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Mix some and give it a trial. It certainly comes highly recommended. It is the prescription of an eminent authority, whose entire reputation, it is said, was established by it.

Bird or Beef

Now that the season of the humming bird is here, and the tiny winged jewel is darting in and out among sweet blossoms, it may be interesting to know what some early observers of nature thought in regard to this least of feathered beings. Two quaint observations are published in "Early Long Island," by Martha Fliat, both quoted from letters of the seventeenth century, written from the new country of America. Says one: "The Humbird is one of the wonders

of the country, being no bigger than a Hornet, yet having all the Demensions of a Bird as bill, wings with quills, spider-like legges, small claws, For Colour she is as glorious es the Raine

Adrian van der Donek, one of the Hollanders of Nieuw Nederlandt in 1642, writes of a

"Curious small bird concerning which there are disputations whether it is a bird or a bee. It seeks its nourishment from flowers like the bee and is everywhere seen regaling itself on the flowers. In flying they make a humming noise like the bee. It is only seen in Nieuw Nederlandt in the season of flowers. They are very tender and cannot be kept alive, but we press them between paper and send them as presents to our friends."

Merely Gloating. twelve tons of small egg st me?" said the caller at the coal

The young man behind the railing quoted the prevailing price.

"Would it be any cheaper if I took fifteen tons?" asked the other. 'Not a cent."

"It's too much. You won't catch me paying any such price as that." "That's exactly what you'll pay if you are going to burn any coal this winter." "O, I guess not. I bought my winter supply last April. Just dropped in to see if I made any money by buying it

then. I see I did. Good day."-Chicago Encouraging IMm.

The villain in the play was perishing miserably and alone, amid the painted

"Ye gods!" he gasped, "how can I die with this awful secret on me oul!' "Never mind that!" yelled an excited boy in the gallery. "You go shead and die! I'll tell the other fellers all about it when they came out agin!"

Usually the Case. "Did you name the baby after his "No, we named him after a prolonged scrap in which the whole family engaged."-Cleveland Leader.

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Major Dunwoodle at once saw his ad-

antage. The column he led began slowly

o retire from the field, when the youth

ful German, who commanded the enemy's

never survived the blow. It was upon

met the charge bravely, but they were

swept before the mettled horse and nerv

before the wind. Many of them were lit-

The lawn in front of the Locusts was

close line of shrubbery, and the horses of

together, under its shelter. Two Cow-

the open wood in the rear of the cottage,

The victorious Americans pressed the

the infantry; and feeling themselves, in

the privacy of the lawn, relieved from

any immediate danger, the predatory war-

riors made toward their intended prizes,

y an almost spontaneous movement.

They were busily engaged in separating

the fastenings of the horses when the

rooper on the plazza discharged his pis-

ol, and rushed, sword in hand, to the

The entrance of Casar into the parlor

the maranders from their prey. The mo-

and drew a bolt of the outer door.

found the main entrance barred.

a moment on his prisoner. To scale

the window in the face of such an enemy

was, however, impossible, and on trial he

His comrade now called loudly on him

for aid, and forgetful of everything else.

the discomfited trooper rushed to his as-

sistance. One horse was instantly lib-

erated, but the other was already fastened

to the saddle cf a Cowboy, and the four

retired behind the building, cutting furi-

ously at each other with their sabres.

Caesar threw the outer door open, and

pointing to the remaining horse, exclaim-

"Run-now-run-Massa Henry, run."

"Yes," cried the youth, as he vaulted

into the saddle, "now, indeed, my honest

fellow, is the time to run." He beckoned

hastly to his father, who stood at the

window in speechless anxiety, with his

hands extended toward his child in the at-

titude of benediction, and dashed through

His horse was of the best blood of Vir-

ginia, and carried him with the swiftness

of the wind along the valley; and the

heart of the youth was already beating tu-

multuously with piensure at his deliver-

startled ear, crying aloud:

you cross the brook,"

ance when a well-known voice reached his

"Bravely done, captain! Don't spare

the whip, and turn to your left before

Wharton turned his head in surprise,

and saw, sitting on the point of a jut-

ting rock that commanded a bird's-eye

view of the valley, his former guide, Har-

vey Birch. His pack, much diminished

The English captain took the advice of

the mysterious being, and finding a good

road, was soon opposite to his friends.

The next minute he crossed the bridge and

topped his charger before his old ac-

"Cuptain Wharton!" exclaimed the as-

tonished commander of the English

troops, "and mounted on a rebel dra-

ing his breath, "I am safe, and have es-

caped from the hands of my enemies;

ner, and threatened with the gallows

out five minutes since and I was a pris-

"The gallows, Captain Wharton! Sure

those truitors to the king would never

lare to commit another murder in cold

blood; is it not enough the they took the

life of Andre? Wherefore did they

"Under the pretense of a similar of-

ense," said the captain, briefly explain-

ing the manner of his capture, the

grounds of his personal apprehensions,

During this conversation, which was

held in full view of the Americans, Dun-

woodle had been collecting his senttered

retiring to the ground where he had been

posted at the first appearance of his ene-

already obtained, and believing the Eng-

lish too wary to give him an opportunity

of harassing them farther, he was about

to seek a favorable place for taking up

on was reluctantly listening to the rea-

oning of his commander, and had brought

out his favorite glass to see if no opening

"How's this? a blue cost among those

This intelligence made an entire change

scarlet gentry! As I hope to live to see

ny. Satisfied with the success he had

threaten you with a similar fate?"

and the method of his escape.

"Thank God!" cried the youth, recover-

maintance, Colonel Wellmerg.

size, lay at the feet of the peddler.

the gate with the rapidity of lightning.

saw the field without an opposing foe.

quest, gave the word to charge.

CHAPTER V .- (Continued.) this moment a column of foot appeared in The appatied Frances shrank back from the vale, and pressed forward, etween her brother and lover, as the whole truth gianced over her mind. "But the pickets—the party at the

Plains?" ndded Dunwoodie, turning pale. "I passed them, too, in disguise, made use of this pass, for which I paid; and, as it bears the name of Washington, presume is forged."

Dunwoodle caught the paper from his hand, eagerly, and stood gazing on the signature for some time in silence, when he turned to the prisoner, with a search- in better order. The trumpets of the Viring look, as he asked:

"Capinin Wimrton, whence did you procure this paper?" "That is a question, I conceive, Major

Dunwoodie has no right to ask." "This name is no counterfeit," said the dragoon in a low voice; "is treason yet among us undiscovered? The confidence of Washington has been absed, for the fletitious name is in a different hand from the pass. Captain Wharton, my duty will not suffer me to grant you a parole; you must accompany me to the Highlands. a few were burt; but such as did meet "I did not expect otherwise, Major

Dunwoodie turned slowly toward the sisters, when the figure of Frances once more arrested his gaze. She had risen from her seat, and stood with her hands clasped before him in an attitude of petition; feeling bimself unable to contend longer with his feelings, he made a hurried excuse for a temporary absence, and erally ridden down, and Dunwoodle soon left the room. Frances followed him. "Major Dunwoodie," she said, in

voice barely audible, her cheek flushed hidden from the view of the road by a with a suffusion that crimsoned her whole countenance' "I have already acknowledged to you my esteem. Believe me, Henry is innocent of everything but imprudence. Our country can sustain no She paused, almost gasped for breath, and added hastily, in an undertone, "I have promised, Dunwoodie, when peace shall be restored to our country. to become your wife; give to my brother his liberty on parole, and I will this day go with you to the altar, follow you to the camp, and, in becoming a soldier's bride, learn to endure a soldier's priva-

Dunwoodie seized the hand which the blushing girl, in her ardor, had extended 'oward him, and pressed it for a moment



"SOUND AWAY, LADS."

to his bosom; then rising from his sent he paced the room in excessive agitation. "Frances, say no more, I conjure you, inless you wish to break my heart." "You then reject my offered hand?" she

said, rising with dignity. "Refert it! Have I not sought it with entrenties -with tears? Has it not been the goal of all my earthly wishes? But to take it under such conditions would be to dishonor both. We will hope for better things. Henry must be acquitted; perhaps not tried. No intercession of mine shall be wanting. Frances, I am not

without favor with Washington." "That very paper, that abuse of his confidence to which you allude, will steel him to my brother's case. If threats or entreaties could move his stern sense o justice, would Andre have suffered?" As Frances attered these words, she fied from the room in despair.

Dunwoodle remained for a minute near ly stupefied. On entering the hall he was met by a small ragged boy, who looked one moment at his dress, and placing a piece of paper in his hands, immediately vanished. The soldier turned his eyes to the subject of the note. It was written on a piece of torn and soiled paper, and in a hand barely legible, and he was able

to make out as follows: "The rigilars are at hard, horse and

Dunwoodle started; and, forgetting ev erything but the doties of a soldier, precipitately left the house. While walking rapidly toward the troops, he noticed or neveral pistols were fired; and the pext instant the trympets of the corps rang In his cars. By the time he had reached the ground occapied by his squadron, the major was that every man was in active motion, Lawton was already in the saddle, and crying to the musicians, in tones but little lower than their own :

"Sound away, my lads, and let these Englishmen know that the Virginia Horse are between them and the end of their locyney."

It count be supposed that these prep arations were made unheeded by the inmates of the cuttage; on the contrary, every feeling which can agitate the human breast was actively alive. Mr. Wharton alone saw no hopes to himself in the termination of the conflict. If the British should prevail, his son would be liber ated; but what then would be his own fate? He had hitherto preserved his neutral character in the midst of trying circumstances. The fact of his having a son in the royal army had very nearly brought tos estates to the hammer. Should his non now be rescued, he would, in the troops, securing his few prisoners, and public mind, he united with him as a plorter against the freedom of the States; and should be remain a captive and undergo the impending trial, the conse

quenees neight be still more dreadful. CHAPTER VI.

Dunwardie's men had often tried their | his quarters for the night. Cuptain Lawprowess against the enemy, and they now | sat pantius to be led once more against now who they seldom charged in value Their within were to be gratified; for a could be found for an advantageous at body of the enemy soon came sweeping tack, when he suddenly exclaimed: ound the base of the bill which intersected the view to the south. A few minutes. enabled the major to distinguish their old Virginia. It is my musquerading character. In one troop he saw the green friend of the Chh, the mandsome Captain coats of the Cowboys, and in the other Wharton, escaped from two of my best of the years. Their numbers were about equal to the body under his immediate in the views of Major Dunwoodie. He orders. In reaching the open space near saw at once that his own reputation was cottuge of Harrey Birch, the enemy involved in the escape of his prisoner. He

But If he does-

sail his foe to advantage. But two hours before, and Dunwoodie had felt the chance which made Henry Wharton his captive, as the severest blow he had ever sustained. Now he panted for an opportunity in which, by risking his own life, he might recapture his friend. All other considerations were lost in the goadings of a wounded spirit. "There," cried the delighted captain,

watching, as engerly as the impetuous

Lawton himself, for some opening to as-

finger, "there comes John Bull into the monsetrap, and with eyes wide open." "Surely," said Dunwoodie, engerly, "he vill not display his column in that flat, Wharton must tell him of the ambush.

as he pointed out the movement with his

"We will not leave him a dozen sound kins in his battalion," interrupted the other, springing into his saddle horse, fearful of missing an easy con-"Prepare to mount-mount!" cried

troopers were more hardy than the Cow-As the British line advanced slowly boys; they aprang eagerly forward in the and in exact order, the guides opened a carsuit, with a confidence created by the galling fire. It began to annoy that part retiring foe and the column in their rear; f the royal troops which was nearest to the Hessians followed more slowly, but Wellmere listened to the advice of the veteran who was next to him in rank, ginians now sounded long and lively; and ordered two companies to dislodge they were answered by a strain from a the American foot from their hiding place. party in ambush that went to the hearts The movement created a slight confusion, of their enemies. The column of Dunand Dunwoodie seized the opportunity to woodle wheeled in perfect order, opened, charge. Wellinere, who was on the left and, as the word charge was given, the of his line, was overthrown by the impettroops of Lawton emerged from their uous fury of his assailants. Dunwoodie was in time to save him from the impend-The charge threatened too much for ing blow of one of his men, and raised the refugee troop. They scattered in evhim from the ground, had him placed on ery direction, flying from the feld as fast horse, and delivered to the custody of as their horses could carry them. Only his orderly.

The left of the British line was outthe arms of their avenging countrymen flanked by the Americans, who doubled in their rear, and thus made the rout in the poor vassals of the German tyrant that quarter total. But the second in that the shock fell. Disciplined to the command, perceiving how the battle went, most exact obedience, these ill-fated men promptly wheeled his party and threw in heavy fire on the dragoons; with this arty was Henry Wharton; a ball struck ous arms of their antagonists like chaff his bridle arm, and compelled him to change hands. As the dragoons dashed by them, rending the air with their houts, and with trumpets sounding a ively strain, the charger ridden by the youth became ungovernable—he plunged, cared and his rider being unable, with the two dragoons had been left, linked his wounded arm, to manage the impatient animal, Henry Wharton found himboys, who had been cut off from a retreat self, in less than a minute, unwillingly to their own party, rode furiously through riding by the side of Captain Lawton. the gate, with an intention of escaping to The dragoon comprehended at a glance the ludicrous situation, but had only time to cry aloud, before they plunged into retreating Germans until they had driven them under the protection of the fire of

the English line: "The horse knows the righteous cause etter than his rider. Captain Wharton, on are welcome to the ranks of freedom." No time was lost, however, by Lawton, after the charge was completed, in securing the prisoner again; and, perceiving him to be hurt, he directed him to be con-

veyed to the rear. (To be continued.)

RELICS OF ITS DISASTERS.

and induced the wary dragoon within to turn his attention more closely on his Port Royal, Jamaica, Contains risoner; but this new interruption drew Mounted Figureheads of Wrecks. m again to the window. He threw his There are many curious relics of litody out of the building, and endeavored le value, but much cherished, neverthe by his threats and appearance to frighten less, to be found in Port Royal, Jamalea. Ever since the ancient town ment was enticing. Three hundred of his was swallowed up by an earthquake comrades were within a mile of the cotand a tidal wave three centuries ago inge; unridden horses were running at and only one man survived, he having large in every direction, and Henry Wharton seized the unconscious sentinel by the been thrown out of the earth and into legs and threw him headlong into the the sea by the second quake following. lawn. Casar vanished from the room, close on the first, the town has been visited by a series of disasters and epidem-The fall of the soldier was not great, ics. Each one has left its traces and and recovering his feet, he turned his fury

Among these are several figureheads from ships which have been wrecked or bandoned in the harbor. These quaint ornaments have been arranged in a square of the park near the dockyard. There is a figurehead in each corner of the square, placed so that it faces outward. One is an old reproduction of Admiral Lord Nelson. Then there are the "Imaum" and the "Megoera."

These odd-looking wooden figures are painted just as they were when they formed the decorative features of ships. They are carved with dates and names and are much weather beaten. Surrounding them are tall paim trees. One of the figureheads guards the officers' mess, another guards the hospital, while their two mates look always toward the harbor, as if watching the incoming and outgoing ships.

Close by is the hulk of an old troopship, the Urgent, which is a fine model of a vessel built in the somewhat distant past. This hulk of a once-proud ship still bonsts of a commander and a small staff of officers and shows the broad pennant of the commodore in command in Jamalea, whose quarters are in the admiralty house within the king's yard. Her crew is made up of artificers of the yard, with a few seamen and marines.

His Brand.

The man from the "Circle-bar" ranch listened with apathy to the New Englander's account of the choice entertainments to be enjoyed in his native

"We have everything that's really worth money out our way, I guess," he said, indifferently. "Why, on January 12th we had the world-renowned bellringers; January 20th, Hal Brown, the greatest cornetist in the world; and January 31st, grand production of Willam Shakespeare's 'Lewis the Cross

Eye.' I tell you that was great!" "What did you say was the name of the play?" asked the New Englander. "Here, see for yourself," said the man from the ranch, and he passed out a program headed, "Grand production of Louis XI."

Master Stroke in Courtship.

"You know," she said, "I am not auch of a conversationalist." This seemed to him the opportunity for which he had been waiting.

"Well," he returned, "if I do the prellminary talking your conversational ability will be sufficient to enable you to say 'Yes,' won't it?" After all, in courtship there is nothing like getting your answer before you

Be Shocked.

ask the question.

Ferd was ordering his Phyllis duds for the junior play. "As a matter of atriatism I intend to wear cardinal gneters, he remarked.

"But such details are pure formality," protested the mistress of the "Yes, I suppose they are red tape,"

answered Ferd, epigrammatically,-Wisconsin Sphinx. We I sleve we prefer the melancholy

man to the man who must "have his halted and drew up his men in line. At now joined his second in command, joke."

RECORDS OF ANCIENT CITY.

Bidden by Official 1,700 Years Age -Antiquities of Central Asia. My first objective was the ancient site in the desert north of Niva, where-

in 1901 I had discovered the remains of a settlement abandoned in the latter half of the third century, A. D., says Dr. M. A. Stein in the Geographical Journal. Want of time and adequate labor had then prevented me from clearing some of the ruins more deeply buried by drift sand; subsequent roamings of "treasure seekers" had led to the discovery of other homesteads hidden away among the high sand cones on either side of the main groups.

Working with as large a party of laborers as I could keep supplied with water from a distance of some twenty miles, I cleared now close on thirty more dwellings. They yielded ample antiquarian spoils, including many implements and household objects illustrative of everyday life seventeen centuries ago. The numerous relics of industrial art and architectural wood carving clearly reflect the predominant influence of Greco-Buddhist art as developed on the Indus.

Finds of records written on wooden tablets in the Kharoshti script peculiar to the extreme northwest of India, and in an early Indian dialect mixed with a good deal of Sanskrit, have been abundant. Among these records generally in excellent preservation, all kinds of correspondence, official and private, deeds, accounts, etc., seem to be represented.

A "haul" of special importance was secured in the comfortable residence of a local official, who, besides leaving files of papers, namely, tablets scattered on the floor of his office room, had taken care to hide quite a small archive, undoubtedly documents of value, below one of its walls. From the way in which the place of deposit was contrived and marked it appears highly probable that the house was abandoned in some emergency.

All the deeds, etc., found here still retain their original wooden covers and string fastenings in perfect condition. Among the dozens of intact clay seals which attest these documents impressions from Greco-Roman Intaglios prevall. Their appearance side by side with Chinese seals seem to symbolize, as it were, the part played by Scythia extra Imaon in the early cultural interchange between the classical west and the far east.

Near several of the ruins the ancient orchards, fenced gardens, canals, etc., could be traced with great clearness, showing how little the economic conditions differed from those of the present oases. On the other hand, surveys effected in the desert beyond, showing the course and extent of the river from which this ancient colony drew its irrigation, strikingly illustrated the great physical change which has taken place here since the settlement was aban-

KING EDWARD AS A SAILOR.

British Ruler Is Almost as Fond of a

Ship as He Is of a Fine Horse. King Edward has always been d voted to the sea, says Fritz Morris in Recreation. If there is one thing more than another, after a horse, which ex-

cites the interest of a Briton it is a ship; and the king has always shown himself a typical Englishman in his love of the sea. I He paid the navy the compliment of entrusting it with the education of his two sons, while he himself is a no less enthusiastic than practical sailor, as well of the ironclad as of the yachting type. It so happened that the year 1877, which beheld the first appearance of the then Prince of Wales' colors at Newmarket, also witnessed his first signal victory as a yachtsman; for in that year, with his schooner Hildergarde, he won the coveted Queen's cup at Cowles-open to members of the Royal Yacht squadron, of which his royal highness was, and continued to remain, commodore until his succession to the crown. Once more, in 1880, the king secured the holy grail of the sea with his cutter Formosa, while in 1895 and 1897 he again carried it off with his famous craft Britannia, which generally enabled him to rule the waves wherever he flew his burgee from Cannes to the Clyde. No one in all England has done more than he to cup, and it may be remembered how national cause, as represented by the Shamrock II., came very near to cost-

ing his life. The king has, however, of late years rather favored his splendid steamer the Victoria and Albert, and a new steam yacht is now being built. The Victoria and Albert is a stately looking vessel, resplendent in handsomely gilded carved work at bows and stern, whilst two lines of gilded rope molding sweep gracefully along her sides. For the interior decoration white and gold only are used. The prettiest effect of this can be seen in the deck saloon, which is a very fine apartment and used either for dining or reception purposes,

A Parisian physician, Dr. Varot, read a paper before the Hospitals Medical Society the other day, in which he said that a certain number of children had come under his notice who had been fed regularly on cocoa since they had been weaned. The children liked this dlet and to many cases refused any other form of nourishment. However, they soon began to suffer from constipation and anaemia; they were puffy, pale, did not gain in weight and became nervous and irritable.

Ugly Appendages.

"Hasn't Woldby got his coat-of-arms yet? Why, he told me he was going to lock up his ancestry the first chance he got and-"

"Well, I believe he got a chance to took up his family tree, but he saw some things hanging to the branches that discouraged further research."-Catholic Standard and Times.

Drawing a Line. "I will come home feeling like a new

woman," wrote his wife. "Well, don't come home and act like one." cautioned her husband.-Houston

Post.

EFFECTS OF OPIUM.

The Drug Will Stupely Some People and Excite Others. Comparatively few persons know

what oplum really is. When they turn to a dictionary and glean therefrom that It is the "inspissated juice of the somniferous poppy" they are still likely to be in the dark.

The process of obtaining it is to score the pods at fixed intervals during a certain period. The milky figuid which comes out soon turn a darker hue and thickens and it then scraped off and molded into cakes, with poppy leaves for an outside covering. It was ascertained from evidence af-

forded to the Indian opium commission of 1896 that in some states of India not a few of the natives took as much as forty to eighty grains of opium daily and that consumption of forty grains was common.

Contrary to the impression that death results from a sudden cessation of the habit, it has been proved that when confirmed opium eaters have been deprived temporarily of their favorite drug their health has not usually suffered. The article has a varying effect on

different races and constitutions, exciting some and stupefying others. It reduces the average Chinaman to a state of torpor if he takes it plentifully and not infrequently causes the Malay to run amuck. It has been recorded that the Japanese regularly took it before going to fight so as to work themselves up to a pitch of excitement. Most of the drug that is imported into England is much stronger than what is ordinarily consumed in India and imported into China. The stipula-

tion of the British pharmacopoeia is that all opium used medicinally shall yield at least 91/2 per cent of anhydrous norphine. The morphia percentage in much of the opium prepared in India for consumption there and exportation to China is less than half this specific strength. This is a detail which novel-

ists who are addicted to poisoning their characters should note, It is rather striking that opium does not seem to be largely resorted to in India as a means of suicide. The evidence of the largest insurance company was to the effect that after twenty years' experience there the company had decided that it was not necessary to impose any extra premium on the lives of moderate opium users -Chambers' Journel.

******************************* CAT AND "CHEESE." annous annous annous d

If ever, in connection with cheese, one's thoughts fly to a cat instead of a mouse, it must surely be to that famous, grinning cut from the county of cheeses, the Cheshire cat. But the cat assoclated with a cheese in the annals of a certain family, whose ancestors were ploneers, was no such amiable creature. was the cheese an ordinary cheese.

Little Lucy, eight years old, was on an errand. The road, although scarcely more than a track, ran through cleared land, except for a few rods of at weddings. wood, and was supposed to be safe. But in the woods the child became aware that something, skulking and rustling in the underbrush, was following her. She ran, and emerged safely into the open, but to her horror a wildcat, which must have been extraordinarily hungry, burst boldly out of the brush, and came bounding down the road in pursuit.

The farmhouse was in sight, and she screamed for help; but it was plain eried footmen handed around tea and she must be overtaken before help could come.

Just as the creature was about to spring upon her, the little girl, with a desperate flash of courage, stopped, faced it, and with arms extended horispring upon her, the little girl, with a faced it, and with arms extended horizontally, began whirling wildly around and round. She kept whirling till she was breathless and dizzy, then dipped quickly to the ground, and with her distended skirts "made a cheese."

These amazing proceedings so disconcerted the wildcat that although it remained glaring and growling near by, It did not dare to pounce. By the time it gathered courage to crouch again encourage recovery of the America's for a spring, Lucy gained greath for another whirl; and again her dizzily his majesty's devotion to this great mysterious gyrations averted the attack. Three times she whirled and "made a cheese;" then a lad from the house, who had heard her cry, ran up

with his gun and shot the cat. The skin he gave to Lucy, whom he afterward married, and the tippet made from it was duly handed down with the story to another Lucy. But furs are FITS ht Vitus Dance and all Narrow Diseases perishable, and Lucy's Lucy can only be heater. Sent for Free 20 trial boths and reasing perishable, and Lucy's Lucy can only be R. H. KLINE, id. 901 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa pass on the story to Lucy the fourth .-Youth's Companion.

His Only Object.

Towne-Young Roxley is learning to e a machinist. Browne-Well, now, that's commen-

anything should happen to his fortune Towne-Oh, no; he simply wants to be able to keep his motor car going .-Philadelphia Press.

Some Dark Chapters. Father (impressively) - Consider our numerous captains of industry, and keep in mind that nearly all were the architects of their own fortunes. Son -Sure! But you don't see any of them exhibiting blueprints of the details of construction. Puck.

"A girl should never hiss a man uness she is engaged to him." "But I don't want to be engaged to all the men I happen to know."-Pitts burg Press.

Don't imagine you are the only peron in the world who has annoyances. There is so much trouble in the world that there is plenty to go 'round.

When a girl of 16 gets a letter written by A Man, she uses the envelope for the next six months as a book

Charity is a cloak that covers a lot of advertising.

TREMENDOUS GROWTH OF MIL-WAUKEE CONCERN.

Mayer Boot and Shoe Company, of Milwaukee, with Pacific Coast Branch at Scattle, One of Largest

Concerns in Country. Milwaukee can be proud to be the home of the Mayer Boot and Shoe company. Next to the fame of Milwaukee's great breweries comes the country-wide reputation of Mayer boots and shoes. Mayer shoes have on their reputation on quality. The Mayer Boot and Shoe company has peristently refused to lower quality to enable it to sell shoes at a lower price, and by maintaining this honest and superior quality and keeping in the front ranks in style, it has gradually won the confidence of thousands of shoe wearers who purchase Mayerhade shoes year after year-who look at the Mayer trade mark as positive evidence of style, comfort, and good

wearing quality. This quality policy so consistently pursued has resulted in healthful and rapid growth. In the twenty-five years since the Mayer Shoe company began operations it has outgrown six factories. And in the last six months, during which the last factory annex in Milwaukee has been building, the volume of business has so greatly increased that even with this new annex the output lags far behind the de-

mand. Including the new Seattle factory, which has just been completed, the total capacity of the Mayer Boot and Shoe company exceeds 9,000 pairs a day. This remarkable output, together with the inability of Mayer company to build factories fast enough to keep pace with the demand, is most convincing evidence of the high qual-

ity of Mayer footwear. In the first place the Mayer shoes are sensible. While good style is an important factor, comfort is always a greater consideration; while conspicuous extremes are avoided, refined dressiness is always secured. The exceptional durability and splendid wearing quality of Mayer shoes are due to the use of only the best leather and the employment of only the most experienced and skillful workmen. From the wide range of styles you are certain to find one which pleases. The best known brands are the "Honorbilt" fine shoes; the "Martha Washington" Comfort shoes; "Special Merit" school shoes, and the "Yerma" cushion shoes. If you want a dress shoe, a work shoe, or a shoe, dressy enough for general uses, yet sturdy enough for rough usage, it is our belief that you can't do better than to ask your dealer to supply you with one of the Mayer brands.

Rice at Weddings.

At a wedding breakfast, according to What to Eat, a bridesmaid was heard to tell the true reason for rice being used at weddings. It was once believed that if on their wedding journey a newly wedded couple saw a flock of doves it would mean a long life of peace and happiness to them. A bridgl party in passing so frightened a flock of these timid birds that they flew away in great alarm, and to avert the evil omen that their flight signified for the newly married couple rice was thrown in great quantities to lure the birds back to the place from which Neither was it an ordinary cat, nor they had flown. This plan was so successful that the wedded pair went on their way rejoicing and lived ever afent to a neighbor's two miles distant terward a happy and prosperous life. Since then rice has been used as a symbol of good luck, peace and happiness

"Funny," said Baretop, "but there was a time when the barbers used to speak of my hair." You mean before you began to get

bald?" asked his friend. "Yes. Now they speak of my hairs."

-Philadelphia Press. A "hat shop" was opened in London by the Countess Fabricotti, recently. Liv-

cakes.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

raused by an inflamed condition of the macous lining of the Eastachian Tube. When this tube is indamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, 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 dearroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarria, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the nuccus surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarria that cannot be cured by Hail's Catarria Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Teledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Take Hail's Family Pills for constipation,

Sold by Druggista, 75c.
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The Limit.

"There's no use talking," said Mrs. Hewligus, "My husband is the crankiest man that ever drew the breath of life. There is only one time in the year when he feels like going to church, and that's when the church is closed for the summer

According to Rules. Sentry-You can't leave. Soldier-But I have the captain's oral permission.

Sentry (importantly) -- Let's see it .-Translated for Transatlantic Tales dable; wants to have a trade so that if from Il Motto per Ridere.

Mrs. Winslow's Scothing Syrup for Children teething; softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, ourse wind colid, we a bottle.

The new steamer was on its first trip, with a lot of land lubbers on board. "Isn't she behaving beautifully, captain, in this heavy sea?" exclaimed an enthusiastic marine reporter.
"Yes, sir," said the gruff captain. "A

great deal better, sir, than the passengers Ivy growing was the waits of a bouse renders the structure cool in summer and warm in winter. It also keeps the walls

dry. It is, however, very destructive to woodwork, forcing the joints apart.

Different. "Who iss that happy, contented-lookmg chap?" "Oh, he' a chap who married a girl

because she was a fine cook." "And who is the poverty-stricken, sad-looking chap talking to him?"

"That's a man who married a girl because she was a fine dresser."-Hous-

Water from an artesian well at Ostend which has been wasted for fifty years has now been discovered to possess medicinal qualities similar to the waters of Vichy.