### A "STRAIGHT TIP."

The Terrible Result of Betting, Especially on a Dead Sure Thing.

"Talk about your sure things on horse races," said the veteran, "have I ever told you abouthow I was tripped up on the most beautiful straight tip you have ever heard of?"

None of the party had ever heard the story, so the major told it.

"While we were in camp with Mc-Clellan," he began, "we had some good horses which were worked just about hard enough to keep them in fine condition. Several of them were pretty good steeplechasers, too, but Colonel Blank had a sorrel mare which could outrun anything in the Army of the Potomac. Well, one day a lot of recruits came into camp. They were well supplied with tobacco and other little luxuries which help to make a soldier's life bearable.

"Some of the boys who had been in camp quite a long time looked enviously on the well filled canteens and haversacks of the newcomers, and it was, perhaps, natural that they should begin to scheme to try to secure some of the luxuries for themselves.

"The idea struck some one to get up a hippodrome horse race. The scheme was of course to have Colonel Blank's mare run against some of the poorer animals. And to have those who were 'in' on the deal to bet against the sorrel mare. The rider of the mare, of course, would be a party to the deal and he

"Well, the details were all arranged and the plans were working nicely. The newcomers had heard all about the fame of the sorrel mare and they took the bait like a charm. All kinds of articles were wagered-tobacco, whisky, coats, boots, and not a small amount of moneyon the result. We who had put up the job were laughing in our sleeves for three days before the race took place.

"On the day designated the mile course, which had been laid out on a fairly good road, was lined with bluecoats from one end to the other. When the horses took their places visions of the Inxuries which I have named loomed up in our imaginations and we exchanged sly winks as the horses came down past the starter. As soon as the starter yelled 'Go!' the men in the two long lines began to yell and swing their hats in the air.

"The space between these two lines was not more than fifteen or twenty feet wide and this unusual sight and noise frightened the sorrel mare. Well, she just took the bit between her teeth and the way she did skip down that road was a caution. The faster she ran the more the men yelled and the rider could no more check her speed than he could stop a cyclone. At the end of the mile the sorrel led her opponent by fully 300 yards, and not satisfied with this she ran nearly another mile before her rider could stop her."-New York Tribune.

## Sanitation at Cheap Restaura

The frequenters of some of the cheap restaurants of our large towns would probably suffer from a painful falling off in the appetite were they first to pay a visit to the kitchens from which their savory morsels come. In the interests of their hunger they doubtless show sound discretion in taking the goods the gods of the gridiron send them without questioning or demur. On the other hand, in the interest of sanitation and public welfare, it is quite as important that the cleanliness of our restaurant kitchens should be beyond suspicion as that of our baking establishments.

The local authorities are empowered by the sanitary acts to deal with any work place which is not kept in a cleanly state, or not properly ventilated, etc., so as to be injurious or dangerous to health. It would be interesting to know what attention the local authorities have shown to these establishments.-Hospi-

## Something About Money.

There is no place on this wide earth of ours where there is nothing to sell or no money to buy with. The kinds of money people are forced to use would make our boys who are familiar with gold, silver and crisp green paper laugh. Think of currency all the way from strips of odoriferous dried fish to beautiful nature polished sea shells and bright birds' plum-

Of course we speak of money in its broad sense, meaning something convenient to carry, of a standard value, to be used in exchange or trade; something that costs labor to get or make, and of which every man thinks it would be good to get plenty. The pieces of leather of the Greeks with the rude figure of an ox scratched upon them, standing for a real ox, were just like our bank notes.-Philadelphia Press.

When Silk Was More Precious Than Gold. Common as is silk nowadays, in earlier times it was a most precious material. When it was first brought into Europe silk commanded three times its weight in gold, and so valuable was it deemed that in the reign of Tiberius a law was passed forbidding it to all save noble ladies, and prohibiting men from wearing it on the grounds of its effeminacy. So unusual was it even 200 years later for a man to wear silk that every historian of the time of Heliogabalus noted the fact that that emperor had a silk gown. For ages it continued at an abnormally high price. Charlemagne, in the year 780, could send to King Offa of Mercia no more valuable present than two silk coats.-St. Louis Globe-Demo-

## Problematic Sculptures.

The valley of John Day river, a modest tributary of the Columbia, seems to have become a rendezvous of far western archæologists. Sculptures, carved into a basaltic ledge of that neighborhood, are supposed to represent "anthropoid apes," and the question is where the Oregon Indians could have seen the originals of those emblems. In Sumatra, India, or some ape haunted region of the western continent? A less romantic solution of the enigma would be the conjecture that the sculptures in question do not represent apes at all, but bears or barbarians.-Philadelphia Times.

## THE PLOWMAN.

When the tired plowman his plowstock leaves In the growing corn, as the sun goes down. And the sky is as rich as a gleaner's sheaves
In flowers of crimson and purple and brown.
I will wait in the rare and wondrous eaves And watch, as the loom of the sunset weaves

Its fabric of gold over country and town. And I think of the springs that have come and

Since we saw the shuttle across the blue That wrought in colors of dusk and dawn, When the musk of the sleeping roses flew On the breath of the south wind over the lawn. And the evening shadows were longer drawn And the sun was low, and the stars were few

And youth was fair in the lives we led. Its memories linger in this latter Spring. And live in the flowers, the books we read, The kiss she gave me in the grapevine swing In words and works, to be filled and fed On the wasted honey and wasted bread, And sung in the songs she used to sing.

Though the lily and rose have lost their leave In the ashes of Summers of long ago, They come, through the rare and wondrou-

In the crop of love we used to sow, As rich as the garlands the sunset weaves When the tired plowman his labor leaves In the fragrant corn, and the sun is low. -Mark A. Candler in Atlanta Constitution

Russomania in France. The Russian rastaquoueres, pseudonobles, pseudo-diplomats, and officers open to suspicion meet with a childishly enthusiastic reception at the hands of Jacques Bonhomme, and find associates among many honest people, mingled with adventurers. Thus they succeeded in founding Franco-Russian theaters. would prevent the sorrel from winning | Franco-Russian newspapers, all of them equivocal enterprises of which the simpletons become the inevitable victims. The public of republican Paris applauds pieces in honor of the Czar. manifest enthusiasm on behalf of Holy Russia, and gives way to a sort of pious imbecility as regards everything that is closely or remotely connected with the

Thus the French nation, in its own estimation the wittiest in the world, has condescended to delight in idiotic tirades or babyish anecdotes like the following. During the exhibition of 1889, when it became almost impossible to get a cab, a gentleman stopped the jehn of one of these vehicles, saying:

"Coachman, will you drive me to the exhibition?"

"No; my horse is tired."

"Coachman, I will give you ten francs."

"No. "Twenty francs."

"No."

"A hundred francs." "No."

"Coachman, I am a Russian." "Ah! in this case all right. Jump in, sir. Hue! Cocotte, et vive le czar!"-J. H. Rosny in Harper's.

## Peculiar Chinese Varnish.

The British consul at Hankow, in his ported from that port is the gum of the rhus vernicifera. On this tree before daylight incisions are made; the gum of clothes in Omaha, but upon inthat runs out is collected in the dark and | vestigation he discovered that he strained through a cotton cloth bag, | could do better at home and bought leaving behind a large amount of dirt | the clothes of our own merchant.

This operation can only be performed in the dark, as light spoils the gum and causes it to cake, with all the dirt in it. It cannot be strained in wet weather, as moisture causes it to solidify. When the Chinese use the varnish they rub it on with a sort of mop made of soft waste weather, as, if the atmosphere is dry when it is rubbed on it will always be sticky. As used by the Chinese it takes about a month to dry. During the time it is drying it is poisonous to the eyes .-London Times.

## A Man Who Tried to Be a Giant.

John Laws Milton, an English writer and author, states that in his youthful days he wanted to be a giant, "and several times thought he had discovered an infallible method of attaining the object of his ambition, such as overfeeding, stretching by dint of violent jerks from beams, etc., to the great amazement of his relatives and friends." Mr. Milton may well congratulate himself that he did not succeed, as giants are seldom bright in intellect, rarely in good health and universally shortlived. Rapid decay seems to naturally follow rapid and excessive development - New York

## The Talipot Palm of Ceylon.

The talipot palm of Ceylon has gigantic fanlike leaves, which when fully expanded form a nearly complete circle thirteen feet in diameter. Large fans made of them are carried before people of rank among the Cinghalese; they are also commonly used as umbrellas, and tents are made by neatly joining them together. They are used as a substitute for paper, being written upon with a stylus. Some of the sacred books of the Cinghalese are composed of strips of them.-Washington Star.

Among the tribes of Asia, besides those used for food, one variety of mushroom is utilized in making snuff and another for producing intoxication, one mushroom making a man drunk for a whole day. The same specimen is also converted into a "fly killer" for European

In the hippopotamus the eyes, ears and nostrils are set exactly on the same plane. This enables the animal to sink its body entirely below the surface of the water and yet be able to perceive the approach of foes by hearing, sight and

The Mexican government has been experimenting with a new machine for manufacturing ramie. The machine made one and a quarter tons per day and the expense of cleaning the fiber was only 4 7-10 cents per pound.

The Forth bridge was built between 1881 and 1890, and during that interval nine other cantalever bridges were constructed, six of them in the United

It is suggested that the cat knows by happy experience what the "lap of luxury" means when she steals into the pantry and licks the cream off the milk.

## BAD ECZEMA ON BABY

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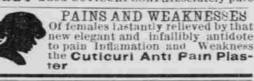
crown to his eyebrows. It was also all over his ears most of his face and -mall places on different parts of his body. There

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### Patronize Home Industry

It is to the interest of each citizen of a town to do all in his power to build up home enterprise and thereby stimulate the people to activity Whenever he fails to do this, he robs the community and his own interests of his best service. We are led to beleive that a goodly number of our people are working an injustice to our city by trading with other towns, particularly Omaha. In going to other towns to trade there are always two phases of the matter to consider. The first is, can I really buy goods there, for less money than I can at home. Now we are led to believe that evry day our people bring home loads of goods from Omaha, that could have been purchased just as cheap here as there. report, mentions that the varnish ex- | Only yesterday we talked with a man who was advised to buy a suit Then, secondly, granting that the goods may be bought there, for less ready money than here, there is a question of futurity involved in the transaction that should be considered. Every property holder is dependent on the business interests silk. It should also be used in wet of the city, and the home enterprises in general, as regards the value of the property, and thoughhe may trade elsewhere at a little better figure, in the present, it behooves him having in view his highest welfare that of enhancing the value of the property, to second every effort to raise the standard of home indus-

> A Little Boy Burned at Ashland Yesterday afternoon Henry Jackelheimer and a little eight-year-old boy went to Ashland. The father purchased some carbolic acid and, upon starting home, he gave it to the little son to carry, when the bottle was broken, spilling the contents in the boy's lap.

> The father, in his excitement, drove hastily back to town and at once secured the services of a physician, but it was found that the boy's abdomen and limbs, to the knees, were burned to a crisp. The suffering of the little fellow must have been indescribable, as the acid slowly but surely burned its way through the flesh. He died at 9 o'clock last night.

> The Colorado Cactus Concert Co., which played to a good house at Rockwood Hall on last Saturday night, has been persuaded to repeat the concert at Rockwood Hall on next Saturday night, Aug. 29. Those who heard them, say that it was a rare treat and should not be missed by a citizen of the city. Let everybody turn out. Admission 25 and 15 cents. Doors open at 7:30

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