

The late Dean Hole was fond of morts of all kinds, but when a report came to his ears that his groom had been engaging in a pugilistic set-to, the fean felt it his duty to administer a mitable rebake, winding up with: "I hope you were separated" (severely). "Beg pardon, sir; when I'd finished he fidn't want no separating," said the room.

Dr. Grath, a witty physician of the court of Queen Anne, had prescribed a nauscous dose for the great warrior, Duke of Mariborough. When the duke objected to following the directions, the sharp-tongued Duchess Sarah broke in by saying, "I'll be hanged if it does not cure you." "There, my lord," interposed Garth, "you had better swallow it; you will gain either way."

Thomas Carlyle was a "boarder of the gold of silence," and would sit for bours, puffing away at his pipe, withsut uttering more than a grunt or a gruff monosyllable. Leight Hunt, his aeighbor and intimate, once wrote to a friend: "Have just spent a pleasant hour with Carlyle. When I went in he growled, 'Helloa! here again!' and it parting he snapped out, 'Good-day!' and that is the sum of the conversa-5on he honored me with. But how eloquent his silence it! I just sat and tooked at him, and came away strengthened for a fresh struggle."

A Russian lady, admirer of Rossini, having watched the composer on his faily promenade during several days, sent a message to his house expressive of her desire to be received by him The reply to this strange communica tion was: "I do nothing for nothing if the lady brings me a very fine bunch of asparagus, she will be welcome, and she can take a view of me at her leisare." Then, pointing to his waist, which had attained a somewhat aldermanic rotundity, he is said to have added: "The lady may even walk around me if she pleases, but I must have my asparagus."

Professor Simon Newcomb tells of the following incident having occurred its process .-- Century. furing a recent visit paid by several roung Western women to the Washington Observatory. "I had done my est," said the eminent astronomer, "to | Both Men and Women Lose Their Heads inswer with credit to the government and to myself the running fire of questions which my fair callers propound-M. I think I had named even the renotest constellations for them, and was congratulating myself upon the sutcome, when one of the younger nembers of the party interjected: 'But is it has never been proved that the stars are inhabited, how do the astron mers ever find out their names? " A New York young man who has the same name and initials as H. H. Rogers, the Standard Oil man, fremently receives through the mail leters which see intended for the latter. Due day he received a bill for a new Ing furnished to Mr. Rogers' yacht. which he mailed to him with the folowing note: "Dear Sir-I received the inclosed bill intended for you, as I am not fortunate enough to own a yacht. However, I will pay your bill if you will tell me the best time to buy Standard Oil." He received the following teply: "Dear Sir-Your note at hand. t will be glad to pay my own bill. The best time to buy Standard Oil is between ten and three."

that of Maine. In 1336 there were in THEY Ohio five universities and colleges Ohlo University, Miami University, Franklin College, Kenyon College and Westorn Reserve University) against two in Maine (Bowdoin College and Colby University). Twenty years later there were in Ohio eight times the number of colleges and universities then found in Maine, yet the present birthrate of celebrities is more than twice as great in Maine as in Ohio.

Nor has the State of Indiana remained behind in educational matters. In 1840 the generation which is now eighty years old found in Indiana six universities and colleges against two in Maine, one in New Hampshire and two in Vermont. In spite of such advantages, that generation and the fol-Bordering on the miraculous is the lowing show but one fifth of the birth- case of Mrs. Benj. Wilson of this place. rate of men of talent observed in Suffering from Sugar Diabetes, she northern New England.

A similar fact may be observed in Dodd's Kidney Fills cured her. Speakthe South. The State of Tennessee early enjoyed better educational advantages than its Hastern neighbors. the College of Charleston. At that that she could not live. time Tennessee had three universities "Then an advertisement led me to in the equipment as well as in the we recommend them to all suffering number of its colleges Tennessee has continually kept from the eighteenth Nashville is to-day the great educad itism. tional center of the South; yet the birthrate of celebrities in Tennessee is but one-third of that of South Caro' lina.

It is evident that the cause of such differences, as well as that of the imposing intellectual superiority of the poor mountainous regions of New England over the whole East, lies in the mon themselves, and not in theit surroundings. New York, Ohlo, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri are but the successive stages of the great eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, peopled the West at the expense of the East; and the steady decrease in the birthrate of talent met with when passing from one of those States to its Western neighbor shows, as is the case in every partial migration, that that particular one was highly selective in

MANIA FOR WEALTH.

READ THE DONT PAPERS.

St Peter-"You can't come in." Millinoaire-"Wha-atf Yeu just avenue, Bverett, Wash., says: "For fifsend for the daily papers, and read the reports of the funeral sermon that Rev. Softie preached over me."

SHH WAS RIGHT.

Mr. Sharp-"If there were po women, the men would have nothing o laugh at."

Mrs. Sharp-"If there were no women, the men wouldn't want anything to laugh at. They would not eet like tangtring.

Reads Like a Miracle.

Moravia, N. Y., Dec. 12 .- Special.)wasted away till from weighing 200 lbs she barely tipped the scales at 130 lbs.

ing of her cure her husband says: "My wife suffered everything from Sugar Diabetes. She was sick four In 1794 there was not a single college years and doctored with two doctors, or university in North Carolina. South but received no benefit. She had so Carolina had but one such institution, much pain all over her that she could not rest day or nigh. The doctor said

and colleges; the University of Teni try Dodd's Kidney Pills and they helpnessee, the University of Nashville and ad her right from the first. Five boxes Greenville and Tusculum College. Its M them cured her. Dodd's Kidney superiority over its Eastern neighbors Pills were a God-sent remedy to us and from Kidney Disease.'

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> MCWORKS' KINDLY THEORY. Mrs. McWork-"Old Bullion is nakin' gobs o' money. Phys hud he

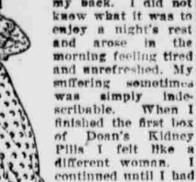
> be wantin' to rejuce your wages" Mr McWork-"Sure I dunno. Maoye he do be thryin' to get rich reough to be a great phelanthropits"

Luy iz a cucious mixtur; it iz made up ov jealousys and doubts, pouting Hos and weeping eyes, squables and rekonciliations, sharp cunwestward migration which, during the ning and abjeckt blindness, purity and sin, fond hopes and tantalizing lears, and a thousand other ingredients besides. For more full partikuars watch the two lovers, Ruben and Cornelia.

> Thare is nothing cha partoan had ipelitia'; and if it is a ch an el ment ov suckcess az sum sbrewd ktiticks hav diskovered, they owe it to their airs and assignees tew adopt It at onst, and bekum ritch and famus.

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teen yoars I suffered with terrible pain in my back. I did not



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Jimson-"Don't need 'em."

"Your door hasn't any spring." "People always shut it when they go out."

"That's queer."

"I'm a tax assessor. They shut it with a slam."

I never hav jined church yet; I never hav thought I was bright enuff for an example.

Thare is just as mutch real wit in the world az thare iz truth in the wit, and no more.

THE YOUNG DOUTOR AHEAD. Joker-"I suffer from cold feet at night." Dr. Glynn--"Is your general health good? "Perfectly." Good appetite? First late. Sleep under blankets? Yes. Take plenty of outdoor exercise?

Lots. Very strange. The cold feet are my wife's. Ah! Get a divorce. Two dollars, please.

A WALL STREEF CHARACTER. Jack-"Going to the fancy bill?" George-"Cao't afford a costume." "Got a threadbare coat?" "Of course."

"And an old pair of baggy trous

SUPPOSE WE SMILE

HUMORCUS PARAGRAPHS FROM THE COMIC PAPERS.

Pleasant Incidents Dceurring the World Over-Eavings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young-Funny Seles tions that Everybody Will Enjoy.

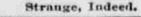
First Student-Do you believe sower of silence?

Second Student-I certainly When I ask the governor for a tes and he doesn't even answer my ques ion I know by the power of his silence taken five boxes. that there's nothing doing .- Deusit ree Press.

Possible Explanation.

Mrs. Green-Does your husband ever ay anything about his mother's supe ior cooking?

Mrs. Brown-Not a word. Mrs. Green-I wonder why? Mrs. Brown-I don't know-unless t's because the old lady used to keep boarding house.





Willle-How things do change in this world. Now here is another er. of those awful showers, and can't see a bit of lightning or h ingle sound of thunder.

Exacting.

Old Friend-So you have at last con sented to marry some one. How did \$ happen?

Miss Flippant-Well, every man that has ever proposed before has said "Will you be my wife?" But Harole isked if he might have the honor of be ng my husband .-- Detroit Free Press

BIRTHRATE OF CELEBRITIES.

fore Than Twice as Great in Maine as in Ohio.

A steady fall in the birthrate of men of talent is met with in going from few England westward. While, in New England, out of every 100,000 withs, fifty-four are those of men of nient, in New York that number falls · thirty-four; in Ohio to nineteen, in ndiana to eleven, in Illinois to ten, in dissouri to six, in Kansas to two, in lolorado to one.

in the case of such Western States s Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, Mincoota and the Dakotas, the extreme aucity of men of talent is in part exdained by two facts; a lack of suitble means of education for the presat generation and an abnormal proortion of young people among the naive born.

But if we remain within the zone shich was filled by settlers in the ighteenth or in the beginning of the ineteenth century, and which inludes such States as Ohio, Kenucky, Tennessee, Indiana and Illieds, that explanation falls, and there emains the fact of a disproportion of rom about three to one between the tast and the West in the present drthrate of men of talent.

In several cases the Western State sjøys a greater material prosperty, has more and larger cities, and ias offered to the present generation etter educational opportunities than sany of its Eastern neighbors. The state of Ohio is comparable in area Maine. In 1810 the Over the Mighty Dollar.

The mania for getting rich-the mad false idea that we must have moneyhas played worse havoe among ambitious people than war or pestilence. A member of the Chicago Board of Trade told a newspaper reporter that the men and women of this country contribute \$100,000,000 a year to the sharpers who promise to make them rich quick. They work the same old scheme of a confidential letter and shrewd baiting, until the victim parts with his money. Thousands are plodding along in poverty and deprivation, chagrined and humiliated because they have not been able to get up in the world or to realize their ambitions, for the reason that they succumbed to the scheme of some smooth promoter, who hypnotized them into the belief that they could make a great deal very quickly out of very little.

The great fever of trying to make \$1 earn \$5 is growing more and more contagious. We see even women secretly going into brokers' offices and "bucket shops," investing everything they have in all sorts of schemes, drawing their deposits out of the banks, sometimes pawning their jewelry-even their engagement ringsand borrowing, hoping to make a lot of money before their husbands or families find it out and then to surprise them with the results; but, in most cases, what they invest is hopelessly lost.

Thousands of Young Americans are so tied up by financial or other entanglements, even before they get fairly started in their life work, that they can only transmute a tithe of their real ability or their spleadid energies into that which will count in their lives. A large part of it is lost on the way up, as the energy of the coal is nearly all lost before it reaches the electric bulb.

Not a Pavorite Breed.

Lovers of good, plain dogs, which have been allowed to grow naturally, will appreciate the story of the Bagilsh peddler who went to a dealer in dogs and thus described what he wanted: "Hi wants a kind of dog about so 'igh an' so long. Hit's a kind of gryound, an' yet it ain't a gry'ound, because 'is tyle is shorter nor any o' these 'ere gry'ounds, an' 'is nose is shorter, an' 'e ain't so slim round the body. But still'e's a kind o' gry'ound. Do you keep such dogs?"

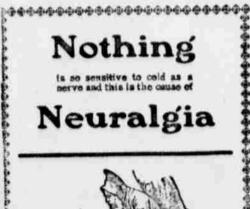
"No," replied the dog man. "We drowns 'em."

There Are Others. Homor-Meeker says he tells his wife everything that happens. Gayboy-Huh, that's nothing! I tell my wife a lot of things that never did

ARE ANY TWO PEOPLE ALIKE Can any two human beings look exactly alike Most people will say 10, yet upon this apparant impossibility Katherine Cecil Thurston has built her remarkable book, "The Masqueraders." All the more to her

redit if, thus handicapped, she is this to envolve a tale into so clever a way as to give verisimilitude to her neidents and characters. That she has a complished this in no small regree is evidenced by the wonderful 'ascination of the tale. One reader, nde d, being an invalid from heart prouble and having started the story ierially, writes the publishers and mplores them to reveal the denouenent, lest he pass away before the angled skein is unraveled and the replexing moral problem solved. He

ays, pleadingly and with a tine pessmism: "It would be just my luck o die and not know the end." Was ver before such a letter written to publisher? This letter, however and it was a long one), is undoubtdly the "real thing " for Harper & tros. wouch for it, and that's noogh for you and me and the ganral public. It is only to be hoped hat they were kind to the corresmondent and satisted his curiosity, wen at the risk of a sudden, sh ck o his admittedly weak hears. -- Wesey Sisson, in The Era Magazine for Jecember.







cothes and cures the worst ases. Price 25c. and 50c.

ers?'' "Certainly."

"Well, put them on, and go as a millionaire."

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure dealness and that is by constitu-tional remedies. Dealness is caused by an in-famed condition of the musous lining of the famed condition of the mussus lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hear-ing, and, when it is entirely closed. Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarri, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mussurfaces.

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Getting Mixed.

"She has been 22 now for sons that I know about."

"If she keeps that up much longe she will be posing as her own grand laughter."--Illinois State Journal.

One Man's Wisdom.

Caller-So you didn't take a vac tion this summer, ch? Busy Man-No; I needed a rest, se

sent my wife to the country for month.

An Unkind Cut. Biffbang--That's a swell kad y are wearing, Smithkins. I wish triend Trotter could get a glimpse

Smithkins (flattered)-Is your frie diamond expert?

Biffbang-No; he travels for a pla lass factory.

Just as Good.



"One o' these days," said the ! to the banana vender. "yo rich from sellin' bananas th be comin' around in a auto, fas with this cart."

"No, no," answered Salvatore bacco. "No, no, signora. I not the auto. I notta need him. I the fight ever' night witha the rang an' getta hurta just as bad New York Herald.

Pa's Theory.

"Say, pa," queried little Sumpernickle, "what does this mean by a double-minded man? "It probably has reference to fool bachelor who is thinking ting married, my son," replied gentleman.