Excited State of the European Mar-

kets. Among the recent arrivals from Europe, returning after nearly eight years residence in France to settle and resume the practice of law in this, his native city, is ex-Consul Peixotto, of Lyons, who is recognized both abroad and at home as an authority in silk. The recent rise in silk in Europe, which has not only affected foreign but American mercets, which imports from eleven to twelve million dollars annually of this material for home manufacture, naturally creates great interest among American manufacturers, the total production of all kinds of silk goods in the United States now reaching over forty millions of dollars annually. A Tribune reporter called on Mr. Peixotto at his office, No. 39 Broadway, and from an interview gathered the following facts:

The advance in raw silks began in the first week in November. An Italian syndicate was formed with a reported capital of 20,000,000 francs, and succeeded without difficulty in obtaining control of the principal markets. Milan, Turin, Bergamo, Venice, Messina, Florence, Verona in Italy, Lyons, Marseilles, St. Etienne in France, Crefeld and Elberfeld in Germany, Moscow in Russia, Basle and Zurich in Switzerland, in fact all the principal and secondary silk centers participated in the movement. Prices of all grades of silk advanced from 2 to 5 francs the kilo and finer qualities to 6 and 8 francs. The rise has continued in spite of the desperate resistance of manufacturers, particularly those of Lyons, the greatest silk emporium of the world, where it is asserted no money has been made in the production of silk fabrics for more than five years. This opposition, however, had little effect, though supported by the stubborn fact of long continued depression, not to say demoralization, inthe business of silk goods. Having a solid and legitimate basis, the rise in prices continued and is still going on, and is likely to increase as the orders for the trade of the new year come pouring in, as pour in they are likely to do, that capricious goddess Fashion having at length once again pronounced in favor of pure silk goods, after several years of coquetting with wool, cotton and other materials as principal auxiliaries. The famous dressmakers of Paris have issued their decrees, and the principal fashion journals, both in Paris and London, confirm the ukase in favor of this material.

"The fact is," said the ex-consul, "never in history had silk fallen so low as before this present rise. In 1868 the best qualities of French organzine silk sold for 150 to 160 francs the kilo; in 1876 the minimum price was 75 to 80 francs; at the commencement of the prices had fallen to 53 resent francs. China silks, which commanded 81 francs in 1868, had fallen to 34 and 36 francs this year. Italian and all other sorts had suffered a similar disastrous decline. The European silk industry was reduced to starvation prices. Hundreds of thousands of growers and weavers were compelled to seek other occupations. Millions of mulberry trees were uprooted and other and more profitable agricultural products planted. There was a decrease in the production of crops in China as well as in Europe, while such countries as France and Spain, whose silks were esteemed the best as to quality, declined both in quality and quantity. This year's crop in France, which formerly produced up-ward of two million kilos, fell off to less than 600,000 kilos. In Spain the crop fell short 25 to 30 per cent, in Italy from 15 to 20 per cent, while China has had for export for several years past scarcely more than 55,000 to 60,000 bales.

"Business in silk goods for several years has hardly paid more than investments in United States bonds. Depression in the silk trade, except for certain novelties of extremely limited production, has universally prevailed.

"Notwithstanding all this, so varied and diversified have been the uses to which silk has been adapted that the consumption all along has equalled the production. Some few leading fabrics have from time to time yielded handsome profits, but in comparatively insignificant amount. Reeling and throwing mills in France, Italy and Spain were abandoned by the hundreds, The wretched raiser of silk fell a prey to the capitalist and was either driven to ruin outright or to mortgages. Half is unnecessary, says the world would ge the properties in France, and perhaps as many in Italy, are under mortgage to-day, while thousands are closed and utterly crumbling to pieces.

"In face of this condition of things, viewing the actual state of stocks on hand, the fact of manufacturers being tively, as she picked up some beads on all but denuded of supplies, having a needle. "You must have a great dea bought only from hand to mouth for of leisure. several years past, where formerly they carried large quantities, the powerful syndicate above alluded to organized of broadcloth than would have sufficed its campaign and has until now successfully prosecuted its work. I con- have the poor merit of being economisider this work to be legitimate, having | ical, for the price of the materials would for its object the permanent revival of have bought enough handsome damask the silk industry, as well as for the im- for two covers. mediate promoters. Silk has advanced in the past two months from 10 to 20 squaw seat herself by the town pump. per cent; taking all sorts, the average | roll a bundle of calico, cut out a dress, had been fully 15 per cent. It is des- make it, put it on and walk off, all ir tined to go higher. The demand for about two hours. I have always regret pure silk tissues has partially revived; ted that he did not continue the story it will positively continue. Pure black by telling me that the squaw spent her silk goods will again become as popular | abundant leisure beautifully. as they were in the good old time when our mothers never considered themselves dressed without a black silk but a good deal would be gained if they gown, the most elegant garment a thought more about living and less woman can wear."—New York Trib- about its accidents.—Youth's Compan-

Settling a Minister.

Charles II. was one of the most hardly treated exiles of all the princes that have striven for a crown. The Scotchmen led him a sorry life of it when they were taking care of him awhile in 1651. On one occasion, when he was canvass- it, "if he had to throw it off the dock." ing the Scotch Presbyterians for their When he arrived he offered it for sale room, the mistress rose to offer him a said I must not take less than twenty chair, but her husband exclaimed:

man; he can get a chair for himself." came into his inheritance, when he it into the creek." The twenty shilling

A Western Ghost Story.

The following strange story comes from the city of Burlington, Iowa, and is vouched for by responsible parties. There lives a few miles out from Burlington, in one of the suburban towns, a merchant called Jones, who every few months goes into the city to replenish his stock of goods. Last May he went to Burlington for that purpose, and arriving late in the afternoon went direct to the hotel he was in the habit of stopping at and registered. He told the clerk that he wanted his old room, No. 34, and to have it all ready, as he would not be in until late, for he expected to visit the different stores, select his goods, and finish up so as to take the morning train. The clerk told him he could have the room, but would have for a bedfellow a Methodist preacher, who had already been assigned to that room. He replied that it made no difference so he would leave the door unlocked. He was out making his purchases and came in very late-a few minutes after 12 o'clock, midnight. The light was turned down pretty low, and he proceeded to undress and get ready for bed. He noticed that his bedfellow had nothing but a sheet over him, and, although it was not warm, it was not very cold, and he concluded that if a Methodist preacher could stand it with a sheet as his covering he could, and so he got in. He was almost asleep when he heard his door open, and looking up saw a young man and lady enter and take seats on the opposite side of the room. They had hardly entered when the young man commenced to make love to the girl in the latest approved fashion—kissing her and telling her he would die for her, swim rivers and kill men.

Jones says it got so amusing that he poked his bedfellow in the ribs to awaken him that he might enjoy the fun, thinking it would be as amusing to a preacher as to any other mortal. The preacher showed no signs of awakening, and the love-making went on stronger than ever. He punched again and again, but failed to awaken his friend. At last the pair got so far along that Jones could stand it no longer, and, after giving the preacher a good kick in the side, raised up and pulled the sheet down off of his face so he could see. As he pulled the sheet down his hair stood on end and his face blanched with horror, for there beside him lay the corpse of a beautiful woman with dark hair and wrapped in a shroud, and a silver dollar on each of her eyes.

When he recovered from the first shock he sprang from the bed, and as he landed on the floor, his face as white as the dead body in the bed and his hair on end, the young man went out of the window, taking the glass and sash with him; the woman, with a shriek, fell fainting to the floor. Jones grabbed the chair on which were his clothes and started out. As he opened the door he saw his mistake, as the number was 24 instead of 34. A few steps took him to 34, and, entering, he made sure his bedfellow this time was alive. He didn't sleep, and rose early and went down to breakfast. Here, in the dining-room, the whole conversation was about the mysterious action of the corpse. Some who entered a few minutes after declared the body had never moved or beer moved, as the dollars were still on her eyes. Others thought the pair had fallen asleep and the man had a dream of a ghost, and, rushing through the window, had frightened the lady. Jones never said a word, and this is the first time it has ever been told, and no doubt the mystery will now be clear-

It appears that the body of the dead lady had beed placed in No. 24, and the young man and lady were sitting up with it. At 12 o'clock midnight, as is the custom out West, the watchers went down to the dining-room for a lunch. which had been spread for them, and during their absence Jones, in his hurry, had entered room 24 instead of 34, and had undressed and got in bed before their return. Whether the woman who was one of the watchers ever married the man, who had hardly finished his declaration of being ready to die for her, etc., before he left her, at the sight of what he supposed to be the dead woman rising, is not known .- Cincinnati Enquirer.

Unnecessary Work.

A lady who is convinced that at least one quarter of the work done by womar on quite as well without it. She likens it to an ottoman-cover she once saw a lady work.

She was all bent up, and was putting her eyes out counting stitches. "I don't get any time for reading,"she said, plain-

And yet she had spent more time embroidering a ridiculous dog on a piece to read twenty good books. It did not

A friend of mine tells of seeing a

I would not have women reduce their sewing to quit so simple a performance

Paid His Own Price.

Recently a man in the town of Rochester was sent by his father with a load or wood to sell at Rondout. He was tole not to take less than twenty shillings for vote and interest, he called, among and one man told him he would give him other places, at Rev. Mr. Guthrie's \$3 for it. "No," said the Rochester ver other places, at Rev. Mr. Guthrie's \$3 for it. "No," said the Rochester ver annually by that valuable old stand by, manse of Stirling. As he entered the dant, "I am going to do as pap said. He UNCLE SAM'S CONDITION POWDER. "Stop, my heart! The king is a young dock." "Well," said the other, "i charles concealed his anger until he shillings for it, rather than see you dumi hanged the Rev. Mr. Guthrie. -Ingle- were paid and the Mombaccus mar went home. - Kingston Freeman.

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General McClellan had an annual income of \$60,000.

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Among the many stories Lincoln used to relate was the following: Trudging along a lonely road one morning on my way to the - overtook me county seat, Judge with his wagon and invited me to a seat.

He had not gone far before the wagon began to wobble. Said I, "Judge, I think your coachman has taken a drop too much."

Putting his head out of the window, the judge shouted: "Why, you infernal scoundrel, you are drunk!"

Turning round with great gravity, the coachman said: "Be dad! but that's the firs' rightful s'cision your Honor's giv'n 'n twel' mont!"

If people knew the facts they would be surprised to learn how many people reel in the streets who never "drink a drop." They are the victims of sleeplessness, of drowsy days, of apoplectic tendencies, whose blood is set on fire by uric acid. Some day they will reel no more-they will drop dead, just because they haven't the moral courage to defy useless professional attendance, and by use of the wonderful Warner's safe cure neutralize the uric acid in the system and thus get rid of the "drunkenness in the blood."-[The American Rural Home.

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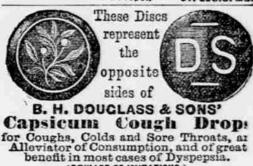
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