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### The Housewife's BEST FRIEND. BULL TO SUIZE EN DEE'S CAN LABEL 98. You Will Find a I suspect a man I cause him to be ar-

A man of position in one of the Lon-don book houses tells me that the Eng-lish publishers are having as interest-ing a time bidding for Bismarck's auto-biography as they had for Stanley's "Through Darkest Africa." Unwisely, parhage, the grant films." parhaps, the great German statesman gave out the fact that he was working at his autobiography, and since that time he has been practically flooded with offers. One authoritative offer with offers. One authoritative offer consisted of a payment of \$100,000 for the complete rights for England and America. But even to this, which is believed to be the most generous offer made, the great Bismarck has made no response. The fact of the matter is, as response. The fact of the matter is, as my friend who has just returned from a visit to Bismarck as an emissary of a London book house writes me, the autobiography is not yet even completed. For that matter, it is scarvely written. During his recovery Bismarck gave some attention to the work, and wrote and distributions.

dictated several pages per day —as much as his returning strength would permit. The prince is not ready with the pen.

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## Not Too Old.

In a certain part of West Virginia some years ago there was a local court presided over by an honest old farmer. presided over by an honest out farmer, who in his earlier years, had been an attorner at law. The judge was a quick tempered, impatient man, but by no means ungenerous, and possessed of a keen sense of humor. One day while on the bench he saw in the audience an old negro whom he had engaged to haul some timber from his sawmill near by, but who had been afterward per-suaded to do the same kind of labor for another person to the neglect of the judiciary. As soon as he caught sight of his recreant toiler the judge sus-pended the trial, quitted the wool sack and approaching the old African, said. with great indignation and a very red face:

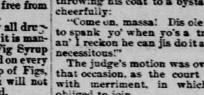
"You old ruscal! Why didn't you haul timber for me, as you promised to do? You'll have to be taught a lesson?

The old negro gave one look at indignant judge, then squared off and throwing his coat to a bystander said,

to spank yo' when yo's a triffin' boy, an' I reckon he can jis doit again if it's

that occasion, as the court resounded with merriment, in which he was

"Come on, massa! Dis ole chile use necessitous!" The judge's motion was overruled on



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### Napoleon.

A series of unpublished letters of the first Napoleon appeared in Paris recent-ly. In one characteristic epistle the autocrat tells the minister of police to arrest Mr. Kuhn, the American consul Genoa, as a wearer of the cross of Malta, given by an agent of the British government. The emperor adds: "This individual, having received a foreign decoration, is no longer an American I am sorry, however, that you commu-nicated with the United States embassies. I am master ehez moi, and when

#### HANDWRITING EXPERTS. for Two Persons to Write Enough to Escape Detect

Regarding the methods made use of to determine authorship specialists are naturally reticent. Some of them have admitted, however, the nature of the leading principles which guide them. The philosophy of the matter rests mainly on the

fact that it is very rare for two per-sons to write hands similar enough to deceive a careful observer, unless one is imitating the other. "Flats." like faces, have all some special idiosynerasy, and the imitator has not merely to copy that of someone else, but to disguise his own.

By careful and frequent practice he may succeed well enough to deceive the ordinary man, but is rarely successful in paffing the expert. Even the most skillful culprit cannot whoily hide his individuality, as he is sure to relapse into his ordinary method occasionally. Then, again, great care has to be used, and this can be detected by the traces of hesitancy, the substitution of curves for angles, and vice versa, which come out very plainly when the writing is examined under the microscope, as it usually is by the expert.

A plan of detection which has been adopted with great success is to cut out each letter in a doubtful piece of writing, and paste all the A's. B's, &c., on separate sheets of paper. The process is also gone through with a genuine bit of calligraphy of the imitator or the imitated, as the case may be. Comparison almost invariably shows that the letters are less uniform if imitation has been attempted, the writer being occasionally betrayed into some ap-proach to his ordinary caligraphy. or into momentary forgetfulness of some special point in the handwriting he is simulating.

No point is too small to escape an xpert's attention. says Chamber's Journal. The dotting of i's, the crossing of t's, the curls and flourishes, the intervals between the words, the thinness of the upstroke and the thickness of the downstroke. are all noted and carefully compared. Where only a signature has been forged, and that by means of tracings from the original, the resemblance is often so exact as to deceive even the supposed author, but in those cases the microscope is generally effective in determining not merely the forgery but the method by which it was accomplished. It is some comfort to know that the cunning of the forger is overmatched by the scientific skill of the trained expert

#### Russian Princes.

The title of prince in Russia is so common that it has little significance. The bearers of the distinction, says a foreign journal, are more numerous than "the wearers of the legion of honor in a French cafe, or colonels in the Southern states of America." The truth of this statement is illustrated in a report in the last edition of the military gazette. Ruski Invalid. It records the death of thirteen officers of the militia, of whom nine were princes "In the Caucasus," says the journal above referred to, "every owner of a large flock of sheep calls himself a 'prince. All of these sheep princes are ad-dressed as 'highness,' the same as the sons of the oldest princely fami-

lies "When one of these sheep owners goes to foreign countries he places the title of 'prince' on his card, and MYSTERY OF THE PYRAMIDS. cies Regarding the Object of

Why the pyramids were built has always proved to be a perplexing question. For some reason the build-ers of the pyramids of Egypt appear to have concealed the object of these structures, and this so successfully that not even a tradition has reached us which purports to have been handed down from the date of their construction. Including ancient and modern theories we find a wide range of choice. Some have thought that these buildings were associated with the religion of the early Egyptians; others have suggested that they were tombs; others that they combined the purpose of tombs and temples, that ey were ast ronomical observatories. defenses against the sands of the great desert, granaries like those made under Joseph's direction, or places of resort during excessive overflows of the Nile, while Aristotle says that the work was set on foot to keep the common people well employed and busy in earning their daily bread so that they should have no leisure for conspiring against their rulers. According to the late Professor Proctor, none of these ideas is found on close examination to be tenable as representing the sole purpose of the pyra-mids, and he suggested that they must have been intended to serve some useful purpose during the lifetime of the builder, and that they were built by each different king in order that astronomical observations might be continued throughout his life, to determine his future, to ascertain what epochs were dangerous or propitious for him and to note such unusual phenomena among the celestial bodies as seemed to bode him good or evil fortune. Astrology is in fact the keynote of his theory, which is, perhaps, on the whole, the most satisfactory that has been evolved. It has been stated by experts that the great pyramid could not now be built at a less cost than \$145,200,000.

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#### Duchess and Viceroy.

I heard a rather amusing story in which Lord Houghton, the viceroy of Ireland and the Duchess of Manchester played a part, says a writer in the Philadelphia Press: They met the other day on the steam-

er running from Kingston to Holyhead. Houghton imagined, no doubt, that he was still among the gloomy magnifi-cence of his vice-regal court, most gra-ciously beckoned to the duchess to take a seat, and was even affable enough to indicate the right chair adjacent to him, where he was pleased to permit her to sit by a vice-regal pat with two fingers. The duchess was a little taken back by the condescending manner of the young viceroy, whom she had known from babyhood. She, however, complied with the signal, and during the conductor and the signal and during the voyage across exerted herself to be pleasant. But the moment she set her foot on Holyhead she considered her duty fulfilled, for his excellency the viceroy in Ireland is nothing but plain Lord Houghton in England. It was

with the most imperative ring in her voice that she turned to him and ex-claimed: "Here, Bobby, Bobby, bring me my dressing bag, please, and now run ahead and find me a good compartment" STIR up the liver, remove disease, promote good cheer and good health, by the use of Beecham's Pills.

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Talk on Blackberries C. H. Hamilton of Wisconsin says on

this subject: They would grow anywhere. would choose level ground, well drained, and soil made rich with a liberal dressing of well-rotted barnyard manure. Plant in rows seven feet apart and three feet in the row. Some low-grow-ing crop can be raised the first year be-tween the rows. Give the plants winter protection by laying down and cov-ering with earth. I use wire to protect the plants and set posts or stakes, the plants and set posts or stakes, about twenty feet apart, on which to fasten the wires. Mulch with green clover and pinch off the young canes as soon as they get to be twenty inches or two feet high. The same plantation can be kept twenty years. I have one fifteen years old which is apparently as it ever was. I usually let all the plants which come up in the hill remain until the following spring, then reduce to the following spring, then reduce to four or five, and treat all other plants between hills and rows as weeds

Cut of this Tail. At Madras, some time ago, a valua-ble lion, having incautionsly allowed his tail to stray into an adjoining cage, the tail was sizzed by an evil-disposed leopard, close to the hon's body, when, as the lion attempted to escape, almost the whole of the skin of his tail was

Cut of His Tall

the whole of the skin of his tail was stripped off. This was followed by such an amount of inflammation that the lion's life was in danger. Surgeon Major Miller, brother of the late Prof. Miller of Edinburg, the surgeon to the governor of Madras, volunteered to perform amputation. The lion was seized in his cage and his head covered with a cap containing a considerable with a cap containing a considerable quantity of chloroform. He was then dragged to the edge of the cage and the tail passed through the bars, where Dr. Miller cleverly performed his oper-ation. The animal made a good recovery.

Sand paper will whiten ivory knife han-dies which have become yollow from age and constant use.



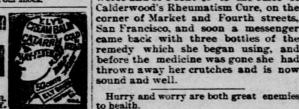
The horse's natural food is grass. There is nothing else upon which he





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remedy which she began using, and before the medicine was gone she had thrown away her crutches and is now

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and ankles with inflammatory rheuma-

tism and had to use crutches to get about. My family physician treated her for several weeks but the girl grew

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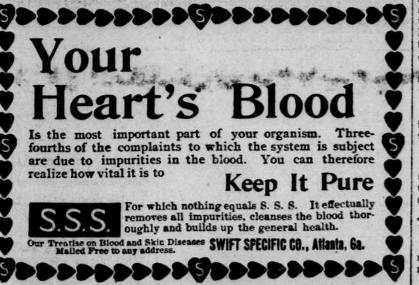
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plays a certain part in uninitiated rested. I would even cause the embassador of Austria to be arrested if he circles. The same thing is true of plotted against the state. the many representatives in Russia A MOTHER'S OPINION. Mrs. L. A. Lyford, Proprietress of "The Hoilywood" 116 Turk street, San

of the Tartar 'princely' families. Many ancient families, such as the Naryschkin, Wajewoloshki, etc., entitled to the prefix, prince, before their names.decline to use it for fear of being confounded with these apparent princes. Representatives of these families are content with the use of the coat-of-arms.

#### Nest-Building Fish.

One of the queerest denizens of the deep and one which would very properly be called an ichthyological wonder, is the gouramis, the famous nest-building fish of the Oriental seas. These fish are very plentiful in the waters of Cochin China. Java, Sumatra and Borneo. At the breeding they pair off like birds and, selecting a favorite spot in the grasses. build large spherical nests of floating weeds and plaster them over with mud. The broad, flat fins used in this last operation are attached to the abdomen and are wholly different from anything in the fin line known to naturalists. The full-grown female gouramis is six feet long and weighs 110 pounds. The eggs of this queer fish. which are deposited in the mud-plastered nest, number from

His Daily Bread.

When the boarder came down to breakfast he was as ugly as if he had been having a beautiful time all night, and he found fault with everything, but particularly the bread. He scolded about that to such an extent that at last the landlady resentea it.

"I don't care to hear anything more about that bread." she said. "and I want you to drop it."

He glowered at her.

"It will knock a hole in the floor if I do," he retorted, and she left the table.

#### Something Surprising.

Manager-Yes, I want a new play. but I want something novel, some thing startling, something never seen or heard of before."

Author-I've got it; just the thing. The plot leads up to a train robbery. "Nothing new about that."

"Yes, there is. The passengers rise as one man and smash the robbers.

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#### Small Fruit Discussed.

J. Coe of Fort Atkinson, a practical fruit grower, had for his theme "Strawberry Culture," at the Wiscon-sin horticultural meeting and made the theme following points:

Never plant strawberries after straw-berries, for if rotation is good practice everywhere, it surely is for the strawberry bed. Don't use plants from an old bed, nor small, inferior specimens from a new one, but always choose good, strong plants from new beds. Prepare the ground the year before by having it well manured. Sow rye in the fall and turn it under early in the spring. Dig the plants a few days before setting and keep in a moderately cool, shady place until the roots begin to start. Mark rows perfectly straight and cultivate once a week through the eason. Pick off all plossoms and treat the first runners as weeds. Trim up the rows to eighteen or twenty-four inches. Cover in autumn with marshy hay or other litter which is free from

weed seeds. Now the bed as soon as picked and, when dry, burn mulch and all. Never keep a bed over two crops. Mr. Woodward of New York would use commercial fertilizers at the rate of 400 pounds of potash and 600 pounds of one dust to the acre.

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It will, perhaps, require a little stretch of the imagination on the part of the reader to recognize the fact that the two portraits at the head of this article are of the same in-dividual; and yet they are truthful sketches made from photographs, taken only a few months apart, of a very much esteemed citi-sen of Illinois-Mr. C. H. Harris, whose ad-dress is No. 1,623 Second Avenue, Rock Island, Ill. The following extract from a let-ter written by Mr. Harris explains the mar-velous change in his personal appearance. He writes : "Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Dis-covery saved my life and has made me a man. My home physician says I am good for forty years yet. You will remember that I was just between life and death, and all of my friends were sure it was a case of death, mutil I commenced taking a second bottle of 'Golden Medical Diswas just occured into and death, and all of my friends were sure it was a case of death, until I commenced taking a second bottle of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' when I became able to sit up and the cough was very much better, and the bleeding from my lange stopped, and before I had taken six bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' my cough ceased and I was a new man and ready for business.

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the "Golden Medical Discovery' my cough ceased and I was a new man and ready for busines." I now feel that it is a duty that I owe to "Golden Medical Discovery' which as dury if when doctors and all other medicines failed to do me any good. I send to you with this letter two of my hotographs; one taken a few weeks before I was taken after I was well." These two pho-beed of this article. If. Harris's experience in the use of "Gold-me Medical Discovery' is not an exceptional one. Thousands of eminent peoples in all parts of the world testify, in just as emphatic and chronic bronchial, throat and lung dimeses, chronic nasal catarrh, asthma, and hindred diseases. Brifted all biscovery when any of their dear over all chronic hand reliable romedy would be depended upon. The following latter is to Stamps, Lafayette Co., Ark. He says: "Consumption is hereditary in my wife's family : some have already died with the dis-ease. My wife has a sister, Mrs. E. A. Cleary, that was taken with consumption. She used Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discov-ery, and, to the surprise of her many friends, she got well. My wife has also had hem-orrhages from the lungs, and her sister in-sisted on her using the 'Golden Medical Discov-ery, and, to the surprise of her many friends, she got well. My wife has a sister, Mrs. E. A. Cleary, that was taken with consumption.

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