TRY IT. Could I write, with ink unfading, One trief code for youths and men; Could I snow its all-pervading Power in progress, I would pen,-Try it.

Magic words these, bern in Heaven: Down by thoughtful angels huried; Slighted, man to doom is driven; Heeded, they give man the world;-Try it.

Luck is Judgment wed to Labor: Pluck, the handmaid of Success; Toil to Truth should be a neighbor; Honor brings her own redress;-

Starry orbs yet call the student; Earth's past age is still unread. Nations seek the wase, the prodent: Throngs and armies must be ied;-Try it.

How did Watt to steam give motion? Locke, trace purposes of mind? How Columbus cross the occan? How did Lother change mankind?-They arred it.

How did Homer write his epic? How did scott compose his jays? How d.d Mendelssohn, his muste? How did Stellespears write his plays?-They tried it.

Thus it was, will be forever. If "To be" man has in view, Man must live with firm enceavor Well to think, then plan, then do:-

-T. C. Juillins, in Current.

## A BITING WEAPON.

School "Bully."

the western window panes of a small country : chool-house in Northern New York, while at her desk, in deep thought. sat the young teacher. The term, which ended with the sammer, had been her tiest experience in teaching. That she had given satisfaction, both to parents ! and teachers, was evidenced by the fact. It was rather something to be proud of winter term, which was usually taught | resting on his shoulder. He sat still, faculty of imparting instruction; yet they passed out. It was the emphasis certain turbulent spirit. Peter Dean, from disobeying. one of her pupils, had given her conbossed by a school marm.

short vacation. She had been able to words slowly, but emphatically spoken: bestow some portion of her summer's "There are some animal natures earnings upon her invalid father, and that can not understand kindness. the hard-worked, though refined moth- These must be made to understand the er, who lived in an adjoining village, lash.

### MISTEL WILLIAMS

had read to her reprincation;

sentation of these wo people in all the angular chalking believes of a black-I to her looks of the room discover amazement on all the faces but one. that one, which was Peter's, was bent upon his book in patternaturnal unconsciousness of what as going on.

A little maid, w loved her teacher and sorrowed for her, came to her side and said:

"May I rub it on Miss Emery."

"Yes, Nellie." But the insult he not been erased from Miss Emery's Tart, nor was her spirit calmed by the fact that Peter ng new schemes side. was constantly inve of evil, and new incl nities, while no appeal to his man bess could avail. and no wonder that did not avail. for that quality he not yet been evolved from the class of this boy's nature. s had one of his "terrib days." Wish- knew it was there." ing to give him ery advantage of mild reproof, she suasion" without effe ! He had shown last by way of apology. an Indian war-whoop. his disrespect before

it come his turn to sa good-night." serted school-room. was meditat- hers. ng an attack, an ar should the next day be misery as this had been, since all else lead them upward and not downward." cents and impress him with the fact, every year, until he became the head had failed. As the quick and repose of This was a new thought to him. "Will than to pay him ten dollars and of one of the departments, at a salary the autumn day stole on her, her you try?"

thoughts took a new dir cion. "Perhaps John would belp me if I should ask him."

John Willets was one the younger trustees, a college-bred ang farmer.
Who lived with his age father and mother, in the white coldige not five yards distant from the so oi-house.

"Shall I ask him?" "N conquer. John would perhaps, if I mastered has been the terror of the not masters. Some of

Breded a strong master-op

pear again and accuse her.

"It is so seldom I have spoken with John, how could they have guessed?" to lip. She did not finish her revery, young scamp without aid." for just then Mr. Willets went by on his handsome gray, and, glancing ting her red eyes. through the dingy window, lifted his hat in passing as if he had known just

where to look for her. "He is going to the post-office," she said, as she went hastily to a window that commanded a view of the turn in the road. The children must have nopleasure."

called a "weather breeder," he was own garden." brewing mischief. She tried once more her powers of gentle reproof. but of no avail. Thus she struggled on for several weeks, giving the theory of "moral sussion" a full and fair trial. But the whole school had become demoralized through her patient afraid of their champion. The result behavior of the others.

Before the close of the school the day before the holidays, which had Its Life-Long Effect upon the been a day of peculiar aggravation, she took her place quietly at the side of Peter's desk, while hearing the last A rosy October sun was lighting up class. As she dismissed the school, her hand was laid upon Peter's shoulder very gently, but with a "hidden hold," which expressed itself very forcibly to him, though not to others.

"I would like to see you after the

others leave," she whispered. Here was nothing to hurt his pride. that she had been re-engaged for the to have them all see that white hand by a man. She was endowed by nat- but with a grimace at the scholars, are and by education, and had the rare which made the most of them laugh as she had not succeeded in quelling a of that hand and eye that reclaimed him

After the last child had said "goodstant trouble. He had "turned out" night," Miss Emery locked the der'r. every female teacher for the past three putting the key in her pocket. Then years, who did not at once take the ag- she sat down at her deak to write copies. gressive with him. He rejoiced in the The silence and restraint had their title of "Bully of the School," For effect upon him. Gladly now would she this he was flattered by the weak, bad have relinquished the latter part of her element of the school, feared by the design, but more was need. She must weak good; looked upon by all as & be resolute. She walked over to him higher schools, he was elected to a poleader, and one who would never "be with a quick, firm step, now that silence and her strong will power had Miss Emery had just been enjoying a somewhat subdued him, and with the

She saw now that her winter term Then, snatching the leather belt there. But you'd better look out that would compair a different class of pu-pils from her waist, she inflicted one blow upon his unprotected shoulders, meremer. Fariners' boys, tailer than ly one, but dealt with such force and nerself, who care with a desire to learn precision that he leaped from his place, something, but with all the rustic facing her like a tiger. They were eve youth's natural antipathy to the ruling to eye now, but there was no flinching cago Journal. of a mere girl, the general contempt on her part. She saw the evil spirit for her endown ats and methods. She pass from eye and brow and the flash saw to her sorres that Peter Dean was of anger subside, then quietly began to He Reasons Powerfully and Impressively still king, and at none of the new replace her leathern zone, which was a boys were brice enough to be her fashion of the time; but one of the knights. They a sided with the enc. clasps was gone, and she threw the Arkansaw man: "I am on my deathmy. Only that morning, on suddenly belt carelessly aside and went back to bed and would like to have the money looking up at the blackboard, seeing her writing. The clock ticked, the you owe me. My physician says that chill uniformity and dead-white surface eves and smiles directed thither, she pen flew. His flesh yet tingled with I can live but a few days longer." the lash of the strange weapon. Early exercise had developed muscle and lows: "I received your letter a few porcelain in a most perfect and imperstrength in that young teacher's delicate days ago and I expect you will be dead ishable manner. Fruits and flowers door was locked. The minutes wore had ten dollars or was in debt. I have Bazar. on monotonously. Would she keep never been dying, you understand, and him there all night? The sun was can not speak from experience, but I going down. The slow winter day was am a man who can forecast things Talk by a Cambler About the Fascinations drawing to a close. A better spirit pretty well and therefore do not speak came to him, invoked by the strong in a hap-hazard way. Some fellow,

awkwardly to the desk and stood at her man is a mighty poor bill collector. If

"Miss Emery, I wish you'd please let me go home, for I've got the chores man, no matter what his standing in

now, Peter. I was only waiting to see gret this very much but don't suppose about the evil of taking the chances.

He lingered a moment, as if he had

indow with couldn't turn you out, and I bet 'em I ing the last letter which I shall doubt- who was born with a raging instinct others, when any how."

one in her de- into his eyes which no longer avoided would never know it. When I do a a boy he went into a big wholesale d onslaught. "You are born to be a leader of men. Ingratitude is one of the roots of ail was always willing, agreeable and

"Yes, 'em.

He placed his hand in hers. "Good-night, Miss Emery." "Good-night."

As the sound of his footsteps died shall not confess weakt . I shall reaction came. Such a tension of the tle use to him. Well, I must close. If lived qui-tly and made a fair income. once said? upon her hands and wept bitterly. A Traveler. They could find teachers ough, but step was heard in the open door-way. hese boys She sprang up trying to shield her

tear-stained face. blackboard with a larg tened quickly to her side. "I have heard it Massachusetts - Locion Foot.

clance, as if the characters would ap- all. I was right here. You were a brave girl."

"Here?" "Yes. Close beside you. If that Though it was "John" always in fellow had given you the slightest her thoughts, it was "Mr. Willets" trouble he would have suffered for it; when the thought passed from heart but you have completely subdued the

> "But where were you, Mr. Willets?" "I will tell you. I was right behind that door which the black-board hides -ready to come, armed to the rescue."

She turned quickly. "I did not know

a door was there." ticed that he stopped often to hand me a dwelling house, you know. As soon can glass takes the

> ever since I dismissed the scholars?" from her eyes.

"For two mortal hours I have been the companion of spiders on that moldy stairway. I dared not go away until delay in dealing with the culprit. They I felt sure of your safety. Foolish girl made the mistake of thinking her to lock your door! I have had time to think over all the sins of my youth. was already only too apparent in the do not wonder that the silence had its seffect upon him. It has had its effect plates, and cups and saucers to correupon me. I am quite subdued."

> "I am sorry for you," she said, with a bright smile that signified she was not at all sorry.

> "But I was a prisoner in the castle of hope," he said. "I think you can guess what that hope is."

She had guessed his secret long ago, and had one to match it. The shadows dispersed in the quaint old schoolroom. The fire-light shot gleams of gold from floor to ceiling, and the spirits that reign over the "charcoal frescoed walls" began to dance and laugh, and make the most of their opportunity. It was not often they could see such lovers-happy in the first knowledge of a mutual absorbing interest in one another. Before the glow of the embers faded the lovers walked arm in arm across the little snow-covered lawn, and Mrs. Willets welcomed the young girl who would one day take the place of daughter-inlaw in her household, for this had long

Years afterward, long after Peter Dean had graduated with honor from sition of trust in his county. John and Mary Willets went to congratulate He took from his pocket-book the small class of a lady's teather belt.

"I remember the story of it to this day," he said. "But it made a man of You have good reason to be proud of her, squire; there's real grit you never get the slash of a leather belt over your shoulders. It's worse than a thousand scorpions. I tell you, squire, it's an effective weapon. It wakes a fellow up for all time."-Chi-

### A PHILOSO PHER.

A merchant wrote as follows to an

will discipline yet gentle nature of his I have forgotten who, said that a dying man can do nothing well. Per-A movement at last in his seat, a haps you know more about this than I I were sent out to find an efficient bill collector, I would never select a dving the community might be. Let me see, "I am very willing you should go I have owed you for some time. I re-

#### GLASS-WARE.

A New Era of Decoration Inaugurated by

European Manufacturers. Foremost among accomplished facts stands glass for table use and decoration. Prominent as exquisitely beautiful is the new strawberry diamond cut glass, its flashing, glowing antics in She looked up with a smile, forget- different forms are of identical material, yet as varied in shape and color as sunset clouds: there are lilv-shaped vases, ice-frosted beakers, opals, glittering glasses and decanters; and radiating prismatic splendor comes from every instincts keep him forever in debt. I the very tide of this cut-purse bill, pilarticle in use now on the table. All are of low foundation without "No, but I did. This was originally standards. The Russian-cut Amerimy mail. I must give them nothing as I discovered that he did not go out style varied with oval and crescentto remark upon. I must go home with the others, I guessed your pur- shape for salads. A circular tray in without it to-day and without seeing pose and trembled for you. That closest imitation of hammered brass him; but I have promised to spend young bear has muscle enough to crush holds a pitcher and set of gorgeous hurry to get to the fare table that he like moral poison and political corrupnext Saturday at his mother's. The this small arm to atoms. I swung my- harlequin wings; this is one of the could scarcely keep from trembling. orchins can not deprive me of that self over the railing, came through the many specimens and styles of Webb's basement window and stationed myself famous English glass. The delicate The next day Peter was rather more where I told you. I had the advantage, and beautiful cameo glass is produced subdued, but like the quiet day that is you know, of an access through my in vases, jars, flagons and bowls in sapphire, golden tints, pale water-"You have not been a prisoner there green and rose; some in distinct colors, others exquisitely shaded. The most she said, a look of merriment darting elaborate work is seen in the enameled Bohemian glass of the gayest colors, not unlike rich tapestries. Some large goblets of anary color gleam with long pinnated ferns and bright scroll-work; others show the delicate enamel gold-tinted in emerald, purple, scarlet and rose like the wing of a butterfly. There are spond, that bear the semblance of being set with gems in the thinnest of glass. The well-known Doulton stoneware, Lambeth pottery of England. maintains its prestige in the familiar dull blues and buff colors, mostly in odd pieces for table service, such as large cheese bowls, jars, mustards and salts. Other specimens of glass, fine and thin as a bubble, are decorated with the wrought gold of the jeweler in delicate filigree, and in these specimens the glass is blown into the gold. Webb's English peach bloom porcelain consists of long-necked jars, beakers, chalices shaded from the base of the goldet.-yellow peach gradually to the top into the rich purplish red of per-

Some specimens of opaque called the German-Bohemian iewel glasses are decorated with beads of glass-like studs and blue medallions as frame-work: these are placed on by hand. "Matsu-no-Kee" is the Chinese name of some beautiful semi-opaque glass for ornaments, also bottles and iars; the ground is shaded olive, with tints of green; some fanciful little baskets are of red shading into blue; the same style is seen again in clear crystal and in red Bohemian, with graceful decorations set in clusters from curving stems of the Chinese flower that gives its name to these charming specimens of beauty. Fullsized callas stand erect to receive their counterparts in nature. Pretty eggbaskets, of English make, have receptacles for holding four egg-cups in har-

The famous Leeds pottery makes its appearance in antique designs for decoration. There are many superb examples of pate tendre in odd plates, flower-stands, great jars and vases for decorative purposes. In no branch of decorative art is there greater improvement than in that connected with the service of the table. Absence of bodycolor has been the greatest defect in modern glass and pottery; now the belong to the past. The finest works The Arkansaw man replied as fol- of the greatest masters are copied upon

# DOCTOR OF CHANCES.

of His Trade. define his calling.

"I am a doctor," he said.

"A doctor of what?" "A doctor of chances."

Murray is not disinclined to tal been the growth of your own manliness. I that I regret it any deeper than you "Gamblers' talk is seldom truthful," do. If I had paid you I would not he said. "The instant a man begins now owe you any thing. At first this to tell about his play, the temptation d tried "moral something more to say. It came at may not strike you as the truth but to lie becomes so great that in nine mature reflection has taught me that cases out of ten he yields gracefully to his satanic character. by despising it. "They bet me, in his store, that I it is a fact. At one time after receiv- it at the start. I know a little chap order to show could, but I give it up. You've beat, less ever get from you, I thought that for gambling. The more he plays the I would immediately forward the wilder the instinct becomes, and it al-She almost smiled at his apology, amount which I owe you, but then I ready has had the effect of lowering This was the cause of Miss Emery's taking it as it was meant. She looked thought that you might be dead and him in a business way. When he was man a favor I want him to know it. dry-goods house down town, and as he s fruitful of Peter Dean. Let me charge you to evil. I would rather pay a man tea sharp, he managed to be promoted know that he would forever remain ist of thirty-five hundred dollars a year. ignorance of the fact; therefore, I hope From the day he became known to the "Will you give me your hand upon that you will understand my position. cashier, as a boy, until he recently left But what is the use of all this? You the establishment, his accounts were may be dead by the time this reaches always far overdrawn, and his condiyou, in which event you would never tion one of advanced financial embargive me credit for all these expressions rassment year in and year out. He of sympathy. As I previously re- says very frankly himself that he never away, the book of copies was thrust marked, a dying man has no need of remembers the time in his life when he not vet. I aside, the desk cleared, and then the money. Material things are of but lit wasn't broke, and yet he has always e pleased, nerves, and of all the powers of both you are not dead when you receive He was recently discharged on account boy who body and mind, was too much for her this please let me know and I will of neglect of business, and he is school so slight frame. She leaned her head write you another letter."-Arbusan to-day simply waiting an opportunity to become a professional gambler. His

Without a moment's besitation he took the most desperate of chances, planked down his whole fortune on a single card, and called the turn on the queen This was a high play, and the company disregarded their own bets, and glanced toward the owner of the one hundreddollar bill. He won. The dealer paid him a great deal of money in small bills. He swept the pile into his hatit nearly filled it-jammed the hat on his head, and rushed violently out of the room. No more flagrant disregard of the rules of etiquette among gamblers could be exhibited. A man who makes a big winning from a house is expected to play a little of it carelessly before he leaves, or at least to set up the wine and eigars for everybody in the room and toss a few dollars to the waiters. To rush away as though he simply wanted to get the money out of the house, and not give the house any chance to win again, stamps a player as knowing nothing of the rules that govern the manners of polite gamblers. So, when the painter dashed out there were one or two satirical exclamations. Within an hour the player was back there, lost every thing he had won, the one hundred dollar bill, besides, and had given his check for three hundred and sixty dollars. He said afterward: I shall never in my life forget the struggle I had as I hurried down Fifth avenue with that monev in my hat. I had made up my mind on the spur of the moment, as I got out of the club-house, to rush home with it, throw it in my wife's lap and tell her to keep it from me. I got to my door-steps, and I couldn't get up to the door to save my life. I was dripping wet from exertion and anxiety. and I walked around the block with forced coolness, hoping to come back again more composed. In that tour around the block every story of great winnings by gamblers that I had ever heard flashed through my mind. The well-worn tale of how Jack Haverly went into a Buffalo faro bank with a two-dollar bill and came out with fourteen thousand dollars in cash, went ringing through my mind. The more I thought of it the faster I walked, and I didn't come to my senses until I had jumped hurriedly ahead of a team of horses that had almost run me down. That brought me to my senses, and where do you think I was? Fourteen blocks from home, and at the very door of the gambling-house in which I had won the money. I knew just as well that it was no use for me to try and get away as you know that it is impossible for you to defy the law of gravitation."-N. Y. Cor. Boston Her-

type of a gambler, for he believes that

certain rules. It is an old axiom among

professionals that when a man once

#### A REFRACTORY ROOSTER. He Makes Himself Heard in the Halls of the Supreme Court.

Grant, President of the National Trot- fusion to make it beautiful. Worth There was also remarkable representation frame, and she had will power that by the time you receive this. If not, I are gracefully mingled together in ting Congress: "Not many years ago I sprinkles the crystal globules over a would have governed an army, together beg your pardon for not sending the. tazzas, apple-green bowls and figures met the judge on a Washington-bound ball dress of tulle and sain in a way to with that magnetism which accom- money. My experience teaches me in relievo, crescents with a transparen- train. I noticed that his overcoat pock- make the co-tume look charming, while board sketch. A swift glance about panies a strong will. He dared not that a dying man does not need cy of tone like Parian marble, chalices et bulged a good deal, and on closer a less artistic band piles it on en masse leave his place now without her con- money. If I were dving it wouldn't and plateaux, adding color, form and examination I saw a chicken's head till the gown looks weary and heavy sent, and he knew too well that the make any difference to me whether I luster to the table. - N. Y. Fashion peeping out at one corner. Mr. Grant laden with its embarrassment of riches, explained that he had a very fine fight- and then some fat old dowager will aping cock which he was taking to Wash- pear in it at a morning wedding or on ington, and he thought that if he sent some such inappropriate occasion, and it through by express it would either one thinks only of a frost-colored cabbe neglected or stolen, so, as the chick- bage instead of a dew-sprinkled rose. The original doctor of chances was en was a great pet and very compan- The eternal fitness of things decrees the Mike Murray whose retirement jonable, he concluded to carry it that crystal trimming should be worn from the business of gambling has through in his picket, and he was up only at night and by those who can lately been noticed. He comed his to that time making a pretty good job carry it off with some grace and favor. shuffle of feet and at length he came do, but allow me to say that a dying own title on the witness-stand, when of it. The train was late at Washing- It belongs with tulie and gauge and asked by a cross-examining lawyer to ton, and as the judge had an important youth and freshness, rather than with case before the Supreme Court, he made | velvet, satin and wrinkles. - Chicago a hasty run from the train to the court- Tribunc. room. He came into the presence of the Supreme Judges just as his case was called, and throwing off his over- How a Millionaire Cooled the Enthusiase coat and asking the colored man in attendance to take good care of it and hang it up within his sight, he pro- and known financially quite well by ceeded to make his argument. The Phil Armour, went into that gentlejudge had a strong case, as he thought, man's office lately. and in hammering home his points he "I've hit a great chance to invest in became somewhat vehement, and in- a piece of property that will double in tions. In the midst of his discussion, and while the judges and the lawyers in court had their heads bent intent on his points, the chicken in the overcoat pocket gave a loud, exultant crow, and hen another. This brought down the forced to sell." house. The Chief Justice looked inquiringly at Mr. Grant, and Mr. Grant looked forbiddingly, first at the coat and the chicken making a frantic effort to extricate itself, and then at the lawyers laughing at him. Then in dig- bargain." nified and courtly manner he made his excuses to the Court, explained that he had not expected a chicken which was so good a fighter and under such excellent discipline to break out in court in that way. He asked for a suspension of rules until the refractory rooster was removed from the court-room. Then he proceeded with his argument to the close."-N. Y. Post.

-In Mexico the morning newspapers are sold in the streets the evening before, for they go to press about fire people are of the higrest respectability. o'clock in the afternoon. The Sunday -Gray Lock mountain, at North and he is himself a man of some fine morning papers are sold Saturday ploys hundreds of men, if she ever did Adams, which is three thousand five feelings but, if it came to a decision light and there are now ready for anything for her father shands? "No." When her thoughts was ared again "Do not mind me," said a voice, hundred feet above the level of the sea, whether "e should play poker or eat, Mon ay, so that in Mexico there is no was the reply, "but I rub mine with d toward strong yet tender, as the step came is the hig sest point in the State of he would be hungry and play poker Sanday newspaper work done and at givenue and oatment every night."every time. He is the most unfortunate Sunday newspaper

#### BEFORE AND AFTER.

luck can be systemized and reduced to A soul-Stirring and a Saddening Extract

from the Journal of the House. February !- Hon. Mr. Leatherlung. gets this idea firmly ground in his head, on the floor in opposition to Hon. Mr. he will die a pauper. He differs very Blowgun's bill for the annexation of much from another man. With this the North Pole; "Sir, this victors one it is tragic. He is of a highly nerv- scheme of a vicious demagogue—for I ous temperament, a painter by profes- can not dignify the one by calling it a sion, and the head of a family of con- measure or its author a statesman-is siderable proportions. If it were not worthy of the dishonest heart and corfor his play, they might all live in com- rupt brain in which it had its foul and fort, if not in luxury; but his gambling dishonorable origin. Robbery lurks in saw him come into a gambling-house lage is hidden in every line, villainy, three years ago, with a crisp hundred- hypocrisy, shameless mendacity and dollar bill, which he had just got for measureless greed stain every page, painting a portrait. "I did it in three and all the foul blots that mar and pol-Sundays," he said: "my wife thought jute the fair paper upon which it is I was out walking, and the money you printed, all the rognery, all the lying. see is all my own." He was in such all the thievery and jobbery that burk

February 3-Hon. Mr. Leatherlung, nat rising to announce to the House the death of his esteemed colleague, Hon. before you, spare your horse at the Mr. Blowgun, said: "Sir, my recreant start, let him frequently walk to retongue would cleave in abject shame cover his wind. Continue thus until he to the roof of my mouth, and my has sweated and dried three times, and right arm would forever more drop in you may ask of him whatever you pulsied helplessness to my side, did 1 please; he will not leave you in diffi ermit this occasion to pass by without culty. - Arab Mazim. paving my humble but heartfelt tribute - The man who drugs his horse to to the memory of that great man who make his hair sleek and "shiny" shows has passed away just at a time when little sense. The best means to keep his country least could spare him; just the coat glossy is eareful and daily when the republic most needs his clear grooming. This, with plenty of oats brain, his pure character, his honest and water and an occasional bran heart and his faultless statesmanship. mash, is all the horse needs when in No truer man, lofty and noble in every health. The arsenic groom should be characteristic of perfect manhood, ever discharged - Chicago Tribune. ennobled the profession of politics, adorned the loftiest paths of states- from shrinking out of shape in the drymanship, or honored, yes, sir, hon- ing if as soon as they are taken from ored this house by his presence. Legis- the feet they are tightly stuffed with lation was purified by the touch of his newspapers. These should not be rehand; jobbery, corruption, scheming solities fled from his coming, as the darkness flies from the light. That his vent unequal shrinkage and consequent name was connected with any measure was ever sufficient to indorse that measure as worthy of the broadest confidence and fullest support. Although it was my misfortune (weeps) to differ with this mighty mind on some minor juestions of a political nature, yet never, by thought or word, did I imoute to him, or even think the hideous. thought of imputing to him, aught save only the purest, loftiest motives of a soul incorruptibly honest. Sir, I have done." (Everybody weeps, save only except the reporters, who never weep.) Burdette, in Brooklyn Eagle.

#### CRYSTAL TRIMMING Revival of a Garniture in Vogue a Score

of Years Ago.

The use of crystal as a garniture for evening dresses this season is a revival of a very effective trimming much worn lifteen or twenty years ago. It is especially appropriate for the ornamenation of the thin fabrics in vogue at present, but, like all such glittering affairs, should be worn with care, that is, at a fitting time and with not too much lavishness. It owes its restoration to popular favor to Worth who, taking all his inspirations from Mother Nature herself, has used crystal on some of his matchless evening gowns, as that good dame uses the dewdrop in beauti-The following story is told of Judge fying a rose-bush with just enough pro-

### A DIFFERENCE.

of a Young Speculator.

A young man, dabbling in real estate

value in a year." he said, excitedly "Yes," replied Mr. A., quietly,

"House and lot, dirt cheap, on Grand "Yes," responded Phil, again.

"Owner caught in the market and "Yes."

"Nobody knows any thing about the chance but me." "All I need is enough to bind the

"Yes." "Could you let me have a thou-

"That's good." "Yes." "When can I get it?"

"Yes."

"Not at all. I said I could let you have it but I didn't say I would. Better go and see somebody else. Goodbye."-Merchant Traveler.

-A philanthropist asked the daughter of a rich manufacturer, who em-Lurington Free Pres.

#### FACTS FOR FARMERS.

-Farmers in some closely farmed districts are questioning the economy

of chance help. - N. E. Farmer. -It is said, and well proved, that the more quiet sheep are kept the more

quickly they will fatten .- Troy Times. -The Breeders' Gazeffe says that many a man who is wide-awake to the necessity of a reaper in the harvest field is fasteasleep to the importance of improved stock in the stable; yet one is no more important than the other.

-Hogs give returns so quickly that even if a small profit is made on each lot, these profits can be made so often and so quickly that the rearing and feeding of hogs is one of the most paying occupations on the farm .- Toleds

-A little newly-threshed straw will tion in its lines, fetid with festering pol- be eaten by stock almost as readily as lution and hideous with moral deformi- hav. This is one of the advantages of ty, are characteristic of the infamous the old practice of threshing by hand. author of this most infamous measure: If the straw has been threshed by maa man who daily degrades American chine some at least should be put in the politics, shames and outrages honest barn for winter feeding - N. F. Heraid.

statesmanship, and disgraces, eternally - Concentrate your forces. It is beldisgraces, the chair he occupies and ter and at the same time more profitsthe deluded constituents he so basely, ble to grow one hundred and fifty bushmisrepresents; a man whose heart nev- els of ears on one acre of coru than to er yet throbbed with an honest motive work over two seres for the same or a generous impulse. Sir, I have amount, and the same in proportion with other farm crops. - Albany Jour-

-If you have a long day's journey

Wet boots and shows may be kept as they compose a sort of last to preloss of symmetry. Cleveland Leader,

-The Wisconsin Experimental Station has been conducting a series of experiments to determine the relative value of bran resulting from the roller process of flour making, compared with that by the old process, with a rather unexpected result, the advantage being quite decidedly in favor of that by the roller process .- Chicago

#### USEFUL INSECTS.

Beetles and Flies Which Are Entitled to the Cultivator's Protection.

In an excellent article on insects by William Saunders, of London, Ont., published in the proceedings of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario. he says that insectivorous birds are useful helpers to the cultivator, although not so important as insect friends. The birds devour alike the useful and the injurious, the one as readily as the other, not being at all discriminating in this very essential particular. Prof. Saunders remarks: "Birds appear to do comparatively little to keep down injurious insects; the even balance between the useful and the noxious species, when disturbed by the overdue accumulation of the latter, is set right mainly through the agency of friendly insects." Prof. Saunders names the following useful insects: The sand beetles (Cincindalide), of which there are a number of species, which are very active in their work. The Carabidor, of which there are in America, north of Mexico, over a thousand named species. They are nearly all insect enters, some in the day time, others in the night. They often climb trees in search of canker worms, tent cateroillars and other injurious species, and consume them with great gusto. A third useful family are the lady bugs (Coccinellida), nearly all of which feed on insects, and are especially fond of plant lice. Some of them are known to devour the eggs of the Colorado potato beetle. Among the four-winged flies (Hymanoptera) we have many active and neeful friends, and many of them lay up a store of insects as food for their young. A vew important and useful family of insect killers are the ichneumon flies, belonging to the same order as the wasps, which are on the wing all day, searching in every nook and corner for caterpillars, into whose bodies they deposit their eggs, and where the future insects obtain their living. Myria is of caterelllars, says Mr. Sanadors are in this manner yearly destroyed. Immease numbers of caterpillars are also destroyed by the Tachina flics. The syrphus flies devour great numbers of

their prev on the wing. The birds, whose usefulness is so often commended, make no distinction between the above-mentioned insects and those which are enemies to the cutivator, but devour all alike .- Country Gentleman.

plant lice; and the well-known dragon

flies are great insect eaters, catching

### His Choice.

"Kill any thing?" asked a citizen of the suburbs who met a boy carrying a gun.

"Saw!" "See any thing to kill?" · Name

"Expect to see any thing?" "Naw!"

"Then what on earth are you ten ing around in the slush and mud for " Come it's my birth-day."

"Well, what of that?"

"I've either got to do this or halfe birth-day party. Goess you don't know what it is to be a boy. Free Press