ugust ower"

This is the query perpetually on your little boy's lips. And he is no worse than the bigger, older, balder-head- ife is an interrogation hat is it for?" we con- from the cradle to the with this little introduc- we turn and ask: "What LOWER FOR?" As easily s asked: It is for Dys- is a special remedy for and Liver. Nothing this; but this brimful. August Flower cures We know it will. We for knowing it. Twenty started in a small country day it has an honored y city and country store, e of the largest manu- lants in the country and here. Why is this? The simple as a child's t is honest, does one does it right along—it psia.

Sole Man'fr, Woodbury, N. J.

t Did She Expect.

at do you think of that I bought down at the on account of the fire. Is it damaged much by

at all by fire; only dam- water which touched it.

g at the clock)—"Ah! time (yawningly)—"Yes, and late the excellent exam- me sets."—N. Y. Herald.

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ler Co., Md.

Much for Endurance.

Citizen (indignantly)—madam, I want you to see y of yours sit down once and reads the papers. I such an ignoramus about The idea of a boy of his such idiotic questions."

—"The young numskull know if the "Hon." before a an's name meant honest."

ven-Handed Justice.

—"You are charged with com- assault on this man and is eye. What have you to

an—"Your honor, my wife og, and I caught this fellow ck."

—"You are discharged; but as u miserable scalawag with , the next time you steal a and don't keep it, I'll send r six months."—New York

On Shares.

—"How about that bill you to collect on shares?"

—"You said I could have half t you?"

ly."

've collected my half. Can't —New York Weekly.

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Cleaning Metal Work

The soaps used for cleaning metal work usually consist of mixtures of vaseline, oleic acid and fat, mixed with a small quantity of rogue. When freshly prepaed, they leave nothing to desired; but, unfortunately, such mixtures soon turn rancid and become unfit for use. A new soap for metal work which is stated to be free from this objection, is made from cocoanut butter in the following way: 25 kilss. of the butter are melted in an iron vessel, together with a little water, and to the mixture is added, with constant stirring, 180 grms. of chalk, 87,5 grms. of alum, 87.5 grms. of cream tartar, and 87.5 grms of white lead. This mixture is then poured into molds and allowed to solidify. The Chemical Trades Journal says the soap so obtained is made into paste with water, and rubbed over the metal to be cleaned, and finally removed by a dry rag or chamois leather.

Washing Away the Earth.

A French geologist has made a careful calculation of the amount of solid matter yearly carried off into the ocean by the action of the rivers of the world and other causes. He estimates that the reduction of the average height of the surface of the solid land is 0.006 inches each year. Making allowance for the corresponding rise in the bed of the ocean, and taking no account of the occurrence of volcanic and other exceptional phenomena—the general tendency of which is to hasten the process of disentegration—the period at which the solid land will have ceased to exist and the surface of the earth will be covered with water, has been estimated. As, however, that period is 4,500,000 years distant, the prediction need cause no immediate disquietude.—From Pittsburg Dispatch.

It Worked.

"This is my last drink," said the impecunious customer, as he opened a small paper and sprinkled a white powder into the liquid.

"Stop! stop!" cried half a dozen barroom loungers, as they ran toward him.

"Hands off," he cried, "this is my potion," and he swallowed it at a draught.

"Now, barkeeper, you can collect your fee from the Coroner."

"Don't die here," sarieked the barkeeper, and he rushed the wretched man out on the street, and in five minutes had the place shut as tight as a bank.

Did the man die? No, he didn't He slid round the corner laughing.

"It worked," he chuckled; "I wouldn't have believed it, but it worked like a mice," and again his mellsfluous laughter floated out on the night air.—From the Detroit Free Press.

A New Food Plant.

The choco plant, Sechium edule, is being grown in Santa Barbrra county, Cal. This is a valuable Fruit Grower, the seed of which were procured from Samoa. Both the tubers of the vine and the squash like fruits are eaten. The fruit is said to resemble the chestnut in flavor, and will under favorable conditions weigh some three pounds. The tubers, which are somewhat similar in flavor to the yam, sometimes weigh as much as twenty pounds. One of its peculiarities is the sprouting of the seeds in the blossom end while the fruit still hangs upon the vine. The plants under favorable conditions fruit in about three months. They do not seem to be very particular as to soil or locality. Just about what amount of cold they will stand has not as yet been determined.

A Negro Woman's Invention.

Ellen Elgin of New York, a member of the Woman's National Industrial league, invented a clothes-wringer. She sold the invention to an agent for $18 in 1889. When asked by the writer why she sold the invention so cheap, she replied: "You know I am black and if it was known that a negro woman patented the invention white ladies would not buy the wringer. I was afraid to be known because of my color in having it introduced in the market; that is the only reason. I am working on another invention and have money to push it after the patent is issued to me, and the invention will be known as a black woman's, too."

"What's Fair For One"

"Didn't see you at committee meeting last night, Goodpater?"

"No, I stayed at home to look over a book my boy brought from the library I like to know what he is reading."

"Does he make good selections?"

"Horrible; the thing he brought home last night was the vilest trash that ever poisoned a man's morals. It begins bad and gets worse on every page. I'll finish it to night and make him take it back, and if ever he brings another one like it about the house I'll skin him alive."

Widowhood in China.

It is a law of good society in China that young widows never marry again.

Widowhood is therefore held in the highest esteem, and the older the widow grows the more agreeable does her position become with the people. Should she reach fifty years, she may, by applying to the emperor, get a sum of money with which to buy a tablet on which is engraved the sum of her virtues. The tablet is placed over the principle entrance to her house.

Mother's Love.

The loving devotion of a mother to her child is almost as enduring as the heavens above and is not to be compared with early things, says the Fort Worth Gazette. This fact has many times been exemplified, and the extreme hardships undergone by Mrs. Nancy Sixkiller, mother of the two Dunnawas boys who were hanged at this place, was only another substantiating instance of this assertion. After learning that the principal chief had refused to pardon her boys or commute the death sentence the old lady was wild with grief and determined to go to the chief in person and make a last appeal to him for their lives. The distance from Mrs. Sixkiller's home in Going Snake district to Chief Maye's residence on Grand river is not less than ninety miles. Although an aged and feeble woman of seventy years she made this long journey afoot and alone.

And all in vain!

Her pleadings with the stern old chief came to naught, and the heartbroken mother was back at this place the day before the hanging so that she might be with her doomed boys during their last hours on earth.

When she left her home Mrs. Sixkiller had on an old pair of shoes, but when she arrived in Tallequah her feet were bare, torn and bleeding, and she was in an utterly exhausted condition caused by her grief, hunger and fatigue. She had waded creeks and climbed mountains until her shoes were completely worn from her feet.

A Day On.

Mrs. Out-of-Town (to her neighbor)—Such trouble as I've had today! I'm nearly dead.

Neighbor—Mercy! What's happened."

"My husband's watch stopped last night?"

"I don't see why that——"

"No, neither could we. It never stopped before, and we didn't know it was stopped this morning, because it stopped last evening and so I set the clock by it, and that was wrong and my husband missed the train to the city and the children were late to school."

"Not pleasant, of course; but——"

"O! but I haven't told you. You see, my husband, after missing his regular train, concluded to take a day off and mend all the furniture."

The action of the postmaster of El Paso in refusing to allow the El Paso *Times* to be transmitted through the mail simply because it contained as news an associated Press dispatch giving a synopsis of the opinion of the supreme Court of Louisiana compelling the Secretary of State to submit at the the next election a constitutional amendment passed by the last general assembly extending the charter of the Louisiana State Lottery twenty-five years, is deserving of the severest condemnation and censure, not only because of the injustice of such an arbitrary proceeding, but upon grounds of public policy. The business manager of the *Times* very properly had this postmaster, who bears the historic name of Smith, arrested for unlawfully detaining mail matter, and he was bound over to appear before a commissioner for trial, but the punishment whatever it will be, even if ever meted out after many months of delay, will not fit the crime. Nothing short of absolute and immediate official decapitation, with whatever other punishment the law provides, would be proper for such officious intermeddling with the mails. If the United States mail is to be subjected to such scrutiny and exclusion by the postmaster at El Paso, the postmasters at the crossroads in the State and throughout the United States have the same right, power and authority, and are of course at liberty to do just as the postmaster at El Paso has done. If the postmaster can stop the transmission of a newspaper because it has in it the decision of a court in regard to the Louisiana lottery, he can also stop it because it mentions the name of the lottery in it, and if he can do this he can stop the *Post*, because it incidentally mentions the name of the Louisiana Lottery Comyany in criticising his official conduct. If he can do this, however, he can override the strongest bulwark of the liberties of the people and violate one of the plainest provisions in the constitution of the United States, thereby completely throttling the press.

Tpon grounds of public policy the United States Government should not tolerate such tampering with the mail. It throws open the doors to fraud and, if permitted, will tend to make the service inefficient and unreliable. Why not detain a letter suspected of containing a lottery advertisement, and why not open it to ascertain if the detention is legal? If its contents are legal why then of course it might be permitted to continue on its journey.

The great wrong done newspaper publishers, however is to allow a postmaster to authoritatively detain mail matter which is in his opinion illegal. He ought not to be permitted to do this. If the publisher has committed any wrong he can be held responsible and be made to suffer the penalty; but a postmaster may detain an entire edition of a newspaper, entailing a heavy loss upon the publisher, and yet when the matter comes to a final trial the court may decide that the papers are mailable. The damage has then been done the publisher, and there seems to be no adequate remedy for him. Suppose the politics of a newspaper are objectionable to the postmasters generally and throughout the state they choose to hold a paper because in their opinion it is not mailable, it would thus put it within the power of the postal department to stop the circulation of a newspaper and bankrupt it, leaving the publisher with a lot of suits against postmasters as assets. Such a state of affairs leaves newspaper publishers without adequate remedy, and to allow such arbitrary conduct on the part of officious postmasters is contrary to the institutions of this government, and a violation of the legal maxim that each wrong has its adequate remedy.—Houston (Tex.) *Post* May 16.

A Blind Judgment.

One of the players must be blindfolded and seated at the upper end of the room. Each of the others is then led in turn, and, without touching them, the blinded one must give judgment regarding them. If the judgment is probable then the person led up must be blindfolded in his place: if not he pays a forfeit and another person is brought up until he makes a correct guess. For example:

Question—What is your sentence regarding this prisoner?

Judge—He must sing a German song.

Forfeit—Miss T——does not understand German and is so hoarse she can scarcely speak.

Question—What is your sentence regarding this prisoner?

Judge—That she will read a selection from "Hamlet."

Forfeit—It is your little baby brother who doesn't yet know his letters.

Question—What is your sentence regarding this prisoner?

Judge—He must buy himself a wig.

Dr. W——; being bald headed, now has the honor of the judge's chair.

And so the entertainment goes on, to the interest and delight of the assemblage.—Emma J. Gray in Good Housekeeping.

Cleaning Colored Woolens.

Four ounces of white castile soap four ounces of ammonia, two ounces of alcohol and two ounces of glycerine. Shave the soap in one quart of water over the fire. When dissolved add four quarts of rain water, and when nearly cold the other ingredients. Bottle and keep in a cool place. One cup of this mixed in two quarts of water will be sufficient for ordinary use. Now lay the goods on an old sheet, and iron rapidly and lightly on the wrong side, and then roll tightly on a curtain pole or any round piece of wood. If this is carefully done you do away with the creases made by folding. For black silk or cloth dissolve one tablespoonful of borax and one tablespoonful of indigo in one pint of warm water. Sponge the pieces well and lay smoothly one above the other, and, if possible, put in the sun to dry.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The Gallery Boys Whistle.

It isn't often that the progress of a play is delayed by a whistle. This occured one night at Heuk's opera house. Between acts the orchestra played a selection that gave the flute and piccolo a chance to distinguish themselves at the finale. The boy's in the packed gallery took up the refrain, and the big theatre was filled with the music they put into the air from their pursed lips. The curtain bell rang, but the boys stormed noisily for an encore. The orchestra attempted to take up the music cue for the rising of the curtain, but the whistlers in the gallery would not have it. The leader was obstinate. The picolo and the flute were brought out again, and the selection played once more. The gallery boys whistled the refrain with enthusiasm, and when the curtain bell rang again little Miss Leslie, The Prince, had an opportunity to whistle herself. —Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

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Back Number Restaurant.

Chauncey Depew says: "I lately got a letter praising my speeches and saying: 'So much have they impressed me that I have but one grand wish. I wish to listen to the speech you—' Here I reached the end of the page On turning the sheet over I read the rest: 'would make a better a dinner in your railway restaurant at Poughkeepsie.'"

A Philisophical Family.

Amelia has pimples, and sores in the head,
From humor internal her nose has grown red;
She's a boil on her neck that is big as a bell'
But in other respects she is doing quite well.

And Pa has dyspepsia, malaria and gout,
His hands with salt-rheum are all broken out,
He is prone to rheumatics that make his legs swell,
But in other respects he is doing quite well.

And Ma has night-sweats and a troublesome cough,
That all of our doctors can't seem to drive off;
She wakes every night and coughs quite a spell',
But in other respects she is doing quite well.

There is nothing like philosophy to help one bear the ills of life but in the case of this family what is most needed is a good supply of Dr. Pierces' Golden Medical Discovery. It would cleanse Amelia's bad blood, cure pa's ailments, and check ma's cough. The "Golden Medical Discovery" by its action on the liver, cleanses the system of impurities. It cures humors, ulcers, boils, scrofula, salt-rheum, erysipelas and all kinds of sores and swellings. The only guaranteed blood-purifier.

Not a Hard Hint to Take.

Mr. Faintheart—Are you fond of champagne, Miss Rosa?

Miss Rosa—Moderately so, but what I most admire about a bottle of champagne is the cork.

Mr. F.—Indeed! and for what reason, pray?

Miss R.—Oh, merely because it pops so delightfully.

Pilot Knob.

The celebrated Pilot Knob mines have been worked since 1836, and during the years intervening at the present time have produced an almost fabulous amount of ore, says the St. Louis Republic. The miners reached their zenith in 1984, when they produced 200,000 tons. This output was continued for about three years, when it began rapidly falling off, and two years ago the Vulcan works, whose capacity is 15,000 tons per month, were closed for want of sufficient ore. The company continued to prospect, however, feeling confident that would soon strike another paying vein, and as at a last resort the company sunk another shaft 140 feet deep, the expense of which was enormous. This failed also and the conclusion was forced upon the company that the "mountain of iron" was exhausted. Prospecting was continued, however, but very quietly until a vein, was struck nearer the surface. This vein was nothing like the original vein, however, the output being only seven cars daily. The mines were quietly stripped of all the machinery, and scarcely any of it is to be found there at this time.

The furnaces and forges were built in 1847 by the Pilot Knob Iron company, and in 1858 were acquired by Choteau, Harrison & Valle. Before the Iron Mountain railroad was completed to this point the output had to be carried over the Ozark mountains to St. Genevieve, Mo. It finally came into possession of the St. Louis Ore and Steel company.

The location of the mine is historically interesting, as it was one of the worst nests of bushwhackers developed by the war. It was at Pilot Knob that Ulysses S. Grant received his commission as general. It was at Pilot Knob that the United States headquarters for the southeast were established. It was at Pilot Knob that Gen. Hardee surrendered in 1861, and it was this same spot that the celebrated battle of Pilot Knob was fought in September of 1864. And now, like the tales of the war, the erstwhile famous "Pilot Knob mine," the supposed Golconda, is a thing of the past, a shattered stronghold.

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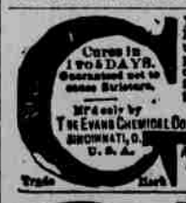

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