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LINCOLN. - - NEBRASKA.

LAURA WOLFORD, the colored freak died at Lafavette, Ind., Friday. The woman weighed a few months ago 9044 pounds and was three yards around the waist.

. THE latest development of the automatic machine is a Doctor Cureall in Holland. It is a wooden figure of man, with compartments all over it, labeled with the names of various ailments. If you have a pain, find its corresponding location on the figure, drop a coin into the slot, and the proper pill or powder will come out.

A CITIZEN of Elma, Cal., has just finished working up a fir tree which grew on his place. He received \$12 for the bark, built a frame house 14x20 feet, 8 feet high, with a kitchen 8 feet wide, and 20 feet long, built a woodshed 14x 20 feet, made 330 fence rails 10 feet long, made 334 railroad ties, 500 boards 6 inches wide and 2 feet long, and 15 cords of wood. All this from one tree and a part of the tree is left.

THE emigration to Argentine republie from all European countries is enormous this season, much resembling in size and character the emigration of Europeans to the United States. Argentine is the most progressive of South American republics, its capital, Buenos Ayres, already having a population of 500,000. The Argentine government pays the passage of the emigrants from the point of departure to their destination in the interior of the country.

A CAREFUL compilation from all known statistics places the number of the human family living today at about 1,450,000,000. In Asia there are 800,-000,0000, or an average of 120 to the square mile, in Europe, 320,000,000, averaging 100 to the square mile, and in Africa 210,000,000. In the new world, both North and South America, there are about 110,000,000, relatively thinly scattered. In the islands, large and small, 10,000,000. The extremes of the white and black are as five to three, and the remaining 700,000,000 are intermediate, brown and tawny.

Since the United States census of 1880 the population of Nebranka has increased from 452,402 to about 1,000, 000; and the number of its farmes from 63.387 to 141.107: number of live stock from 2,424 590 to 4,647,630, and their value from \$33,440,265 to \$81,099,941. Its manufactories, which numbered 4,403 in 1880, with products valued at \$12,727,336, having increased nearly three fold in number and more than four fold in value of their products. Its crops of the three principal cereals which aggregated, in 1889 85,853,018 bushels, have since reached 185,902,000 bushels, and the trne value of its real and personal property has risen from \$352,343,128 to at least \$700,000,000.

ALTHOUGH earthquakes are common in Japan they are seldam violent. As many as eighty-seen vibrations have been noted in single day. A month seldom passes without shocks in some part of the country, but they attract little attention. There are, however, authentic records of several severe and destructive earthquakes. In 679 A. D the island of Kiu-Siu was visited by a heavy shock, which rent the earth in fissures, one of which is said to have been four miles long and twenty feet Kiu-Siu was the scene of the recent calamity, and it is noticeable that the same phenomenon of the opening of the earth occurred in this in stance. Kin-Siu is far less subject to frequent shocks than the main island of Niphon, but they seem to make up for their infrequency by their severity. It 1702 the walls of the Castle of Yedo were thrown down and a great tidal wave accompanied the convulsion of the earth. It 1854 the towns of Shimoda and Osaka were destroyed, and in the following year over 14,000 dwellings and 1,600 storehouses were prostrated in Yedo.

THE Suez canal is only 100 miles long and cost about \$1,000,000 to build it. It is only one-twelfth the length of the Red sea, into which it conducts the waters of the Mediterranean, and these two bodies of water are nearly of the same level. They now flow into one another without locks, and the canal is well described as a ditch in the desert. This ditch is about 300 feet wide at the top and 150 feet wide at the bottom, and the water within it is as quiet as a mill-pond. It is of beautiful sea-green and the contrast of this color with the bare yellow sands which line the banks of the canal makes it wonderfully beautiful. The canal is so narrow that ships can pass only at certain points, and the management govern these passages just as the train dispatchers regulate the passage of trains upon our trunk lines. There are, from time to time, through the canal wider spaces where the ships must turn in while others, which have the right of way, may pass them and at a distance these ships seem, to be walking, as it were, in single file through the desert. They are not last Saturday. allowed to go over five miles an hour, and this is largely due to the depth living near Minden, had the side of his of the canal. Its average depth is head torn away by the accidental exabout twenty-four feet, and many plosion of a shot gun, killing him inof the ships which pass through are stantly. more than twenty feet deep in the wathe bottoms that there can be no great | ber for violating the Sunday law by

NEBRASKA NEWS.

Lincoln's Great Flood.

For the first time in six years Lincoln is a sufferer by flood. The large down pour of yesterday falling on a water-soaked soil simply ran off the surface, and the streams in the county have been transformed from sluggish rivulets into raing torrents. The entire Salt creek bottom is Tooded, the greatest depth not being over four feet. There are probably two or three hundred families whose household goods and belongings have been aamaged by water. They are all poor families, people who can illy affor the loss. It s impossible yet to compute the loss, but it will run up pretty high. Dozens of houses are entirely surrounded by water and if the flood continues to rise many will be swept off their founda-

tions, which at best are very insecure. It was reported that the bridge at E street had been swept away at noon. Reports from the country districts are meagre, but there is but little doubt that serious damage has been done along Stevens creek, Oak creek and other small streams. In the city many cellars have suffered from inundation and the excavations for new business blocks were brim full of the aqueous Tuesday morning.

Nebraska Bee Keepers.

Friend dispatch: To the Bee Keep-

ers of Nebraska: The state fair is drawing near and the success or failure of our annual bee and honey exhibit is simply a question of whether we, as individuals, will take hold and aid in swelling the exhibit this year. The premium list in this department has been greatly revised and enlarged for the coming fair and is meeting the approval of bee keepers of the state, so far as we have been able to learn. Hundreds of our eastern friends are arranging to visit our coming state fair. A wrong impression has long existed as to whether honey is being produced in this state or not, and it behooves us to join in exhibiting the quality as well as quantity we are prolucing. In the past no favor asked for has been refused this department by of fish. the office of the state board of agriexhibition in this department will be carefully cared for, entered in their proper class and placed on exhibition, and returned to the owner if expressed night from the commencement of the fair until its close, and the last article placed on exhibition is cared for, and exhibition, as well as those who come things we, as bee keepers, are producing in this state. I desire to say that my time is vonrs. Bee keerers who visit the fair are cordially invited to make this department their headquarters during their stay at the great show, and our aim shall be to make their stay as pleasant as possible. Entry blanks, promium lists, or any further information will be furnished promptly on application to me, at this place, or to Hon. R. W. Furnas, secretary, Brownville, Nebraska.

Very truly, E. WHITCOMB, Superintendent.

Flood in Nebraska.

Chadron special: A cloud burst on Chadron creek Saturday evening, completely submerged the valley, the water rolling down about twenty feet high. Only one life was lost, a son of George Goodnough, about seven years old. He and a man named Benham were going home when the water struck them, and they immediately left the team and attempted to climb trees. Benham saved himself but the boy was washed away. Three other wen were encamped in the valley but saved themselves by swimming. Coroner Waller is now at the scene of the disaster, together with about one hundred men. All the bridges on Chadron creek in the vicinity of the cloud burst are a total wreck. A number of cattle and been done to crops and it will be a is now on her way to America from Rushard blow to the farmers.

The dam on Chadron creek at the washed out. The engine house was submerged but no serious damage was done to the machiness. Men are now at work replacing the dam.

Reports from the table land are to the effect that the hail was six to eight inches deep and very large. There was another cloud burst at Oelrichs, which washed the railroad track out for many hundred yards, delaying all trains several hours.

Goodnough, the father of the unfornate lad who lost his life, dreamed his boy was drowned and just where his pody could be found. He started out towards the place and met Benham coming after him. He went and found the body just where he dreamed it was. vere frozen stiff when found

All Over the State. An electric plant to cost \$4,7000 is what the people of Stromsburg are talking of purchasing.

The dam below the lake at Stroms burg which was washed out a shor time ago has been replaced.

The Presbyterian ladies of Hasting propose to have Rev. L. Dewitt Ta mage deliver a lecture there sometim in September.

infirm preacher of Gandy county, ha been adjudged insane by the board of Perpetual spring is the rule at Fre-

Abraham Tompkins, an aged an

mont. Blossoms were plucked from H an apple tree in Mr. Griswold's orchard Nels Jargensen, a nine-year-old boy

W. H. Wisner, of Fremont, was There is so little water under arrested on complaint of another barkeeping his shop open.

The citizens of Mason City are having considerable trouble over the location of their cemetery. It is certainly a queer thing to quarrel over.

A. C. Abbott, district court clerk of Thurston county, has resigned the office, because the law does not allow him to practice as an attorney.

An old resident has discovered the spot in Nebraska City where Attorney General Leese started to ascend the ladder of fame by selling cigars.

James Clements, a Cozad butcher, was found dead in a hay mow. cause of his death is thought to have been whisky, as he was a very hard

O. O. Hefner arrived at his home in Nebraska City last Sunday with eighty Shire and English coach stallions. He also left twenty-three at New York.

Catholic people are going to erect a church building east of Rushville, providing the town does not give them any encouragement to locate within its

The preliminary examination of the Omaha Indians for the murder of the little Benjamin boy at Pender, resulted in holding the redskins to the district

to Lakeside and the intermediate postoffices will be established in the near future.

The new mail route from Rushville

The State Fair. The board of managers of the state board of agriculture had a meeting at Lincoln Thursday afternoon. There were present Chairman Henry, Dunham, Dinsmore, McIntyre, Barnes, Greer, Furnas, Marsh, Humphrey and

A large amount of business relating to the improvement of the grounds and special attractions was done.

The board appropriated the sum of \$200 for the improvement and enlarging of the fish house. This exhibit will be larger than ever before. Four new large equariums will be added for the reception of a number of new kinds

A number of offers of new premiums culture. All packages intended for have also been received too late to be enough moisture, and thus save all published in the premium list. Sterling Manufacturing company of Illinois has made an offer of a \$50 feed mill for the best corn exhibited, and prepaid to the "Bee and Honey Department, State Fair, Lincoln, Neb." I be has a \$500 premium to be awarded shall be on the grounds both day and in the draft lorse department. Everything points toward the fact that this fail will be a far greater success in every respect than those held in preto those who desire to place articles on vious years, although they were all unqualified successes. The outlook for to view the large number of sweet the speed department is 100 per cent better this year than it has ever been before. This will be especially interesting to Lincoln horsemen.

Among the numerous attractions will be the display of phonographs. There will be several of them exhibited in an apartment of their own. This will be one of the great drawing cards; for there are many who have never heard or seen the wonderful instru-

Gov. Furnas is having made the that have ever adorned the persons of the newspaper men at any state fair. They won't be called "press badges" this year. The souvenir com sists of a small ear of corn-genuine corn—which is mounted in solid gold ... They are made in two forms, a pin and a watch charm. The pin is about an inch imlength and the charm two. opens by calling at the secretary's over the sliced cabbage.

A Lucky Russian.

Chicago (III.) Arkansso Traveler, Angust 3. ger of 401 South Canal street, Chicago. A soap and water to cleanse it. Traveler reporter called at Mr. Weinger's ne had just gone to New York city, wherehorses were lost. Much damage has it is expected that he will meet his wife, who sia. From Mr. Weinger's friends and for this purpose, or, what is much neighbors it was learned that he is a Rose cheaper and always at hand, kerosian by birth, about twenty-eight years engine house of the water works is of age, and that he has been in America. but sixteen months, most of which time falling off in the manufacture and has been spent in Chicago, where he has followed the occupation of tailor, which is the trade to which he was brought up. Wr. Weinger received his \$15,000 through the express company a few days after the drawing. It was learned that Mr. Weinger has been a frequent patron of the lottery but until now without success. Mr. Weinge has been all his life a poor man, and it is to be hoped that he will make good use of his suddenly assuired we alth.

For Sale.

One-half interest in one of the best weekly papers in the state. Folitics The remains were buried with hail and his time to the paper. \$500 cash is This is a very nice way to serve the price, and unless you have the money and mean business, don't write. ITALIC SPACE.

Care of Newspaper Union, Lincoln, Neb,

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THE HOUSEHOLD.

Hints for the Home. A good way to clean an iron sink s to rub well with a cloth wet in kerosene oil.

Cold tea is the best thing with which to clean grained wood. Never use amonia for this work.

Blankets should be soaked in a so lution of soap-suds and ammonia water, and washed afterwards in clear water, when they will come out white and clear.

A physician is quoted as saying that he always has boiled onions dinner for the benefit of his children. "No worms, no scarlatina, no diptheria, where children eat plentifully of onions every day." If the flat-iron is dirty tie up a

piece of yellow beeswax in a rag, and when the iron is almost but not quite hot enough to use, rub it quickly with the wax, and then with a coarse If anything hard gets into the ear,

double a stout horse hair, place the head on one side and drop the loop into the ear, move it about until he catches the object and then draw it Lime and Alkali stains may be re-

moxed from white goods by simply washing. In the case of colored goods and silks the goods should be moistened and citric acid, much diluted, applied with the finger.

STARCH POLISH.—A piece of sterine candle spermaceti or white wax as large as a robin's egg will give a nice gloss. A teaspoonful of salt to each pint of starch prevents it from stick-

LAVENDER WATER.-Put one pound of fresh lavender with one pint of wa ter into a farina boiler, cover and steep slowly for one hour, take from the fire, add two quarts of alcohol, filter, and bottle for use.

With green peas, shell beans, green corn, asparagus, celery, and spinach, use as little water as possible, and let it boil away, leaving just may have been drawnoff.

Chemists say that it takes more than twice as much sugar to sweeten preserves, sauce &c., if put in when they begin to cook as it does to sweeten after the fruitiscooked. Salt should not be added to oatmeal until it has boiled at least ten minutes.

Pans of water placed in fruit and Berry pasches will keep birds from eating the fruit. An English maturalist claims that the reason birds eat cherries and strawberries is because in the blazing heat they get dreadfully thirsty. If the birds can easily get at water they soon leave off taking the fruit.

To close gracks in iron stores, take good wood ashes; to which add the same quantity of fine pulverized finest and most uneque press souveniss | clay mix thoroughly together with a little salk this mixture is to be moistened with water and applied to the parts. The stove should be cold

Coldislaw dressing without cream. -A beaten egg, a teaspoonful of sugar; a pineli of salt, a dash of pep-This corn was grown and dwarfed for per, and about four tablespeonful of this especial purpose by Gov. Furnass vinegar: Mixthem together, set on himself. He has not enough now for the stave, and let the whole come to distribution, but all genuine newspaper a boil, stirring constantly. Then add men can obtain them when the fair a lump of butter and pour while hot

A good was to use small pieces of soap is to place them in a widemouthed quart bottle, and when half The reports of the July 16 drawing of the full add a teaspoonful of senmonia Louisiana State Lottery company show that and a quart of warm water. The one-twentieth of ticket No. 42,758, which mixture is then ready for taking drew the first capital prize of \$300,000 in | grease out of clothing, washing point, that drawing was held by Abraham Wein- windows, or anything that needs

Lamp chimneys should never b washed in soap suds or char water. If a cloth wet with alcohol was used sens sil, there would be a perceptible surprising how seldom chimneys will break, and what a fine polish will be given them by chaning in kerosene

GRAVY FOR POTATOES.—Put a spoonful or more of butter, according to the quantity of potatoes you have, into a frying-pan and set over the fire until brown, being careful not to scorch it. Mix a spoonful of republican. Is the official paper of thou in a cup of thin cream, or milk, the city and county. A good job office if one has no cream; pour into the in connection. The owner has other browned butter, boil up, season with. business, and will sell a half interest pepper and a little salt if necessary. to a practical man, who will devote all and turn over the boiled potatoes. small potatues.

PATTY CRUSTS .- Roll out the dough to a thickness of a quarter of an inch in square shapes; cut out the patties with the cake-cutter, place them on a cake pan, which must not be too thin, and must be wetted with water. Take one egg well whipped and a few drops of milk. With a brush color the tops without touching the sides; then with a smaller cutter mark the patties, but not too deeply in the center, and put in an oven hot enough to roast a chicken. When cooked take out the centers with a knife and use them

To CLEAN THE POTS .- The natural color of iron is gray, and a little care will keep iron vessels this color. If they are black it is because they are dirty. It is a good plan, occasionally, if you must use ironware instead of lighter vessels, to plunge such articles as baking-pans, spiders, griddles, &c., in water, with one tablespoonful of soda to each gallon of water, cover close, and cook them for two hours. Then remove one at a time and wash each piece before it dries. You will be amazed at the

changed condition of your warestle first time you do it, unless you are one among 50,000 of our house-

Anything knit or crocheted of white worsted may be washed more easily in dry flour than in soap and water; and from the flour bath it will come out as fine, new and fleecy as when it was first made, while if washed in soap and water it will look decidedly "stringy." So if you are the possessor of any soiled white worsted work, sift some flour, into which plunge the article, where you may rub and squeeze, if you will not wring it, to your heart's content. When supposed to be clean, shake out all the flour you can and, hang it out of doors in a gentle breeze for an hour or so. If the work has been properly performed, you will find it as beautiful as when new.

The Weight of Guilt.

Did you ever study the face of man who feels that he has innocent blood on his hands? asks the Indianapolis News. If you had attended the last meeting of the league of exdrinkers who are trying to live up to the Murphy pledge such a man would have attracted your attention.

"I never lie down at night," he said, without offering up a prayer for the soul of a young man I led astray. Sometimes I can't sleep and I feel the weight of many sins. But I believe I am honest now. The Lord knows I have been chastised enough: I have been a fugitive, a thief, a convict, a penitent sinner. When I came out of prison in a neighboring state not long ago I resolved to begin my career anew. I am working now at anything I can find to do, and if my | shy. resolution is worth anything: I shall be an industrious, sober, honest

"But the boy you led astray-tell something of that. "You will know him when I mention his name. He has gone down into a murderer's grave. He and I were inmates of the Plainfield reform school together-would that we had tried to be content in that pleasant place! He was younger than I, and ready to do anything I proposed. That was nine or ten years ago. pearing. One evening when the boys were playing ball I laid a plot to escape. I told him my plans, and the young boy readily joined in them. We were to knock a ball into the field, and run after it. Instead of returning. we were to go straight ahead, over the fences and out into the world. We did so. The officers recaptured all but myself and the boy whom I had taken under my particular charge. The boy would have been captured it I had not interfered.

of us were able to foil him. "The boy whom I had led away from the sedeol had been a clean, sprightly fellow, not bad, but full of life. The bad start I gave him led to worse things. He took to drinking, then to stealing, and finally be murdered a mam.

Only one officer reached us, and two

"Not long ago he was hanged at leffersonville. It was Masy Warner. His name is a synonym throughout the state for all that is criminal and murderous. To me he was comparatively innocent, for I feel that I am the guilty one."

A Storm of Phillips Brooks

The following story is tald of Rev. Phillips Brooks: Last winter he noticed three-young men who came to hear him quite regularly, and as they lookedilike working men he was even more interested than usual. He took pains to find out who they were, and made an opportunity to speak with them. He ascertained where they lived and what they did, he went one day to call on them. He climbed several pairs of stairs and knocked at the door. All three of the young men were in, and they taking their comfort in their shirt sleeves. Naturally they were a trifle embarrassed at being surprised by this meanto whom they looked, with so much respect. Mr. Brooks shook hands all around and then said, with his cheerful smile: "Well, boys, it's a little warm here. think if you will let me I will take off my coat," and he did, and sat down and made his call in his shirt sleeves... It is needless to say that those boys. will never need any better influence-in their lives than Phillips Brooks: will keep there, for it is remarkable how many men he can carry in his mind and keep safe in his influence.

A Difficulty About Witnesses.

"Mr. Smith," said the electricilght manager to his foreman, "we want some men to testify to the absolute Barmlessness of the electric light curgent as used by us. You might send Roberts-"

Foreman-"ale was killed while fixing a wire last night, sir." "Well, Jackson will do then."

"He accidentally grounded a wrong wire last week, and is scarcely expected to live, sir.' "Such awkwardness? Send Wil-"Sorry, sir, but he was paralyzed

while fixing an electric lamp on Thursday. "Really, It's most annoving. Employ some new men at once and send them to testify to the committee before they have time to get themselves

A Bass Slaps a Man's Face.

killed."-New York Herald.

Since a salmon trout leaped from Conesus lake and seized by the nose a boy who was riding in a bor some vears ago, no better fish story has been told in this vicinity than actually took place last night on the river above Black creek. John Harris, his son, and School Commissioner Moody were coming down in a canoe when a black bass leaped from the water and struck the commissioner over the eve with sufficient force to raise a lump on his forehead. The fish tumbled into the boat, was captured, tried, and convicted of an aggravated assault. This morning he was fried and eaten, -Rochester Post-Express. WINGED MISSILES.

In France they have applied electricity

the playing of organs. There is a company organized in England which insures you against burglary. There are no fewer than 28,729 known there are no lews of age in Eng. Eastern trip a week or so ago to find Mormos converts are more plentiful than

for five years past, but the double-wife bu ness in Utah is played out forever. About 5,000 people have received railroad sees to leave Johnstown. Some of the

ave been sent as far as New Mexico. The Greeks combined the dance with their dramas; pantomimic dances were introduced upon the Roman stage .2 B. C.

A medal illustrative of the 700th anniversary of the mayoralty of the city of London is to be struck in celebration of the event. The parasols carried in the United States cost \$14,000,000 annually. Think how many cigare that money would buy for the men. It cost \$1,932,346 to maintain the fire department of New York city last year. There were 3.217 fires and the lesses were \$5,485,922.

A Boston man brags that he has lived on thirteen cents per day, but that isn't so extraordinary. They keep 'em at Sing Sing for less than ten.

There are only three men in this country who can make a circus pay, and it is a wise and beneficent move on the part of Provi- assessor had bought enough supdence that this is so.

Seven large whales were seen off the e trance to San Francisco Bay last week, but owing to the high price of real estate, none of them ventured in

The girls at Vassar College are trying to figure out what would happen if an eighty foot whale should min full speed into an iceberg as big as a mountain. The failure of little Annie Davis, of

Mansfield, O., to take a prize in school for the best composition so worried her that she committed suicide by drowning. A Baltimore weman dreamed of finding a pot of gold in the cellar, and next day she

went down and nosed around and found a jug of rum which her old man was keeping. A horse lying down on a railroad track is a more dangerous obstruction than half

a dozer cows, while the engineer isn't a bit worried over a dozen hogs or a score of On a dead pull, being put in harness, one of Bernum's elephants lately drew a load

weighing over four tons. If a coal dealer had him he could be made to draw six tons The railroads of India have almost done away with caste. All sorts of religions now have to mix up, and it hasn't hurt 'em a bit.

On the contrary, fanaticism is fast disap-Within the past year over 5,000 Russians liable to military service have been forcibly prevented from leaving that country for the United States. The Czar knows when he has a good thing.

They are going to make another effort this summer to find that British treasure ship sunk off Long Branch in 1815. The reason they did't find it last year was be cause it wasn't there. Old John Cole, a stingy old farmer near

save expense. It faded away in a few days | aeropolis. - Naples Dispatch to the and he is about \$7,000 out. The thimble is claimed by the Dutch as an invention of their country, but it is known that it was in use among the silk

embroiderers of China hundreds of years

Burlington, Vt., drew up valuable papers

before it was used elsewhere. Massachusetts now has a state law against clipping horses or reducing the length of his tail until he campo longer use it as-safly brush, but horse owners will get someother hobby just as feelish.

A prisoner in a Kentucky, jail attempted to commit suicide by eating two dozen blotting pads with a fire insurance advertisement printed thereon, but the doctors saved his life at a cost of five cents. The first maps of Africa published gave

that continent seventeen rivers where not one single stream existed Geographers probably reasoned that the natives required great deal of water to keep clean. Am eminent English surgeon says that a kiss-on the lipe ought to be felt for at least twenty minuits afterwards and that kiss-

requires to keep it in a healthy state. A Manchester, England, paper says that: the Salvationists have converted over 20,-000 persons in that city, "and yet it is doubted if they have really added tens eagnest, honest Christians to the ranks," There won't be much change in the cld! flag when the additional four stars are added, and this is a wise thing. A good

share of the American people, especially on. helidays, can hardly make out the emblem A Charleston druggist advertised that the milk of a cocoanut would remove freckles, and 4,000 of the nuts were sold at retail in two days to women folks. He got a commission on all sales. The freckles still

A restaurant man, says: "As long as we keen frogs in a dark place their color is a dark brown. But when we bring them into the sunlight the color soon begins to change, until finally it becomes a light

An Alabama woman heard a glostin the bouse. Her husband heard nothing but rats. She stuck to the ghost and he to rats, An American was arrested on the Aus-

mistakable dynamite bombs. On further investigation they proved to be cocoanuts, something that the Austrian authorities had According to Prof. Thurston the engine of the future is that which ultimately can be made to work up at once to high temperature and to high pressures, and can be made

The bamboo tree does, not biossom until it attains its thirtieth year, when it produces seed profusely; and then dies. It is said that a famine was prevented in India in 1812 by the suddon flowering of the bamboo.trees, where 50,000 people resorted to

the jungles to gather the seed for food. The modern names of sizes of books are derived from the folding of paper. When the sheet is not folded it is called a folio, and this size was very fashionable throughout the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. The folio sheet doubled becomes a quarto; another double constitutes the octavo of eight leaves or sixteen pages.

There is in existence a curious class of knives of the sixteenth century, the blades of which have on each side the musical notes to the benediction of the table, or grace before meat, and on the other side the grace after meat. The set of these knives usually consisted of four. They were kept in an upright case of stamped leather, and were placed before the singer.

A simple stove for warming rooms by means of solar heat has been contrived by Prof. E. S. Morse. It consists of a shallow box, having a bottom of corrugated iron and a glass top. This device is placed outside the building, where the sun can shine directly into it. The rays pass through the glass, and are absorbed by the metal, heatdays rises to 90° F., is conveyed into the eminence, -New York Truth,

An Errencous Assessment

from the Chicago Herald.

The manager of the Chicago beanch of a noted New York jobbing house returned to the city from an that in his absence the assessor had been around and valued the stock at \$50,000. In despair he sent for the assessor. "See here, my friend," said the urbane dry goods man, "you have our assessment altogether too high this year; why. I'll sell you all we have in the building for a tenth of that sum."

The assessor took a good look around the place, sized up the bundles of shawls, stockings, anit goods, and other articles which were piled up on the different floors, and shook his head. "Those shawls there, for instance," said the official, "what are they worth?"

"I'll sell you any one in the house at our wholesale rate at \$6 a dozen." The assessor stepped around to a pile and selected three dozen," he answered heroically. But the official was satisfied and they moved on. In this manner the two went through the entire store, and by the time the plies for his own family, his mother's and his wife's sister's; the dry-goods man had convinced lim that the estimate was too high. But it was a close call, and the manager intends to remain home next season when the annual round-up occurs.

Tomb of B. C. 1000.

While some repairs were lately being made under a house belonging to baron di Donato, which is situated in the northern quarter of the city, toward the slope of the hill of Came di Monte, where already many ancient catacombs have been found, a doorway (over which there is a marble relief of the head of Medusa) was discovered leading into a subterranean chamber. Along the center of this chamber runs a mosaic pavement, and on each sidethere is a double row of sepulchres hewn in the rock, the fronts of which are stuccoed and painted and decorated with terra cotta and marble reliefs. Within the tombs were perfect skeletons, vases, and other objects, the antique lamps being in such good condition that yesterday, April 18, when this new find was inspected by a party of German archæologists, the workmen made use of them to light up the vaults. The many well-preserved inscriptions are chiefly in Greek, with some in Latin, and prove that the epoch of these tembs was about 1000 B. C. Other tombs in a second chamber have not yet been excavated. It is probable that this subterranean dwelling of the dead may extend some distance and used ink of his own manufacture to and prove to be a portion of a large London Daily News.

The National Bank Notes-From the Chicago Journal The National banks are the main dependence of the country as mediume of money exchanges, and they ought to be largely banks of issue, as was expected when the system was adopted. The present mixed curreney of the country is the best that it ever had, and probably the best that could be devised. The basis of the extrency is specie-gold and silver. The Government notes, the legal tenders, or greenbacks, are as good as gold. National bank notes are redeemable in legal-tender notes. making them also as good as gold. The silver notes, consisting of Government certificates of deposit in lieu of actual silver, are good in all traning produces a sensation which the systems sactions of moderate magnitude, and the depreciation of silver is not so great as to effect the value of silver dollars or minor silver com. It is probable that the par value of silver and silver notes in trade, is sustained by the fact that the currency is so variegated and that, by the use of gold, legal tenders and national bank

country for money. Girls and Russet Shoes,

notes, silver will never become the

sole or a principal reliance of the

In the matter of the russet shoe our sisters this summer are to go far beyond the men, says the Naw York Mail and express. As one walks along the fashionable streets he is not rewarded, it is true, by the sight of very many of them from beneath dainty skirts. But they will be worn, and very much, for the shoemen who have knot before fair fashionables testify that a great number and they began a suit for divorce the next | have been bought. The city may day on the grounds of incompatability of | may not see so many of them, but the beaches and the country roads and the village streets will. The rustrian frontise for having in his luggage un- set leather thing for the women to put upon their feet is in the shape of an oxford tie. You may wear a high shoe if you like, but the girl that does is going to be just a bit different from other girls. And if you do wear a lowshoe on no account must it button. These are the cardinal at the same time to decelope its powers in principles of russet footgear. The man with the large foot now sadly lays in a stock of black boots, for she is just as much debarred from the russet ties as from pink slippers. But the girl of the little feet is in all her glory.

Oh, Pshaw-Shaw-Shah,

Our whistling countrywoman, Mrs. Alice Shaw, has, it is rumored, quite captivated his most illustrous and resplendent majesty, the Shah of Persia. Whether it is her full, well rounded figure, or her thin, exacerbating sibillation that has taken the imperial fancy report says not; but as "fat, fair and forty" is the Oriental ideal of womanly beauty, I imagine that the fair dame's well developed charms have most to do with her conquest of "Iran." A French man-ufacturer of "mots" has dubbed Mrs. Shaw "Madame la Grande Cyrus" because she conquered Persia. Since her divorce the lady is eligible for promotion, and the potentate's heart, like his jewel treasury, is capacious, Who knows but that Persia may have an American Sultana. Women have sung and danced their way to ing it to a high temperature and warming | Oriental thrones ere now-why should the air of the box. The air, which on sunny not one whistle herself to that lotty