated by the Mineowners' Association, was elected unopposed. For the position of representative of the Amaigamated Miners' Association there were two candidates—Mr. B. Burton, of the Stawell branch; and Mr. Clarkson, of the Waterley branch. The casting vote of the deputy chairman (Mr. Holmes) was given in favor of Mr. Burton, who was therefore elected. For the representative of the municipalities delegates from the Stawell Shire and Borough Councils, the Ararat Shire and Borough Councils, the Warrnambool Town Council, the Horshane Borough Council, and the Wimmera Shire Council were present. Mr. John Naylor, the delegate of the Stawell Shire and Borough. Councils, was elected. Mr. J. W. Browne, the chairman of the Ararat Mining Board, a resident of Beaufort, was elected to represent the Mining Board. The Mayor of Ararat (as reported in the "Advertiser" at some length reported upon the proceedings at the election held. that day at Stawell of a member to represent the municipalities on the Prospecting Board. He regretted to say that the southern municipalities had been most unfairly treated at Stawell. and dressed the wound, putting in two or three Not satisfied with having three representatives. from that town elected as members of the board, they had refused to permit other portions of the district, from Ararat to the seaboard, to have district from Ararat to the seaboard from Ararat matters. He believed, too, the matter was illegally conducted, as, notwithstanding the opinion obtained by Mr. M'Lellan from the Mining Department, the chairman had refused to receive the nominations of others than members of municipal councils. The chairman, too, was not was an illegality. Even if not, his action in giving his casting vote for Stawell was certainly most ungracious in view of the many representatives that place already possessed, and it evoked the strongest expressions of condemnation from Cr. Little and other gentlemen. Cr. King, borough of Warrnambool, who had at the commencement of the meeting been accommodated with a seat in the chamber at the left hand of the mayor, gladly bore testimony to the Mayor's report, and added that in his opinion the southern municipalities had been most ungraciously and unjustly treated. Cr. Flattely was the first declared elected by the chairman, but doubtless: in error, and on his attention being called to the fact that there were four votes for Cr. Flattely and four for the Stawell nominee, Mr. Holmes gave his casting vote for Stawell, coing so with no small hesitation and apparent confusion, as if he himself were ashamed of his acminal having taken his seat, the proper function. He was very much surprised at the action. tionary is supposed to read over the record of of the chairman in view of the fact that the tionary is supposed to read over the record of his crimes and the sentence of the law. This great preponderance of voting power had alcerement completed, he folds up the document ready been obtained by Stawell. He certainly and places it in the scale pan, the arm of the recommended the council to lay the whole matter before the Government. All the councillors present having expressed themselves. strongly on the subject, it was unanimously resolved, on the motion of Cr. Nott, seconded by Cr. Dawson-That a statement of the whole proceedings of the election be forwarded through Mr. M'Lellan to the Government, with instructions to enter a vigorous protest against the election.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinons ex-

REPRESENTATION OF THE NORTH RIDING OF THE SHIRE OF RID'ON

To the Editor of the Riponshire Advocate.

Sir,-I would like to ask the powers that be how much longer is the north riding of this shire to remain unrepresented, as it is at present? For some time past we have had only one member to attend to our many municipal and public affairs. This riding is very different to any other in the shire, for, besides its roads, there are the commons, water supply, and public park requiring supervision, and, practically, only one member to attend to it all. This is not local self-government, as non-resident members attending the Council once in four months cannot represent the various wants of the ratepayers. How is it to be expected than one member can attend to all the above duties satisfactorily. At the last meeting of the Council rat Mining Division to represent this Council in choosing a member for the Ararat Prospecting Board, because this riding had no one who could attend to it. No doubt it is pleasant for the engineer to be in sole command, as he is not responsible to the ratepayers if he should be neglectful. I am very sorry to hear it rumoured that there is some influence over which we have no control, keeping up this state of affairs. If this is so, the ratepayers will soon have something to say about it."

1 am, sir, etc.

APPARATUS FOR BURNING TUSSOCKS,

Mr. E. Ransam, of Fingal, Tasmania, writes to the Australasian :- "In your issue November 13, I saw a letter signed Viates, asking for information re apparatus for burning tussocks. I have tried an apparatus of my own make for the purpose. It was made thus :- I bent a piece of stout tin into a tube, and fastened it with rivets (the length about 1ft), and put a piece of an old cotton or anything that would make a good wick into one end of tube, leaving the other end open for a supply of kerosene. This was supplied by pouring a small quantity in from time to time as was required, and the tube being secured to a stick for a handle. I found the apparatus, although rude, answer admirably for either fine or rough coarse tussocks; but if the tube containing the wick was made with a tube leading from a receptacle up the hand le containing kerosene, with a small tap, a regular and easy way of feeding the wick could be kept up until the receptacle holding kerosene was empty; it it could be as large or small as you like. But with the first apparatus I speak of, I have done excellent work in very windy weather, finding no trouble in keeping up a fierce and continuous blaze. If this plan is of any use to 'Viatca' he is welcome to it,

Towle's Pennyroyal and Steel Pills for Females quickly correct all irregularities, and relieve the distressing symptoms so prevalent with the sex. Boxes, 1s. 13d. and 2s. 9d., colony. The name of M. Moss and Co. is on of all Chemists and Patent Medicine vendors. Prepared only by The Lincoln and Midland Counties Drug Co., Lincoln, England. Wholesaale of all the wholesale houses. Beware of Imitations.

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COME SWALLOW, COME.

Come, swallow, come, for thee we wait: Come seek thy northern home anew, Where pale Spring flowers are delicate, And Winter skies are changed to blue. Come, swallow, come, for thee we wait, Come, swallow, come, for thee we wait: The thatch is warm beneath the sun, Here tell of love to thy fond mate; To day should see thy nest begun.

Come, swallow, come, for thee we wait. Come swallow, come, for thee we wait; The Spring is perfect but for thee ! Ah I welcome, though thou speedest late, Thy treams wings from o'er the sea; Welcome, for not in vain we wait. MAGAZINE OF ART.

BY THE RIVER.

Each of them loving, each of them loved, Gliding down by the river, Nature smiled, and the sun shove Brighter shone to behold such love By the fairy banks of the river,

Years had passed, and a woman wept, Wept as she sat by the rive.

Wept for the love that was lost for the By the dull cold banks of the river.

Ever the careless streamlet flows Eggr on to the river. Only the breeze a requiem sighed. For the heart that broke, for the love that

By the fairy banks of the river.

Movelist.

"DORA DUNBAR."

AN AUSTRALIAN STORY.

"BY MONA"

CHAPTER XIV .- (Continued.)

Katinza, Ag's old cat, took a fit this morning and cleared the family out in no time.
Ag made for the hall table, the chief disappeared in the den in half a jiffey, and Susan dropped the armful of dishes she was carrying out, with a "wurra, wurra, Misther Vie! what sils the craythur, sorr?" I laughed like fun to see them scatter as puss shot up the dining-room wall like a streak of lightning. It was as good as a play. 🥱 How far are you from the sea there, Doll?

You ought to make for Portland Christmas time, and come round home by Mel-

No more news, so I'll wind up. Drop us a

Your affectionate brother, Vic. Mamma's letter consists of alternate paragraphs of advice to me and gratitude to the Arcrost's for their kindness to her stray chick. Not content with giving me multitudinous messages, she writes to Mrs. Arcroft by the same mail, thanking her profusely, so I gather from that lady's remarks, for I do not

see the contents of the letter, and making me over to her charge, as I am informed. "So, Dot," laughingly concludes my new guardian, "if Mr. Fowler comes to the con-clusion, as he seems to be doing, that the widow and her gold weighed in the balance

with some one we know would be found wanting, refer him to me." Providing of course that I say 'yes' "

promise, jestingly, "I will."
"Don't say 'yes,' Dot, unless you can say it from your heart," with unusual gravity. I pity the woman who marries Norton Fowler without love to lend her patience to endure his ill-temper and egotism."

"What a character to give him." "It's a true one. Doubtless he has many good qualities, but those are his two great

And on Saturday night I feel inclined to agree with her, as I survey his moody face, and note two or three morbidly-selfish remarks he makes, during our after-dinner conversa-

Whether the inability to gain an opportunity of asking for the answer I had promised him sunoys him, or his dinner has proved indigestible, I know not. Certain it is, that

before and during the repast, he had been pleasant enough to eatisfy the most exact-Mr. and Mrs. Arcroft seem not to notice his curt replies and forced smiles, but chat pleasantly on, interesting and amusing him against his will. Seated at the table a little in the back ground, I take it all in, and long to lecture him on looking so evil and discontented. Hardly a word does he vouchsafe me, to my mingled amusement and dis-

- lize

Taking a white rose and sprig of rosemary from a bouquet on the table before me, I tie them together, and pencilling on a sheet of paper lying near, the following lines, I twist them round the flowers, and watching my opportunity, pass them to him.

gust, and at length my patience gives

Here s white rose—that's for silence.

But silence why?-to me, Must I with friends forsaken

Wear sad anemone?

Ah no! to plead remembrance Here's fragrant rosemary.

If vain its plea, let cypress In silence breathe despair : If treated with acceptance, Glad hope will hawthorn bear: But oh I to thy indifference,

Thy hate I should prefer. For a moment or two he trifles carelessly with the flowers, then, slipping them out o the paper, transers them to his button-holo to his pocket, only to withdraw it a a little later, when Mirs. Arcroft leaves us to order supper, and her spouse indulges, or pretends to indulge, in a stolen forty winks. Smoothing the paper and his frowning brow at the same time, he peruses the former, and, as he does so, to my surprise, flushes a deep, dark red, right up into the roots of his

Ruising his head on reading them, his eyes, flashing like steel, meet mine for a moment, then, with a sound between a sigh and a sob, he hastily rises and quits the room, leaving

me completely mystified. "Where's Fowler, eh?" cries Mr. Arcroft. as his wife shakes him back into his waking senses on her return.

"Gone to bed," she informs him and me at the same time, "I met him just now in the hall, and he asked me to excuse him and beg you and Dot to do so, as he felt far from He looked it too, poor fellow! he was white as a chect."

Thereupon her husband fusses off to see what is wrong, but soon returns shaking his

"He won't take anything or let me do anything for him, says he'll be right as soon as he gets a sleep, but he's the first toan I ever came across that could sleep pacing to and fro at the rate I heard him going at as I left his door." ng at as I left his door."
Better leave him alone," advises his wife,

" he may, have some mental trouble we cannot ease, and only add to by interference,

never well meant," and she looks half ["Say at least you will try to forgive me in quiringly at me, but I have nothing to In a maze I seek my room, and slowly prepare for hed. Why had my verses had he opposite effect to that I expected, and neant them to have? I had thought to lease, even flatter him a little, and lo!

he result! I had only upset and put him to Would he ask for his answer on the morow? I wondered, and if he did what was it I was as much undecided as ever. True, a feeling I could not analyze forbade my sending him away. Was it love or only nfatuation? I asked myself. Should I obey its promptings and cast my cherished scheme of repaying him in his own coin to the

While sitting debating the matter, I fall asleep, and sleep dreamlessly till late in the morning, when I am awakened by Mr. Arcroft's stentorian tones and thunderous

Am I aware that it is breakfast-time, or very near it? he demands imperiously, striving in vain to infuse a little displeasure

into his voice. "I am now—why didn't you sing out sooner?" I retort lazily, loth to leave my enug quarters.
Sooner, no ecnoes in an injured tone 'that's my thanks for bawling myself

hoarse the last half hour in my endeavours to do you a good turn and oblige Martha at the same time. She gave you up in despair, said she'd sconer try to waken the Seven Steepers."
"Never mind him, Dot," cries Mrs. Arcroft, bustling out of her room opposite, "be quick, though, or breakfast will he late."

As it is, I find them all in their places when I enter the dining-room. Mr. Fowler, looking miserable, though he denies feeling so, and exerts himself to talk amiably through

After breakfast I pilot him round the garden in accordance with Mrs. Arcroft's, Now, Mr. Fowler, I prescribe a dose of fresh air, taken in Dot's company, for your fit of the blues, that's what alls you, so put on your hats and be off for a turn or two round the garden."

Thence we wander along the carriage drive to the large ornamental entrance gates, where we stand looking idly through the bars, both silent, and myself, at least, uncomfort-Not one word has he said bearing on the

matter that has broughthim to Sunnyside, and I naturally feel a little hurt and indig-Suddenly without looking at me, he speaks

in a strange harsh voice. "Did you mean what you wrote last night?" he asks.

"I wrote several letters last night," I return evasively, "which do you refer to?' "The last two lines I mean, but it doesn't matter," he says impatiently. Then, suddenly confronting me and seizing my hand in his, he reminds me, "You haven't given me

"You haven't asked me for it," I retort petulantly.
"Well, I ask you now," almost roughly he rejoins.

As you might ask for a dose of painpaint or a mustard plaster—indeed, with rather less pleasantness," I tell him, wrath-

"Dora, for Heaven's sake don't keep me in suspense l" he cries hoarsely, snatching me to him with a passion fierce in its vehemence. "Tell me do you love me?" Like one under a spell, I syllable the one word "yos," my ravango forgotten; but, to

my dismay, instead of my answer filling him with lively joy, he receives it with a groan, that is smothered at its birth by an endearing epithet, and partly obliterated from my memory by a rain of kisses.

"You do love me, Dora, you are not mistaking liking for love?" he asks, anxiously next. "I'erhaps I am," I smile up saucily. "I

know so little about love." " Enough to tell that," he says, clasping me closer. "And I—if I live to be a hundred shall love you to the last hour of my life, as I think no woman was ever loved before I used to laugh at love once, as poets and novelists describe it, but I have ceased to do so sines a glance of your eyes and the sound

of your voice taught my heart to beat quicker and my nulses-" "Oh stop I one would think you were one of the novelists you scorned, Mr. Fowler." I interrupt, laughing and blushing.

"Norton-not Mr. Fowler. Let me hear you say it." "Norton-not Mr. Fowler." I repeat de-

murely. "Little torment!" he cries, half-provoked, "I must punish you for that. I shall fine

you."
"No use—I'm penniless till next pay-"You can pay me in better coin than £. s. d," he says suggestively; but I am dense.

"Kiss rae," he whispers, commandingly, and I, Dora Dunbar, the matter-of-fact,

strong - minded scorner of all sentiment, meskly obey.
"There!" he laughs bitterly, with a sudden return to his former strange mood, "if the

outer darkness must be my portion, I can, at least carry with me the remembrance of an hour in Paradise!" and he almost thrusts me

"Norton!" I cry in alarm, looking all that I cannot find voice to ask. "What does it mean?" he asks, in reckless

reply to my look, "It means that I am at once the greatest scoundrel and the most miscrable, luckless wretch Victoria holds today! It means that though I love you with all my soul, and have wrung from you the confession that you return my love, I cannot make you my wife! It means that I, Norton Fowler, whom men placard 'Proud as Lucifer, am a penniless pauper—that I have lost my position, and, preferring speculation to toil, have bartered my youth and good looks for a weak woman's gold ! It means, in short, that being informed by my employers that at the end of this quarter they can dis pense with my services. I have, in my selfish cowardice, preferred gilded slavery to povertystricken freedom and 'love in a cottage' [" Damb, motionless, breathless almost, I stand before him, hearing all he says, but

scurcely comprehending it. "Nemesis," whispers conscience in my ear; and truly it is a righteous retribution! I had taken vengeance into my own hands, and my presumption has met its reward. I do not bleme him, nay, I rather pity him; but I ean find no pity, no excuse for myself. To humiliate him had been my intention, and how has my own pride been brought to the dust. Oh, no! I have no anger to vent upon him: only with mingled pity and contempt do I regard him, as, in tantalizing contrast to his words, I recall long-forgotten ones of Mr.

"Marry me and you shall never repent it for I will slave day and night to assure your happiness and comfort I"

It reminds me of the "Dog and the Shadow," and I smile bitterly as I think how surely I have let go the substance for its reflection. "Dora-Miss Dunbar! speak, upbraid me if you will. I deserve the hardest you can

say. Do anything but look at me like that I' cries my companion, alarmed, I think, by my stony silence. With an effort I shake off my abstraction, and turn slowly towards the house, essaying

in vain to find my voice. "For God's sake don't leave me without a word !" my ex-lover cries, barring my way.

A shake of the head is the only response, and he misinterpress it.
"You cannot," he mutters despondently.

How came I to expect that you could?" "You mistake," I manage to say," I have nothing to forgive—nothing, at any rate, compared to what I want forgiveness

He opens his lips to speak again, but l silence him. "Din't say any more, please, and forget all that has passed. We will go back

Slowly and silently we retrace our steps, and, like one in a dream, I move at his side, wondering vaguely whether it is only an hour or so since I travelled this path before.

Ouco I glance at the dark, handsome face baside me, pale and distorted somewhat now, and marvel at the weak selfish nature it

With my bane, Norton Fowler has given me my antidote. He has poisoned present joys, but saved me from worse than death in the future—n lifelong companionship with an unprincipled and cowardly nature.

As we near the house, I force myself to uter a few cammon places, more because of he faces I see at the drawing room windows than out of well-taken and the common of the later of the late han out of politeness or interest.

Drawing nearer, I discover with no little wonder that one of the said faces is Mr. Cotton's—a grave, pale face it looks too. Composedly I shake hands, and ask him

what his visit means, but instead of answering me, he glances confusedly at Mrs. "Mr Cotton is killing two birds with one stone, Dot-paying us a promised visit and saving the mail-boy a trip at the same time. He brought out some letters that came by

the last mail," she tells me. "Are there any for me among them?" I ask, carelessly, not expecting any. "No," she says, then reluctantly adds, there's a telegram though, Dot."

"A telegram!" I echo stupidly, my heart standing still at the simple announcement, for a telegram is an event in my experience and suggests all sorts of awful possibili-

Silently she hands it to me, and with haking fingers I tear it open. One glance at its contents confirms my worst fears. Brutal in their brevity, the few words burn into my brain-" Come at once, Mamma is dangerously ill."

The fatal paper flutters from my hold, my imbs give way beneath me, and sinking on my knees beside the couch near me, I bury my face in its cushions, and, for the first time in my life, I faint dead away.

CHAPTER XV.

"Bot, my poor child, what can we do for you?" cries Mrs. Arcroft, tears raining down her face, as on coming to myself I struggle out of her supporting arms, keenly alive at once to the terrible news.

"Do? Nothing, thanks, only send me home at once," I answer calmly enough. Then, weak and unstrung by the day's events, I burst into a storm of sobs, regardless of everyone and everything.
"Eh? who? Dot, what's the matter?"

cries Mr. Arcroft, entering suddenly; and I can hear Mr. Cotton's deep voice in explans. "Dear, dear!" chimes in Mr. Arcroft's

voice, "that's bad—bad! but not so bad as you fear perhaps. Bless me. Dot. my ion't take on so, you'll make yourself ill. Come, cheer up, this won't do. Be your own brave self, and let us settle what we are

He could not have hit on a better method of calming me. At once I enter eagerly into the ways and means of getting home quickest.

"I'll drive you over to Hamilton myself, to-night, and then you can go on by the first rain in the morning," says my cheery host, and Martha must come and look after you, or you'll knock yourself up, you poor little mite!" in suspiciously husky tones.

That's the best plan," assents his wife, If we start soon after dinner, we shall reach Hamilton in good time, and, in the mean-time, you must rest a little; you look worn I'll pack the few things you want. What about the school?'

"I don't know I'm sure,".I say, weakly, I should send a note to the correspondent, l suppose.''

"Drummond, isn't it?" asks Mr. Cotton. "I'll call on him first thing to morrow, and explain, so you needn't bother writing." "And you can drop a line to the Department as soon as you get home," advises Mr. Arcroft. "We'll send word to the children to-morrow."

I strive chokingly to thank them all, deeply touched by their kindness, but strive in "Tut! tut!" cries Mr. Arcroft, "that'll do, go and lie down now and get back your

roses. I hope you may find you have been frightening yourself over nothing." They all coho his wish, but I shake my head, feeling intuitively that it is not so. I lie down, but I cannot rest, I can only

think, think, till "Thinking grows pain," and count the minutes that pass on! so But at length the time for us to go comes,

and, with trembling fingers, I fasten my cloak, and draw on my gloves, taking, meanwhile, a last look round the room that has grown so dear to me. Am I to see it again? Standing on the verandah waiting for the

draught of the beauty around me,—a last one t may be. There Norton Fowler joins me, with such a remorseful face, that I feel sorry for him. "Miss Dunbar will you, can you believe that you have my deepest sympathy? if you think the sympathy of one who has proved

buggy to come round, I drink in a deep

nimself such a contemptible villain is worth having," he concludes in bitter tones. "Thank you," I falter, miserably, and those are the last words Norton Fowler and

Dora Dunbar exchange. "What time will you got home?" asks Mr. Cotton, coming out to us. "About twelve to-morrow night, I think," answer, as the buggy dashes up to the

Silently I offer my hand to Norton Fowler, and without a word he takes it, wringing it hard.

Mr. Cotton's sympathetic pressure, and carnest, low, "God comfort you, my poor little love," bring the tears to my eyes in a blinding mist, and compels me to icel my way to my seat besides Mrs. Arcroft at the back.

Then we dash off, amid a waving of hands and handkerchiefs, the latter the property of the kindly-hearted station girls, who crowd out of the dining-room door for a last goodby, though we had said it five minutes be-

Never shall I forget the long dreary drive to Hamilton-dreary despite the efforts of my kind friends to cheer the way. Till the last moment the train starts with me among its passengers they seek to lighten my load, to ensure my comfort.

" You will be sure to let us hear from you as soon as possible, Dot," says Mr. Arcroft, as the train moves slowly off. "I will," I promise, "be sure and tell Nance how sorry I was to have to go without seeing her. Good-by!" "Good-by, and God bless you," cries Mr.

Arcroft, and that is the last I hear.

"Were you all with her?"

PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY H. P. HENNINGSEN. Then throwing myself back in a corner of the carriage,—its sole occupant—I find relief in a good cry, thankful that I can do so un-

noticed. In my anxiety, the train seems to creep along, and the moments seem leadenwinged.

I dare not think what may have happened since the telegram was dispatched. The thought fishing into my mind once, brings me to my knees in the most heart-felt en-

treaty I have ever sent on high.
"Not that I Not that, O God!" I moan in my misery, "anything but that!" Into my mind comes a well-known verses whose truth I fully realize now.

Over my heart in the days that are gone No love like mother-love ever has shone; No other devotion abides and endures Faithful, unselfish and patient like yours.

The few minutes we have to wait at Ararat seem an age, and when, on arriving in Ballarat, I learn that there is no train for Still the next morning, the news almost mad-All I can do is to send a telegram bidding

them expect me by the early train, and asking for intelligence, the receipt of which I

Calm, through very desperation, I tear open the answer when it comes, and gain a grain of comfort from it.
"Slightly better, easier and quite conscious,

Avalon is the name of Mrs. Moore's residence, and thither I hasten obediently. The compassion that fills her face on seeing me tells me that she has heard the news. Mrs. Sutherland, she tells me, had sent her word, and requested her to meet me

that evening, not thinking I would come by the first train. "Mrs. Moore!" I cry in agony "must I wait till the morning?—so much may happen ! Can't I get some one to drive me home to night."

"It is so far and the roads so bad that you would get home no sooner, my dear, and even if you could, I don't think you are fit to try-you look like death now. Have you eaten anything to day?"

"No," I confess. Mrs. Accroft had put some sandwiches in my bag, and made me promise to get a cup of tea at Arant, but neither could I force myself to swallow. "Then you must take food and rest at once," insists Mrs. Moore, "you will want all your strength to nurse your mother back

to health-I daresay, Agnes has done her She compels me to eata few mouthfuls and take a glass of wine, and whether she administers a sedative with it, I know not, but drowsiness overpowers me soon after, and I sleep soundly till nearly train time next morn-

Waking with a dull, heavy sense of op-presion at my heart, I lie a moment wonder-

ing what it is, and where I am. Remembrance returns but too soon, and, springing up, I hastily prepare to centiaue my journey. Mrs. Moore, hearing me moving, comes in with kindly inquiries and assistance, but, notwithstanding her kindness, I am glad when we steam off, leaving her on the platform.

Some more hours of snail-like travelling, and then, familiar scenes dawn upon me. Is it really only three or four months since I left them? I wonder,-it might have been three or four years, measuring time by their teminating terror and crouble.

As we enter the station, I lean from the

window, looking in vain for a home face. sad, is it my fancy, or do they regard me with mingled curiosity and pity? With a horrible dread at my heart, I desh brough them into the nearest cab, and, in strangely altered voice, beg the driver-an

old man I know well-to take me home I have not the courage to ask him a question, or even to look at his face, lest I should learn too much, and as we rattle round corners, and along familiar streets, I sit with closed eyes and throbbing heart, dreading

the first view of home. All too soon the cab slackens,-stops, and slowly I descend—backwards, in my awiul fear of what that first view may reveal. "Dora, my dear!" It is the chief's voice at my elbow, and it tells me nothing; but one glance at the lowered blinds, at Ag's face

on the steps, is enough. Darkness comes over me, and, with faltering feet and groping hands, I move towards Ag's outstretched arms,—that await me-

with that saddest of earth's sad moans. "Too late !Too late-too late!" Too late for a last word from the dear lips whereon death has set his eternal seal! Too late for a last look from the loving eyes -a last pressure of the beloved hand! Too late for a last hiss to sanctify my sorrow and soothe my after years! Too late to lond her, at the last, loving comfort of the least degree -to linger near her, yielding the many little

ministrations that make love's last offering. Too late-O God preserve me from second experience of the agony, the anguish of soul crowded into the meaning of those

two words | e | Too late! too late! they ring in my ears and rend my heart for hours after, maddening me, mocking me in my misery. Too late I ticks the old clock, in the hall. Too late! too late! chirps Ag's canary from its cage. Too late! purrs poor old puss rubbing me in welcome. Too late! too late! O heaven will it drive me mad?

"Take me to her, Ag," I cry, at last, and at once she leads me to her side. "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." Comfort-laden the words come to me as I look down upon the worn face so sweet and peaceful in its last sleep, on the restful figure so suggestive of the "rest that refor the beloved of God, on the

thin hands that lie so reposefully on her breast. I would not, if I might, bring her back; but oh! it is hard to let her go. Sinking on my knees, I press my lips to hers, so cold and still, and unresponsive. I kiss the cold hand that never more may toy

with my tangled looks as it loved to do, and the full sense of my desolation steals over "O mother, mother, mother!" the words die unuttered on my lips as the chief enters the room. A strong, strange reluctance to see him here possesses mc. Strange, yet

not strange, for had he not marred her Rising to my feet, I swiftly leave the room, encountering Vic in the hall. Poor Vic! my heart aches for him as I take in the utter dejection of his pale face, swollen eyes, and heavy step.

"Doll, O Doll !" he cries, then bites his lips to keep back the sobs that rack his Gently slipping my arm through his, I draw him into the dining-room, and try to to soothe him, to comfort him a little.

Then Ag joins us presently, calm and pale, her old sweet unselfish self, and gives me full details of the last few days. "She seemed so much better when we sent you the second telegram that we were full of hope," she concludes falter-Did she suffer much at the last?" ask.
"No, she went so quietly that, had it not

been for Mrs. Sutherland saying 'she is gone,' I should not have known it." "When was it, Ag?" "About three o'clock this morning," stifling a sob.

"All but Vic-poor Vic!" and she lays her arm tenderly about his neck. "Did she ask for me?" is my next ones.

"Many times-the last thing she said was Has Dora come yet?" It comforts me a little to hear it was so, although the tears rush airesh to my eyes, and prevents my seeing the entrance of Mrs. Sutherland.

"This is a sad home-coming, my dear," she says, taking me into her motherly arms, but we must remember she is taken away from the evil to come.' Almost prophetic her words seem later on, but there is small solace in them

Slowly the day drags on, bringing many to look their last upo 1 her face, and whisper words of condolence to those she leaves In the dusk of evening I kneel beside her flower-strewn couch, praying for patience to endure, and a portion of the great peace

that wraps her seems to communicate itself to me, and subdues and chastens me. A step disturbs me, and, looking up, I recognize the chief's figure-I cannot see The curtains shroud me from

view, and I do not speak.

Motionless, with folded arms, he stands there for a brief space, then bowing his there for a brief space, then cowing me head upon her pillow, gives utterance to such a heart-wrung remorseful groan that it melts me, and taking his hand in mine I whisper, "Papa, she is better off."

"Ay " he groans bitterly, "God forgive me." Drawing me to him he adds, "I need my children's forgiveness too, it is too late to ask their mother's!" and he weeps like a

Awed, and half-frightened, I murmur something I know not what, and it is with feelings of relief I hear voices at the He hastily quits the room by another doo as Mrs. Sutherland and Ag enters,

the latter bearing a beautiful white wrenth the gift of Will Stephens, she tells me. The following morning I send a few lines to Mrs. Accroft, and a brief explanation to the Department, after that every spare moment is passed, with Ag and Vic, beside our beloved dead. Deeply as we feel our loss, we do not realize it fully till after the funeral.

Ah me! what a blank is in our lives

How we miss the low voice, the sweet laugh, the gentle presence, words cannot

(To be continued.) A SCHOOLGIRL'S ROMANCE.

I suppose normal schoolgirls of the present generation are not radically different from these of my day. Human nature is the same all the world over, and normal schoolgirls are not exempt from pride of dress, o wealth, of superior beauty and of high social position. Sometimes they too plainly show their contempt for those less favorably situated. These reflections bring to mind a pale, delicate looking girl, in one of the lower classes, who was always shabbily dressed. Many of the girls looked down upon her, and in their forced intercourse greeted her coldly and almost discourteously. She was not a very bright scholar, and evidently maintained her position, which was always near the bottom of the class, by persistent and dogged effort. One day, in response to the daily roll call, "absent" was registered opposite her name, and it was several days before, inquiry being made as to the cause, her hisry became known. She was fatherless, and her poor, consumptive mother pinched and planned and worked and saved to keep her t school long enough to be graduated and obtain a teacher's certificate. The mother's feeble strength was insufficient to entirely provide for their maintenance, but she struggled on bravely, and the girl assisted her to bear life's heavy burden. They worked at shirt making, and every minute that could possibly be spared out of school hours was devoted to unremitting toil. was the cause of he insufficiently prepared lessons. The double strain was too much for her, however, and a virulent fever laid her low. When the truth became known there was a reaction in the class. The better and kindlier feelings of the girls were aroused and quickened into life, and when, paler and frailer than ever before, the object of their sometime pity and contempt returned to school, she received a greeting that brought the tears of grateful joy to her eyes. It is not strange that, cheered, strengthened and encouraged by the love and friendship of her classmates, the thorny path of learning had more of roses in it for her. She was never brilliant, but by patient and persistent study she was at last enabled to graduate. Her ambitious plans did not end here, however, and upon the death of her mother, about s year after, she obtained a position in the public school. She began, little by little, to save out of her scanty salary enough to take a course in medicine. She graduated with honor, and on the occasion of my last visit to a thriving New England town I met herthis pale, patient girl-now become a woman, honored, respected, and in the possession of a lucrative practice. Here is no isolated case. It is true that the same combination of circumstances may not have occurred to any other pupil, but a large precentage of the graduates earned their

selves or their parents.

liplomas by strict economy, hard work and

patient self-denial on the part either of them-

A HAPPY THOUGHT. Young wife to husband-"I don't see how we can get along this way much longer

Bills come in every day that we can't pay, and I am worried to death by them."

Husband (discouragingly)—"I'm sure I don't see what we can do. I have been on the wrong side of oil for three months now and couldn't buy enough crude stuff to blow meup

if I had to pay cash for it." Wife (happy with a bright idea)-" We might fly to Europe." Husband (admiringly)-"That's just it What a clever little woman you are. knew we couldn't swim there, the walk would be certain to be too damp, and we have no money to pay for a steamer passage. Now you have suggested the very thing. Suppose you get the wings ready to-day, and hustle around and procure feed enough to

carry us over," LEFT OUT THE POINT.

" I've been digging over my garden," said Brown, "and I'm all worn out." "Ah!" remarked Fogg; "a new variety of earthenware, ch?" Fenderson, who was present, thought it

was a mighty good joke, and, seeing Smith a short time afterwards, of course, had to "I say, Smith," said he, "Fogg just got off a neat thing. Brown was saying that he was all worn out digging in his garden, and Fogg asked him if it wasn't a new kind of crockery ware. What do you think of

"I don't see the point." "Darned if I do either, now; but I thought l did when Fogg told it."

Some of the blind can read five or six hours without feeling fatigued. They use both hands in reading, the right forefinger being used chiefly to separate the words and syllables, while the left forefinger recognizes

READING BY THE BLIND.

A NIHILIST CHOST.

So much has been said lately regarding the spirit world, and of warnings through super-natural agency, that I may be accused of writing on a worn out subject. However, in spite of this, it may interest many to hear the following strange occurrence which happened in a well known family some years ago, and which was related to me by my friend Mr. --, on the strict condition of my suppressing names and dates should I ever wish to repeat it.

I will tell you the story as near as possible in this gentleman's own words :-"Two or three months after marriage I took my young wife down to my place in the north of Scotland to spend the New Year, it having been a time honored custom in our family to do so. Though the weather was bitterly cold we all managed to enjoy ourselves, and my wife, who was the only lady amongst us, was in excellent spirits and the life of the party. Late in the evening of New Year's Day we gentlemen were amusing our-selves in the billiard room (it must have been nearly twelve o'clock), when I was sur-prised to hear Violet's voice calling me from above, she having retired some time before. On going up to her room, she informed me that she had been much astonished by hearing the tinkle of sledge bells, and that on opening her window she had seen one quickly approaching, drawn by a magnificent pair of lack horses, and that it had pulled up immediately under her window. It was a lovely moonlight night, so she had leant out to see if she could recognise the occupant of the

ledge. As she did so he raised his head and coked her straight in the face, when she discovered he was a perfect stranger. What Violet considered most extraordinary was, that on meeting her eye, he held up his left hand and shook his head solemnly, then giving rein to his horses rapidly disappeared down the avenue. My wife was naturally anxious to discover who this mysterious stranger could be, and had called me up to see if I knew. She described him as being quite young, but with snow-white hair, piercing black eyes, a black moustache, and completely wrapped in sables. I being well acquainted with all my neighbours far and near, felt quite certain that he was not one of them, and the only conclusion we could some to was that he was some visitor from town who wished to astonish the natives with such a hitherto unheard-of conveyance as a sledge. I asked her if she was quite sure she had not been dreaming, when she indignantly replied that she had never felt more wide awake in her life, having at the time been sitting up writing a most important letter. When I related my wife's story in the billiard room, one of my convivid friends suggested that we should all sally forth in a body and search the ground for the unfortunate beggar, who had no doubt lost his way, and would be glad to be given a drink. We all acted on this idea with alacrity, any small excitement always being coceptable in a country house. In the meantime the weather had completely changed, and it had commenced to snow heavily, which accounted satisfactorily for our not being able to discover traces of the sledge. soon got tired of the search, agreeing that the mysterious stranger had discovered he

was trespassing, and had made the best of his way home. The next day Violet appeared rather annoyed when we chaffed about her melancholy visitor of the previous night, and seeing that

in fact forgot it. That evening, as we men had just decided on separating for the night the door of the smokingroom burst open, and, to my intense surprise, my wife rushed in, her dressing gown thrown on, her hair all dishevelled and looking perfectly ghastly. She hardly seemed to know what she was doing, and when I enquired what on earth was the matter, sank into a chair, gasping out: "He has come again!" Seeing that she was really affected, I hastened to get her a glass of wine, and begged her to give me full particulars. It appears that she had gone to bed, and had slept soundly until awakened by the sound of approaching sledge bells, then starting up, had thrown on her dressing gown and rushed to the window, where she discovered the sledge had been brought to a standstill at exactly the same spot as on the previous night. On her appearance the driver, looking up at her steadfastly, had raised his hand and shaken his head in precisely the same warning manner as before. Not waiting for more, and filled with nameless terror, the poor little woman had rushed down to me in this excited condition. We all felt most indignant at what we began to think was a very impertinent practical joke, and, confiding my wife to the care of her maid, rushed out with the intention of finding and making it hot for the perpetrator. We ran out eagerly; the night was clear and frosty, the ground was covered with snow. although none had fallen since the morning, and I confess that I experienced quite a shock when, on arriving beneath my wife's window, we discovered the snow was com-

pletely undisturbed, and there was not the faintest trace of anything having passed that way. We all returned to the house some what subdued, and talked the matter well over, when we came to the conclusion that there must be something queer about the affair, as it was absurd to imagine that my sensible little wife could be the victim of any such delusion. Therefore we unanimously decided on keeping a watch in the billiard room - which was immediately beneath Violet's room-on the following night, and wait for what might occur. In the meantime we had agreed not to mention the subject to my wife, and the next day, she not appearing at all inclined to introduce it,

things went on much as usual. Some time after she had retired for the night, we, being fortified with sundry glasses of hot toddy, repaired to the billiardre commence our vigil, where we turned down the gas and drew up the blinds, and were all on the qui vive for anything that might happen. The silence was becoming monotonous, when suddenly it was broken by a piercing shriek, and the sound of a heavy fall. Rushing up to my wife's room, from whence it had proceeded, I found her extended on the floor in a dead faint, still in her evening dress, with her window wide open. It was a long time before her maid, whom I found in the room, could restore her to consciousness. and even then she seemed almost delirious, and kept wailing out, "Why does he come? What does he mean?"

The maid afterwards informed me that she had been requested by her mistress to remain in her room with her until her master came up, and she had stated she did not intend undressing until then. Her lady had stood wrapped in a shawl for a long time at the vindow, and appeared to be listening intently for something she expected. Sud-denly she had given a violent start, and eaning out of the window, had excitedly called the maid to her side, and asked her in a trembling voice whether she could not see anything coming up the avenue or hear the tinkle of bells. It was a still moonlight night, almost as light as day, but the maid, a bright, intelligent girl, declared she could see or hear nothing, and had only just turned from the window when she was porrified to see her mistress stagger backwards and fall fainting to the ground. The violent shock that my wife had received to her nervous system resulted in a long and serious illness, and as soon as she could be moved I took her on the continent, where she shortly recovered her health and spirits. We neither of us ever alluded to the cause of word. It is more than ample. Good mornher illness, she feeling peculiarly sensitive on the subject, and resenting my having treated

it as an hallociration. Town,n as pur nely forgotten by us both. I did not consider to judicious to spend the coming New Year in Scotland, and we therefore egreed on a y ng a long-promised visit to St. Petersioner w I had many intimate friends in and a mint circles. On our arrival they all vel with each other in showing as hospital wife was immensely admired, and her viv and wit made her very popular. Just b fore our intended departure one of leaders of or my stranged a bail in our honor, to which

Violet looked forward with great pleasure, and made most elaborate preparations. We n the night of this fete arrived, and my vif. entered the room dressed for the bull, I thought I had never som her lack so levely,

with that look of jayour amicipation on her countenance that a becatiful woman always wears when she is sure of her triump is. During our short drive to the Hot ! -our destination, sag amused me by her almost childish anticipation of the coming enjoyment. On arriving there she ascended the steps on my arm, still laughing and chatting saily, but just as we were about to enter the door she surned her head as if violently startled. I felt her trembling from head to foot, her face was deadly pale, and her eyes were fixed on the spot from which our carriage had just moved. On my enquiring the reason of her agitation, she excitably exclaimed, "Look thera!" pointing to the foot of the steps. When I declared I saw nothing, she seemed completely unnerved, and implored me to take her home. Poor Violet clung to me closely, passionately exclaiming that if I did not do so at once she knew she would die, and, finding remons rance only increased her distress. I thought it best to do as she wished. Whilst in the carriage I could not get an explanation, as my wife seemed thoroughly prostrate, and on our arrival I had to support her into her room. There, when she appeared better, I requested her to explain her extraordinary conduct. In an awed, almost seared voice Violet informed me that on entering the Hotel -- she had heard the sound of sledge balls, and on turning to see who had arrived, had perceived the same mysterious man who had caused her so much terror the previous year in Scotland. There he was, wrapped in his heavy sables, and using the same warning gestures. I tried to reason with her and impress upon her the great offence her absence would probably cause on such an occasion. For some time she was quite impracticable, but seeing at last how much in earnest I was, my dear little wife evidently made a great effort and consented to acture with me, All the same I felt quite grieved to notice what change this strange occurrence had made in her, the shrinking, pais lady I was now conducting to the carriage being indeed a very different person to the brilliant, jorons beauty of a shore time before. Just as we

the ground (it was supposed by Nihilists), and not a soul there had escaped. TWO APOLOGIES.

were about to set foot in the carriage a

terrible explosion was heard, and a lew

minutes later the fearful news had circulated

through the city that the Hotel —, where the ball was being given, had been blown to

BY LUKE SHARP. There is an hotel in London that is of immensa size. Its corribors ouths to have street-cars running along them. Each cor-ridor has a window at the end, and, as you stand at the other end and look at it, is seems it was not welcome we soon dropped the sub- half a mile away. All the room doors are exactly alike, and a person needs his faculties about him when the halls are well lis to find the particular den he is paying for. I was domiciled on the fourth floor. A friend who had a room a few floors nearer the ground gave a sort of on "at home" one evening and I was one of the guests. I have no likes what time it was when we got through, but the upper halls were very silent, dark and deserted. It was so late that I was not quite sure on which side of the hall my room was situated, and as to the number of it-that had become ancient history long before. After a vain search I made up my mind that I had either to sleep in the half or go down stairs and wake somebody up, or try in which door my key fitted. I proferred to sleep in the hall rather than go down and up these stairs, so I started at about where I thought my room was, and tried the key. Some doors had keys on the other side, some a rain did not suit the key I had, and from behind other doors came low growis of sleepy disapproval that caused me to desist. At last I struck the door and it opened. I had no matches and couldn't find any in the room. I found the bed, tumbled in, and went to

sleep. Some time later I became conscious that another fellow was trying my game. "Who's there?" I cried "Open ze door, he answered. I opened it and he staggered in. He held a lighted canale in his hand and it seemed

his head and his necktie was round under his aar. "Now what the old Harry do you want?" I asked.

ing about. Don't you see it's my room? Didn't you notice that the porter was drunk?' "Thash zo, thash zo; I notice shat. Ash we 'er coming up I notish he's drunk. Shay, old fel, under shirkum - sirkum - kum -

shay t'nozer zhentleman's shorey and begyer "Certainly, that's all right. Your room's in the next block. Good night."

"Good night; shawl right under shirk-stanshes—shawl right; Pologine, ye know, Eh? One zhentleman—" I woke up pretty late that morning, and found that after all I was in somebody else's room. Things appear clearer in the morning than they do late at night when a person is tired. I saw that it I had had presence of mind enough to look at the round brass tag that was attached to my key I would have seen the number of my room on it. I looked the door of the room I had occupied and went to my own apartment, which was some fifteen doors farther down. There was a key in the outside and the door was unlesked. opened it and recognized the fellow who had roused me up in the night, lying on my

ing very crumpled. He started up as I en-"I beg you pardon," I said, "but you are occupying my room."

"Really," he answered, looking very sheepish and astonished. "Well, I'm very sorry, I'm sure. I don't know how such mistake could have occurred. I think the porter left me here. The fact is, you see, I was out with some friends last night I presume you see how the mistake occurre l. My key must have fitted your door. I hope you

have happened to anybody." "You are very good, and I thank you. I will get up at once.'

Oh, thank you; nothing. If you don't mind I will take another nap.

"My dear fellow, don't say another

to be very late indeed with him. He had on a dress coat, his hat was well back on

"Beggur pardon, shur; do, indeed; but "shee th' porter says shis ish my room." " The porter doesn't know what he's talk-

stanches, ye know, all one zhendeman can

bed with his dross suit still on and look-

will pardon the intrusion-it is really inexcusable, but I hope-" "Don't mention it. It's all right. Might

"Don't do anything of the kind. Is there anything I can do for you?"

"The room is quite at your disposal."
"Thank you again. If my apology is not as coherent as it should be I hope that

The cleaning or grooming, which should be done at night, consists first in currying the horse with the carrycomb to free him of the dirt adhering to the bair, and which, being now dry, is easily removed. A wisping of straw removes the roughest of the dirt loosened by the currycomb. The legs ought to be thoroughly wisped, not only to make them clean, but to dry up any moisture that may have been left in the evening; and at this time the feet should be picked clean by the foot-picker-i. c., an iron instrument made for the purpose—of any dirt adhering between the shoe and the foot. The brush is then to be used to remove the remaining and finer portions of dust from the hair, which is cleared from the brush by a few rasps along the currycomb. This wisping and brushing. if done with some force and dexterity, with a combing of the tail and mane, should render the horse pretty clean, but there are more ways of grooming a horse than one, as may be witnessed by the careless and skimming way in which many hired bands do it. The skin of the farm horse should at all times be clean if not sleek, and a slap of the hand upon the horse will show if there is loose dust in the hair. The currycomb should not be used below the knees, as it is apt to cause injury. For cleaning the legs and feet, nothing is better than the water-brush; and when fitting a horse for the show-yards, it may also be used on the body with water, or even a little kerosene, but the latter is not required for common cleanliness, but merely to impart a temporary gloss. How many farmers can say that their

horses are cleaned as thoroughly as we have advised in the above? How much longer would horses live, work, and remain healthy if the above suggestions were put into practice? These are questions which it will be well to consider and answer at leisure. - Far-

Waste Matter Utilized.

THE FAT OF SHEEP'S WOOL TO BE A FAC-TOR OF COMMERCIAL WEALTH.

In a recent paper read before the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, attention was called to a process of utilizing the fat from the sheep's wool. The discovery of this process, which was patented by Professor Dubreich in 1883, it is stated, will cause to be utilized millions of pounds of wool fat which was formerly waste material, and will undoubtedly cause the founding of an important industry. The amount of fat contained in merino wool cut from unwashed sheep is stated to be sixty per cent., and the average amount of fat in common wools is placed at forty-five per cent. The price of this product, which has been named lanolin, is now four shillings per pound, and mostly imported. It confidently stated that it will ultimately be used as cheap lard. The chief use of lanolin is as a base for ointments and salves for allaying pain. The chief superiority of this over other similar substances, such as vaseline, glycerine, and parastine ointments, is that it will contain a larger percentage of water than any other, as it carries fully 105 per cent, or more than its own weight of water. It is stated that this product was known to ancients, and is mentioned by Ovid, Herodotus, and Pliny. The above discovery if it succeeds in all that is claimed for it will be undoubtedly a great boon to humanity. The advantages which will be gained by wool manufacturers are various, and will no doubt result in cheapening their finished product. In connection with the matter of utilizing waste products it will be remembered that vaseline, a product which it is stated may be supplanted by this new discovery, was a similar product of waste matter, being the residue of petroleum. It is confidently believed that all disputes about wool as for instance the one about Donskoi wool will be rendered impossible of occurrence. In order to obtain the product all wools will be scoured, and therefore unwashed wools as a subject of dispute, so far as the wool trade is immediately concerned, will be a thing of the past .- Brad-

An enterprising reporter, writing up a wreck at sea, stated that no less than four of the crew and passengers bit the dust.

The sea-cow (Rhytina gigas), a large but harmless animal, some thirty-five feet in length, and from three to four tons in weight, was quite abundant in the waters which wash the shores of Alaski and Kamschatka, about the middle of the last century. The creature has now become totally extinct, though it was to be met with in considerable herds as lately as 1741. A fine skeleton of a specimen has lately been procured from Behrings's Island for the British Museum. For more than half a century naturalists

have entertained the theory that the phosphorescence of certain sea animals pointed them out as prey to others. Mr. W. C. McIntosh, however, who presided over the biological section of the British Association at the Aberdeen meeting, declared that there were no trustworthy data for the foundation of a theory as to the function of luminosity in animals, particularly so far as food is con-cerned. "No phosphorescent form is more generally devoured by fishes or other animals than that which is not; and, on the other hand, the possessor of luminosity, if otherwise palatable, does not seem to escape capture.' The same naturalist says one of the most striking instance of phosphorescence in living fishes is that of the luminous shark (squalus fulgens). "This is a small dark-coloured shark, which was captured, on two or three occasions, at the surface of the sea. It emitted, without irritation, a vivid, greenish luminosity, as it swam about at night; and it shone for some hours after death." The phenomenon, in this case, is ascribed to a secretion of the skin of the shark.

Bacilius of Consumption .- Dr. Cantani having in mind the fact that the bacillus of consumption is destroyed when other bacteria are grown in the same soil, has proposed to eradicate consumption by introducing into the system other bacilli which are injurious only to the germs of the disease. If an organ of the body be attacked by a bacillus dangerous to human life, he would introduce another, harmless to man but fatal to the destructive bacillus. In the case of a consumptive patient, Dr. Cantani introduced a harmless organism, known as the Bacterium termo, and found that the Bacillus tuberculosis gradually disappeared from the patient's expectorations. The widespread desolation wrought by consumption is more than sufficient to urge the strongest effort on the part of the medical fraternity to discover a successful treatment It may be possible that the suggestion will bear fruits of the greatest importance. We bear fruits of the greatest importance. We hope, at least, that it will receive careful in-

"All But," is the title of a new novel. The hero is not, as some might infer, a William Dun's and Debt.

BY GROSVENOR BUNSTER, We often think, when reading ancedotes about the pecuniary difficulties and ingenious devices to escape them, which attach to the biographies of so many historical people, that the laughter with which we greet the story is but a sorry echo of the misery and despair by which the heroes thereof were prostrated. When we grin over the tricks with which Sheridan, and D'Orsay, and Theodore Hook, and Leigh Hunt, and poor old half-imbecile Brummell fought the dun and jockeyed the baliff, we are not apt to take account of the shame, disgust, and weariness of spirit with which the hunted debtor must have been afflicted. For look you-debt is no laughing matter. To an honourable man it is the one most terrible feature of modern civilisation. All else can be borne-hunger, cold, destitution even; but he who loves his honour has no philosophy to aid him in bearing the shame of debt and the torture of owing. And yet as this world wags, it is not easy to escape the responsibilities of the debtor and the penalties of owing. If you be rich, you run accounts with your tradesmen for the sake of convenience, and are properly fleeced; for be sure of this, your butcher or baker or candlestick maker does not3keep a bookeeper for the accommodation of well-to-do folk without making well-to-do folk pay his salary some way or another. Yes, sir, you have to pay for booking, and oute right too, since the tradesman takes a risk which in honest philosophy he should not be called upon to incur, and he lies out of his money for some time, and, of course, they who cause this should pay proper interest. But this credit system is not unfortunately confined in its operation to the rich classes. If it were, all would be well, and the miseries of duns and debts would, comparatively speaking, be unknown. But there is a large class in society, the members of which are possessed of small means, but are, nevertheless, compelled to make a certain show or pretence of prosperity. We all know these people, and can pity them—the more that these feeble attempts to play the grand Seigneur are so impotently transparent, so woeful a sham. These are the people we know as genteel." God help them. There is no section of the complex hodge-podge called society, so thoroughly deserving of pity; not, indeed, because of the dignity or truth which they display in their strenuous attempts to hide the skeleton and substitute a substantial lay figure of fiction, but because of their pathetic efforts at "make-believe." De Simpkins, the civil servant, who resides in a fashonable suburb, has a wife who is remotely related to a noble lord. Herein we may well cry, "Heaven help De Simpkins!" A woman who is remotely allied to a noble lord may be very properly admired at a distance, and as a species of social abstraction wholly unrealisable to the ordinary perception. But to him who is her husband-ah, she is a hard nut to crack. Would you have such a woman go a marketing like a carpenter's wife? Would you require a lady in whose veins the blue blood of the Howards' flows, to keep petty accounts of receipts and expenditure. Alas! poor De Simpkins may at one time have suggested such dreadful matters to his aristocratic wife and daughters, but he has long since ceased to encourage such ignoble ideas. Noblesse oblige, although you

many are there at this hour who would be the happiest people in the world were this terrible burden taken from their shoulders. But they go on, struggling manfully with the monster-who sucks their life blood, and drains their marrow; for rest certain that the debt of the majority means the profit of the few. How else do the hordes of human sharks and leeches in this city fatten and prosper? Alas! 'tis a sorry spectacle.
In an American paper read the other day very good article on the effect of debt on health. To the least reflection this is apparent. There is no mental worry more terrible to an honourable man than debt. And as we may safely infer-despite the dyspeptic cipricism of satirists—that most men honourable (either of nature or in obedience to the laws of society) so we may readily understand the large share which debt takes in filling the cemeteries and bringing affluence to the doctors and undertakers. If you know a man who is ever ready with a laugh, who whistles as he walks, or sings to his children and is all sunshine at home as well as abroad, you may give level odds that such a man is not in debt. Of course there are some people-ave who pose as gentlemen too, notwithstanding their frequent patronage of the Insolvency Court-who could laugh and sing with the halter round their neck. But such people, notwithstanding their veneer of refinement and culture are mere brutes, of coarse moral grain, and wholly unable to appreciate the value of self respect

may not have more than three hundred per

annum to carry out your view of the maxim,

you must hold your own in society, sir, for the sake of your family, and so, poor wretch, you must go through life and down to the

grave stretched on the rack of duns and debt.

At this moment, as I write thus loosely, how

despair, lost to hope, deprived of energy,

and spotlessness of conscience. peeple are exceptions. The man in debt is, as a rule, the man of misery; of mental and physical ill-health. The man-who like Longfellow's Village Blacksmith can

"Look the whole world in the face, For he owes not any man."

is the man of happiness and content. bright and cheery in himself and towards others. Such men as these last are not uncommon. To be sure they live humbly. Their women-kind do not strain after the fashions. Their wives go to market and pay ready money for their wares. Their daughters can turn their old dresses so deftly that the most cunning criticism can scarce tell them from new. The breadwinner himself wears a well worn coat, and perhaps, patched boots, but with a manly hearty air that defics the sneers of swelldom. He can snap his fingers at his neighbor, who is always giving "little suppers" and whose wife and children are decked out in the finest of feathers but who, also, is for ever in the bands of Melchesedeck and Judah the eminent financiers. He at any rate is happy and this surely is the summum bonum. His secret is an open one. Anyone is welcome to it. It is, as he will tell you, in only buying what you can pay cash for, and in avoiding debt as you would old Scratch himself.

But what is all this—gossip—this carrying of coal to Newcastle, this heralding that the Dutch have taken Holland ? Nay, be patient, It is our way to gossip awhile ere we point the moral and adorn the tale with an example. We are, Messieurs et Mesdames fresh from an illustration of a system which we rejoice to believe must soon strangle the demons of debt and duns. At anyrate it is a social and commercial reform which must largely weaken the influence of those terrible monsters. This revolution is indicated in a growing public appreciation of what is the eash system of trading, under the operation of which the purchaser is relieved from all temptation to incur lebt (since credit is not given) but is enabled to purchase at prices which are so greatly below credit charges, that he is in a position to buy more, and better goods, for considerably less money than he could purchase fewer and worse if booked to him. The plan is a mutual benefit to seller and buyer. The former turns his money over quickly, and is put to no risk; the latter buys at a cheaper rate and is put to no torture of debt. The method exhibits the feasibility of practically enforcing moral lines of conduct. If by general consent, n system is destroyed by which the weak and foolish are induced to obtain goods upon credit-for which, in nine cases out of ten, they have no real necessity—and a method substituted by which they should

be compelled to limit their purchases to their cash resources, surely a great social good would be done. And as bearing upon this,

we shall presently touch upon the pernicious system of "Time Payments," at present so falsely popular in this country, a system, as we have no hesitating in affirming, causes more misery and trouble than any that could arise from want of articles obtained under its operation. At present however, we would refer to the notable illustration of the sound character of the cash system of doing business which is, to our thinking, afforded by the establishments of Mr. W. Chipperfield the well known ironmonger of 101 Elizabeth St. Melbourne, and Swan Street Richmond. We have selected this exemplification of our views, because it happens that for some eighteen years, this gentleman has been in business, and has thoroughly tested the value of the system of cash payments. Long ago he recognised the circumstance that credit involved a species of dishonor. The man who looks to his credit customers, not unnaturally provides against possible, and even probable bad debts, by clapping on 20 or 30 per cent upon goods sold to cash buyers. This is obviously unfair, but it is almost a recognised plan of self defence adopted by tradesmen vho give credit. Now Mr. Chipperfield does not believe in these tricks. Content to make a reasonable profit upon his goods, he is determined to do a safe trade. By this means all customers are served on an equitable basis. The builder, the family,-all who need ironmongery, whother their requirements be large or small, are dealt with on the principal of eash on delivery. There is no remote prospect of lawyer's letters or County Court actions, in dealing with Mr. Chipperfield. The transaction is resolved into its simplest elements. What you want, you can buy at lowest prices for cash. There the matter ends. How many are there now, in this great city, who would have insured peace and content had they early recognised the wisdom of adopting this plan of life, instead of sacrificing their happiness, their health, and not seldom their labor, on the altar of Debt! And it is in the hope that many a young couple starting in life may read this article and be led by its plain teaching to avoid duns and debt, that we emphasise the virtues of the system which Mr. Chipperfield (in common with many others) practises in the conduct of his business. Anybody dealing with this wise tradesman must of necessity be impressed with the solidarity of his affairs; because it is evident that when a man gives no credit, and only sells for cash, he must build up his house upon substantial foundations. It may not be such an impossing or palatial structure as those we so often behold tumbling about the ears of their owners, but it is built to resist storm and stress of weather; it stands firm in the

midst of the ruin which may surround it. Those then who are about to marry-and that sort of thing is always going on-should consider this system of cash payment. They should carefully avoid the temptations of credit. Many a home has been wrecked by yielding, in the confidence of youth and hope, to the temptations and facilities of credit. They who would have domestic peacewhich is better than fine clothes or grand furniture-should start life resolved to pay as they go. The young bride, for instance, who desires to furnish her kitchen with its necessary ironmongery, should buy only what she can pay for-even though she may have to lack a saucepan or two for a brief time, But this contingency is not likely. Cash payments mean low prices-and she can therefore afford to purchase more for cash than for double the amount in credit. Of course there are other places where this system rules, and in which its beneficent results are many thousands are there in this great city realised; we only refer to Mr. Chipperfield's of Melbourne plunged in the depths of case because we happen to have inspected his magnificent stock of goods, and listened to a ation of the principles upor which his business has been built up. And in the listening, the idea (and ideas are the abstractions which we scribblers are for ever striving after) occurred to us of having our

say upon Duns and Debt. We referred just now to the time-payment system. My dear sir, who are about to "settle down," don't go in for this time-payment system. It is a delusion and a snare. It looks an easy matter to pay ten or fifteen shillings per week for goods -the value of which by the way, are usually fifty per cent. below prices charged. But so thinks the poor fool who borrows money "on a little bill," which that accommodating personage, Mr. Shadra Abednego, turns into cash. Ah I that little bill! Many the grey hair and wrinkle have grown out of a little bill thus negotiated. So with your time-payment purchases. They are never your own. If sickness or misfortune overtake you, you realise this very quickly. Your past payments go for naught, and you find the bland, courteous and obliging gentleman who supplied you, has now become the sternest and most irreconcilable of creditors. No-pay for what you get, and put up with a little inconvenience until you are able to remedy it in a sensible and safe way. Don't go into debt on any consideration. Practice a wise philosophy and plan of life. Pay cash at a cash establishment such as his, and so at once achieve the ownership of your purchases, and a position of perfect independence of these grim destroyers of peace and happines-Duns and

Inoculation as a Preservative against Consumption.

M. Verneuil has lately published a letter to the editor of the Gazette Hebdomidaire, M. Lereboullet, in which he proposes to set on foot an experimental inquiry into the possibility of finding some method of "attenuating" the presumed virus of tubercle, so as to make inoculation therewith practically useful against consumption, either as a prophylactic measure, like vaccination against smallpox, or as a means of cure, like Pasteur's inoculations in hydrophobia.

Three thousand francs have already been subscribed, and the respectable names of Cornil, Bouchard, Damaschino, and Potain are mentioned among those who approve of the

investigation. It must, however, be remembered (1) that with the exception of hydrophobia, an exception still on trial, no human disease but small pox is known which can be prevented by inocuation; (2) that of epizootic diseases, anthrax is only in certain cases guarded against by Pasteur's attenuated virus; (3) that the dependence of consumption on Koch's Bacillus tuberculosis is far from established; (4) that its fatality is very far below that of smallpox or hydrophobia, and its treatment far

Consumption is the most important disease of temperate climates, both by its prevalence, its mortality, and its incidence on young adults; so that the sacrifice of a few rabbits or cats for even a remote chance of controllng its ravages is well justified. But the chance is, we fear, remote.—Nature.

Swiss Treatment of Consumption. An interesting report is given of the experiments made by Dr Albrecht on consumptive patients in a hospital at Berne, Switzerland These experiments were made with a view to ascertaining the effect of oxygen inhalation on the development of phthisis, and whether by increasing the rate of organic combustion by this means, the bacterium of phthisis had been discharged with certainty on several occasions. The patients were first submitted to an appropriate highly-nutritious diet, consisting of milk and poptine, and twice a week they were weighed with great care. It was observed that, as soon as the oxygen inhalations began, the daily loss of weight was checked, and in some cases the weight increased, dyspnca disappeared, and the micros-

cope showed fewer bacteria. The most extraordinary incident of absent-mindedness is told of a clergyman, who forgot what he was about in the middle of a prayer and sat down. In a moment he arose, and, pointing to the amazed congregation, said : "Oh! by the way, amen,"

Science.

Bicycle-riding, like roller-shating, has produced a new class of disease. It is an affection of the spine and kidneys, resulting from the continual jar of the machine. In every instance it can be traced to the wheel. It exists only, however, in men of feeble organization and non-elastic constitution. They have no business taking violent exercise of any kind.

Paper Pipes In Vienna, there were recently exhibited gas and water service pipes made of paper. The same kind of pipes will do for many factory purposes, and for laying electrical wires. The pipes are made as follows: Strips of paper are taken, the width of which corresponds with the length of one sipe section. The paper is drawn through nelted asphalt, and wound upon a mandrel that determines the inner diameter of the pipe, When the pipe thus made has cooled t is pulled off the mandrel, and the inside is covered with a kind of enamel, whose nature s kept secret by the makers. The outside s painted with asphalt varnish, and dusted over with sand. It is stated that such a pipe will resist some 2,000 pounds internal pressure, though the thickness of the stuff is only about half an inch. This might be a good thing for hydraulic pipes out in the Western mining regions. The Preservation of Wood.-Lo Génie

Civil says: M. Lostat, a French contractor preserves wood of all kinds by piling the wood in a trench or trough, covering it with quicklime, and sprinkling with water. The ime water not only preserves the wood from decay, but makes it harder and stronger. M. Macion proposes to preserve wood by injectthe following antiseptic liquors : 1st. A solution of 156 grams of arsenic acid, and 3,600 grms of phenicacid in 100 liters of water. 2nd. A solution of 10,600 grams of ferrous sulphate in 100 liters of water; after having prepared the wood for the injection by the action of a steam-jet. Origin of Sulphur in Coal.-M. Dicule-

fra't has been inquiring why there is so much sulphur in stone coal, and why there is so little of free alkaline carbonates in the ashes. For this purpose, he has analyzed the surviving species of the families of the coal plants particularly the Equisctacea, and has found in them a greater than usual proportion of sulphuric acid. Hence he deduces, as the answer to his questions, that the coal plants were more highly charged with sulphur than most existing plants, and that for that reason their alkaline constitutents assumed the forms of sulphates instead of carbonates.

Asphalted Jute.-According to the Journal de Fabricants des Papier, a material called asphalted jute is being largely employed in Germany for covering roofs, for isolating damp walls and floors, and for preventing bad odors from reaching apartments situated over tables, etc. It consists of strong jute cloth coated with specially-prepared asphaltum, and covered on each side with strong asphaltum-coated paper. In order to obtain a very compact product the whole is submitted to a very strong pressure.

Pine Oil.-Oil from pine wood is now manufactured on a considerable scale in the South. The material is subjected to intense heat in scaled retorts, and one cord of it is said to yield fifteen gallons of turpentine, eighty gallons of pine wood oil, fifty bushels of charcoal, one hundred and fifty gallons of wood vinegar and a quantity of inflammable gas and asphaltum.

Oriental Lacquer.—Japanese lacquer ware, known the world over as the most superb for beauty and quality, is made from lacquer furnished by the sap of the Rhus vernicifera, a tree cultivated especially for this product. It is a dirty, gray, vi liquid which is refined by straining and decantation. It is absolutely necessary for the lacquered articles to be dried in a damp atmosphere to ensure the requisite hardness.

A Use for Cork .- A German inventor has utilized cork in the manufacture of fancy articles by a novel process. Powdered cork is mixed with starch and water, and the mass kneaded while boiling hot until thoroughly mixed; it is then poured into moulds, and afterwards dried at a very high temperature.

"De Lesseps says that England is supporting eighty-two million cattle, sheep, and hogs upon cereals she herself raises, while she imports flour from America to feed her

Remedy for Croup.—Take the white of an egg, stir it thoroughly into a small quantity of sweetened water and give it in repeated doses until a cure is affected. If one egg is not sufficient, a second, or even a third should be used.

Approaching Extinction of the Lion. hen we hear that the lion of the desert is threatened with extinction, we cannot regret the circumstances, king though he be of animals. Sportsmen and zoologists may lament, but others cannot, when we hear that the Government of Algeria is paying a high premium (2*l*, a head) for lions killed in that country, and within the last eleven years a sum of 400% has been paid in this way, telling of 200 lions destroyed. The lion of the desert is, in act, becoming a thing of the past -Newcastle Chronicle.

A new method of disposing of the human body after death has been proposed by Kergovatz, a chemist of Baest. His system is an antiseptic one, stated to be much simpler and less expensive than the old process of embalming, and is nothing more than a new galvanoplastic application. The body is coated with a conducting substance, such as plumbago, or it is conted with a solution of nitrate of silver, which, after decomposition under the influence of sunlight, leaves a finely divided deposit of metallic silver. It is then placed in a bath of sulphate of copper, and connected for electrolysis with several cells of a gravity or other battery of constant current. The result is that the body is encased in a skin of copper, which prevents further change or chemical action. If desired, this may again be plated with gold of silver, according to the taste or wealth of the friends of the dead. M. Kergovatz has employed the process eleven times on human subjects and on many animals, and states that in all cases it was perfectly satisfactory.

What Killed the Meeting.—Brethren, said Deacon Greatfaith, "there is always one way by which you can lesson your burden of care one half. " How is that?" asked Parson Speakwell. "Weigh it on Brother Sinte's

all the spirituality of that prayer meeting went away on furlough. "My dear." said an anxious wife to her husband, who is running for office, " we must economize in every possible way." "I do economize," he replied. "Yes," she said, bitterly, "you spend ten or fifteen dollars a day in treating a lot of bar-room loafers to

beer and whisky just to get them to vote for Do you call that economy? Certainly; that's political economy." In the reporter's room: Scrawley-"I ay, lend me five, will you?" Scribbler-Would in a minute, but I haven't it. Ask

Squibb: he has plenty of money." Scrawley

-" Why, where did he get it?" Scribbler -" He's stopped drinking." She (to young man who has somewhat gloomy vein)—"Aren't you in a somewhat gloomy vein)—"Aren't you in a somewhat gloomy vein)—" Mr. L——?" Mr. She (to young man who has been talking something of a pessimist, Mr. L-?" L—"I beg pardon." She—"Aren't you something of a pessimist!" Mr. L.—N-no; I'm a bicyclist."

"That young Bilkins is irrepressible." exclaimed old Hotbox, referring to Maud's young man; "he positively won't be sat down upon." "Oh, yes, he will," put in little Willie; "ask Maud if he won't." "Willie," said Maud, blushing, "you may Boys' Column.

The Rearing of Puppies. BY FRANKLIN SATTERTHWAITE,

SINCE the introduction of dog shows in this country, some years back, and the consequent large increase of dogs of various breeds, from the courtly St. Bernard to the shivering little black and-tan terrier, it has fallen to the lot of many young people to become dog owners.

There is something especially delightful to a boy to be the possessor of some live animal, and to know that its well-doing depends upon his care. The novelty of a responsibility of this kind seemingly causes the average boy to grow two inches taller in a night, and to make his jacket a tight fit around his chest when he puts it on in the morning. It then behaves the young owner to learn how to care for his pet, so that it may enjoy the best of health, and be a safe companion and always ready for a romp. Even if he cannot assume the entire charge of his dog, every boy should inform himself as to how it should be looked after in his absence, and be able to give his directions accordingly. Too often ignorance on the subject of proper canine care consigns the pet to the charge of some servant equally ignorant, and far more indifferent, if not actually cruel. If the pleasure of being the owner of one

s great, how much more so when she presents

her young master with a family of fuzzy puppies! The first visit to the little strangers one full of curiosity. He almost wonders the little balls of yarn are about to unwind, and can hardly resist handling them. This he must not do on any account. for it is very injurious to the youngsters. Yet when it is absolutely necessary, they may be lifted by the back of the neck. If your dog, which we will suppose to be a setter, has become the mother of a large family, say ten or a dozen puppies, the young owner must decide from her condition and supply of milk how many of them she can well care for. If she is strong and vigorous, she may be able to raise nine or ten of them; but five or six strong, well-nourished puppies are more apt to turn out well than a larger lot only half cared for and half fed. In such cases, when the mother is only of moderate size and strength, yet the possessor of a large family, the sickly and scrawny puppies should be turned over to a foster-mother or destroyed; for it will be far more satisfactory in the long-run to see a small family full of strength and fun being brought up under a bealthy mother's care than twice the number devoid of life and spirit. Having provided a comfortable bed for

the mother and puppies in a place with plenty of ventilation, yet free from draughts, see that the mother has lukewarm milk and small feeds of thin ontmeal gruel or broth six or seven times a day. She should not be given solid food for several days after the supplies are born, but pure water at all times should be within her reach. On the second day take her out for a short walk, and every day increase the distance and time of separation from her puppies, until she is herself again. During this period give her a liberal supply of the most nutritious food, such as milk and scraps from the table. She may be given portions of beef soup occasionally if she shows signs of becoming thin. - In fact, the health of the puppies hinges on the welfare of the mother, and her general health should receive the greatest attention. If her strength fails, then tonics will be required to build her If, on the other hand, she is over fat and lazy, then an occasional tablespoonful of

eastor-oil or a small dose of sulphate of magnesia will be of benefit to her. The puppies when about nine days old begin to blink and open their eyes. They bad plan then to have an old piece of carpet stretched near the nest, which will enable them to creep about easily. At this time puppies are sometimes subjected to various ailments. At their young age it is best to leave to nature the remedy of the evil, or correct their disorder through their mother. Still, bad cases of diarrhoea in puppies can be checked by letting them suck the finger, which has been dipped in milk thickened with prepared chalk. Puppies, too, at a very age are preved upon by parasites. These are lice fleas, and ticks. When signs of these are found, the youngsters should be washed with Spratt's patent dog soap, and a new bed provided. But it is best to prevent an occurrence

free from these irritating pests before the puppies are born. When the puppies are between two and three weeks old, they may be taught to est bread and milk and lap a little gravy. In all instances, milk given to the puppies should have first been boiled. As the pupples grow older, their diet may be changed to oatmeal porridge, etc. Still, on no account should hey be weaned until they are six weeks old if the mother continues to have a good supply of milk. The weaning process should be gradual, removing the mother from her young in the warmest portion of the day, and then increasing her time of separation until she is only allowed to remain with them at night and then keeping her away altogether.

of this kind by securing a clean kennel in the

first place, and by seeing that the mother is

The puppies after their separation from their mother usually look the worse for wear, and presenta woe-be-gone appearence, accord ing to their several dispositions. "Smarty" tries to escape from his kennel by clambering out of a window five feet from the ground. "Stupid" sticks out his tiny strip of red flannel, dignified by being called a tongue, and boo-hoos, "Stuffy" tries to suck the end of his tail, and poor little "Runty" gives way to despair, and hides his head in a corner, amid heart-rending squalls.

Frequent visions of broth, stale bread, mush thinned with new milk, and later on big bones to bite on, with scraps of lean meat and vegatables, however, dry their tears and warm the cockles of their hearts. They should be fed every few hours; they will then rapidly increase in size and strength. Soon they learn to play with each other, and when anyone approaches, to erect their intelligent faces above their wooden barrier, and take a lively interest in what is going on in the outer world.

Fresh air and plenty of sunshine, wild romps with their young owner, impart health, and are the A, B, C's of their future educa-

All kennel yards should be dry, and the puppies should have low benches to clamber upon. They should be permitted to run about their enclosure unrestrained, for nothing tends so much to get a growing dog out of shape as a chain and collar, and to make a coal scales," said the deacon solemnly, and dog bow-legged as cooping up in a barrel. Almost every boy has heard of "distemper"

—a word by the way, which simply means disease. This so-called distemper in dogs is a form of fever arising from blood-poisoning; it is contagious, and has no specific cure. The treatment of the afflicted animal should vary according to the symptoms of the case. Its first appearance in the puppy causes him to appear as if he had taken a severe cold. His little nose gets hot; he shivers and shakes in a chill; he is thirsty, restless, and dull in turns; his tail has lost its wag; he wears a woc-begone look. Later on, if he used a handkerchief he would apply it incessantly to his eyes and nose. Master Puppy is no longer hungry; he has a bad cough; he goes from bad to worse—very rapidly at times, if not cared for. But the wise boy consults his family doctor, or at least he does not dose his pet with quack remedies with which this country is flooded. It much depends then upon the natural constitution of Master Puppy and the treatment bestowed on him whether he lives to point birds in this world or departs at once for the " happy hunting ground."

He (on horseback)—"Shall we take the highway home?" She—"No; I would prefer the bridal path, I think,"

Ladies' Column.

Idols.

" Now, Freddy, say the multiplication table for Mrs. Banks." Freddy shook back the curls from his beautiful face, and triumphantly accomplished it.

"There!" the fond mother said proudly, "and he is not four years old for two weeks." The child, excited by his mother's proud face, struck an attitude and recited several pieces of childish poetry with good dramatic effect. "Is he not forward!" says Mrs. Raymond, fondly. "But why do you look so grave, "Will you let me speak to you very frankly

dear?" Mrs. Banks replied.
"I can never think that." was the quick reply. "I was telling Will this morning that my pleasure in your return home was selfish, for I meant to run to you for advice

about everything." "You never saw my boy!" Mrs. Banks said, a shadow passing over her blue eyes, "my Arthur, the precious legacy my husband left me when his death took all the brightness out of my life. I was very young. Alice, when my husband died, not twenty, and my boy had not completed the first year of the life that was to be so brief. Business connected with Mr. Banks' estate held me in the home he had provided for me. So, dear, I

remained in Philadelphia. "You, who love your own boy so dearly, will understand how my heart was bound up in Archur. He was very peaustin, and from his very cradle he was precocious.

"When he was four years old I put Arthur into school, very near his home. I would sit for hours planning my boy's future. He should be a great lawyer, a great physician, or perhaps a statesman, a Webster or a Clay. I urged him forward in all hisstudies, and his teachers were amazed at his progress. " As he grew older he became the prodigy of the school, and I, blind, foolish mother,

congratulated myself upon the fact that my boy had no boyish ways. "At nine years old Arthur was the pet of his teachers, who never wearied of telling me

what promise he gave of briliant powers in manhood. "When I heard other mothers telling of rude sports and speeches, of the boisterous games that seemed to peril life and limb every play-hour, of the tasks neglected, lessons im perfectly learned, inattention in school, I ugged to my heart the pride in my browneyed darling, who needed no urging to study,

never wished to romp, was never rude. "It was during this ninth Winter of his life that Arthur began to droop in health. "I gave him tonics, strong soups, and

coaxed him out for exercise with me. "As soon as he returned from school he studied until I would become alarmed at his palor and coax him out, only to open his books again as soon as he returned home. "And, instead of checking bim, I spurred him on, already hearing the applause I was

sure he would gain. Already he was at the head of all his classes, and there were sure to be new honors heaped upon his childish head at the exhibition. "For, Alice, one bitter night in December, heard a sound from Arthur's room that

chilled my heart with terror-a voice that told me something of what I had to anticipate. It was Arthur's voice, raised in delirious agony, calling supon me to save him from some imaginary horror trying to seize him. All night he raved, and the doctor could not quiet him. For days after he tossed in the delirious agonies of brain fever.

"The noble intellect that judiciously curbed and restrained, gently kept active only in accordance with bodily strength, would have been the g'ory of his manhood, 1 had stimulated, overtasked and control Instead of studying my boy's phisical strength, encouraging him to the exercise and sports natural to boyhood, I had kept him in dons, had allowed his blood to become sluggish, his limbs weak, feeding the hungry brain by all the force of the neglected body.

"Too late the doctor pointed out to me where the error had lain, where I had sacrificed my child to my pride, where innocently I had murdered the boy my husband left to my care, and for whom I would gladly have given my own life. With a breaking heart I tried to undo the mischief I had taken eight years to accomplish, but my repentance came too late. The delicate machinery I had taxed so sorely, overtasked so heavily, no longer responded to my touch. The great brown eyes that had lighted so quickly whenever the intelligence they pictured was aroused now glared wildly with fever, or looked heavily, unconscious of all passing words and events.

"We had one faint hope. When the fever vielded to powerful narcotics, and Arthur slept after nine days of almost ceaseless raving the doctor hoped he might awake conscious and be spared to me. In that hope he told me the only chance for a permanent recovery was to give the wearied, over-excited brail years of entire rest. Change of air, travel, but no study, no reading.

"I tried to picture him robust, red-cheeked boisterous, full of health and animal spirits, and my eyes rested on a face white as marble, wasted and thin, the long golden eye lashes resting upon a cheek that had never been round or rosy, and I could only weep and pray, without hope.

" I was alone with Arthur when he woke, He looked at me so earnestly that I felt sure reason had come back to him. I bent over him, kissing his gently, careful not to startle or shock him. Still only the earnest, searching gaze into my face answered me, 'Arthur,' I said, gently, "do you know mamma?'"

"His eyes moved restlessly, and he whispered: I cannot find the answer, mamma. It is somewhere in the-schoolroom, and will jump out, but I cannot see it. Mamma !"

"'Yes, darling.' I said, trying to steady my voice. "'Will you hold me fast in your arms when the exhibition comes! Perhaps the answer will come then. But I am to tired to hunt for them now-too tired. Kiss me. I am going to sleep again. I am so tired—so tired!" "I held him fast against my breaking

heart, and the weary head dropped lower and lower on my breast. The doctor came. friends gathered round the bed; but no skill, no love could save my boy. Pillowed on my bosom he slept away his life, the victim of my mistaken pride and love."

There was a long silence in the room as Mrs. Banks in a quivering voice finished her story, a silence broken only by the sobs of her friend. Again it was the voice of the older lady that broke it. "It is nearly ten years since my Arthur died," she said, "but I never see a precarious

child urged forward to mental labor and excitement that I do not tremble for the result. Believe me, dear, it is because I love you so much, and would spare you every sorrow, that I have told you the story of my own mistake and live-long remorse." -New York News.

French Soup.-Cut up a good-sized onion into the rounds and place, with one halfpound of butter, into a stew-pan; do not let the onion get brown, but when about half cooked put in three handfuls of sorrel, one of lettuce, all finely cut; ald pepper, salt, a little natmeg, and keep stirring the vege-tables until they are nearly cooked; then put in one tablespoonful of finely-pounded loaf sugar and a pint and a half of stock; boil until the onion is thoroughly well-done. Toast some very thin slices of bread; cut about two inches square : dry these, and when the soup is to be served, after adding the beaten yolks of two eggs and half a pint of milk, place the toast in the soup bowl and pour the soup over it,

Mr. Talmage thinks that newspaper men are miserable. Some of them are not. Some of them are dead, Mr. Talmage,

mumor.

A stolid countryman, who had a pig in his possession, was observed to adopt the constant practice of filling it to repletion energy and starving it the next. On being asked his reason for doing so, he replied: "Why, can't you see that it's because I like to have bacon with a strate of fat and a strate of fat a strate of strate with a strake of fat and a strake of lane equally, one after t'other!"

"I heard at least one thing in the course of your sermon to-day that I never hear lin a sermon before," said a man to a preocher who had detained his congregation tid their patience was nearly exhausted, "And what was that?" asked the minister, greatly pleased, "I heard the clock strike twice," was the re-

A woman was driving a nail into the wall upon which to hang some domestic utens l, when she suddenly uttered a howl of anguish. "Missed the nail, did you!" said her husband, laughing. "Missed the nail! D' you think I'd cry if I had missed the nail! I bit the nailbut 'tis my thumb-nail." A young man who took his affianced to

hear the great singer. Nillson, warble her sweetest songs, asked the young lady how she liked the singer's repertaire. "Very much, indeed, I think it fits her beautifully," was the surprising reply. "Father," said Rollo, "what is meant by the intoxication of wealth ?" "Means that

money is tight," replied Rollo's father, who had been shinning around all the afternoon graph. "How could you think of ca' ing auntie

stupid? Go to her immediately and tell her you are sorry for it." Freddie went tonuntie, and said: "Auntie, I am real sorry you are

When Fogg was asked regarding the latest additions to the English language, he said he would ask his wife. She always had the last word.

Five thousand broom handles a day are made in a certain township, and the married men never stay out at night later than nine o'clock.

When a girl clopes with a coachman she s resolved to take him for a wheel of whoa. -Life.

Are you mad at your neighbor? Well. don't kul his chickens or stone his cat, because that's silly and childish. Just make his boy a present of an accordeon and you have heaped coals of fire on his head which will see the and singe his devoted scalp till the last inharmonious discord has been yanked out of the old machine.

A Juicy Cross-Examination.

"Do you know the prisoner well?" asked the attorney. "Never knew him sick," replied the wit-

"No levity," said the lawyer, sternly, Now, sir, did you ever see the prisoner at the bar.'

"Had many a drink with him at the bar." "Answer my question, sir," velled the lawyer. "How long have you known the prisoner?"

"From two feet up to five feet ten inches." " Will the court make the-" "I have, jedge," said the witness, anticipa-ing the lawyer: "I have answered the

question. I knowed the prisoner when he was a boy two feet long and a man five feet ten---' "Your honor-" "It's a fact, jedge; I'm under oath," per-

sisted the witness. The lawyer arose, placed both hands on the table in front of bim, spread his legs apart, leaned over the table and said.— "Will you tell the court what you know

about this case !" "That ain t his name." What ain't his name ?"

'Who said it was?".

"You did. You wanted to know what I knew about this Case-his name's Smith." "Your honor," howled the attorney, placking his beard out by the roots, "will you make this man answer?"

"Witness, you must answer the questions put to you," said the judge. " Land o' Goshen, jedge, hain't I bin doin' Let the blamed cuss fire away. I'm

ready." "Then," said the lawyer, "don't beat about the bush any more. You and this prisoner have been friends?"

" Never!' "What! wasn't you summoned here as a friend of his "

"No, sir, I was summoned here as a Presbyterian. Nary a one of us was ever Friends: he's an old line Baptist, without a drop of

"Stand down, sir!" yelled the lawyer, in deep disgust.

" Stand down." "Can't do it. I'll sit down or stand up-"Sheriff, remove that man from the box." Witness retires muttering .-"Well, if he ain't the thick-headedest old cuss I ever laid eyes on."

Old Lady (to street gamin) : Little boy, don't you want to join the Sunday school and grow up to be a good man !

Little Boy: What Sanday School is it?
Old Lady: The Methodist.
Little Boy: No. I tried the Methodises
las year an didn't get nothin' but a stick of broken candy an' an apple. I'm going to try the Piscopal this year.

"Do you consider this ceremony an appropriate one! ' said a lady to a gentleman. as they watched the bride and groom meandering bown the isle of a church. "Certainly not," replied the gentleman. "It is a missappropriate one."

All Is Not Funny That Giggles.—
"Hello, Funniboy! What you doing up here! Thought you went down to Hardpan last month and started a funny paper—the Slap Jack, wasn't it" "Yes, so I did. But it's dead." "Already? Folk down there don't appreciate humor, then?" "That's the gaul of it: they do."

Polite but absent-minded bather (to friend up to his neek in water)—"Ah, Jones; very glad to see you. Won't you sit down?" Irishman (relating his exploits)-" I walked up bouldly to wan o' the inemy and cut off his legs wid me sword." Listner—"Why didn't you cut off his head?" Irishman

—" That was already off." Young Benedict-" Helle! old man; haven't seen you in an age. I've got married —yes, matried yesterday." Old Wayoff (who awfully absent-minded) -" So ! That's nice. How are all the children ?"

Artist—"Have you taken my picture to the exhibition?" Porter—"Yes, sir: it. Porter-"Yes. sir; it seemed to please the gentleman very much."
Artist—" What did they say?" Porter— Oh, they didn't say anything; they only

A man and his wife entered a restaurant out in the country, and the former said to waiter: "What can you let us have?" "Signore, there is only a single mutton chop left." "Per Bacco! Whatever is my wife to have for dinner." The fish have quieted down a little in

the river, and no longer crowd one another out on the banks and frighten the children. Still good fishing, however. As General Tcherthemoslemsheadoff was leaving Russia for foreign duty his

sweetheart remarked to him, in tears, Though I no more behold thee, yet is thy name a spell,"

An enterprising reporter, writing of a wreck at sea, stated that no less than fourteen of the unfortunate crew and passengers bit-

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ARARAT MINING BOARD.

A meeting of the Ararat Mining Board

nowae presided. ce, for sale of land at Raglan. (3), re oe, for said and the said and the said and said reported was quite satisfied that the public

is sufficiently served by the present arrange.ts. (4), that the conditions of the lies under section 67 Land Act 1884, as to entry of miners, was most explicit. From Gippsland Mining Board, suggesting the he Mining Beards of the colony for an anhead quarters of the boards seriatim. A rearomising to take action to obtain the object Act 1884. In connection with the Mining Board Election Amendment Bill now before Parliament a report of the committee of the board was ter ived and adopted, suggesting the insertion of the following provision before it finally becomes law :-- "That any person not being an alien whose miner's right has expired any time during the three months preceding any Mining Board election, shall be entitled to vote at such election provided that he obtain a new miner's right within seven days after the expiry of the old miner's right, and produce both documents to the returning officer or deputy when claiming to vote."-Advertiser.

FRESH GOLD DISCOVERY.

Rumor was rife yesterday respecting a gold rush that had taken place in Beaufort, and upon making enquiries we were informed that there was some amount of truth in it. The locality of the new discovery is some two miles above the New Discovery mine-on the Ararat road, at a place known as Ararat That. It appears that a party of miners has seen prospecting for some little while very quietly on the flat, the prospects showing good. On Saturday last gold was obtained, a washing giving 4dwts. to the "trough." On Tuesday, however, the amount of 17 dwts. was obtained, and the announcement of this act caused a slight rush to the spot, where several parties are now at work. A few afts have been sunk but not bottomed, one

ing to the depth of about 40ft., and we are essured that payable gold is to be obtained. However, a week or a fortnight will show something more definite respecting these alluvial workings. Some parties are on the low and some on the higher ground, each being thoroughly satisfied with their prospects. Yesterday 6 dwtr. were washed from a tub of earth. The gold washes clean and smooth.

DISCOVERY OF A LAKE IN GIPPSLAND.

The "Gippsland Times" has just received information that Mr. Richard Riggall, of Glenmaggie, while exploring some new country round Mount Wellington Gioppland HARRIS and TROY. try round Mount Wellington, Gippsland, came on a beautiful lake swarming with wild fowl. The lake is, to all appearances, about one mile and a half long by half a mile wide, one mile and a half long by half a mile wide, and Mr. higgall estimates its depth at from 500 feet to 1000 feet. The color of the water is as blue as indigo. The lake is surrounded by high cliffs on three sides, and is immediately below a high spur of the mount. A brautiful creek runs in from one side, and although Mr. Riggall walked round the lake SPORTS e could find no outlet whatever, and he supposes it must have an underground current into a river. The lake is about 60 miles from Glenmaggie, and is extremely difficult to approach. A party has been formed at Glenmaggie, about 35 miles from Sale, to visit the lake with Mr. Riggall.

ANOTHER HORRIBLE OUTRAGE AT SYDNEY.

Another case somewhat similar to the NEW YEAR'S Mount Rennie outrage was heard at the ydney Police Court on Thursday. Three men named Davis, Quinn, and Smith were charged with coincided to the Smith were charged with coincided to the smith series of the JUBILEE HANDICAP (130 RACE, close on TUESDAY, 7th inst. Entry forms charged with criminally assaulting a woman to be had on application. named Wright in an unoccupied house. Hearing the screams, the police rushed to the place, and found two of the prisoners at the door, and the other trying to escape through a window. On searching the place they discovered the woman, who is said to be married, and with a family. She related how she had been brutally ill-treated by the men. They struck and dragged her by the hair of the head. Her clothes were all disarranged, and she presented a very sorry appearance. Two prisoners had held her while the third attempted to assault her. She charged prisoners with the offence before the police, and CHRISTWAS & NEW YEAR one of them said it was a hanging matter, and tried to induce her not to give them in Full supply of all school requisites—the latest charge, but she persisted. It was given in evidence that the woman, who took refuge for the night in the building with another female, had had some drink, but was not drunk .- Herald.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AND NEWS-PAPERS.

Adams, Thos. Ballantyne, Mr. Barbour, a Mr Collins, John Cohn, Miss Day, H. M. Cutler, Adam Davis, Walter Dutton, W. Fraser, John Johnson, Miss S. Yay, Jas. ^{aven}, J.

Martin, Henry McPherson, P. McNamara, S. To any Photographer in Beaufort Russell, J. T. Rogers, J. Roycroft, John Ramsay, Mrs. Stewart, Wm. Coulson, Jas. Nucles. R. E.

E. M. KILDAHL, Postmistress. eaufort, Dec. 3, 1886.

Wolfe's Schnapps beneficially affects the con-itation, and reforms the morbid habits of the

MORE ERUPTIONS AND EARTH. QUAKES.

Volcanic disturbances in New Zealand do A meeting voicanic disturbances in New Zealand do not yet appear to have ceased. A telegram held on woulded.

A telegram dated Auckland, Tuesday, states that—"Last night earth tremors were felt at Rotorua, and night cartiful tremors were felt at Rotorua, and Amongst the ordinary business transacted, shortly afterwards Mount Tarawera threw Amongst war received and dealt with up a dense volume of steam, which lasted for communications of Mines (1), re applications the Secretary for Mines (1), re applications the Secretary for Mines (1), re applications the Secretary for Mines (1), re applications which lasted for minutes. Wahanga Peak appeared most in of D. D. Amarant, for sale of land at active, and the springs at Rotorua showed sborough. (2), re application of H. M. increased activity immediately afterwards. The Argus correspondents wired as fol-

SYDNEY, Tuesday.—A severe shock of earthquake, extending over a large area, occurred a few minutes before three o'clock this morning. It was not felt in Sydney, and the nearest point of approach appeared to be Picton. The shock was felt near Orange in the Gippsian arrangements being made by disturbance Wagga Wagga in the south. The disturbance appeared to originate in the Advances on Wool, Grain, etc., he Mining Beards of the colony for an an-neighborhood of Lake George, extending held either in Melbourne or at the different have been reason. Conflicting reports have been received as to the direction of the head quarters of the obtained sermicing in same and carthquake. The vibrations lasted up to two minutes. At Yass two distinct shocks were romising to take netton to obtain the original felt, which shock all the houses, cracked the ale of land held by J. F. Watkin, Raglan, walls, and caused the ceiling to fall. A panic resolution was carried objecting to the sale took place, people leaving their houses in any land in the old township of Raglan, or great alarm. At Gundagai the residents were any land in the out to have been also greatly alarmed, and thought that the buildings were coming down, and at Tumut and Junee the shock was also severe enough to cause slarm. The Government astronomer (Mr. H. C. Russell) is of opinion that the shocks are probably merely northward vibrations of some Tasmanian shocks, as it is very rare for earthquakes to originate in New

> WAGGA, Tuesday .-- This morning, at two minutes to 3 o'clock, a sharp shock of earthquake was felt by the residents of Wagga and district, causing windows to rattle. A low rumbling noise, as of a heavily-laden dray driven quickly, preceded the shock. Many persons thought that their houses were being broken into, the crockery and glassware shaking on the shelves. Five distinct shacks were felt, the fourth being the strongest. The direction of the wave was from south-east to north-west. No damage to buildings is re-

Gundagai, Tuesday .- This morning, at about three o'clock, a severe shock of earthquake was felt here, lasting fully 15 seconds. quake was felt here, lasting fully 15 seconds. Soap by best makers, Puff Boxes, and Violet causing buildings to vibrate and crockery to Powder; a varied and choice selection of Perbreak, besides alarming the inmates, many of fumery, suitable for presents. Pale Newfoundwhom jumped out of bed. It cause like a land Cod Liver Oil, warranted genuine. Italian sudden rush of wind, and could be heard for sudden rush of wind, and could be heard for several seconds before the heavy shock took tions and proprietary articles, guaranteed by the place. The course taken by it was north-east. proprietor to be prepared from drugs of the At Coolac and Mutama, 10 and 22 miles finest quality and chemicals of tested purity, north of Gundagai, and also at the same di - and may be most safely relied upon as possessing tunces on the south sides the shock was in the highest degree attainable the respective severely felt. No damage was done except- qualities ascribed to them. ing the breaking of one or two lamps.

earthquake are reported from Yass and Homographic and patent Medicines and Proprie-Kiandra, but they were not as severe as those tary articles of all kinds. Every known mediof yesterday. The shock was felt at Kiandra cine for Cattle and Horses, including Condition at half-past 11 last night, and at Yass at 4 and Worm Powders for Horses. Horse Balls of o'clock this morning. The vibration was from drenches for Cows, etc. Any article not in stock west to east.

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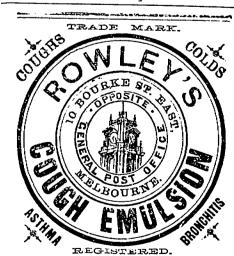
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'Say my dear,' said Mr. Spoopendyke, with a social sort of grin, 'how would you like to go fishing ?

'Wouldn't that be perfectly lovely.' squealed Mrs. Spoopendyke. I never was fishing in my life, and I always wanted to try it. Where can we go? Well, there are lots of places around

Brooklyn. Last summer I saw boys catch a good many fish off the dock at the foot of State-street. We might go there.'

'Just the place,' conceded Mrs. Speopendyke. 'Perhaps we can catch some sardines. I'll bet a spool of thread I get the first shad? and in her glee Mrs. Spoopendyke waltzed across the room and back again.

Mr. Spoopendyke smiled pleasantly upon his wife, and started out in the yard to get some worms, while Mrs. Spoopendyke rigged herself up for the pending excursion.

'Got any fish-sticks?' she asked, as Mr. Spoopendyke returned, rather warm from his

'I've got some fishing rods, if that's what you mean,' replied Mr. Spoopendyke; 'but I can only find four worms.

'Can't we break 'em in two?' inquired Mrs. Spoopendyke auxiously.

'Could if we had a buzz saw, grunted Mr. Spoopendyke. 'Come along if you're coming;' and, thoroughly equipped for the expedition, Mr. and Mrs. Spoopendyke set out for the State-street pier.

'How long before they bite?' asked Mrs. Spoopendyke, hoisting her hook out of the water, and examining the point of a worm her husband had impaled thereon.

'They'll probably bite at that as soon as they can borrow a step-ladder.' retorted Mr. Spoopendyke, eyeing the dangling hook. 'If

she enquired after a pause. 'Hi ! Hold on ! There, I lost him! 'ejacv-

lated Mr. Spoopendyke, firing his hook up towards the heights.

'So did I,' chimed Mrs. Spoopendyke, as

'What are ye doing ?' demanded Mr. Spooppendyke. 'What did ye lose? When I'm pulling in fish, you just sit still, will ye? Think my head's a fish-pend? Thers! now Think my head's a fish-pend? Thers! now sit still, and fish. Another time I'm pulling times sold in the form of Pills and Lozenges; You made me lose that fish.'

'You ought to have caught him,' said Mrs. Spoopendyke southingly; 'you fished splendidly for him.'

'I understand the business,' rejoined Mr. Speependyke, somewhat mollified. 'You see he did not get my bait, big as he was.'

oyster! Do you know-' 'Hist! Sh-h-h! I've got him! See me

play him! Now I'll fetch him! and Mr.

'Crack your grandmother,' snorted Mr.

something---'What's the matter with my stick? Let go,

you nasty thing! Here's another one! Quick.' 'Pull him in, can't ye? You've got a bite.

wife. 'Haul him out of the water.' 'He won't let me,' squeaked Mrs. Spoopen-

dyke, holding both arms out at full length. 'Take him off! Scat. Go away, you 'Lift your pole straight up in the air!'

shouted Mr. Spoopendyke. 'Hoist the dodgasted thing right up.'

Mrs. Spoopendyke exerted herself and disclosed an eel dangling.

'Its a rattlesnake !' she yelled. 'Don't go near him! Fire, fire! murder! police! police-e-e!

'Hold your yawp, will ve,' bawled Mr. Spoopendyke. 'Get him over the docks so that I can catch him! What are ye holding him out there for? Waiting for him to dry? Stick that pole straight up in the air, I tell

Mrs. Spoop nelyke threw the pole over her shoulder, and flopped the cel into Mr. Spoopendyke's countenance.

'Dod-gast the measly cel!' he howled, as he spit it out 'Stop waving that slam-basted lighthing rod like a flag, will ye? Hold it still, I say! Think you're a tree?

'Don't touch him! Throw him overboard! He'll sting you to death!' gurgled Mrs. Spoopendyke, and, forgetting that the pole was still exercising an influence over the eel, she gave it a jerk and it slipped through Mr. Most Popular Drink throughout Spoopendyke's fingers. That gentleman made a spring for it, and was swashed into the

' Heu, blah baa waggle, glu, hic ga gaggle!' spluttered Mr. Spoopendyke, as some lightermen fished him out.

' Did you catch a cold, dear?' enquired Mrs. Spoopendyke with solicitude, as they made their way home.

'If I did I landed it,' growled Mr. Spoopdyk. blowing like the exhaust of a tug.
'Any way, I caught an eel, didn't I? asked Mrs. Spoonendyke, carrying out the woman's idea of comforting a man with the only thing he didn't want to hear about.

'Oh, you caught it,' ripped out Mr. Spoopendyke, 'You're a fish woman, you ars. All you want now is some glass sides and some habbles running through you to be an public should no longer be duped by injurious, aq arium. Another time we both go fishing you stuy home! You hear ?

And with this novel, mathematical suggestion, Mr. Spoopendyke hunted himself to his domicile, and took a rum sweat.

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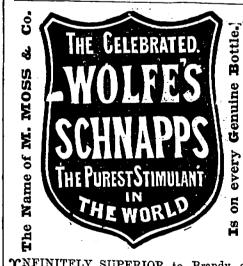
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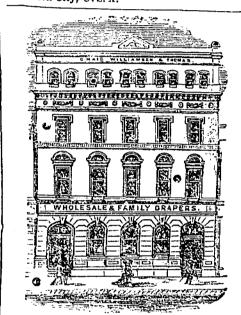
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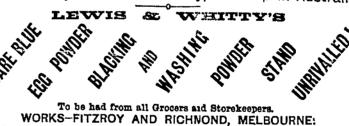
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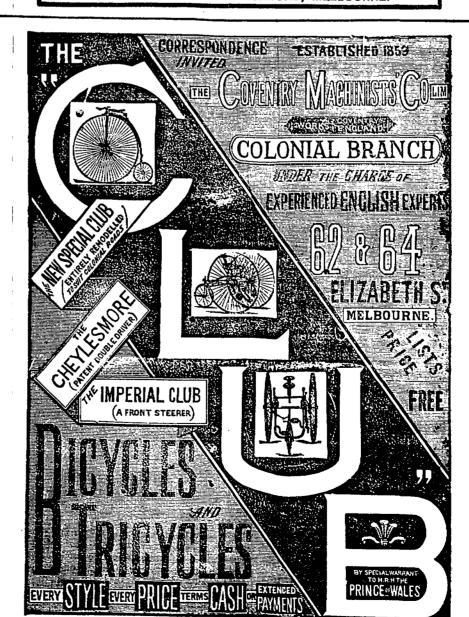
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MELBOURNE GRAIN REPORT.

The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co. Limited, roport under Jate Melbourne, 8th December:—The recent hot weather has been followed by a heavy fall of rain, which rs to have been well distributed throughout the entire continent. Whilst larvesting operations will be thrown back and some damage down to the hay-crops on the ground, still upon the whole the change is likely to produce satisfactory results if followed by cool sunshine. The wheat harvest in some districts promises very favorable yields, specially on the irrigated lands; but on the plains, where the soil is poor and dry, constant cropping prevents any expec-tation of a satisfactory overturn. The harvest enmates continue to be made, but as yet there s not sufficient data to admit of anything like a reliable result being arrived at. Still the probability is in favor of our having a larger exportable surplus of wheat in the coming season than in the now closing present. Meantime it is satisfactory to find that the London market is firming upwards. The intercolonial markets are steady, and in the importing colonies prices firmer. During the past week our deliveries of wheat and flour have been moderate, 8467 bags coming to hand, as against 22,062 bags in the corresponding week in 1885. From the 1st of January to the 4th December our receipts by rail, including those at Spencer street, Williamstown, and Sandridge stations, cover 1,080,698 bags of wheat and flour, as compared with 1,299,967 bags to the same date in 1885. Wheat At auction to-day, 5s. was paid freely for prime, and we quitted small lots of medium at 4s. 111d.; flour, country brands at £10 to £10 5s.; 2s. 9d. to 2s. 11d.; barley, feed, 2s. 8d. to 2s. 10d., malting scarce.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1886.

THE machinery by means of which the expenditure of the liberal grant world by Parliament to aid in the further development of our mineral resources is to be regulated, has been provided. The Prospecting Burds have wished-for end. We shall not have long to us to decide whether we may hope for success, initiatory steps that, in a very great measure, success or failure will depend. It is intended that assistance shall be given from the vote heavy mud. to cempanies which are at present engaged in workings, the expense of which is beyond But it will be a great mistake if the assisthe bulk of what remains of the liberal vote is devoted merely to the extension of existing goldfields. We have a large expanse of country, as to the mineral resources of which we are, so far, in complete ignorance. Prospecting opeciations, which used to be carried on so vigorously, and with such a great measure of success, by means of private enterprise, have for a long time been ather entirely suspended, or only prosecuted intermittently, and under conditions least calculated to ensure success. And yet it birdly admits of a sure success. And yet it birdly admits of a Beaufort Lodge M.U.I.O.O.F. held this week. Bro. Archard, P.G., who has been identified Laidlaw has paid trespass on the sheep varded doubt, that there is much still to be disco- with the lodge for a number of years, and has by the herdsman. The Herdsman reported that would tend to the enrichment, not merely of recipient of a most handsomely-framed P.C. had placed the bull out at Waterloo. Water the individuals making it, but the community emblem: certificate, in: recognition of the generally. If portion of the vote is devoted during his connection. Bro: J. Watson, also close to Raglan State School, and asked to be to the further development of existing mines, P.G., was presented with a beautifully designed allowed expenses.—5s. allowed. It was resolved

able service to the country. It has been objected that the Prospecting to open a branch of the Australi Beards will possess very little real power; that they will, in effect, be scarcely anything more than boards of advice; and that it would have been better, if the amount of the vote porter of Swanston street, Melbourne. The depended at their discretion. As it is, the real coatrol of the vote remains with the Department. It would be too much to say that

these apprehensions are entirely unfounded. But it ought to be sufficient to rely upon the have been suspended, until public opinion with a serious accident. The motive in causing has been again aroused. In the old days, all this damage is not understood, as neither of stream tin used to be a profitable article amongst our exports; but it has long since virtually disappeared, although it is to be on Wednesday next, 15th inst., at 5 p.m. found in many of the creeks other than those from which it was formerly obtained. As to other minerals, the theories of the geologist have been supported, more or less strongly, on the 22nd inst. by facts-sufficiently strong, at all events to warrant renewed and persistent experi- the Church of England, at a meeting held yesmental effort. It may be hoped, therefore, that whilst the attempt to aid the further development of our auriferous resources will be crewned with a satisfactory degree of success, something will also be done in other extravagantly profitable mining are to be

The rainfall at Beaufort from the 6th to the 8th December registered 1.23 inches.

of the newly-elected Prespecting Boards,

hopefully look forward to an increased yield

of gold and to the opening up of other mineral

resources. The agriculturist will share in

The following are the reported yields from gonette, with all modern improvements.. The

The Beaufort Jockey Club annual races are advertised to take place on New Year's Day, 1887. A few alterations have been made in the programme, which will be found to differ slightly from the wording of the posters, in order to comply with the regulations of the V.R.C., under whose rules the races are to be run.

We have observed at different times some peculiarly-written paragraphs in a far-away contemporary, the "St. Arnaud Mercury." Not very long ago, referring to the demise of a much respected resident, the "Mercury" told us, in unblushing diction, that "many of its: readers would be surprised to hear that they regretted having to record the death," etc. ; but the issue of the 8th instant beats all. The following paragraph occupies the place of honor "News and Notes" :- "The heaviest flood in St. Arnaud for the past 14 years, occurred on Friday night last when, 148 points of rain fell between 9 and 11 o'clock causing the main drain in the upper part of the town to overflow which flooded the side chanand Jones streets. Mr. Thos. Lowe and Mr. Struthers being heavy losers. Mr. Glasson's premises and those of our contemporary were flooded, but beyond the infliction of having to been elected, and it now only remains to be We have appealed to our common sense in vain seen whether such measures, which will be to help us to understand what intelligence is adopted, are such as are likely to secure the really meant to be conveyed. The main drain, which we presume to be composed of bricks and mortar, has "overflowed;" but we shall cerwait for some information, which will enable tainly have to await our arrival in other regions ere we shall discover what that was "which or count upon failure. It will be upon the into several cellars." Furthermore, it grieves us to learn that Mr. Glasson and "our contemporary" had done anything to deserve the infliction" of having to clear away a lot of

cause of a small amount of merriment, and an Council in writing to the effect that "they suf- of the bridegroom's father at Beaufort, Murtoa, fered considerable inconvenience and sustained and Warracknabeal, presented the newly-married tance is allowed to remain here; or even if a loss through the want of a bride." We would politely urge the said ratepayers to be on the qui vive. Three of those usually beautiful specimens of our race were on view during the past week in Beaufort, and if we are correctly informed, there will be one more some time in the early part of next week. Should they miss this one also, there will be even one more at

the beginning of the new year. We have received a copy of Punch Almanac for 1887. The publication is a marvel of original fun, and when that is said, our readers will know that it means a great deal.

A very pleasing and interesting ceremony vas to date for current half-year, £71 2s. 7d.; unwools we sold—Mr S. M'Kenzie's 5 bales it is to be boped that the bulk will be example and chased silver medal, with ribbon and brooch attached, for similar services. Both resipients ward a tracing showing the situation of the engineers under the amending act had to be pended in ascertaining whether there are not suitably replied to the kindness of their brother land applied for by and recommended to John properly and legally qualified for the position.

The Amending Bill was to protect the latter, ticular, and the order generally. Mr. Archard is now elegible for the highest office in the dis-

We understand that an effort is being made sociation in Beaufort. We wish the movement the petitioners. The following accounts were

Another specimen packet of Christmas cards has been sent to us by Mr. A. J. Smith, imhad been allotted amongst them, to be exnicely chosen.

We publish elsewhere particulars of an exciting chase and capture of the man Hohle, who ment; and it is apprehended that we shall committed a robbery at Ararat on Monday night. have a repetition of the old story of delay, Constable M. Hugh, we might mention that it and stubborn resistance to progressive move- only occupied three quarters of an hour, the distance being about 9 miles. Constable Hede-

assisted at the capture. Information was supplied to us on Thursday, force of public openion as an incentive to person or persons have wantonly perpetrated vigorous action. The amount voted is a acts of vandalism at Middle Creek and Euramliberal one, and, with intelligent and vigorous | Deen. On the night of Luesday of morning of Wednesday last the gates leading to the private managament, its expenditure should be suffi- lands of Messrs. T. Jess, Clarke, Hern, Liston, low up the whole of the reduced rental. The cient to set at rest many of the points mon which we are yet in doubt. It should do distance, while others were hid, and a few something to inform us whether we have not thrown into a creek close by. Early on Wedother mineral deposits, in addition to gold what had been done, and speedily informed the which may be profitably worked. In some owners of the property, who hastened to their doubtedly a model "wicked nobleman" of respects, we can hardly be said to have made respective paddocks to see that none of the much advance upon the theoretical stage. cattle and sheep had got out. Fortunately they found all safe. On recovering the gates, it was seen that in some instances the bolts had been that in some instances in the conference of their places in the conference of t or that would probably be found by searching for it in certain specified localities, and we and chains with which the gates had been fashave been content to accept the assurance tened were battered and broken. Mr. Beggs without troubling ourselves greatly as to its had three gates, which were strongly fixed and verification. When we have troubled our fastened, removed and damaged. Mr. Clarke's selves, we have permitted the first serious date was also strongly fixed. On the road, near obstacles which have presented the medical date with the medical date of a culvert were disobstacles which have presented themselves turbed. The logs were torn up and used as a to operate as a hindrance, and operations burricade to the road, and any one travelling the gentlemen know of any person bearing them animosity. The English mail closes at Beaufort post office

Entries for the Boxing Day sports close today.

The Beaufort Court of Petty Sessions will be held on Monday next, and the Licensing Court terday for the purpose, as Trustee for the Beau-

fort Cemetery. On arrival of the up-train at half-past one yesdirections; and that what is done will be with mutilated bodies of thousands of grass-hoppers. Myriads of the pest were met with at the boiler, on the wheels, shafts and bearings, sufficient to prove that if the old days of the Great Western, about 18 miles beyond Ararat; they appeared in thick clouds so that it numbered with things of the past, we may The grasshoppers were eating everything green in the neighborhood, and not a vestige of grass | could not make a living out of their land, but was left, to say nothing of the damage done to that there was one thing he was decided on, to standing crops which were promising well. and that was that they should not make a this hope quite as earnestly as the miner, be emitted from burning deal wood. The The crackling noise caused by the wheels pass- living out of him. He declined their proand will watch quite as eagerly the operation plague appears to be approaching Ararat, and coming in this direction. We only hope that

we may be spared a visit. Messrs. Pimblett Bros. have just turned out.

the following are the reported yields from youncite, with all modern improvements. The the mines at Waterloo for the past week:— workmanship is excellent, and reflects great Waterloo. 50 oz.; New Victoria, 50oz.; New Victoria, 50oz.; New Victoria, 50oz.; New Victoria, 50oz.; Saxon Consols, artistically painted by Mr. Paul Newling, quite artistically painted by Mr. Paul Newling, quite a novelty being introduced in the way of panels Present—Crs. Oddie (president, in the chair), manner as to represent one of the Scottish clan tartans, making it have a very rich appearance. The waggonette is well worthy of inspection.

vice in the church should be conducted with the most felicitous surroundings. The bridediately the customary charge was given, and in fully and faithfully accounted for; that every book, voucher, and document was produced nels and found its way into several cellars on the daughter of Mr. Heathershaw, were joined found correct. Some confusion arises from The bride was very much admired: She was beautifully attired in claret Pekin satin and Eitume, and the usual bridal veil and wreath of work may be abandoned or cancelled. this he should wait orange blossom. From her arm, suspended by causes an adjustment each year, and could be water supply. made in the form of a horseshoe, of the choicest white flowers. She was attended by six brides-maids—Miss H. A. Heathershaw, dressed in white cashmere, lace, and pearls; Miss Cross, in a silver-grey silk with ruby plush vest and suffs; Miss Tulloch, in a cream cashinere, pele blue, and lace; Miss G. Stickland, in crean Indian muslin and lace; Miss Mabel Heathershaw, in white cashmere, trimmed with pace satin and lace; and Miss Thomas, a sister of the bridegroom, in white cashmere and pale blie satin. Each of the bridesmaids carried a hand-A slip of the pen is sometimes the innocent some bouquet of blue flowers. After the ceretheir means; and assistance of this nature shire Council meeting was no exception. A usual congratulatory toasts and speeches were money, the party were conveyed to the Societies' number of ratepayers at Raglan petitioned the ended, Mr. Dungey, on behalf of the employes couple with a handsome silver-plated butter-

cooler and hand-painted biscuit-barrel, accompanied with a neatly worded address, wishing them every happiness and prosperity, and God's blessing. The bride and bridegroom left Beaufort by train the same night, and as they noved away from the station; they were treated with the usual showers of rice and old slippers.. A meeting of the managers of the Beinfort Common was held yesterday, when Messrs. Browne, Humphreys, Wotherspoon, and Thomas were present. The Secretary reported—Bahnce in bank to credit, £42 2s. 11d.; cash in hand,

highest degrees conferred in any lodge, was the through the common during the month; that he Board held at Beaufort on April. The petition The Amending Bill was to protect the latter, from the residents of Raglan, asking for steps, and to do away with the possibility of em. to be taken to have all unoccupied lands in the plexing other than connectent analified afficient of Roglan produced a position of the The Council resolved, therefore, after a short discussion, that they should support the 15th

passed for payment:-Herdsman, L8; Secretary, L2; Office rent, 19s. 6d. ; H. Anderson, for bull, L4; W. Johnstone, 5s.; total, L15 4s. 6d. The meeting then adjourned.

THE IRISH AGRARIAN DIFFI-CULTY. A London correspondent of the "Argus" writes :- "The agratian difficulty has been. greatly complicated by the proportionately extravagant provision under settlement which Itish landlords were wont to make for their willows and unmarried daughters. A Kerry landlord told me recently that he was much more afraid of his stepmother than of the moonlighters. Hundreds of men, who a few years ago were wealthy, are now dependent for food and clothing on their mothers and Marquis of Clanricarde's much talked of quarrel with his tenantry is regarded by the Nationalists as offering material for a good thing to do with "judicial rents") was numelodrama, and his many outrages on propriety shocked society hulf a century ago.. In order to inflame the Irish mind, the Nationalist newspapers are retelling the story of those iniquities, culminating, as they did, in the notorious Hancock will case, in which it was wife of a gentleman named Hancock, that the injured husband died of a broken heart, leaving his property to his daughters, and that the three daughters were done to death one after the other by their mother, under Lord Clanricarde's eyes. The last of them was forced to make a will leaving everything to her illegitimate brother, Lord Clanricarde's son, since known to fame in London as an officer was abaudoned, but the Marquis and his gineer to report. paramour forced the Hancock family to pay in 1858, made him Lord Privy Seal, it was as in body, and doing no good thing that get the work done. is known, except playing the piano. He never visits his property, refuses all reductions in rent, lays out no money in improvements, and treats petitions from his tenants either with jocose insult or silent contempt. In 1882 his tenantry petitioned for a reduction, asked him to come over and judge for himself, and premised him a hearty welcome. He wrote back to say that he was sorry they

position of the welcome which they offered

RIPONSHIRE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1886.

Lewis, M. Kenzie, Murray, Wotherspoon, Cushing, Adams, and Thomas.

One of those pleasing ceremonies in which the annuar valuation, and it was resolved and usy summers we should require a larger it is the proverbial custom of ladies to take an after the statement of valuation was read and quantity of water to meet the demand. In

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

avoided by only debiting the actual amount said in each year and placing the balance as die by the Riding in the list of liabilities. It is simply a question of book-keeping; the Ridings neither gain nor lose, and the integrity of the Secretary is unimpeached. We may add that the books are so carefully and and making organization of though in some respect the W. C. Pimblett ... system is too elaborate) that we have not bund so much as a clerical error. We are, Eurambeen and Streatham road, and pitching Covernment Auditor, John Humphreys, W. C. Pimblett ... Local Auditor. The report was received.

ORDINARY MEETING. The minutes of the previous meeting were J. F. Watkin read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Lands and Survey Office, stating Simister's; building culverts, &c. that cutting of timber in Burrumbeet Park A. R. Slater. (about 105 acres, in parishes of Haddon and Windermere, reserved for public purposes) is prohibited ("Cazette," 16th June, 1871),-Roceived.

From North Ovens Shire Secretary, calling. Engineer ... attention to clause 15 of the Bill to further | Secretary amend the Local Government Act, 1874, now Mrs. Taylor before Parliament, and asking co-operation in Mrs. W.Farlane opposing the passage of the clause, which Insurance ... refers to the granting of cartificates of service Government half-year interest on to officers.—The Engineer was asked to make a statement with reference to clause 15 of the Government helf-year interest on Amending Bill, and said that in his opinion it was necessary that some provision should John Daly, surplus sustenance be made to protect those gentlemen who were qualified to act as engineer, etc., to municipal conneils. By the passing of the Act clause of the Amending Bill.

willingness to co-operate with Council in the matter of outsining a diamond drill for the East Riding of the shire.—Received. From. W. H. Uren, M.L.A., concurring with Council's objection to clause in Local Government Amendment Bill relating to the W. Iredale ... office of treasurer being a separate one, and promising to oppose the same when before the

House.—Received... From James Frusher, applying for a slaughtering licence for premises at Water. los.—Granted, subject to the approval of the Inspector of Nuisances.

From Hampden Shire Council, asking if Council were willing to join them in erecting Rabbit suppression Lake Wona weighbridge at Skipton, at a cost not to exceed \$100. Resolved that the Council conour with the suggestion and were willing to join with the Hampden Shire Council if deing sc were proved to be legal ...

From 35 ratepayers of Raglan, calling attention to the great inconvenience suffered test case." His father (if the fact has any and the loss sustained through went of a bridge on the road by the Methodist Chape! at Reglan, the temporary bridge previously in North raiding-J. F. Watkin ... 21 0 0 use laving been carried away by a late flood. The engineer stated that a few pounds would be sufficient to make the present strucments; but there would not be time to erect a new bridge. Resolved that the engineer the cost of constructing a new bridge in time to have work done before next year..

From Shire of Lexton, concurring in the Trawala. - Received.

From S. Anderson and Son, Raglan, re clearing the right-of-way between the properof Hussars and a man of fashion. The will leading up to Mount Cole.—Referred to en-

merston, shortly before the fall of his Ministry back of his store and past the old Perseverauce claim to the north side of Frusher's disappeared from public life. The present to report on the condition of the whole road, marquis is a bachelor and a comparative re- from Mr. Flynn's to Waterloo, and up to

Beaufort .- Granted.

From D. Calwell, accepting offer of Coun-Saw Mill sites .- Received. ENGINEER'S REPORT.

that after the foregoing answer he imagined work, and steps should be taken to obtain troyed as early as possible. The state of the that slugs would enter bargely into the com- them. (3). A supply of earthenware pipes is rabbits throughout the other portions of the required for making drains in the North and shire is very satisfactory. On all the large him. Soon after his agent was shot. The West Ridings. (4). It is about eleven estates every attention is paid to the exterto the order of Messrs. A. and J. Gillespie, of tenants have been petitioning him again, but years since the Beaufort Water Supply mination of the pest. Nearly all the burrows works were finished, and in accordence with have been dug out and the harbor afforded.

the natural course of things, the cost of re pairs required to the culverts, flumes, and other timber work, will increase every year, and before many years, some, if not all, of the flumes will require renewing. The consumption of water is gradually increasing, The waggonette is well worthy of inspection. The Council first met to make a rate upon one of those pleasing ceremonies in which the annual valuation, and it was resolved and dry summers we should require a larger than the statement of valuation was read and quantity of water to record the dry summers. it is the proverbial custom of ladies to take an after the statement of valuation was read and quantity of matrice meet the demand. In especial interest and delight, was celebrated at adopted, that the amount should be fixed at erder to obtain this, and to meet the cost of require and represent the cost of which has been erected for the Primitive Meth- the adjourned annual meeting then took to take into consideration the best means of the bes repairs, and renewals several hundred pounds beyond comfortable standing-room, chiefly by and expenditure, liabilities and assets, for the providing it. —H. H. Jackson, Shire En. will be wanted, and the Council will require gineer.—It was resolved that earthen ware pipes (clause 3) should be obtained. With the most felicitous surroundings. The bride-elect, Miss Georgina H. Heathershaw, a daugh-Shire of Ripon.—Gentlemen, after a most should be forwarded to the department, acter of the officiating elergyman, with her precess correction investigation and exquative addition companied with a statement that as the conbridgesmaids; the bridgeroom, with his indisthe accounts, ending 30th September last, we sumption was increasing provision, would pensable attendants, were conveyed to the are pleased to say that we find everything have therefore to be made, and that the Council believe it will be necessary to apply for a further loan; also, that the department be asked for advice and assistance in the debiting the Ridings with the full amount of the engineer should proceed to Melbourns contracts when let; payments for which may with reference to obtaining water pipes, delweiss lace, with a very long train to the cost tume, and the usual bridal veil and wreath of work may be abandoned or cancelled: this he should wait upon the department re the

> TENDERS: The following tenders were accepted on the. recommendation of the Tender Committee :-

NORTH RIDING. Contract No. 420.—Clearing and forming 70 chains of the Shirley and Beaufort road at Shirley, and making eight flat crossings.

Centract No. 422.—Clearing, forming, gravelling, ... £60 0 0 and building culvert on the Raglan and Middle. Creck road, by Stevens' land.

Contract No. 322.—Forming and gravelling 90 chairs of Mortchup and Mount Emu road, by ... £113 5 3 FINANCE.

The following accounts were passed for payment on the recommendation of the Finance Committee :--

... 20 9 0 ... 1 10 0 ... 5 0 0 3 0 g. ... 6i 7 e fees 1 10 0 W. G. Stevens, caretaker Beaufort Reservoir ... 0 16 0 W. G. Stevens, weighoridge commission ... Secretary's expenses, distribution. of fish from Ercildoune Mrs. M'Dougail, lighting lamps... Arnall and Jackson, stationery Hugh Cushing, deputation expenses 2 2 0. Prospecting Board ... Michael Carrigan, surface work ... 13 15

From A. Young, Esq., M:L.A., stating J. Kilfoyle, cutting timber Isaac Storey, surface work ... 8 0 Mark Muir, surface work M. Kirkpatrick; sarface work ... T. Ward, surface work H. Stuart, Water Supply works T. Vanderstoel W. Buchanan 4 0 0 Hawkes Bros., ... 12 5 0 H. H. Jackson (postage) Jeremiah Smith, timber John Whitti-ld, surface work ... 13 13 4

Jee Whitfield, surface work ... W. M'Farlane R. Gibson, caretaker water race ... 4 16 0 gan ... Rabbit suppresssion Mount Cole ... 9 0 0

The Finance committee recommended payment of the following contract accounts:-North Riding-P. C. Morris ... £21 17 0: East Riding—P. Page ... 15 0 0 West Riding—J. F. Watkin ... 300 0 0

RABBIT INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

CONTRACT ACCOUNTS.

The Rabbit Inspector reported :- I have the honor to report that the destruction of ture secure for the coming harvest require- rabbits on the Mount Cole State Forest is: better attended to than it was a month ago. shown that the old lord ran away with the get the necessary work done and report on sary to engage men to kill rabbits and dig out. burrows on the mount at the licensee's expense. Eive men were put on ou the 5th. ult., but as Mr. Stevens promised to attende expedence of repeating application for a to the suppression of the pest with his own grant in aid of the cost of a new bridge at men the Council's men were withdrawn on the 20th ult., Mr. Stevens paying all expenses. and also signing an agreement to keep fivemen continually engaged killing rabbits on. ties of Messrs. Richards and Eugene Preston, the mount until the end of the year. The whole of the State Forest within this shire-From M. Flynn, Waterloo, again calling term of five years. As this portion of the is to be let by tender on the 14th inst. for a. £10,000 as a compromise. When Lord Pal attention to the condition of road from the shire has put the Council to a great deal of trouble and expense during the last two years,. too strong an order even for the British paddock.—Resolved, on the motion of Cr. Council will request the Government to adopt public of eight-and-twenty years ago, and he Wotherspoon, that the engineer be requested other ways of dealing with such rough country than letting it to tenents who cannot possibly cluse - being a man as feeble in mind Chuta with a view of calling for tenders to the loth ult. a man was put on Mr. Liston's comply with the Rabbit Suppression Act. On. land to dig out burrows. When the work From W. E. Nickols, asking permission to was finished the man was taken off, the timelay on water to his premises in Neill street, occupied being two days. A man is still engaged at Lake Wongan, where he kills on an average about 30 rabbits per week. Therecil for hand at Mount Cole, known as the Glut are some rabbits and butrows on the Emu-Creek frontage, Buangor estate. I brought them under Mr. Gardiner's notice, and he

The engineer reported—(1). The several promised to do away with them with as little contracts are being proceeded with in a satis- delay as possible. There are also rabbits and factory manner. (2). Several tenders are hurrows on the Mount Emu estate, chiefly on invited for to-day, including some for the the range of hills between Nanimia and the supply of pipes required on the Snake Valley | Emu Creek, near the Langi Willer boundary. ing over the pest resembled that which would posal to visit him with thanks, observing pipes, lead, etc., will be required for this to these, and no doubt he will have them destroyed as could as could

Riponshire

Advocate.

Doetry.

SONG.

BY JAMES GEDDES.

A cloudless sky, A maiden shy,

Oh, gladsome cummer weather.

The blithe birds flew,

The soft winds llew,

And we two roamed together. Elixer rare Was in the air, The dew was on the heather, And from the bloom Rose sweet perhame, As we two reamed together.

First meeting eyes, Then glad eurprise, And heart as light as feather For love outspoke And silence broke, As we two roamed together.

Still hand in band, Adown life's strand To-day we ream, and whether Tis weal or wea The fates bestow, For aye we'll roam together.

Movelist.

"DORA DUNBAR."

AN AUSTRALIAN STORY.

"BY MONA."

CHAPTER XV .- (Continued.)

Sometimes, in a forgetful frame, we turn to her room as in days of yore, for advice and encouragement, only to be confronted by her vacant couch.

And in the wet cold nights that follow, how hard it seems to shut her out in the rain and darkness, while we gather round the hearth, even though we know it is but the shell and the casket lying there-that the pearl, the precious gem, it held is safe in God's keeping.

CHAPTER-XVI.

It is little more than forty-eight hours after burying our dead, that the final bliw

falls.

I am sitting beside the dining-roon fire, listlessly looking into its depths, and thinking half-bitterly, half regretfully of Norton Fowler's share in my past, thinking what comfort I might have derived from his love below to be hard up with others depending on mether thought is enough! I should desert them or commit suicide. Am I mainting myself plainly enough? It is not a sweet picture, is it? ort I might have derived from his love during these dark, dark days, bad he been to his better nature, when the chief sud-denly enters, his face ghast!, d horrorstricken, and tosses to Ag, whose presence l had been almost oblivious of, a telegram

t. m. Misfortunes never come singly!" he groans, striding out of the room, without another word ,and shutting himself into the den, as a slam of the door proclaims.

What is it, Ag?" I ask apprehensively, noting the sudden awful horror that dilates her eyes, and blanches her cheeks, "What is it?" I repeat in impatient agony, half-frightened by her stony anguish.

Once, twice, she tries to speak, but in vain. The third time the one word "Freddie" makes itself heard. Its utterance seems to break the spell, and mechanically she hands me the paper, but I turn from it with a shudder, remembering the one I got at Sun-

"No, tell me,—is she ill?" I cry, fearing I know not what. "Ill?-worse!" shudders Ag, bowed and

broken looking. "Worse?-not dying? ob, not dying! It cannot be !"

"Dead!" and with the word she falls on her knees beside me, and, with her arms around me and her head in my lap, she breaks into a storm of sobs that terrify, and, taken in conjunction with her terrible news, bewilder me totally.

Dead! can it be possible?—she, our bright beautiful, beloved sister-dead! I could laugh aloud at the thought, in my disbelief. That young, vigorous, beautiful life cut short! that gay, sweet voice hushed, those sunny eyes sealed for ever | and all her new-born wealth of mother-love and wifely-worship dead with her !

O, baby Bruce; poor, little motherless waif! I could almost hate you in the first heat of our new fire of affliction! Is it any wonder that he, your sorely-striken sire should shrink, for a time from the sight of your sweet innocent face, knowing that your birth has cost his darling's life? God com fort him, and guide thee, poor babe—so un-

conscious of thy loss! For nearly twenty minutes Ag clings, weeping wildly, to me, deaf to my scothing words, insensible to all my caresses, then gradually she grows calm, and turns com forter for the benefit of the rest of us: first telling me the substance of the telegram, It is very brief, simply conveying the sad nows, and promising particulars by the first

l'aken away from the evil to come." Mrs. Sutherland's words recur to us both, and gratefully we thank God that she was spared

this crushing blow. Even as we dwell upon those strangely prophetic syllables, Mrs. Sutherland arrives,

her own grief awallowed up in the greatness of her sympathy for us. But why dwell upon the long weary hours

of sad waiting that follow? or even upon the they, indeed, are too sacred to be lightly exposed to every eye. Enough that it is too true,—that dreadful telegram,—that she, the flower of the family, the pride and joy of her husband's heart is truly under the sodhidden from our earthly eyes for ever.

She had never recovered her strength after her baby's birth, seeming at first to do well, then, gradually, fading away, wasting to a skeleton almost, so thin and weak, but to the last, sweet and unselfish, cheering him with confident assurances of their future meet-

Last messages she sent us all, bidding u specially be good to her "boys," for her sake, and advising Lex to leave New Zealand. where he had neither kith nor kin, and re-

turn to his old home. But that neither duty nor inclination will sanction at present. The land that holds her dust, is dearer to him than even the land of parents, home, and friends, and for her little one's sake he must not lightly resign the post that means independence, and eat the bread of idleness; for there is no opening for him in S—, nor much prospect of there being one. Besides, in work, he can hest forget his loss, he tells us, and work he does -so hard that he knocks himself up most

pronouncedly, and three or four months later | finds himself ordered home on sick leave for

There I find him looking the ghost of the old time Lex, poor fellow! when I return for the Christmas vacation, for I had insisted on going back to my work at Camborough, despite the mute entreaties of Ag's wistful eyes, and the chief's suggestion to relinquish

There was nothing for me to do at home in our diminished household, as I told them, and I must have something to fill my thoughts, and take me out of myself.

Reluctantly, they had consented at last to my continuing it for another year, hoping then, I might resign it of my own accord.

My Sunnyside friends had met me on my return with a genuine sympathy that tried my control sorely, and vied with each other in their kindness to me in their kindness to me.

Nance I find quite recovered, and looking health and beauty personified, She has at length consented to "name the day," and, rather to Mr. Alexander's disgust, has fixed it for no less distant a date than St. Valentine's day, that being also her birthday. Slowly the weeks pass by, despite all I

can do to make them fly—working hard during school hours, and harder still studying for matriculation in my spare time, for in study now I find forgetfulness and Twice a week I go into C— for lessons and it is on one of these occasions that, on

leaving my tutor's residence and calling for letters at the post, I receive the following precious epistle.

Tuesday evening, MY DEAR MISS DUNBAR.

Let my anxiety to render you the full explanation that is your due plead for my presumption in thus addressing you, and in justice to yourself do not act upon what will most probably be your first impulse, and return this unread. Do not think for a moment I mean to make excuses for myself, or try to gloss over my vile conduct. Let that stand in all its black, cowardly treachery, it will the sooner quench the last spark of your regard, supposing that even one remains, and to forget me is the wisest thing you can do now. Aye, forget me, forget that I ever entered you life, though, till my dying day, I shall cherish a fond rememberance of your

every word and look. I love you too well to wish you to preserve even the faintest memory of me, for remembrance must mean aught but happiness or pleasure in this case, and you have had your share of sorrow and pain of late—may the future recompense you amply for the past. But to come to the point. I deem it only

right to tell you that as deeply as I loved you when I asked you to become my wife, I love you still, more deeply on the principle that forbidden fruit gains in sweetness; the unattainable becomes all-desirable! From the first hour I met you and fell under the spell of your loveliness, till the present moment, my passion has been a part of my life, and will be till I cease to exist. Does this horrify your sense of right? my loving one woman with all my soul, and perjuring myself to gain another's gold. "The love of money is the root of all evil," truly, now-adays as of old, and with N.F., especially. Picturesque poverty I can form no concep-

No. the change is not in you, but in my altered circumstances. As the manager of Fernles, I had a comfortable home, if not a uxurious one, to offer my wife, but as Vorton Fowler, minus position and prospects, existence on a pound a week, perhaps, to share. My marriage will be purely a bargain -the rent-roll of Lillies for my youth and good looks, my bride elect tells me. I may

flatter myself on the possession of the latter without vanity, and for youth—I am only twenty-eight in years, but thrice that in worldly-wise foresight, eh? Have I said enough to make you loathe

and despise me even as I despise myself? In one way I hope so, but despise me, forget me if you will, yet pity me a little, too, for, villain and coward as I am, my punishment s hard to bear. Tied for life to a woman I lo not even profess to love, who bores and irritates me every hour of the day, thrice her wealth could not reconcile me to my loss of your sweet self. Who would envy me? Perhaps the—"

But here contempt and disgust get the better of me, and crunching the paper into a ball, I thruct it into my pocket with angry ebemence.

"Miserable wretch!" I mutter to myself. it would serve him right to send it to his bride elect' as he calls her, but between her nfatuation and his lack o fconscience, he'd convince her it was a forgery." "What's the matter, Dot? something has

upset your serenity," Nance's voice breaks in on my soliloquy, as I near the gate of her mother's cottage. Drawing her into her own room I give her the letter with a curt ---

"Rad that." Puzzled, but obedient, she does so, and I vatch her face with its lightning changes of expression while she reads.

Surprise, contempt, indignation, disgu to chase each other across it, and confirm my own ovinion.

"Well?" I say sharply, as she silently bands it back.

"Don't speak of him, Dot, he's beneath your notice," she advises gently, then, curiosity proving stronger than her resolve, When did he propose, dear?" "The day he drove me down in his dog-

oart." "Aud you--" "Said 'yes,' after a week's consideration. But enough of him Nance. I wish the widow

joy of her bargain." "You are well rid of him, dear; don't regret him.'

"I don't now. That letter cured me." l laugh, bitterly. "When does the wedding take place,

Nance?" "Next Thursday, I heard yesterday." "In C-?"

"Yes, at the English church." "Thursday-that is fete day, is it not?" "Yes, or to quote the C- News, our 'Annual Athletic Sports.'" "And a school holiday! Nance, I must

"The fete?" " No, the wedding." "Dot, do you mean to make a death's

get in for it."

head of the feast ?" "I mean to make Norton Fowler see my mania is over."

"As you please, ma chere. The church will be crowded, I think, for it's to be a grand affair as dress goes, though only intimate riends are invited. He wanted a private vedding, Mrs. Raynor told me, but she nsisted on asking her hundred and one particular friends, and being married in the

"Wise woman, after paying so much for him, why shouldn't she exhibit him?" "Cynfol are we to be present then?" "And witness the sacrifice-yes."

"Can you calmly look on it?" "Wait and see-I think so."

"Be up in good time then, we mustn't be remember, Mr. Langdon is Gilbert's 'own

"All right," I promise, as I follow Mrs. Arcroft out to it, stopping a moment to say good-bye to Mrs. Stair. "In time for what, Dot?" asks Mrs. Arcroft, as we bowl along.

"Mr. Powler s wedding on Thursday." "Oh, you heard of it, then?" curiously.

"Yes, and I want you to drive me in to see it," I say, coaxingly. "Gold won the day after all, Dot?" she ventures, in half-tender, half-sarcastic tones, "I hope he may be as happy as he deserves." It's a pity, for his sake, you hado't a 'Lillica' to take him to."

"And a blessing for mine," I laugh 'That sounds like sour grapes, eh? but it's not. Like 'Lady Clare,' I want to be loved for 'my own true worth.'" "I'm glad to hear it, Dot," she says

earneslly, "I should never forgive myself if I thought that by making him so welcome always, I had helped him to deceive you at

"Never think that, dear Mrs. Arcroft. I was deceived in him for a time, I candidly confess, but my eyes are open now, and I resign him to the widow without a regret." " That's good news to me, and in gratitude for it, I promise to drive you in to see the knot tied, if all's well."

She is as good as her word, and Thursday morning finds us, on the stroke of eleven, simmering in the crowded church, waiting for the wedding party.

Three, four, five minutes pass, then the carriages dash up to the church, and a moment later the bride enters on her brother's arm, his face expressing the disapprobation he feels. She is fearfully and wonderfully resplendent in ruby brocade, the bodies fitting her substantial figure with a tightness suggestive of an explosion, with a blaze of diamonds at her throat, ears and wrists, and in her hair.

Entering by another door her bridegrom advances, and meets her at the communion, in front of the old clergyman. Handsome and self-possessed, he goes through his share of the solemn service with outward indiffer-

"Till death do us part." As the words fall on my ears I recall his written ones—
"Tied for life to a woman I do not even profess to love," and I wonder if he remembers them too.

The ceremony ever, he makes no effort to foil the "best man's" determination to obtain the first kiss, but coolly drawing his wife's arm through his, leads her to the vestry 3 Then the crowd slowly files, out so slowly that Nace: and I are only emerging from our paw as the bridal party re-appear, and my funcreal figure in it's deep mourning is the first thing they see. That he sees it the dark iel flush that dyes his face declares, and his eyes fall before mine, but only for a moment; then, bowing slightly, he hurries on.

After the breakfast the "happy pair," start for Sydney, where they spend the honey-

And thus ends that chapter of my life.

CHAPTER XVII.

for three weeks, e beholds an, siender, golden manly youth of sixteen now, is on the to meet me, and Ag's sweet face gleams radiantly from the cab he leads me

"I couldn't come any further, dear," says, softly, glancing down at a small, chubby figure in her arms—a bright, bonny bit of humanity, whose big blue eyes and sunny eurls proclaim him Freddie's son.

"Bruce? Ag! give him to me," I cry, hastily, returning her kiss as I bend to take him.
"Isn't he like her, Ag?" I murmur,

alternately, kissing him and staring him out of countenance, "What a splendid little fellow! Is he as good as this always?" A question Master Bruce answers himself

setting up a lusty roar, and shrinking shyly from my strange face.
"Oh, hush! Here take him, Ag," bundling him into her arms in dismay, "stop him if you can."

That she does speedily, the mite seems already to know and love her, then she herself to answering my many luestions till we reach home. Home! It scarcely seems that with

out the all-prevading influence of our sweet invalid mother. And the worn, altered face of Lexat the drawing-room window adds to its strangeness, as, with drooping frame and feeble step he comes to meet us, I recall my last glimpse of him on his Wedding-day, and the contrast moves me to tears.

." Dora!" he says, with forced cheerfulness. is it really you?-really the little pale student of two years ago? Time has been generous friend to you, as far as beauty and oom are concerned, ma chere."

"Ay, but how bitterly, how hardly that same time had dealt with me in the matter of my dear ones!" I remind myself, returning his salutation, and at the thought my lips quiver painfully, forbidding speech.

Altogether it is a sad home-coming, and the days that follow are dreary and joyless full of memories of the missing faces that leave such gaps in our circle.

Lex we see little of, but baby Bruce almost lives with us—Ag and he being inseparable; lives with us entirely, indeed, for a fortnight of my visit, owing to a sudden relapse that

almost leaves him doubly-orphaned. The chief takes a wonderful fancy to the little sprite, and spends minutes at a time playing and romping with him, as I am sure he never did with us, and Ag and Vic vie with each other in their efforts to spoil him,

and I must plead guilty to aiding them. Uneventiully my holidays pass, and a week after the New Year I set out on my return to Camborough, accompanied by Vic. whose delight at the prospect of a month's hunting, etc., at Sunnyside, is boundless.

Mrs. Arcroft had taken a great liking to his frank, laughing face in my album, and enjoyed my stories of his quips and pranks so much, that I had strict orders to bring him back with me if only for a month. The chief had hesitated a little before consenting plunging poor Vie into unfathomable dispair and transporting him thence, to the seventh heaven of delight, by finally granting him a

months holiday.

At our journey's end, we find Mr. Arcroft and his better half, with the drag awaiting us, and, after a hearty welcome, I bundle in at the back with the latter, while Vic finds himsell in his element, perched at Mr. Arcroft'sside behind Pysche and Hebe. "And how is Nance?" is my first ques-

tion. "Will," laughs her sister, " in health, but who can 'minister to a mind diseased?' Nance is a victim to the green-eyed monser." "Nensense l"

" Its the truth, Dot." "' Naybe, but I dinna think so,'" I quote "Who is she?" merrily. 'That's the best of it—it isn't a she at

" Who then?" "Mr. Langdon-Wetty Langdon." 'Who is he?" "Dot. do you mean to say that, knowing (filbert the last six months, you don't know who Watty Langdon-" laughingly interrupting her, "I " Stay !

late," she says, as the buggy comes round | familiar friend,' is he not ?-his voluminous

Queensland correspondent?"

"Yes, but he is back for good, and Gilbert, in his delight, neglected Nance for two whole hours, and so won Watty a place in her black books." "Not he—she's too sensible and unselfish

for that. What is Mr. Langdon like?"
Tall and dark, rather melancholy-look. ing. He has the ficest dark eyes I ever saw, and the sweetest smile—it quite alters his expression, which is usually grave to for-"I like the description. When shall I see

him ?" "This day week. We are going to have a kangaroo hunt at Mt. Trewan and he's coming.' "Next Saturday! Won't Vic be de-

lighted' "No doubt—we got it up in his honor, and he's to ride Inez. Do you think he can manage her?"

"Oh, I think so; but, Mrs. Arcroft, isn't it "I understand you, dear," she says, gently as I falter and finally break down, "but I think not. There's only Mr. Langdon and Gilbert coming, besides ourselves, and you and I are to drive over, after the hunting narty. Via murn't go home without seeing.

party. Vic musn's go home without seeing a little life in the West. During the following week, Vie is the constant companion of Mr. Arcroft and Nance in their daily rides, striking up a friendship with the latter, that each day cements more firmly. The exercise agrees with him, and improves his appearance wonderfully, transforming him into a "positively handsome youth," as I condescendingly inform him, my reward for the information being a fillip in the car, and a brotherly injunction to be

'civil to my superiors." The fateful Saturday dawns at length, bright and breezy, and, after an early breakfast, we set off for Mt. Trewan, Nance, in her blue habit and shady hat, looking grace and happiness personified, rides off with Gilbert, closely followed by Mr.Langdon, his host and Vic, after whom come the boundary riders and all the station dogs, Mrs. Arcroft and I bringing up the rear with a buggy load of good things in the eatable

The crive is a delicious one, up hill and down dale, along soft sandy roads, that wind, white and cool, through dusty wattle groves, and across broad brown heaths, then through a great fern carpeted forest of stringy-bark, till finally we emerge at the foot of steep, bald Mt. Trewan. Beside a splendid spring at its foot we picnic for an hour or so, discussing cold chicken and cream cakes, and Christmas festivities, and kaugaroo hunts alternately. Then the hunters ride off, leaving Mrs Arcroft and me to repack the bampers, after which we pile the buggy rug and cushions on the ground, and lazily lounge and talls the time arms.

and talk the time away, with, for variety's sake, a little reading from "Romola." "Not to read, and reading not to appreciate 'Romola,' means a deficiency in one's moral nature," a gentleman visitor had averred a week before, and Nance had straightway obtained a copy, read it, and raved over it since, "proof positive of no lack in her moral nature," she gravely assured us, though I warrant she skipped

It is late in the afternoon when the hunters return, tired, but well pleased with their sport, Vic especially elated, having been complimented by the rest on his fearless Vic?" asks Mrs. Arcoft.

"I never saw anything like it, it's wild Australia' with a vengeance," says Vic. "It reminds me of Gordon's ride after the bush-'Spare us, Viel" I cry, fingers in ears,

'we all know what you mean, it's something about-" Hard behind them through the timber, harder still across the heath, Right behind them, through the tea-tree

and the golden-tinted fernleaves, how they rustled underneath. And the honeysuckle osiers, how they crashed l

"Stop him, some one, please." "Not need," he answers lugubriously, Hearing Gordon murdered in that fashion nas subdued me." "That's a rap for your reciting powers,"

laughs Nance, who shares his mania for Gordon. "A well-merited one," gravely asserts Gilbert, while Mr. Langdon puts in-"Miss Donbar, have you the courage to condemn Gordon in present company? Don't

you know we Western district folks take a rticular pride in him, and are all his ardent admirers!" "I know, but, Mr. Langdon, let me quarter you for a month with one of his devotess-Vic. for example—who is raving about 'The Wreck' etc., from dawn to dark, and I'll

warrant you'll wish Gordon had died "Come, Doll, 'in your might remember mercy." ories Vio.

"Can't you turn the tables on her. Vic?" laughs Gilbert. "Tell us whose poems she pesters you with?"

"Don't know his name," says Vic, his eyes sparkling wickedly, "but I remember a verse or two she made our lives miserable with," and assuming a sentimental air he drawls-

You may forget the woman. I may forget the man, But the perfume of the lilies Forget it if you can. A shout of laughter rewards his mimiory.

"Go on, Vic, give us some more," cries Nance; "it is Dot seen under new circumstances to us. What is the name of that

"Day lilies.' I think. I don't know any more of it, but there's another favourite of hers makes me wish I was afflicted with deafness, though its such a happy blending of the earth earthy with the celestial, that I suppose I should admire it. It runs-

You require that your mutton should always That your socks and your shirts should be whole, require that your heart should be true a God's stars.

And pure as His heaven your soul."

" Mutton and heaven, humph!" comments Mr. Langdon whimsically, surveying my scarlet cheeks. "I must say I'm with Vic on Gordon's side. Miss Dunbar." "And I! and I!" laughingly chorus the

"Come, good people," cries Mrs. Arcroft from the buggy, "if you want to recruit the inner man before we start for home, hurry up; there's no time to waste." Scrambling up, we make our way to her, and hastily "snatch a mouthful," as Mr. Arcroft calls the meal we make. Then the

dishes are packed, the ponies harnessed, and the hunters' horses led round. "Are you ready, Martha?" cries Mr. Arcroft, looking on, with an indifference born of ten years' matrimony, at Gilbert tucking her into the buggy. "In one moment," the latter replies. "You

can start-Nance and I'll see the ladies

"All right, come on Langdon! come, Vic!" and off they canter, followed by the pair of us in the buggy, with the lovers in the Presently they pass us for "a race on the heath," as Gilbert informs us, and in a minute are out of sight.

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The sun is low in the west, as weemerge from the timber on to the heath, and, shining into our eyes dazzles them so that we are glad to regain the shelter, or shade rather of the trees on the far side of the heath,

Merrily we pursue our way, winding in and out among the tall "sons of the forest," bordering it, till we come suddenly on a little group blocking the road—a group we had not noticed sooner, so absorbed had we been in steering clear of the many trees on each

Full length across the track lies Gilbert, motionless, his head pillowed on Nance's breast, while she strives to stanch the blood, staining with its red stream the dear face already set in the pallor of death. "Good God !" cried Mrs. Arcroft, throwing

me the reins and springing down to them, What is wrong, Nance?" Nance-is it Nance's face that sonfronts us? that gray, stony, expressionless mask? is it her voice that in hard, monotonous tones explains:
"Wildfire bolted and ran into that tree."

"Great Heavens! is he much burt, Nance?" "Hurt? No-he doesn't suffer-killed on the spot," she said, in the same strange me-ohanical way, brushing back with her blood-stained hands, his thick curls. "Dot, Dot, it has turned her brain! What are we to do ?" wails Mrs. Arcroft, wringing

her hands in agony, as she turns to me sit-ting sick with horror behind the ponies. "We must get help," I return inanely. "Yes, but how? I daren't leave her, and you can't drive."

"No, but I can ride," pointing to Nance's horse near by—a horse that, under less desperate circumstances, nothing would tempt me to mount. "Will the ponies stand?" "I think so, I don't know-never mind

think so, I don't know—never mind them. Oh, be quick!"
With trembling haste she assists me to mount, and hurries me off, tying the ponies loosely to a tree, then flying to Nance, to minister to her, for even I can see Gilbert is

With palpitating heart I tear on, along the bush track and out again on to the heath, across which I strain my eyes in search of aid—in vain. Yet no! approaching swiftly is a buggy and pair, with two men in it. The relief is so great that I burst into tears that blind my identity of both, till Mr. Cotton's well-known voice ejaculates:

"Miss Dunbar I has anything happened?" Slipping to the ground, clinging to the saddle for support, I sobbingly explain. "Gilbert thrown-hurt-killed you think ! Good God! Bilton, you're just the man that's wanted here," cries the owner of that welcome voice, turning to his companion, a young doctor who is visiting C-

"Yes," he says, cool and self-possessed. 'Is it straight abead on this road, the accident happened, young lady?"

"Yes," is all I can utter. "Then jump up here-you are two unnerved to ride that brute. Let it go, it'll make its way home and give the alarm."
Gladly I obey, and, assisted by Mr. Cotton, take my place between them. Then as we don't new and, he explains their opportune appearance on the scene.

"We drove down to Sunnyeide after lunch.

and, learning you ware at the Mount, deter-mined to join you thure, seasons of Waiting your return.' Did you meet Mr. Arcroft?" "Yes, he said that we'd find you a little further on with Gilbert-poor fellow!

The name rocalls the awful scene, and again I give way, burrying my face in my hands, and shuddering violently. A few minutes more brings us to our journey's end. Nance's awful composure has given way as last, and she lies pale and death-like in her

sister's arms.
One glance at Gilbert's stiffening form i enough for the doctor, though he makes show of seeking for the "vital spark." "Killed instantaneously," is his verdict, and he turns his attention to Nance, over

whom he is bending gravely, when at a breakneck gallop, Mr. Arcroit and Watty Langdon "What is it?" cries the former, in his fussy, kindly way, "has—" The words die on his lips, as he espies the still figure with a handkerchief thrown over its face, and with a shuddering groan he turns away, while Mr. Langdon throwing himself on his knees

woman. "How did it happen?" asks Mr. Arcroft in a hushed tone, but that none of us kno v.

beside it, weeps for a moment or two like a

"You must wait for particulars till this young lady is herself again," says the doctor, adding with grim significance, "and that won't be for some time. Now," he goes on briskly, "we must get her home at once. How are we to do it?" cutting short all en-

"In the buggy, I suppose," answers Mrs. Arcroit, who, pale and trembling still with horror, is yet the only one self-possessed enough to suggest anything.
"In ours, then—it will hold three most comfortably," motioning Mr. Cotton to help

him to lift her into it. "Now, Mrs. Arcroft, you get in, too, and I'll drive you. I can do no more for poor Alexander, and this young lady wants immediate attention." And what of- How can we get Gilbert nome?" she asks, falteringly.

"The waggonette will be here soon."
answers her husband huskily, "Wildfire tore past us at the black gate, splashed with blood, and gave me a hint to prepare for the worst, so I sent Vic on to tell them to bring

it to meet us. If it wasn't needed, then all the better, I thought—there'd be no harm done.11 "Come," cries Dr. Bilton, "every moment is precious.' "And Dot?" asks Mrs. Arcroft, "how is

she to come?"

"One of us will drive her," answers Mr. Arcroft, "here, Cotton, will you, as the wife's taken your seat." "With pleasure," and in another minute we are off in the wake of the first buggy, eaving the other two to guard the dead. "How came Wildfire to bolt, I wonder?"

I find voice to say at last. "I can't imagine, took fright in some way I suppose. He was always a nervous, irritable brute. Gilbert was often warned about him. Poor fellow! what an awful

"He was killed at once, you think?"

vas a terrible shook for poor Miss Stair."

"Yes, she seemed quite dazed at first."

" Must have been-brains dashed out. It

"No wonder. It was enough to turn her brain! They were to be married in less than a month, too." Yes," I reply, and recalling all poor Nance's pretty preparations for the event, her many little plans and happy anticipations connected therewith, I burst into tears again. despite my efforts at self-control, and sob convulsively till we get to Sunnyside.

CHAPTER XVIII.

It is the day of the funeral. The inquiry is over-adjourned till Nance is able to give, her evidence. When that will be, if ever. It is hard to say, for she lies at death's cor, the shock having affected her brain. Alone at the window of my room I stand, watching the sombre procession winding slowly past, and great tears dim my eyes as I

Easily we bowl along through the timber chatting idly over the doings of the day, and blissfully ignorant of the tragedy so soon to take place.

"Happy is the corpse that the rain falls on," I repeat to myself, as, just as the mourning coach passes, a heavy shower begins, rendering almost invisible the sad face of Watty Langdon gazing out, and soon hiding the cortege from my view altogether.

God rest thee, Gilbert! thine was an early end," I say softly, turning from the window to encounter Mrs. Arcroit, who, worn with grief and watching, had entered unheard, and caught my words.

"Aye, Dot" she rejoins, "but now, as of old, 'whom the gods love die young."

CHAPTER XIX.

Eighteen months. later, just two years after Freddie's death, I am sitting one wet, windy Saturday afternoon over the parlor fire at Sunnyside—for I am still teaching at Camborough, having succeeded, by dint of arguments and entreaties, in gaining a feeble issent to my doing so from the home folks-

Opposite sits Nance, not the gay, smiling, saucy girl of old, but a pale, grave, sad-eyed to Ag," settling my writing table before the woman in deep mourning; lovelier and more loveable than ever in my opinion—reminding me strongly of Ag, our "Home Sunshine," as mamma loved to call her, in her

lap.
'Yes, one of Ag's newspapers," I laugh, tearing it open. "She sends me fifteen pages sometimes, and not five lines of news in it all.

Araid I may feel lonely perhaps."

"And that's her thanks-a caustic criti-Silence, I am deep in Ag's didactic para-graphs. No news in her letters, did I say? Well, there is a piece in this that makes up for all past deficiencies. It "brings me up standing," as Vic would say, in a moment, and not till I read it twice do I take it in. "What is it, dear, not bad news, I hope?"

Them I read it again and again, and ask nyself fifty times over, can it be true?
Thus runs the extract that bewilders

certain about it, and shall eagerly await your reply, trusting it may be favorable.

At least, I know you will not judge

to Freddie. There, the secret is out, and, in indignation, I can see your astonished face. Yes, dear sister, to briefly state what, doubtless, you already guess, Lex has, asked me to marry him, and I have said "Yes." It was only last night he spoke, so I am losing no time in letting you know, for Oh, dear Dora, I long for your sympathy, and dread that your old, strong antipathy to a man's marrying his deceased wife's sister may deprive me of it, and without it I shall be miserable. jections—I fancy I know them. First, with your strong affection for pure Prodding and prejudice against such marriages, it may prejudice against such marriages, it may seem to you that I am selfishly supplanting her in Lex's love. That, dearest, I can never do, she will always hold the first, best place in again, who can so well supply their dear mother's place to his children, as that mother's

sister? Remember how dear we were to each other, Dora; how inseparable always, and place in the lives of her dear ones.

Now, to come to your second objectionthe nearness of the relationship already existing; but, Doll, dear, it is only relationship by marriage, and therefore, far less objectionable than the tie between first and second cousins, and how many of them marry? But, already, I have trespassed on your patience too far, so must deal with minor

as surprised as you can be, when Lax spoke, and cannot yet imagine why he made me his choice, unless, perhaps, little Bruce's affection or me suggested it; the little fellow is very

Mr. and Mrs. S- both seem pleased with the idea of my becoming their second daughter. Papa commends it, and Vic is delighted, so dear Dora, only your approbation is wanted to fill my cup of happiness to the brim. Let me hear it, sister, if you con-

scientiously can. I covet your loving sympathy.
Hoping to hear from you soon, with fondest love and best wishes—your anxious sister,

P.S. No "outsiders" know of our engagement yet—no one I mean out of our two families, nor will they till I win you over to my side—supposing you will not enlist on it at once, but that I hope and pray you

have always seemed so objectionable, that is it any wonder I cannot reconcile myself to Ag's? Presently the door opens and Nance softly

you to bear this, dear." " Read that then," pointing out the para-Well what is your opinion?" I ask as

"And because of your foolist prejudice," she interrupts, "three lives Aust be made miserable—As condemned to a miserable old maidenhead—for she'll we're marry anyone else—Lex doomed to lead his present lonely, lengtest life and goor little Bruce denriced of loveless life, and poor little Bruce deprived of could bave."

she concludes.

"But Nance-"

""But me no buts," she quotes, half-

"I can't help it! fancy marrying one's brother-in-law."
"I'd sooner do that than marry my cousin," declares Nance, "Besides, she lowd him before he became that. He is the one man in the world for her—her fate—her second self, or missing half, and you must not come between them. She deserves every happiness for her brave scif-denial. Think how hard it must have been for her to hide her pain; for she must have suffered keenly,

during the days previous to his marrying Freddie. Did you never suspect ?" "Never; though, after they left us, I found her crying bitterly, but I thought it was over losing Freddie. They were so dear to each

other always." "All the more in favor of her marrying Lex. Freddie would sooner that than a strenger, and by-and-by, Dot, it would most likely come to that, for the majority of widowed ones re marry sconer or later," she asserts, sagely. Some, as a sort of compliment to No. I, a tribute to the memory of their past happy matrimonial essay; others to make up for not looking before leaping, hoping to do better the second time." "I shouldn't like Lex to marry a

stranger for Bruce's sake," I admit, reluct-"No, of course not, Now set to, and write fire, " and give her my fondest love, and very best wishes," vanishing. "Mind, Dot," re-appearing for a moment, "a nice, long, loving, And I meekly obey, as far as possible, her

orders, reaping my reward in a sense of contentment that possesses me as I proceed. "Any admission?" cries Nance, an hour or more later, peeping in.
"Yes. Tell me, will this do?" handing her my letter.

"First-rate, your bark's worse than your bite, Dot? Now put on your best bib and tucker. Guess why?"

"No good at conundrums," evasively. "Nor anything else;" with a gleam of her old gaiety. "Well, 'Job's' here." "Who'a ' Job'?" " Mr. Catton. Is it a good name for him?

his patience is pathetic. Perhaps 'Jacob' would be better? Wasn't it 'Jacob' served seven years for Rachel? my memory is "Where does the connection come in?" "Bab! you deserve-but I'm wasting breath. Are you going to beautify?" "For Mr. Cotton's benefit-no," indifferently, conscious that the dark blue dress I am

wearing becomes me admirably. To be continued.

BIG JIM. "He's a bully!"

"He's a coward !" " He's got to hang!"
"That's his third man!" The one narrow street of the frontier town

was filled with a surging crowd of excited men. There were Indian fighters, courts, gamtlers, tramps, miners, speculators-every. thing and everybody.

Every town has its bully-every frontier town. Big Jim was the bully of Hill City. He could drink more, curse louder, shock quicker and start a row sooner than any other man. When he shot Limber Joe it was a stand-off. It was rough against rough. Whoever went under, the town wo gainer. The death of his second victim brought him a certain respect, for he had

Birran the man a tair show. There was a limit to the number of men one might shoot in Hill City. It was three times and out. Big Jim had killed his third. Two hundred meu-all excited-come halfcrazed—all indignant—some terribly aroused, surged down the street to the Red Siar salcon

bent on vengeance. Big Jim and the man he had killed were alone in the place.

"Bring him out!" "He's got to hang !" " Bring out the bully and coward !" There was a rush, but it was checked. Men had pistols and knives in their hands, but the night of Big Jim with a "nay," in each hand cooled their ardor. A life for a life is not revenge. They lied when they called him a bully. Bullies strike and run or bluster and dare not strike. They lied

whon they called him a coward. Cowards do not remain to face death.

Big Jim advanced a little. The crowd fell back. He stood in the door and surveyed the mob as coolly, as another man night have looked up at the pine-covered crest of Carter's Peak. The mob grew quiet. There were 200 right hands clutching deadly weapons, but not a hand moved. Two hundred to one is appalling odds, but the one was master. Sceming to face every man of them-seeming to cover every breast with the black muzzles of his revolvers-the man backed away up the road into the darkness. out of their sight and hearing. He said not a word. "There wasn't a whisper from the crowd until he had disappeared. Then men

drew long breaths of relief. A terrible menace had passed away. Out into the darkness-down the rough road-over the rule bridge, and there Big Jim put up his revolvers, turned his face square to the West, and stepped out without a look back at the eamp. It was ten miles to Harney's Bend. Men driven from the one camp took refuge in the other, The half way landmark was a bit of a valley skirted by a creek. Waylarers who were journeying by team many times halted here. On this night there was a lone wegg in. Under the canvas cover slept a mother and four children. Resting against a wheel was the husband and father, his eyes peering into the darkness—his eyes drinking in every

sound. Big Jim had not reached the valley yet when the still night air was rent with war-whoops—the crack of rifles—the screams of a woman and her children. Indians had discovered the lone and almost defenceless family. There was five scalps to adorn their lodges. The bully and the coward had not been discovered. He sould find a safe hiding place. Did he?

were dancing about the waggou—shooting— striking—dodging—chaing in on the one white man who senchow escaped their blows and bullets, what there was a cheer and a rush, and the navrs began to to crack. Sixty seconds later, dead silence had fallen upon the valler.
One-two-three dead Indians. The immigrantleaned against the waggon, faint with a

A half-dozen screaming, yelling fiends

with an awful terror at her heart. Builets and chipped and splintered wheel and body. "Who see you?" asked the immigrant. as a figure approached him from the darkness.
"Big Jim."

'You have saved us from a massacre."

"Yes, it was well that I happened along! Rouse up the fire, for there is no further When the blaze caught the fresh fagots and lighted up the little valley, the immigrant counted the dead Indians again—one—two three. He turned with extended hand, but BigPim had departed. Next day, when men from Hills and Harney's found his dead body beside the rocks a mile away, with five wounds which had let his life-blood out, they

CERTAIN people keep themselves all day long full of vexation beforehand, for some coming event or other.

We thought we knowed him, but we

didn't."

whispered to each other:

cading my share of the contents of the mail

sweet, steadfast self-denial.

"That's a big budget, Dot," she says, smilingly, pointing to a bulky epistle in my

says Nauce, gently, but I only shake my head, and, gathering up my letters, rush off to my

"An: 20 v. dear Dora, I have something to tell you that I am sure will surprise, but I hope not displease you, though, knowing your views on such matters, I leel very un-

me hastily, but patiently hear me through, and generously take into consideration the fact (so jealously guarded till now) that I loved him long before his engagement his heart; besides, I am sure she loved him too well for her to have wished him to lead (out of devotion to her memory) the wretched homeless-for, in the truest, sweetest sense of the word, homeless he has been the last two years—life he has been leading. It's unnatural, and, granting that if a man

you cannot for a moment think that I would deliberately act a treacherous or unsisterly part towards her, especially seeing that in death she is dearer even to us all than ever. Ah no! my dear sister, I am sure there is no one she would choose before me to fill her

objections again. How long have I known of Lax's intentions? you will ask. Not till last night. I loved him long ago, as I told you, but, on Freddie's becoming his wife, looked on my love as a sin, and buried it deep in my heart, flattering myself that I had stifled it, but his first words undeceived me. I love him as deeply and truly as ever, and oh! I cannot consider my love a crime or a sin. Would God have gifted me with such a capacity for loving unalterably if it were? I was

fond of me, and I of him, as you know. God help me to do him justice?

Laying my head on the letter at last, after puzzling over it vainly till I am tired, I burst into bitter unreasonable tears. Yet are they so unreasonable? To me such marriages

enters. Slipping her arm round me, she whis-Sharing a trouble with a true friend lightens it of half its load, Dot. Let me hele

"That Dora Dunbar is the greatest little goose I ever came across," she smiles. "Will are you grieving over the ?" "There is something so repugnar about

laughingly, half-serious, "I second all Ag says, and shall insist on your sending her the warmest sisterly congratulations by next look my last on the flower-covered casket that post. What, still heatating?" 500

It is no point of wisdom for a man to beat his brains about things impossible.

How to Make Butter. BY LOUISA G., OF MICHIGAN

In reply to the request for some farmer's wife to give directions how to make butter and care for milk I shall give my method, which I consider good, for my butter is always sweet and good and brings first price in market. In the first place have good cows that make yellow butter. I prefer tin pans, crocks are too heavy to handle. Four-quark pans are best. i keep my milk in the pantry on the north side of the house. I prefer it to the cellar. The butter I also keep there; then it does not melt down when it is put on the table near so readily as when brought from the cellar. I am careful not to let my milk get sour before skimming. The cream all rises before the milk is sour and makes hotter butter than when it is left to lone. I churn every other day in warm weather and twice a week in cold. I always charns in the morning as early as possible while it is cool. I like the old-fashioned dash churn best and always useit. Take the butter out of the churn as soon as it is gathered, work the buttermilk out some, use a teneup full of salt for five pounds of butter. Some like more salt. One should go according to taste in regard to that. Then I work the butter awhile longer until the salt is all through it, then set away in a cool place for a couple of hours while I clean the churn. It is a poor plan to let that stand with the buttermik in it. Clean it as soon as possible, and scald thoroughly, then put out in the sun for an airing. It is a good plan to put a little salsoda in the water that you wash all milk pans, pails, strainers and and churns in, it keeps them sweet, which is very important. Work the butter until free from milk then make into a roll or small balls as you choose. When I pack the butter work it the third time, then put in a jar, lay a clean cloth over, then put an inch of sait over that and cover tightly so the air cannot get to it. Cleanliness and promptness are the most important features of succees in

"Are we all here?" inquired Mr Brutal Jones of his landlady the other morning at the breakfast-table. "I think so; one, two, three, four ; yes, you are all here, I believe, and she smiled sweetly; "why?" "Nothing much, only I see by the morning paper that a human skeleton was picked up just outside the city limits." The smile vanished .- Merchant Traveller

the dairy.

Maud.

The baby is tired of her playthings, Her lids settle heavy and slow, Till the blue eyes are bid 'neath the curtains That shroud them like covers of snow. The dear little feet, pink and restless, Are covered in warm from the cold; The waxen white fingers are pressing A broken moss-rose in their hold.

Scatter white flowers on her pillow, And muffle the bell at the door, The baby is tired of her playthings, Sweet Maud will awaken no more,

Electrical Cremation. — An electrical crematory is said to have been devised by a process described as follows: The body being shrouded in sheets made of asbestos, is laid upon a frame composed of fire-brick, while at the head and foot are large copper plates, to which the leads from specially conplates, to which the leads from specially constructed dynamos of large electro-motive force are attached. The body apparently occupies the position of the filament in an incandescent lamp, and, upon the current being passed through it would be instantly carbonized; while, as the art would have free access to it, the process of destruction, or rather decomposition, would be immediate rather decomposition, would be immediate. The process appears to have the recommendation of great rapidity of action, and freedom from many of the objections to clamation in the ordinary way, and admits of several little improvements upon all recognized forms of

A jubilee of a remarkable character was celebrated a few days ago at St. Retersburg.
A splendid banquet was given in conor of
the "King of Whist." This eminent synteman was duly lauded and toasted for having accomplished the glorious feat of playing to fewer than twenty-five thousand rubbers of whist under the roof of the same club since he became a member of it. There was quite a distinguished gathering to express the admiration of Russian society for a man who had spent the best part of his working hours year after year, in patiently playing at cards, and keeping a regular report of each rubber in his journal. After the dinner and the speeches were over, the hero of the day sat down to his 25,001st rubber.

A good little Boy.-" Yes," said Mrs. Hendricks to the minister, who was dining with the family; "Bobby says his prayers every night; be's a good little boy,"

"Ah, indeed," replied the minister, very much pleased; "do you pray for papa and mama. Robby?" "Oh, yes, for both of emgalthough I've

often heard ma tell pa that he is past praying for."

wcience.

Utilizing the Sun's Heat .- Investigations are still going on, particular 7 in France, with a view to utilizing the heat of the sun as a source of power and warmth. One of the most interesting and practicable methods in this line is that devised some time ago by Professor Morse, of Salem, Mass., the limitations of which, it is hoped, may be overcome by future improvements. This device consists simply of a shallow box, the bottom of which is of corrugated iron and the top of glass, This is placed outside the building in such a position that the sun shines directly upon it; the heat rays of the sun pass through the glass and are absorbed by the iron, heating it to quite a high temperature, and, by a system of ventilation a current of air is passed through the aparatus and into the room to be By this means the air was heated, on pleasant days, to about ninety degrees in passing over the iron. It is admitted, however, that the chief difficulty in all these methods of solar heating as a substitute for the ordinary or artificial neans is yet to be overcome, being available only in fair weather, hough, in connection with the customary system, a solar apparatus may affect a saving in the quantity of fuel usually consumed,-Baltimore Sun.

A Novel Invention.—An inventor, Mr M. Marchant, has says Truth, at last poracted an engine in which the steam is returned to the boiler, and, so to say, used over and over again. The saving in coal thus to be effected is calculated at 80 per cent Besides saving coal, however, this invention will upset a pet theory of the engineering fraternity, who have always considered this problem as impossible as perpetual motion.

Wonderful.—A remarkable discharge of

brine has been discovered in a meadow at Marton, near Northwich, England. The orine shoots up about six feet, and flows with great force.

Earth Temperatures.—According to a paper recently read on Earth Temperatures, 1881-1885, by Mr. W. Marriot, the temperature of the soil at one foot at nearly all the stations of the Meteorological Society in the Winter months is almost the same as that of the nir; while in the other months of the year, the temperature of the soil is higher than that of the air at all except that of the London Stations.

The Biggest Cannon.—The biggest cannon that England has or has ever had has arrived at Woolwich from Sir William Armstrong's factory at Elswick, Northumberland The new weapon is a 110-ton gun, is 41 feet in length and 164 inches in diameter, the actual weight being 247,795 lbs.

The Transmission of Emotions.—The wife of Arther Severn, the distinguished landscape painter, woke at seven o'clock in the morning, with a start, feeling a hard blow on the mouth, and with a distinct sense of being cut and bleeding on the under-lip. She seized her handkerchief and put it to her mouth, asshe sat up in bed, and was surprised on taking it away to find that it was not bleeding. At brenkfast her husband, who had been out for an early sail, appeared with a bad cut on the lip, made at that hour by the tiller, which had struck him in a squall.

A case of transferred emotion is that of the Rev. J. M. Wilson, head master of Clifton College, a senior wrangler and a distinguished mathematician. When in good health, one evening, while a student at Cambridge, be suddenly felt ill, trembled with a sort of fright, thought he was dying, tried to study, but could not; went to see a friend, who tried to distract his mind, but could not. After three hours is passed off, and the next morning, he was well. In the afternoon a letter informed him that his twin brother

A case of transfer of will is given by Alexander Skirving, a foreman of masons. at work, one morning, he suddenly felt an intense desire to go home. It was a long distance, and he could not well leave his work, and he resisted it. But the feeling became uncontrollable, and though he believed his wife would ridicule him, he went There he was met by a woman who asked him: "Why' Skirving, how did you know?" He knew nothing, but he had been compelled to come home. He was told that his wife had been run over by a cab, and seriously injured, and had been piteously caling for him.

These cases do not go nvo supernatural. They do not concern visions of the dead or assumed communications from them. They do not pass belief. We have all known of similar cases in our acquaintance. Science has laughed at them as incredible, but we may remember that Lavoisire said: "Stones cannot fall from the sky." But there are stones in the sky, and stones do fall. The incredible bappens, and it is of no use to deny it in the face of such facts we have

Swaying of Locomotives.—German engineers have succeeded in diminishing the swaying of the locomotives, and with it the wear of the rear driver flanges, by making the tender coupling more or less rigid laterally, and, indeed, four-wheeled locomotives have been used on some roads for line engines by having heavy shoot bolts on each side entering sockets on the tender-in this way preventing either vertical or horizontal

She has a hundred rhymes for skies, But she has not included pies. Her whole life is a poem terse, But unto work she is a-verse. Her songs have gained the laurel boughs; You never hear them round the house. All words are ready at her hand, But most when Brown she does command. Her fancy's fire yields steady glow, The kitchen fire is somewhat low. Her medleys, though they have a flash, Are not synonymous with bash. She spreads an intellectual feast, While Brown's own hunger goes increased.

Her lines have reached from pole to pole-Her clothes lines somehow don't unroll. Her odes are sweet and full of power; Her biscuits generally sour. Her spirit sweeps the starry glooms-There's little sweeping in the rooms.

She lisps in accents sweet and low-Brown says at home they are not so. She helds the world by numbers fair-At home she holds Brown by the hair. -Chicago News.

The magnitude of the Escurial, the reat Spanish Palace, may be inferred from the computation of Francisco de los Santos, that it would take four days to go through all the rooms and apartments, the length o the way being reckoned at thirty-three Spanish lengues, which is about 120 English miles. There are 14,000 doors and 11,000 windows in the edifice.

A curlous sale of skeletons is about to take place in Paris. These ghastly treasures clong to a French doctor who devoted his istence to studying distorted human na-ture and haunted the hospitals to buy up the coopses of deformed persons. Accordingly he formed a perfect museum of horrors, for which his term now ask the sum of £1500.

On the Beach.

Sinuous southward and sinuous northward the shimmering band of the sand beach fastens the fringe of the marsh to the folds of the land. Inward and outward to northward and southward the beach lines linger and curl As a silver wrought garment that clings to and follows the firm, sweet limbs of a girl. Vanishing, swerving, evermore curving again Softly the sand beach wavers away to a dim. oftly the sand beach gray looping of light.

Ladies' Column.

Crocheted Double Crow-Foot Lace.

BY A. M. STUART, WINNSBORO. S C.

First row-Make a chain of twenty-five stitches, double crochet three times in eighth stitch of chain; chain two, three double crochet in same stitch, chain six, three double crochet in next eighth stitch of chain; chain two, three double crochet in same stitch chain six, three double crochet in next eighth and last stitch of chain; chain two, three double crochet in same stitch; turn, Second row-Chain five*, double crochet three in first shell; chain two, three double crochet in same shell; chain six, three double

crochet in next shell; chain two, three double in same shell; chain five, single crochet in the end of the first shell where commenced ; turn. Third row-Single crochet back on chain of five until you reach the first shell, chain one, double crochet in first shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell, chain six, double crochet three in next shell, chain two, double crechet three in same shell, then single crochet in chain of five at top; turn.
Fourth row—Chain five, double crochet

three in first shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell, chain four, catch with single crochet all the three chains with six stitches in them, chain fifteen, catch with small crochet in same place, chain four, three double crochet in same shell, chain four,* repeat from* to *once, then chain five, single, crochet in bottom of first little scallop; turn, Fifth row-Single crochet back in chain of five till you reach the first shell, chain one, double crochet three in first shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell*,

chain six, do this crochet three in next shell. chain two, isuble crochet three in same shell, * repeat from * to * once, then single crochet in the chain of five at top, turn. Sixth row-Chain five, double crochet in first shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell,* chain six, double crochet three in next shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell. * repeat from * to * once, then

chain five, join with single crochet to little Seventh row-Single crochet in chain of five until first shell is reached, chain one, double crochet three in first shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell. * chain six, double crochet in next shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell, * repeat from 'to ' once, then single crochet in chain of

five at top, turn.

Eighth row-Chain five, double crochet three in first shell, chain two, double crochet three in same shell, chain 4*, catch with single crochet all three of the chains with six chains in them, chain fifteen, catch with single crochet in same place, chain four, three louble crochet in the next shell, chain two, three double crochet in same sheli*, repeat from * to * once, then chain five, and catch in bottom of little scallop, turn ninth row like fourth row. Tenth row—Like fifth row.

Eleventh row—Single crochet on chain of five half way, turn chain five*, single crochet, in top of first little scallop, chain five", repeat from *to* until you have reached the top of first little scallop, then turn single crochet in every one until you reach the last in that row, only fill it half way up with single crochet, then turn again, chain five, single crochet in the top of all that row until you reach the last, only fill it half way with single crochet, then turn again, chain five, single crochet in the top of all the little coallops of that now until you reach the last, then turn and single crochet in overy other one until the last, fill it half , fasten in top of next little scallop (that is the last one), then turn and fill it up with single crochet, and fill up all the half ones you go down. When you finish up all the balves you are at first shell again. Now commences again. After first scallop you always repeat from the * in the second row. Double crochet three is same as three double crochet. This makes a beautiful lace of linen thread, lovely for trimming shirts or dresses. Insertion can be made to match. I hope all will succeed in getting the pattern.

In Portugal evening slippers made from Suede leather are a fashionable form of footwear. Portuguese women and ladies of high legree who still cling to some of the national costumes often wear those undressed leather lippers and boots. The slippers are much like ours; the boots are more like a lady's riding-beet. The high top is soft and loosefitting, turned back on itself: the heels high and of yellow wood, and the foot, it goes without saying, very slender. Sometimes the heels are wanting, the sole being always like paper. They are very neat, and, one may dd, very cheap, for a very good pair made to order costs a Portuguese belle about one shilling in their own money-three shillings in

A German newspaper estimates the number of sewing-machines annually produced at fifteen hundred thousand, one-third of which are of German manufacture. Estinating the number of people in need of sewing-machines at five hundred millions, the annual production allows one for every three undred civilized people.

Tea Cake.—One cup of sugar, one-balf cup of butter, two eggs, the yolks and whites besten separately, one-half cup of milk, one and one-half cups of flour, one and one-half teaspoons of baking powder.

Pound Cake.-One-half cup of butter, two cups of sugar, three eggs, one cup cold water, three pounds of flour, one teaspoon cream tartar, one-half teaspoon of soda.

Cheap Cream Cake -One cup sugar, one large spoonful butter creamed together, one egg beaten light, one cup sweet milk, or water, two cups of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder sifted with the flour; flavor with lemon, bake in layers. Cream-Half a a cup of sugar beaten with one cup of sweet milk, one leaning teaspoonful of corn starch dissolved in a little of the milk. Stir all together and cook until it is a smooth cream, stirring constantly to keep from busning flavor with vanilla.

Lemon Pie.—First prepare and bake the crust, then make the filling—the juice and grated rind of one lemon, one cup sugar, two eggs, saving the white of one of them for frosting, one teaspoonful of butter, three even teaspoonfuls of flour wet with a little cold water. Mix all together. Add one cup boiling water and cook until thick. Fill your crust with it. Let stand until cold, Then beat the white of one egg to a stiff froth, stir in one tablespoon sugar, spread over the pie and set in the oven to brown,

To Fry Vegetable Marrow.—Pare as you would squash, slice about quarter of an inch thick, dip in egg and flour, and fry as

Sponge Jelly Cake.—Beat three whole eggs ten minutes by the clock with a cup of sugar; they should then look like thick cream beaten; a cupful of flour, and a tenspoonful of yeast powder. Spread on tins and bake five minutes in a very hot oven; the whole success of the cake depends on the oven. Spread with jelly, or cream whipped and flavored; put one layer on the other and sift powdered sugar over.

The editor who was discovered in the act of robbing a bank, has been released on the plen that "he was only taking notes!" Employer.—" I'm very suspicious of young men now a days, you can't tell how they are going to turn out. Why in six months they kdow more about your business than you do yourself, and wan't to run it all!" Applicant for Position-" I can assure you.

that if you will engage me, I will devote as little time as possible to your business." The Press is a watch dog that guards the fowlhouse of our liberty, and protects the clothes lines of our rights, On the Watch. BY GENTRA.

We owe a good deal to Brother Jonathan besides wooden nutnegs and far-fetched humor. A thousand and one appliances now in daily use throughout the length and breadth of the globe, have sprung from the fertile brain of the American inventor. From patent clothes-pegs, to telephones; mechanical potato-peclers, to reaper and binders, a in other respects, and learned not a low facts myriad articles small and great here find and are still finding their way into our catalogue of domestic, commercial and agricultural that colonial made articles, such as brooches, necessities from the cute sons' of Britannia's pins, earrings, bracelets, rings, locates, and independent off-shoot. "Of course its American so on-manufactured from Australian gold ican," is nowadays the recognised phrase with which we greet the majority of useful novelties. And now that we can give the ported articles out of the field, the purely States a substantial return in the shape of our wool, trade between Australians and their being of equal finish with the European, transpacific cousins is largely on the increase. Another mark to the credit of good boy Chris-Another mark to the credit of good boy Christopher Columbus, not forgetting the dauntless old Scandinavians who discovered America and "keepers." I was allowed to haudle and long before he did—though they don't make so much fuss about it as did the "Servidor filled with boxes crammed with an immense Sus Altezas Sacras Jesus Maria Isabel Chris. lopher El Almirante."

portrait that lives and breathes for ever, with | understated. the keen observation, quaint moralizing, and inimitable soit-sawder. Truly the Judgo that

imagined thee, was a judge of human nature! Of later years the cumbersome angularity, fathers knew as the American clock, has given minute has its value, where the race for alike are controlled by auddivisions of time, "I have the money now—I may not have it when every second is indeed a heart beat; we after the race." And so, like wise individuals, have better productions though still from they invest a portion, at least, in something America, taking the place of our clumsy friend | more solid than " five to one bar one." of yore. Curiously enough to one of these, as though almost as if in defiance of the the question of producing watches for that great market, the World. As far back as 1848, Aaron L. Dennison, a Boston watchmaker having carried out a series of successful experiments, commenced the manufacture of machine-made watches. For years he and others who had joined him met with disaster after disaster, as is the common fate of pioneer inventors, and it was not until 1857 that the industry received its first fair start in the now celebrated Waltham factory. It is not with any view of disparaging Eng-lish manufacturers, who still rule Britannias

great watchmaking trade-nor is it with any yper-generous idea of advertising those with whom I am utterly unacquainted—and who for the matter of that are already pretty well advertised, Heaven knows, through legitimate channels—that I make reference to this now gigantic enterprise. It is the acknowledged type of machine watchmaking, and as such deal with it, for the benefit of my good friends the reading public. There are facts and figures connected with this said watchmaking by machinery at Waltham, that to me are as absorbing in their interest as any romance, vastly more entertaining than the plots of all vastly more entervaling with a day in reactes, and the "Shilling Short feet" of the day in reactes, and like laborers, do with much less quantity, with over three miles of work benches, and like laborers, do with much less quantity. 2,500 work-people. A palace of industry if you like—a vast exhibition of buman skill and ngenuity that we in this younger land will do well to observe somewhat closely, in the hope that some day we ourselves may rival it as we are beginning to emulate the older communities of the globe in many other respects for me, Australian born and Australian in thought and feelings, Australia shall I say, even in point of prejudices, Australian at any rate in patnotism, juspu an bout des angles. I look forward to a future, as bright as our spring skies a future when we shall take the highest stand in all branches of manufacture shall export many other articles besides watches, instead of import them as we do now. By the time the effete-man about town and the hydrocephalous

shall have carried out all their reforms, from

compulsory shop-closing to universal irrigation, Victoria at least will be on the verge of the millennum and then who knows what may happen? But to return to our typical American watch-factory, fancy a production of 40,000 complete watches in one year. And these not toys but time pieces irreproachable in finish and performance, every one of which requires at least 3,746 operations before it is perfect, with a considerably large number for many of the higher grades. Fancy machines 'dumb driven' machines so delicate that they can cut 247,000 screws from a single pound of fine steel, one automatic tool cutting down the wire, another cutting the thread, another shaping the point, another the head, another removing the "burr" and others necessarily cutting a sloter-polishing the head, and finally throwing the screw into the receptacle all this without the slightest manual assistance. Fancy jewel-gauges so exquisitely arrayed, yet withol so simple and legible that they will indicate to the naked eye even differences of 1,250,000 tha of an inch. Fancy these and the thousands of other operations all going on simultaneously, guided by the foreman and the 2,500 workpeople, with such certainty of result, such mathematical precision that many of the varied pieces are apart from each other until the whole are ready, when the entire watch is fitted together without a flaw! Of a verity this is one of the intellectual wonders modern days beside which the great wall of Chins, the Coliseum of Rome, the Pyramids of Egypt and all the time-honored marvels of

toiling to achieve a heaped-up agglomeration I am not given as a rule, to moralising, but some such thoughts as the foregoirg shaped themselves in my mind as I stoou opposite the Melbourne Post Office and looked in at Mr. H. Newman's windows. I formed one of an admiring crowd gathered there by the immediate attraction of the hour, the beautiful trowel with which the Mayoress of Melbourne had but the day before laid the foundation stone of our new Princes Bridge, the same trowel being surrounded by perfect halo of dazzling jewellery and wealth of watches wherein the Walthams, of which Mr. Newman is the principal Victorian importer, figured prominently. And then my memory travelled back to that other laying of the foundation stone of the old bridge, and to the time when the Post-Office was but a low wooden building in place of the

fine and still-growing structure we now boast I sauntered into the shop, as I saunter everywhere. I believe I shall saunter into fame if I ever get there at all-and put some questions to the worthy proprietor. Yes, he remembered the old Post Office well enough He had been in this same spot for thirty years, had seen the city pass from its adolescence into full manhood, had felt the public pulse at the height of the great gold fever, benefitting not a little by the extravagant deirium of the period, had floated with the flood tide of universal money-making, and had so entered the calm waters of settled prosperity.
The Walthams, ah! certainly—they were carrying all before them, and no wonder, for they were such excellent value in all respects. So reliable, so durable, so handsomely finished, though watches by the best English makers,

such, for instance, as R stherham's, Croft's, and Settle Brothers, are still in good demand. The system of guaranteeing unworthily, played upon by some firms, is here strictly avoided, the agreement being carried out with integrity. This method of manufacture carried out by the Waltham factory in particular enables repairs to be easily effected by means of exact duplicate parte. Finding friend Newman in a communicative mood, I essayed to quench my surfosity

that may interest the readers of this journal. All true Australians will be gratified to learn have come immensly to the front of late years-have, indeed, all but beates the im-Australian jewellery, with or without gems, stronger, more solid, and of purer quality, in variety of "wedding-rings" all in 18-carat gold, and learned that this goodly treasury re-Amongst the earliest of Yankee notions quired constant replenishing, so large is the were those delightfully homely, gaudily decorated parallelograms of horology, which the immortal Sam; Slick peddled amongst his countrymen, gaining or giving something more superior quality of the article must be acthan either clocks or money—viz: folk-lore, countable for such surprising trade statistics or good advice. Oh! rare Sam Slick, fit as I here gather. At anyrate Mr. Newman's companion picture to that other Samuel of sales cannot possibly be taken as the average profane writ, Mr. Pickwick's faithful attendant! a creature like him of the brain, but a Mr. Hayter's marriage figures are grosely

Then as to the special seasons when the public invest most largely in expensive gifts such as the costlier gems. I was always under the impression that after the Cup, particularly all wood glass and pendulum which our fore when a favourite has won, was the harvesttime par excellence of the jewellers. Friend way to timepieces more compact, and withal, Newman is of opinion, on the contrary, that more reliable. In a generation when every just before the Cup is the period when the purse-strings of jewel purchasers are loosest. wealth, and the mere struggle for existence, They seem to argue somewhat in this style,

But I have sauntered far enough away from my proper subject-and shall come under the ancient story, the name of "Nutmeg" has editorial ban if I extend this article to a been given. And while the restless Yankees greater length. Let me saunter to an end for were exercising their outeness in the matter of clocks, they were also paying attention to again at some future day.

> The latest authority on the vexed question of how many hours of sleep are required says that the proper amount of sleep to be taken by a man is eight hours. So far as regards city life, the estimate is probably correct. Proverbial wisdom does not apply to modern conditions of social existence. Five hours for a man, seven for a woman and nine for a pig." says one proverb; and a second declares that "Nature requires five : custom gives seven, laziness takes nine, and wickedness eleven." These conclusions were, however, drawn from observations of country life. Physical fatigue is more easily overcome than intellectual. Which of us, when travelling in the country or abroad, or in any way separated from the ordinary processes of anxiety, has not found that he could without difficulty do with a couple of hours less sleep than he was in the habit of taking? Men, however, who follow any intellectual pursuit are exceptionally fortunate if the process of restoration occupy less than seven How few hours the Duke of Wellington regarded as essential. A schoolmaster under whom I at one time studied, a hardworking man at the acquisition of languages, proclaimed loudly that he never took more than five hours' sleep. The hour at which he rose in the morning gave some color to this assertion. Only in after life did I discover that a two hours' post-prandial siesta was not included in that allowance .- The Gentleman's Magazine.

The Doctor at the Telephone. - A Boston Physician was called out of a sound slumber the other night to answer the tele-"Hellol" what is it? he asked, ittle pleased at the idea of leaving his comfortable bed. "Baby is crying, doctor. What infant at present at the head of the state shall I do?" came across the wire. " Ob perhaps it's a pin," suggested the doctor, recognizing the voice of a young mother, one of his patients. "No," was the reply; "I'm sure it can't be that." "Perhaps he has the colic," returned the doctor, with well simulated solicitude. "No I don't think so," replied the auxious mother; "he doesn't act that way." "Then perhaps he's hungry." said the doctor, as a last resort. see" came across the wire; and then all was still. The doctor went back to bed, and was soon asleep again. About half an hour afterwards, he was again awakened by the violent ringing of the telephone bell. Jumping out of bed and placing the receiver to his ear, he was cheered by the following mes-sage; "You are right, doctor, baby was hungry."

> Dr. Holmes expresses a belief that professorships tend to produce longevity.
> " Quarterly payments of a fixed stipend are tranquillizing prescriptions," says he.

The Safest of all Explosives.—It is now claimed that means have been discovered which makes blasting gelatine the safest of all explosives to handle after it is manufactured and which render it entirely suitable for use in shell projectiles. Blasting gelatine explodes with nearly twice the force of dynamite. It is material to be used in the projectiles for the new Maxim gun and the new experimental war vessel Destroyer, which have so lately attracted attention in New York. So sanguine are some people that this explosive is to revolutionize national warfare that the National Gazette says: On the completion of the Destroyer, the ironclads of antiquity of the middle ages are but petry and the strongest system of coast defence the world will be rendered worthless hulks, will be as chaff before the onslaught of this terrific engine of destruction." This would seem to come wonderfully near realizing the idea of rendering war impossible.

A Southern Girl.

Her dimpled cheeks are pale She's a lilly of the vale, Not a rose. In a muslin ora lawn She is fairer than the dawn To her beaux. Her boots are slim and neat-She is vain about her feet, It is said. She amputates her r's, But her eyes are like the stars Overhead. On a balcony at night With a fleecy cloud of white

Round her hair-Her grace, all who could paint She would fascinate a saint l declare. Tis a matter of regret She's a bit of a coquette Whom Ising;
On her cruel path she goes
With half a dozen beaux

To her string. But let all that pass by, And her maiden moments fly Dow empearled: When she marries, on my life, She will make the dearest wife In the world.

-Samuel Minturn Peck,

Miscellaneous.

People Will Talk.

You may go through the world but it will be very slow,
If you listen to all that is said as you go;
You'll be worried and fretted, and kept in

For meddlesome tongues must have something to do, And people will talk, If quiet and modest, you'll have it presumed

That your humble position is only assumed You're a wolf in sheep's clothing or else you're a fool. But don't get excited keep perfectly cool,

For people will talk. And then if you show the least boldness of heart, Or a stight inclination to take your own Dart

They will call you an upstart, conceited and But keep straight ahead don't stop to explain, For people will talk.

If thread-bare your dress, or old fashioned Your hat Some will surely take notice of that, And hint rather strong that you can't pay But don't get excited whatever they say.

For people will talk. If you dress in the fashion, don't think to escape, For they only speak then in a different shape: You're ahead of your means or your tailor's unpaid.

But mind your own business there's naught For people will talk.

Now the best way to do is to do as you please;

For your mind if you have one, will then be at case, Of course you will meet with all sorts of

Bus don't think to stop them it ain't any For people will talk.

Machine Guns.-After much dallying and hesitation, the British War Office has decided to adopt the machine gun for the army. Three-barralled Nordenfeldts, each weighing sixty pounds, and firing 400 bullets in one minute, and five-barreled guns of 136 counds and firing 600 rounds a minute, are to be sent to Egypt and India. The twelvebarrelled gun, that fires 1,200 rounds a minute is being experimented with.

Politeness .- A wealthy New Yorker had engaged a splendid cottage at Newport, and also a new driver for his horses. The driver was advised to be very polite if he intended to keep his place. Accordingly when the master went to the Queen Anne stable the following dialogue ensued: Master-" Well, John, how are the horses?" Coachman-· They are quite well, sir, thank you, and how are you.—Boston Beacon?"

The Earl of Carnarvon at a banquet, in proposing the health of the clergy, said that "In these days clergymen were expected to have the wisdom and learning of a journeyman tailor."

Lawn Tennyson.

Angelina Maud Augusta, in your graceful tennis-suit, From your pretty Tam O'Shanter to your dainty canvas-boot, You are like a new Diana, with a racket for a bow;

on itostringlet one or two good hearts, I know. As you skim across the greensward swinging high your weapon light. There's no limit to the poetry that I feel I ought to write ;

But beyond an old quotation I can never, never get. For you seem to me to be the Love that Hath Us in the Net.

An expensive Timepiece.—"That is a andsome watch you are wearing." "Yes I flatter myself it is rather neat."

"Rather costly, ch?" "Costly? I should say it was. I have and to pay two per cent, a month on it all the time since I've had it."-New York Graphic.

Robbie Knew.-Mr. Hibred-" To what to you suppose the bard referred to when he spoke of the 'slippered pantaloon?"

Mrs. Slapdash—"Really, sir, I have no

Little Robbie-"I bet you I know." Mrs. S .- " My son, you were not spoken o."- Rambler.

Blushes.

Late in June a redder crimson Comes upon the robin's breast. And the bummer's nasal organ has A blossom on its crest, Like the shining sun of summer, Slowly sinking in the West. Washington Post.

A Tiny Shoe.

They found him by the roadside dead, A ragged tramp unknown ; His face unturned in mute despair, His helpless arms out thrown. The lark above him sang a song Of greeting to the day,

The breeze blew fresh and sweet and stirred His hair in wanton play. They found no clue to home or name. But tied with a ribbon blue They found a package and it held A baby's tiny shoe.

Half worn and old, a button off, It seemed a sacred thing; With reverence they wrapped it close And tied the faded string. And laid it on the peaceful breast

That kept the secret well : And God will know and understand The story it will tell. Of happy times and peaceful home That dead tramp sometime knew, Whose only relic left him was The baby's tiny shoe.

How to avoid Premature Old Age.-The following advice is given by Dr. Benja min Ward Richardson: To subsist on light but nutritious diet with milk as the standard food, but varied according to the season. To take food in moderate quantity, four times in the day, including a light meal before going to bed. To clothe warmly but lightly, so as that the body may in all seasons maintain its equal temperature.

To keep the body in fair exercise, and the mind active and cheerful. To maintain an interest in what is going on in the world, and to take part in reasonable labors and pleasures, as though old age were not present. To take plenty of sleep during sleeping hours. To spend nine hours in hed at the least, and to take care during cold weather that the temperature of the bedroom is

maintained at sixty degrees Fahrenbeit. To avoid passion, excitement, huxury. Rival to Rubber. - India rubber as menaced with a rival. The rubber dealers of East Nicaragua think they have discovered a tree whose gum will give as march satisfaction as rubber, and will, in first, take it place. They say that the milk of the tune furnishesa most excellent gutta-percha, equa to the best found in the Eastern tropics. while the number of trees is virtually inex haustible, and the gum can be produced with

profit at twelve cents per pound,

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Reading a Dime Novel.

A chap of a boot black who had ma stake for the day sat down in the shade on the Post office steps the other day and pulled a dime novel from his pocket with a grin of great satisfaction. It was a novel about a terrible Western desperado, who was pictured on the cover with his bands full of revolvers and his mouth filled with bowie-knives. The boy was thrilled at the sight of the wood cut and he made haste to begin his reading. He had read only balf a page, holding the book in his left hand, when he suddenly clenched his right fist. The medicine was beginning

He read to the bottom of the page and a look of exultation crept over his face. The hero had probable killed a couple of men an l barricaded himself in a saloon. During the reading of the next page the

boy passed from perfect satisfaction to the deepest anxiety, and he couldn't keep his feet still. The hero was being surrounded by the towns-people, who meant to send up the mercury for him. Page third was so exciting that the boy began to breathe hard and grow pale and clew on his quid of gum for all he was worth. The hero was probably loading up his weapon

filling up with benzine, and getting ready to perish or die. Page fourth was a screamer. The boy got up and sat down three different times, and half way down the page he swallowed his quid slick and clean. At the end of the page it was painfully evident that his collar-band

choked him, for his neck was growing very Page five related how the hero shot down four or five men and made a dash out of the town, firing over his shoulders as he ran. The boy slapped his leg and grinned as if he had found a dollar.

Being afraid that the hero would stud his toe and be overtaken, the boy skipped the next seven or eight pages and caught the hero at bay in the presence of a dozen Indians. His eyes began to bulge out and the sweat that appear, and it was evident that he expected the fur to fly. The next page was full of bullets and war-

whoops. The boy held up his right arm as if sighting a revolver, dodged three arrows and a tomahawk and was just panting for breath when the Indians, or as many of them as were left alive, kindly consented to withdraw and go off after some other sort of mutton. Again the boy turned over half a dozen

leaves and as he settled down again he gave a start of surprise. The hero had just leaped off a 200-foot precipice and landed safely en his check. Then came a look of proud satisfaction as the desperado knifed a couple of rizzlies and kicked a panther into insensi-The next page was a corker. It was made ap of avalanches, cyclones, rattlesnakes, mountain lions redskins, road-agents, Danites

and chain-lightning, and after suppressing three yells, four greans, and seven shivers of horror, the boy sprang up, pocketed the novel, and muttered to himself as he wiped his damp brow on his elbow : " By gnm! but I can't wait no longer! I's: got to go off and steal a banana or lick a boy

or sass a policeman .- Detroit Free Press 1 How a Tailor Lost a Fine Suit of Clothes.-He went into the store of one of the most fashionable tailors, and arrayed himelf in an expensive summer suit. Then he

must pay you by cheque, but as you do not know me I will not ask you to take one of my own. You are acquainted, of course, with the gentleman who keeps the drug store on the carner? Let us go in there. He is a friend of mine, and is preparing a cheque for

In the ag store the stranger called out familiarly to the proprietor who was behind the screen. " Doctor, is that ready?" "In a moment," was the reply.

Then said the stranger to the taile must go across the street and see that it is all right. In a little while the tailor was banded a

bottle. "What is this?" he asked. "Your cough mixture." "I don't want a cough mixture. I want a

· " I know nothing about a cheque." Then it came out that the stranger had ordered at the drug store a cough mixture for his dear friend, Mr. —, the tailor, who was suffering from a severe cold. The doctor knew nothing about his enterprising visitor, and be has not returned to inquire if the tailor is better.

cireque."

Not a Hairpin .- A foolish exchange says: "A hairpin is a woman's best friend." This is really absurd. Does a hairpin ever come. home very late, sit around the bedroom and look foolish while she blows it up to her beart's content? Does a bairpin ever buy new bonnets, promise her in July a new sealskin next January, and next January stave it off with a promise of a season at the seashore next July? The man who wrote the item either is employed by some hairpin manufacturer or else he is a cynical bachelor.

–Graphic. A Wise Father.-Youth-" I have come to ask you for the hand of your daughter.' Physician-You have?"

Y.—" Yes, sir. I have enough of this world's goods to support her in comfort, even in P.—" Yes, I am aware of that, but will you treat her kindly? Will you be a gentle hus-

Y.—"Sir, I swear—"
P.—"Oh! never mind swearing. Your intentions are all right no doubt, but I must be sure that you won't worry and fret the life out of her after you get her. Take off your coat and let me sound you to see what kind of a liver you've got .- Boston Courier. She Was Down on Slang .- " Mamie,

said a grammar school girl to a member of the graduating class, "have you finished your essay?" "Oh, yes," gushed Mamie; "and it is too lovely for anything—a princess slig of white surah, the back cut off a little below the waist line, and full breadths of silk gathered in so as to hang gracefully over the tournure, and three bies ruffles on the "_ "Why, what are you talking about?" interrupted her friend; "I mean, have you finished writing your essay, you know?"
"Er—no," said Mamie, her enthusiasm rapidly diminishing; "but have commenced it, and I wish the awful thing was in Hali-fax ?" "What's the subject ?" "The Gurse of Slang." "Gracious! Isn't that a difficult subject to write up?" "Difficult? Well, I should giggle; I'll have to hump myself to get it finished in time for the commencement, and I've a good notion to let it slide. I might shut up the professor's optic by pleading illness, but I'm not that sort of hair-But come, waltz up into my room and look at my stunning graduating bar-" It'll paralyze you. - Norristown

A wit was dining at a hotel during the period when the table was not so bountiful as it might have been. A friend remarked : "Is not this a magnificent hotel?" "Yes,'. was the dry rejoinder, " but I would like to see less gilding and more carving."

In preaching a charity sermon, the Rev. Sidney Smith frequently repeated the assertion that, of all nations, Englishmen were most distinguished for generosity and the love of their species. The collection happened to be inferior to his expectations, and he said that he had evidently made a great mistake. for his expression should have been that they were distinguished for the love of their

We are Seven.—John Randolph said: Principles, gentlemen; the principles of the Whig party are seven—the five loaves and the two fishes,"

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Sir,—A September ing Regist kept open the Minis Mr. Ward port on the tion into a states that is sufficien

bit prof, and in some cases replaced by posts existing arrangements. and wire. The expense to the owners has been considerable, but now the annual cost of keeping the estates clear is trifling. The plan generally adopted is to keep men with packs of dogs hunting through the paddock continually .- I have the honor, etc., J. McRAE, Rabbit Inspector.—It was resolved to request the Government to warn the incoming lessee of the State Forest, respecting the destruction of rabbits. The report was then received. and the suggestions are to be favorably con-

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Inspector of Musance's reported coming from Messrs Hincheliffe's and considerably reduced in circumstances. Ar-Flynn's premises at Waterloo, past Mrs. Witherden's, complained of by the latter: the Inspector stated that no such nuisance existed, the premises referred to being kept in first-class order.—It was resolved to forward a copy of the inspector's report to Mrs. Witherden. RATES.

Extension of time to pay his rates was granted to a Mr. Young.

SLAUGHTERING LICENCES. Renewals were granted to fourteen persons

who made application therefor. John Marks applied for a licence for six months. Referred to inspector for report; to obtain information respecting the proposed and losing what might be called his self-conslaughtering premises; and to inform Mr. Marks that no licence can be issued for less him up" for returning to Melbourne. There-

Council upon the state of all slaughter yards and premises within the shire.

GENERAL.

motion was carried.

Cr. Wetherspoon moved that the attention of the Inspector of Nuisances be directed to the fact that persons in and around Waterloo are in the habit of shooting goats, and allowing the carcasses to remain exposed for a longer lime than that permitted by the Act, which says they shall be buried within 24

The Council then rose.

MINING REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

For some months past the Mining Board members for this division have been agitating to have the office of the Mining Registrar, Beaufort, sept open daily for the convenience of the public, but so far they have not succeeded, and it appears, are not likely to succred, unless backed up by a strong expression of public opinion. Below, we publish the most recent correspondence between the Mining Board and the Mining Department on the subject:-

> Mining Board Office, September 30th, 1833.

matta Ran the Manister of Mines. Sir,-With reference to Mr. Minchin's report re statements contained in the letter along the road. Two or three times McHugh from this Board dated 20th October, 1886, covered him with his revolver, and called No. 86 | 146, as conveyed to the Board in the upon him to stop, but the command was letter to the Department dated 7th Septem-

his office days are well known in the town and district is not correct; as frequently persons come in from out places, for a miner's right or registration, on other than office

ward should have called at the office on the previous Thursday, so as to have kept his miner's right in force, is simply an insult to the mining community, as on no case, and under no circumstances should the holder of a miner's right be compelled to take out a new right three days before his current right ex-

hereby give notice that we desire to obtain and will on the 22nd day of December, 1886. apply for Transfer of a Victualler's License for a house situate at Beaufort, known as the Commercial Hotel, to the said Timoty Day.

Dated this 5th day of December, A.D. 1886.

MARY KING, Transferror.

TIMOTHY DAY. Transferror. wane in the Raglan division is challengeable, as this Board has reasons for believing that since the passing of the Residence Areas Act registrations have increased considerably in

factory state of things, and it has now in consequence of the passing of the Residence Act, become absolutely necessary for the protection of titles, that miner's rights and registration shall be available on any day in the week. The Board do therefore again urge that instructions be given to Mr. Minchin to keep his office open daily during the hours prescribed in clause 99 section 10 of the Raglan divisional bye-law No. 5, dated 2nd February, 1886,

Department of Mines and Water Supply.

Melbourne, November 26th, 1886. Sir,-Adverting to your letter of the 30th kept open daily, I am directed by the Hon.

I have the honor to be, Sir. Your most obedient servant, C. W. LANGTREE, Secretary for Mines and Water Supply.

ROBBERY AT ARARAT.

EXCITING CHASE AND CAPTURE AT NEAR BEAUFORT. A rebbery was committed at Ararat on Monday night last, at the shop of Mr. Morf rabbits. The top-side of the favorably condidered.

Inspector of Nuisance's report—Re nuisance reported coming from Messrs Hinchcliffe's and considerably reduced in circumstances. Arriving in the colony only a few months ago, and not being able to obtain employment in T. Weish, and the Secretary.

PROGRAMME. rison, chemist, by a young man named John his profession in the metropolis, sought for any work that might offer outside of Melbourne. He was in Ballarat about three weeks or a month ago, according to his own statement, and, having no money, begged his way to Ararat. Mr. Morrisen took compassion on the young fellow, and discovering that he was well educated and professed to be qualified for a chemist, gave him employment in his shop, and treated him very kindly, imposing great trust and confidence in him. On Menday night last, however, Hohle suddenly became moidered with his good fortune, trol, imagined that a few pounds would "set upon he opened the safe of his employer and It was resolved, on the motion of Cr. abstracted cheques, gold, and silver to the McKenzie, that in future the inspector shall amount of about £60, left the premises, and report to the November meetings of the straightway took to the road. He travelled all night and arrived at Buangor on the following morning. Constable McHugh saw him, but not having at that time received informa-Cr. Wotherspoon moved that, as a reduction respecting the robbery, allowed him to tion in the number of local justices of the pursue his way. Hohle arrived at Beaufort peace was caused by the departure of Mr. some time early on the afternoon of Tuesday, Andrews from the district, this Council re- and purchased some articles of clothing, comcommend the appointment of Mr. Thomas as prising, pair of heavy boots, pair moleskin a justice of the peace for this bailiwick. The trousers, light coat, and a soft hat, from which he tore off the band. Several persons noticed the man in the streets of Beaufort, but knowing nothing about him, they also allowed him to go away quietly. About six o'clock the same afternoon, Mounted-constable

> fected it. He was not long in ascertaining the direction taken by Hohle, and accompanied by Constable Hede, pursued him in a buggy, taking the Ballaras road to Trawalla. Arriving at the latter place, the police ascertained that Hohle had not been seen there, and with heavy bearts, though not at all despairing, they were returning to Beaufort, when the keen optics of McHugh saw the "man wanted" quietly emerge from the scrub fringing the back road. Alighting from the buggy McHugh walked up to him and said, "Hallo! what are you doing down here?" and was about to lay hands on the f-llow. Instead of a capture, however, McHugh was taken aback by a sudden movement of Huhle, who made a frenzied clutch and dug his finger nails deeply into the policeman's arm. Then, before the constable could seize his prisoner, the latter took to his heels with great flee ness, leading a chase for about a mile and a half, up hill and down dale

tinge of cunning about the eyes. He wore

49 VICTOIRA, No. 857.

DR. NOLAN

W ISHES to inform the residents of Beaufort and district that he now permanently resides in Willoughby street, Beaufort, at the rear of the Shire Hall, where he may be consulted at all hours.

MRS. MOORE begs to notify to her friends that she has removed to Pratt street, next door to "Advocate" Office, and is still agent for Madame Weigel's Patterns.

Notice:

M. JAMES SCOTT, Attorney, Solicitor, Proctor, tor, and Conveyancer, 2 Lennox street, Rich-

mond.

N.B.—30 years experience in the colony in conveyancing. Well aquainted with practice under Transfer of Land Statute. Fees moderate.

"KEATING' POWDER" destroys BUGS FLEAS, MOTHS, BEETLES, and all other in

ber, 1886, this Board beg to all the latter fell exhausted, and was then easily captared by that the statem at that he refused to endorse the latter manner the end sought by the miner's-fight obtained by Mr. Edward on the 9th ult., is not correct," as Mr. Edward distinctly states the reach and the finestly states the r tinetly states that early on that day he called trip, colled out to his comiade that prisoner at Mr. Minchin's office, producing his old right, which had expired on Saturday, the 7th idem, and asked for a new miner's right was, however, only to abstract one or two with moistration of the same was armed and intended to shoot McHguh. with registration of the residence area enclosed thereon, and that Mr. Minchin said he would not endorse the new right if issued, as he (Edward) had forfeited his title. Mr. Edward feeling approved then left it. ward feeling annoyed, then left the office prisoner confessed to stealing the money, and without taking out a new right, but returned said he must have been mad when he did so; two hours afterwards and took one out; he also that he had some of the meney with him, did not again ask for the endorsement which but had thrown away a few cheques and papers at Ararat. On Wednesday morning

'ad been refused two hours previously. 2nd. That Mr. Minchin's statement that prisoner was brought up at the police court, pleaded guilty, and was remanded to Ararat, dwelling. Prisoner is apparently about 28 days, and Edward's case is only one amongst years of age, speaks fair English, is of a wiry other similar cases. build, with an intelligent face, which has a

3rd. That Mr. Minchin's remark that Ed-

4th. That the statement by Mr. Minchin that registrations are considerably on the

all the mining divisions. In conclusion, this Board would point out that although the registrar's duties have been performed for a number of years under a three-days-a-week office attendance, such nevertheless has always been a very unsatis-

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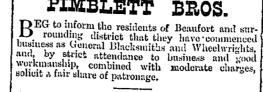
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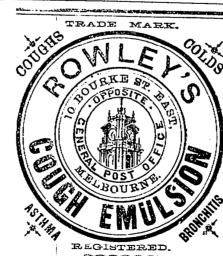
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IRRIGATED CROPS.

The "Australasian" correspondent, after referring to the poor crops in several parts of the Loddon Valley, gives the following particulars of the irrigated creps:-

barley crop looks equally well. The wheat channel and attempt to cross the bar of crop may be expected to yield up to 30 bushels the Mersey under such conditions would in part of the field, and to average 25 bushels have been little short of madness, and per acre, while a section cut for hay is likely her commander, the pilot, and the owners te give about three and a half tons per acre.

methods of distributing water which experience has introduced have given highly satiswhich was sown without ploughing the new land. The loose alluvial soil near the river was simply scarified, or the surface broken with a drag harrow. The irrigation has preduced a crop that may be expected to yield striking examples of the beneficial effects of irrigation, but it must not be supposed that irrigated crops are few and far between. On ray and along the Murrabit, the Bar Creek, and the Gunbower, irrigated crops form the As stated in my winter report, fully 30,000 acres were prepared for irrigation, that is, the gregate about 25,000 acres.

A difference of from 15 to 17 bushels per acre can be claimed for irrigation this season. The irrigated crops will average about 20 three bushels. As the irrigated crops are shrivelled the dry crops do not seem to have the tor label of the yellow wrapper. had any injurious effect upon the irrigated crops. It is a somewhat strange sight to see such green crops remaining perfectly green after the scorching heat of the week before a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, last. Farmers who have had a few years' which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all experience do not fear that the hot winds will parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prematerially injure the irrigated crops, but one ents tartar, stops decay, gives to the toeth as cannot help believing that a fortnight's cool weather at this innoting would make a differ weather at this juncture would make a diffeweather at this juncture would make a difference of two or three bushels per acre in the pleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline," yield. Mr. Patchell's irrigated crops are peing composed in part of honey and sweet looking well, and the early wheat is expected herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest to return 30 bushels per acre. His hay will oilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all average two tons per acre, and the late sown cats and wheat will give a fair yield. The 33, Farringdon Road, Lordon. experimental crop, sown and irrigated at the end of July, not having done so well as the hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use earlier-sown, does not tell in favour of the "The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it will system of spring sowing in the district even with irrigation. In the irrigated fields there are patches which the water did not reach, disagreeable smell of most "Restorers," and these are short and withered, yielding nothing, the contrast telling unmistakably in favor of irrigation. Fifteen bushels of wheat, even at 3s. per bushel, are worth 45s., and that is what irrigation has been worth on an average this season in the Kerang district. There is evidently "money in it."

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The Liverpeol correspondent of the London "Globe" reports that on reaching Holyhead on October 10 the steamer Great Eastern had a narrow escape from destruction. When Irrigation is met with at Tragowal rail- she reached the harbor it was blowing a heavy way station, nine miles south of Keraug. At this point Mr. Douglass' farm on both sides let go the anchor, but there was a jam some of the railway line stands out in striking where, and the vessel was rapidly drifting on contrast to the surrounding country. In the the dangerous shore. Great consternation middle of a vast dry plain, with crops around prevailed on board, and signals were made not worth harvesting, the high, thick, healthy for help. The sea was very high, and the MINING SCRIP, CALL, RECEIPTS, DEdark-green crops of this farm stand, looking breakers dashed furiously on the coast. Just as well as if they were at Kyneton, Lance- as it seemed impossible to save the vessel the field, or Ballarat. Away across the plains to anchors were let go, and fortunately held. the eastward there is a string of trees, and at Tugs also arrived from the shore and stood by their feet the Leddon now runs. Mr. Doug-lass has brought a surface channel or ditch and safely moored. It is stated that the vesacross from the river to his farm, and by sel was only a fathom's length off the rocks this means was enabled to give his crops one when the anchors caught the ground. It watering in the month of May. Towards the appears that the passage of the Great Eastern end of July, when making my winter tour from Liverpool was not unattended with adthrough the northern areas, I commented on venture. Crowds had assembled on the pierthe forward and healthy appearance of this head and along the line of docks at Liverpool crep, and it seems to have gone on without as well as on the Cheshire shore to take a check. The crop consists of wheat, oats, and last look at the "big ship," which loomed up barley. The oat-crop is the best-looking I in the haze larger than ever, and by degrees have seen this season in any district. If this haze developed into a thick black fog as growing in a cool district I should expect a the Great Eastern steamed slowly past Egreyield of 60 bushels from such appearances, mont. So dense had become the fog that the but in such a hot climate such heavy yields man on the look-out declared he could not see are not to be expected. The yield will pro- before him the "length of a marling-spike." bably be over 40 bushels per acre, and the To proceed with the Great Eastern down

decided wisely to anchor in the river, for All the irrigated crops this seasen show in the fog to clear, and the big ship lay at a marked degree the beneficial effects of arti- anchor off New Brighton in one of the ficial watering. The season has been so dry densest fogs ever experienced on the Mersey. that the mest careless system of flooding has To be fog-bound on any vessel is not a pleaproduced results which are superior to these sant experience; but on board the Great on the unirrigated land, while the improved Eastern it was peculiarly hazardous, and created anxiety to the officers and considerable alarm to the passengers on board. For factory returns. On the Loddon, close to the whole of the night the fog remained, Kerang, there is a wonderful crop of cats, thick, black, and impenetrable. The moon was obscured, not a star was to be seen; the leading lights, generally so distinct, were as GEORGE HAGUE & CO invisible as if they had been completely snuffed out. The fog had come so suddenly that other vessels besides the Great Eastern from 50 to 70 bushels to the acre. Those had been evertaken by it. The river and mentioned are only given as being specially channel were crowded with craft. The two great bells of the big ship were kept constantly ringing. All round on every handat port and starboard, under her stern and at both sides of the Loddon, for 10 or twenty her bow—could be heard, in responsive reply, most convenient in the Australian colonies. miles both up and down, and near the Mur- the fog passing signals from passing steamers or vessels anchored near. Not a mast, hull, funnel, or light could be seen, and as these rule, dry farming being now the exception. confusions of sound came through the darkness over the waters, the effect was at once startling and novel, and was a very unexnecessary ditches were provided. A few pected experience for some of the visitors on farmers were tempted by the rains, which beard. All night long the captain, pilot, and fell at the irrigating season, to save the cost officers, and most of the crew remained on of pumping, and rely upon a moist spring to deck or on the bridge, keeping a sharp lookbring crops to perfection. The number thus out, and having the bells constantly rung. led away from their intention of irrigating This was a necessary precaution. Some of was not large, and it may be estimated that the passing vessels came dangerously near; the irrigated crops in the Kerang district ag- once or twice a collision seemed imminent, but fortunately was averted.

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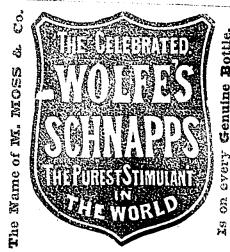
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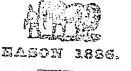
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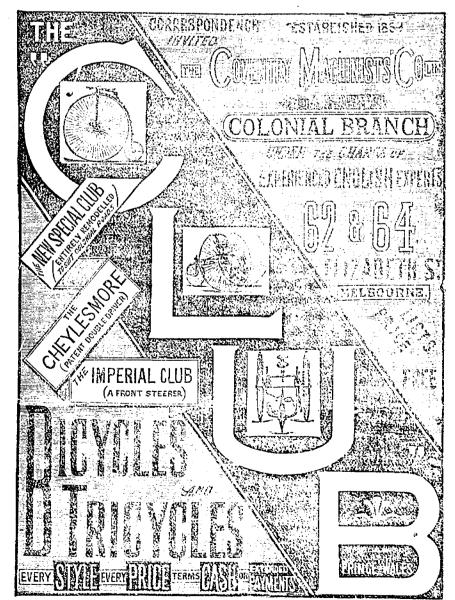
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Let such persons (he or she) sit quietly down in the privacy of their own apartments, and with calm minds describe clearly each symptom of their case, a clear statement thus written, and laid before me, is far presented to a present the symptom of their case, a clear statement thus written and laid before me, is far presented to a present the symptom. statement thus written, and laid before me, is far preferable in nervous diseases to a personal consultation.
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How many after marriage have privately consulted me and been blessed, and their married lives made

me and been biessed, and their married fives made fruitful and happy.

How many wasted ruined youths of both sexes have also been restored to health, and thanked their manhood, for having constated me by letter.

How many questions arise where the family physician is unable to unravel the case, and where often the patient lingers on, not during to tell his family medical mysics the nature of his compilaint mutil consumption. naviser the nature of his complaint, until consumption wasting, or mental diseases set in, and the sufferer gets beyond the curable stage, and is left a hopeless

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To those who are about to marry, I would say consult me before doing so, and prevent many after troubes and remove many unnecessary tears and prejudices; to those, more especially who have suffered a early years from disease, or who have yielded to their passions. To these I say, at once, consult with se, do not tarry, delays are dangerous, and as an exert, my time may not always be at your setvice, you can, by simply enclosing one pound, have the beeft of my experience, in the same manner as it I live in your own town, and with the additional advantage of thorough privacy.—Yours, truly, Yours, truly,

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COMMERCIAL.

ARARAT PRODUCE MARKET

But little change has to be noted this week in produce market. Wheat is without business, flour meets a good demand at L11 2s 6d. the Horsham district wheat has advanced 1d. sales being reported at 4s 3d per bushel; but he market is stationary at Donald at 4s 4d, lat St. Arnaud 4s 8d is still quoted. We we heard of no transaction this week in oats, at 3s 1d is still offered. New potatoes are now aing in freely from Warrnambool, several ids in at the end of the week were cleared at s thi per cwt. New hay is also brought for-

ard in fair quantities, and is being taken up L3 10s per ton. Onions are scarcer and are worth 13s. Fresh butter is not so well supplied s a few weeks back, and it has risen in value 5 10d, but as yet no potted is offered. A load i cheese in to-day was pretty well cleared out t prices ranging from 6d to 71d per lb, accordig to quality. Eggs are less plentiful than was ie case a few weeks back. We quote :--

Wheat, 4s 10d per bushel, bags in; oats 3s of 3s 1d per bushel, bags in pollard, 1s 2d per bushel; bran, Is 1½d per bushel; flour, L11 2s of per ton; potatoes, old, Warrnambool, none; potatoes, new, 6s 6d per cwt; hay, sheaves, 10s per ton; trussed, L3 15s per ton; straw, s per ton; chaff, 4s per cwt; onions, 13s per vt; butter, fresh, 10d per lb; butter, potted, one; hams, 10d per lb; bacon, 8d per lb; neese, 6d to 71d per lb; eggs, 9d to 10d per

BALLARAT WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET.

Business quiet :- Oats, 2s 10d to 3s 1d; Cape barley, 3s; English do., 3s 6d to 4s; wheat, 5s to 5s 1d; peas, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; manger hay, L5 o L5 10s; sheaves, L4 to L4 15s; straw, L2 to L2 5s; potatoes, L2 5s to L2 10s.

GEELONG WOOL SALES.

Messrs. George Hagne and Co. report :- We eld a sale on the 14th instant of bags and oddents, when we submitted a full catalogue of dd lots. There was a good attendance of uyers present, and everything sold at prices squal to last week's rates. Our next regular sale will be held on the 21st inst., when we will offer a large catalogue, including some choice sips from the Western District of Victoria and Southern Riverina. Sheepskins - A smaller supply than usual, the whole of which we cleared at firm prices. Butchers' fresh-killed skins, 33d to 50d each; station skins, 3d to 5d per lb; short-woolled do, 1d to 2d per lb; lambskins, 2d to 3d per lb; pelts, 1d to 9d each. Hides-All coming to hand are taken readily by the local trade at quotations. Heavies, 31d | at once. to 31d; light and medium, 3d to 31d; kip, 3d to 31d; calf, 4d to 41d per lb. Tallow—No sales of shipping parcels to report, but we have cleared our usual weekly supply of country lots and oddments to the local manufacturers at current rates.



GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

TICTORIAN RAILWAYS

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S EXCURSIONS.

Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and from all stations (suburban lines excepted) from the 20th December to the 5th January, both dates inclusive (Sundays excepted), available for return for one calendar month from date of issue. Example:—An excursion ticket issued on the 22ud December will be available till the 22ud January. When the last day falls on a Sunday the ticket will be available till next day. The journey must be commenced on the day the ticket is issued, but after a distance of 15 miles has been travelled the journey may be broken at the discontinuous the management of the management of the pourse. Cotion of the passenger.

Sydrey Excursion Tickets.—From the 15th Decem-

ber to the 5th January, both dates inclusive, excursion tickets will be issued at Melbourne to Sydney at the following return fares :- 1st class, £5 6s. 6d. 2nd class, £41s. These tickets will be available for two calendar months from date of issue, but will not be available by the express trains on the New South Wales

Luggage —Excursion passengers will only be allowed to carry such luggage free as can be stowed under the sents without inconvenience to other passengers, and those who have luggage for the ran must be at the station half-an-hour before the train starts. Stamped

parcels rate will be charged for it.

Horses and Vehicles.—From the 22nd December to the 8th of January, both dates inclusive, the Department cannot engage to forward horses and vehicles by any particular train, unless accommodation can be provided by special arrangement.

Commercial Travellers' Samples.—From the 22nd

December to the 5th January, Commercial Traveller's Samples will not be taken to or from roadside stations except by mixed or goods trains.

Parcels.—On the 24th December parcels must be at

the Melbourne Parcels Office thirty minutes before starting tire of ordinary trains. North Melbourne and Newmarket Stations.— From 9 a.m. on the 24th I ecember to 9 a.m. on 25th De ember, tickets will not be issued at North Melbourne or Newmarket Stations for country stations, nor by the early trains on 27th December and 1st January, and down trains on 2/10 December and 1st January, and down trains wil not stop there. On the same dates the up North-Eastern train will not stop at Newmarket. The 5.10 p.m. down and the 6.50 a.m. up mixed trains are excepted from the fore-

Goods Sheds Holidays.-The 25th and 27th December and 1st January will be observed as holidays in the Goods branch, and goods trains will not run. Perishabic goods will, however, be delivered at all stations on application. Consignees of powder can asceptain from the Station-master at Footscray when explosives will be received in lieu of these date Seaside Excursion and Tourists' Tiekets.-The issue of these tickers at the principal stations will contique as already advertised (see posters at all statious).

By order of the Commissioners. P. P. LABERTOUCHE.

FORAGE.

TENDERS will be received up till Ten o'clock a.m. Forage, in such quantities as may be required for the supply of service of the Government at the undermentioned stations, from the 1st March, 1887, to the 20th February 1888.

BEAUFORT and BUANGOR. WICKLIFFE.

Printed forms of tenders, the estimated quarterly consumption, the storage capacity, and conditions of contract may be obtained from the Secretary, Tender Board, Treasury, Melbourne, or from the officer in charge, by whom also information or explanation will be afforded to persons tendering.

Tenders, which should be upon the printed form

tenders, which should be upon the printed form, will be received for either oats bran, hay, or straw (the particular kind of hay or straw to be stated); but if all be included in one tender, it may be accepted for one article only, if advisable. Telegrams will not

be entertained.

Tenders must be enclosed in an envelope, marked in Tender for Forage," and deposited in the Tender Box, Pay Onice, Treasury, Melbourne; or, if sent by pass, they must be addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Board, Treasury, Melbourne;

D. GILLIES, Treasurer.

Treasury, Melbourne, 1st December, 1886.

CHOOL DISTRICT, NORTH RIDING, SHIRE OF RIPON. It is hereby notified that Mr. JONATHON WATTS BROWNE has been duly elected Member of the Brown of Advice for the School District of North

JOHN WOTHERSPOON, De3 aber 16, 1886.

EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENT ACT, 1876.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS. PROPRIETOPS and Principals are reminded that by section 10 of the "Education Act Amendment Act 1876," they are required to furnish to the Educa-Act 1876," they are required to furnish to the Education Department each year in the month of January "a return showing the name and surname, sex, age "last birthday, residence, and number of school days "attendance of each child who attended their respect tive schools during the preceding year."

Forms for the purpose may be obtained from this office upon personal or written application.

N.B.—Before transmitting the returns to the Department, principals and others should be careful to see that the forms are properly filled up and signed.

G. WILSON BROWN, Secretary.

Education Department,

Melbourne, 15th December, 1886.

A PUBLIC MEETING XVILL be held at PRINCE'S HOTEL, Raglan,

THURSDAY, 23RD INSTANT, At Eight o'Clock in the evening, with the object of At once PETITIONING THE GOVERNMENT

To erect a RABBIT-PROOF FENCE Around the Mount Cole State Forest. All interested are particularly REQUESTED to ATTEND.

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All block of Art Union Tickets to be returned

CHURCH, BEAUFORT.

REMEMBER CAKE FAIR

TUESDAY NEXT, 21st DECEMBER, Afternoon and Evening in the SOCIETIES NOVELTIES! SURPRISES!

> WEDDING and OTHER CAXES etc., etc., etc.

ADMISSION SIXPENCE!!

Marriage.

White-Parsons.—On the 13th December, at St John's Church, Beaufort, by the Rev. C. M. Lowe, George, the eldest son of the late Phillip White, of Beaufort, to Rosina Elizabeth, the second daughter of Wm. Parsons, of Beaufort.

Advocate. Publishen every paturday Morning.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1886.

THE first session of the thirteenth Parliament of the colony of Victoria has been prorogued. and honorable members have been sent to their homes to ruminate. Of all sessions, it is our conviction that the one just closed carries away the palm for sheer waste of time and extravagance. Like its predecessor, the Government seems to have allowed the Opposition members too much latitude when discussing important measures, and what is list of Bills passed we cannot see the name of a single Act that the country can put its finger upon and say "This will improve our condition; will lift a great deal of the disabilty under which we have for so long a time been compelled to remain." A large number of bills has been passed, and this is plainly an evidence that the Government at least has not been idle; but of what interest-what value are nineteen-twentieths of them to any body save to the professional gentlemen who certainly do not care who gets possession of the cow if they can divide the milk between them. But the very measure on which the eyes of the whole country have been fixed, and to which the utmost importance has been attached, has been withdrawn at the eleventh hour. In this matter the Government are programme of the "Irrigation Ministry," as it was then called, was fully discussed and approved of with the result that they were returned with a substantial majority of supporters who were pledged to their constituents on the subject of irrigation. Before the session was opened, the country was in possession of certain information respecting the proposals to be made to the Government by the Chaffey Bros., and not a word was spoken against it. The Ministry must have known that the confidence of the country was reposed in them. The proposition contained in the Waterworks Encouragement Bill was welcomed by all. This was a measure much required, and it was not thought too extravagant a step to concede a hundred thousand acres of mallee land to a firm who guaranteed to expend upwards of £5 per acre upon it, in such a way as would most assuredly enhance the value of all land to thirty or forty times the price that can be at present obtained for

In our opinion it would have been by far the wiser plan to go to a division with it, we should then be sure, if defeated, the Government were not doubtful of their own policy, or of the confidence of the country.

THE Select Committee appointed to consider the advisability of a "Daily Hausard," over stepped their authority when the called for tenders and accepted that of the "Age." We shall not know whether Parliament will endorse the action of the Committee until the next session opens; and in the meantime contend that the question should be submitted to the electorates, and a special vote taken as to whether the colony is favorable to it. It involves the expenditure of a sum up to torian legislation-well, not the most econo mical, at any rate.

shall publish on Friday afternoon, when we shall issue a four page illustrated supplement containing a number of complete and interesting ales suitable for the season.

The following are the reported yields from Victoria, No. 2 Tribute 13oz.; Saxon Consols,

The St. John's Church of England folk intend holding a grand cake fair and promenade conpert on next Tuesday, the 21st inst., and judging from the number of cakes and other good things promised and made by these interested, good edibles will be innumerable. The special cakes contain rings, coins and other articles of In addition there will be a magic fish-pond, wherein amateur Isaac Waltons on the payment of a small fee can fish to their hearts' content, and be sure of getting a bite every time. A shooting callery will occupy the attention of our brave defenders and other shootists, and many articles will be carried away by the most skilful shots. The concert will be another feature, and active rehearsals, by those who are to take part, is the order of the day. On the whole a very pleasant and profitable afternoon and evening will undoubtedly be spert, and the small charge of sixpence is all that is asked for admission. We wish them every steeess.

We have not space to call attention to all new idvertisements in to-day's issue separately, but they are all Christmas and holiday announcements. Mr. Crawford's will be found on the first page.

The Illustrated Australian News for Christmas is a double number, containing a first-class colored supplement. Mr. Henningsen is the

The annual meeting of the Primitive Methodist Sunday school teachers was held on Tuesday evening last, and the lalance sheet, showing a credit of some £20 war received and adopted. It was resolved to spend £8 in the purchase of books as rewards to the scholars. The election of officers resulted as follows :- Mr. T. W. Dungey, superintendent; Messrs. Prentice and Elliott, vice-superintenlents; Mr. E. J. Thomas, secretary : Mr. J. Prestice, treasurer ; and Mr. W. H. Elliott, jun., Ibrarian. Hearty votes of led us. Some excellent soil, but so terribly Our school wants sweeping out and polishing thanks were passed to all those who kindly assisted in various ways to make the late anniversary a success, and the secretary was instructed to convey the same in writing. As the new church will require the organ at present used, it was resolved to purchase one at a cost of £20 for the use of the school. An enormous lot of other business was transacted, and the meeting adjourned with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Mr. W. E. Nickols' new auction rooms were formally opened on Saturday last. The place was crowded with buyers, and all articles submitted fetched good prices. These rooms will no doubt prove a great boon to the inhabitants in search of "bargains!"

The election of a representative for the North Riding of the Shire of Ripon School Board of Advice took place on Tuesday last. There was no excitement over the contest, and in some of the polling places little or no interest was manifested. Mr. J. W. Browne and Mr. R. Wilkinson were the two candidates nominated, and the voting was as follows :-Browne, 46; Wilkinson, 12; unijority for Mr. Browne, 34.

A correspondent writes :- "I notice by the Ballarat "Star" that Mr. Murray, Government the consequence? Looking over the long Geologist, on his recent visit to Linton, reports as follows:-"As there is likely to be an auriferous line of reef passing through Linton, the residents should draw up some practical scheme to search for it, and that such scheme should be submitted for favorable consideration to the Prespecting Board." Here is an idea for the residents of the Beaufort district to act upon.

In another column will be found an advertisement calling a meeting to be held on Thursday next, at Prince's Hotel, Raglan, for the purpose of considering the question of petitioning the Government to erect a rabbit-proof fence around the Mount Cole State Forest. This is a very

nouncement in another column having reference in piloting the buggy through the scrub, and to the furnishing of returns to the Government from all private schools. The returns have to be furnished during the month of January, 1887.

We heard during the week from an undoubted authority that it is the intention of Mr. A. Ansadly to blame. At the general election the Shire of Ripon, to resign his seat at the next drews, representative of the north riding of the meeting of the Council.

A friend, writing from Allendale to Mr. Grenfell, of Beaufort, gives the following interesting or breeding place for rabbits to be found any. particulars respecting the Teetulpa goldfields: · I have just come back from Teetulpa, in South Australia. I did nothing there. The place is very greatly over-estimated by the South Australians. When I arrived on the ground I found a few hundred were getting gold, and about six thousand were getting nothing. I would have stopped much longer than I did, but my mate could not stand the water or the climate, and became seriously ill; so I packed off home with him again. Teetulpa is a fascinating sort of a place. It is about 240 miles north of Adelaide. The country is mostly low wavy ranges, utterly devoid of grass, but in its stead is covered with short, green colored 'salt bush.' I found the encampment on the diggings had been allowed to get into a most filthy state; not the slightest sanitary precautions seem to be taken, all sorts of refuse being left to burn up with the sun on the surface. This beaten into dust by the tramp of thousands of feet, gets lifted up by countless little whirlwinds every day, and this pestiferous dust is spread through the air—results, English cholera, typhoid fever, etc. The South Austrahan papers are very disengenuous, for they never mention a word about the great amount of sickness on the field, and while they take all it. We cannot understand how the Govern. sorts of care to report every small find, and inment allowed itself to yield to the wishes and deed to give credence to mas when never occurred, they never mention a word about the aims of a small minority of the Opposition, thousands who are doing nothing."

BY OUR SPECIAL

Having expressed a desire in the presence beautiful surroundings of Beaufort, and pret-Watkin has comparatively recently taken up, the mines at Waterloo for the past week - shows signs of being speedily transformed into a vinegard or orchard. There is, however, an incomes deal of grabbing to do before the re-planting can take place. Pashing onwards, we drove through the township of Raglan, in which the State school and black smith's shop are the places "of note." Instead of taking the turning to the left, which would have brought us to the foot of the mount in a short time, we followed on value, which no doubt will induce a large sale. the straight road for a mile or two, our object being to go via the State Forest. We passed through several selections of magnificent grazing country, in which here and there ran a streamlet; and in places small plots of lowlands were submerged in water. Approaching what is called the Graveyard Hill -a very steep incline—we took a turn to the left, and had not gone far before we espied a few rabbits. It was rather too warm, however, for bunny to come from under his cover, and that is perhaps the reason there were not many seen; but the country just about here is certainly of such a nature as to afford a pretty safe harbor for the rodent pest. Conversing with my companion to this) effect, he replied, "Good work has been done about here. See all along to our left? Well that was a fence similar to this on our right," drawing my attention to a log and brushwood fence; " with this diff-rence : that, on the left hand, in some places, must have been twelve feet thick. Of course I was compelled to serve notice to have that state of things altered, and now the owner is electing a sub-

stantial post and wire fence, as you see." From hence we had a little bit of rough country to go over, and our pace was only moderately fast; but there was nothing particularly out of the way worth noting. Presently, we entered a selection through which the road scrubby that it appeared to me it would be an atter impossibility to cope with the nuisance if the subbits once got on to it. Howbeit, I was informed that although there were undoubtedly hundreds of the animals about the land, the work of suppression was going on rapidly and satisfactorily. Passing through another puddock, I onserved the burned patches where the men at work had

Referring to the selections we had passed, Mr. M'Rae amused me with a statement to the following effect :- " If I were have a few rabbits about here still,' he would

"We shall perhaps meet with an adven- jah! ture hereabou's," said Mr. M'Rae. "Such weather as this is almost certain to bring the snakes out.'

"I cannot remember ever soring a live snake" I replied, "and I should very much like to get a glimpse of one."

We had now passed through another gate: on to some land which was covered with got out of this paddock into the State Forest. | community as ours seems to be. You'll have Attention is directed to the Government an- Here we were met with very little difficulty to write it up, Mr. Editor. were soon on to a well-made crossing over the Fiery Creek. The contractors have just completed this, which extends over a couple of chains in length, and the work reflects great to watch their movements. An express train credit upon them. "This is the land I re- is a fool to them! I stood by for an hour, ported on at the last meeting of the Council," said Mr. M'Rae; "there are about 10,000

> "Then this is the land I presume which the Government intend to let by tender?" " Precisely; and notwithstanding the idvantages the successful tenderer may gain by it in the way of first-class grazing, they are more than counterbulanced by the compulsory clauses of the Rabbit Suppression Act, with which the lessee has to comply.

"I cannot imagine anyone being silly enough to take it, if he had to keep the rabbits down. I suppose it would take £50 per acre to comply with the act in the suppression of the nuisance," I remarked.

" Yes, I dare say it would; but further, it appears to me that a good many Sir William Clarkes would be roined before the nuisance was completely abated. To successfully cope with the rabbits in this forest appears to me to be a plain impossibility." "Is there not a rabbit-proof fence dividing

the forest from the selector's land?" "No, that is the mischief of it; and the selectors are complaining that it is impossible to check the increase until there is."

" Well, it looks like as if the Government wunted to shift the responsibility of the nui-

of whom it cannot be said they represent any RABBIT SUPPRESSION ON MOUNT sance on to the shoulders of the lessee of the State Forest."

"It certainly does." Our conversation was there suddenly cut short. We were passing three waggons which were laden with of your energetic rabbit inspector, Mr McRae, timber, some being drawn by horses and to visit Mt. Cole, which is one of the many others by cattle, coming from the saw mills. A little further ahead we saw some pretty tiest spot in the colony, that gentleman very little homesteads, one or two of which apcourteously offered me on Monday last a peared to great advantage as a background to second line of mile. The upcourteously offered me on Monday last a peared to great advantage as a back ground to second line of rails until the down train were not long reaching the Main Lead, where ing all over the verandah posts and bearings, we found everything in the shape of business and the bright green leaves were pleasing to going on in the usual quiet way. On our left look upon after the monotonous sight of the was Mr. Dickman's store and hotel, and on scrub of the State Forest. A little school on was Mr. Dickman's store and hotel, and on scrub of the State roles. A more school of delay, he took the fair one affectionately in our right the State school. Further on, at our right hand was just closed for the day, his arms and pressed her to his heart; his kin's charming residence. I was really le- and girls (to whom the heat seemed as nolighted to see such a remarkable evidence of thing), as they scampered home along the industry and perseverance on the part of the road, added much to the interesting picture. owner of this place, which at one time vas As our horse's head was turning the corner thickly studded with trees and scrub, and it the trap ran over a snake—but, unfortunately, £20,000 per annum. This in addition to find that his enterprise has not been in vain. killed a few hours previously. We were now A beautiful crop of barley had been mown, at the foot of Mount Cole, and observed several and the hay was lying in little heaps upon men at work fencing -post and wire. In the ground. Adjoining this was an excellent response to questions we were informed that crop of peas, about the finest that it has ever the old brushwood fence was to be burned been my privilege to see. The station com- that night; that "the tabbits was gettin' done As next Saturday will be Christmas Day, we prises several fine red brick buildings, and up, out it was an endless job;" the men had everything, even to the yards, was in apple been burning the scrub in numerous places, pie order, and as clean as a new pin. We with satisfactory results. A few minutes beheld the fish ponds par excellence, and, pass- more brought us to a stoppage. Alighting, ing these, a new piece of land, which Mr. and taking the mare out of the buggy, she was tied to a tree.

(To be continued.) LITTLE CHIPS.

ГВт "Томанажк." I called round the other day to see the new Primitive Methodist Church, and I must say it is really a nice building, but I think the architect, queer man, must be qui'e an original character. I suppose it's all right, but I couldn't imagine what a church wanted a chimney, with a lightning conductor on it,

I was greatly surprised when told that it wasn't a chimney at all, but was reckoned quite a handsome embellishment! Shades of Morphens, or some other fellow I went inside, too, and there were some more novel "architecturisms" displayed in the windows, they being white and amber colored alternately, the white one being patched on top with a bit of amber and vice versa. Looks like an old boot with a new toe piece on. I am not very aesthetic, but weatly! I -I couldn't stand it, and left very suddenly.

After several years' walkover, we have had an election for the B and of Advice, and £10 or more of the sountry's money has gladdened the hearts of sundry deputy returning officers. Some poet (I forget who he is) says "We are all actors in life's masquerade," and this was about as big a one as I know. Just imagine! Several old fogies met in solemn conclave and resolved that an election must be held for the good of the country; discussed ways and means; and eventually nominated one horse to win, and ano her to make the running. But there wasn't much pace-making done, as the winner had it all his own way, and no doubt all parties are satisfied. What's up, goodness knows, and yet we haven't get ordon or a duster good enough to do it.

I've soon a wedding; yes, a real live Harmy wedding. I was there, in all the glory of a new dress and white tie. When I go: married, I shought one; was quite sufficient; but, for bless yer, some people are never satisfied, and they find that twice the some day doesn't affect them. Tons it was with a happy salvation army couple here the other day. They were tied hard and fast in the afternoon by the Courch of England minister, and again to meet the owner of that paddock with the in the evening by the army adjutant. I had brushwood fence which we passed a short a back seat, and concluded that, if honoring a while back, and were to say him, 'you bride and bridegroom consists in yells, howls, cheers, applause, whistling, and all sorts of be almost certain to reply, 'Divil a wan ave other noises, then this pair were highly I got in the whole av me paddick, sor; but honored. The army and its adherents were me neebour there beyant, is as full of 'em as on the rampage. It was their day (or night) out, and they made the most or it. Hallelu-

I went round last Monday to see how police court business was managed here; and I saw it. It's not a question of where's the police, but where's the J's.P. I am told that there are five appointed in this district, but I suppose, like all other places, they trust to one another to do the work, and consequently thick growth of long dry grass, and I was cau Monday, and the poor unfortunate victims of tioned to keep my "weather eye" open. Not- misplaced confidence waited an hour to be direction, my wish to see his snakeship was another hour, then held an indignation meetsage for the vehicle being very narrow, and justice in his own fashion. Such a state of the Mount Cole State Forest. This is a very sage for the venture of the State Forest, and we hope to see a large carefulness in driving was necessary until we things should not exist in an ealightened instant.

A couple of ancient mariners have been doing up the Park boats for the last two or three weeks, and it has been quite interesting and then couldn't tell which was ahead-the conversation, the tobacco smoke or the work. acres of this forest within the boundaries of I have since arrived at the conclusion that it the shire, and there isn't a better harbour must have been a dead heat. Acribus initius, incurioso fine! Surely this is not a specimen chip from the charactaristic log ! Beaufort, wake up !

There is an old song, I believe a favorite with Harry Rickards, which tells us that-" Love 'tis that makes a man

Feel so peculiar!"

That there must have been an exemplification of the truth of the sentiment herein expressed, on the railway platform the other night, I feel pretty certain, and every person who witnessed the scene, which shall now be described, was thoroughly amused. The 10.40 train from Ballarat arrived at Beaufort at the usual time, shortly after midnight, and in one of the compartments of a second-class carriage the purpose of obtaining information for the dashing young couple were seated, in an board, shall be paid out of the amount allowed attitude which novel-writers would perhaps the sum of 10s. per day for personal expenses describe as "the preliminary stage of love's on such business. 2. All such reimbursements sweet embrace."

He held her hand betwixt his two, And undecided what to do,

Looked tenderly into her face. His eyes flashed sparks of kindled love In heart, in breast, and through him, strove In vain to conquer and subdue, His manly trame with trembling shook. Her hair was auburn, and her look Was such to unman any man, As it in wild disorder came

In wavy tresses o'er his cont. In wavy tresses o'er his coat.
Her beaming, sparkling eyes denote—
Her crimson-suffused countenance
(Her witching beauty to enhance)
Reveal—love's reciprocal strain:
The prize was his he sought to gain,

But, alas! so intent was the gay Lotharia in admiring the charming loveliness of his fair companion that he was perfectly oblivious to all that was going around him. The upis alongside of the platform, received the customary signal to depart. The young man thought it was his train moving off, and as downy mustachio tenderly sought sympathy from her rosebud-like lips, and kisses were innumerable. He stroked her hair; he patted her cheeks; she completely resigned herselt to his fondling and devotion, and returned the kisses with a warmth that "tiz" the hateful passion of jealousy within my vest; another hug, and yet another, and then be Just then that naughty porter tapped at the carriage window. Discovering their awkward situation, both, as if in accordance with a care arranged plan, im nediately rushed to the opposite windows, and became intensely interested in the placard advertisements on the good shed. Risum teneatis amici!

BOXING DAY SPORTS

The following are the handicaps in the principal events to be contested on Boxing Day, 27th instant :-

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP.—150 Files .. ser. | 9 J. Shields yas 10 C. Green ... 2 11 R. Johnston W. O'Bree ... 3 | 12 M. Kirkpatrick 5 R. Thomas ... 4 | 13 A. Robertson 4 14 N. White ... 5 | 15 W. Thompson 10 ... 6 | 16 A. J. Green ... 10

HURDLE RACE. -200 yards. ...ser. | 6 M.Kirkpatrick vds ..., 7 A. Robertson 1 8 A. J. Green 3 | 9 W. Thompson ... 19 G. Caldwell ... 3

LOCAL FIREMEN'S RACE. -200 yards. C. Woods ...ser | 7 T. Humphreys 10 8 H. Smith 3 G. Hellyer 9 C. Provis 4 Tom White ... 9 | 10 C. Etherton ... 9 11 W. Halpin 5 E. White ... 11 12 S. Baker

AND RESCUE .- 50 yard W. Trahar ...scr. | 7 W. Dark 8 T. White R. Waugh ... 2 9 G. Hellyer T. Lewis ... 3 10 G. Caldwell ... 4 | 11 C. Provis ... 5 | T. Humphrey

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... 220 BICYCLE RACE.—Two miles.

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BICYCLE RACE.—Three miles.

... 280

J. T. Audas ... A. Audas yds, 220 ... 220 E. Jewel ... 270 J. M'Keich ... 300 D. Jewel E. Loft ... 340 T. Archard ... 360 G. Hamilton 360 A. Cougle ... 380 P. Broadbent 380 P. Gordon 390

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R. A. D. SINCLAIR, Sports Secretary.

The first meeting of the Prespecting Board for the Ararat Mining District was held in the Mining Board room, Ararat, on Tuesday last, there being present—Messrs H. C. Bate (who was elected chairman of the board), J. W. Browne, David White, J. B. Burton, and John Naylor. The standing orders of the Mining Board were produced and read, and the following draft regulations, submitted by Mr. Browne, for the distribution of the £400 allowed by the Government for the expenses of the board, were also read :- "1. That the sum alloted by the Government shall be paid quarterly, and out of the sum so allocated each member of the board shall be reimbursed the cost of travelling incurred consequent upon his attendance at meetings of the board, and also all expenses under instructions from the board for the hire of any conveyance necessary for the purpose of visiting and inspecting any mine, or any portion of the district, in order to obtain information for the guidance of the board. Any member having \$ elaim to be reimbursed any money which he has paid for the hire of any conveyance for the parpose aforesaid, shall leave with the clerk of the board a receipted account for the money so paid and any member or members less than the in board, being authorised by a majority at say meeting to visit any portion of the distret for and expenses to be a first charge upon the sum allotted to the board, and the balance remaining shall be distributed pro rata according to the respective attendances of members at the week ing of the board." The consideration of these regulations, as well as the standing orders and a large budget of correspondence, was postered until the next meeting of the board, which will be held at Stawell on the 5th of January, 1871 at 11 a.m. The board then rose.

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DORA DUNBAR.

AN AUSTRALIAN STORY.

BY "MONA"

--0--CHAPTER XIX .-- (CONTINUED.)

"You little hypocrite, you know it's needless, Came on then, I left him all alone in his glory."

"Go on, I'll follow when I'm ready." "You'll come now, Miss Contrary,"

marching me off. It is the same stalwart form as of old, the same blue-grey eyes, and handsome, honest, boarded face, that meet my eyes on entering the parlor.

"I need not ask if you are well," he says, sbaking hands. "No." mischievously chimes in Nance,

"she's looking quite bumpkinish, isn't she—so ist and roay? I was thinking she should go to the fency ball next month as a dairymaid, It'd suit her fine." Ruber dismayed, I steal a glance at the mastel mirror. Fat and rosy! perish the thought. Rosier than of yore a little, but

ist-the mirror comforts me. "Don't notice her nonsense," I say, carrying him off to my favorite corner, as she runs laughing away.
"Tell me what you have been doing of late,

"Haven't you heard?" he asks, gravely.
"17 no; what have you been doing?" "Satting my house in order."

"What for? Do you mean to 'shuffle off this mortal coil?" "Not yet, I hope."

"What then?"

"I'm going to get married," solemnly. 'Oh !" I gasp, unmenningly, a sudden, sinking sensation at my heart robbing me of speech and self-possession. Won't you congratulate me?" he asks,

unconsciously cruel.
"Certainly," I say, in a cold, strange voice; then self-respect whispers, "Come, Dora Danbar, this won't do; die but make

no sign, suffer and be strong. Where's your pride? Remember the substance was yours once, and you let it go to grasp at a shadow, so don't act dog-in-the-manger. Let one who can appreciate him, have him." "Certainly," I repeat, "most heartily. Who is she? "Guess," he says, smiling, half-fondly, half-proudly, and adding fuel to the fire of

my regret and wrath. "Can't—never was any good at guessing. Have you followed Mr. Fowler's example, and

made a good bargain?" "Surely, you know me better than to think

I should sell myself for a woman's wealth," in a hurt tone, " besides I might find it a had peculation, as he did. His wife is furiously ealous, and makes him look ridiculous vherever they go, to say nothing of Lillica being heavily in debt, thanks to bad manage ment. I hear Fowler's drinking, too, to make matters worse." "Your sex scorned gossip, I thought,"

say, glad to relieve my feelings with even so puny a thrust, " and you are getting wide of the mark. Again, who is she?" "I don't think I shall tell you, to pay you out for that jar."

"Please yourself," I pout, though I'm burning to hear, and, putting on an indifferent air, I rise, only to find a strong armenorching my waist, and drawing me down by his side on the couch again.

"Mr. Cotton!" I ejaculate,—feebly, I must "Miss Dunbar!" with a laughing mimicry.

"See, here she is—the lady of my choice. Do you admirs my taste?" It is a locket photo he is showing me, and

surprise and joy struggle for mastery, as I recognize my own face. Silently I stare at it, till he shuts it from my view, my face hot and cold, red and white

"Will she do?" he whispers, drawing me

"Are you content?" I manage to ask.

"More than content," he murmurs. "Are "Yes," and the word seals my fate, for

with an air of proprietorship, amusing to behold, he presents me to Mr. Arcroft, who enters a moment later, endeavouring to hide his surprise at seeing Dick's arm round me, as the "future Mrs. Richard Cotton." "Eh! By Jovo! I'm glad to hear it, old

hoy, she'll make you a first-rate little wife!
Long life and happiness to you both! 'shaking our hands off nearly. "God bless you Dot, my dear,—couldn't feel more pleased if it was my own daughter getting such a good husband. I can't congratulate you both enough. I must get Martha and Nance to help me. Won't they be delighted? I say? help me. Won't they be delighted? I say? Cotton, you won't begrudge me a kies, ch? just one to celebrate the occasion. I'm only an old buffer, you know, an old fogey-Dot's adopted Dad, so it's all right," with a sounding smack. " Now I'm off to find Martha." "Mr. Cotton-" I begin.

"I beg your pardon?" "I said 'Mr. Cotton-'"

"Yes, but should have said?" "What?" demurely.

"Am I to be 'Mr. Cotton' after we

"Oh-Dick, I suppose you mean," I cry, cutting him short.

"Tuat's better!" testifying his approbation in lover's fashion.

sir," cries Mrs. Arcroft, wisking me out of his reach, and, with Nance, kissing and congratulating me heartily.

CHAPTER XX.

" Dot"-coming from Dick, the diminutive, endeared to me by so many recollections of HAROLD STEPHEN, ESQ., M.P. happy days spent with the kind friends who bestowed it, sounds oddly in my ears—"do you remember a threat you made about three years ago, never to speak to me again

> "You spoke to me of love or marriage," I interrupt coolly, though with a hot face, Yes," I interrupt. It is Sunday morning and we are sitting,

ole possessors of the parlor for the present, "Woll," goes on Dick, dolorously, "I made you a promise of obedience, if you remember, and I make it a point to keep my promise always, so what are we to do?"

"I don't know," I rejoin, saucily, "unless we reverse the usual order of things, and I do the love-making and press you to name the day, and so on.'

I'm you, ch? Now begin, Dot,—I'm ready," donning a provoking, but well-asumed air of bashfulness, that angers me despite its irresistible comicality. "Don't insinuate that I ever looked like

that," I say, sharply, "I'd die an old maid He only laughs.

"Not you," he says, "by-the-by, that reminds me—do you remember declaring you'd die an old maid, rather than go through life as Mrs. Dick Cotton?'

"Who told you," I cry, coloring again. " A little bird." "Surely Ag wasn't so mean !"

Never mind. What reconciled you to the "Perhaps my being unable to get the one name I wanted," I say, wickedly, "failing

that all were alike." "Dora," suddenly stern, "do you mean that handsome scapegrace, Norton Fowler? He made love to you, I know.

"He went further-he asked me to marry him?" I tell him, determined to have no "And you?" eyeing me keenly.
"Said 'yes.'"

"Did you, really?"he aske,pale and hoarse with suppressed feeling. Is it anger, jealousy or what? "I did," very low.

"You loved him?" grinding the pronoun between his teeth. "I mistook a girlish fancy for love." "And what opened your eyes?" he demands

"His jilting me for the wealthy widow," I "Dora?"

"Villain!" he mutters angrily. "Do you mean me?" meekly.

"Dont, dear; I'm too much in earnest to enjoy a joke. Tell me, did you—do you ever regret him?'
"Never!" "Were he to come to you rich and free to-

"I should spurn him. Dick, dear, I would sooner pass my life in a log hut with you, than in a palace with Norton Fowler." "Bless you, Dot, darling, I didn't know I

was so jealous." Wait un you mud someone worth being ealous over." "Better still, I must make sure of you. That promise of mine is doomed to be broken, so here goes, Dot," drawing my head to his shoulder, "when may I call you

mine?" "Am I not yours already?" evading a direct answer. "Legally mine, I mean. When will you marry me, Dot?"

"Oh, someday, I suppose," I reply carelessly. "Î want a definite answer."

"Will Christmas twelvemonth do?" "Eighteen months hence? no, thank you. of the three years I have waited

already.'' "Suppose you name a day, then." " l'il soon settle it, then. To-morrow's out of the question, I suppose, so say tomorrow three weeks at the latest, that'll give

you time to get the fal-lals, women-" "To-morrow three months, with another three months added on," I put in, contemptu-"Dot, do you mean me to die of old age

before we're married a month? Perhaps you count on coming in for the old fogey's funds, and marrying a young good-looking scamp, as Mrs. Peyson did, but I'll disappoint you, I'll leave everything to found a home for old maids, if you marry again. I'm not so soft as Mr. P. was."

"Don't be silly; as for being an 'old logey' you are fishing for compliments." "I collapse out of good nature. I might as well let you say and do as you please a

little while longer, seeing you must soon bow to my will in everything." "Not I, I'm not going to become a nonenity, a mere echo. I shall exercise my power of choice when I please,"

"After solemnly promising to love, honor, and obey ?" "Nobey is the latest version."

"Obey or Nobey, which you like, so you

"Oh, New Year's day, then," and to that I adhere, deal to coaxing, arguments and entresties. "How many of you are going to the fancydress ball?" asks Dick at breakfast next morning.

" None of us, I think. Nance is not going and Dot has no wish to go, so I don't think I'll put in an appearance," answers Mrs. Arcroft. " Will you?"

"Must-it's a Bachelor's ball, you know, unless Dot will consent to marry me before it comes off." "Of two evils-you know the rest, Mr.

Cotton," says Nance, "better an evening's boredom than a life-long infliction of Dot's company." "Don't, Miss Stair," implores Dick. "'Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be

wise.' But don't you think the least she might do, as she won't rescue me from it, is relieve the tedium of the effair with her "Certainly I do," promptly agrees Nance, and so she shall. I know Martha is long-

ing to go, if it's only to see the dresses, and so is Dot, I believe, so go they must. what character are they to take is Mrs. Arcroft and I feebly negative her

decision, but she silences us imperatively, and returns to the dresses. "Evening-dress will do me," says her Bister.

"No," declares Nance, "you shall go as 'Night.' Tall, dark, dignified, you'll make a famous 'Night.' Now, what for Dot?" "Spring," suggests her sister.

"Too hackneyed," asserts Nance. "Flower-girl?" inquires Dick. "Pretty, but worn threadbare," then, after a moment's pause, "I have it," surveying me critically, 'Water Nymph,' is the very

thing,'

"What is the dress?" asks Dick. "Wait till the ball night, and you shall "Leave a little of her for the rest of us to kiss, see. And mind, if I turn her out so captivating that you lose her, remember you sug-

gested her attendance." "I'll promise not to upbraid you unduly," he laughs, as we rise from the table, little dreaming of the mischief that hateful ball was to entail.

It is three weeks or more off yet, nevertheless, we lo not find the time too long to prepare for it, for Nance spares no pains, determined we shall do her credit.

The eventful evening comes at last, and the hall—the same in which Mrs. Mehaffy's ball was held—is brilliant with lights and flowers and gay dresses when we enter it. Dick claims me at once, and on his arm I fall in with the strangely assorted couples promenading, preparatory to forming sets for menading, preparatory to forming sets for Lancers. In front of us is "Folly," arm-in-arm with Shylook, further on a pretty nun paired off with a clown, and Mary Queen of Scots, with 'Dandy Jim of Caroline,' whose sable complexion perspiration is making havoc of already. America's stars and stripes on one young lady, have for a partner a son of the Emerald Isle, whose inevitable shillalagh flourishes perpetually in threaten-ing proximity to adjacent heads. Ellen, The Lady of the Lake, leans lovingly on the arm Lady of the Lake, leans lovingly on the arm of an awful looking Moor, while Lalla Rookh flirts desperately with Bret Harte's "Heathen Chines." The Ico Queen glitters resplendently leside a Polar Bear, in the rear of Old Mother Hubbard and Prince Charlie, who are preceded by Una and a Footballer.

A Bandit and Dolly Varden fall in presently, opposite Cleopatra and a French Count and "Goody-two-shoes" with an ancient Jew confronts Marmion and Nancy Few, if any, can compare, though, with "Night," in he soft, dark cloudy, draperies, studded with pile glittering stars, and clasped

with silver crescents. Bands of silver stars encircle the slender wrists and queenly throat, and a crescent gleams among the dusky masses of hair above her white brow. She, with Watty Langdon (as a Swiss

peasant) in attendance, is my vis-a-vis, and her dress makes an excellent foil for my gleaming skirts of frosted tulle, with their trailing grasses and dainty shells, which Dick says took "immense." He figures as "Jack Tar," and a splendid specimen he makes, in my opinion, though to

my disgust, Mrs. Arcroft thinks that Hal Atkinson, a dapper little solicitor, taking the same character, puts Dick in the shade. I regard him with antipathy on the spot, but oh! how much greater cause for doing so I am to have ere long, I little imagine. He waltzes "divinely," to speak a la Ara-

bella Gushington, and I am engaged to him for two dances—the waltz cotillions and a circular waltz. The former passes off serenely, but the latter is scarcely over, when Dick takes possession of me, and, without waiting to get beyond earshot, peremptorily commanda: "Dors, I forbid you to dance with that

man again." In consternation, I glance back to see if "that man" has heard him, but to my relief, he is half way down the room already en route for the supper-room.

Turning my attention to Dick :

"Why," I ask coolly, though feeling rather defiant, even at this early stage. "Because he is a scoundrel-a villain! he is not worthy to be counted as the merest acquaintance by any true woman. Don't dance with him again," he concludes, in a low recolute voice, that lends weight to his distatoria

Receiving no reply he goes on : "Like father, like son," meditatively, "he omes of a had lot, and he does them credit. It's only his money that gains him admission to society—more shame to society to let it! He's unworthy to touch your hand, Dora; and to see his arm round you drives me wild. Say

no' to him next time, dear,-promiss me that you will," "Am I to make a minute investigation into the antecedents and morals of every partner that offers before I say 'yes' to him?" I ask, sareastically.

Dick grinds a terse but ugly expression between his teeth, ere he answers, white and angry.

"It might be as well," savagely, "however, I insist only that you dance no more with

Atkinson. "Insist!" I echo, incredulously, " are you not presuming a little on your possible rights ?" What do you mean?"

"Only that I have not vowed obedience yet, and I am not in the habit of being dicated to.' "Under existing circumstances, my 'dictation to you,' as you term it, is admissable, 1

"I can't see it !" I say hotly, fanning myself furiously all the time. "Dora, do you mean it?"

"I do," lying unhesitatingly, for I agree with his sentiments, but resent his tone and manner.

"And you will dance with Atkinson again? Certainly—if he should ask me?" I reply, boldly, as far as words go, but quaking inwardly 'Against my express wish?" he asks,

hoarsely. I fidget impatiently for a moment, then, taking the initiative, I say in low, unsteady tones:

"If this is a foretaste of our future relations-'Forewarned is forearmed.' Our engagement is a mistake, I fear, and had better ind at once.

Dead silence—during which I remove my love, and, drawing off the pretty pearl and ismond ring he had given me, pass it to

Thank you,"—his cold, calm acceptance of it chills me. I had hoped to see him crush it beneath his heel, a la the novel-hero, but he merely transfers it to his pooket-book, and offers me his escort back to Mrs. Arcroft, which I decline, preferring the solitude of my present flowery nook for a time.
"He never loved me," I say to myself, watching him wend his way to the side of a pretty and vivacious brunette, whose sallies he seems to enjoy, "he never loved me or he'd not lose me so lightly."

Determined not to wear my heart on my sleeve, I float off on the arm of my next partner, and, for the rest of the ball, devote my words and smiles to Watty Langdon, a proceeding that, I have the satisfaction of seeing, provokes Dick's frowns, though, did he but know it, our whole discourse is of Nance, with whom Watty is deeply in love, and whom he fondly hopes at some distant date to win. Flattered at being made his confidant, I encourage his hopes, feeling sure that he is worthy of her, and disliking the thought of her wearing the willow for poor Gilbert all her days.

Mrs. Arcroft soon perceives the breach between us, and asks for an explanation, but I put her off till the ball is over, and then give her full particulars. "O Dora, how could you be so foolish?"

she cries a la Job's comforter. "Don't scold me," I implore, "I deserve it, I know, but I'm punished enough, by my conscience smitten recollection of all I lose." And to Nance's little lecture, I turn a deaf ear, and sob myself to sleep.

"Dot, here is one of Ag's newspapers for

CHAPTER XX.

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you," calls Nance, the day after the ball, the mere mention of which I hate. She tosses it in through the open window of my room, on the bed where I am lying, half-waking, half-sleeping, and wholly miser-

"Read it, and then come to me in the parlor," she goes on, smiling in through the passion flowers. "I'm off now to change my habit, and then I want a good long talk with you, ta ta."

I obey her first order at once, and, for the first time in my life, wish Ag had not written. Not that her letter is shorter, less affectionate, or unselfishly interested in my doings than usual. On the contrary, she has added a postsoript that makes a lengthly supplement to her "newspapers." It is written in even a warmer strain than she generally indulges in, and three parts of it are taken up with my own affairs, meaning thereby my marriage at New Year, and, preparatory to that, my resignation of my position at Cam-

She wishes me to resign at once, or at an early date at least, as Lex and she are to be married on the first of November. He has given up his New Zealand post, and is again assistant-master of the grammar school, with every prospect of shortly becoming its head, on the retirement of Mr. Matthews, now only a matter of months.

The marrirge is to be a very quiet one, Ag tells me, and immediately after it they start on a short tour—just a fertnight's holiday Lex can get-alter which they start housekeeping in the old white house in Pier street.

"I would not consent," writes Ag, "to fix a day for our wedding for some weeks, being loth to leave papa to the tender mercies of Susan, for, of course, after New Year, the west will be your home. Lex discovered the cause of my reluctance to do so, and suggested our sharing the old home with paps, instead of taking a house to ourselves, as we were going to do. We broached the matter to him, and to my delight he approved of itscemed glad, indeed, and, no wonder, for he would he niserably lonely in the big, rambling place slone, especially now Vio is away at college. Well, to make a long story short. the carpenters, painters, etc., are in pos-session of the old place as I write, and when you see it again you will hardly know

Papa is paying all expenses—his wedding present to me he says—and stipulates only that the 'den' is not to be invaded, nor mammi's room altered, conditions to which

we readily agree, of course. Nov, to come to the point, dear. Will you do me a very great favor—that is, resign at once, or at any rate, at an early date, and come over in good time for the 1st. By good time. I mean some weeks before hand, for I wart you all to myself for a little while ere Agres Dunbar ocases to exist. Your advice on fifty little matters would be welcome, too, and oh. I long for one of our old-time confabs a dozen times a day, so come. Then you can housekeep for papa during our osence, and on our return you shall have the full benefit of my advice and assistance in the preparation of your trousseau for New

Year's Day." Much more in the same strain she writes, that only adds to the misery and perplexity, for resign my post and become dependent on the chief, and a fixture in Ag's home, I am determined not to, though I long to put miles between myself and Dick, now that all is at an end between us.

on to "is send Ag details of your donkeyism and its results at once, then write for leave of absence to attend her wedding, and, at the esame time, apply for another school, for leave Camborough you must as soon as possible."

The very idea brings tests to my eyes, but I dash them away with fierce impatience, and, drawing my chair to the writing table, sit down to write to Ag.
"Sensible girl," says Nance, severely, from the door, "straining your eyes to see by this

light. It's dark almost, so your letters must wait moreover'I want a talk." and with her arm round me, she leads me to a cosy couch, half hidden by the long curtains of one of the parlor windows. "Now, Dot, I'm your confessor," begins, "and I want the truth, the whole

truth, and nothing but the truth. begin, are you anxious to make it up with bright sunlight, soft breeze, and, most of all, Mr. Cotton?" '1t'd be only wasting anxiety," I say, gloomily. "Come, that's not an answer, but it will

do. Why did you return his ring and break grets. off the engagement?" "To have the small satisfaction of saying I broke it off."

"Why break it off at all?" "It I hadn't, he would have." "Do you really think so?" "I saw it in his eyes."

"You only fancied so." "No-it was 'choose between us '." "And you chose Hal Atkinson, that nambysamby, miserable apology for a man, in pre-

lerence to—' "No," I interrupt, "I don't think he can compare for a moment with Dick, and if he had requested me not to dance with him again, I'd have consented, but his ordering me as he did, raised a demon of defiance, or something of the sort in me-fool that I

Was !' Write and explain it all to him," suggests Nance. "No use, he's well rid of me, I suppose he thinks," I reply, despondingly.
"Nonsense!" says Nance briskly, "he'd

be glad to make it up again," but I am not to be convinced. "What do you mean to do then?" she zaks. "Leave Camborough and him behind me, as soon as I can possibly do so," I reply, on

the verge of tears. ' Dot ?' "I mean it, Nante. Much as I shall grieve over losing you all, it is the best thing for me to do. I can't stay here and meet him with the calm friendliness that is the only thing left for me, so I must go."

· Where? "I don't know yet. Ag tells me she is to be married on the first of November, and our old home is being renovated for them; they mean to share it with papa. She wants me to resign at once, and take up my quarters with them till New Year-knowing nothing of course, of how matters stand—but my doing so, is out of the question now. I shall try for leave of absence for her wedding, and. after that, torment the Department for another school. "Whether we like it or not?" in an injured

tone. "Nance, don't. My heart is breaking nearly now, with the thought of parting from "I doubt it! You can't care for us. or

"Not care!" I echo, tearfully, "I shall never, never forget any of you who have been so kind, so good to me, and as for Dick-it is because I care so much for him I go. Oh, Nance, dear, don't make my task harder,' and burying my face in my hands I weep bitterly.

Dick either, or you'd not talk so coolly of

My unrestrained grief, blinds me to Nance's swift, noiseless departure from the room, and, it is only when two strong, large hands gently draw mine down from my tear-stained face that I find she has gone, and left Dick in her place.

With a smile half-sad, half-glad, wheny nyside, in response to a long standing invitatender, he looks into my eyes, still kneeling boside me with my hands in his. "Dick!" I ejaculate in surprise, then

"Yes, dear," he says, simply. "How long have you been here?" I ask, recovering myself.

"Nearly an hour," he smilingly replies. "Where were you?" "Behind the curtains," nodding at those

behind me. "Oh!" I gasp, overwhelmed, but not augry in my heart, "then you heard all we

"I did-thanks to my very good friend, Nance," "She knew you were there?" "She put me there?" "Why!"

"That I might convince myself, that there was no occasion for me to look so forlorn," then, resigning his semi-serious air, he says gravely: "Between us, we were nearly making shipwreck of our lives, Dora. We must take 'Bear and forbear' for our motto, I think, then if my domineering jealousy gets the upper hand again you-' "No, no," I interrupt, "you were right,

"I was right to a certain extent," he breaks in, in his turn, "my sentiments were correct—such men as Atkinson ment no re-cognition from pure-minded wamen—but my method of conveying them was altogether

Dick, I was all to blame-"

you think, to guard against another rupture ?" "Think well, before you ask me again?" I advise him. "Have you the moral courage to marry such a Tartar?"

continues, drawing me into his arms:

"I'm not asking you, and I don't mean to.
I proposed, and was accepted three weeks ago, and that's enough in the asking line, but I wish I could persuade you to marry me the day Ag and Lex do the deed." "Impossible?" I cry; but finally I consent to alter the date from New Year to the 1st

disguise then after all," declares Diok, as I make the concession. "Now what of this, "My ring! Oh, give it to me—" "Let me put it on, and don't be in such a hurry to get rid of it again. There-it's as

"That skirmish of ours, was a blessing in

good as ever." I press it fondly to my lips in my delight at regaining it, and Dick laughs aloud. "That's 'wasting sweetness on the desert sir,' Dot, bestow your kisees where they'll be

Finally we arrange that I am to resign my position at the end of September—he will no hear of my leaving Camborough soonerthen return to S- to spend October with Ag and make preparations for the "futal first," as he calls it. Mrs. Arcroft, however, upsets our plans at

ing in August and spending September with her, free to follow the bent of my own sweet will or hers. "And we'll make merry all the month, Dot. You shan't soon forget the last Septem-ber of your single life," she concludes.

Accordingly, I am duly relieved of my

once on hearing them, insisting on my resign-

school duties, and with many genuine regrets Stay here and meet him as a mere action of say "good-bye" to them, and to my boys quaintance I cannot, but go home to live I and girls, in many of whom I have learned to -Beptember passes swiftly between pionics parties, and paying visits to the many friends have made among the warm-hearted western

> Moanwhile, Dick has an army of workmen in full swing about the pretty residence adjoining the bank, superintending them in every spare moment. My last evening he spends with us at Sunnyside, looking ludiorously lugubrious

folks.

one moment, and brightening up the next, on remembering that " in two months I'il have you all to myself for good." The drag is at the door betimes the following morning, and, with Mr. Arcroft, his better half, her sister, and a couple of portmanteaux, I bundle in, and we are off en route for

Hamilton, having first started Dick back to his duties in C-. The day is perfect, and the cloudless sky, my own glad, grateful heart, contrast vividly with the accompaniments of my sad drive along the same roads two winters before, and fill me with tender longings and re-

CHAPTER XXII.

I do not think I can better end my story than by carrying my readers forward to a certain glowing, glorious Christmas day three years later.

Sunnyside lies steeped in the "drowsy cadiance" of a perfect summer noon that makes doubly acceptable the cool dusk of its broad, shaded verandahs. Swinging in a hammock outside the diningroom windows, looking the picture of lazy,

luxurious enjoyment, is my liege lord and Through his half closed lids, he surveys amusedly the trio of lords of creation, seated near him warmly discussing the question of "Home Rule for Ireland," Lex, Watty Langdon and their host, all of them little altered by the lapse of time.

Further up the verandah, absorbed in the topic of "babyhood," is a group that makes a pretty picture. In a low, easy chair, reclines Nance, the idolized wife of Watty, (whose patience and perseverance she had rewarded with her hand eighteen months before), and the proud mother of the bonnie, dark-eyed baby boy she holds aloft, while we compare his charms with those of his twin-brother in Mrs.

Arcroft's arms. The "we" includes Ag and myself, also The former is standing beside Nance with little Bruce, and his prattling two year old sister playing at his feet. Time has dealt tenderly with our "home sunshine"—the old name is here still-adding new lustre to her rippling chestnut locks and gentle brown eyes, and a touch of matronly dignity to the tall, queenly figure. Her little daughter has her father's dark eyes and hair, and is the and black lava cutting sharp against pale constant pet and playmate of Bruce, who is now a bold, handsome boy of six, the pride and hope of his parents, for he is every whit as dear to Ag as to Lex, and has never known his loss, so faithfully has she filled his To complete the picture, I must introduce

myself, a trifle more womanly-looking and sedate than of yore, under the responsibilities of wife and motherhood, for my marriage has been blessed with children, and, in my eyes, no babies under the sun can compare with the little velvety, blue-eyed morsel of humanity in my arms-my baby daughter, Mona—or the toddling, lisping mite in "Aunt Aggie's" embrace, whose every feature proclaim him Dick's son. "Douglas" we have named him, my worse half yielding, semi-reluctantly, his

desire to name him "Richard" to my representation that by-and-by it would be old Dick and young Dick. Lex, now the well-to-do, and justly-honored Head-master of the S- grammar school, is spending his Christmas vacation with us, Ag and the children of course, accompanying him, and Christmas day finds us all at Sun-

"Nance," laughs Ag, surveying the twins who strikingly resemble each other, "you'll have to tie different colored ribbons on them

or do something of the sort to distinguish Gilbert from Watty." "Do you think they are so much alike?" asks Nance, " [can see little or no likeness," she concludes, her gaze resting dreamily on

little Gilbert, who is, I sometimes fancy, her favorite, if she has one, from an imaginary resemblance he bears to her first love. "Have they no mole or mark of any sort about them to guide us?" I ask, laughingly, like the little Ellises I used to teach at Camborough, you remember, Nance, if I wanted to tell Frank from Laurence, I had to look in

their ears for a mole or big freekie that belonged to Frank."
"I remember," smiles Nance, so placidly indifferent to my suggestion, that it is clear that, as far as she is concerned, no guiding mole or mark is necessary to recognition. "Have you decided yet which is the best and handsomest?" breaks in Dick's voice, as

he lazily joins us, and transfers little Douglas to his broad shoulder. "Each of us is positively certain that her own heads the list," Nauce tells him.
"Fond delusion on their part, eh Dot?" says Dick, gazing proudly up into his son's face, and seemingly blissfully unconscious of the tattoo the young gentleman's vigorous heels are performing on his breast to make

"For calm conceit commend me to Cot-I only shake my head in answer, and he chair.

continues, drawing me into his arms:

"Thim's my sintimints," breaks in Lex, strolling up in his wake. "What's he got to ton!" chimes in Watty, from behind Nance's

"Something not worth listening to, I warrant, so lend me your ears," says Mr. Arcroft. How are we going to spend this afternoon ?" 'What do you suggest?" asks his wife,

"A ride to Eccles' Swamp."
"Too far this hot day, isn't it?" "Nonsense! It's just the day for a ride. Who agrees?" Every one, seemingly, for a few minutes later, we are all donning our habits but Ag and Mrs. Arcroft, who are to drive in the buggy. The "every one," after all includes only Nance and me, as far as females go, but all the men ride.

Dick and I pair of-naturally lovers stilland ride easily on, blind to the beauty of the scenery on either side, and heedless alike of time and distance, so that it is with some little surprise, we come suddenly on Eccles Swamp, glittering and sparkling in the sunlight.

Dismounting, we loiter away an hour,

strolling along its edge, and discussing the contents of the inevitable lunch-basket, in the midst of which we are interrupted by the sudden descent of a pair of riders in our midst. "Vic and Fanny !" we cry, simultaneously. The tall, heavily-moustached young gentle-man is really Vic-now a promising member of the banking community-thanks to Dick, mainly.

"Fanny" is his fiancec'-Watty Lang-

don's only sister, a bright, pretty girl of

eighteen.

"We gave you up till evening," Mrs. Arcroft tells them, "when you didn't turn up for lunch.' "Fanny's fault," begins Vic, manlike, but Fanny stops him. "Don't believe him! Mrs. Arcroft," she says, "I was waiting two hours nearly for the

lazy fellow, and wore the drawing-room

carpet threadbare almost, pacing impatiently "I cry Peccavi," smiles Vic, "hunger prompts me, mind, not cowardice, and I cave in "You called at Sunnyside, I suppose? says Nance, as they seat themselves. "Yes — perfect pandemonium, between howling babies and whining puppies." Vic

answers, with his mouth half full. "Nonsense!" Fanny assures the anxious nother element of the party, "the babics were as good as gold. Nurse and Norah had them all out on the verandah.' Vic, you want mincing up, for making

mischief as you do," I say, severely, but my words are ignored completely. Headdresses Ag. " Heard from home, Mrs. Lex?" 'I got a letter yesterday.' " How's the chief doing?" " Very well, except that he wants us back. He misses Bruce and baby, I think."

"No doubt. Why didn't be come with "The travelling and he don't agree now adays, and he prefers to stay at home." "Humph?" expressively grunts Vic, "the travelling expenses you mean. doesn't loosen his purse strings, I notice." "Filial sentiments for Christmas day! cries Fanny, gagging him with her littlwhite hand "Well, here's an improvement. Fill you

glasses good people, and help me pledge at our friends, relations and acquaintances-Long life and happiness to them all! Matheirs be the merriest of Christmases and

happiest of new years. THE END.

THE RED SEA.

To begin with the early morning, we were

offered the accustomed tea and coffee, under

the name of "chota hazeri"-i. e., small

breakfast. Next we noticed that our luncheon

was transformed into "tiffin," and that as we sat in the cabin, silent Hindu lads equatted on the floor pulling punkabs to keep us cool, and, at the same time, blowing all our papers away, till some kind sailor friends supplied us with leaden weights. Evidently we were on the highway to some strangely new state of existence. The ship's company, too, seemed to comprise samples of all the Oriental races: Chinese quartermasters, Malays, Lascars, splendid Nubian stokers, British officers. There were Hindus, Mohammedans, Confucions, Buddists, and Cristians. The captain's servant, who waited upon us, was a Kitmutgar of the true stamp, turbaned, white robed, barefooted—a Mohammedan of course, how could be supply us with genuine reast heef? The fruits at desert were also new-bunches of plantains, like creamy confectionary; guavas, like in-different pears, but hateful to smell; pummeloes, like huge oranges with pink flesh, and scarlet pomegrantes, duly prepared with wine and sprinkled with spices. The very rocks were altogether strange to us. Wonderful volcanic masses, like giant heaps to infer that there was some connection. I of tinder and slag round some antediluvian wice out are made my daily report, ate supsmelting furnace, masses of red and green yellow earth, make these freaks of nature as strange in color as in form. One group bears the name of the Twelve Apostles, comes Bab el-Mandeb-the gate of death-of Hell-or of Tears, as I have heard it variously rendered. It was suggestive of all the as we first beheld it, standing out in perple relief against a ground of fiery sunrice clouds and seas were alike sor ore and solemn. It received its suggestive name from the Arabs of old on acount of the dangers of its navigation. So numerous dangers of its navigation. So numerous were the shipwrecks between these cruel gates that when any man stared on the voyage he was held to have indeed entered the jaws of death, and his fardy wailed and put on mourning for him as though he were really dead. Just opposite this headland lies the small island of Perim, commanding the entrance to the straits. On it stands a light-house and a small fort, both of very recent

date. The story told concerning the annexation of this island is curious. From the beginning of time nobody had coveted so

arid a rock, till one day it occurred to

France that it might prove a useful position.

Nisus, eighteen gans, was despatemen to take possession, and, very naturally, she halted at Aden, where her officers were invited to mess, in the course of which, wine being in and wit out, so far as to loosen their tongues. they divulged their mission. No comment was made, but Brigadier Coghlan—afterwards Sir William Coghlan - the commandant. silently wrote a few words on a slip of paper, which was at once dispatched to Lieutenant Templar, commanding the Indian navy schooner Madhi, five guns. Not a moment was lost, and the Madhi immediately sped on her way to Perim, and there hoisted the British flag-to the no small amazement and disgust of the loquacious envoys on their arrival thither the following day.

AUSTRALIAN ORANGE CARDENS.

Dr. J. E. Taylor, editor of Science Gossips who recently passed a few weeks in Australia. appears to have become entranced with the cenery and climate of New South Wales. and especially with the environs of Sydney. Describing a river trip to Parramatta, Dr. Taylor says: "If the visitor lands at Ryde, and walks to the Pennant Hills, he will pass many orange gardens. They are frequently set in a surrounding framework of lemon trees—at least those part of the orangery nearest the road were, and I wondered if there were boys who lived about who were offered these sour wayside lemons to steal instead of oranges. How bright and beautiful these orange gardens looked. Their glossy dark green foliage, and their luxuriant growth proclaimed them to be healthy and well-cared for trees. This was markedly the case at Mr. Burn's orangery at Pennant. For scores of acres the orange trees extended in serried rows. Many are so abundantly laden with golden fruit they have to be supported by props. The ground beneath is strewn with dropped fruit. We are in the Garden of Hesperides. The trees bear those sweetlyscented white blossoms which occupy so important a place in matrimonial arrangements, and the trees are crowded with fruit in every stage of development, from the newly set to the fully ripened orange. The plant was born and bred and educated where there are no extremes of winter cold. Its leaves are not deciduous-that is, they don't fall off at a particular period. So long as the orange tree is planted in rich soil, is not overcrowded, is well supplied with water, and protected from winds and frost, it will bear blossoms and fruit in every stage of cold development at the same time."

A GLOSE SHAVE.

BY A SECRET SERVICE DETECTIVE. During the war, Washington was filled with some of the worst people in the land, and in addition to thieves, thugs, burglars. gamblers and that class of sharpers, there was an element which constantly plotted and conspired against the government, if not against almost every individual official. It was the duty of the Secret Service Bureau to look up and keep an eye on those people, and I am honest in stating my belief that we drove out of the capital, in one way or another, and at one time or another, 100 men and women who were plotting conspiracy and assessination.

In the summer of 1863, a member of the Cabinet, who had expressed considerable bi:terness towards what was called the disloyal element in Baltimore, received a very fine basket of flowers at his desk. They were placed on his desk while he was at lunch, and the colored attendant who received them stated that he took them from the hands of a well-dressed boy. They were flowers of which the official was particularly fond, and he spent some time admiring the gift and inhaling the perfume. Within a quarter of an hour he was taken suddenly ill and had to be sent home in a carriage. There were several stories whispered about, but I believe, from what followed, that the bouquet was poisoned and had been sent in in hopes to cause his death. He was done up for four or five days anyhow, and I received orders to make every effo: t :o hunt down the person who

It was little I had to encourage me in the

start. I got a description of the boy, how-

ever, and, after a day or two, I found people

had sent in the bouquet.

of whom he had inquired his way from the station to the Secretary's office. It was easy enough after that to trace him as having come on from Baltimore. He came alone and he had the bouquet in a band-box. The bouquet was tied with a grass cord, and I took this cord and went to Baltimore and scarcely rested a moment until I had seen the owner of every green-house. I applied to twenty or more before I found the one who had put up the flowers. He remembered the circumstance, identified the cord and described the buyer as a handsome-looking lady about 35 years of age who had come in a hack. The vehicle was drawn by a white and a bay horse, and inside of two hours I had found the driver. He described the lady about as the florist had done, and added that she had gold-filled front teeth, blue eyes, a little scar on the chin, and was sharp and decisive in her speech. She had taken the hack at the stand and left it at the same place. If this woman intended the death of the official she had gone to the greenhouse in an attire selected for the occasion, and one she would not wear again in the street. I hung about the various hotels until certain that she was not a guest at any of them, and then I could only trust to accidents for success. On two occasions I caught sight of a face in a carriage which answered the description, and followed the vehicle without success. Each time it escaped me by rapid driving. Again I caught sight of the lady on the street. She entered a dry goods store and I followed. She soon passed out and I was at her beels. but she dodged into a crowd gathered about the scene of an accident and I lost ber. An hour later I suddenly discovered that I was being shadowed. I did considerable walking, turning and dodging before I would admit that this was the case, but I finally had to acknowledge that the huster was being hunted.

My "Shadow" was a medium-sized man about 40 years old, wer dressed, respectable looking, and doing his work in the neatest manner. He did not lose sight of me until he saw me enter my hotel, where I brought up about six o'clock in the evening. I had no clue connecting the man with the woman I was looking after, but it was natural for me per, smoke a cigar, and then started for the theatre. It wouldn't be at all strange if I theatre. It wouldn't be at all strange if I found ay lady there—even if I had the seat next to her. I was within twenty feet of the dor of the theatre when a rough and ragged. ucking man, who certainly spoke in a disguised voice, stopped me and said : "Mister, I'm a discharged soldier, and I've

been sick and am out of money. Won't you buy this revolver of me for 3dol.?" He pulled the weapon from his pocket and

shoved it towards me, muzzle first. Before I could comprehend the full import of his words there was a flash and a report, and I was dimly conscious of falling. Four or five minutes later I came to myself to find that a crowd had gathered, and that I was in the hands of a doctor. A bullet from that revolver had ploughed along my skull, making a wound which laid me off duty for a month.

The fellow who sought to murder me escaped without pursuit, and is to this day undetented. If it was not the person who had shadowed me in the afternoon he was in that person's employ, and both were acting for the woman. It was afterwards ascertained that she was a woman who was notably vindictive, and that she left for England before I was recovered So in January, 1857, the French brig of war | from my wound. 501

Live Stock in the United States.

The reports of the wintering of stock on the great Western plains have now nearly all come in, and vary considerably, as usual. The winter loss in horses is moderate, but in cattle very large, running in some districts from 25 to 50 per cent., and in few herds still higher. The weather mostly through January and February was uncommonly severe, and unusually so in South Carolina and adjoining Northern Texas. Here the losses do not generally average over two to five per cent., but during the past winter they are reported much greater, but how much it is difficult to say, as the breeders are very chary in acknowledging them, striving to make out as few as

In sheep, the losses are very heavy; entire

flocks have gone.

This deplorable destruction of domestic animals bred on the great Western plains is owing almost entirely to the inability of obtaining food, in consequence of the grass being covered so deeply with snow that they cannot get at it, or it is rained on and then frozen stiff, or has become too dry to be nutri-tive or palatable. Horrible starvation consequently ensues by the thousand head, and other thousands of cows that survive the winter become so weak and emaciated by spring as not to be able to suckle their calves properly after parturition, and these, consequently, perish from want of sustenance, or they get so little as to be stunted in growth, and consequently never make good service able animals.

The native stock there of all kinds is sufficiently hardy to pass through the severest winters with little loss, when they can find all the grass that their appetites crave. This proved by those breeders who have provided hay enough to feed their cattle when the snow falls so deep that they cannot get at the grass, or that there is not enough in pasture of a suitable quality to sustain them. The inhuman winter neglect by many breeders of these animals ought to be looked after by the Government, and no longer be allowed-Stringent laws should be passed for their benefit, and faithful officers appointed to see that they are strictly obeyed. Millions of Millions of cattle and sheep suffer horribly from hunger and thirst, and finally die for want of food and drink.

As for prices of all kinds of stock, they seem to rule here, as near as I can judge, about the same as in England. There is no longer much of a boom in any of them, although very choice animals still run up to three figures. But these are few now in number, and sell for extra prices, because wanted for a special purpose.

Merino sheep and their grades have been quite low for two to three years past, owing to the great fall in the price of wool. The demand for them, however, has improved this spring, and their breeding will pay better hereafter. Mutton sheep have suffered much less, pay well for their rearing, and their rapid increase is greatly desired among us, as mutton is taking the place of pork in a moderate increase, more especially in the

Of horses, is is surprising how the prices of the heavy farm and dray sorts keep up. Thousands of stallions have been imported within the last few years, and produced, I presume, some hundreds of thousands off offspring, crossed on the larger class of marcs of the country; and yet the demand for such, when grown to a suitable age for work, so far from lessening, seems to be on the in-crease; and I think it will continue for years to come—the economy of a single stout, large horse being able to do the work of a small pair, being found to be so great both on the farm, in the mines, and in towns and cities. Fine single roadsters and pairs of choice carriage horses are also in great demand. These are beginning to be obtained in considerable numbers now by crossing sty 16-hand trotting stallions on good country mares. Extra stout, compact, thoroughbred stallions would answer the same good purpose, as is done in England; but we have very few at present. Most of them are light and of medium size, fit only to race and get horses for the saddle .- From Live Stock Jour-

The recent geological explorations of Professor Edward Hull, in Palestine, indicate that the Dead Sea formerly extended two hundred miles from north to south, and stood some fourteen hundred feet higher than its present level. At that period the country enjoyed a much more copious rainfall than it does now, and the climate must have resembled that which now prevails in the British Islands. Lebanon was perpetually snow-clad, and glaciers occupied its villages, while other districts were subject to volcanic disturbances.

The Grecian authorities have forbidden the importation into Greece of trees, plants, fruits, and even baled hay, from America, Africa, Australia, Asia Minor, or any other part of Europe except Holland, Belgium, Denmark, Norway and Sweden. The object is to keep the dreaded phylloxtera insect out of Greeian vineyards.

Parted.

Oh! was it I, or was it you, That broke the subtle chain that ran Between us two, between us two? Oh! was it I, or was it you? Not very strong the chain at best, Not quite complete from span to span; I never thought 'twould stand the test Of settled commonplace, at best. But oh : w sweet, how sweet you were When the gs were at their first and best, And we were friends without demur, Shut out from all the sound and stir! The little petty, worldly race! Why couldn't we have stood the test-The little test of commonplace-And kept the glory and the grace Of that sweet time when first we met? Oh I was it I, or was it you, That dropped the golden link and let The little rift, and doubt, and fret Creep in and brake that subtle chain? Oh I was It I, or was it you?

Still ever yet and yet again

Old parted friends will ask with pain.

It would seem, from a report furnished to the Academy of Science by the chief of the Paris Municipal Laboratory, that genuine brandy is becoming a rare commodity even in France itself. For the ten years preceding the year 1850, the quantity of alcohol distilled annually in that country averaged twentyfive million gallons, and the major part of this was obtained in the form of brandy from wine. Now, although the total amount of spirit distilled is more than doubled, the juice of the grape does not contribute half a million gallons to the sum. The rest comes from grain, cider, perry, beetroot, molasses, and potatoes. The inferior kind of spirit is not properly rectified, and is charged with poisonous agents of the most deadly character. The compiler of this report, M. Girard, attributes the increase of insanity in certain localities wholly to these imitations of French brandy, Our readers may perhaps be ignorant of the fact that thousands of gallons of raw grain spirit are sent to France from this country, to

be dectored, and returned as genuine French brandy. What She Wanted Him to Drink. "Charley," says young Mrs. Tocker to her husband, "I don't mind your drinking once in a while, so long as you cat plenty of cloves, but I do hope you'll always drink nice, pure sweet whisky. I saw a sign in the street the other day which says: 'Whisky sours,' and Sketcher.

The Indian Match-Maker.

(By a "Hindoo" in St. James' Gazette of June 1.)

It is well known that amongst the Hindoos

the feelings of the young man or the young woman are seldom consulted in matrimonial matters. The usual course is for the parents, when they judge that their son or daughter has arrived at a marriageable age, to engage the services of a professional match-maker. The Shutach or match-maker, is generally Brabmin of high order. A man of learning compliant manners, and invariably of great persuasive powers. His strength lies in the use of the particular kind of tact and skill necessary for all intermediaries, and he is not much affected by scruples of conscience. Genealogy and pedigree are his speciality. He can repeat everybody's father's grandfather's great grand-father's names, and so on to the 13th generation, and he has at his finger ends all about their caste, gotra, or tribe, their quality and position, and the bundred other details about which the Hindoos are very particular. The Shutach has great pretentions to a knowledge of Sanscrit phrases nd common plans stored up in his memory, and those he delivers in so masterly a fashion that ordinary folk gape at him with won-

But it is in his art that his chief merit lies, and not in his knowledge. His occupation is pleasant, but is often delicate; for when there are many points to be considered there s sure to be some hitch in the negotiation. And then he has to make matters smooth by all the glazing and polishing power he may possess. You cannot find a more glib or more voluble person. He nover besitates for his answers. His imagination is always ready to make up for any short comings of memory or knowledge. He flinches at no exaggeration and if you throw the slightest doubt on his veracity, he thunders forth the names of all his deities, and swears by one and all of them that he never utters anything but the barest truth. He tell fibs? He would rather have his tongue cut out. The Shutach never finds any fault in his young man or girl. The lady may be as ugly as possible, but he will pass her off as a second Venus.

There comes of a morning our Brahmin Shatuch to the house of his patron, whose son's marriage he is negotiating. He has a pale, thin face, with the trine or caste mark on his high forehead, large round eyes of a calm, meditative cast, though betraying in their corners a sly expression, finely turned evebrows, an aquiline nose, and a beardless chin. His placid countenance has a certain

charm, and his look inspires respect for his talents and confidence in his abilities. After the usual exchange of salutations the master of the house asks the Shutach whether everything is all right, and how he finds the girl; ipon which the latter answers in this style Yes sir, everything it all right. The girl s beautiful as the full moon; even the moon has spots, but she is spotless and peerless. Her teeth are sparkling, like the seeds of a pomegranate; her arched, bright black eyes beat those of Kaina, (Hindoo Cupid); her roice is sweet like that of the cuckoo; her gait is dignified and graceful like that of the lephant; and as to her figure, I know noing to compare it with. She is intelligent like the goddess of Sarasvati, (Hindoo linerba) and talks like Labshim, (the godless of fortune); and will certainly bring fortune to any family she may be connected

With a twinkle in his eye, his patron interrupts him with the question whether, the girl really is handsome and intelligent, then the Shutach bursts forth: "Ráin, Durgá, Hari, Siva, Brahma, Vishnoo—do you think I am joking with you? A man like me, descended from Brahma himself, never jokes, Satyam eva joyato: truth is ever victorious. Why, sir, you could not find such a perfect atch for your noble son, in these three worlds. And then the girls' parents are willing to bestow such a lot of things as her lowry !- a whole household of things ! What an you have better?"

The conversation goes on in this style, until the hesitations of the parent are overcome. The match-maker, well satisfied with his performance, departs for the house of the lady. Then he represents the young man to be beautiful like Kastic (the god of beauty); his manners are those of a nobleman; he is free from all vices; he studies day and night, n short he is a precious gem—an ornament Is the questions—Whether of his country. the young man has passed any university examinations, whether he holds any scholarships, and what degrees he has taken, the Shutach replies—He has not passed any examination yet; but what does that matter? Bless his dear soul, he will pass all his examinations in three years, and then his parents are so rich and have promised to give such a mess of priceless ornaments and jewellery!" then comes a difficulty on the settlement of of the last point, or the mother of the girl grumbles at the boy, not having passed his examination yet. Or perhaps somebody has informed the young man's mother that the girls nose is rather chubby. The Shutach, well prepared to meet these difficulties, flits backwards and forwards, and after the fullest display of his art and powers, a good deal of higgling on both sides, he manages to bring negotiation to a successful termination. He is amply paid for his services, though often life long curses of all the parties concerned form his chief reward. The remuneration of the Shutach is not fixed: it depends upon the sort of match he makes, and upon the quality and position of the families he unites. At a middle class wedding he gets from £2 to £3, besides presents, from rich families he gets about £5, besides presents worth about £10. Some match. makers have been known to make fortunes and buy estates. If a Shutach can secure, an educated and well to do young man for a poor common looking girl he is immensly poor common tooking girl he is immensiy paid for his services by the parents of the girl. On the contrary, if the bride or bride-groom turns out to be the reverse of what she or he was represented, the Shutach has only a few rupees he got before the marriage for his reward, with a shower of blows from the male members of the family thrown in. Of late years female matchmakers are taking the place of the male ones in some of the large towns. Having free access to the inner apartments of the house; a privilege their male rivals can never expect to enjoy—they can reach the ladies, who necessarily have a great influence on all marriages. Naturally sharp in wit, and glib of tongue, their finesse and subtlety has been known to overcome all lifficulties when their male competitors have failed. These matchmakers sometimes do a great deal of mischief if unsatisfied with their reward, or through professional jealousy they will contrive to break off a match. It is

Mr. W. Dittmar, who has been studying the specimens of ocean water brought home by the famous Challenger expidition, is forced to the conclusion that absolute stagnation does not exist in the ocean anywhere, not even at the greatest depths. The inference even at the greatest depends. The interence is drawn from the fact that free oxygen was found in every sample analyzed.

their business to fabricate. Nevertheless, the

professional matchmakars of India, will ply

their trade, so long as the present system of marriages last in that country.

The commission appointed by the Spanish Government to investigate Dr. Fer. ran's system of inoculation as a preventa tive of cholera, has made a report which is extremely unfavorable to his method. The conclusions reached indicate not only that the treatment is useless, but that it is positively dangerous.

An English consular report from Siam indicates that some of the inhabitants of the Laos country are the laziest people in the I know the stuff must be unhealthy after it little more than collect rice enough to keep

Science.

Preventing Colds. A PRACTICAL ESSAY ON A MUCH-VEXED SUBJECT.

Harper's Bazaar.

Colds are always with us, like the poor, and the two ills are about equally difficult of treatment. The very name "cold" is misleading. There is nothing cold about a cold; it is, on the contrary, an acute inflammation, a heat; and it runs its course like any other fever. This must be kept in mind if we would understand the best way of preventing and of checking a cold—I will not say of curing it; for a cold, once well established, is as incurable as any other self-limited disease.

It takes its misleading name from the fact that exposure to cold produces it. Cold feet, a cool draught upon a part of the body, or exposure of the whole body to a low temperature, will bring on its symptoms either in the bronchial tubes ("cold in the chest"), the vocal organs (cold in the throat "), or the nasal passages ("cold in the head"). When the flame of inflammation is lighted in either of these sensitive regions it is apt to extend itself to the others. But wherever it is, the disease is inflammation, and nothing else, and must be treated as such; that is to say, by palliative remedies and by avoiding further exposure until it has run its course.

But a cold, once established, is seldom cured-it ends when it has spent itself. So that the more important question for us is, how may we keep from catching colds? How can we diminish the great tax that they lay on our comfort, the risk which they cause of pneumonia or bronchitis, and their frequent termination in chronic catarrh, the characteristic American ailment, and the most distressing of those that come from our variable climate.

Of the ordinary precautions against catching cold I need say little. To dress with sufficient warmth in winter, to avoid suddenly checking the perspiration in summer, to guard against cold feet the year round and against accidental uncovering during sleep, to avoid draughts and to keep warm in the cold—all these precautions we know and practice more or less carefully, and yet many persons in spite of them all, are amongst the reatest sufferers from colds.

Who are these unfortunate persons? They are of all temperaments, habits and ages. No age, no country, has not heard their sneezings; and the chorus will never cease until the sufferers learn this lesson, which should be embroidered upon every pocket-handkerchief in Christendom: "It is not enough to protect yourself against the cold. You must also arden yourself against the cold."

who depend too much upon precautions and too little hardening, and the more they protect themselves without hardening tenderer they become and the likelier to catch cold. It is like banking up a river; the higher you build the levees the worse will be the overflow when it comes. Those people who defend themselves only by artifice against colds are the worse sufferers from colds.

Now, what regime can be recommended to these sufferers? Certainly no extreme or Spartan measures; for many of those who suffer the most from colds are delicate ladies, invalids, children, or aged persons. To such it would often be dangerous to recommend cold plunge baths or long walks in rain and snow. These are good tonics for some, but they are for the strong, and not for the weak. But the principle of treatment is the same for all. These sufferers generally have one trait in common. They have coulded themselves so warmly as to have an oversensitive skin; and this is the great source of colds, Happily, it is a condition that can be rationally treated and usually cured.

How does the to perhaps usually, in childhood. An anxious mother wishes to be sure that her child shall not take cold; "and if I only keep him warm enough," she says to herself, arguing from the name of the thing—" if I can only keep him warm enough, surely he will never catch cold." So the child is burdened night and day, summer and winter alike, with wraps and coverings that keep him in perspiration a great part of the time, and this causes such tenderness of the skin that catching cold on the least exposure is inevitable. It is quite true that a child should be kept warm. But the anxious mother must bear in mind that, in a warm room or on a hot day, he does not need as much clothing as when it is cold. Overheating, in a word, is the surest preparation for colds; but with each new attack the ignorant mother can think of nothing better than to make the house warmer and the clothing thicker. Of course the little sufferer's skin becomes still tenderer and the colds more frequent. Many an active little fellow, thus coddled, has to spend the bright days of winter in watching from his bed-room windows the sports of happier children who are not so tender but that they can face the snow without danger.

Now, what is to be done in such a case? The treatment needed is simple enough, though it needs intelligent care in the application. These are my five rules for harden-

1. Cold plunge baths for the comparatively few who can bear them. Cold sponge baths daily for the majority of healthy persons.

3. As much out-door exposure, summer and winter, as possible, always with clothing according to the season.

4. Avoid sleeping too warm at night. The golden mean in the matter is the best. 5. Many persons take cold by having cold feet, and for these the cold douche to the feet is a most effective cure. It stimulates the nerves and the arteries of the feet, and produces a brisk reaction of warmth. A single application will sometimes set cold feet glowing that have not been warm for a whole winter. In practice I have found this a most effective remedy, and while it is not to be used absolutely without precautions of times and seasons, yet there are few persons so delicate as not to bear perfectly well this moderate and local exposure to cold, or to profit by it. Often it will entirely cure the life-long affliction of cold feet. The colder the water the better; and if one has not the convenience of a douche, it will serve fairly well to stand in a tub or basin filled to six inches deep with the coldest water at command.

The warm re-action is essential. In this matter of colds an ounce of prevention is worth at least a pound of cure, as in other ailments of which I have written elsewhere. One who will toughen himself as I have indicated need not often ask, " How shall I cure my cold?" for he will have already said to himself, "First don't catch your

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Notwithstanding the beauty of the colored textile fabrics, cloth dyes, and colored pottery made in India, Mr. Allan Cunningam, who has resided in the northern part of that country over twenty years, insists that there are very few persons among the two hundred and fifty million inhabitants of India who possesses a well-developed sense of color. Induct, he declares the cycsight of the unedicated people to be remarkably poor, according to furopean standards, and says they flad it difficult to thread a needle, or distinguish at a first glance between the

top and bottom of a picture.

Sir Theodore Martin has recently published some particulars of the lead-mining industry in Wales, which show what disastrons results can be brought about by foreign competition. The imports of lead into this country have been for the last three years 99,000, 124,000, and 186,000 tons respectively. This ore came chiefly from Spain, where the hest workmen are paid only fourteenpeace a day. As a result, one hundred and sixtyseven lead mines have been closed in this country, and many thousands of miners have

Ladies' Column.

Artificial Brilliants.

The quantity of diamonds worn of late years would be something bordering on the fabulous if we heard it told instead of seeing it done. It seems impossible to believe that the earth can produce the stone in such abundance, and we are quite prepared to believe that the greater part of these diamonds are simply paste, made directly of that lustrous and transparent glass called strass, and cut into brilliants and roses, with facets, crowns, and tables. Many ladies of wealth who possess diamonds do wear these false stones, it is well known, in the place of their real stones snugly reposing in the banker's vaults, from which it is too much trouble or too unsafe a process to extract them every time they are to be put en cridence. monds, however, are not the only stone which it has been found possible to imitate so perfectly as to deceive even the connoisseur upon anything but scientific examination. Rubies are counterfeited with great exactness, and so are several other gems of varying value, by means of mixing certain metalic oxides with the materials composing pure glass. positive ruby, and sapphire, chrysolite, and chrysoberyl have been made by chemical process, appreciable transparent crystals, possessing the correct hardness and specific gravity, having resulted; but as yet, we believe, no real stones of much size have been produced. The imitations are, however, sufficiently extraordinary. It is two hundred years and more ago since Kunkel made the first artificial ribies at Potsdam. Following him, chemistry has devoted some very deep and extended research to the matter, and to-day a hundred workmen are employed at one establishment alone in Paris in the preparation, fusing, cutting, and polishing of the various counterfeits, for which there is a steady demand. Undoubtedly there are now far more perfect counterfeits than the greater part of the ancient ones were, although we are told by Pliny that it was difficult to tell some of the false gems from the real. That sort of artificial stone must have differed from those gigantic ones from which

the Egyptians carved a whole statue more than thirteen feet high. It is not to be doubted that this emerald was but a superior piece of glass, as well as those other stones of nearly similar size of which much has been said. But if Nature can not be credited with the production of these mountainous crystals, Art can plume herself upon them as her possession. To make obelisks in the temples of the gods, and things of that description, the artificial gem may be all very well; but when it comes to a woman's wearing those of a smaller size for purposes of decoration, it is quite another thing. One of the charms of wearing a gem is the consciousness of its indestructibility, its permanency, and, if one may say so, of its personality—the mystery of nature's methods in its slow crystallization in dark telluric depths, of the glance of imprisoned powers shut up within its valls, a remembrance of the vague old idea of their potency-all this and more, to many minds, has as much force as the inherent beauty of the thing itself. Who knows what spirit, what one of the genii, what cabalistically commanded sprites is this shut up in the very depths of the ruby, with its purple-blue corners of the pigeon-blood tinge, in the heavenly color and brilliancy of the sapphire, in the sea-green water depth of emerald or or beryl? There is always a fascination in its sparkle, both when we wear it and see another wear it, or when we lift it from its dark hiding-place in the casket where we keep it, as it looks up at us with its lidless, deathless glance of beauty. But a bit of glass, however prettily colored what spirit is there in that, made by man, according to a formula ?-what spell can the most vivid imagination conjureup in its my?—what mystery lurks in a thing that any clown can puttogother? Nothing or the postical or romantic attaches to the wearing of the colored glass, the artificial gem; mere love of show, and glitter, and ostentation enter into

that.

Healthful Dress for Women.—The great trouble with our feminine mode of the trouble with our feminine mode of the wormth is unevenly distridress is that the warmth is unevenly distributed over the surface of the body: The waist, hips, and lower back are much overheated by the lapping of the upper and lower garments, while the head, throat, and extremities are usually only half protected. To this cause alone can be traced a great part of the ill health of women. Women often break down from over work; but working at a disadvantage in corset and heavy skirts has a great deal to do with it. We cannot do so much nor do it as well as we could if public sentiment permitted women a hygieni mode of dress. Skirts reaching to the feet are an undoubted hindrance to free and easy motion; but as the peticoat is here, and has come to stay for a long time at least, we must study ways and means for making it as little harmful as possible.

Everybody knows that men owe much of their good health and success to their suitable style of dress. Now what women want is to secure the benefits of men's general mode of dress in their under-garments, using over these the ordinary dress, in its most sensible form, as the badge of womanl modesty.

To specify: the first garment put on should be some kind of a knit union suit with long sleeves, which is clastic and covers nearly the whole body. Unless this is very heavy and warm, it should be surmounted by an other flannel union suit of cloth, at least in cold climates. Then should follow a light flannel skirt, made in princess style without any heavy trimmings. In moderate climates, there is nothing better for this purpose than Jersey cloth; and for cold climater ciderdown fiannel. Both wash well, and have a knitted web, which enables them to be fitted perfectly and yet give every muscle of the body full play. If the dress is in one piece, so much the better; if in two pieces, sew short, strong tapes to the seams of the waist just above the waist line, make buttonhole in them, an place corresponding buttons, on the loose yoke of band of the light-weight dress skirt. The idea is to have the whole body evenly covered, with few, if any, hands around the waist, and all the weight depending from the shoulders.

The Modern Lady's Man.—The modern lady's man is radically different from the oldtimer. Not very long ago the term lady's man suggested a gushing sort of a chap, who dressed foppishly, displayed a tendency to sport sky-blue neckties and effect effeminate manners, squeezed his feet into small boots and went to a vast amount of gain to render himselfobjectionable to other men. He chatted about dancing, was full of small talk, loved to carry a fan or a bouquet, bowed perpetully, daintily and of the slightest provocation and was altogether a very useful sort of a fellow to have around luncheon, sewing and commerce parties. Occasionally he had a violent rival in a lady's man of the Major Bagstock type, who was as masculine, dashing and abrupt as the other was the reverse of it all. One seldom sees an old beau of the dashing military type now, however, and the gushers among the male sex are not popular. Lady's men have changed amazingly, their manners are subdued, dignified and exclusive they seldom dance, their brows are heavy and they only smile after due deliberation and with a high regard for effect. The most solemn, carnest and apparently abstracted man of my acquaintance is a tremendous masher, whose sway is acknowledged from one end of New York to the other. He wears loose fitting clothes of unconspicuous pattern and cut, makes no pretentions to foppery and is not particularly handsome. He is exceedingly careful of the small courtesies of life his bill with florists averages \$300 a month, he is continually making inexpensive but interesting presents and he is the soul of discretion. Everywhere he goes he is besieged, but his sallow face never lights up and he pursues the business of subduing the feminine eart with the analytical care, determination

and skill of a chemist conducting a series of

dangerous and important experiments,

Miscellaneous.

The Little Match Girl.

Wandering alone in the noisy street, With her poor little numb, bare, dirty feet, Watching the crowd with a hungry eye, As they hurriedly, heartlessly pass her by. This is the poor match-girl's lot day by day, As she sadly and hopelessly goes on her way. With her tangled hair and her careworn face, Wearily wanders on poor little Grace.

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She gathers her shawl round her shivering For the winter is cold and she cannot keep warm. And blue is the poor little pinchet, haggard

Grace 1 There'll be no one to mourn when her sou flies away

Yet in heaven her soul may rejoice and he

If her thoughts on her Maker be all the time And in doing His will her lifetime be spent, And though with the cold her bare feet may

A correspondent of the British Medical Journal writes concerning are medy for sea-sickness, which in the case of his son seems to have been successful. The traveller started for Calcutta, taking with him a solution of hydrochlorate of cucaine; and he subsequently wrote from Port Said as follows: Sailing on Monday, I was ill on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, but quite well between the attacks. Once more, when the weather was very rough and the ship rolling terribly, I felt squeamish, but two teaspoonfuls of the cucaine put me all right. He adds that previously, in other voyages, he has always suffered more than any other passenger, and that he thinks the cucaine must be credited with the improvement. Perhaps some of our readers may have an opportunity of testing the efficiency of cucaine, and o kindly reporting. The subject is an import-

that there can be no thunder and lightning without rain. When thunder is heard beneath other cause than a distant charge of electricity. Harvest or heat lightning is pro-

A remarkable instance of the power of the sea in cutting through the hardest rock is afforded by the disappearance of a huge mass of basalt, which, until lately, formed a landmark for sailors on the coast of Denmark.

nesium Manufactory for the two best lamps for burning magnatum. This offer is prompted by the discovery that magnesium can be produced by electrolysis at a price much less than that at which it has hitherto been purchasable. Magnesium as an illuminant has until now been used only for experimental work, where a very bright and actinic light has been required for a short period. The most common form of magne-sium lamp is one in which the metal, in the form of ribbon, is delivered by clockwork at a regular speed to the mouth of a tube which forms the point of ignition.

manufacturer has turned it to a far more sur prising purpose, in the erection of a factory chimney fifty feet in height. The blocks or bricks of which this curious structure is composed are made of compressed paper pulp

Woman's pride-He (agitated)-" Maria

your bonnet is on fire."
She (calmly)—" Is it? Then it is different from any other bonnet on the street.

"Oh, same old place. By the way, Mulnugger, what is the difference between you and the afternoon sun?"

We extract from Iron a few particulars relating to the Transcaspian Railway. This important line starts from Fort Michailovski, on the eastern shore of the Caspian Sea, and leads in a South-western direction into the interior of Central Asia. Part of it-one hundred and forty-three miles, is open for traffic; and a further length of one hundred and thirty miles, extending to the Persian frontier, is nearly fiinished. The various cut tings and enbankments of the railway are constructed of sand, and in many places

the railway. The petroleum sent from the United States to this and other countries has hitherto been sent in casks. The new system of exporting it in bulk, is now being tried, and the ship Crusader of New York has recently arrived in Loudon with the first cargo of oil sent over in that manner. The vessel is fitted with forty-five cylindrical tanks, with a total capacity of nearly two hundred thousand gallons. The oil was pumped into these receptacles from tank-

And while plaintively calling out, Matches
—who'll buy?" She watches the crowd with a sorrowful eye.

This is the poor match-girl's lot day by day, Oh, who 'mongst my readers would envy her

Oh, hard is the lot of this young match girl

From this darkness and night into light, joy, and day. And though through her life her path may be

Yet shining gold pathways those feet may ye tread. JULIET THOMPSON.

ant one. Thunder.-Meteorologists have found

a clear sky, the reports must either come from distant clouds or be the result of some duced by a distant storm. Thunder seldom accompanies heat lightning, the sound reaching only about twelve miles, while lightning is often seen, by reflection upon nearer clouds, at a much greater distance.

This rock or cliff, which is about one hundred feet high, rose out of the water, and had the appearance of a monk, hence its name, Munken. A portion of it fell last year; and now the remainder has been cut off just below the water-line, forming a dangerous reef. Floating ice blocks have no doubt helped the waves to cut through the mass. According to La Nature, prizes are being ouered by the Bremen Aluminium and Mag-

It is becoming difficult to point to any article which cannot be constructed of that useful material which we call paper. The ingenious Japanese have taught us how it can be applied to many of our domestic wants, in duding even clothing, and other manufactures which were hitherto believed to be inseparable from textile fabrics. But a Breslau

joined together with silicious cement. A dealer advertises "Lightening Fruit Jars." They may be a new brand, but for lightening fruit jars there is nothing more

successful than a small boy and solitude.

Major Avord has been counting the lobules in a quart of milk. He says that in a quart of Jersey milk he found 3,670,000,000 000 globules. At this rate it would take 2,000 of the largest ones strung on a fair thread to make an inch in length, and ordinarily it would take at least 7,500 to cover that distance. And yet each one of these little globules contains at least twelve oils of various kinds, two solid fats, stearine and palmatine, and ten liquid fats or oils. I never will bewail my lot, said he,

I never sit down and cry,
And the reason I don't know is, I in the There's somebody worse than I.

Very Unlike the Sun.-"Hi there! Mulinugger, come and have a glass of beer."
"Bet yer life I will, old boy; where'll we

" Dunno, what is it?" "The sun declines but you never do."-St. Paul Herald-Journal.

screens are erected, or hedges planted, to counteract sand drifts. The sleepers employed are saturated in naphtha, and the same agent supplies light throughout the route and fuel for the engines. A scarcity of water is at present one of the chief obstacles to working

lighters in New York, and was pumped out again into similar lighters on arrival at London. Here it will be barrelled for market. Should this new system prove to be more profitable than the older method, it will doubtless be extended to the conveyance of other liquid cargoes.

The Inner Man .- Some fallacies in regard to diet: 1. That there is any nutriment in beef-tea made from extracts. There is none whatever. 2. That gelatine is autritions. It will not keep a cat alive. Beef-tea

and gelatine, however, possess a certain reparative power, we know not what. 3. That an egg is equal to a pound of meat, and that every sick person can eat eggs. Many, especially those of nervous or bilious temperament, can not eat them, and to such eggs are injurious. 4. That because milk is an important article of food it must be forced upon a patient. Food that a person can not endure will not cure. 5. That arrow-root is nutricious. It is simply starch and water, useful as a restorative, quickly prepared. 6 That cheese is injurious in all cases. It is, as a rule, contra-indicated, being usually indigestible; but it is concentrated nutriment, waste-repairer, and often craved. 7. That a waste-repairer, and often craved. 7. That the cravings of a patient are whims and should not be denied. The stomach often needs, craves for, and digests articles not

laid down in any diatry. Such are, for example, fruit, pickles, jams, cake, ham or bacon with fat, cheese, butter, and milk. 8. That an inflexible diet may be marked out which shall apply to every case. Choice of a given list of articles allowable in a given case must be decided by the opinion of the stomach. The stomach is right and theory wrong, and the judgment admits no appeal. A diet which would keep a healthy man might kill a sick man; and a diet sufficient to sustain a sick man would not keep a well man alive. Increased quantity of food, especially of liquids, does not mean increased nutriment; rather decrease, since the digestion is overtaxed and weakened.

A Rare and Curious Plant.—Donald M'Lean, French River, C. B., is the possessor of a plant or herb, which he found out in the forest. It somewhat resembles the back of a man's hand; it has a narrow stem for a few inches, then it takes the shape of a goblet, with a hollow inside. The back side is a little longer, point like, and that flap bends over the palm. It feels soft and fur like, with red veins running up the sides and back, just as natural as in the human hand. It will hold its full of water for days. It is curious

to look at .- Halifax Herald. A special syndenham fête was organised a few weeks ago by the directors of the Crystal Palace in honor of the Indian and Colonial Commissioners. There were present on the occasion, Sir Wm. and Lady Clarke, Sir Saul Samuel, and Sir Graham and Lady Berry.

The marriage of Mr. Daniel Cooper, eldest son of the baronet of that name, to the daughter of Lady Susan Grant-Suttic, was to be celebrated last July.

How a Man Who had Cheated Him Came Back After Death to Apologize.

Uniontown, Pa., News. "I never go much on ghost stories," began Contractor Van Dyke at the Clinton House the other eveniug. The old gentleman had been listening with more or less attention to a series of fables being told by the guests of

the hotel.

"Well, I don't know," the old contractor replied. "My experience in that direction has been somewhat remarkable. I don't suppose you will believe me, but the story I will tell you is true. I can produce a living witness to it, and I will at any time make affidavit to its accuracy. Two years ago I was building a piece of railroad down in the eastern part of this State. Among the people who furnished me ties was an old trader in whom I had little or no confidence. As the bills for the ties came in I paid them bills for the ties came in I paid them promptly and took receipts from every man. I knew to the tie the number need. After my contract was completed the old trader sucd me for the price of fifty ties. The case wa tried, and I was compelled to pay the money. The old man had sworn to his bill, and little or no defence could be made. low. I told him he had perjured himself. predicted for him an unhappy ending. About six months ago I was awakened at one o'clock in the morning by this same old trader. It was dark in my room. Just as plainly as I can see you now he was there in life. He wakened me by calling my name. My partner was in bed in the same room just a few feet from me. I called him and told him of the visitor's presence. He said he could not see him and laughed at me. He toid me I was dreaming, and suggested that I go to sleep. While we were talking the old trader called me by name. He said he had been mistaken about the ties, and offered to return me the money. The vision then vanished. My partner talked with me of the matter before we went to sleep again. The next morning he told the story on me as a joke, but while we were at breakfast the news reached us of the old trader's death. He had died within ten minutes of the time of his visit to me. I have no idea how many more calls of the same character he had to make, but I am satisfied his visit to me was the last one. That story is true as holy writ, the old man concluded A distressing silence followed its telling and

the party broke up before all recovered. Father (irascibly)—" Who's got my boot ack?" Cora (smiling archly—" The cat." -Puck.

> What's in a Name? BY H. C. DODGE.

Ann arm he placed around her waist Andrew her to his side, And Hilda, still, "O. dearest Wil. Liam Harry me?" he cried. 'Ask Martin night," she screamed outright,

"I Noah not," he groaned a lot, "You Arthur one to go." 'Come down Nancy her then with me, And let Estella quick— Dear Martha" miss said with a kiss "Please take a Luke at Dick."

"And Ella, you're my beau-

He is Amadda lightful and He wants to Mary me— He Israel sweet—Mawt Ira Pete He wants to Ed," said she Will Hiram main alone, dear Jane, If Phoebe comes, my son?"
'No! mother. no!" Dick yelled Hugo

With us. We three are one," You Mabel Eve I'd never leave My Jane," ma Zed with tears. And Ida Clare," Dick tried, "you'll share My Sally re for years."

Of course, my child," Mark quickly smiled, "Or Jane ain't Marion yet-But—business now—Let Cæser, now How much Sal Larly you get. Dick's Sarah Rose with fright. "I 'spose-Six dollars, mum, May week—"
'Jane! go to bed," ma sternly said, Soon Asa tongue could speak.

And you, you tramp! you Orvillescamp-"I'll teach you to consider E're you bereave—yes—Andy cieve An unprotected widder."

Only the Seventh Time.—"Say did you that Barnum was dead?" queried one bootblack of another the day the afternoon papers contained the false dispatch. Yes, I heard of it, but that's nothing." "Tain't, eh? He won't be here with the

circus!" "Oh, yes he will. He died seven times since I can remember, but he's always around next season, just the same. That's the reason his show is the biggest thing on this hemisphere—admission the same as usual. A Natural Mistake.—" Mamma, when I

die I want you to make cream out of me."
"What a ridiculous idea. How do you expect I am to make cream out of you when you are dead?" "Why send me to the crematory.—The Ibnmor.

She spreads an intellectual feast. While Brown's own hunger goes increased Her lines have reached from pole to pole-Her clothes lines somehow don't unroll. Her odes are sweet and full of power, Her biscuits generally sour. Her spirit sweeps the starry glooms-There's little sweeping in the rooms. She lisps in accents sweet and low-Brown says at home they are not so. She holds the world by numbers fair-

At home she holds Brown by the bair, Eastern drummer (to St. Louis merchan) That was a pretty bad failure of Isa.
Stein's? Merchant-Pad? Vell, you varight it vas. It vas de vorst failure of de season. His greditors made him hav 1.5, on de bond. It is petter to stay in presness as to fail like dot .- Puck.

Stranger (at the restaurant)-10-2 pardon, sir, but you have spilled some all over your vest. Fogy—I wish you'd mind your own business. You've been sitting on your lighted eight for fifteen minutes, and have burned a hole in your cont-tall as big as my fist, but you didn't hear me shouting it at you .- Pitlsburg Builetin.

The Indian language is noted for its melody, and no one who has ever converse with the noble savage in his native wilds can ever forget the eloquent harmony of its gutterals. A writer has discovered that the word love, in the Indian language, is state thus: "Schemmendemeartchwayer." What girl could resist the importunities of a man who informed her that he had a good deal of that for her !

A physician is summoned to the house of a sick man. He hastens to the parient's bed-side. "Alas!" he murmurs, on taking the poor man's hand, "there is nothing to be done; the hand is already green." But, sir," replies the wife, "my husband is a dyer." "Oh, very well," answered the physician, "You have really a chance. If he hadn't been a dier he would have been dead

in five minutes .- French Fun!" A well known architect, the other day, was telephoning to the stone-yard about a cer-tuin piece of work. He had asked the stone-yard boss if he knew the exact shape of the stone that had been ordered, and on receiving a negative answer had promptly replied: "It is just this way," drawing the shape of the stone on the wall alongside of the telephone. He looked silly when he discovered his mistake, and quickly told the stone man he would call down and tell him about the

stone. A Wonderful Resemblance.—Guib clard takes a promenade in the salam, in company with a young painter who has a picture on exhibition, which has been commended by the committee. "Show me," said the former, " your picture

that has secured honorable mention. "There it is," said the artist - " portrait of a woman. 'Very, very fine as to execution," said Guibollard, "but how the duce did you come

to choose such an ugly model ." "Indeed, sir, this is my mother," replied the artist, coloring, quickly.
"Your mother!" exclaimed Guibellar!,
with confusion. "Pardon, Monsieur, I am stupid. I ought to have perceived it at a glance. You are as like as two peas!"-Translated from the French.

pa, how old are you?"
Grandpa—"I am 87 years old, my little dear." Child-"Then you was born eighty years before I was."

A Sum in Arithmetic .- Child-"Grant-

-" Yes, my little girl." Child—"Law, what a long time you had to wait for me.—Texas Siftings." Not at all Strange.—Frank R. Stocton, author of "The Late Mrs. Null," is accessif f giving her heroine grey eyes one page and blue eyes on another. Quite as remarkable cases as this have frequently occurred. Men have left home with cold, gray eyes in the

morning, and returned home at night with a

beautiful pair of black-aud-blue eyes .-Norristown Herald A Heavy Tragedy.-Merimec. referring o M. Viennet, of the academy, observed:
"We must not speak ill of his tragelies At the siege of Leipsic he had one in his pocket. A cannon ball ricochetted against his breast, but the tragedy saved him. The missile had not strength enough to go beyond

the third act. - French Wit!

At a recent press dinner one of the gues's present made a speech in which he paid a glowing tribute to the name and fame of the immortal Gutenberg. At the close of the address, which was received with veriferers applause, the chairman, who had dined well if not wisely, said: "If Mr. (hie) thenperg is present we would be (hie) gial to have him make a few remarks.—Life.

In Good Shape for the Races -Mrs Winthrop—" Why, Tommy, what made year break your rocking horse to pieces." Tommy-" Well mamma, you see, John the coachman, told me no horse could be used until he was 'broke,' and I thought I'd get mine in good shape for the races.— They were sailing in the little beat

darling," said he, "our boat is hugging be shore." "Ah!" she exclaimed "what a beautiful example you have here. - New York The following humorous verses from the pen of Phobe Cary have nover before been published. They were recently found by General S. F. Cary while looking through

together and she said: "Are we running

before the wind now, George?"

some old papers of the famous sisters : No matter how strictly according to Hoyle You may shuffle your cards or your own mortal coil-How you play out your best cards or what

you conceal-There is one who can beat you and give you the de'il. In the sharp game of life you may win first trick; But after you've cut your last cards and Then duce take it all, even though you die

Whether kings, queens, or knaves, he will take you the same. You will find life at last a pretty grave joke. For you can't let it pass and you cannot re-

Gabriel takes you at last, you may like it or lump, For he'll order you up, and he holds the last

"I say, Mister," said the sleeping car conductor, "this here free pass you've pluned to the curtain of your berth is no good—it expired last year,"
"I know it," said the man inside. "I'm got my ticket here. I found that pass and always stick it up that way so people will

think I'm an editor. You see I always carry a good deal of money about me, and I don't care about being robbed." Literal.-Mistress-" Bridget, I cannot get into the parlor." Bridget-"Sure. it's

mesilf knows that, and yer won't, fur haven't l the kay in me own pocket?" Open the door immediately." " Will yez go in if I do?" "Certainly, I will."

"Then yez don't get the kay." "Open the door immediately! what do rou mean ?''

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"Sure, its by your orders." "My onlers !" "Yis. Yez said, yesterday, Don't let me ome down stairs in the mornin' and see any

dust on the parlor furniture.' So I just onts

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frequently at the roots of young plants of a- in from the north, but it was not nearly so succulent nature, so that the young insect on extensive as that of Sunday. Countless incubation shall find a ready means of nour- myriads were, however, passing over the ishment before taking their first flight. Thus pound, and apparently extended for some it will be found that, when denses fumes distance to the east. In the early part of the are raised with the object of sending the pest | morning a telerably large swarm passed the away, the grasshoppers will almost imme- town on the west side. We learn that one diately seem to have disappeared, but in fact or two farmers to the south have sustained ther have not done so, and may be found on considerable loss. Some oat stalks were the ground doing a great deal more destruc- brought in from Mr. Bond's field, near the tion than probably might otherwise have Hopkins, which were not only completely then the case. It frequently happens that divested of the flag, but from which the ears the pest, when beset with imminent danger, of corn were also gone, and it was stated that deposits its ovarium unmediately, and will a large portion of the field was similarly leave the holes open or only partially covered treated. up, then take flight to the nearest sheet of water, where they die. But there is a preventive measure which hopper plague has reached here, the air all

if resorted will not only prove effectual in day having been thick with countless my keeping the pest off, but will probably be riads travelling north to south. To wards the a means of continual revenue to those who evening they cleared off. They have now adopt it. It is not a new idea, but was ad- been all through the district, and must cervocated during the time of the heavy locust tainly do some damage though the crops are plague that visited this country about the in an advanced state. year 1871, and we doubt not that some very useful information could be gained by searchhas reached Aveca, coming in deuse clouds, ing the old file of the "Australasian." We and travelling southwards towards Learallude to the culture of the contour oil tree month. All Spaday and to day the learning. allude to the culture of the castor-oil tree, month. All Sunday and to-day the harvest It is theroughly well known that this plant hands and machinery have been engaged in possesses certain peculiar emitting properties trying to save the cross from destruction. that winged insects generally keep a very Great damage has been caused among all the respectable distance away from, and even standing crops procedure. The grasshoppers Model Suburb of Melbourne. the spot where the tree grows. Therefore, it was very strongly urged upon farmers and since Friday. At times the air is so thick others that the only effectual way to preserve with them that they quite obscure the distheir crops, grass, vines, &c., from the locust tant landscape. They are devouting everywas to surround their paddocks with hedges thing before them. In some parts they are of the castor-oil plant. But nothing has been reported to have eaten all the blades off the done in this direction so far as we know, and standing crops. The wheat ears are standing the consequences are, many farmers have on bear stalks, and where the stalks are green little or none at all of their crops that is they are eaten half through, and the head worth reaping.

As regards our immediate neighbourhood, in the ground as they go; consequently if the plague has visited Shirley-hill, where it some means of destroying be not discovered, has been considerably destructive. A farmer | the plague will be worse in the future. residing there was in Beaufort on Wednesday last, and described the visitation as taking the form of two distinct and dense masses, each covering an immense area in their flight. One section had no sooner settled upon the ground than the other instantly rose and flew over them, and this was the manner of their travelling. The direction taken in their flight was southward. We are glad to learn, however, that although the damage done has been considerable, yet it is not nearly so great as might have been feared. We give afternoon. In some parts of the city they below extracts from our exchanges, respecting appeared in dense clouds. They are still

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other parts :--

The grasshopper plague is, as great as ever in this district, though nearly a fortnight has clapsed since the insects put in an appearof their number, and southward they were equally as dense for a distance of about 20 miles, with a front line of about 10 miles. They have completely destroyed the oat crops lowed by flocks of summer birds (a greyish all over their line of flight, and many farmers have lost from one-third to one-half of their voured the locusts. wheat from the same cause, while fruit trees, vines, some kinds of ornamental deciduous trees, and nearly all vegetables. have suffered clouds, coming from the north-west, where mary borough had its first visit, and yesterday the country from that town to Carisbrook and some distance beyond, was covered with grass-hoppers, while myriads more filled the air as far as the eye could reach; it was said that they had reached Ballarat on the same day. In both directions the destructive insects would find numerous beautiful crops of cate.

The same day is nearly all cut, and the wheat too far advanced to be much injured, but the fruit crops are likely to be destroyed.

An apothecary shop is made of the stomach by those who swallow, with avidity, every pressually far as the eye could reach; it was said that they had reached Ballarat on the same day. In both directions the destructive insects would find numerous beautiful crops of cate.

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W. BAKER,

Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer, Window Blind and Bedding Manufacturer.

Welbourne, would find numerous beautiful crops of oats, If people would only exercise more judgement the whole of which, except what can be hurriedly cut down by a few hands, are doomed. Here and elsewhere Chinese gardeners have been paying men 6s per day to They would take nothing into the system but what, like Wolfo's Schnapps, vindicates, its beat off the grasshoppers with bushes, but the visitation has been too prolonged and formidable for these efforts to avail. A Gre Gre farmer informs us that he and his neighbors united to make huge fires to endeavor to stay stay the progress of the pest, but all their trouble was useless, for dray loads of the We, Mary King, of Beaufort, Licensed Victualler, and Timothy Day, of the same place, do hereby give notice that we desire to obtain and will on the 22nd day of December, 1886, apply for Transfer of a Victualler's License for a house situate at Beaufort, known as the Commercial Hotel, to the said Timothy Day.

Dated this 5th day of December, A.D. 1886,
MARY KING, Transferror.
TIMOTHY DAY, Transferre. hoppers extinguished the fires, and they seemed still undiminished in their flight.

ABARAT ADVERTISER. A phenomenally heavy flight of locusts passed over this district on Sunday last. For some time past the insects have been steadily winging their way towards the south from

the north and west, doing an incredible amount of damage to the crops. Soon after This subject has become so alarmingly pro- half-past 11 on Sunday forenoon the advance This subject has occurred months as to guards of the invading host were observed minent during two and the worst appre- flying over the township, and attention was cause the utmost to overshadow the whole colony. directed to an ominous-looking dark cloud to hensions to oversalized years since a like the north, which proved the main army. It is fourteen of all and the disease officers officers about twelve o'clock until four a dense calamity being the disastrous effects swarm of the locusts winged their way to the and even at that period the grasshopper pest were south, flying apparently at the rate of about of the ravages of the sale of about not nearly so severe. It is a worse plague, five miles an hour. Fortunately but few. not nearly so severe. It is a work place of the incomposition our opinion, than any other that could in our opinion, than any other that could comparatively speaking, of their number settled here, and the damage resulting from their visitation is consequently not at present follows. They are in one place to-day, the insects. They are in one place to-day, and they are elsewhere to-morrow. Wherever and they are elsewhere to-morrow. Wherever and they are elsewhere to-morrow. Wherever the insects of their visitation is consequently not at present form their number.

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The visit is one with the v not nearly so severe. To so that could comparatively speaking, of their number and they are elsewhere to meet a blade of though in several of the district vineyards there is a new or standard with suffices for the large numbers settled temporarily, the damage grasshoppers to do their extremest destructive done was inconsiderable. Fires were lighted grassnoppers to do state of the gardens work, all the while farmers and others are on the windward side of several of the gardens as helpless as new-born babes to prevent their and the smoke had the effect of keeping as neipiess as non-the question has arisen, and down the scourge; and several farmers at at one time, we believe, was discussed at once started to reap their crops in order to at one time, we do not be columns of many save them from possible destruction by the of our contemporaries, especially the metroof our contemporaries, or remedies the extent of the plague may be formed from politan weekines, and a preventives were suggested; but, as is the fact that though the locusts were flying and preventities with sales who are more proverbially the custom, those who are more from the north almost due south they were immediately consternated when any like so numerous at Barton, eighteen miles west trouble encroaches on them are generally the of Ararat, that in some places their host ones who defer using preventive measures covered the ground to a depth of two inches, until it is too late; then, the first remedy and they extended across Ararat as far as that suggests itself—oft-times the most use—Eversley—about fifteen miles. The Rev. G. less and effectual—is tried. One of the McMurray drove through them for thirteen remedies advocated in days gone by was miles coming in from Elmhurst on Sunday "stupefying the insects by means of smoke afternoon, and the Rev. W. S. Worth also from large fires kept burning in different drove through them for many miles between parts of the field wherein the pest has made Lexington and Groat-Western. About two its appearance." This remedy, we observe, c'clock the mass of winged life was so dense has been resorted to in several instances as to partially obscure the ranges to the west during the prevalence of the present scourge; of the town. It was observed at the Great but, as might have been anticipated, no good Western that many of the insects resting on has resulted. One of the peculiar character- the ground were busily engaged digging small istics of the grassho per, -or we should, per- holes in the soil, to a depth of three-quarters haps more correctly speaking, say its instinct of an inch, in which innumerable quantities -is what might be termed cunning; and the of eggs cemented together in little masses first movement they make is towards safety, were deposited. Fourteen years ago a similar seeking to preserve themselves until the sea- and less numerous flight of locusts passed son arrives for depositing their eggs, for over the district. On Monday evening about which purpose they make holes in the earth, half-past seven, a second flight of locusts set

"ARGUS" TELEGRAMS.

Avoca, Dec. 13.—The grasshopper pest

have been passing through here in millions

left hanging. They are depositing their eggs

MARYBOROUGH, Dec. 13. - The dread

plague of locusts which has been devas-

during the past few weeks, visited Mary-

considerable damage before their departure.

swarming throughout the city and environs.

The insects appear to be travelling from the

south-west towards the north-east. The rail-

way employes report that they are to be seen

in hordes along the line from Sandhurst to

plains were devastated by these insects. A

werse plague of locusts was experienced 14

or 15 years ago. The locusts then were fol-

bird about the size of a rosella), which de-

TARNAGULLA, Dec. 13.—The grasshoppers

have just made their appearance here in

than credulity, and have less faith than circum-

spection about them, they would confide only in

those measures that assert their own supremacy.

49 VICTORIA, No. 857.

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value by its effects.

Horsham, Dec. 12.—The locust or grass-

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horough yesterday afternoon; coming apparently from the north-west. They are still hovering over the town and surrounding dis-

SANDHURST, Dec. 13.—The locust plague made its appearance in Sandhurst on Sanday

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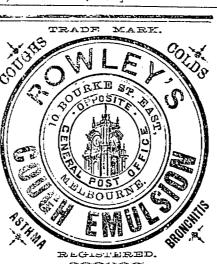
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[FROM "IMPERIAL FEDERATION."]

Migratory movements from one part of the Empire to another are intimately connected with the question of Imperial Federation, and the Emigrants' Information Office, that was opened last month, my prove to be of great service in promoting the flow of sparsely-inhabited regions of Canada, Australasia, and South Africa.

By the courtesy of Mr. John Pulker, the Chief Clerk at 31, Broadway, we are enabled to lay before our readers the results that the new office. When we called upon Mr. Pulker a few days ago, we found him occupied in conversation with a party of working men who were in need of some of the varied information which the office exists to supply. While waiting for him to be disengaged, we had leisure to observe the kind and patient attitude maintained to all who came into the room, the trouble that was taken to tell what was wanted, and to advise upon individual cases unhampered by any formal routine.

Our public officials are sometimes charged with an off-hand take-it-or-leave-it style of doing business, but here there was an evident desire to be of real service to the applicant, and not allow any red-tape considerations to interfere with the supply of genuine assistance. The country may rest satisfied that so far as hearty interest in the work and sympathy with the needs of their clients are concerned, the management of the Emigrants' Information Office leaves nothing to be

The office is open five days in the week from noon to Sp.m.; it was expected that business would be most brisk after six o'clock in the evening; but experience has already shown that this is not the case, and that the earlier hours are more commonly chosen, the fact being that the majority of applications | Beware of Imitations. come from people who have no work, and to whom one hour is as good as another. The stay some five minutes, some ten, and thus an idea can be formed of the numbers who come in the course of a day. Up to the present nearly all have been inhabitants of the metropolis and other great towns; but Mr. Pulker anticipates a large influx from the country, when 17 tons of handbills and other documents, which are in course of distribution throughout the kingdom, have reached their destination, and had time to be read and appreciated.

Every Post-Office, Mechanics' Institute, circulars, both general and special, and the addresses of all will be carefully registered mass of correspondence coming in, at the rate of 150 to 200 letters a day, and all this has well for the zeal of those employed, that soluble in water. matters are not already hopelessly in arrear.

The people who intend to emigrate are of as artisans, and to have gradually lost their accepted emigration as the last resource of the tor label of the yellow wrapper. fiens who would refuse to do a honest day's if it were offered them are not found here; they can earn even the scantiest livelihood in we hope that it may not die out in the hearts of those whom dire need compels to seek a home beyond the sea. "I took the ring off my finger this morning," said one, a fine ablebodied woman, who came in to ask for help. She had a daughter well married in Canada to a farmer who had offered his mother-in-law £3 a month and her keep to come out to him. work in her, and had got this capital offer, but she was very poor, and how could she get the money to pay her passage out?

This is one of the cases which the office cannot help, as it has not a penny to dispose of; so the woman is sent to one of the emigration societies, in the hope of receiving the required aid. But all the societies have their hands full; they find plenty of subjects to drain their funds to the utmost, and so the course is very rarely adopted of advising applicants at the Westminster office to apply els-where, in view of the disappointment that would almost certainly await them.

There can be no doubt that this want of funds will be severely felt before long; if the Information Office succeeds in stirring up any considerable number to contemplate emigraconsiderable number to contemplate emigration, the movement in favor of State aid will rapidly acquire prominence. At present, we believe, there are seldom hopes expressed of receiving such aid among those who apply. receiving such aid among those who apply, but it is impossible to continue spreading emigration principles and at the same time rest by a sick child suffering with the pain or If it is the case that the men and women who a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. are willing to go acquiescence by poverty and despair, the taxpayer will have to choose bet een supporting them in the work-house at home, or helping to support themselves in

An important step in the direction of assisted empigration has recent'y been taken by the Charity Organisation Society; not only will funds be given in aid of suitable cases, colonies, whose duty it will be to acquaint

A VISIT TO THE NEWLY-ESTAB. \ nounce :- "No demand for labor in the colo-LISHED EMIGRANTS' INFORMA. | nies at present." It is, however, difficult to believe that when wages stand at 10s per day for ordinary skilled labor, there is no room for more hands to be employed; and if the Charity Organisation Society's correspondents are careful and discriminating, we are hopeful of openings being found from time to time for a very considerable number of artisans and laborers.

The Emigrants' Information Office, however, has a very useful work to do, though it population from overcrowded England to the has not the disposal of funds. At present the grossest ignorance prevails on the subject, and it is only by dispelling errors, showing how simple and easy emigration is, and creating the enthusiasm which cannot but accompany knowledge of our grand heritage in the colohave already attended the establishment of nies, that the working classes can be induced to look hopefully beyond the limits of the United Kingdom, and prize the opportunity, if it occurs, instead of hating emigration as something only less terrible than starvation.

When enthusiasm has been created, when the doors of every emigration office are crowded by an eager multitude ready to enter upon their new life before they have despaired of the old, then will be the time to think of State aid in whatever shape it can be most successfully applied.

Then, too, if the question of Imperial Federation has been solved, our friends who leave these shores, and we who are left behind, need have no remorse at the parting, for the Old Country, already with her children made one and indivisible, will embrace them even on the slopes of the Pacific or the distant lands beneath the Southern Cross.

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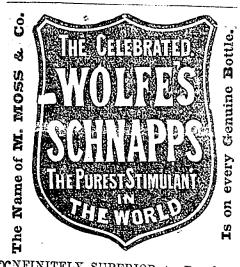
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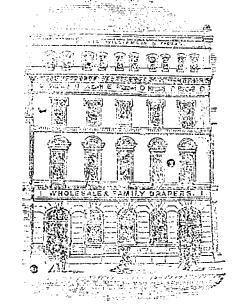
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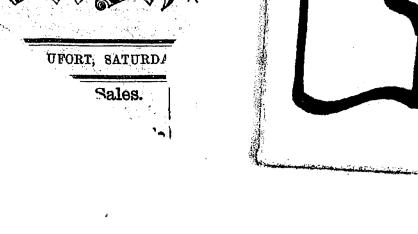
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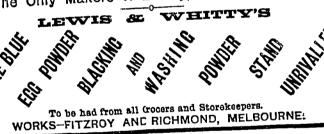


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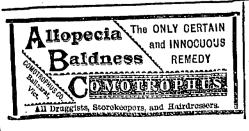
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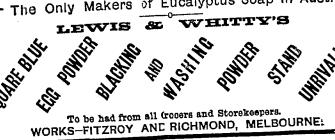
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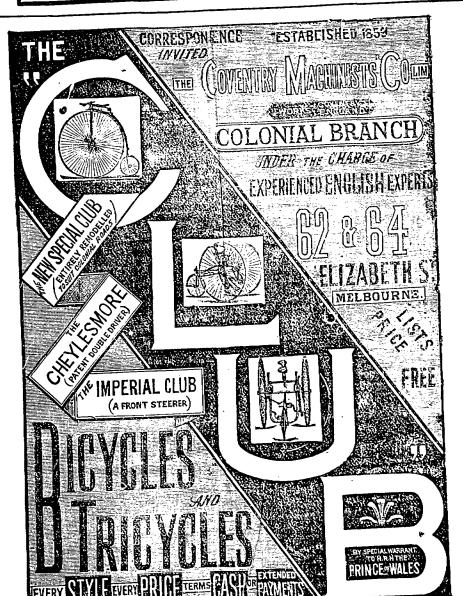
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a sad heart has been made joyful on receipt of an explanatory letter from me.

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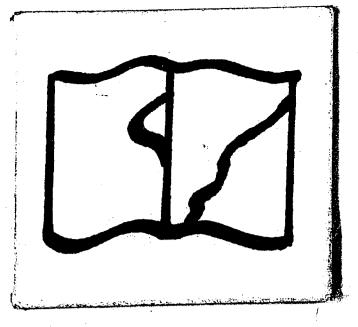
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GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

TICTORIAN RAIL WAYS

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S EXCURSIONS. Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and

tickets will be issued at Melbourne to Sydney at the following return fares:—Ist class, £5 6s 6d.; 2nd class, £4 is. These tickets will be available for two calendar months from date of issue, but will not be available by the express trains on the New South Wales

thes.

Luggage —Excursion passengers will only be allowed to carry such luggage free as can be stowed under the seats without inconvenience to other passengers, and those who have luguage for the van must be at the station half-an-hour before the train starts. Stamped parcels rate will be charged for it.

Horses and Vehicles.—From the 22nd December to

the 5th of January, both dates inclusive, the Department cannot engage to forward horses and vehicles by any particular train, unless accommodation can be provided by special arrangement

Commercial Travellers' Samples.—From the 22nd

December to the 5th January, Commercial Traveller's Samples will not be taken to or from roadside stations except by mixed or goods trains,

Parcels.—On the 24th December parcels must be at

the Melbourne Parcels Office thirty minutes before starting the of ordinary trains.

North Melbourne and Newmarket Stations.—
From 9 a.m. on the 24th I ecember to 9 a.m. on 25th
Docember, tickets will not be issued at North Melbourne or Newmarket Stations for country stations,

going arrangement.

Goods Sheds Holidays.—The 25th and 27th De-

Senside Excursion and Tourists' Tiekets.—The issue of these tickets at the principal stations will continuous the state of the sense of tinue as already advertised (see posters at all statious) By order of the Commissioners.

P. P. LABERTOUCHE.

Secretary for Railways.

FORAGE. PENDERS will be received up till Ten o'clock a.m Forage, in such quantities as may be required for the service of the Government at the undermentioned stations, from the 1st March, 1887, to the 29th February 1889.

BEAUFORT and BUANGOR. WICKLIFFE. Printed forms of tenders, the estimated quarterly consumption, the storage capacity, and conditions of contract may be obtained from the Secretary, Tender

contract may be obtained from the Secretary, Lender Board, Treasury, Melbourne, or from the officer in charge, by whom also information or explanation will be afforded to persons tendering.

Tenders, which should be upon the printed form, will be received for either oats bran, hay, or straw (the particular kind of hay or straw to be stated); but

if all be included in one tender, it may be accepted for one article only, if advisable. Telegrams will not Tenders must be enclosed in an envelope, marked "Tender for Forage," and deposited in the Tender Box, Pay Office, Treasury, Melbourne; or, if sent by post, they must be addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Board, Treasury, Melbourne

D. GILLIES, Treasurer.

Treasurv, Melbourne, 1st December, 1886.

EDUCATION ACT AMENDMENT ACT, 1876. PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

PROPRIETOES and Principals are reminded that by section 10 of the "Education Act Amendment Act 1876," they are required to furnish to the Education Act Amendment and Description of the Education Act 1876," they are required to furnish to the Education and the Education and Educatio Act 1876," they are required to furnish to the Education Department each year in the month of January a return showing the name and surname, sex, age last birthday, residence, and number of school days attendance of each child who attended their respective schools during the preceding year."

Forms for the purpose may be obtained from this office upon personal or written application.

N.—Before transmitting the returns to the Department, principals and others should be careful to see that the forms a europerly filled up and signed.

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Education Department, Melbourne, 15th December, 1886.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1886.

It is well that upon one day in the year we should lay aside the trammels of business care, and the eager anxiety to better our the sports to be held in Beaufort Park on Boxing that selectors had all the battle to fight and theme to those sho are tinged with a ro. mantic feeling; and a still pleasanter theme to those who are genuinely romantic-reverenced for the haditions of the past; and even to those who do not profess to be guided by such sentments, it is a useful landmark in the progressive work of the year, enabling them to enter into grand resolves upon their affair will be a big success. own recount, and to recognise that the duty of succeeding is not one that is confined to self, but that upon every ground it is our duty and our interest to promote the success of our neighbor. Fortunately, in this colony we are enabled to take the eminently practical view of the season of Christmastide. Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued to and from all stations (subarban lines excepted) from the 20th December to the 5th January, both dates inclusive (Sundays excepted), available for return for one calendar month from date of issue. Example:—An excursion ticket issued on the 22nd December will be available till the 22nd January. When the last day falls on a Sunday the ticket will be available till mext day. The journey must be commenced on the dearths. day. The journey must be commenced on the day the ticket is issued, but after a distance of 15 miles has been travelled the journey may be broken at the distance appeal to our appropriation which of a very different nature, and does not make that strong appeal to our sympathics which it does "at home." Provision—ample and kindly provision—is made for it by both public and private organisation; actual desti tution is unknown; and the terms cash.

Our Waterloo correspondent writes:—The that were never bred on their ewn lands, and it is ighted with the novelty of the affair. The minutes from time of starting! I had had they might go on till dooms day doing the being assent. The superintendent, in his afternation to diagraph they might go on till dooms day doing the home. I was same thing. He moved—That a perittion be drawn up, signed by those present, and expressed a home in the case of the case of the property of the affair. The minutes from time of starting! I had had they might go on till dooms day doing the being down up, signed by those present, and expressed a home in the case of the property of the affair. The minutes from time of starting! I had had they might go on till dooms day doing the point was a great attraction. Addington the no dinner, and missed the cab home. I was displayed here was provided by the some of starting! I had had they might go on till dooms day doing the point was a great attraction. Addington the no dinner, and missed the cab home. The superintendent, in his afternation to display the property of the affair. The minutes from time of starting! I had had they might go on till dooms day doing the point was a great attraction. Addington the no dinner, and missed the cab home. The superintendent is a property of the affair. The private organisation is actual destination of the property of the affair. The minutes from time of the property of the affair. The minutes from time of starting! I had had they might go on till dooms day doing the property of the affair. The property of the affair. The property of the cab home. I was a great attraction of the property of the cab home. I was a great attraction of the property of the cab home. I was a great attraction of the property of the cretion of the passenger.

Sydney Exercision Tickets.—From the 15th December to the 5th January, both dates inclusive, excursion kindly provision—is made for it by both take full advantage of the many opportunities which ought to contribute to the happinessat which we are siming. If we desire a strongr motive power to happiness, it is not difficilt to find it. Fortunately, the colony is if a January, and down trains on 27th December and 1st January, and down trains will not stop there. On the same dates the up North-Eastern train will not stop at Newmarket. The 5.10 p.m. down and the 6.50 a.m. up mixed trains are excepted from the foreprosperous condition, and we have abundat make unfavorable comparison with purkcomper and 1st January will be observed as holidays in the coods branch, and goods frams will not run. Perishable goods will, however, he delivered at all stations on application. Consignees of powder can ascertain from the Station-master at Footscray when explosives will be received in lieu of these dates. yielded to the temptation, we are constraired to admit that another set of comparisons vill leave room for nothing but thankfulness. We have but to take a mental glance at the osi. tion of those in less favored lands to be grateful that our lot has been cast whee it the future. We wish our reiders "A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

The following are the reported yields from the mines at Waterloo for the fortnight:-Victoria, No. 2 Tribute 30oz.; Saxon Consols,

The approach of the holidays has brought no unusual excitement to our little town. The vadows gaily ornamented with seasonable presents for young and old. Most of our young prople, whose parents and friends live elsewhere have departed to celebrate the annual festivities amongst them. The schools are closed, and will not re-open until the 17th January, 1887. Holidays will be observed to-day (Christmas Day) and on Monday, 27th. On the latter date, sports will be held in the Beaufort Reserve, in aid of the Fire Brigade and Park funds. A lengthy programme is to be gone through. The Christmas and New Year holiday postal arranger en s are as follow :- Christmas Day, Saturday, 25th inst., will be observed as Sunday at all telegraph offices. All post offices will be closed to the public. Mails (other than daily mails) usually despatched on a Saturday will be made up the night before, and forwarded to destination on the 25th in the ordinary course. Monday, 27th inst., and New Year Day.—All post offices will be closed at 10 a.m. The first deli-

as directed. Trial, or otherwise as sung by Miss Minnie Palme as directed. A rattling Irish comic song member me and The Hear syd and now first published in Australia in a cheap form; 'Never say fail,' a first-rate song.

The new Primitive Methodist Church is fast day night last, to consider what steps should nearing completion. The interior fitting is be- be taken with respect to inducing the Going pushed rapidly forward, and it will be quite vernment to erect a rabbit proof fence around ready for the opening ceremony on the 2nd the State Forest. Mr. M'Donald, of Micelle January, 1887. The opening is to be celebrated Creek, was voted to the chair, and introduced by a public meeting and tea on Monday the 3rd prox., and no doubt this will be, as usual with the church's tea meetings, a great success. The building itself is really a handsome structure, do with respect to the State Forest. The reflects great credit on the architect and contract forest was infested with rabbits, and Goventors, and is quite an ornament to the town.

The various committees in connection with of destroying the pest, the consequence vas material condition, and that we should, by Day have been carrying on their work very ener-fall the expense to bear. This was not far; material condition, and that we should, by common consent, join together in cordial good wishes for each other's welfare, and in good research of the card, and in good there are 16 events on the card, and large on the card, and large on the card of the card sents that opportunity. It affords a pleasant hose who enjoy this kind of recreation. Thee kinds. He hoped that what they had met to vill be the usual swings, Aunt Sallies, whels discuss would be done in earrest. fortune etc., etc., (proceeds in aid of ne and all sorts of other pastimes to engge quite time the Government were pressed to the attention. In the evening a grand energy the attention. In the evening a grand energy the attention. In the evening a grand energy the same of the sparkling Diamond Company," local matters, who have been in active rehears for the work. The Government had invited the same steps towards helping selectors, who have been in active rehears for the work. some time back, and according to the pro-tenders for grazing on the Forest lands; but

> A few of the adjourned cases were herd at the Beaufort Police Court on Monday last. Schlicht v Kerr, for £4 odd, goods; over for amount and costs. Schlicht v Carrilon, £3 odd, goods; order for amount and costs. Another case against Henry Knight by the Sire of Ripon, for rates, was struck out.

Messrs. Dennys, Lascelles, Austin and Co., Geelong, report the sale (in conjunction with Messrs. R. S. Bree and Co.), for Mr. (harles Gray, of his Nazeeb Nazeeb Estate, in the had come to the conclusion that it was impos-L3 15s per acre, together with 21,000 sheep, 263 cattle, 34 horses, &c. The purchaser was Mr. Simmons, and the terms cash.

tution is unknown; and there is no tangible they would be as attentive next year as they had reason why the poorest among us should not been during that passed. He would like to see enjoy his Christmastide, and should not hope- them all get prizes next year; but if they did fully look forward to a fuller and more com congratulated those who were to receive such plete measure of enjoyment for the season excellent awards as those about to be distributed, which is next to come round. These are the for which they were much indebted to the libethoughts which will add a stronger tinge to the holidays, they should show their gratitude the pleasure of those who are prepared to by giving a service of song in behalf of the free On the awards being given it was found that Robert Charlton received first prize, for seasonable enjoyment which are new and the half-dozen were taken by Henry Charl-Charlton, Ellen Frusher, and Colina Raft. Two girls' Bible and Testament class, one by Mr. Charles Richies and the other by Mr. William Oakes. The same gentlemen have promised similar gifts for next year, for which they have

the thanks of the school. The Secretary of the Boxing Day Sports committee acknowledges the receipt, per Messrs. tempted to complain of dull times, and Messrs. Arthur and Co, of Glasgow, L3 3s, towards the Mammouth Gift Distribution.

LICENSING COURT, BEAUFORT.

Frlday, December 24, 1886. (Before Messrs. Thompson, Carr, and Heron, Licensing Magistrates.)

is; and that the exertions which we are Beaufort, for having on the 8th September proposal. Mary King, licensee of the Commercial hotel, fused they would meet again to discuss this made for our advancement has been cromed last allowed an unlicensed person to assume with a very full, if not with an entirely om. charge of her licensed premises, contrary to compelled to destroy rabbits on the mount; plete measure of success. We may, in act, join in the general good wishes for merricant Licensing Act, 1885. Evidence was given the motion found no seconder. join in the general good wishes for merripent to show that defendant had given over posand happiness, with the confident hope that, session of the hotel to one Timothy Day, who as those wishes have been abundantly realised had, since the date mentioned, received all provided, but the Government had never in the past, they will not be disappointed in profits and conducted the business of the kept the nuisance down. They had always hotel. Mrs. King admitted the offence, but leased the reserve to get out of the responsisaid that an application was made at the last bility. He had heard that out of the £77,000 sitting of the court for a transfer of the which had been spent in rabbit suppression by I conce, but a mistake had been made in using Government, not 77 pence had been spent in the forms allowed by the old act. The owner the Mount Cole forest. Now that the land of the premises stated that there had been would revert to the Crown, they should be Waterloo, 55 oz.; New Victoria, 380oz.; New a lot of bungling over the affair, for which Mrs. King was not altogether the responsible Mr. P. Grunt then moved that a deputaparty, as she relied on his agent to get the tion, consisting of Messrs. Thee. Beggs, T. necessary permission, which he failed to do. Jess, and the chairman (Mr. Macdonald) The Bench replied that every licensed person be appointed to vait upon the Shire Courcil, rious business places, as is customary have been should have a copy of the Act, and see that requesting their co-operation and support, decorated in honor of Christmas, and the win- the necessary provisions in cases of this sort and also to present the petition, in conjuncwere properly carried out. Mrs. King's li. | tion with a deputation from the council, to cence would be fortested.

The following applicants for their respective premises were granted certificates of renewal of licences :--

PUBLICANS. W. Brierley, Brierley's botel, Beaufort P. Blackmore, Royal Saxon, Beautort

G. Carver, Bamily hotel, Beaufort W. Dickman, Main Lead S. Frusher, Waterloo W. Fay, Mount Mistake, Raglan

W. Hutton, Pyfeshice, Weterloo E. Hincheliff, Victoria junction, Waterloo W. Jones, Railway, Raglan R. Kirkpatrick, Stockward Hill.

M. Kelly, Eurambeen W. Lon, Railway hotel, Beaufort

HALL, BEAUFORT. T. D. Martin, Commercial, Waterloo

loo Beaufort pactation, and have been most energetic—as and bury my very "refreshing "Roman in its "sensitive" folds. Where is the Inspector 7aterleo jun.; and these ladies was very ably se- where such a bot led of rice-no! no! shat's Miss Ison, and Miss Kildahl. Sewing meet- It so, just so; anyhow, he should attend

Judges of plath and fancy readlework sight the other day, viz., a towns. w. The Fair was opened on Tuesday afternoon plassing through our great eleg. On enquiring according to an advertisement in our last leave, an important meeting of the selectors. last. but, probably attributable to the fact who was the proprietor, I was told Mr. from Raglan, Middle Creek and Eurambeen that harvesting operations in the district a very energetic character, but "hydrau c was held at Prince's Raglan Hotel on Thursare progressing, the attendance was not large pressure master. I examined every thing and but little business transpired. Musical and admired the taste and comfort disand vocal items were given. In the evening, everywhere; but, alas! everything however the attendance was very good. On blemish, and so had this. One poor in a resenturing the hall, one was struck first with nate horse, part of the outst, had a bethe beautiful, attistic and lovely arrange- shoulder-a pig place, red, vaw, tende ment of evergreens, showers, and bunting, sore, partially bid by the collar. I torned with which the walls of the building were away with a shudder, and began to mink decorated. On the left-hand side of the unkind things of this energetic man, who, in room was a neatly-spread table, upon which his greatness, evidently did not court his were sponge and other sweet cakes, not in horse as a feeling creature. I felt season, mentscemed to have shirked all responsibilty great quantity, it is true, but of excellent because I'm solemnity itself; but the is a quality, and of very tempting description. solemn affair, and I hope that horse will get Miss Kildahl was in sole charge of the stall. a Christmas vacation. On the opposite side was a stall presided over by Misses Rodd and Greenwood and was supplied with a variety of seasonable fruits and of Victoria, there is a gentleman who has the small cakes. On the same ade of the room, dignified honor of writing C.P.S. after his adjoining the fruit-stall, was a large display name. I don't know the English translation, of excellently-made Christmas puddings and but have come to the conclusion, after a long cakes, pound and fancy cakes. The problings and tiresome study, that it must mean were large and enticing, and were being sold "Couldn't Possibly be Slower." I had occa-

gramme, quite a treat may be looked for ard the was glad to say that this year, at any tol. Given fine weather and good luck, and the rate, not one tender was put in, and in about a month's time the land would fall back on the hands of the Government. It was the object of that meeting to induce the Government to creet a ranbi -proof fence around that portion of the State Forest in the North Riding of the Shire of Ripon. He believed that in some respects sel crors were to blame, for they had done all the destructive work without asking for assistance from the Government; but they-or rather some of them-Western District, comprising 20,078 ares at sible to effectually decrease the pest while such a breeding place as the forest existed, proof fence around that portion of the State forest and timber reserve situate in the North Riding of the Shire of Ripon."

Mr. P. Grant seconded the motion, and suggested that the Shire Council be requested to endorse the petition.

The motion was carried nem con. Mr. T. Liston moved-"That in the event of the Government refusing to erect a rabbitproof fence, the Government should be asked to pay so much a head for all rabbits killed, and that the shire should tax the farmers and presenting themselves. These are the thoughts ton, William Roberts, Albert Rankin, Kate selectors for a similar purpose." He fully believed that, failing the fence, this would be very handsome prizes were also given to the the next best means. There were about 10,000 acres of forest in this riding, and it would, in consequence of no tender being arcepted, revert to the Crown. By the terus of the Act, Government as well as selectors were compelled to destroy rabbits on ther respective lands, and unless something was done on the Mount it was impossible to cope with the pest on the flats. The Government only got about £250 a year for the 10,000 acres, and he ventured to say that for that amount being spent in the way he suggested. would be an inducement for others also o

step in and destroy. Mr. T. Hutton seconded the motion, but as it was deemed wise not to attempt to much, the motion was withdrawn, condition-Inspector Parkinson proceeded against Mrs ally on the promise that if the fence was re-

Mr. Grant moved that the Government le

Mr. T. Beggs agreed with Mr. Grant that what his motion embodied was what the Act requested to do their duty.

the Minister of Lands.

Mr. F. Beggs seconded, and the motion was carried. Mesars, P. Grant and W. Dickman (Raglan).

M. Kelly and H. Beggs (Eurambeen), T. Liston and G. Pearson (Middle Creek) were appointed a Committee to obtain signatures to the pention, and to collect funds to meet the expenses of the deputation-

Mr. Hugh Beggs was chosen secretary and treasurer to the committee.

The following contributions were handed in towards the fund :- Mesers, T. and F. Tucker, J. Vanc., P. Grant, jr., W. Dickman, and J. P tcher, 5s. each ; total, \$5 5s.

The meeting then segurated.

THE CAKE FAIR IN THE SOCIETIES

Notwithstanding the nearness of the festive Christmas season, our Church of England friends have very great reason to congratulate themselves upon the success that has crowned themselves upon the success one may have the This little effusion was suggested on waking some weeks past the ladies of the church and their friends have been on the tip-toe of exsers for donations and monetary assistance of Nuistness? I know there is one, because towards holding a Cake Fair. The idea was be compelled me to clean out my drain the entirely new to this town, and doubtless the other day; and why isn't his proposes on novelty commended itself to everyone. The duty? Now, on two sides of this perfume hading spirit, we are informed, were Misses distillery there are desirable with residences Richardson and Harris, and Mrs. Schlicht, to let, but who of earth is likely to rene conded by a number of other young ladies, not it; such a hot-bed of-of-of-" attar amongst whom we may mention Miss Davies, of reses" flourishes without let or hindrance. Amongst whom we may mention introduction in the inspector idoneus homo or otherwise? ings were held in connection with the arrange- his "dooty," and absquatnlate eith ments, and the labors of the deft fingers of knight of the cleaver or the effluvia. initiation of those of the fair sex who are good I witnessed what was to me

at per slice. In one of them, hidden away sion to get a splitter's licence the other day.

left hand, however, corresponding with the Bourished the pen about in mid-air, then refreshment stall, was the magic fish pond. came down on the writing material with a The ladies who designed and executed this are swoop, and dried it up with the blotting pad. entitled to great credit, and those in charge This performance was rep ated several times, -viz., Miss Davies and Miss Eddy-were and finally he handed me the licence, drawn busily engaged "baiting" the hooks for the out, signed, sealed, and delivered, in the He knew that selectors had killed rabbits young people, who were highly amused and quickest time on record—viz., I bour 30 uncterial; but unfortunately they did not meet with a large sale, although a fair number were disposed of. Last, but not least, was the stall and good wishes, and people express the same superinted by Misses Harris and Richardson, in various ways, and not to be behind I ding cake. It was found this was rather too valuable an article to dispose of cheaply, so it was given over as a trophy to be fired for tured, &c., and finally painted by hand by in the shooting gallery, which was arranged in the ante-room. Some 70 odd entries were obtained, and from the number of the fair sex who entered for it, the inference to be drawn is that wedding cakes will shortly be at a premium in Beaufort. Eight bulls' eves were obtained out of the seventy shots-two by Mr. H. Smith, who finally won the cake with tie only bull's eye ostained in the firing off. Several other contests were fired, for cakes, fowls, &c., and the gallery was kept pretty lively throughout the evening. In the centre of the large hall, a large Christmas tree stood. upon which were hung lighted Chinese lanterns, and toys and sweets of various descriptio: a. Misses Baker and Robertson had command. Seats were placed down the centre of the hall for the convenience of the ladies, and this was icknowledged to be a wise provision. It is scarcely necessary to say how the ladies were dressed for the occasion; but they must certainly be complimented on their taste, and matness and modesty of their attire; the najority wore white aprons with ted, white, and blue ribbons attached from shoulder to waist, which had a very pretty effect. During the evening a programme of vocal and instrumental music was gone through the items being contributed with very fleasing and enjoyable impressions. Bruce sauction for a number of articles un-

> is above what was anticipated, £40 having heen &ken. Oxigen is Life. -Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne. - My itudes of people are hopelessly suffering from De ility, Nervous and Liver Compaints, Deposion of Spirits, Hypochondria, Timidity, Indigstion, Failure of Hearing, Sight, and Mentry, Lassitude, Want of Power, &c., whose case admit of a permanent cure by the new remey Phosphodyne (Ozonic Oxygen), which at once lays all irt. Ation and excitement, imparts newhergy and afe to the enfeebled constitutien and rapidly cures every stage of these hithito incurable and distressing maladies. the bbe. The CAUTION.—Phosphorus is sometime sold in the form of Pills and Lozenges; it stuld be generally known that every form whe solid particles of Phosphorous are in combinfion is dangerous. It is therefore necessary thathe public should be cautioned against the usef any form of Phosphrous not perfectly

sold, emcluded the fair. The amount realised

solple in water. Loriline !—For the Teeth and Breath.— A fw drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on s at tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, with thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all paisites or impurities, hardens the gums, preem tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth as polliar pearly-whiteness, and a delightful Mr. Al— was on in front some few yards, figrance to the breath. It removes all unland when, having reached a certain point, he plasant odour arising from decayed teeth or stoped and drew my attention to the magni-Beggs, £1 each; G. Pearson, McDonald, and long composed in part of honey and sweet Hugh Beggs, 10s. each; T. Liston, C. C. lebs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest against my disabilities, and became intensely det discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all interested in all that I saw. On our left,

LITTLE CHIPS.

[By "Tomahawk."] Reautort, loveliest village for evermore, That has more smells than an abattoir. That this should be the case I do deplore.

And sympathise with those live text door.

After Goldsmith—A long way. down one of our principal streets the other day, when I had suddenly to pull my " Eau-

In a certain truly rural town in the colony frum view, were the mysterious ingredients After a deal of trouble I ascertained that his of a wedding-ring, coins of the realin, buttons, office days were Mondays, Tuesdays, and &c The young gentlemen were particularly Thursdays, from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. I called antious to obtain the money, while the fair round on one or those days-I won't say sox were likewise on the look-out for the which-at eleven o'clock: nobody there; ring, but up to the time of closing it did not called again in half-un-hour; ditto; dat on transpire whom were the successful purchasers. door step and waited, and at last saw him Ms. Schlicht and Miss Johnston were in coming, "with the maje tic tread of a boy chirge of this stall. In front of the stage, on going to school." He duly arrived, and after the right-hand side, was the refreshment table. enquiring my business he prayed me to be Seats were set for this, and Misses Grenfell, seated, and then the pantomine began. He Al Greenwood, and Ison did a good business got his papers; he adjusted his blotting pad; is disposing of the niceties displayed. On the be selected a pen; he spat on his fingers; he

> This is the season of Christmas greetings bought some beautiful cards to send to my sorrowing friends. I was explaining to my better half how these cards were manufacactists engaged on purpose, and just as I was telling her that hand-painting made them valuable, that little hopeful chip of mine chirped in with the remark, "Poor t getout ! wby our garden fence is hand-pained." I guess he was sorry after, because he get hand painted with a bickory bandled leather brush

A MERRY XMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYBODY.

RABBIT SUPPRESSION ON MOUNT COLE.

BY OUR SPECIAL.

(Concluded.)

The next move on my companion's part was to direct himself of his coat. He looked se terribly dangerous that, for a moment, I hesitated what to do ;-whether it would be hetter for me to face him like a man, or to conform to the much-referred to custom, and prefer to "fight another day,"

Seeing that I was surprised, he sternly requested me to "peel off" which I was not willing to do unless there was a sufficient eason assigned.

However, the explanation given was, that should feel the benefit of putting that article of clothing on when we returned. So I peeled off," and arming myself with a long pole-as a help to climb the mount, and . not as a weapon of defense if necessary-fillowed in M. M --- 's footsteps. I had not gone far before I found out my mistake in not kaving furnished "Shanks's pony" with rough-country shoes. Every now and then I found that my locomotivity was sadly at fault : that I was in imminent tear of taking up an undesired temporary lease of about six feet by eighteen inches of that portion of the country (face undermost), and considering the fact that here and there, every few yards. Soldby all chemists and druggists throughout a large piece of granite rock appeared above the surface of the soil, it was not likely that I should wish to test the solidity of my cra-

> Well, we struggled up the hill ;--Mr. Mwith comparative sase; myself beset with the difficulties usually experienced by novices in mountain-climing. We had some distance still to go before we got fairly on to Mount Cole, although we were at the foot of it, and the prosped of ascending the steep gradient was certifuly not very cheering upon that hot afteneon.

Mr. Al - was on in front some few vards. front scenery around us, I censed murmuring the mists and Perfamors. Wholesale depot several ranges of hills could be distinctly seen, 3, Farringdon Road, Lordon. amongst them Mount Businyong, Mount

She waits for me At the treeting tree; And I am late, ah ! late. Good horse, fail me not in my Good horse, put forth thy ut-

most speed, Let not my own love wait. Like the roll of the kettledrum, Like the sea surf's pulsing beat,

My throbbing heart keeps uni-With the tramp of thy bound-. ing feet.

The sweet wind from the north Blowe over bush and heath, Tender, and warm, and soft, As my own love's balmy breath. The evening clouds lie low On the mountains purple peak, Fading away in crimson glow, Like the pink of her lips and

From the swelling upland wide, I drink in sweet perfume, The peppermint's faint yet pungent smell, The May and the Wattle bloom.

Ohllsggard, is sigh'd on the breath Of the whispering evening

brecze, Oh! laggard, is writ on the golden bare That shine through the

The gloom of the coming night draws nigh, and the road is long, But the gallant bay that bears me on is swift

and etaunch and strong. As the arrow from the bow speeds surely to

THE MYSTERY OF QUEENS' WHARF.

BY G. WALSTAB.

Some of the older residents in Melbourne may be able, on reflection, to recall to mind the incidents related in the following story. I they canno the fault is not mine, and they should, at any rate, give me credit for as much veracity as that accorded by the French readers of romance, founded on fact, to the now popular Gaborican.

If the events did not really occur as I describe, they ought to have done so, and depend upon it that, unless our police system is materially altered, they will do so sooner than will be agreeable to the individuals concerned and to society generally.

"Well, sir. it's about the oddest thing I've and you'll have to attend the inquest. Sorry

make head or tail of it.' Thus, to sub-inspector on duty for the make head or tail of was certainly not

pleasant to gaze upon. It was a dark gusty night in July, the heavily laden clouds drooped like a pall over the city, and the rain drops fell with a persistent dreariness upon the body of a woman lving on the sodden planks of the Queen's Wharf in front of a group, consisting of the sub-inspector, the constable, and myself, who, in a sudden fit of that desire for anything in the shape of variety that seizes the Bohemian mind of journalism, had taken a fancy to accompany my old friend the sub-inspector

Hold your bull's eye a little lower, Ronaldson," said the sub inspector. The man did so, and we all bent over the

dead woman. Death is never a pleasant eight at the best of times. The faces of those who have died rescefully in their beds, and are laid by tender oving hands on a flower-strewn bier "covered with fair linen and shrouded with lace " may wear one aspect. The faces of those lying dead under the night sky, with the rain clouds in lieu of a tarestry covering, wear another.

This was decidly another.

So far as we could see, the body which the constable had discovered on the wharf a few seconds before the Sub-Inspector and I came up, was that of a woman under thirty years of age. Her hat, of velvet, bound with some sort of fur, lay close beside her, and her fair hair, though wetted with rain, was wound neatly round her head in the fashion prevalent some filteen years ago, while round her neck was a tippet also of fur, which the constable, previous to our arrival, had removed so far as to

which the blood was thickly clotted.

The features, though fleoked in spots with blood, were refined and delicate. and feet were small, well gloved and booted. and the whole attire, so far as we could see, was that of a woman above the lower order, "Can't make it out at all, Sir," repeated the constable. She don't look like a town one. and what any one else could be doing on the wharf at this time o' night puzzles me."
"The poor thing is evidently a lady said

the officer looking at his watch, and as you say, Ronaldson, it is a queer thing she should he here at this time of night-iust one o'clock is not a time for wharf promenading, and there hasn't been a steamer in this evening.

The constable professionally swung his

light to and iro for a moment, cast a rayid.
Blace ou and the wints where nall-aday steamers lay moored and replied in the negative.
"We can do nothing more here," con

tinued the officer. "Go up to the barracks, Ronaldson, and bring down four men and a stretcher to take her to the morgue. Mr. Wainright and I will stop here. Leave your bulls' eye, and be quick."

Handing over his bulls' eye Constable 233 stalked away with unruilled aspect and a step only a little out of the measure, evidently consoling himself with the idea that even walking in the pelting rain was better than standing still by the side of a murdered

"No case of suicide, evidently," said the sub-inspector bending again over the body and taking the small gloved hand in his. "No woman would have indicted such a wound on herself-besides, look here!"

I looked as he requested while he held the light and then noticed what I had not before, the peculiar character of the wound. It had been inflicted evidently with a razix or very sharp knife, and some marks on the fcrehead though half washed out by the rain slowed that the head must have been bent foribly backwards so as to give the murdurer s full cut at the fair white throat, all the whiter for the crimson and black act. ting of blood and fur in which it was fearfully framed. But the chief horror lay in the ap. pearance of the wound itself. The clearly incised edges had been dragged apart by sheer force, pieces of fur and leather half soaked in blood adhered to the skin and on the chin

Wainright. The throat had evidently been cut with a razor or sharp knife. No razor or knife hal been found anywhere near the body or on the premises of the cabman now in custody before the coroner. Enquiries as to what calmen were out that night had led to a suspicion against Collins. Had assisted in the search of Collins' premises, and been present at the finding of the watch. There was no chain attached to it when found. Had never seen it before, but had been informed since the murder that it was recognised as the property of the deceased. Knew the decessed by sight. Had seen her frequently at the theatre, and once at Government Hotse. Did not recognise her at first. Knew Colins by repute as a man of bad character. Had reported him once to the Hackney Carriage Committee when the man had been warned that for the next offence he would lost his licence. Knew nothing positive against him except general rowdiness Complimented by the coroner on the rapidity with which the police had obtained a clue. Mr. Sob-inspector looking, as if he was not accustoned to it, bowed and

Mr. Wainright, the reader's very humble servant, acquiesced in the coroner's affable re-mark that he was a journalist, and that it was not an extraordinary thing for him to be in town late at night. Had been present with the Sub-Inspector when the body was found. Had been with that officer for nearly an hour previously. Had assisted at the partial exami-nation of the deceased's body as it lay. Did not recognise it at the time. Was not hubitually a pervous man, but was much shocked and unstung on this occasion. Remembered the deceased perfectly now. Had seen her several tines in society, but knew nothing of her privae affairs, and certainly no reason why she hould have been at such a place as the Queer's Wharf after dark. Had been much struck by the appearance of the wound in the deceaseds throat, and thought that——
Politey snubbed by the coroner with a re-

mark that medical testimony was forthcoming, andthat thoughts were not evidence, Mr. Wainright bowed and retired to the back of the room, bit on an unusually enterprising juror expressing a desire to know what he thought, was gratiously permitted to say that his attention had been especially attracted to the strange appearance of the wound in the decessed's throat on account of the fur adhering to the edges, and the bite on the chin. It had been suggested to him that it might have been a rat bite, but he did not think so. The wound appeared to him to be an incised one, increased by after tearing with human fingers.

Complimented half-sneeringly by the coroner on his acute perceptions, Mr. Wainright bows again, and to the best of his recollection, retires over the road for a sustainer, returning in time to find that the cabman, Colling, having declined to follow his solicitor's advice and

wealthy orphan when he married her, was

he was descending the stairs of the Opera had since been murdered, and, as I thought face was pale, even through the soldierly bronze of his complexion, and that his lips

Yes, he knew Miss Darley well. She was a and allowed by the Coroner, Mr. Faulconer quietly added that he knew nothing more

"Have you any idea," asked the unusually enterprising juror—" whether the young lady had anything on her mind, any trouble? Young ladies have sometimes, you know. And here the questioner, who evidently meant well, koked confused, while the eye of the

can then----"I beg your pardon," said Mr. Faulconer

pealed to—,"
"Really," broke in the Coroner, "this is
"Really," broke in the Coroner, "this is the deceased would have done. I think it presumption on your part."

still with unruffled composure, and with his bright grey eyes steadily fixed on the Coroner's face. "However, my wife is here, and can

be asked." a bear in want of patting, "my earnest desire to assist justice in this painful matter, and though my wife is terribly shocked, I have brought her into town, and can produce her when called for."

Smoothing his ruffled feathers the Coroner expressed his desire to hear the evidence at once, and after speaking a word or two to friend near him, Mr. Faulconer left the room and in a few minutes returned with his wife

convulsively to his arm. That her dark eyes should be full of startled fear, that her cheeks should be blanched white, and that her little white hand, when ungloved, should scarcely be able to hold the Bible, were not

without this poor thing's evidence then."

Certainly they could. All poor little Mrs. Faulconer could say was that they parted for the night at about eleven o'clock, and she had heard Miss Darley lock her door. She had

not seen her since. Knew of no trouble that could have happened to her. Was sure poor Helen would have told her. No letters to her knowledge had arrived for Miss Darley for the last two or three days. She might have been able to have left the house after cleven, but some of the servints were still up, and would have heard her. The deceased was of a happy and cheerful disposition." Here the poor little lady broke down completely, and as she knew nothing more, was allowed to leave, to the unmistakable relief of her husband and his friend. Men of their "school" have a horror of

scenes and sympathy that amounts almost to affectation on some occasions, but as these two, so different in manner and appearance from the general "ordinary" look of the surroundings, left the room, and I saw them after carefully placing Mrs. Faulconer in her carriage, return with the same undisturbed composure and unmoved faces, I could underetand what a restraint the refued looking haughty husband must have kept over himhimself during the painful ordeal of his wife's painful evidence. She could at least show her sorrow; he could not. Captain Reynolds Queens Bays, on a visit to Victoria, an old brother officer of Mr. Faulconer, corroborated his statement as to his whereabouts on the night of the murder. Had known Miss Darley for a month. Had seen the body in the morgus, and identified it. Deceased had been great admired in society, and—here the dragon spoke with something like emphasis, universally respected. Had certainly never heard any scandal about her. As a friend of the Faulconers, would have soon stopped it if he bad.

The housekeeper at Harrowgate stated that on the evening of the tragedy there was a party in the servant's hall, and it was past midnight before they separated. Mrs. Faul-coner had said they need not break up sooner. Her mistress and Miss Darley were sitting in the drawing-room till nearly eleven. Miss Darley's two rooms were in the same corridor as Mrs. Faulconer's. Mr. l'aulconer's dressingroom and study were on the opposite side of the corridor. Saw nothing of her missress or Miss Darley after eleven o'clock.

Miss Darley's maid said much the same, adding that she had knocked at the young lady's door about eleven and been told she wanted nothing. The house was perfectly quiet shortly after midnight. Mr. Beecher. Mr. Faulconer's own man, generally sat up for him. Couldn't remember whether he had done to that night or not.

Thomas Beecher, had been Mr. Faulconer's prvaut in the Army and ever since he left it. His orders were to sit up till ten unless under special instructions. Occasionally, especially in bad weather, his master slept at the club. His (witness's) room was in a side passage off the hall door. Not being well, did not go into the servant's hall on the night of the

UMBER that it is not for him to show how this unfortunate young lady managed to get out of Mr Faulconer's house at such an unusual hour. He insists upon making a statement. however, and if you, sir, elect to hear it there is an end of the matter. What he has partly told me only confirms me in the belief that he is no more guilty in this case than I am."

As the lawyer concluded this rather strange assertion, for a profesional man, Coroner, jury, police, and witnesses, looked equally puzzled but what was really curiosity gained the day, and the cibman was allowed to He admitted at once that his habits were

irregular, his character indifferent, and that the information that he was suspected of stealing a watch bid not surprised him. "But, sir," he went or—and the man's dissipated, reckless, but lot uncomely features wore an expression ofearnestness as he said it-" God knows I'm to murderer." "That watch was found by me in my cab

last night, left, I suppose, by a lady I picked up on the St. Kilda ros. You may'nt believe me, sir, but wait a minite. Any one on the St. Kilda station rank 1st night will tell you that I pulled up there abut half-past eleven, for they wanted to know what business I had duck-shoving. Perhapsit was some of them as put the sub-inspector in to me. Anyhow, they guyed at me and I rove off. Just before Took to the junction I we hailed by a woman dressed in black, who we would be very last. So had been an use as train, and could I drive her to anywhere near the Hobson's Bay Railway Station. I could see she was nervous, as I said "ys," for a sovereign. She said it was all right, and opening her pures, gave me one. She then got into the cab, and I drove her into town. It was nearly twelve when we got to the station, and without saying another word she jumped out quickly, and almost ran towards Elizabethatreet. After getting such a haul I had a drink or two, and in looking into my cab found the watch lying on the rug at the bottom. You may snile, Mr. Caulfield, but I expect the lady's clain caught in it as she jumped out. Now, sir, I have seen that poor dead woman this norning. I can't swear to her of course, though the dress is like that of the one I drove. All I can say is that the lady, when she didspeak, spoke with a gueer Hitalian accentilia an opera singer, and if that there watch is her watch she's the woman I drove. But as God's my judge, I never harmed her, though I meant to stick to the watch."

That was all Collies said, but it was enough to startle everyone. For myself, I looked at Mr. Faulconer, and for the first time that morning he took out his handkerchief and drew it slightly across his lips, while he fixed his eyes steadily on the cab-man's face. Then he said something in a low tone to Captain Reynolds, in reply to which that gentleman nodded, and also fixed his eyes in the same direction and muttered in a tone loud enough for those near him to to hear that he "believed the beggar was

But the lawyer saw the point to be gained, and asked the sub-inspector to hand the watch produced to Mr. Faulconer.

He did so, and just for one second, as the latter took it a sort of shuddering paleness

ournalist you must have come across many.' I muttered a few words of sympathy for his wife.
"Yes," he said, "hard on her, poor little

I suppose the owner of that watch could tell something" I said. "Perhaps, and, Mr Wainright, if I could find and punish those who murdered that

poor girl I should never rest easy till I did so. Good bye, jump in Jack" and with these words Mr Faulconer got into his phaeton and

drove away.

The case was a wonder for months. Poor little Mrs Faulconer was very ill and had to go to England for a change but nothing else was discovered and all that was left to remind the world of Helen Darley was her tombstone at the St. Kilda cemetry though I and my friends often asked each other who had killed her and why.

"Who is that man?" asked my friend the doctor of one of the P. and O. boats, about three years afterwards, as we sat in the dress circle of the Theatre Royal." The one, I mean, who has just come into the slub box Tail, distinguished looking man,"

that is Mr. Faulconer." "Now, my hesitation was caused by no doubt of identity, that was unmistakable, but simply by the fact that, although I had heard of Faulconer's return from England, where he had left his wife. I had never seen him. He was said to have gone up country to one of the stations he still held, and I had certainly never seen him in town. There he was, how ever, as quiet looking as ever, accompanied by Captain Reynolds, both as calm and unconserned, apparently, as if there had been no shadow of a tragedy on either of their lives." "Faulconer," said the doctor, "I remember the name, and am still more sure I remem-

By Jove. I remember now. There had been some sensational tragedy here, and the poor little woman was very ill. But they didn't go home with us, my boy.

riend started.

"No, they did not," my excitable friend, emphatically and decidedly not. Mrs. Faultoner wasvery ill; hysterical and all that. Couldn't bear her husband out of cabin until we got to Adelaide, and then he took her ashere for an hour or two's rest, taking his servant, a sedate old soldier, with him. They went, but they never came back. Missed the steamer. Nothing extraordinary It has happened before now. Hush! the

ance can easily be understood. We saw the performance, of course, and equally of course we went out in the interval and smoked, &c. For a reason, moreover, that I could not explain, I asked my friend no more questions during the evening, but still the same refrain rang in my ears all the evening-"why did they land at Adelaide, and where had they gone to?" The words seemed mixed up with our oyster supper at ine club, and accompanied me to my owr

Tremembered that no discovery had been nade. I remembered that I had on several cessions mildly chaffed my friend, the detective on his "habitual criminal" theory. I romembered again that Mr. Faulconer had I thought suddenly of the scent. And turned alone, and that his wife was said to have been left in Germany, and I remembered also having been told by my old friend, the sub-inspector, that on being fold that the cab nan Collins had lost his license over the watch affair, Mr. Faulconer, who considered the usn's offence a comparatively slight one. procured him a situation up country.

La Lub-inspector had not thought much of this, as if "cabby" had not been arrested so soon, he might have repented of his evil intention and brought the watch to the Town Hall. The watch had been advertised daily, and no one had claimed it. Possibly the owner didn't care about coming forward. Nevertheless the police still kept their "eye"

before the news of her death had reached him, and that, consequently the Government reward of £200 for any information that could lead to the discovery of the guilty person or persons had not been supplemented an offer on his part. True, Mr. Faulconer added another £200, and there had been occa-

even I had become accustomed to regard the affair as one of those mysteries which the ordinary intelligence of the police had been unable to deal with.

Now, however, the sight of Mr. Faulconer had re-called the whole circumstances to my mind with extraordinary vividness, and I seemed again to be bending over the murdered woman and wondering at the strange

and his wife had missed the steamer, and that she should have been suffering from

alone, giving it to be understood that she remained in England, was not so easy to find. Had she gone to England at all, and if not, where had she been all the time her hushe had been up the country? Was it cortain the had been up the country. And yet a man like him could not be in Melbourne without being remarked, nor was Mrs. Faulconer the sort of woman who could remain long un-

the authorities, but dismissed the idea almost Dadey's." When he had gone I examined it more closely than before. It was a very as soon as formed. The Faulconers had already suffered severely in the matter, and there was every probability that they might have gone on to England in another vessel. So I made up my mind to do nothing more until I had made a few quiet inquiries and

his wife, told me that she is travening his wife, told me that she is could not make

"A painful case, Mr Wainright, though as a | a stiff neek, to judge from his appearance. and he commenced without any presmile. " Sorry to trouble you Mr. Wainright, but I've come to have a chat with you about that

Queen's Wharf offsir."
"With me!" I replied shortly, feeling surpriced and looking it. "Yes, sir, with you?"

"Why, have you made any discovery?"
"Yes, sir, and I've made a journey, too." I noticed now that he was much sunburn , and had the general look of a man just re

turned from a long voyage.

"Yes," he continued," I have been to Paris.
I came back yesterday, and as you are interested | have come first to you. "Why, surely Mr. Binks you don't suspe

"Indeed, I don't," he answered with a jovial smile. "But you gave me a clue, and before I report I want to tell you how I followed it, and then perhaps to ask your advice. It's a sad business, Mr. Waieright, and I don't half like acting on what I do know, in spite of the reward." Just for one moment a vague idea of his

meaning dawned upon me, but I merely anawered "go on." "I suppose," he continued with his head more on one side than ever. "You know that Mr. Faulconer has come back."

I nodded. " No she is in Germany. He told me yes-

terday." When you've seen him. How does he ouk." " As quiet and unconcerned as ever!

"And Mrs. Faulconer in Germany. Would it surprise to you bear that she didn't go home by the steamer, in whose passenger list?"
"It did surprise me when I heard it the otber day." "Then you have heard it."

" Yes, the doctor of the steamer told me so, and I have been puzzling my brains ever since. But the doctor also said that they went ashore because she was ill at Adelaide, and missed the boat, and they might easily have gone by another one."

"Yes, sir, easy enough, but they didn't. I've searched the list of every steamer since Mrs. Faulconer never left Australia at all." I sat in mute astonishment

" Why, where is sue then." "Ah, sir, there's the point. Now listen to me. Can you spare the time." "I will spare it. Go on."

"I suppose you and other folks .sve thought we were very easy over this marter, but bless you, there are eases in which eas ness is the best game. I am prefty sure now who to lay my hand on, and yet I don't half like w do it. But before I begin let me ask you whether Mr. Faulconer has only recently returned to Melbourne?" "I only saw him the other day."

"And that other quiet looking wast stop the long moustach - Captain Reynolds "Why, what on earth has he to de did

"Never mind, sir, you'll see. Has he been in town."

"I have seen him constantly. " Well, sir, now I'll go on. You may re member to t once or twice after the muid you was at given to chaff me about the you called my "habitual criminal theory is presented to be huffed once or twice but her bless you! I took the hint. Supposing it was'nt an habitual criminal. Like most me in my line, I rend a tritle bid where week attention in court, to the was nit and asof bites I said again to wyself, supwar'nt rats. Then I remembered see of the Rue Morgue murder by the Comme outang. But there is only one Cl migan. dgings, where, when left alone, I began to have the sort of thing, besides as had have been loose. And the sort of thing, besides as had have been loose. And the sort of thing, besides as had have been loose. And the sort of thing, besides as had have been loose. And the sort of thing, besides as had have been loose. And the sort of thing, besides as had have been loose. been loose. And executions in with the later in are such things as lovers, and jesious live in connection with young ladies, and the murder might have been commetted !

> Darley was most here are with, here a Mr Faulconer and Cay and Reynolds." "Good God! you don't mean to say suspected them." No sir, emphatically I did at. 1

not the sort. But I was nt at all sur they hadn't some idea of how it hancemed, a least after the inquest." "What in heaven do you mean?

" Carry your memory back to the in hest. kept my eye on Mr. Faulconer al' the time e was giving his evidence and his face ness changed until the watch was put into hand. It changed then and it was only afsteady look at the cabman that he said 'This is not Miss Darley's watch-"I do remember, what of that."

"Well sir, I told you just now I don assess Mr Faulconer of murdering this poor girl. But I tell you"—and here his head aimest touched his shoulders—"that when he saw that watch, he knew that Collins had not driven Miss Darley that night, and that being a gentleman for he is that, he spoke the truth. I heard him tell you afterwards that if he could punish the murderers he would. I nodded. He had done so.

" Well, the thought struck me as I thought over your chaff about the "habitual crimiaal" that the owner of that watch could tell school thing about the crime and that Mr Fuelcose knew who it was."
"Why not take setion then.

"Not enough to go on, sir. | could always lay my hands on Mr. Paulcones, but I rehed chiefly on the watch, and though I did not think Mr. Faulconer guilty. I new that military gents have often had queer adventures in remember what the esbtheir you. man said about the woman who drove him having a foreign accent. It struck me t ar Mr. Faulemer might have had something to do once upon a time with such a we are, and that if she were here and took it into her head, that there was anything between him and Miss Darley though Lord have you -1 never heard of it, she might sails does done the thing herself or got than the Collins, perhaps, though I do think so the Year the got the kern the result I'll tell you directly, but the main thing was the watch, and I thought more of it because the day after the inquest Cantain Reynolds called at the office and asked if no might see it. I showed it to him, and noticed anywhere.

All sorts of vague suspicions arose in my mind. I began to consider the advisability of mentioning what the doctor had told me to mentioning what the doctor had told me to mentioning what the doctor had told me to mentioning what the dismissed the idea almost in Dadey's." When he had gong I examined it handsome one. Parisian make, jewelled, &c., and on the inside was the inseription "Amalia from Ricardo;" perhaps you've heard the

names? "Yes. Characters in the opera, Un Ballo en Maschera?"

and was put into communication with the some friends in German, however, I was sitting
On the fourth. I was told that some one alope in my rom. I was told that some one alope in my rom. and, slightly to my surwho had sold the watch eight years before to an Unglish officer, who had him. The officer's name was in his occas, F. Faulconer, --th Lancers, but be had no distinct remembrance of the lady except that she had handsome dark eyes. tion was put on at the lady's reguest. He heard her speak, but be could not remember a little on one side, when he wanted to am-

MY LOVE WAITS.

As to its haven steers the storm encountered bark. As the wild bird at evening straight flies to his

mate. So do I fly to her. My own love shall not

clearly and distinctly visible, were the marks For the rest the dress was in no way disturbed, and a glance at the boots wet and almost sodden though they were with rain, showed no signs of a walk through the

us the fragment of a watch chain fastened to her waistband, but no watch; but through her gloves we could feel that two or three rings on her fingers had not been disturbed. "Robbery and murder," said the officer shortly, as he regained his upright posture. "She's been dead evidently about an hour. Must have struggled at first, and that's how all this fur and stuff got into the wound, and puzzled Ronaldson. Not much mystery after all, old fellow, when you come to look at it. I expect she missed a train or something, got a cab, and unfortunately for her the wrong one. Cabby's in it, you may depend upon it. However, here comes the men with

I assisted in the unpleasant task of placing the dead girl on a stratcher and accommanied after which I shook hands with the officer and managed to get a cab to drive home. I am not a timid man by any means, and

the stretcher. We must get her to the morgue,

plenty.

But I hadn't all my old friend's coolness. and the whole affair had made a most painful impression upon me.

The appearance of the wound, m reover, had puzzled me as much as the finding of

as an old soldier I had seen blood-shed in

the body in such a place as the wharf, had puzzled the constable. The fact that a woman c the lower class, a vagrant, or even a work wan, should have been found on the whari would not in such a city of Melbourne have astonished any one. But that a well-dressed woman evidently belonging to the upper class of society should have found any occasion to visit the locality after midnight was more than surprising, unless indeed-and the thought flashed over me so suddenly that I almost jumped out of the cab. Unless she had

been killed elsewhere and then brought there. I arrived home full of vague doubts and ideas, spent a wretched feverish night, and on reaching my office in the morning received a summons to attend the inquest in

The mystery, however, was to some extent the afternoon. already solved. The newspapers had a full account of the finding of the body, and the police had not only succeeded in identifying the victim, but in finding the cabman and the

watch. For the victim, she was Miss Helen Dthe daughter of a wealthy squatter in neighbouring colony, on a visit at the time of her death in the family of Mr. F., an equally well-known resident in St. Kilda; aged twenty-two, and an admitted belle in fashionable circles. Indeed, had it not been for the disordered neck-tippet and the blood stains, both the sub-inspector and I would

have recognised her before. For the cabman, his name was Robert Collins, his character was indifferent, and his habita drunken. For the watch, sworn to by Mr. F-and two of his maid-servants, it had been found "planted" in the cabman's stables. To use

the words of the sub-inspector: "Cabby was evidently in it." "But he is not the only one, Mr. Wainright," remarked one of the smartest men in the detective force to me outside the morgue a mate in this as well. I know Collins. He's a bad lot, no doubt, but I don't fancy he's up to this. There's an habitual criminal of the violent lot been mixed up in this game, and Collins' share in the swag has been the watch. But what the lady wanted in a cab

that time of night puzzles me, and no mistake. 'And the wound?" I said. "Oh, there's nothing in that, sir," replied the detective; "some of the fur from the tippet had got into it while the poor thing was struggling, and as for the bite marks on the chin, if they are bite marks, the rats might have got at her before Ronaldson came There are enough there to have eaten

her before morning if she hadn't been found." By this time the jury had viewed the body, and I was called in as a witness to find the members of that tribune looking excessively pale and uncomfortable, but gradually recovering themselves as the enquiry proceeded, and the mystery was gradually unfolded, so far as the authorities could solve it.

First as to the finding of the body.

Yes, Constable Ronaldson had found it so

on this occasion. Had not received infor-mation. Had found it a few seconds before

the sub-inspector came up with Mr. Wain-right. Had afterwards boarded, under orders,

the steamer lying at the wharf, and found all

on board turned in except the harbor watch. Said har stoh had heard nothing, at But inspector Caulfield had seen the body as found by the constable, and had made a partial examination in company with Mr.

reserve his defence, is making a statement. party, but sat reading in his room. Passed his mistress and Miss Darley on the staircase This proceeding, however, was altogether too much for the coroner. The unusually enterprising juror was snubbed for again A further examination, moreover, showed at about a quarter to eleven. My mistress speaking the truth." said that she knew the master was going to making a suggestion; Cabby was told to wait till his turn came, and Mr. Faulconer, of dine with Captain Reynolds that night, and might not come home. There was a patent Harrowgta, St. Kilda, was called forward. I latch for the hall door. His master had a knew the man by sight well, and was on what may be called slight speaking terms with vou sure he hasn't two?" asked him. I had, moreover, been at one or two of Mrs. Faulconer's evening socials, for she was as well-known in fashionable circles as her husband was in town, and at clubs and race-

courses. Tall, straight and soldierly, with a quiet, well-bred air prevading his whole appearance and manner, he had been, though nearly forty years of age, for some time, one of the most popular men in society, select and general. As a young man, he had seen service in the East, but just before his marriage he sold out, and having invested his capital in equatting, had been so lucky in capital in equating, had been so have a verything he touched the at that into of this. old Northampton lamily, and a slight hauteur in manner was perhaps the only disagreeable thing about him, while his wife, a

unusually pretty and fascinating.

The last occasion on which I had seen him House with his wife and the poor girl vho of it, I was not surprised to notice that his were tightly set under his moustache.

schoolfellow of his wife, and they were very intimate. Her mother was dead, and her father was in England. He had seer the body and recognised it. Last saw Miss Darley at breakfast on the morning before her body was found. Had dined at his club that night, and afterwards gone to the opera with an old brother officer. Returned to the club and played whist, and, as it was then late, stopped there. Was communicated with by sub-inspector the next morning. That officer had gone first to St. Kilda, but finding him out, had returned to town, not wishing to alarm Mrs. Faulconer. He was much obliged to him for it. Had been told by his wife ---. Objection immediately, and rather bumptiously raised by the cabman's solicitor

personally, bowed to the Coroner, and stepped

Coroner positively glared at him. "I must request, sir, that you will not interrupt the business of this court. There is medical evidence to call, and such a question

coolly interrupting the angry official. "I pro-fer answering this gentleman's evidently kindly meant question myself. No, sir, I know of nothing that could trouble a young gentlewoman in Miss Darley's position. She has been a frequent visitor in our house, and has been on sisterly terms with my wife. Had she been in any trouble she would have ap-

"I never presume," said Mr. Faulconer.

"It is," he continued, courteously bowing to the Coroner, whom he evidently regarded as

on his arm.
Though not a fragile woman, she looked small and childish by the side of her stalwart husband, and I noticed that she clung almost

matters to be surprised at.

"It's a pity," whispered the good-natured sub-inspector to me," that Mr. Faulconer was not at home last night. We could have done

the cabman's solicitor, suddenly looking up from a whispering conversation with his

Beecher wasn't sure, but he didn't think so, for the housekeeper was nervous, and had asked his master to have only one pass key "I can answer the gentleman," said Mr. Faulconer, quietly. "I had a duplicate a month or so back, but lost it, and, at the refor himself. quest of the housekeeper, I did not get another. I may add, sir, that if the patent catch is on, and the housekeeper puts it on

or enter the house unheard. The jury looked from one to the other, as if completely bewildered, and the mystery as to how a young lady could be left in her room at St. Kilda at eleven a.m., and found murdered on the Queen's Wharf seemed greater The housekeeper, re-called, was positive she

herself, no one without my key could leave

put on the patent catch a little after 12.30. when the servant's party broke up. Whether Miss Darley knew how to work the catch or not she wouldn't say, but it was not likely. The poor young lady had certainly never left the house alone afterdark before. the house alone atterdark belore.

The case was evidently as deep a mystery to this highly respectable house keeper as it was to anyone elso. For the rest, the sub-inspector again whispered to me that "cabby

was in it." On the face of my acquaintance the smart detective still sat the belief that "a pal of the habitual criminal class is at the bottom of it," and the cabman was still whispering to his solicitor. The medical evidence by two practitioners was of the causi order, but as the unusually intelligent in sated upon reminding the Coroner of my remick about the appearance of the wound, the doctors were specially asked wound, the doctors were specially asked about it. It was a strange looking wound they admitted. Violence of some sort had apparently been used even after it had been inflicted. There were marks of bites and gratches on the chin and cheeks, but both medical men agreed that they might have been caused by rats. On another point they were also agreed. No outrage had been committed on the murdered girl—suicide was out of the question-and there was nothing, they both emphatically stated, in the appearance

of the body, to justify the belief delicately hinted at by one of the jurors that any "trouble" as it is called, had occurred to Even the impassive Mr Faulconer and his friend showed evident signs of relief from tension, when this statement was made. That element of misery and shame was at any rate wanting in the scandal that had come upon the householde.

That is all the evidence I have to offer,

said the sub-inspector on behalf of the police.

"This watch—producing it," was found in Collins stable and if necessary, I can prove

that he returned home about I a.m. on the night of the murder."
"At this juncture the cabman again whispered to his lawyer and that gentleman, though obviously against his inclination, said to the Coroner. "My client, sir, want's to make a statement. I've told him there is no need for it, that the only evidence to connect him with the case is the finding of a watch not yet sworn to, whatever my good friend Mr Caulfield may have heard about it, and

crept over his face, that was all. "Do you recognise that watch Mr. Faulconer?" asked the lawyer.
"Is is very like one of Miss Darley's," was the answer.

"The other one she has, totally different, was found it her travelling jewel case this morning." I you will allow me one moment I will examin it more closely." He pressed he catch as he spoke-it was a lady's bijou hinting watch—and looked closely at the inside. It might have been my fancy, but the other hand that hung by his side

seemed strangly elenched. Then came the answer, stead and decided and heard distinctly through the whole room. "That is no Miss Darley's watch." There was a lead silence, and the solicitor

"Are you sue?"

I am positivey certain." Just again the same shuddering paleness and then again he clear answer. "Miss Darley's watch, the one missing, was given to he by me on the last birthday. Her initials H.Dwere engraved inside. Inside this one there are none. It is not Miss Darley's

"Did Miss Dadey speak with an Italian accent?" "Certainly not. She was only on the Continent for a few months all her life?"

"Have you ever seen the watch you hold

"No," was the steady answer.

"And, excuse, me Mr Faulconer, have you any grounds for thinking that there were alone at such an hour as eleven o'clock at "I can only say," and as the answer was made, I could understand why some people accused Mr Faulconer of hauteur. "I can only say that the young lady was under my

roof and protection and most gentlemen know what that means. "I have nothing more to say except to ask for the discharge of my client," said the lawyer coolly, you may charge him with the theft of a watch if you like, or illegal detention or breach of regulations. But Mr Faulconer swears that the watch found in his stable is not Miss Darley's and I contend that the

case against him in that direction falls to the The contention was held good, Collins was discharged and left the court minus the watch and plus the certainty that he would get no more license and be under police surveillance into the bargain. A verdict was returned of wilful nurder against some person or persons unknown. Permision was given for the interment of the poorgirl's body and the affair

But as the sub-inspector, the detective and I were standing on the pavement we heard a voice say caimly.
"Thank you, Jack, I did feel queer." The speaker was Mr Faulconer and b had

just finished a drink out of a travelling flack that Captain Reynolds had handed aim. His phacton was drawn up dose to the pavement but before he put his foot on the step his eye caught mine and stopping short he said quietly.

CHAPTER II.

THE RIDDLE SOLVED.

"That," I replied, putting my binoculars p. "That—" and I hesitated for a moment

"Well, you ought to. Mrs. Faulconer was not easily to be forgotten, and they went home with you some three-years ago."

"What?" I replied, so suddenly, that my

her sight for a moment. No man would be more attentive, either. He never left their

curtain.' That my feelings were those of intense bewilderment during the rest of the perform-

upon Collins, and held the watch in careful I remembered also having heard that the father of the murdered girl had died suddenly

sional rumors of the police having found a dive, but nothing had come of them, and

nature of the wound. Then, too, the doctor's story. There was nothing wonderful in the fact that Faulconer

strong mental excitement. It was only But the reason why he should have returned

went to bed.

Even during the next few days of locald Even during the next few days of Mr. come to no determination, and the street and Faulconer once stopped me in the posed indiffusion to me with his usual co-posed indiffusion to me with the street in any way. But my back was up new, and after some trouble I got the chief to let me go to Paris. I went, and the chief to let me go to Paris. I went, and the chief to let me go to Paris. I went, and the chief to let me go to Paris.

alone in my r.m. I was ton that determined and sightly to my sur-writed to so me, and, slightly to my sur-prise, mr. acquaintance the detective was prise, mr. His name is of no importance, shown it. His name is of no Importance, shown it. His name is of no importance, shown its not now in the country. Let us and B is not now in the country. Let us only him Binks for the nonce. An ordinary poking man Binks, not at all like the conjudition in the compactive middle height compactly ventional detective, middle height, compactly built, and very neatly dressed, with nothing remarkable but a habit of holding his head phasize a remark or thought he had made a noint. On this occasion he might have had

On my return I next turned my attention to try and discover the missing watch taken frem Miss Darley, but then again failed. It had not been pawned or sold, and why it should have been taken I could scarcely make out, except for that purpose. Advertising brought no answer, nor did I parti-cularly care about it in a case like this. My idea was to let the matter rest for a little, not in the hope that the owner of the watch would voluntarily come forward, but that some other clue might be obtained. Besides, I had always Mr. Faulcener to go back upon.

Strangely enough, that clue came upon me in the most unexpected manner, and without my looking for it. It may seem strange, but it did, and I confess it. I am in the habit now and then, when I want to smoke a meditative pipe, of strolling along that portion of the wharves where the small coasting craft lie. They are quee: old-fashioned look-ing things, most of them, and have an interest for me, I can't get up, except professionally, on a large steamer. Well, sir, one Saturday afternoon about three months ago, I was strolling about this place, which is about forty yards below where Miss Darley's body was found, and went behind the halfrotten fence of an old store-yard to light my pipe. My match-box, a gift from an old pal, and into a little hole alongwide and oil the poster. I stooped to pick it cat, and in so doing pulled out also something hard wrapped up in a piece of paper. Mechanically I held it in my hand for a second before opening it, but when I did so, sir, quiet as I sit here, my heart literally jumped. The paper was stained with dark patches here and there, and inside were a pair of woman's gloves trimmed with fur, and a watch—the watch described at the inquest by Mr. Faulconer as having been given by him to Miss Darley. No need to enquire about that. And then your words about the nature of the wound came back to me. No habitual criminal had inflicted it. No man would have been so foolish as to fling the watch away, and the gloves from which the fur had been torn in places were also stiff with what I could easily guess was dried blood. I was fairly on the track now, and on examining the paper my suspicions were more than confirmed, for after some trouble I deciphered the following words, written in what appeared to be a gentleman's hand.

"If you really mean what your eyes have often said, come to the Queen's Wharf tonight at half-past eleven. You can easily get out if you try, and if you have the courage to-morrow we can be, far away together. I am not strong enough to carry out my former

The riddle was now casy to read; Miss Darley went to the wharf that night to meet the person who wrote that letter, and was murdered by the same hand. "In heaven's name whose," I said, " surely not Mr. Faulconer!"

"Lord, no cir," said Binks with his head slightly turning to the appropriate side I did'nt think then that Mr Faulconer had any ides of it and I know now that he had'nt, but I was almost sure then that she thought he was going to meet her, and that the letter was written by the woman with the foreign accent to whom he had given the watch and who no doubt was some one he had known before his marriage, and some one especially he would'nt care for his wife to hear about. So I started on the track again and as I could'nt watch Mr Faulconer who was up

country I watched Captain Reynolds who was living in a secluded house at Brighton with an invalid sister, with only an old woman and Mr Faulconer's man as attendants. I made enquiries and found out that Mr Faulconer sometimes came there, that the Oaptain's sister had very deli the health warm evening, that either the old woman or Beecher was always with her and that as you might expect she was supposed to be a trifle queer. No doubt Mr Wainright you may hink it odd that I mixed Captain Reynolds up with this matter, but you must remember that he and Mr. Faulconer had been chums. and I knew what these army gents will do for one another in a trouble. So I watched and watched for nights, and though I saw the lady twice she was so wrapped up that I noticed nothing but a profusion of golden hair. At last one night I managed to climb the garden fence and hide behind a tree just as she came out with the old woman. She was in high spirits, laughing and talking in a pretty mineing foreign accent, but still there was something familiar to me in her air and figure. By-and-bye she went in again, and began to sing, accompanying berself at the piano. It was Amelia's first song in Un Ballo. I had no doubt now that I had found the owner of the watch with the inscription, but still I waited till, in about ten minutes, she came forward, and I saw her standing full in the bright light of the open window. Mr. Wain-right, I am a cool, and I hope a brave man, but that sight frightened me.

"What was that?" "Wai, sir, till you hear more. The man morning I went to the Chief and again obtained leave to visit Paris, and there, sending for the jeweller I had seen before, I placed in his hands a photograph I had purchased in Melbourne. He recognised it at once as the picture of the lady who had been with Mr. Faulconer when he had beight the watch."
"There, sir," continued the detective gravely, is the picture I speak of, and I ask you now, as a gentleman and a man of feeling, what is the best way of working out this wretched

I took one look at the picture, and then sat mute and horror-stricken.
"It was the likeness of Mrs. Faulconer."

CHAPTER III.

WHAT CAME OF IT.

In less than an hour Binks and I were on the road to Brighton. He agreed with me that the kindest thing to do was to see hir. Faulconer or Captain Reynolds at once, and then take further action. The whole conduct of the former proved that he had no wish to escape, and even the professional in the state of the former proved that he had no wish to escape, and even the professional in the profes companion was at ease on this point.

On reaching the cottage the door was opened by Beecher, to whom I gave my card, with a line in pencil asking for an interview on the most important business.

We were shown into a small dining-room

directly, and there, standing on the hearthrug, were Mr. Faulconer and Captain Reynolds, cool and calm as ever. "Good morning, Mr. Wainright," said the

former, "to what do I owe the pleasure of this visit?" "I apologise for the intrusion," Mr.

Faulconer, I replied gently, for I was full of sympathy for the apparently impassive man before me, "but I have some pain." ful business to tell you alone, or rather Mr. Binks has," and I pointed to my companion, who was standing with his nat in his hand, looking for the first time to my knowledge very embarrassed.

"My friend Captain Reynolds is in my confidence, and anything Mr. Binks, whom I remember perfectly, has to say can be said in his presence. Sit down gentlemen." Still the same calm impassive manner and the keen eyes steadily fixed on us.

We sat down, and in a straightforward but sympathetic manner the cetective repeated nat he had said to me, adding only that after first recognising Mrs. Faulconer he had suspicions confirmed by hearing that she was an excellent mimic of the French and Italian

"Poor girl," muttered Captain Reynolds. but the husband still sat silently looking at us till the story was finished, and then in a low quiet tone he said-

Your story is true, Mr. Binks. Miss 'ey was killed as you described"voice faltering for a moment-"by do as I have had to do mine. As to the relations between-between Miss Darley and myself, I am sure that you, Mr. Wainright, as a gentleman and man of honor, will accept the only admission I can make, namely, that there had been some reason why she have yielded to the request made in that forged setter for an interview, and you will unders; and the meaning of the word 'resolution' waich my unfortunate wife-whose passionatly lealons nature I had aleady received many proofs, had gleaned from a conversation she partially overheard between us." I bowed in answer to his inquiring glance and

he continued : "It was easy for Miss Darley to leave the house quietly, trusting to me I suppose for her return and it was still casier for my wifeas she afterwards confessed, to use the duplicate key which had been lost and picked up by her. When her watch was handed to me in Court I knew too well the truth and when Ireached home it was easy in herfrenzied condition to induce her to tell me the truth. She did so and listened to my decision in silence. She was to write and sign a confession in the presence of my oldest and truest friend who now sits beside me and who from arst to last of this unbappy business he laid his hand on the others coat sleeve for a moment and his voice faltered but he went on as quietly as ever.

"This done she was to accompany me to England but I told her that if there ever appeared any chance of an innocent person being condemmed for the offence that confession would be hanged har Otherwise any name should not be disgraced. As you know she was taken ill at Adelaids, and when Reynolds for whom I telegraphed arrived she was a hopeless lunatic. Here we have watched, and tended her. I trust as men of hemanity and feeling though for the sake of easier seclusion she passed as my friends sister. But the medical men who attended her knew her to be my wife and under that name they have signed the certificate of her death. Yes, Mr Binks, she died this morning calmly and peacefully and so far as the is concorned your duty is over." He rose as I spoke and opening the door

of an adjoining room beckoned to us to follow He was right. On a bed in it's centre of the elegantly furnished room in which she

had lived almost constantly, lay the second of the unhappy victims of the tragedy of the "You recognise her, gentlemen," asked the ousband Captain Reynolds had remeined without looking down on the still beautiful lace with folded arms and compressed lips, evidently a suppressed volcano. We merely bowed in reply and on returning to the next room Mr Faulconer said in his musl cold

"Mr Wainright, I thank you for your delicacy in this matter. Mr Birks you can trust me for not leaving this pace till I hear from you or your superiors. Good day." "Trust him," said the detective as Captain Reynolds showed us to the door. "Give him my respects, Captai' and say I'd trust him

iny where. What Mr Binks reported to his chief I know not but I know that Mrs Faulconer was buried quietly and that a week afterwards the husband left the colony so I concluded that the authorities have arrived at the conclusion not to interfere and I have told the story-suppressing real names and some of the evidence in order to show how often the "habitual Criminal" theory turns out a failure

I did not see Mr Faulconer before he left but Captain Reynolds called, as he said, to thank me and when I expressed a hope that Mr Faulconer had not suffered in health from the recent trial he replied simply.

"He's out up, of course, poor Frank, but he'll soon pull round. We are going to take a

tour in South Africa." I heard of them once again for the last time the Captain fighting over his friend's body till he fell dead by its side.

What an amount of firm friendship, that few women can understand, there is among these impassive men with whom "gush" is a heresy and morbid sympathy an unclean

A man went into Knows Lake, near Miedletown, Ohio, after laying a wager that he could remain under water two minutes. He won the bet, but he'll never get the money .- Aughsto (Ga.) Phoenix.

"I was never exactly buried alive." said ae old clerk, recounting his experience, "but I once worked a week in a store that did not advertise. When I came out my head was almost as white as you now see it. Solitary confinement did it."—Kincitti Grzette.

Every failure is a step to success: every detection of what is false directs us towards what is true; every trial exhausts some tempting ferm of error. Not only so, but scarcely any attempt is entirely a failure; scarcely any theory, the result of steady thought, is altogether false; no tempting form of error is without some latent charm derived from truth.





Young Australia.

Detective's Dream

It is years since I dreamt that dream, yet scarcely a Christmas comes and goes that I do not many times recall it. Perhaps it and liness I ever had in my life, and was unhinged both in body and mind.

The doctors had insisted on change of air

and scene, and I had got leave from my superiors, but ybere was I to go? The bustle and noise of a summer seaside haunt would have driven mewild, and I had not a single friend in the contry that I could take the iberty of offering a visit to.

One of the inexpected coincidences we beamed withpleasure as he recognised me.

seriously ill. I was just going to hunt you up-upon honor I was, to ask you to accomoany me hone for the holidays." "Home with you!" I said "why I am erfect stranger to your people. I could'nt have the cheel to quarter myself on them un-

can read the partgraph if you like." "Mrs Pemberon is very kind, and I am very grateful," I said as I returned the letter but you are going to have a wedding in the family, and I am grite unfit for any festi-

the ceremony unless you choose. I have settled it all in my own mind, old fellow, you shall have my room; it is a regular bachelor's den with an entrance of its own-you can come and go without a soul being the wiser. Now you won't say no?"

friend to his home at Werrimona, and there I dreamed my dream. Werrimona was and is one of the loveliest spots the sun of Victoria shines on. It is a nest of verdure among the hills that slope in around it leaving broad openings here and there that the eye may warder to the blue mountain pasks in the far distance, or rest on the shimmering windings of Werrimona Creek. If the whole country had been searched for a peaceful spot in which one might rest and en-

fair Werrimona. Mrs Pemberton had been long a widow, and scene at Werrimona with the glaring gas and noisy streets of Melbourne at that hour, when Mrs Pemberton had been long a widow, and me at my ease in a few friendly words; to Evelyn Pemberton, her only daughter and the entered. soon-to-be bride, I must devote a few more

words. ever saw, and in her rare smiles the rich lips afforded a glimpse of teeth regular and white

as rows of pearls. Yes, Evelyn was beautiful in spite of the almost total absence of color in her face. Her complexion was of a delicate creamy hue, and only in rare moments of excitement a pale rose tint appeared for an instant in her soft cheeks. The very first time Evelyn Pemberton's eyes rested on mine in a deep, and almost solemn gaze, I felt a strange thrill through my whole beng—a thrill that had something of a shuddir in it, though the

It was not until afterI had seen her that I

with a becoming flish rising to his brown cheek, "I'll try hardfor the future." "My dear Pemberon, I assure you I only

spoke in general terms-1 had no intention of recurring—" he interripted, "I am sure

She is very beautiful—very, may I ask it is she is going to marry, Albert?" should think you may; why you'll meet im dinner to night—that is if you don't peared.

or souish. I must make the acquaintance of Miss Pemberton's intended at all events, Ithered that he is a neighbour?" and he is one of the nicest young fellows in

the world. If there is any fault to be found with him it is his youth, he is the same age as Fivelyn-but that you know, will mend. She

"Oh of course, that goes without saying but I don't mindtelling you, Sinclair, that he's fat casier satisfied than I should be in his place." "As now?"

'And don't you think your sister is happy?"
"She says she is. But, oh heavens, Sinclair
to understand what's the use of trying to understand women?" added the nineteen year old cynic, "I don't suppose they're ever of the same mind two monthstogether."

"I know that you're a safe card to talk to. Sinclair, I can trust you to held your tongue if I say to you what I wouldn't to another. You see the mater and Evelyn look upon me as a boy, and I'm out of the running in family uttered the last low wo herself and went on. vn before things had gone too far, and I got

"Ad Corwyn?"

Evelyn Pemberion's eyes.
"Dead? not be! the poor fellow's taken it

like a sheep, and is the mater's right hand man. You will see him at dinner to night "Am I to understand that your sister was engaged to this M1. Corwyn, and that it was

broken off in favour of Mr. Kingsley?" "That's how I take it, but as a matter of do not many times recall it. Perhaps it and the events which followed, made a deeper impression on my memory because I was at the time barely recevering from the most serious and not trusted with the family secrets. I the provening from the most serious are not trusted with the family secrets. I know that I used to ca. If Ned about being of his bride. I excused mysef from being of my brother, and he liked it, and all at once it the party on the lacted my recent illness. a hint at such a thing," I felt rather curious to see these young men

was shining in the drawing-room window at D. must of all men appreciate errimona when Mrs. Pemberton introduced me to them, and my first idea in connection with either was that I was disappointed in Kingeley as a husband for the queenly Livelyn. He was simply a fair haired and empty-headed boy, full of chatter and vanity, good tempered, doubtless, and proud of his beautiful fiancer, but no more suited as guide, guardian, and companion to such a woman than a schoolboy of twelve.

stamp of man. I darceay he was twenty seven. He was tall and strongly built, yet gentlemanly—nay, distinguished looking. have seen such a man in a cavalry regiment, with a sword in his hand, and the air of one born to do great deeds. What could be the secret influence that forced Evelyn Pemberton to discard such a men for a common-place boy such as Coarie Kingsley?

And yet when I had engaged in conversaness of Edward Corwyn might hide a terrible wrote asking leve to take you up with me, telling them, you may be sure, that I was greatly indebted to yor, Sinclair, though I this in words, but I once or twice saw a flash discovery concerning it be the result of chance, in his eyes, as they turned towards Miss when I saw the very girl whe had had the midnight appointment coming from the house and attentive old school-fellow, and he treated Kingsley as a man would a favoured brother, lightly and half mockingly: it was only when he momentarilly forgot his role that I saw the dark grey eyes flash with an ominous

I watched Evelyn closely, but saw nothing to guide me as to her feelings in the dignified calm of her beautiful face. She accepted the attentions of her intended in a quoenly way that seemed natural to her. Her grand eyes were turned on him, on Corwyn, or on myself beautiful piece of mechanism wound up to play a certain part, in which it was impossible she should fail

Once or twice I saw the mother's eye glance anxiously towards her, and once I saw that Evelyn's eyes met those of her mother, and answered the anxiety in them with a smile. It was a tame evening altogether, in spite of the young people's music, and I was glad when I got back to Albert's room, and was once more seated by the open window looking out at the moonlight lying in patches foliage with gleams among the shades. I was contrasting the solemn quiet of this night the door opened and my young friend Albert

"I guessed you would not be sleepy Sinclair," he said as he dropped into a chair op-posite me, "this is an early hour for felthough sad after events taught me an explana- lows used to town life. I won't be in the way,

"Not at all." I replied "On the and not acknowledge that, she was twenty one, tall, and paled and in the contrary, and it is a second of same the same and it pointed to the gloomy shadows among the hair and eyes seemed of almost the same a land of ghosts."

"Aye, after town it is quiet. But, Singlair "Aye, after town it is quiet. But, Sinclair, I've got news for you—our wedding is to come

off sooner than we expected." " Sooner?" "Yes, you know it was settled for the 20th, but it seems that Charlie has business pressing in Sydney, and he's coaxed the mater to let the marriage take place on Christmas

eve.' "And your sister has consented?" to-night, but it seems everything has been put forward. By Jove its a good job I brought my war-paint up with me after all !"

"You are to be best man, of course?" "Yes, and Miss Emerson is to be bridesmaid. It's not Charlie's fault that it's to be such a quiet affair-he, poor fellow, would willingly have spent no end of money on all, was it a faithful confidant? it, but its one of Evelyn's fads that she's to be married like-like a machine girl, by

Jove! ' I heard a good deal about the arrangements before Albert left me, and I sat there thinking over them and enjoying the quiet long after the household had retired. The rustling of the lonely branches on the darkening hill-side had a weird attraction for my unacoustomed ears-the voiceless air breathing on my face seemed to bring new life into my veins, yet withal even my hardened soul felt, as I had told Albert, a solemn depression that was half in the house had retired, I took up my lamp,

I had risen, and was about to close the winback of the house where my room was, and I she stopped under a tree a little way up the was no mistaking that graceful yet majestic side of the hill, and was quickly joined by a form.
The latter was tall, that was all I

could be certain of, though my eyes were keen from years of detective duty, but the woman I had a nearer view of before she disap-The interview was a short one, and the female hastened back towards the house. Once she turned to look back and satisfy herself that her companion had gone—it was as she turned again and moved that her face and figure crossed a ray of moonlight and I saw than both. It was a ghort, active girl of twenty-three or four, apparently one of the maids, and disgusted with myself for watching a servant's interview with some rustic lover, I closed the window and went tobed. I slept well and was out in the garden be-fore any of the family had made their appearance. Shortly after, however, I was joined in my stroll by Mrs. Pemberton, who in her tasteful morning dress of pale blue looked young enough and happy enough to have been the prospective bride herself. She was evidently in a happy mood, and soon the conversation drifted to the subject that was doubtless

nearest to her heart that summer morning. "You have heard of our change of plan, dear Mr. Sinolair, has soon as I am to lose my Evelyn ?" "Yes, Mrs. Pemberton, Albert told me last night. Fortunately it won't be for long. I

understand that Mr. Kingsley's place is only a couple of miles away."
"Yes indeed, it is most fortunate for me. And to be the mistress of such a house as

Kingsland is a position that any mother might be proud to see her child fill." "Miss Pemberton would adorn the highest position, my dear madam.' Thank you, and Ido not think I need fear your words are intended as flattery. Evelyn s a beautiful woman and a devoted daugh-

The poor mother's voice broke as she uttered the last low words, but she recovered "I do not mind saying to you, who are such a valued friend of my boy's, that Evelyn's shoice has relieved my mind of a great weight,

the ground the walked on."

"Is he dead?" I asked, thinking I had nearly over, Kingdey is not only a wealthy volume man, but the soul of generosity!" with; but, thank heaven, my troubles are you?

Her troubles nearly over! many and many a time after did those words of the unhappy

one day intervened between is and Evelyn Pemberton's wedding morn. At breakfast that morning there was only the quartette, Mrs. Pemberton, Evelyn, Albert and myself was as much as my life was worth to venture and when I had seen them iff I strolled up the hill at the back (the same which faced the window of my room,) and hrowing myself sho were to meet on friendly terms under on the warm gass under a tee, prepared to such peculiar circumstances. The low sun

I was wondering if Evelyn Pemberton had been influenced by her mother to discard Edward Corwyn for that shallow-pated lad Kingsley, when I happened to see, shining amongst the grass near the elbow on which I was leaning, a stud set in onyx. Hy eyes are, as I said before, professionally starp, and I recognised it at once as one of a set worn by Corwyn on the presions evennig. All at once Edward Corwyn was a totally different tree where I had witnessed the moonlight it flashed upon me that I was under the very meeting, and that Corwyn's must have been the tan male ugue tues had formed one at the appointment.

in the direction of the hill.

An idea that Corwyn might lave managed behind a shady cluster of young she-caks and

There was no doubt of it—she was searching for something, and at last found what she for me to have expressed aloud my sentiments in connection with him.

The following day-the twenty-third-I had consequence of carrying it, and I shared a ments and left them to lie there in her form.

naturally was my friend Albert.

"We'll all have to turn in, as you call it. early; there is plenty to be done in the morning, and we must be up betimes."

mater?" "My dear, a young lady on the eve of her "It seems so. 1 didn't know it until marriage has many things to do. She has to pack for her trip to Sydney, and to arrange her wardrobe generally. And you know Evelyn has no maid, but Milly Werner has been helping her all day." Milly Werner? was that the young dame that met Corwyn at

ous maid had Evelyn Pemberton; or, after, I felt very unlike sleep that night, and knowing, the result of tumbling and tossing about on a sleepless bed for hours was likely to be, I determined not to go to bed at all

until I had worn myself out sitting up. was about eleven o'clock when I came to this conclusion, and all the house was in the most perfect stillness. I had taken a book in which I was interested into the drawing room early in the day, and the idea that I should like to finish it took

The door was ajar, and the room in dark-

dow, when I saw a woman's form gliding ness, savenear the windows, through which a smong the busbes a little distance from the flood of moonlight was falling. I had taken possession of my book and was retreating, benaturally stood still to watch. I had no light, fore I noticed a female figure standing in a for I had put out the lamp on my first entrance, so as to enjoy the full beauty of the calm moonlight. The woman did not go far.

At the first glance I knew it was Evelyn, there At the first glance I knew it was Evelyn, there

She must have heard my movements even at the moment I saw her, for she turned her whiteness of death on it, and almost the Let me try and describe her as I saw her cord and tassels tied round her slender the eashmere skirt, showed a white silken stocking and shoe of black satin; and that was all—there was not a bit of lace at her fair neck or wrists, or a ring of gold on the perfect

have no business here indeed, and mamma would be very angry if she knew, but I wanted a-a last look." -a lass look.
"Oh no, Miss Pemberton; though you

life at Werrimona." "I do not know"—she returned as she shook her head sadly, "I feel a presentiment that when I leave my mother's home it will be never to return to it again,"

'You are nervous, my dear Miss Pemberton, and unsettled, when the sun shines on your wedding morning you will forget all this de-"I hope so,"

"Oh, you don't know him, he's another rubbing it off, I'm rubbing it in, my word.

N'yum! N'yum!"

"Oh, you don't know him, he's another neighbour, a school-mate of mine, and of Evelyn's too, far that matter, though he is years older than either of us. Well, if ever a relief to me that it has not proved to be so.

"There was a time when I feared that early associations might have biassed her affections in a less favorable direction, and it is a great relief to me that it has not proved to be so.

I ask you to trust me a little. I feel as it there

"There is no one without rouble, not even a young girl like me," she adwered steadily, but my trouble, if I have on is one of my own making, and no one can hip me. Thank you all the same, dear Mr. Sinchir, some day perhaps----"

"I hardly know what I was goog to express. Ever since I looked first into our face on my return." have felt as if there was some trange, solumn tie between us, as if one day me life, my honor or my good name would lie inyour hands A queer feeling, is it not? but I was alway a strange, dreamy girl, and neer

"but if ever you place a trust in my hands I will redeem it faithfully or dist" "Tnank you truly. And now let it be farewell-I shall not have a moment to speak

to you again.' She put her hand in mine as I murmured a "God bless and make you happy," and she left there while she repeated the "Farewell," that rang in my care for many a long day after; and so I went back to my chamber leaving her, still by the window, with the moonlight streaming on her pale face and

white-robed figure.

My book was after all of no value on that night—the last that should fall on peaceful Werrimona with a shadow of content. It was far on in the small have are I undressed, and the beautiful daughter of the house, the bride of to-morrow.

I slept heavily at last, to be aroused by someone trying the handle of my door as if to gain entrance without knocking. Sleing that the sun was shining brightly, I bounded from my hed, threw on some garments and unlocked the door—the first glance of Mrs. Pemberton's white, frightened face was enough to show me that something had happened.

"Oh, for the love of God, come and help me Mr. Sinclair!" she whispered tremblingly, Evelyn has gone : oh tell me, tell me what I am to do !"

"Gone; what do you mean?" "Let me in, I don't want to let anyone know-yet, I went to her room early, so as to get Evelyn up and ready in time, and I found that her bed had never been slept in! I have searched in the house and garden-every. where! but I cannot find her; oh God! what shall I do?"

"Has she taken anything with her? made any preparations for a journey I mean?"
"Not that I can see—her wraps at all events are in her wardrobe."

"Let us go to the room, and be as calm as you can my dear lady-if Miss Pemberton is lost we will find her, be assured." The poor woman led me almost blindly to the chamber of the lost bride, tears of terror and agony rolling over her blanched cheeks. It was a new experience to me, and a pitiful one, this entrance to a girl's chamber where all preparations had been made for her happy

bridal morn. There were two beds in the apartment, and both were hung in pure white lace looped with pale blue silk. On the snowy counterpane of one of these the bridal garments were spread daintily—a trailing robe of white silk almost covered with rich lace, the bridal wreath, the bridal veil. All the little accessories to a perfect toilet lay in order, the silken hose, the white satin boots, the long white gloves, the golden and jewelled bouquetholder that had been a gift from the bridegroom. The ghostly attire had, under the circumstances, a weird look—it was as if a dead bride had slipped from her wedding garsoramble dinner with Pemberton and his I saw the mother's hands clasped in pitiful

se as she glanced at them, while I made my own observations on the state of things. It was as poor Mrs. Pemberton had said, not an article of outdoor attire was missing have judged the man you come to like for all the chambermaid. From what I Baw I time carded and lured back to bit allowing the carded and lured back to bit allowing the carded and lured back to bit allowing here. to the conclusion that Evelyn had not visited her room after my meeting with her the previous night—I was almost certain of this,

after that hour she would have wound it. I said nothing of the meeting I had had in the drawing-room, but I asked the mother if she had any reason to suppose that Miss Pemberton did not intend to fulfil her engagement to

Mr. Kingsley? "Oh no!" she cried!" on the contrary, she gave me her sacred word last night ere I left her here that she would not fail!"

"Was a sacred promise necessary then?' I asked sharply, "has it been necessary to remind your daughter of a vow on the eve of an unwelcome alliance? Mrs. Pemberton, you know I am a detective, if you wish me to help you in this matter it is necessary for you to put entire confidence in me—to tell me the whole truth."

whole truta.
"There is nothing to tell!" she almost shricked "mychild! mychild!" I began to feel angry with the woman, who it seemed to me must base coerced her daughter into a wealthy engagement; I felt less inclined to spare her, and related what had passed between Evelyn and myself.

assed between Evelyn and myself.

"There was some weight on her heart." I he laughed mockingly and bowed.

"There was torrible present input oppress." he laughed mockingly and bowed. said, "and some terrible presentiment oppressing her—can you explain it Mrs. Pemberton?" "No!" she cried wildly, "I can explain nothing, only that my child has left me for ever! my Evelyn! my Evelyn!"

Her shrieks had aroused the household, and

Albert was in the room with the servant Mill; Werner. I glanced into the girl's face sharply and saw that she quailed under my eye. drew her aside while Albert heard the sad truth from his distracted mother, and ques-

"Were you aware that Miss Pemberton had left the house?" "Me sir! how should I know of such s thing? I am not even Miss Pemberton's "You have not answered my question

house, or had any intention of leaving it last broken down utterly, and a medical man night?" night?' "No!" she answered brazenly" I know nothing about it !" "I might find a way to refresh your

Sarrying any said sharply. "Have you been and your young mistress lately?" "No, I havn't "she cried as her face burned crimson. "Your communications with that gentle-

man were entirely onyour own account then? She grew pale as suddenly as she had flushed, it was a little attic chamber—and knecked out answered after. but answered after a moment's hesitation, sharply at the door. There was some shuffly as entirely on my Yes, entirely on my own account!" "Take care—I may make you prove that

before you are many hours older.' I heard some ejaculation like "impidence!" as I turned and took Albert from the room, leaving the hysterical mother in the hands of the servants.

Together the anxious young fellow and I searched everywhere in hope of discovering any traces of his sister. There was no use in trying to hide from the household what had happened in the face of Mrs. Pemberton's "Now I said," will you tell me what you will said, " will you tell me what you have done with Miss Femberoutories, and every servant save Milly Werner was helping in a search that proved to be ton?" vain. When I saw how useless it was, it was

nearly nine o'clock. We may decide that there will be no wedding to day. I'm afraid Albert" I said, while we partook of a hasty meal. "It will be better for you to ride over for Kingsley, and send messengers to all the invited guestr that the wedding is postponed—your mothers sudden illness will be a sufficient excuse." "Sinclair" he refurned, looking at me with

a great seriousness in his young face, " this matter will be the ruin of poor Evelyn-do ith Corwyn r
"I don't think it at all likely, since she has gone apparently in her wrapper and slippers, but I am going over to ask him the question "You!"
"I myself—you seem to have forgotten that I am a detective, Pemberton, who could nore fittingly inquire into the American American thing the transfer of the American State of the American Sta what awful thing do you seem at 1041 700

what awing thing no long a property you should recur to your projection.

"Be a man Pemberton, in the most now much is on your should wat the money ment the representative of balalary much is on your should wat the moment since you are the representative of helples mother. Go, and do as I said to will see you I went to the stables, and after the stables, and the house of Edward Corwyn.

I knew where to go, to the onion bys of his I knew where to go, i the coin bys of his farmhouse were visible from some of the windows at Werrimona, and had been pointed on dows at Werrimona, and had losen p-inted out to me. I roderapidly, and scott reacted the snug-looking homestend amount if a trees that was called Corwincials. It looked like the board of a thriving man had look and a snug-look and look and a snug-look and look and a snug-look and a snu that was carred Corwinciale. It looked his the house of a thriving man, but had cound house of the elegancies of wealth. It was a thouse of the elegadors of wealth. It was a phin, shingled verandal I reduce up to and the door, without knocker or bell, aford wide

comfortable looking dama, who looke, See an comfortable tooking datase, who to have a see upper servant made her appearance. In tophy was joined by Elward Corners. He was most perfectly dressed, with the exception of most perfectly dressed, with the exception of the glossy fronk coat he carried in his hand, fellow it would be hard to produce in a carried in a car

extended his hand, you are not the less welcome, that I was far from expecting you. I pray you to excuse my incomplete toilet-the wedding you know, but, had in not been for a lost stud. I believe I should have been half way to Werrimona by this.

A lost stud! I looked at the broad, shore,

immaculate shirt, and aw indeed that that was one stud missing, and from the same

lingly,
"I'm not rich enougi Sinclair, and I'm very thought it his one.
Only yesterday I recovered one of the study.
I had lost the previous dath and now it is gone again—something is the matter with the catch. Well, Mrs. Kingsley, that is to be,

something in my tone perhaps, or in my eyes that were steadily fixed mon him, seen all to affect him—he grew has down to the errollips under his military healing montract. "You look strange, Mr. Stuciai. " ne said. is anything wrong?"

is anything wrong; "I came to ask you that question, Mr. Cor. wyn. Miss Pemberton has disappeared from Werrimons, and no trace : ber can be covered. Can you tell rie weere she is : "I? do you mean to ...stilt me sir? What should I know of Miss Demberton's disagpearance?"

"I understand that at the time you would have been the most likely of all persons to know of Miss Pemberto movements." "Aye, at one" time! he said with bitter em phasis, "the time when E clyn Pamberton was my betrothed wife, and had not been tempted by a weak mother, and mother man's gold !

I have forgotten it !' eyes blazing-he did no look as if he would ever forget it should his term of life extend a

"I don't know who his been kind enough to tell you of my folls!" he went on, "! a be has not told it well, or you we .ld herier

It was impossible to doubt the man's feelings as he stood there, his dark handsome face distorted with terrible passion. As he spurged with his foot the dog that had come into the room with a morning welcome for his master in his faithful eyes, the passion of a new i was clenched in Corwyn's hands and flashin, red

berton? Are you the, without my being aware of it, some close connection of the family? Surely you will favour me with a little information on the to me, at predubious point?"

His face grew pale as I answered him, by

As soon as I can change my dress I will ride As fully convinced that Cormon knew some

complicity since I had myself seen her in con sultation with the man I suspected. One may imagine the state of the houseyou know that Miss Pemberton had left the hold on my return. Mrs. Pemberton been sent for. Young Kingsley had arrived and was roaming about the base in a helpless, limp way, looking, I suppose, for his jest bride in corners that had been searched a dozen times before. The men who had been

ton, and no discovery had been made. My first inquiry was for the girl Werner she was in her own room. I walked straight to it when it had been pointed out to mefling inside, and then the sirl opened the

the door behind me.

At first she attempted a little shrinking, At first she attempted a little shricking, but she had not time to indulge in much ere I had my handens clasped on her wrists. It is kwonderful shat an effect the trich of that kind of ed steel has on a coward, she was instantly silent, though with her white line in a decreased lips in a deermined rigidity over her set

and Cowyn have done with Miss femtor-

to dare?" Oh there is no daring about it my dear ! Iam simply a detective in pursuit of my auty. You wen't tell me, ch? it isn't you can't then?"

"It is I can't! I know nothing shout it! how can I tell you what I don't know? Take off these things! take them of I say, or I'll screech and alarm the house? "Screech away my besuty-l'vs a gag about me somewhere. Oh! you were pack-

Pemberton I was, and why shouldn't I if I like?"



MAMMA. - "Oh you rude boy, to rub off the oice kiss the pretty little girl gave you."

CHARLIE.—"Rub off be blowed. I ain't Faulconer. You have your duty to N'yum! N'yum!"

By Waif Wander. (W. W.)

often meet wih in life, and which good folk are fond of alling providential, solved the difficulty for me. I met in the street Albert Pemberton, /young University student I had accidentally seen able to help in a not over respectable mas he had got into in one of our Town slung, and his good-looking face

"Good havens how bad you look, Sin-olar housed." I only item you had been

nvited, and wlat a chance there is of them nviting a detective to Werrimona!" "How proudyou are; but you're wrong, for I have an invitation for you in my pocket. I have a new you have y

"You need not even share them unless you wish. Evelyn's wedding is to be the quietest you can imagine, but you need not even see

I didn't say no, I went with my young

joy, with a thankful heart the beauties of God's on the mountains, and silvering the nearest given earth, none fairer could be found than

I never understood the girl from the first, tion of much that had puzzled me. She was | ch?" very beautiful, no one could look in her face hues—brown with gleams of gold in them. The former was abundant, soft and wavy, the latter large, heavy lidded, and fringed with deep lashes that made a noticeable feature in her face. Her mouth was, I think, the sweetest I

warm summer sun wis beaming down on my bare head as I bowel before her. felt interest enough to question Albert as to whom she was about tomarry. He had been initiating me into the omforts and peculiarities of his den, which le had, as he promised, resigned to me, and a Ittle fatigued with the journey, I seated myset in a chair near the

journey, I seated mysef in a chair near the window to enjoy the wild view of hill and dale it afforded while to indulged in a smoke.

"Well?" he asked, what do you think of the mater and Evelyn?"

"I think you are a happy fellow to have such a mother," I plied, "and that you ought to try and leads life worthy of her."

"Don't hit so had old fellow!" he said "Don't hit so had old fellow!" he said

a't, but a bad cinecience you know. But ye. haven't told me what you think of my

prefer dining here—I promised you perfect ibert you know." "Taanks, but I must not be too exacting

is a licky girl to hook such a husband as kingsley—Charley is amiable and wealthy."

And is devoted of course?"

"Because Evelyn is so cold—if I was going to be married to a girl I'd expect her to seem happy at all events."

"I hope you have no reason to include Miss Pemberton in that sweeping accusation," I "I have then," was the short answer, and the young fellow bent his brows gloomily and pulled hard at his eight ere he spoke

girl was species on a fellow Evelyn was on A widow left with but a poor provision for her was something troubling ou greatly—is there him, and by Jove it was mutual, he worshipped children has a great responsibility to contend anything in the whole world I can do for

mother recur to my memory. It was the twenty second of Pecember, only

Who could have been his companion, and for what purpose had a midlight interview taken place? If for a momen I doubted the honor of Miss Pemberton and elieved it possible that she had accorded a clandestine meeting to her discarded lover. I remembered

an opportunity to inform the girl of his loss made me drop the stud in the grass again and rise from the spot before she saw me. I did not go far—I only dropped on the grass watched the girl.

sought, and went back to her housework with a light step and, as she fancied. unobserved, with the same quiet smile. She was like a was capable of a low intrigue with the servant My knowledge now of the fact that Corwyn of the woman he had once loved damned him at once in my estimation. The man that could do so was a low villain no matter how noble or gentlemanly the appearance with which he deceived a shallow world; when some hours after he sat opposite to me at dinner, with the unbroken set of onyx studs on his person, it would not have been prudent

> almost entirely to myself. The prospective bridegroom had been forbidden to put in an appearance again at Werrimona until the marriage ceremony had been performed. Evelyn herself was, of course, invisible, and Mrs. Pemberton full of business in preparing for the wedding breakfast and supervising hospitalities. I rambled about the hills most of the day, with Albert's gun in my possession, though I was not guilty of much bloodshed in

> Mrs. Pemberton was in high spirits, and so I'm dead tired!" the latter cried and pest/bib and tucker!"

"I wonder what Evelyn means to allow me for this lot? By Jove she has fine times of it upon her dainty toilet, and that it had stopped hiding away in her own room while we are at twelve o'clock—if the girl had returned slaving to death! Whatever is she doing,

midnight on the hill? if so, a pretty treacher-

possession of me. Believing that every soul fear in the lonely night scene among the Wer- and making as little noise as I could, sought the drawing-room.

> face towards me quickly with a frightened air.
> Never can I forget that beautiful face with the shadows of death beneath the heavy eyes. then, before the terrible after events made a horror of the memory. She were a half-fitting wrapper of white oashmere, with a heavy silken cord and tassels tied round her slender waist and in loops at her left side. Her golden brown heir was not hard land the large come glossy masses, and fastened with a large come behind, beneath which loops and long tresses fell down carelessly on her shoulders. Her small slender foot, as it peeped from under

fingers.
"I beg your pardon, Miss Pemberton," I apologised, "I am afraid I have startled you, Indeed I should not have ventured from my room if I had not believed every soul in the house abed, I came for this book." "Do not apologise," she replied gently, "I

leave home to morrow it is only for so short a time that you will not miss it out of your

Somehow I felt like lingering, though I was quite aware that good taste would have dedicated my immediate retirement; but I had some excuse while those grand eyes lingered

"Some day?" I repeated as shopaused.

thought I would be a long liver."
"God forbid that there should be any foundation for such fears!" I cried earnestly

> I knocked loudly with my whip, an soon a upper servant made net appearance. At reply to my wish to see her reaster, she told me he was dressing for Miss Pemberton's wedding was disserting for same removement a weading but on my sending a message that my bust ness was urgent, I was shown into en unpreness was urgent, a was snown into an unrea-tending parlor, where in a w momental

and.
"Mr. Sinclair !" he cried in surprise, as he

I did not take the hand which he doubtless fancied I did not see, and he sent on sail

"No," I repeated "sh, will not obecave its absence. Something in my tone parages, or in my

But that time has passed, sir, and, thank God He did not look as it he had forgotten in standing there with his hands elenched and his

carded and lured back to bis allegiance by a soft look. If there was not another woman in the whole world and Erelyn Pemberton knelt to me to make her m. wife I would spare her as I do that hound

in his awful gaze.
I turned towards the door, but he placed himself before me and spoke in a meaning tone. "Stop, if you please, I I may sure's expret to be told by what right you take upon poorself the right to search for Miss Evelyn

"My name is Mark Sincising I said, as I looked him steadily in the ince, and I am Senior Detective in the Metropolitan Force of Detectives. Is there any other information you would like me to supply you with ?"

"I was not aware that I had a visitor of such importance. Au revoir. Mr. Sinclair. over to Werrimons and see it I can be ci a: service to Mrs. Pemberton." thing of the girl's disappearance as that I breathed. I returned to Werrimons. I was a a loss what to do, as there was not a magis trate within many miles, and I could prove nothing against Corwyn that would excuse my arresting him without a warrant. One thing I could however do-I could try to frighten Milly Werner into a confession of

dozen times cerore. The man in the neigh-bourhood had returner with young I confer-

door. I pushed her back, were in, and looked

"No I won't!" she hissed, " who are you

I was going to leave—yes, I told Mrs.

"Because I don't like my dear. Now, are

you going to tell me where Miss Pemberton "I don't know! I declare to God I don't

Not where she is now, perhaps, but you can tell a good bit that will help us to find can ten a good of convert to say to you that night you met him on the hill, and what did be give shen you returned him the stud be had lost? Come now, it will be better for yo

to make a clean breast of it." "I won't! see that now! you may kill as and I won't! Since you know so much, grand ask Mr. Corwyn himself—you'll know noning

from me!"
"Very well, until you change you mind you will remain a prisoner in this rom. If you have not come to your senses he to-morrow morning I'll care you in to verrimona

look-up."
While I had been speaking I hd been examining the little window—it ws impossible to escape from it. I took the by out of the door and she made a rush to to and escape as

I opened it. "Let me hear one bit of pise and I'll gag you," I said as I pushed heroack. " I'll bring you some prison rations to ards evening, and if you have come to your suses I'll hear what

you have to say."
But she said nothing. When I returned at night she was sitting on her bed with a sullen, determined look or her dark faze, and would not even reply to me when I addressed

"You have been well bribed my ady," I thought, "but the sight of the policenen I'll

give you in charge to to more and many to loosen your tongue.

I was wearied out, body and mind, and was ssleep almost as soon as I was in bed, and I must have dreamed simost as soon as I slept. It seemed to me that I saw Evelyn again, as I saw her on the revious night, in her trailing white dress; but the hair among which the moonbeams had rested was hanging down almost to her waist, tangled and dishevel ed. In the great eyes, too, there seemed an awful glassy stare, and the white hands seemed stretched out entreatingly towards me !

I struggled myself awake as if from a night mare, and for a second of time after I opened my eyes I seemed to see the shadowy outline of a form between me and the window. I sat up in bed to satisfy myself that there was nothing but space where I had imagined that

shape.
"I shall have a relapse if my brain does not get a rest," I thought, as I resolutely turned my face to the wall and shut my eyes. Just then I heard the clock in the hall strike twelve-it was Christmas morning, almost the same hour in which last night Evelyn had said to me her last "Farewell?

In a few moments I slept again, and again I dreamed, but this time my dream had some new features, and was peculiarly vivid. I saw Evelyn gazing at me reproachfully, and I recalled my promise as though she had then repeated it with her shadowy lips. " If ever you place a trust in me I will redeem it faithfully or die; " that was my promise-had she come to claim it?

In my dream I gazed at the misty form and met the awful and glassy eyes. She seemed to stand near a window as she had done last night in the drawing-room, but this window was smaller, had broken panes and tangled foliage waving long sprays outside it. In ide, too, the woodwork looked old and broken and out of the perpendicular, and the floor upon which she seemed to stand was broken and

discolored. This time when I awoke in a shudder I bounded from my bed and dressed myself-I could no more have lain still after that repeated dream than if I had seen Evelyn in the flesh and she had called me to avenge her. That she had met with foul play I was convinced, and I went softly to Albert's room and awoke him-it was not hard to do, he started up fearing some fresh trouble

"Albert?" I asked, " is there anywhere in this neighborhood an old, uninhabited house

"How far is it from this ?" "Under a mile."

"Get up and dress yourself my friend, you and I must go to that old house within the hour," and as he was dressing I told the poor fellow of my dream and all I feared that You must be brave to meet the worst

lad," I said, " it would kill your mother to tell her the truth if it is as bad as I fear." We had provided ourselves with candles and matches, and easily made our way into the fast decaying timber house. I went straight the whitefaced trembling youth following me closely. A single look at the window showed

toward the room that had the broken panesme the counterpart of what I had seen in my dresm, only that there was not even the shadow of lost Evelyn to remind me of my promise. Holding a candle in my hand looked round the room, and then low on the broken iloor for traces of feet or marks to prove my lears not unfounded. I discovered them; on the very spot where Evelyn had seemed to stand Corwyn's for the second time lost stud was lying, and there were spots of blood where it lay!

Without a single hope now we searched the house vainly, until I discovered some loose boards in the flooring of a small back apartment in which the roof had given way and partially tallen in the boards were lifted, and there lay the form of Evelyn Pemberton, with some folds of her stained robe covering her dead lace! When the first burst of the poor bother's horrified sorrow was past we lifted the fair form, carried it into the best of the rooms, and laid it decently on a table that happened to be there. We could do no more until we procured means and assistance. We were returning in awful silence, leaving the victim of revenge alone in the ruined house behind us, when the loud neighing of a horse in the bush not far away attracted my attention. It was a strange neigh, half squeal, as if the animal was in pain, and we turned our horses in the direction of the sound. We found a bay horse entangled by the bridle in some scrub, with a broken saddle beside him near

a log.
"This is Corwyn's horse?" gried Albert, as he dismounted and released the horse, who took advantage of his liberty to scour through the brush homeward; nor did we trouble to follow him for his master mas 'sing breathing his last.

I stooped and raised his heavy head to my face, and as I did so he opened his eyes, fixed them on my face and knew me.

"I've had my revenge you see, and all is well!" he murmured, "she will play no man lake again!" and he was dead—almost with a smile on his murderous lips !

The story of my dream is told—let the faithless maid Werner drop out of it like the worth-less thing she was. I suppose I must do her the justice to believe that when she persuaded Evelyn to grant Corwyn that last meeting, she never dreamed of murder. We had unfortunately no held on her, so she went free

and out of my sight for ever. My friend Albert's master of Werrimone now, and has a family of fair children growing up around him. The eldest he has named "Evelyn," in memory of his lost sister, and sometimes I fancy the grl has a look in her great drawn by the grl has a look in her great dreamy eyes of the murdered bride.

Charley Kingsley did not break his heart, though he grieved long for Livelyn's terrible loss, new there are happy children also at Kingsland that bear his name. Mrs. Pemberton is dead. If shefelt remorse for influencing her daughter to deceive the

man she loved, and accept one she could not love for the sake of his wealth, she never said so, but carried the secret of her sin with her to the grave.

Excitement, rightly directed, furnishes healthy motive-power to carry humanity for-ward. Without excitement we should be a dull, phlegmatic, uninteresting, unprofinable

HINE-RA. (1) A MAORI LOVE SONG.

By R. F. WHITWORTH. For medning of Maori words

Sec, see foot of poem. PROEM Three plumel fern trees stood as sentinels.

Upon an upland Wairao (2) lake, A little hill shut in by leafy A tangled maze of flax and thorny brake,

In the Kainga (3) dwelt a mighty chief, The Rangitira Tangata (1.) "the King of man" Ariki (5) he, and Makutu, (6) in brief,

The ruler of the Tarawera (7) clan. With him his daughter famed for beauty near and far, The Maori maiden, "Girl of Sunlight," Hinè Ra.

A high born beauty of savage race, Straight as a reed and graceful as a pune,
The rose veins glowing in her olive face,

A picture of the

form divine." Clad in a drooping Kiwi (8) feather'd robe, That half concealed, yet half betray'd, her charms, Pounamu (9) ear-drops from each tiny lobe,
A sharks' tooth circlet round ner neck and

arms, A Kea (10) feather in the jet black hair That hung in rich profusion to her waist—Although it needed not the plume to wear To show her to be one of ruling caste-For pride of rank shone in her lustrous eye, And every gesture prov'd her pride of place. The dainty hands and feet, the head held

" human

Proclaimed her daughter of a Kingly race. A Cleopatra of the wild and wood,

In all the charm of girlhood's form and Yet flush and bloom of youthful Woman hood.

A child of Nature, and a dusky Queen. But love rules all the world, the lofty and the

And pride of birth gives way when Cupid twangs his bow. She sat without the Whare's (11) carven Beneath the feathery fronds that wav'd

above, The while Matariki (12) told o'er and o'er His oft repeated burning tale of love. He was a youthful warrior of the sept, Brave in the foray, skilful in the chase, In arts of peace or warfare an adept, As show'd the mystic Moko (13) on hi

young Matariki, "The shining harvest And Had won the love of lovely "Sun-girl,"

face

CANTO. This is Matariki, this is hls word; Matariki who sings to thee with heart elate: Now is the pleasant spring time, when the

is love song to his list'ning mate So 'tis Matariki his song who sings' To thee, his best beloved one who art, And let his voice go, Hine, to thy heart.
E'en as the words of passion spring from

mine, So, Hinè-Ra, the beautiful, the chiefest treasure. Let them sink softly, deeply into thine, Take root and flourish, without stint or

measure, What is love like? Nay, who can fairly tell? What words of feeble language can ex-The longing look, the sigh, the bosom's

awell. The burning languor, the delicious pain, Fierce as is Tongariro's (14) hidden fire, Hot as the breath from Ruspehu's mouth Wild as the thunder tempest dark and dir Cruel as is the savage wind storm from the

South. Deep in my heart the flame of love lies Deep in my soul its throbbing pangs are

Deep in my inmost being, whence, un bidden. Volcano like, it surely will have vent, The love that tames the dauntless, and that

bows the strong, Such is my love, that breaks forth into fervid The summer soit winds sighing through

the trees, The faint hum of the distant river's rush, The mystic mosning of the mountain

Unite to make the music of the bush. The gentle Kuku (15) calling to his mate, The Kakarikis (16) song that gladly swells, Now loudly ringing as with joy elate, Now low and tender like sweet fairy bells. The hot sun shining in the arch of blue, The fleecy clouds along soling everybend. The fleecy clouds slow sailing overhead, The purple mountains' ever changing hue, The bright lake sleeping it its shingle bed The pink and purple of the early dawn, The red and amber sunset in the west, The swaying toi-grass, (17) the spreading

fern, The restless ocean's ever heaving breast. The glittering ice peaks, pointing to the

The radiant rata (18) with its wealth of bloom, The bright hued birds that flutter swiftly by, The forest, wrapp'd in silence and in

Whatever else of beauty may the eye enthrel. --- dost ist surpass them all.

Black as the ripe flax seed the lustrou Black as the shining depths of Roto-ma(19) And yet a lucent fire within them lies, Black, yet so beauteous, are thine, Hine-Ra The red blood mantling in the winsome face Pure as the water from Wai-toto's (20)

spring, The silken hair, apt symbol of high race, And dark and glossy as the Tui's (21)

The pearly teeth, set in the coral lips, The rounded neck, with grace in every turn, The supple form, the foot that lightly trips, Through, yet scarce bends, the soft elastic

All these, oh ! high-born "Sun-girl," Hinè-Ra, are thine, Queen of the wood and wilderness, as thou art

Fed by the tribute of a thousand rills-Whose onward flowing waters, cold and Spring from their fountains in the snow-

arown'd hills-Taupo's (22) blue wavelets glisten in the Taupo-Moana feeds Waikato (23) stream

Waikato stream meanders to the sea And once I dreamt, 'twas but a foolish dream, That, like the river's waters, love was free; The boiling springs that swell Waiksto's

But make his current still more swiftly The rocky shores that stem his swelling



But urge nim forward to the sea below; lam thy river, thou art-Hine Ra-my sea, and my wild course of love hath no outlet but

1 Hine-Ra, a Maori female name, signifying 'Girl of Sunlight or daylight," Literally "Girl laylight," "Ra," the sun, is feminine in Maori Marama," the moon, masculine.

Wairoa, long water. Kainga, an inclosed village or township. Rangitira Tangata, Rangitira, a chief or ruler. Tangata, a man. 5 Ariki, chief priest.

6 Makutu, Soreery, sorceror.
7 Tarawera, peaked or serrated place.
8 Kiwi, the apteryx, a wingless bird, of whos umage the fivest mats are made.

9 Pounamu, greenstone.
10 Kea, a kind of parrot or hawk whose wing feathers are worn only by those of high rank in he tribes. 11 Whare, a hut or house. 12 Matariki, a male name. The pleades, the Star of May, the first month of the Maori year,

he time of harvest. 13 Moko, a general name for tattoo marks. 14 Tongariro, Ruapehu, two volcanic mountains in the North Island, the first extinct, he second yet active.

15 Kuku, the wood pigeon. 16 Kakariki, the sweetest song bird of New Zealand 17 Toi, a graceful reed. 18 Rata, a tree bearing bright red flowers.
19 Roto-ma, a small lake in the hot lakes

country.
20 Wai-toto, literally "red water," a sacred fountain in the North Island.

21 Tui, a beautiful bird with jet black plumage, and having two white pendent feathers under the throat. The "parson bird," of Europeans. 22 Taupo, or Taupo-Moana, a large lake in the

23 Waikato, the largest river in New Zealand.

For Life or Death BY GROSVENOR BUNSTER.

Sixty years ago there resided on a little islet call Snake Island in D Entrecasteaux channel, Tasmania, a family named Weldon. The father was an old pensioner, and had been one of the detachment of soldiers which formed the prisoners' guard when the settle-ment of Port Phillip was abandoned and removed to Van Diemen's Land in 1804. His family consisted of his wife, two daughters, and two sons. Of the former the elder was about fifteen years of age, the younger nine. The sons were relatively eighteen and twelve years of age, and they assisted their father in the cultivation of the little island: in timber cutting on the mainland, and in fishing industries, which sufficed to realise a comfortable subsistence for all. The rent of the island was but nominal, and the only drawback to residence upon it was the circumstance that all stores and necessaries had to be brought from Hobart Town, a distance of some thirty-five or forty miles up the river. It is true there was a convict settlement at Birch's Bay on the mainland, and about

three miles from Snake Island; but no stores were there procurable. Every three months or so, therefore, old Weldon and his sons re paired to Hobart Town in their whale-boat, with the produce of their little farm, potatoes onions, goats' cheese and dried fish, and on return brought back a supply of necessaries. It was the morning of the day before Christmas, and Weldon and his boys were exnected to return that afternoon laden with

good things with which to keep the great east and festival of the year. The wife and her children rose early. There was much to do, to clean up the cottage, and decorate it, and make such needful preparations as suggested themselves to their housewifely thought The day broke beautifully calm and clear, and as Mrs. Weldon threw open the door and gazed across the stretch of water that lay between the island and the main shore, the glint of the rising sun upon the ocean threw back rays of golden light which dazzled her sight at first with their sheen and glory. Presently she shaded her eyes and gazed earnestly at an object which her accustomed vision quickly discovered upon the water, midway between the mainland and the

" Mag," she cried, "Come here." The sire of the state of the suburnt and graceful, was quickly at her side. As she stood by her mother, it would not have been diffi ult for a stranger to mote the resemblance between them, and conjecture that the comeliness of the elder woman was the maturity of a grace and beauty which had

een inherited by her daughter. "Yonder's a boat, Mag, heading for the island.' A faint flush came into the young girl's heeks. "Perhaps," she said, and then paused. The

mother smiled.

"James Kennedy, maybe, you think, eh
Mag? Well, he's welcome. But it's rather
early for a visit, isn't it? Bring out the glass.''

The girl turned into the house and brought telescope to her mother. The dame adjusted it, and looked long and steadfastly at the host. As she did so, the ruddy color in her face departed, and her cheeks grew

pale.
"Prisoners," she whispered, as though to herself-then aloud she said: "Mag, the boat is full of canaries," (prisoners dressed in yellow and grey jackets) they're bolters. My God-what shall we

Instantly all the horrible possibilities of a visit from such wretches flashed upon her startled imagination. For a moment she seemed paralyzed. Then, with a supreme effort, she recovered herself.

for more than life. These wretches have stolen the boat—and there is only one you know—from the settlement. They mean to corporal, "They've come over from the bay the settlement. Thence, a messenge was despatched to Mobart Town, and all the survivors were speedily removed thither. Survivors were speedily removed thither. They mean to corporal, "They've come over from the bay the settlement. Thence, a messenge was despatched to Mobart Town, and all the survivors were speedily removed thither. They were at once tried, found guilty, and the settlement. Thence, a messenge was despatched to Mobart Town, and all the survivors were speedily removed thither. They mean to corporal, "They've come over from the bay the settlement. The settlement of my ariston to the corporal of the

rob us and—oh Herren I do you understand girl, our peril.' "Yes mother," was the answer, " we must fight, and, if need be, die."

"Good, brave, said the woman, clasping was drawn up in which the convicts had esber daughter to her breast, and kissing her caped. They an alongside.

passionately. / And now no time is to be Hold on, father, cried the elder son, lost. They wil be here in half an hour. Get in, Mag, and let us barricade the house. If there's many of 'em it will be madness to Call the dog ir. Thank heaven we have some powder and lead left, though we must not was that chap dropped." waste a sho. And Mag, my brave girl, remember—remember!" and she gripped her daughter's hand with passionate strengthdaughter's hand with passionate strength—
"remember, none of us must fall into those wretches hands alive. If we can't keep soldier felt a glew of pride thrill through him served to comfort Mrs. Welden and Maggy wretches hands alive. If we can't keep them of, you know what is to be done. Leave I zzie to me," and she shuddered con-

"I understand—say no more. "We will seep a shot for the worst, mother," answered the girl, and then, looking into each others, eyes with sad significance, they turned into the house.

With the energy of desperation they quickly brought into the house every available article to barricade doors and windows. Casks and rails, and firewood, and furniture were heaped against the two doors.
Boards were nailed securely across the small windows, leaving sufficient space through which to discharge the one gun they posacseed. The large fireplace was blocked up with firewood, axes, harpoons, spades, hoes, and such other instruments as might be used tence, were placed at hand, and Mrs.

on, winding a scarf around her amply wai to through it, with an air that boded ill to him who might chance to come within striking distance.

"There are just sixteen eartridges for the mu ket, Mag," said her mother. "We must not waste one of them. See to the flint, and acrew it tight. Ah I they have landed .- One, two, three-there are thirteen, Mag. God in his mercy, help us all." Looking forth through the loopholes which

had been left in their construction of the barricade, they observed the arrival of the boat and the landing of its occupants. There were, as the dame had counted, thirteen of the felons. It was, however, noticed with satisfaction that they carried no firearms, nor James Weldon leaped into the boat, and did they appear to possess even an axe or hatchet. They had, no doubt, departed with such haste that they had not time or opportunity to gather anything to take with them, probably counting upon obtaining all they required upon the island. Mrs. Weldon ex-

pressed this view in words. "They shall get more than they bargain for, sh Mag?' and she laughed harshly. We'll drop some of them, girl, before they help themselves. What do you want, Lizzie Get back into the bedroom, child: you are in te way here."

She addressed a young girl, who had now for the first time appeared, and who stood half asleep and dazed, gazing around in sur-

prise.
"What's the matter, mother?" " Matter enough my child; get away into the bedroom. Go now-" and, accustomed to obey implicitly, the child did as she was bade, a shaggy sheep-dog bearing her

company. The convicts hauled the boat up on the beach, and then, in a body, approached the house by the steep and winding path which led up the rocky upland to the rise upon which it was built. As they came upon the slope they looked a formidable mob enough to the two despairing women. All the more grew the latters' desperate courage. They felt, indeed, that the chances were against them, but the very extremity of their peril, and the hopelessness of their case, only served to render their courage barder, their determination more stern and resolute.

"Don't come nearer or I'll fire," she cried. "What do you want ?"
ously, a tall, dark, beetle-browed ruffian, clad in convict garb like his companions. Open that there door, woman. We want provisions. We've bolted. If you're civil, provisions. We've bolted. If you're civil, we won't do you no harm, and we'll give yer s obeeker all round into the bargain, eh

A hoarse obuckle rewarded this specimen of Penitentiary wit, and the mob moved on towards the house. As they did so, Mrs. Weldon fired, and the leader dropped dead ball through his brain. "He'll not make 'em laugh again in this world, Mag," said she. "Quick now. In

bovs?"

with the cartridge, and ram it well home. So now for the next." But this unexpected proceeding had s

visible effect upon the convicts, who hastily retired to the rocky points around which the path led from the beach. There they paused in consultation. The inmates of the cottage could note by their furious gestures that they were discussing the method by which they could best revenge the death of their leader, and obtain what they had come for, without further risk of life. Mrs. Weldon amiled.

"See now, Mag, what rank curs the fellows are. If they'd had the pluck to rush the place after that shot was fired—"
"We should now be in heaven, mother,"

many?" Well, we can thin them, girl," said the old soldier's wife, "I'm beginning to enjoy the fun, but I hope father and the boys won't get here while it's going on. They'd be murdered safe. Take a look through you crevice, girl, and see if there's any sign of the hoat

rush the hut from all points. Never mind, some of them will lose the number of their "Mother, the boat is coming down the channel. It seems scarce a mile away." "God keep father and the boys away," aculated the woman with a choked voice. Then there was silence for a moment, fol-

Ah, they're spreading-the scoundrels. They'll

lowed by a shot, and a harsh laugh from "Another dropped, Mag, that leaves eleven. Quick with the cartridge. Good; ram hard, lass. Here, take this bayonet. There's three of 'em under the les of the kitchen. Watch

the cravice girl. They'll peep through—drive the buronet into 'em."

The girl seized the weapon and took her place in the shadow of a corner, while her mother watched for further opportunity to despatch enother of the desperadoes. But this she did not readily find. The terrible accuracy of her aim was duly appreciated by the ruffiaus, who skulked behind what rocks and stumps were available for their protec-tion, while four or five of their number, following the example of others, throwing themselves upon the ground, wriggled and twisted their way to the house, and managed to get under its lee before the dame observed them. It was then too late to harm them, for she could not bring the musket to bear upon them. But this did not give her much concern. They had no axes, and she felt pretty well assured that unless under the united efforts of the whole gang the stout

barricade that had been thrown up would hold good. This, then, was the position, as the boat containing Mr. Weldon and his sons, approached the island. They had heard the shots faintly, but never dreamed for one moment of the circumstances under which they had been fired.

"'Spose mother is firing a feu de joic," laughed the old corporal, as they rounded the point—"But, halloa, Jim—Jim, what's that?" As he spoke he stood up in the boat and pointed to a peak or promontory on the east side of the island. There were two men, habited in convict garb, who stood lookeffort, she recovered hersell.

"Mag," she said—and the girl started, so strained, and hard, and unlike, her mother's voice now sounded—"Mag, this is a fight the two staggered back and toppled over the started that the started has back and toppled over the started has back and toppled has

—there's the boat. Oh God, what has happened!" and he groaned aloud.

At this moment they rounded into the little cove, on the boach of which the whaleboat it was not a nerry Christmas Day which was not a nerry Chris

James. "Hold on while I take a look out. land. It's plais mother is on guard, else why

"Right, Jem. Run up the track and take a equint. Yes, mother ain't the woman to give in without a kick for it," and, agonised as he reflected upon the courage and resolution of his coundy spouse.

The lad ran numbly up the path. Reaching

it's summit, he threw himself upon the ground, and reconnoitered. At a glance he saw that the cottage was under siege, and that its inmates were on their defence. Looking keenly he beleld three men, wriggling on their stomachs, approaching the end of the building. Presently, when they had got well under its shelter, bey arose, and sidled along its walls. Then is beheld one place his face against a crack or revice, evidently looking within. As he od so, he seemed to have been suddenly sticken by some unseen weapon; for he laped backwards with a scream, falling to be earth, while the blood gushed in a torrent from his throat. Mar-

nstructions. The coarse oaths if the ruffier now on all sides, and ground around, he saw several posted behin such natural and artificial protection as he little farm presented. To his excited mid there seemed to be a veritable host of convicts on the place; and he sped back to the boat and said so. He found the corpora calm.

"There's only me thing for it boys," said the old man, "we can do no good landing as we are. Maybe your mother can keep 'em off-God in his goodness grant it. But we must make for the bay. The wind's fair, and we can reach the settlement in twenty minutes, running free. Jump in Jim, and pray boys, pray, that your mother and the

was about to shove her off shore, when the

corporal stopped him.
"Hold on, lads. We'll do our duty whatever happens. Let's run the whaleboat off, then the rasials will be trapped sure. Ha! we'll hang em, whatever may take place. He leaped from the boat with the agility of

a young man, followed by the elder boy. They readily ran the whaleboat into the water, and, towing her some distance from the shore, set her free. With the wind blowing as it was, there was no danger that she would drift back.

With all sail set, and boomed out with an oar, Weldon's boat danced merrily over the distance between the islet and the settlement. Arrived, they discovered their conjectures were correct. Ned Kennedy, in charge of the place, received them on the jetty. In less than five minutes, as many constables, well-armed, and headed by the superintendant were in the boat. She was soon close hauled, and being well down in the water sailed close up in the wind. Little was said by the occupants. Every man's thoughts were strained to the utmost, dwelling upon the one possibility—that the convicts had broken into the house—and then? Weldon groaned as the terrible picture was presented to his imagination. James Kennedy's brow grew black as the like thought came to him; he set his teeth hard, and gripped his musket

with convulsive strength.

Meanwhile the convicts had discovered the loss of their boat, and readily conjectured how it had been brought about. Their rage When within earshot Mrs. Welden hailed knew no bounds. They were aware that they were in a trap, and that very speedily a force would be brought against them to which they Their number had been reduced to nine, but there were enough, if acting in unison, to overcome a comple of women. A rush was at once made for the house, in the course of which another victim fell to Mrs. Weldon's unerring aim. This, however, did not stay the now infuriated sooundrels. Turning their combined strength against the door, it yielded. Seizing what wood was about the easy, t cottage, they battered at the door until the gress. upper part was beaten in. Then another convict was laid low by the dame's musket while her daughter, darting forward and clambering upon the heap of furniture and rubbish which formed the barricade, slashed the face of the foremost ruffian from eye to

mouth. With a yell he fell back, uttering such curses as only they who have fallen to such a condition can conceive or have the courage to give voice to. Those still left, however, were in no mood now to retire, and, ere Margaret could reload the musket, a scream from her mother told her that the crisis had come, One fellow had indeed burst his way through the opening, and now held Mrs. Weldon by the throat. His muscular thumb was pressed upon her jugular vein with ferocious strength. Her eyes were starting from their sockets, her tongue hang from her mouth. In an instant the girl klubbed the musket, and from bewas the girl's quiet answer. "Yes, they are cowards. but what can we do against so smashed his villanous skull. Then she, too, was seized and borne to the ground. Here the sheep dog which had remained in the bed-room with the younger girl, rushed upon

Margaret's assailant and pinned him by the throat. Then the girl fainted. When she recovered, she found herself clasped in tender arms, with a handsom face bending over hers, and dark brown eyes bent upon her face, in which love and deep concern and pity were eloquently mir-

"Oh James!" she whispered, "are we saved-Mother? Father?" "Hush, dearie," said Kennedy, gently completed my Magnum Opus, my great work stroking her hair, "all is well. We were on the affinity of the Australian Aboriginal just in time. Look up darling. There is Language to the Chaldaic, eight volumes your mother in your father's arms, and

Lizzie and the boys—'

"And the-the-" "Well," said Kennedy, with a grim laugh "what between your mother's snap shooting, and your smart use of the bayonet, there are not many left sound. Those you did leave not one, but has a broken head or ribs. But there are enough left for a handsome hanging, Margaret—nay" he went on, as she shuddered, "I ought not to talk thus. All danger is over my pet. Go and kiss your mother and father. See, they are both crying—as well they may. I've had a good blubbering myself Maggy; for, dearest, I

leared the worst." "Nay," she said, simply, "the worst could have but been death. Mother and I agreed to that, though God help us, the villains were

upon us too quickly."

"A lucky chance that," he said, gravely, "else we might have had naught to meet us but your dead bodies. It has been a terrible day, and none of us should sleep this night, with-out offering up a heart-felt prayer to God, of gratitude and thanks."

As he spoke, he left the house quietly. In his simple delicacy, he desired to leave father, mother and children alone at this moment, to breathe together the prayer of which he had spoken, and which, in his heart, he had himself offered up. Stepping to a shed, he found his constables guarding the prisoners. There were but five who, beyond a few hard knocks, had escaped hurt. Six men had been killed outright; two were lying, severely wounded, on some straw, pitiable objects enough, sullen and despairing. The others, handouffed, sprawled about the shed. Per haps they envied their dead comraded. Better to die by a bullet, surely, than by the

halter on the gallows.

That afternoon the dead, wounded, and unhurt of the runaways, were taken over to the settlement. Phence, a messenger was despatched to Mobart Town, and all the

was spent by the Weldon family, but it was one which was filled with the spirit of gratitude towards the Almighty. Now that the stress and heat of the struggle were passed, Mrs. Weldon and her daughter experienced a natural reaction. That they had taken human life, however vile, and although in self-defence, was a reflection which sorely troubled these sensitive women. The corporal

but Kennedy did, and his tact and delicacy very considerably. He spent Christmas day with the family, and it was noticeable that, notwithstanding the nervous shock under which the suffered, the good dame managed to provide a handsome dinner, cooked with her own hands for the occasion.

The governor, being apprised of the gallant defence made by the women of the Weldon family, signified his sense of their conduct by granting the corporal and his heirs a lease of the island for one hundred years at peppercorn rent, together with small pension to Mrs. Weldon. He also sen that lady and Maggy a letter of thanks. which might have been seen some years ago —and may, I dare say, he seen now—framed and glazed, hanging on the wall of the sitting-room of the cottage. Over the garet Weldon had well obeyed her mother's mantel shelf, also, there used to hang a certain ancient, tower-marked, flint musket and a bayon these articles, and comment upon their venerable appearance, would be at once favored with a narrative of the events in which they played so important a part. It was in this wise that I heard the story from the lips of comely Mrs. Kennedy, while her husband sat smoking his pipe, and occasionally interjecting some incident touching upon the special action of his wife in the affair which she, in her modesty, would have passed over. Looking forth from the clematiscovered porch, two headstones on the cliff were shown to me. They marked the rest-

ing places of the corporal and his gallant wife. "Yonder," said Kennedy, "lies another actor in that little drama-dear old Briskhe dog, you know.'

"And the rest of the family?" I asked. "Lizzie married years ago, and went away with her husband to America. The boys are sheep-farming in Queensland." "And you," I proceeded, "are you content toldwell here on this little island?"

"Why not?" he answered. "I have enough for my wants. My children I bring up to be honest men and women. I have books, enough work to keep me healthy, fishing, an occasional trip to town, and above all, the happiest home on God's earth. What more should I want?"

"True, true," I answered, as I bade him farewell, and passed to the boat which awaited me. And as I looked back at the little island, with its rocky headland, its pebbly beach, its green summit, and the whitewashe cottage in which my simple friends dwelt, What indeed should sighed and echoed: "What indeed should man want, more than is there to be obtained? for there, if it reside at all on this wide earth, dwells contentment."

Home is the one place in all this world where hearts are sure of each other. It is the place of confidence: it is the place where we tear off that mask of guarded and suspicious coldness which this world forces us to wear in self-defence, and where we point out the unreserved communications of full and confiding hearts. It is the spot where expressions of tenderness gush ont without any sensation of awkardness, and without any dread of ridicule.

If it is true that "out of the abundance of heart the mouth speaketh," then it is also true that overveffort to wrift and sweeten mind, and to put fidelity and energy into the life will also exalt and dignify the speech and make its influence a blessing to all who hear

Nature gives to every time and season some beauties of its own, and from morning to night, as from the cradle to the grave, is but a succession of changes so gentle and easy, that we can scarcely mark their pro-



Promising-Very. Mrs. Twicelaid .- "Which I'm very sorry, sir, but reely, what with rent and taxes and

butcher meat that high, I must ask you to EMINENT LITERARY LUMINARY. - " My de e-ar Madam, only wait until I've quite

folio, and when I've sold it I'll settle your little account. Mas. T .- H'm (retires sniffing).



Quite Likely.

MR. NEUCHEM. _ ' So that's Melbourne. eh? Well, it's not a bad-looking place, but I fancy the inhabitants don't often see a young man of my aristomatic appearance and style. As for the city itself, I'll buy that

Widow Watson.

By R. P. WHITWORTH.

A wet Christmas. You know what tha means on the diggings. It means hot, muggy weather, mud up to your knees; damp, dirt, and discomfort generally. But it also means a big washing up, and consequent plenty of gold, with its concomitants, drinking, gambling, riot, disorder, and devils' dance generally that characterise the diggings, or rather, did characterise the diggings of, let us say, twenty years since.

What a dark yet lurid shadow the early days on the gold-fields seems to east over the memories of those who have lived long enough to recollect them. The days of easy getting, and reckless spending, of desperate toil and mad revel, of hardships and danger, and thoughtless waste, of crime perhaps, and spffer-

and yet from out of those dark days, from amidst those bands of careless and lawless adventurers, ever now and again, shine out vivid gleams of God's own sunlight, that show all the more brightly for the murky clouds by which they are environed. Such an one, of many I have known, occurs to me

A wet Christmas, or, rather, Christmas Eve, on the Wanalla diggings. There had the Thompson were running bankers to the lakes below. The rounded hump of Mount Baw Baw loomed hazily through the light drizzle, looking all the miles he was distant instead of, as he was wont in fine weather appearing almost to overhang the valley on the steep hill sides of which the miners sought their rich treasure. The roads and tracks, such as they were, were covered with a thick layer of yellow mire and slush, and all nature seemed as miserable and dejected as she usually does under such conditions. In the afternoon, however, the rain partially cleared off, and the sun even got a chance

now and again to lighten up the prospect with a tearful smile. But melancholy as everything looked outside, within doors there were very high jinks indeed, and the sound of revelry, not to say devilry, impregnated with the fumes of tobacco and the odor of rum, and fringed with a garniture of choice digger blasphemy, is-sued from every hotel and shanty in the township. In a word, money was plentiful, the men were in high spirits, and Bullocky Ben, the burly landlord of the "Pick and Shovel," who was usually of a grumbling disposition, was heard to declare that there hadn't been such a "roust up," since he'd

been in the country. Drinking, swearing, smoking, dancing, singing, quarrelling, and, above all, card-playing, were in full blast, and poker, euchre, ribbage, Yankee Grab, and other devices, by which the unholy alliance of gamblers and shanty-keepers ease the miner of his hardly won gold, went merrily on.

Why try to describe the scene further?

Those of the olden time who have been in it

and of it, will easily realize it, those who

have not, never can. That afternoon, or rather, evening, just as the sun was giving a farewell glint, prior to going to bed beyond the Western ranges, the slosh, slosh of a heavily shod man, might have been heard leisurely tramping through the wet scrub and deep mud, from the direction of the Tubal Cain mine, and making for the township. Presently he emerged from the bush into view. He was a big, stalwart fellow, black-bearded, and embrowned by exposure to the sun and weather. Hard-handed, hard-featured, with that far off, yet determined, almost defiant look that so surely of the stern battle of life fought yet not always won. He was clad in the inevitable slouched billy-cock hat, a rough plue inmigrand bedaubed with clay, he looked the very picture of what he was, a hardy, fearless, rough and tumble old time digger, equal to either fortune, and ready at any moment either for a feast or a fray. Curly, for that was the soubriquet by which he was mostly known, was indeed a hard case, honest indeed, industrious, and true as steel, but somewhat, it is to be feared, of a hard

living, hard swearing, graceless reprobate, a type, in short, of a class of which there were so many in those days.

As he came down the hill and approached the fallen tree which served as a bridge over the yellow rushing creek, a sudden, heavy downpour of rain caused him to turn aside for shelter, in a little shed attached to a small slab hut a little way back from the track; and, without intending to be an eavesdropper, he could not help overhearing what was being

said in the sorry dwelling.

By-and-by his attention and his curiosity were aroused, and as by moving a little, and peeping between a slit in the logs, he could see without being seen, Le looked in. The room was meanly and scantily furnished and by the empty fire place, seated on a low stool, was a woman of some thirty years of age. She had a gray, faded, sorrowful look the sad, wan look that patient resignation to evil fortune stamps on the face so certainly, and alas, so indelibly, Leaning on her lap and gazing intently into her face, was a little boy, barely a baby, hardly two years old, and, on a roughly constructed bunk of sap-

lings, sat two other enildren, girls, of about four and six respectively.

They were the widow Mrs. Watson and family, the widow and fatherless children of Harry Watson, an industrious miner who had been working at the Long Tunnel, and who had been accidentally killed by the falling of a tree, eighteen months before. company had buried him, and had done something for the widow, certainly, but oh so little for her needs, and she had eked out living by washing and doing needlework; but she overtaxed her strength, and had long been ailing, and as she was very reserved and never paraded her poverty, she seemed

dinner, eh, mamma?" the little fellow said as Curly peered in.

The widow's eyes filled with tears, but she

"Santa Claus doesn't come so high up in
these ranges as we live," said the elder girl. "Yes he does," said the younger, "don't you remember, once, at Christmas, he put something in our stockings. I got a bright new sixpence and a dol!. But that was be-

" I'se doin' to hand my 'tokin' up fo' Fanta

Flaus to put sumfin' in, den we's have a dood

to have dropped out of raind.

"I'se doin' to be a big man soon, I is," said the little boy, bravely, "den I'se doin' to be a didder ite pa, and 'den I's det p'enty money an' fings. Isn't I ma?"

"Oh children, children," said the widow, choking back a sob, and smiling, or trying to smile through her falling tears, "we are poor, very poor, but never mind, we'll be better off ome day, and then—and then—"
But the poor woman fairly broke down,

and wept silently.

"What mates you always try so, ma!"
asked the little fellow, gently stroking the faded face with his chubby hands. "Oh, my darlings, my poor, innocent, help-less little ones, you'll break my heart with your prattle. I cry because I have no food

to give you, hardly any firing, no money, no anything. A little dry damper, that is all. When that's gone. God help us." "God will help us, mamma. You have often told us so, and you always speak the truth," said the elder girl, caressingly, and clasping the widow round the neck, and softly kissing her. "Besides I'm not hungry, at least, not very."

as if he would have knocked at the door, ou after a moment's hesitation, he turned some away.

Curly could bear no more. He made out

The "Pick and Shovel"-and, for the matter of that, every other hotel and shanty in the township—was doing a roaring trade that evening, and Bullocky Ben, his wife, Jim the barman, Moll Dowd, the big, redhaired servant girl, and Hoppy Joe, the odd job man. was as busy as they could be, reaping in the golden harvest. The bar was full, the parlor was full, so was the long diningroom, so was the kitchen. The atmosphere was thick with tobacco smoke, the noise was

"Hello, Curly!" shouted Long Ned the packer, as he caught sight of Curly's face in him, and leave Widow Watson to pour out

There was a lull in the hubbub, as everyone in the room turned to look at the newcomer's solemn countenance. He did look scared enough, in sober fact.

"Boys," said Curly, impressively, "I have seen a ghost, and such a ghost as I can't say I'm sorry for seeing. And it's fetched me, you bet. Fetched me up all standing, as a

feller may say."
There was a dead silence, and someone asked: "What have you seen?" "A ghost, mates. The ghost of days long gone by. The ghost of forgetten things. The

ghost of undone duty. The men looked at him, and at each other in surprise. Even the card players suspended

"Boys," he went on, "I've seen this blessed evening what's brought the salt water into my eyes, and by George! I ain't ashamed to say it. You all remember poor Harry Watson, as was killed at the Long Tunnel two year since come June?"

"Yes, yes."
"Well. I happened to burned inc. the lean-to to shelter out o' the rain, and there I see and hear summut as laid me out, knocked the sawdust clean out o'. me. There was that poor creatur' a-sittin' cryin' over them fatherless babbies—cryin', mates, o'count of havin' no food to give 'em. Think o' that, boys, this blessed Christmas time, and no food to give 'em. I couldn't stand their innegent talk, by George I couldn't, I had to out and run. If I hadn't I should ha' olubbed right out. Now, you've all heer'd o' that Santa Claus as bring things for kids in Christmas eve?"

"Yes, yes."

Very well. This 'ere's Christmas eve, and we've had a good washin' up, all on us. Now, what I mean for to say is this 'ere, that Walhalla's not goin' to be played so low down on as not to have a Santa Claus of its own. And that Santa Clause is goin' to the Widder's this very night, on the quiet, as it And that Santa Clause is goin' to the We ain't a mean lot o' skunks on these diggin's, not as I knows on. There's my hat, and there's my pound note in the crown on it. Anybody can cover it as

Bandigo Sam, the biggest rough and bully, and the most inveterate gambler on the field, rese quietly from the table, saying in, for him, a wonderfully soft voice : "Put down your cards, boys, I'm in this I reckon. There's my pound. Who's next?"

There was no need to ack. In a moment triy was surrounded by a sympathetic triwd, and notes, gold, and silver were coursed into the hat as if by magic. Pass it round here," called someone from the bar, and the Pactolean stream rolled

"Pass it round the township," cried one enthusiastic contributor, "I reckon we

And it was done. Some gave in money, one in kind. The affair by some means had spread through the place, and all gave something, the result being that Santa Claus something, the result being that batta officers of these rough and balf the offsrings of these rough and to right and left with her dark blue eyes, as

pusly, or conversed in low, colemn tones.

The preoccupied, and Bendigo Sam twice be preoccupied, and bendigo Sam twice. a le a misdeal, a thing he had never before been newn to do within the memory of his oldest. equaintance. Quarrels were made up, old cated a cated sings which had been severed, renewed, end, singular to relate, for the first time in With e history of Walhalla, the eve of festival is allowed to pass without a fight, or a ad had premonition c! some vast moral

itthenake or volcanic erruption. At a little after midnight half a score of out lellows, each loaded up with a package ore or less bulky and weighty, might have on seen moving stealthily along the valley the direction of the widow's residence. rain had ceased, and a watery moon ne in the firmament, now visible, now scured by the driving seud overhead. sere was not a sound save the harsh brawlof the swellen creek, and the querulous tion. imper of some belated 'possum in the dis-

picelessly they approached the log cabin. was silence, all darkness. Noiselessly laid down their burdens at the door r the little overhanging porch, and as lessly they glided away again, fading into the semi-darliness like so many owy spectres.

Meanwhile the children slept peacefully, saming, it might be, of the angelic quire is itself the natal day of the God-child exultant earols of transcendent sweetmore than eighteen centuries before. spt, each with its little stocking pinned e its head in children faith in the dear but I don't want you for my husband. Don't egend we all know and love to teach. The hours of darkness sped. The bell is and magpine hailed the advent of the and magne nation the sevent of the seed morning with the metallic music of with sudden passion, "I am not blind. I have seen that Melbourne man with you often. It es that rose tier after tier in the grey dis-

ce. The fresh crisp wind rustled the screen of the lofty gums and the sweet nted wattle blossom, and the mother rose the girl, moving from her seat. "What is her lowly couch to prepare the meagre right have you to speak to me in these with the moisture in her , and the dull aching of blank despair in

o need for her to look into those poor

am? Was it a mockery of the senses? heap of packages huddled into the door-

is." She staggered back into the room, in a voice that seemed scarcely her own,

anothing like it before. Flour, tea, butter, cheese, bacon, a fat goose, ed mests-why go on enumerating, re was everything human eye had ever , or human heart could desire. Food of ds, materials for clothing, such few a the township could afford, poor things igh, but, to them, of priceless value.

ed it from the ground. It was heavy, heavy for its size. On opening it what her astonishment to find it filled with ey, paper, gold, silver of all denomina-Her heart was full.

Oh my darlings, "she cried in an estacy ratifude, "we shall never know want the girl. "At least father says so. Where n, never, never, never. Kneel down with | did you spring from?"

their affliction. Yea, and they shall be blessed. Amen, and Amen.

Behind a clump of bush, not very far distant, might have been seen the stalwart was thick with tobacco smoke, the noise was uproarious, as Curly strode in from the lifted her pale face to heaven, he flushed red through his bronzed skin, turned awkwardly away, and slunk quietly through the bush as if afraid of being detected. Let us go with the doorway. "Where you been? Darn me her soul in gratitude to the One who reigneth if you don't look as scared as if you'd seen a eternal in the heavens, and whose mercy endureth for ever.

Thwarted Hopes.

By G. BUNSTER.

The sun was within an hour of setting upon a glorious summer day five years ago, as a field towards some cows which were ohewing the cud of complacency beneath the spreading branches of a noble bex tree. The locality was a farm on the banks of the Goulburn, some ten miles from Murchison. At a glance it was easy to discover that they who managed the place were careful and practical people. The log fence, were kept trim and in good repair; the fields were cleared from all old stumps and obstructions. The gates swung easily on their hinges. A well kept garden and orchard surrounded the homefield the river for the purpose thising wion, was a noticeable feature of the place. To him accustomed to the shiftless haphazard aspect of the ordinary selector's farm and farming,

it was apparent that the worthy owner of this neat and well ordered location, was a man of energy and intelligence-one in short, who selieved in farming upon scientific principles. Indeed Jonathan Bradshaw was just such a man. Born of a race of farmers, he had emigrated from his Gloucestershire home well educated in his business. A better and more intelligent cultivator, a sounder judge of cattle, and a more thoughtful and intelligent adaptor of all that appeared to him good in experimental agriculture did not (and for that matter does not) reside in all broad Australia. Naturally, such a man succeeded in

life. At the time I speak of, he could lay his hand on £10,000, not to speak of some two thousand acres of the fattest soil in the Goulburn Valley. Many who read this story will doubtless, recognise the man, and agree with me that he deserves his prosperity and merits all the good and happiness that has come to He was a widower at the commencement of

my story—a widower with one daughter and two sons. The daughter was the lass I have already introduced to the reader-Jenny Bradshaw. Her admirers used to call her the Murchison lily. Her father called her his rosebud. She was the pet of the household. But she was not spoiled by all this surfeit of affection and adulation. Unlike most young girls she possessed sufficient good sense to understand that in order to sustain the affectionate regard in which she was held on all sides, she must preserve that modesty and self abnegation which are the treasures of the innocent and pure. For all this Jenny was a mountain boys do things right up to the nines when we do 'em at all."

flirt. It was not in nature that she should be otherwise. No girl, admired and courted as she was, could have resisted the temptation to make that play with her charms which is so delightful to the ene sex, and alas, so often disastrous in its results to the other.

though sheanticipated that some person would The township appeared to be oppressed sat herself upon her stool, and coquettishly arranged her short kirtle, she was aware that ome great and prototted decree at that the hotels, stores, she was being watched by a tall, bronzed, she was being watched by a tall, bronzed, the standard from lithesome young fellow, who stepped from hehind a tree, and gazed admiringly at

girl.
"Good evening Miss Jenny," said this person with a certain assured air, that indicated a favoured and somewhat confident

With an affected start and little cry the girl looked over her shoulder. "Goodness me, Mr. Sharp, how you startle one," she cried with pretty petulance, "whereelice camp. It was as if the inhabitants

ever did you come from, and what do you want.'

Mr. Sharp showed a very fine set of teeth as he laughed, and answered: "Well, Miss Jenny, I came over from our place, and as to what I want, you know well

"Indeed I do not. If you want father or Bob or Harry, you'll find them at the house, "I want no one but Jenny," was the young man's quick answer, uttered with evident emo-

"Me!" cried the girl with a laugh—though she paled visibly, and proceeded with her milking in any but artistic manner. "Me! And what may you want of me, Mr. Sharp."
"Oh, Jenny," said the young fellow, "don't trifle with me. You know how I love you. I

want you for my wife, pretty one." The cow fooked around wonderingly at her mistress, and well she might, for Jenny had given her udder such a squeeze as was altogether beyond former experience. That Jenny was moved by her lover's appeal was evident. But she kept her face averted as she an-

"You may want me for your wife, Luke, speak about this any more. I'm sorry,

"I know, I know," cried the young man, ead over the eastern sky, lighting up the is he who stands between us. But Jenny, girl, he does not love you as I do. He loves no one but himself. He--"

"What do you mean, Mr. Sharp," said the girl moving from her seat. "What words. You insult me. Pray leave me alone, and---

But she had no need to finish the sentence. o need for her to look into those poor stockings hanging at the bed's liead. Luke Sharp turned and strode towards the need to wake the little sleepers to the disquietly and silently to work, quit up girl watched him as he mounted, and setting and setting for the fire, then opened the land that lay between the homestead and her face, as she looked after the man she in the shed.

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Mr. Adams, "Jenny is a specific make too sure in the shed.

"Yes, that's where it is," was the comhad dismissed had a certain pathos which told its own tale. With a sigh, and an application of the sigh and a sig tion of her apron to her blue eyes, she turned at last and resumed the prosaic work of milkand on the topmost one a card securely ing the cows. It was not the first illustration of the small details of every day life demanding observance from one whose heart now we'll let the matter rest. It is one for was moved by emotions that govern humanity my little girl to decide, and I'd rather we low and children Watson, from Santa manding observance from one whose heart and rule the world. But the woman was strong ed on the little ones to wake and see this | in Janny. As she finished milking the cow. she tossed her pretty head and muteered:

farvel of marveis indeed. Wonder "Like his impudence indeed. Ah!" and all wondering. The very embarrass- at of riches. The children had never of the pail by a quart at least, she became aware of the presence of another person, in whom she recognised the gentleman whose attentions had aroused Luke Sharp's jealousy.

jealousy.

This personage was evidently a city man.
His well cut clothes, the easy labour of his
walk, the insolent confidence of his bearing, all betokened that he belonged to a class which last of all, the little boy came to a small affects superiority to all others, but whose of carefully stitched up in a piece of breeding, if you come to analyse it, is inficate. "Here mamma," he said, "he's a heavy one, I tan't 'ift it." The mother | roughest boor that ever turned clod with a plough. With calm assurance he approached Janny and bade her good evening.
"Happy cows!" he remarked as he glanced

at the cattle. " Happy cows to have such a lovely maid to milk them." "Fine words butter no paranips," laughed bave asked permission to offer my addresses valley, Sir."
to you. I address you above all the young wilk coverage with whom I am acquainted. I wish seems to me to woo and win you. In short Miss Bradshaw I want you for my wife."

All this was said with easy nonchalance, as crossed a few minutes before, and remembered how differently he had urged his suit and how he might be, in his own importance, he could

a glorious summer day five years ago, as a speedily become quite the rage in society. A ladies with a young girl pail in hand tripped airily across little instruction—you are quick and perceptive—and by following my hint, and all that portance. you know, and I can assure you Miss Bradshaw, you would take your place with all the ease of one horn to it. I am a man of the world you see, and know it."

It was curious to note the sasy assurance of this self satisfied gentlemar, who took no need of the indignant flush which sprang into the girl's eyes. But she only smiled, as she said.

"Perhaps Mr. Adams ya won't mind carrying my pail for me. As ou promise to should give you a lesson in asticity.

"Egad!" said the gentleman—" very well promise to her visions. put. You have wit as well at beauty. I am then to understand that my addresses are welcome to you Miss Bradenaw?" and he took the milk pail from her hand with a certain comical wonderment inhis good-looking face that made her laugh hartily. 1 don't know, Mr. Adams," the answered.

"I've just come from your house Miss her. At anyrate I fancy that this was her and yet I have sent him from me. What a cestershire. Where d'you come from, if I not noticed until night had well set in. Then, as he did not return he was "I've just ofme from your house Miss Jenny," answe/cd Mr. Adams. "I have just left your father view of the matter. His grey eyes sparked with a sense of the position, as he turned to Mr. Adams and observed, "Jenny Mr. Adams, and this passionate young woman can mik cows with any las in the Goulburn waller. Sir."

At any rate 1 lancy that this was ner foot, what a wicked girl I am."

Here here eye fell upon the photograph of Mr. Adams, and this passionate young woman seized it and tore it into fragments.

"What will be the use of heiror foot late."

higher order than milking cows, Mr. Brad-shaw. I assure you, with a little experience trip blithely across the field, singing some she will become a leading ornament of

Adams was no fool, and self-sestained as of the theatre.

she had sent him away in despair. It was not but perceive that his pretentions were with a hard and constrained voice that she held at little account by his rustic friends. Christmas was held with all the ceremonies turned to Mr. Adams and replied.

"You have taken me by suprise, sir. I don't think that I am fit to be d gentleman's wife. I am only a poor country girl and."

Their sturdy independence forbade that service homage which he had at first expected. This, while it irritated him, had the effect of time. and observances of Old England in olden days. The house was decorated with such plants and berries and flowers as seemed to him to bear the closest recombled to him to be suprise.

CHAPTER II.

Mr. Adams received his answer the following evening, just as Jenny had promised him. "I don't know, Mr. Adams," he answered.
"I must have time to think wheher the game is worth the candle."

"The game!" he cried.

"The game!" he cried. He was told that if, by the coming Christmas "Yes—for as you put it to ne sir, this obliged to be content. That evening he left for Murchison to eatch the train for town, associations as these. Fancy having those

"What will be the use of being's fine lady," " Milk cows!" echoed the suitor, "She she cried," at such a price as thiq... and in seems to me to possess accomplishments of a this humor she sat until the hour came pretty catch, would never have guessed that though the speaker were under no apprehension that it would be received in any other than welcome humor. Jenny listening, looked along the field which another suiter had solety."

**No doubt, no doubt, sad the father than welcome humor. Jenny listening, looked dryly. "Meanwhile, she has laid the supper laid that the supper looked dryly. "Meanwhile, she has laid the supper looked dryly. "Meanwh

Time passed on, and Christmas tide came

boar's head and the baron of beel and such like matters, which were conducted by the farmer and his family were altogether of an exceptional character. And by-and-bye when to head. Of course she dreamed.

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brought the smile to her lip and rosette was not perhaps equalled in all broad Austra-

Among the last to arrive was Mr. Adams. That gentleman was taken by surprise at the picture presented to him. He felt as he afterwards said "like a fish out of water." These people were altogether beyond his experience or knowledge. Their rough frank-

your frankness. A more stupid byer would profuse in his declaration that no time or fat women calling upon my wife, or even

Adamses of Cheltenbam, Theo was old he absence kept all the men on the place in search for him, and all the women in and kep' the Crown Inn at Darsley. Maybe him. he'd be a relative, now?" Mr. Adams haughtily disclaimed any know.

boards, and before other audiences than those of the theatre. you re'kleet Job Adams, of the Crown?" The person addressed raised his eyes slowly from his plate, let them rest for a moment

upon his wife's face, and then answered. "To be sure old 'coman. Rare old chap wife and a person of fashion and special wife and a person of fashion and special im.

I at only a poor country girl and."

Pray don't disparage yourself, said Mr. He recognised a quality which, skillilly directed, would preserve her from any risk of being over-borne by the pretensions of the specialized become quite the rage in society. A ladies with whom she would associate as his wife and a person of fashion and social im.

I bear the closest resemblance to the holly stand. He rose so soon as he could, and the greenery of England's Christmas. Stand. He rose so soon as he could, and the greenery of fashion and social im.

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When he bide Jenny good night it was with garnished for a dance. Every nook and a surprising limitation of his usual self-concorner was utilised for visitors bedrooms.

The elevelter of realized to spend Unrist. on, passing through the orchard and into the home paddock. The evening was lovely. The air was filled with the odours of the wattle. With which a hundred different sweet scents.

a surprising limitation of his usual self-confident manner that he raised her hand to his lips and begged her to give her most favourable consideration to his proposal.

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CHAPTER III.

He had passed about a mile from the hometead ere he noted that the shades of evening yere falling fast upon the forest trees. He urned to retrace his steps, when he was sudlenly confronted by three men. They seized im, bound his arms, and passed a shawl over us bead. He was warned that if he strugaled or cried out, severer measures would be cult, it would also be unnecessarily painful assorted to. And thus he was placed in a light to both of us. Suffice it that in early life I ert, which was rapidly driven away.

He was no coward, but he might well be pardoned if he felt considerable alarm at this that when I sought your hand it was in full brange proceeding. However, he consoled conviction that I was free to do so. I find himself with the reflection that nothing worse now that I am mistaken. The lady I supthan robbery was contemplated. He scarcely posed dead now sits before me. In these atticinated that this extraordinary seizure articipated that this extraordinary seizure was the first act of a little drama which would ness for having committed an unintentional result in the abandonment of all his hopes and desires in respect to pretty Jenny Brad-

He must have ridden twelve miles ere the cart was stopped, and he was lifted out. The shawl was still kept over his head, but the rope which bound his legs was loosened and he was led into a house. He could hear a whispering among the people around him, and it was with a start and shudder that one voice-soft, low, and musical-came to him as a memory which he had long cast aside and hoped never to recall.

his head. He looked around, to find himself in Sir Roger de Coverly in the old barn, than in the centre of a humble apartment, barely Jenny Bradshaw. Her father, regarding her furnished, and in which one person besides himself was present. This was a woman, tall, himself. dark, erect; with black eyes and hair, and of some forty years of age. She stood immediately | Luke has the pluck to ask the question, I in front of him, regarding him with a fixed stare, her lip ourled in disdain. "Rosettal" he cried. "Good Heaven! are

Back from the grave, my good husband. Yes, it is I-I whom you so basely deserted, and who swore to track you down." 'As Heaven is my judge I deemed you dead," he gasped.

cher ami. You did not think me dead when mould to him from whom she has been you left me at Rouen to fight my way as best released. He is there. His horse, bitched to

more. But I heard of your death. Did you not yourself send me your dying message? "Stay my friend-you forget, or rather you equivocate. You never heard of my death. You heard that I was surely dying, eh? But I did not die. I lived to punish you, and am here to do so now. What think you now, dear

husband, of your chances of nuptial bliss with prestry Jenny Bradshaw."

Adams staggered to a chair, and leaning forward, let his head fall into his hands. His cared a little for me."

This it was which drove me mad, for I thought—I thought—I thought sweet Jenny—that you cared a little for me." attitude was one of utter despair. As the woman marked this, a curious struggle between rage and tenderness was mirrored in

"I have been in Melbourne some time," she went on. "A relative left me some money—enough to enable me to travel, and I sought you everywhere. At last I tracked your uncle, and found means to ascertain your whereabouts. I have grown cunning and skilful at detection. I soon learned you had of her sight, and sulk at a distance.' prospered here. But it was sheer accident that informed me of your proposal to commit bigamy. In the house in which I lodged in Melbourne, I met a person who told me of your wooing. I found him willing to assist me to put an end to it. We followed you here and contrived this little dramatic episode. Confess, dear Charles, that you have been bravely outwitted." He did not answer for some moments. Then

he said.
"Why am I detained here?"
Are you "Ah you are cruel. Are you not overjoyed to see me. To-morrow I shall accompany you to Melbourne where you will present me o your fine friends and install me as your

wile in your grand house. I have seen it, yes.
It is a fine house. I like the aspect. Yes my friend, we shall resume our relations." "Never," cried Adams with suppressed fury. "Never. You trapped me when a boy into a marriage which I learned to loathe and

hate. You shall never live with me ns my wife." "Ah well-tis' all the same. It is for you to take action eh? My rôle is to remain passive. Well, well, I have won the game

and can afford to look upon your struggles with indifference. But if you take my advice,' she added sharply," you will learn to treat me with respect. It will be best for you to do so-Yes. With this, this singular person drew from | you two go amilking of the cows." pocket a tobacco pouch and some cigarette papers. Forming two she lit one and handed

papers. Forming two she lit one and handed it to Adams, who took it mechanically. It soothes, howevery friend, she said for the southes of the marriage that as the guests were all at once arranged that as the guests were all at once arranged that as the guests were all at once arranged that as the guests were all at once arranged that as the guests were all the once arranged that as the guests were all the marriage that on ship. Ha! ha! it is all very strange. Good, you smoke. Well, you will presently come to reason. You shall have some coffee and think over matters."

"I give in Rosetta, "said he." As you say. you have won the game. But you are wrong in supposing I did not think you dead. I swear that I did. My actions prove it. I am not the man likely to risk my liberty and reputation for a mere passion."

True, "she said"—you are cold—you are

calculating. But you are wise. It is useless to resist. As you have said, I have won the game, and I mean to hold the stakes. To-morrow we shall reture to town, and then we shall see. Meanwhile my friend, let me recommend you o address a letter to your lady love, advising her of your change of intention. See, here are the writing materials. Come. Write and say what you please, only make it to be plain that the young lady is no longer to dream of you as husband. This is a free country eh? ha! ha! but it is not permitted that a man shall be—Mormon and marry more than one wife. Write my friend. I have a messenger

CHAPTER IV.

Mr. Adams' absence from the house was Thwarted Hopes.

cestershire. Where d'you come trem, it i may be so bold?"

Mr. Adams looked at her in surprise curiosity, as he said that he came from I you much alarmed. It was feared that the gentleman might have wandered into the come man might have wandered into the come in which was close at hand. At anyrate his for him, and all the women in gossip about

am.
It was towards midnight that the mystery was solved. A man who had evidently ridden ard, drew rein at the door of the farm house. he dogs at first began to bark at him, but on commenced to favn and whimper about This was not strange. The visitor was well nown to them, and with the singular instint which these animals possess of insight into chracter, they all loved him. It was Luke Sarp, the young farmer | nom I introduced at the commencement of this vertable story. Hasked for lenny.

"What it Luke?" said the young girl, a tender cance in her voice.

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"I bring \ letter Miss Jenny, from Mr.

"Why, wher is he? We have been look.

"Read the letty," he answered. "And to-morrow, Jenny, be whispered, I will dare to tell you the old stay as you milk the cows."

With this, he lebed into his saddle and son encountering this young man might have noticed plainly enough that his hand-

"Upon what small chances," he muttered do our fitures turn. If I had not by sheer accident talen up my lodgings at that place in Melbourne, I should not now be the bappiest, or at onytate must hopeful, fellow in Victoria.

Click! get mong ross, and tet me see my rival once more, subdeed and conquered." Meanwhile Jenny perused the following letter.

My DEAR MISS BRADSHAW.

An accident has occurred to me which not only forbids my return to your father's house, but demands that I should cease my addresses to you. To explain all would not only be diffimarried, that I parted from my wife for a brief period, that I heard she had died, and wrong, and plead for that pity which I know your generous nature will be brought to accord me. Farewell—I am even your friend. Try me if you need me.

Yours most faithfully and truly,

CHARLES EDWARD ADAMS.

The surprising coolness with which Jenny read this letter, was in accord with the spirit she had exhibited all through Mr. Adam's courtship. She folded it, placed it back in its envelope, and seeking her father gave it to him. And presently there was no lass on the Suddenly the shawl was withdrawn from farm tripping it with lighter foot and heart, sparkling eyes and smiling lips, muttered to

> "It is as I thought. And now if master think I can guess what sort of answer he will

It is Christmas evening as Jenny trips across the field towards her expectant kine. A soft light dwells in her eyes, a flush rests upon her cheek, Her looks are downcast, yet she manages to glance upwards toward the "The wish was father to the thought, mon spot where she expects a lover of different "I shared all I had with you, Rosetts," he said with deprecation, and meant to send you neighs a welcome. The cows low theirs, as the girl-all natural grace and maiden coyness approaches the spot. She offers her hand to the same farmer, who is pale and agitated.

Air. Sharp," she says at the prepares to milk.

What have we done to offend you."

"Jenny," cried the young man in tremb-ling tones—" don't trifle with me. You know dear, why you have not seen me. I heard you were to be married to the Melbourne man. This it was which drove me mad, for I

"And so you kept away from me. That was a fine way to find out," cried Jenny with a turn of her old coquetry. "Well, but Jenny ---

"Faint heart never won fair Lady, Mr. Luke," said the girl, as she placed her pretty head against the cow, and com-menced to milk. "And if I was worth winning, I was worth seeking. A pretty way to make a girl believe you loved her, to keep out "Jenny! I pray you be earnest."

The girl arose, and turned to him. She put forth her hand. " I have learned a sharp lesson since then, Luke," she said, " and that is, that they who would wreck their happiness by false pride deserve all they get. Yes, Luke, such as I am, I am yours, it you will take me. Ah! Luke—the milk!"

But the pail was upset and some five quarts of rich milk was lost to farmer Bradshaw's dairy. No timid lover now, Luke had seized Jenny in his arms and pressed her to his breast, kissing her lips, her eyes, her hair with passionate ferrour.

"Luke, Luke, let me go," cried the girl breathlessly. "You ogre! do you want to eat

"Ah Jenny!" was all the poor fellow could say. He had been reduced to that last imbe-cility of happiness which deprives your lover of all intelligent utterance, and permits him only to express his meaning in ejaculatory 'Ahs" and "Ohs," together with pressures of the hands, waist squeezings, occasional osculatory performances, and such like amorous exhibitions of intense and inexpressible

Hand in hand they walked to the farmhouse. Jenny's pail was empty. She did not notice it until her brother Bob, bursting into a rude laugh, explained—" And this is the way

The farmer was soon made aware of the position. He granted his hearty consent, and tion of a union in which her affections were wholly engaged. So the parson was sent for, and two days following Christmas day, Jenny

Bradshaw became Mrs. Sharp.
Her husband carried ber to Melbourne to spend their honeymoon. He told her of Mr. Adams's adventure, and that it was he who had planned, and assisted by two friends, had carried out his abduction and recelation to his wife. Jenny, who, like all grls worth a button, dearly loved a romartic incident, especially when connected with ler own affairs, was deeply interested, applacing Luke's skill and foresight in the most couplimentary man-

A few evenings before pley set out for home. they visited the Theatre Royal. They sat in the stalls. Sweeping the dress-circle with her glass Jenny discovered Mr. Adams seated beside a dark handsone woman, attired in a dress which only sich a beauty as her's could carry well. A singular pang of jealousy seized upon the young oride.
"So that is the woman," she muttered.
"Well, she is old, and I am sure I am quite

as good looking. How dull he looks."
"No worder," observed her husband, who

had been watching and listening. My dear little wife he is the victim, in every way, of



have protested that he loved me, for instance." " Miss Bradshaw!" "There—here we are at the house.

stay with us to night? To-morrow evening your answer." turned away. Mr. Adams, whose self-complacency it was difficult to disturb, entered the cosy farm house, and turning into the parlor, where sat Jonathan Bradshaw enjoying his pipe, remarked, "I think we may regard that matter as settled Mr. Bradshaw. I have spoken to your daughter, and she has received my proposal in such a manner as to lead me to hope for the best.'

Jonathan Bradshaw looked at the speaker from beneath his bushy grey eyebrows.

"Yes, that's where it is," was the com-"Ah! exactly," said the farmer dryly, "and as you say, Jenny's good sense will assist your suit, as regarded from that standpoint. And

my little gift to decide, and id rather we didn't talk any more on the subject."

With this the farmer arose, and inviting his guest to accompany him, took a stroll around his garden—a proceeding which it was his fashion to undertake in wet weather or fine, every evening of the year.

That night there was no member of the

bousehold so blithe and gay as Jenny. She sang, and played her piano and harp with an to sell the farm and move off Gippsland way. bousehold so universely sang, and played her piano and harp with an animation and spirit that moved even the fastidious Mr. Adams to admiration. If he had entertained any doubts as to his self sacrifice in wedding this country girl, they were at once dissipated by the exhibition she afforded him of accomplishments he had little guessed she posessed. For heretofore tittle guessed she posessed. For heretofore Mell I used to think so too," remarked little guessed she posessed. For heretofore Mell I used to think so too," remarked little guessed she posessed. Bob. and I used to think Jenny would hook so to manners and the instincts of salves the art of manners and the instincts of she afforded him of accomplishments he had little guessed she posessed. For heretofors Jenny had been shy and diffident, and had not "come out" in this fashion before the Melbourne gentleman. But now she seemed to take a pleasure in surprising him with her wit, her vivacity, and her aptitude in those small arts which go so far in society to give one a place of unportance in it. Perhaps the girl had been piqued by the gentleman's self-sufficient toleration. No doubt she resented the complaisance with which he approached to think so too," remarked both and I used to think Jenny would hook him. But if he doesn't grow more agreeable than he is at present, I don't envy the girl should be converted the house girl, had cleared away the dinner self-shouse girl, had cleared away the dinner herself upon the bed and the complaisance with which he approached to think so too," remarked hous agreeable him. But if he doesn't grow more agreeable than he is at present, I don't envy the girl shous extending the best of manners and the instincts of refinement.

As he thought this, his neighbor at the table, a stout good looking woman with honest good nature impressed on every feature, addressed him.

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I love him, I love him," she sobbed," of love in the particular to the particular

circumstance could weaken the passion (as speaking to her in the street"-and he he was pleased to call it) which inspired bim. shivered as though the thought thrilled his You At which Jenny smiled, as who should say—very marrow with horror.

I think Jenny watched and noted this effect when I go to milk the cows you shall have times before and proved to be worthless." upon her lover. She was at once annoyed

son to change his mind. stant correspondent, but she road her letters as coolly as she might the newspaper, and certainly, as it seemed, with far less interest. Yer think much of her choice.

But he was yet to experience a wider aclover sent her presents, which she put mayle quaintanceship with rustic manners. At with scarce a glance at them. But there were meal-times—hir. Adams—was possitively and times that when alone she would sit for palled. He had never witnessed the performance of hours looking at vacancy, or sometimes burst mances of hearty healthful appetites. He had ing into a flood of tears, as she throw her-

defeat like a man. But he had changed. From the light-hearted harry-go-lucky young fellow of a few months back he had became cold and hard in his manner, even towards his friends. "I met Luke Sharp this morning" said young Bob Bradshaw one day at dinner, and he looked as sour as vinegar. Never saw such

when 1 go to milk the cows you shall have your answer."

With this and a glance of coquetry which had also something of diedain in it, the girl reasons why 1. Adams might had good reasons why 2. Adams might had good reasons."

upon ner lover. She was at once annoyed and aroused by it; annoyed that she should guessed that there might be a hundred serious suffer in his opinion through her rustic reasons why 2. Adams might had good reasons. gentleman should be placed in a position Meanwhile, Jonny went shout her business in her usual fashion paying little heed to her ment. It was with a curious admixture of nother's badinage, or the merry wit of such irritation and malicious amusement, that she neighbours as knew of the affair. Her took care to present him, in turn, to every father, who said nothing, watched her closely, person present. The good people looked at puzzled by the unmoved and indifferent attitude she assumed. Mr. Adams was a contude she assumed. Mr. Adams was a con-

> self upon her bed in a sudden paroxysm of grief. But outwardly she was calm and untroubled.
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> Luke Sharp never now came to the farm. He had seen and heard enough to assure him that Jenny was not for him, and he took his before them with all the gusto of heart untroubled. been accustomed to the dainty and fanciful health, and all the simplicity of honest unaffectedness. It never occurred to him that perhaps these people, being natural, were exhibiting better manners than they do who are ruled by an artificial refinement. But he was one of another world, and so was moved by the false prejudices of that world.

More than once the thought came to him

Misery and Mount Enu were prominent. Between these and the spot whereon we stood, Belween the saway again as far as the eye and successing and again as an as the eye could reach, in front of us, an immense and beautiful plain (the loveliness of which must beautiful plant (one to be thoroughly enjoyed), necessarily on seem to be thoroughly enjoyed), delighted me. Three quarters left-about deligneed mo. Three quarters tert-about litis folk, and many times have I performed litiz ma, and many trains have I performed the evolution with other members of the "awkward squad," but never with so much pleawaru square, or with such a satisfactory result as on this occasion. Here was, indeed, a view

road we have comes, away there to the right 2 R. Waugh the left) is the forest, away there to the right 2 R. Waugh is the range of hills around which the water race runs, as you saw coming along. But race tune, and you delightful picture?"

Now have taken the words out of my month," was the reply. "It is indeed a lovely view. There seems to be a capius ad lovely now.

lovely new invitation about the surround2 C. Woods satisfactorian Cole, that, were there time, I 3 W. O'Bree ings of Mount Cole, that, should like to linger here awhile."

Mr. M— looked at his watch, and I looked 5 G. Caldwell at mine. Four o'clock! t mine. Pour occate, if you'll just come over this fence, I'll show you a few rab-

over aid Mr. Mshape of the pest, I remarked to that effect. There's plenty of scrub, but never a 6 T. Humphreys 10 12 S. Baker

"Do you see the space between those two pat hes of scrub?"

Nr. M— clapped his hands, and immediately hundreds of rabbits scamp red out from beneath one patch of the scrub to take shelter in another. In about five minutes we must have seen as many hundreds of rabbies. . Is to d work going on here?" I asked.

"Pretty fair; but you've got to keep at the tilling husiness or the pest soon gains on you. I had five men working here recently; but for saw the report, and its no use repeating it Come over the way, we'll see what the men are doing. But first look this way. That mount you see straight in front of you is Mount Williams, that near it, very indistinet, is Mount Sturgeon. Sometimes Mount Sturgeon can be seen clearly from here. Over further to the left, is Stockyard Hill; and there Eurambeen. Then, nearer to where we are, just over that tree with the dead limb, is the Middle Creek railway station. Yender again, in the distance, just over the green patchf is Mr. Ware's place, where the aboriginal, Tominy Ware, who died recently, spent

As time was flying, we got over the wire fence, and were soon on to the mount. On our way, however, numberless burrows which had been dug out were shown to me; in a for places the rabbits had returned and made larg rholes than ever were there before. We did not, however, meet with more than two rabits here. More burnt patches showed where the suppressors had been at work. Huge granite rocks were on either side of us, andlying in our pathway, so we had o go wert sen, thus locomotion was not quite so difficult for me. Passing through a little fems showed us that a nest of young rabbits had been destroyed, for one or two of the littleanimals-so young that their eyes had

We had now seeended to a good height.

not spened-had been barned.

and the sup seemed to be travelling quickly to the horizon, so that we had no time to lose, and there was yet more to be seen. Entering another unddock-almost every burrow we could see had been dug out. We had a steep descent to make now, and I am extremel. glad that I was wise enough to occupy the hindermost position, for I can, without fear of being ridiculed, omit a description of my timidity, and poculiarly striking attitudes. Almost every large tree that we came across was barrowed under, but we observed none of the pest. In a few minutes we came to a creek, and the question with us was how to cross it. The running water was almost unapproachable for a few feet from the banks, on account of the thick growth of reeds, etc.; and when amout to give up all hopes of being able to get across, Mr. M- espied a fallen tree which stained the water's course, and was soon over to the other side. Not so with me, however. My "shoon" were light, and slippery on the soles; the trunk of the tree was smooth and also slipperv, the water runing below was treacherous-looking--one of the streams whose depth one can never guess at, full of reeds, although pretty clear. The tree stretching over it was a bit shaky, and I feated to venture across in the ordinary way. Eventually, I determined to get across somehow. On hands and knees I went; the log began to move; clung on tightly, and got a across; right over the deepest part; my knees became rather loose at the joints, and a shudder coursed through me; the log shook worse than ever. A few more inches; a foot more ; passed the edge of the water; and 1 was brave again. Stood bolt upright, took two steps, a jump, and I was safe on terra firma. Both of us enjoyed a hearty laugh. It took me about seven minutes to crawl the plank fifteen feet long ; not bad time for one who wields the "mighty pen!"

Buth of us were dry-very much so. It Was a repetition of-"Says the young Obadiah to the &d Obadiah, 'I am dry, Obadiah, I am dry.' Says the old Obadiah to the young Obadiah, 'So am I, Obadiah, so am I.'"

And although fresh water was running at our feet, we couldn't get near enough to ob-

tain a clean drink, so we remained dry. Onward we strode, over the fences and through gates; until getting into the pad-docks where we had seen all the rabbits, we met with nothing but sheep and cattle tree that we came to was burrowed under, and the burrows Lad been Jug out. I was informed that five men had been set to work

A short time sufficed to reach the spot where our horse and trap was left, and it was the work of a few minutes to prepare for our return journey, which was accomplished in a little over an hour, the time of our arrival in Beaufort being 7.20 p.m.

BOXING DAY SPORTS.

The following are the acceptances in the principal events to be contested on Boxing Day, 27th instant:—

this occasion. Here was, indeed, a visual problem of the collection of the collectio 3 W. O'Bres 9 M. Kirkpatrick 4 R. Thomas ... 4 | 10 A. Robertson 5 W. Milne ... 5 11 W. Thompson 10 6 J. Hosking ... 6 | 12 A. J. Green ... 10

HURDLE RACE .- 200 yards. ...scr. | 6 M.Kirkpatrick yds 8 1 T. Jones ..., 7 A. Robertson ... 8 ... 1 8 A. J. Green ... 10 ... 3 9 W. Thompson ... 10

LOCAL FIREMEN'S RACE. -200 yards. ...ser | 7 C. Loft ..., 8 H. Smith 1 C. Woods 2 R. Waugh 3 G Hallyar 4 Tom White 5 E. White ... 9 10 C. Etherton ... 55 ... 9 | 11 W. Halpin

LADDER AND RESCUE, -50 yards, W. Trahar C. Woods "Well, keep your eye on it while I clap 3 R. Waugh ... 2 9 G. Hellyer ... 3 | 10 G. Caldwell ... 6 E. White ... 4 | 11 C. Provis ... 5 | 12 T. Humphrey: 6 R. Johnston

> BICYCLE RACE .- One mile. J. T. Audas ... J. R. Wotherspoon yds. A. Audas ••• Edward Jewell 60 L. Scharpe ... J. McKeich 70 ... 75 D. Jewell ... 100 A. Cougle · ... 120 T. Archard ... 120 P. Broadbent 125 ... 125 G. Hamilton 130 E. J. Thomas ... P. Gordon

BICYCLE RACE.—Two miles. J. T. Audas ... A. Audas Edward Jewell ... 130 L. Scharpe ... R. Wotherspoon ... 150 J. McKeich 160 D. Jewell ... 210 T. Archard, 240 G. Hamilton 240 A. Cougle ... 260 BICYCLE RACE.—Three miles. J. T. Audas ... A. Audas 220 E. Jewel

which had been killed, a number of rolling which had been killed, ording order wire frace. Further on, a patch of buint scrute a child to a butcher, "if you would let her have three-penniorth of your bones.

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T. Archard

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value by its effects. Consumers of Wolfe's Schnapps especially on this land by the Inspector; at had been those taking it medicinally, should purchase taken off, and now the selector's ach were at it only by the bottle, and thus ensure the work on it. We met with just the same genuine article, as there is a fraudulent state of affairs as witnessed before starting imitation in the market. Large and small up the mount, if anything rather an increase bottles are obtainable at every respectable Beaufort, 30th September, 1886. in the number of rabbits, the atmosphere, bottles are obtainable at every respectable and Spirit Merchant's in the Allowed by the Council and certified having the state of th having become cooler, probably tempting colony. The name of M. Moss and Co. is on the tor label of the yellow wrapper.

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Mason, one acception. Mason, one accordion; J. B. Cochran, one lamb; Harris and Troy, one bag oats; A. McDonald, goods value 10s.; P. M. O'Connell, goods value 10s.; J. Ward, 500 bricks; G. Towner, goods, collected, particulars not to Topper, goods collected, particulars not to

All block of Art Union Tickets to be returned

Balance Sheet of the Council of the Shire of Ripon,

FOR the year ending 30th September, 1896. INCOME. To Balance in Bank, 1st October, 1885 ... ,, Municipal subsidy £412 13 3,498 19 8 , General rate of twelve pence in the £, made

14th Jan., 1886-North Riding ... 999 13 6 East Riding ... 846 10 0 West Riding ... 1,307 16 0 -3,153 19 6 ,, General rates for 1885 ... 11 12 6 BEAUFORT TOWN WATER SUPPLY. Water rates for 1886 202 4 5 Water rates for 1885

8 17 6 ,, Sale of water ... 213 14 6 OINT WATER SUPPLY WITH RAILWAY DEPART-MENT. ,, Sale of Water ... ,, Railway Department 157 5 7 207 15 7

.. Licenses ... 377 0 ", Dog registration … ,, Rent Mount Emu Reserve ... 74 0 "Rent Carngham Recreation 15 10 BEAUFORT RECREATION RESERVE. Government Grants 75 2 7 "Donations, &c. ... 13 7 0

, Legal expenses ... , Ararat Shire Council Lexton Shire Council 25 9 , Hampden Shire Council 11 15 , Rabbit Suppression 25 8 0 , Saloon Fees , Milk sellers' registration ... , Beaufort pound fees " Beaufort pound surplus sustenance fees ... , Skipton pound fees , Skipton pound surplus sustenance fees ... Skipton pound sale

, Beaufort weighbridge fees ... , Carngham weighbridge fees Incidental expenses . Government statist , Contractors deposits 151 5 6

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Commission on dog registrations ... Donations to institutions President's allowance Office expenses ... Printing and stationery 1 18 10 Advertising. 62 11 6 Implements **3 2** 9 Licensing per contage fees ... 18 3 0 Election expenses... 15 1 3 Rabbit suppression , Incidental expenses ,, Skipton pound "Skipton pound sustenance 8 15 Beaufort pound ... Beaufort pound sustenance Statistics... Interest on bank overdraft 79 7 7

water supply ... 17 0 0 WATER SUPPLY. Joint account with Railway Department ... BEAUFORT TOWN WATER SUPPLY. Interest on Loan of £2,500 Interest on Loan of £500 ... 26 18 2 Interest on Bank 17 0 0 73 16 6 Overdraft Works ... 214 16 " Refund Water Rates Legal Expenses ... Shire Treasurer ... , Beaufort Weighbridge Carngham Weighbridge

Charged on town

20 0 0 **15** 8 Works and Charges relating to the several Ridings ... Contractors' Deposits Re-5,253 17 funded ,, Balance in Bank, 30th Sept., 618 5 4 1886 ••• £8,445 15 LIABILITIES. To Michael Sheehan £3 7 " Peter Page " J. F. Watkin "C. C. Tucker "R. Wilkinson Balance Credit of Municipal 523 18 2 Fund ... £673 5 1

By Railway Department Bank of Victoria ... 618 5 4 We certify that we have examined the Balance Speet, together with all Books. Youchers, and locuments in support thereof, and find all to be

£54 19 9

WILLIAM COOK, Government Auditor.
JOHN HUMPHREYS, Local Auditor. 30th October, 1886. D. G. STEWART, Secretary and Treasurer.

THOS. R. ODDIE,

Beaufort Jockey Club.



NEW YEAR'S DAY. JANUARY 1st, 1887.

TEWARDS—Messrs. J. Robertson, H. P. Henningsen, F. Male, T. Welsh, W. Loft, A. Frazer, D. Troy, J. Tompkins, J. S. Brooks, T. Vanderstoel. Judge—Dr. Nolan. Starter—Mr. C. Loft. Clerk of Course—Mr. C. Etherton. Clerk of Scales—Mr. D. Troy. Handicappers—Messrs; Henningsen, T. Weish, and the Secretary. PROGRAMME:

MAIDEN PLATE.—Of 3 sovs. One mile and a quarter. For all horses that have never won an advertised race. Post entry. 3s.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 5 sovs. Two miles. Over hurdles 3ft. 6in. high, Post entry, 5s. BEAUFORT HANDICAP—Of 8 sovs. One mile and a half. Post entry, 8s.

SELLING FLAT RACE—Of 5 sovs. Handicap.
Winner to be sold for £10. Any surplus to go to the
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FLYING HANDICAP—Of 5 sovs. One mile. Post

entry, 5s.
HURRY SKURRY—0f2 sovs, with entrance money alded. Once round the course. Handicap. Post entry, 2s 6d. CONSOLATION STAKES-Of 3 sovs. Handicap. One mile and a half. Post entry, 3s.

TROTTING RACE—To be arranged on the course.

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A sensational accident happened in the Old Chum Company's shaft on Saturday morning last at 7 o'clock. The night shift men were being relieved by the day shift, and Mr. Samuel Gray was driving the engine. By some means the grippers of an empty cage, which was being lowered, caught in the skids and held the cage in the shaft. This was about 490 feet from the surface. At the same time the other cage, which contained four men on the night shift, was being raised | so the surface. As the driver was not aware of the mishap that had occurred, he continued winding. The result was that the rope coiled upon the top of the cage which was stuck, and as the shaft is not close timbered it projected over the other compartment. When he cage containing the men coming up reached the obstruction of the coiled rope the strain was too great, and the rope broke. Fortunately the grippers of this cage also held, and the cage was suspended in the shaft. As both cages were now stuck in the shatt great difficulty was experienced in releasing the men, who remained in their perilous position until about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, or about seven hours after the accident occurred. The position of the men can easily be i nagined—suspended for seven long hours, weary from their previous eight hours of toil, in a shaft with nothing between them and a dreadful death by a fall of 1,160 feet but the set of grippers on the cage. This was a splendid test for the cage, and shows its value, for had it not acted the men must all have been dashed to pieces by the terrible full. The men were in no wise hunt, except for the fright which they sustained. Accidents with the hauling ropes seem to be getting quite common, for it was but a few days ago since a cage fell 1,100 feet at the Old Chum mine, and another of a somewhat similar nature occurred at the Lazarus Company. There are others which are bushed up, and we believe are often not reported to the Inspector of Mines, Mr. Grainger .- Avoca Mail.

FOOD RESOURCES OF THE EMPIRE.

Mr. D. Tallerman gave the third of a series of dinners, illustrative of the food rerources of the Empire, at the Colonial Exhibition on the closing night, says our London correspondent. On this occasion the menu was specially arranged to illustrate the highclass character of the Lake fish of Canada and the red and white wines of Australia. Seven courses of fish were supplied, each variety having been caught and frozen when fresh some 18 months ago. The nutritive qualities and delicate flavour of the lake fish pualities and delicate flavour of the lake fish—especially the white fish—were admitted, but the method of cooking adopted did not give perfect satisfaction. The wines were from the vineyards in New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, and elicited warm encominms. Mr. Tallerman delivered an instructive speech, in which he declared that during the last 10 months the imports of Australian wines amounted to 136,662 gal., of the value of £31,456. During the corresponding period in 1885, 53,943 gal, of the value of £31,450, had been imported. Since the exhibition opened the importance of the value of £31,450, had been imported. Since the exhibition opened the importance of the value of £31,450, had been imported. Since the exhibition opened the importance of the value of £31,450, had been imported on the value of £31,450. The value of £31,450, had been imported of the value of £31,450, had been imported on the value of £31,450, had been importations into London amounted to 1,230 cases, 398 quarter casks, and 871 hogsheads, in almost equal quantities, from New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia. Mr. Tallerman is endeavoring to introduce an improved system of food preparation and disespecially the white fish—were admitted, tribution in connection with the large factories and warehouses of London, many of which dine hundreds of employes, and in some cases thousands every day. Some eight months ago he organised a committee of gentlemen representing amongst other establishments, the Railway Clearing House, in Seymour street, Euston-square, which dines every day 3,000 of its employes; the General Post Office, which caters for 2,000; Army Clothing Factory, Pimlico, 1,700-1,200 women, and 500 men; the Great Eastern Railway Works, Stratford; and numerous other large employers of labor. Mr. Tallerman has educated these gentlemen up to the belief that much better and cheaper dinners could be supplied if the cooks they employ could be induced to take a few lessons from the staff of the National School of Cookery, and if fuller advantage were taken of the enormous food resources which the exhibition had revealed that the empire possessed. On Saturday last a deputation waited on Sir Phillip Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Winter Coughifie Owen, and asked him to assist the HEAD and CHEST, Asthmatical and Cough the HEAD and CHEST, Asthmatical and Chest and Ch National School of Cookery and the partial use of their apparatus and accommodation to facilitate the demonstration of the feasibility of Mr. Tallerman's plans. Sir Phillip readily agreed on behalf of the Prince of Wales, and it is now proposed to try and induce the cooks of several large factories and ether establishments to take a course of lessons in the preparation of the 20 distinct dinners with which it is intended to supply employes in the course of the course of a month. Mr. Tallerman considers that each dinner, consisting of soup joint, fish, or entree, vege tables, pudding, brend and cheese, can be supplied at an average cost of 6d each. Th bills of fare are drawn up on a liberal scale and afford great variety of nutritious food. which only requires to be well cooked to supply a most palasatole meal. - Argus.

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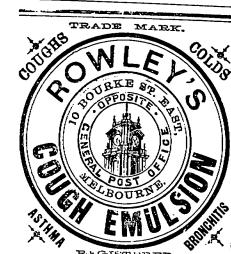
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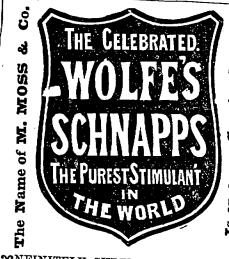
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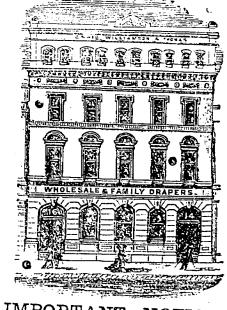
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