The world of novel writing is to be represented at the Klondike, as John Mackie, the author of "They that Sit in Darkness," is preparing for an expedition to that region.

Mark Twain's new humorous story, which he is now writing in Vienna, is to go to the Ladies' Home Journal, which magazine has also secured F. Marion Crawford's new story, a tale of the unreal, with the strikingly uncanny title of "The Dead Smile."

Sir Martin Conway will shortly issue a book of travels, being an account of further explorations in Spitzbergen. Last year Sir Martin confined himself almost entirely to the coast parts of Spitzbergen; this time he has been on the high inland portions, where there is little but ice. Between the two books the island is exposed to the world.

A note recently received by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., the authorized publishers of Longfellow's works, from Alice M. Longfellow, the poet's daughter, throws this light upon the pronunciation of the name Hiawatha: "The pronunciation used by father was 'He-awa-tha,' the accent on the first syllable being slighter than on the 'wa,' the 'a' sounded like 'a' in 'mar,' not 'war,' as sometimes used. I should be glad to have this impressed on the public."

In Mme. Couvreur ("Tasma"), who died at Brussels while still almost "in her earliest youth," the London Times loses a zealous and able correspondent and Australia one of the best known of her novelists. The authoress of "Uncle Piper of Piper's Hill" was a woman of no ordinary ability, and from time to time many bright and amusing stories from her pen (as well as the serial novel, "The Penance of Portia James") appeared. Mme. Couvreur was probably the best living delineator of life at the antipodes, and the place she has left vacant is not likely to be soon filled. Her husband, M. Auguste Couvreur, once a prominent Belgian politician and economist, died some three years ago, and his widow had been in ill-health for many months past.

Have Mouths of Gold.

The expression "He has a heart of gold" will soon be changed to "He has a mouth of gold" if the opinions of a London dentist are not exaggerated. He says:

"From a variety of causes teeth appear to decay much earlier and much more rapidly than they used to do. In consequence the study of dentistry has progressed by leaps and bounds, until now it is really astonishing what can be done in the way of arresting decay and in surmounting the affliction when it has run its course.

"In one sense there are people whose mouths are veritable gold mines. Speaking broadly, the people of London carry no less than £40,000 or £50,000 worth of gold about with them in their mouths, representing something between two or three hundred weight. It comes in books, each sheet being hammered out to the thinness of tissue paper. The books cost about £1 each, but each book represents a tremendous amount of dental work—work which might be estimated at about £20. The demand for gold filling and stopping is increasing year by year. In spite of other substances which have from time to time been tried for economy's sake, gold still stand supreme. Aluminium was at one time spoken of as a rival which threatened to oust the more precious metal from use, but the demand for gold has steadily increased, and no doubt will continue to do so. The amount annually spent by the people of London on their teeth is very little less than half a million sterling. A member of the profession recently volunteered his opinion that in two or three years' time the people of London would be carrying in their mouths gold to the value of £80,000. Just think of that. Then bear in mind that such an amount of gold represents nearly half a million sterling in dental work."

Turkey Within a Turkey.

A St. Louis, Mo., commission merchant has brought to light a phenomenon which is attracting the attention of scientists here. While one of the employes of the commission house was dressing a turkey hen he was dumbfounded to find in its interior a live, well-feathered young turkey as large as a full grown pigeon. It is perfect in every way excepting the head, which was attached to the mother and is a fatty growth. The little turkey died as soon as it was severed from its dead mother. It was preserved in alcohol and is now in the collection of the Missouri Medical College, where it is attracting the attention of the medical fraternity.

Effective.

"I wish you would get your wife to throw her influence for me," said the lady who was running for office in the Woman's Club; "I'm sure it would have some effect."

"Yes," was the thoughtful reply; "I know when she's ever thrown anything for me it's been effective."

Prospects for the Boy.

"I guess the Griscombs must expect that somebody is going to leave them some money."

"Why?"

"They've decided to let their son become an artist."

When a man has anything to throw away, he throws it where it will annoy others as much as possible.

The Happiest Heart.

Who drives the horses of the sun
Shall lord it but a day;
Better the lowly deed were done,
And kept the humble way.

The rust will find the sword of fame,
The dust will hide the crown;
Ay, none shall nail so high his name
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That a thin flannel bandage around a child's abdomen will often prevent cholera infantum.

That a child should never be frightened by stories told by nurses.

That a child should be taught to gargle as early as possible.

GREAT AND HONORED NAMES

Borne by New York Men in the Common Walks of Life.

New York's directory can turn out a few odd names, but an investigation has shown rather remarkable and curious facts, which go to prove that the answer to Shakspeare's question is that there is nothing at all in a name. For William Shakespeare—the William Shakspeare of New York—is a humble printer. There is a John Milton in New York who, as the directory describes him, is an engineer. Victor Hugo is put down as a waiter in a restaurant. Edwin Booth is given as a nurse, and Francis Bacon appears in the role of a piano tuner.

There are seven Thomas Jeffersons and one of them is a policeman. Of a round dozen Andrew Jacksons one is a valet, another a repairer of bicycles. Six George Washingtons vary in avocation from lawyer to stock broker. One Plato sells hats, James G. Blaine is a coachman, Jefferson Davis a driver, Henry Clay a laborer, and Julius Caesar is a cigar salesman. There are two Ben Franklins, one William E. Gladstone, four Robert Burnses and any number of George Gordons—Byron's name. There are twenty Tom Moores, a Virgil and a Homer. There is but one Henry Heine in New York, two Richard Wagners, one Verdi, who is a musician, and a Gluck, who is a florist.

This by no means exhausts the list of famous names whose owners were as obscure as their nominal prototypes were famous, but it shows the possibilities of Greater New York.

Queen's Circus Riding.

Queen Henrietta of Belgium, by birth an Austrian archduchess, continues, in spite of her snow-white hair and rank as a grandmother, to occupy her time with circus riding. A year ago she gave, in the riding school of the royal palace at Brussels, a semi-public performance, in which she and her daughter Clementine put their horses through all kinds of fancy paces and trick riding with the skill of professionals. They leaped their horses through burning hoops and over flaming hedges, and her majesty jumped a pet horse over a dinner table covered with flowers and lighted candelabra. Then she drove a team of twenty in-hand herself, mounted on her favorite mare.—Newcastle Chronicle.

A Gigantic English Brewery.

Some 3,000 people are employed at Bass' Burton breweries and the number of clerks employed is nearly 300. The breweries cover about 200 acres of land. The annual output is about 1,300,000 barrels, and the annual issue of bottling labels is about 250,000,000. Moreover, no less than 80,000 acres are employed in growing hops for the manufacture of Bass' ale.

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Done What She Could.

A colored woman went to pastor of her church the other day to complain of the conduct of her husband, who, she said, was a low down, worthless, trifling nigger. After listening to a long recital of the delinquencies of her neglectful spouse and her efforts to correct them the minister said, "Have you ever tried heaping coals of fire on his head?" "No" was the reply, "Cut I done tried hot water."—Washington Letter in Chicago Record.

FALLACY OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

Notion of the Writers that They Must Be on the Level of the Infant Mind.

They have succeeded, according to Harper's Magazine. They have got below the level of any kind of mind. They are as mediocre and almost as commonplace as half the novels that are bought and read by adults. Is domestic twaddle, because it is printed, of service to any mind, young or old?

The ponderous Dr. Johnson lived when the attempt to dilute the minds of children was just beginning to be made, and he characterized it with his usual directness and good sense. In that inexhaustible and wholly charming storehouse of anecdote and entertainment, Johnsonian Miscellanies, edited by Birkbeck Hill, there is a record of Johnson's disapproval of putting Newbery's books into the hands of children as too trifling to engage their attention. "Babies," he said, "do not want to hear about babies; they like to be told of giants and castles, and of something that can stretch and stimulate their minds." They like genuine stories, and a genuine story has always a strong flavor of human nature or some supernatural life in it. It is quite true that the young mind wants the stories put into simple language, without superfluous flourishes—just as the signs used by deaf mutes discard everything that does not directly produce the image of the mind. The signs approach the linguistic simplicity of "Aesop's Fables." And this necessity for simplicity is the apology for some of the books written especially for children—that is, the class represented by Lamb's "Tales from Shakspeare," and prose tales from Homer, and generally the Greek legends and the fairy stories and mediaeval narratives, half-supernatural. The "reductions" of good books for the use of children are, however, on the borderland of the admissive, and in most cases it is better for the children, as soon as they can read easily, to read Shakspeare and a good translation of Homer, or have their read to them. If the real things are not put into their hands they will read something, and go on and enfeeble their minds with the attractive volumes that are prettily illustrated, and require not so much mental effort as the conversation at a little girl's tea party.

Too Smart.

The professedly comic papers are not above printing stories with a moral. Thus we find in Judge the following electioneering anecdote, the moral of which is, in Judge's language, "Don' hustle too hard."

Jim Russle wanted the nomination for County Treasurer in Beggs County last fall, and his success was conceded by those who knew him. He was as energetic as a tugboat, and as tireless as a mule. The other candidates groaned when he entered the lists.

But he failed to reach the goal.

One day he drove fifteen miles through a pouring rain, over roads half deep with mud, to see a man—a farmer of considerable influence.

The farmer received him coolly.

"So ye drove through that mud in three hours, did ye?" he inquired.

"I did," replied Russle.

The farmer pondered a few moments.

"I s'pose ye want the delegation from this town?"

"I do."

"Well, my boy, I'm afraid ye can' have it. You was sold when ye tip to a few minutes ago, but by thunder! a man who can drive fifteen miles over such internal roads in three hours wouldn't be a safe man to trust with the county money; he'd be too hard to catch."

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A Good Bacon Hog.

A writer for the American Cultivator speaks well of the Jersey red or duroc as a bacon hog, but thinks that on account of the ability to stand exposure and habits it is better suited to the Western farmer, who permits his hogs to run wild over an extensive range, than to the farmers who have limited ranges and shelter their stock in bad weather. These hogs are coarser built, thicker bristled and hardier than most of the other improved breeds.

Religious Notes.

Professor Nikolaus Mueller, of Berlin, has published an article which tends to show that owing to present evidence it is impossible that we can have the faintest conception of the Saviour's form or features.

Addington Park, in Surrey, England, for eighty years the country seat of the archbishop of Canterbury, has been sold. Five archbishops are buried in the parish church yard at Addington.

One of Mrs. Pinkham's Talks

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Mother, when you see your daughter languid and indifferent to things that usually interest a young girl, when you note that flush on her cheek, that glassy appearance in her eyes; when your daughter tells you that even the weight of her dress waist oppresses her, and that she has terrible pains in her stomach shortly after eating, don't ignore these signs! If you do, you will be following your daughter to the grave, for she will die!

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