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A MAN at Stockton, Cal., recently sunk an artesian well, sinking a seveninch tube 840 feet, and struck excellent water. Desiring to increase the flow, he inserted a four-inch tube in the seven and sunk it 1200 feet, again meeting water, but unfit for drinking and charged with gas, which came bubbling to the top. A perforated tin can placed over the mouth of the tube showed that the gas would burn, and by laying pipe the owner has se cured both fuel and water for his house from the same well.

of its divorce and the laxity of its morals, yet the severest restraint is imposed upon the intercourse of the young people. A letter says: "Girls have very little liberty here. If a gentleman is seen dancing more than twice during the same evening with a young lady he is as much compromised as the unhappy maiden herself, and immediately pounced upon by a score of relatives demanding his intentions. No conversation can take place between the young couples, as, directly after the dance, the gentleman must trot his partner back to the maternal wing. A young girl is allowed to have little or no intercourse with men, and a harmless 'flirtation' would be ruinous to her reputation in Bucharest. No wonder she accepts the first offer of marriage as a means of emancipating herself, neither is it astonishing that men never trouble themselves to talk for any length of time to an unmarried lady." As might be expected, this system of restriction is very far indeed from tend ing to morality.

In view of the terrible riot through which Cincinnati has just gone, the cause and fearful results of the same, the following editorial in the April Century, is eminently apropos: "Over against the fifteen hundred murders of the last year, we have the report of barely ninety-three legal executions. Many of these must have been cases in which the crime had been committed nals of 1883 had not yet been brought to trial. It is not, however, tar from the truth to say that, while thirteen or fourteen hundred murders are committod in this country every year, fewer than a hundred of the murderers suffer the extreme penalty of the law. When the willful slayer knows that he has thirteen chances out of fourteen of escaping the full penalty of the law, the deterrent influence of punishment cannot be said to be very powerful. * "The small number of murderers

hanged by the sheriffs, and the greater number hanged by the mobs, should be evidence enough that the administration of our criminal courts in many quarters is fatally defective, and needs reforming. The only classes of persons interested in maintaining the present state of things are the criminals and the criminal lawyers; and it is not for their exclusive benefit that society is organized. The contrast between the swift, firm, and sure methods of English and Continental courts in dealing with great criminals, and the tardy, feeble and abortive methods of our own, should sting our national pride to some energetic measures of reform. The people must rouse themselves to demand a more vigorous enforcement of the laws, and they must sce to it that judges and prosecuting attorneys are chosen who have the ability and the will to bring evil-doers to justice. The judges on the beach may well inquire whether the protection of the criminal has not assumed disproportionate importance in our criminal procedure. If, in our fear lest an innocent man may suffer, the law itself, which is the only protection of innocent men, becomes utterly paralyzed, then there is a call for a revision of our methods and our maxims, and the infusion of a new spirit into our laws. Every judge who will brush aside the hair splitting devices of the lawyers, and insist that criminal trials shall be conductthe approval of his fellow-citizens." dition up the river.

Ten electric lights are to be placed upon the top of the Washington

WANT of finish: "I shall really have to part with you, Susan, you're so sketchy in your dusting!"-Punch.

MRS. GRUNDY of the New York Mail says the new hand-painted bonnets go very well with the old hand. painted faces.

THE Commercial Advertiser hopes soon to hear of the "extinct dude." ROUMANIA is famous for the facility | This is not charitable to posterity. In the ages yet to come some busy body scientist would unearth him and again inflict him upon an innocent world.

> Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars have been appropriated for the purpose of refunding to settlers on the line of the Denver & St. Joe road, in Kansas and Nebraska, the amount paid by them in the compromise entered into some years ago when their lands were in contest.

THE wine cup is the father of sin, and the whisky jug is the step-father. -N. Y. Commercial Advertiser. Now where do Tom and Jerry come in? -Boston Post. They are the two orf'uns. -Philadelphia Press. Yes, they run a zoological show in which "snakes" are the principal attraction.

A SMILE ran through a Back Bay horse car yesterday at the announcement of an item in a famous will. One jolly gentleman with white hair announced the fact to a friend on the opposite seat. "She left five thousand dollars to a gentleman who had heen engaged to her daughter, but whose engagement has been broken off a long time." "What did she do that for ?" "To compensate him for his disappointment, I suppose; women are queer sometimes.3

EVERY winter a large number of cattle drift on to the Union Pacific railroad track for shelter in the cuts, and are run over and killed. The company has to pay annually a large sum for the cattle thus killed, and to protect itself as well as the cattle, it is now enclosing its track with barbed wire fence from North Platte westward. The fence will be a barrier between herds north and south of the track, and as it will cut the grazing territory into two sections, and prevent roaming from one to the other the cattle men will probably raise some objections. However, the Union Pacific has a right to enclose its track, and in all probability the fence will in the end prove beneficial to all parties interested .- Bee.

WE clip the following stock items from the N. W. Stock Journal, and from their Palisade, Hayes county, correspondent:

Mr. N. A. Way, a Journal correspondent at Benkelman, paid his first visit to Chevenne and this office last Saturday. The gentleman says the reported losses of stock along the B. & M. road have been much exaggerated. He counted twenty-one carcasses from Berkelman to Haigler, sixtythree from Haigler to Ray, and 162 from Ruy to Eckley. Many of these had evidently been killed by the cars. He says that during the storms the cattle drifted down against the railroad fence, and being unable to get through to water or feed a number perished. He noted that most of the stock visible was young through cattle, scarcely any old ones in the herds, and thinks that they are doing as well as could be expected under the

We are having beautiful weather at present. Cattle are looking well, some few are getting into the Frenchman. There are a great many northern cattle in this part of the country which have drifted in at the forks of the Frenchman and Republican rivers.

The 7VE stock company of west-ern Nebraska are feeding a great number of cattle this winter, and their losses are light.

ed with rigor and directness of purpose, W. M. Hagerman, foreman of the will deserve, and will be likely to wih, 717 ranch, reports cattle in good con-