MOTHER'S HANDS.

My mother's hands are soft and white, her dagers long to se ad oh, she does so much with them, for all the bouse and we

At morning, mother's fingers lace my shoes and comb my hair, And feel my apron over well, to find a tiny tear.

They bring my bowl of mush and milk, they hold my two cheeks so. Quite cool and soft and loving wise, when out to play I go.

Then all day long they sweep and dust, and bake and sew and Sy. My fingers do not know the way, no matter how they try,

And when the day is over quite, they help me into bed, And smooth the shoets and pillows down, and stroke my sleepy head. -Farm and Home

CONCERNING THE OPPOSITION

C earth did she ever get such ideas) too. There, that's her door, now, Have a cigar, Ted."

weed and smoked thoughtfully for sev- suredly do not propose to hand my eral minutes:

"You have me there, Judge," he said presumption to suppose that I would at length. "Possibly from some of this be willing to do any such thing. Nevas if I had read something similar."

"Very possibly," said Judge Martin. fair too cut and dried?" Lord smiled.

She doesn't express herself in just those terms. She says everything is anger of the Judge's voice was beautoo obvious." said he.

Judge Martin snorted in disgust. "Too obvious! Too obvious! What in ent reception," said Lord. the world does she expect or want? 1 con't care if she is my daughter, Ted. "on what such expectation was 1 do think women folks nowadays get based?" the wildest notions in their heads."

been too glaringly apparent how ev- Elizabeth, I thought that would be erything would turn out. She can't remember the day, she claims, when it your actions have led me to believe wasn't obvious that she would some your consent would be freely given." day marry the nice little boy who lived across the street. She presumes, like your nerve! Your supposition that too, that it was just as obvious to the I would give my consent for Elizabeth nice little boy that he would some day to marry a penniless young saw-bones marry Judge Martin's daughter. Now,



THERE, YOU ABE MISTAKEN."

the says, it is obvious to everybody

me." SONFOUND the girl! Where on | ment. When I speak loud you do it. She's coming." Then, with a sudden Theodors Lord lighted the proffered change of tone: "No, sir, I most asdaughter to you. It is the height of

latter-day literature. It seems to me er?" The Judge's voice quite shook with fury. "I scarcely expected you to fly into frowning "You say she thinks the af- a rage, sir, merely because I come to you and ask for your daughter's hand

in honorable marriage." "You didn't, ch?" The spasmodic tifully done.

"I confess I expected quite a differ "May I ask," said the Judge, hotly,

"I thought you knew, sir," Lord said "She says," Lord continued, "it has caimly, "of my honest affection for very apparent, even to you. Indeed,

"Young man," sneered the Judge, "I is quite on a par with your other mental processes."

"I'll admit my practice and income are neither very amazing," said Lord with some heat, "but I think you'll find them sufficient to warrant the request I have made; besides which, I have health and ambition and no intention to stagnate."

"Your practice and your income, in deed! I like that. I've taken the trouble to find out a little about your practice and your income, which you're so free in alluding to, and all I have to say is that if you had as much of either of them as you have of amazing nerve you'd be the richest doctor in the country. But I prefer something a little better for my daughter than slow starvation. The upshot of the whole matter would be that you'd be coming home ... me and I'd have to keep you both."

"What you say is insulting in the member that you are an old man and you are Elizabeth's father. Therefore I will mass your insults by What I want to know is, do you flatly refuse result of Professor Koch's investigayour consent?" "How many times must I tell you so?" the Judge howied. "Then it is only fair to you to say I shall try to win her affections with out that consent," said Lord angrily. "Do so, by all means," roared the Judge. 'I can tell you now she doesn't care a snap of her fingers about you."

DOMESTIC STRATEGY.

Mrs. Aikes Knew Her Husband Had Mailed Her Letters.

Mrs. Aiken's husband was one of the es or fifteen million men who forget to mall letters, concerning whom the annals of bumor contain thousands of jokes. He was not a bad case, for he did not always forget, and when he did, he remembered again within two days. Mrs. Alken was not a bad case. either, for she did not wold her hus-

band When she had an especially important letter to mall, she either went out to the corner berself and slipped it into the box, or lay in walt for the postman on his early morning round.

One day she was not feeling well, and several invitations to dinner for the following week were due to be mailed at once So she entrusted them to Mr. Alken, who made the usual promises. She followed him to the dining room door, saying impressively, "Letters! plosion of a factory for fulminate of Letters! Now don't forget! Letters! Look me in the eyes and say it after

"If you hypnotize me I shall forget everything. All right: Letters: Letters' Letters" He kissed her, shoved the handful of envelopes into his pocket and went out.

He did keep the letters on his mind all the way down-town in the car. Although two men stopped him before it melts steel like tallow, but the therhe got to his desk, yet he kept his hand mometer a dozen yards away is scarceon the buiging pocket. He unlocked by affected Even at this distance from his desk with the other hand, and be the heat, however, persons experience

morning's mall he put his wife's letters into the mail basket and called the intensely hot sunshine. The skin be "There" he said to himself, "those

will go to the post an hour before the office mail. I guess I can remember a headache and insomnia. few things once in a while." His sense of virtue abode with him

office boy.

all the morning and all the afternoon. an artificial camphor factory, the prod On his way home at night he thought of a few facetious remarks to make to the market with the natural substance. a woman who had so little confidence It is maintained that it does not differ, in her husband's memory that she must except in the manner of its origin. Century. go through a burlesque dramatic per from that extracted from the camphor formance after breakfast to impress a small matter on his mind.

As he opened the front door he saw her coming down the stairs. "Well, my dear, I suppose, you are

going to ask me whether I malled your letters?

them."

"Now, there is confidence!" said Mr. Aiken, with genial irony.

"Not confidence at all, darling, but knowledge. If you had looked you would have seen that among the letters was a postal card addressed to myself. It came on the last delivery this afternoon."

TRY TO SUPPRESS MALARIA

Austrian Government Is Endeavoring to Stamp Out the Disorder. As is well known, the greatest in which the people live. The dairy courge of Austria is malarial fevers. They carry off thousands of human unctity corresponding to the differbeings annually and thus far no effect ent degrees of sanctity of the tive preventives have been discovered. United States Consul - Hossfeld, at the vessels used in a dairy tem-Trieste, has made a report to the State ple vary in sanctity, those that condepartment in regard to the steps be- tain the milk being more sacred than extreme," said Lord. "But I must re- ing taken in that country for the sup- those that only receive the products of on of the malady. According to his report, a Vienna manufacturer, Leopoid Kupelwieser, prompted by the tions relating to intermittent fever. has placed at Dr. Koch's disposal the island of Brion! (situated west of the peninsula of Istria and about sixty alles south of Trieste) to enable him to continue there his investigations. The experiments which Dr. Koch had made in Africa convinced him that malaria could be stamped out in many places where it now prevails, and that where it was possible to isolate such a place the task would be comparatively easy. It is now well known that the microbe of malaria is conveyed from one per son to another by the sting of a species of mosquito. As these insects cannot fly very far, an accession of infected mosquitoes from the mainland seemed to be out of the question, and it was hoped that by curing the sick during the cold sesson and then waging energetic warfare against the conveyer of the microbe the disease could be permanently banshed from the island. Dr. Koch therefore accepted the offer made to him by Mr. Kupelwieser, and intrusted Professor Frosch and Dr. Blundau, of Berlin, with this mission. Their remarkable success led the Austrian government to make an attempt to exterminate malaria on the coast of Istria by Professor Koch's method. It caused three maiaria stations to be estab lighed and detailed physicians, furnish ed with the finest microscopical instruments, to these stations. The physicians examine the blood of all persons suffering from malaria and subject all suspicious cases to a systematic course of treatment. Quinine in mblets or capsules is furnished to patients free of cost at public expense. If the work of these stations should be attended with success it is also proposed to establish similar stations in all those districts of Istria and Dalmatia infested with malaria, for the purpose of removing this great evil.



studied in a new manner by German gard the instant flight of twenty ante- the newspaper men, among them were ornithologists. Hundreds or thousands lope who had not seen a hunter, he some of the cleverest, most wide of crows are being captured at Rossit- cause the twenty first has seen him and awake men in American journalism. tagged with a number and date, are

be forwarded for record. Some mysterious deaths of cattle in Alderney have been traced to a curi-

ous source. Mercury was found in the dead animals, and also in many meadows and gardens, and the presence of the poison is attributed to a recent existand has been prohibited.

A still unexplained effect of the elec trie light somewhat resembles mild sumburn and sumstroke. The heat of the electric are employed in the reducing furnace is so concentrated that fore he allowed himself to look at his a burning of the face and other exposed skin much like that produced by comes deeply bronzed, and there is temporary blindness in natural light,

with pain in the eyes, followed by There is now in operation, on a com

mercial scale, at Port Chester, N. Y. uct of which is intended to compete in trees of Formosa, Artificial camphon is made from essential oils derived from turpentine. Chemically the only difference between turpentine and camphor is the possession by each molecule of the latter of one atom of oxygen which is lacking in the former. "Oh, no. dear. I know you mailed By a chemical process the needed oxy gen is supplied. Three fourths of the

> arts, and one-fourth in medicine. The people called the Todas, living in the Nilgiri Hills, India, have a curi ous religious ritual evolved out of the ordinary operations of the dairy. The priest, says Dr. W. H. Rivers, is the dalryman, and the temple is the dairy. Unly the milz of the sacred buffalo is churned in the fairy temple. The milk of buffaloes that are not "sacred" is churned in the front part of the buts temples are of different degrees of buffaloes tended in each. Even

the smell or presence of man. A young alarm displayed by the older ones al no instinctive alarm at his presence from merely accompanying its mother, if the latter feels such alarm. I should

The migration of birds is being parent any more than I should so re had some amusing experiences with ten, in East Prussia, and, after being has instantly run. Sometimes a door The reporters tried all possible means or an antelope will deliberately give of getting forbidden information an alarm-try at sight of something through the telegraph office. Yet Gen. when one of these birds is killed, the strange. This cry at once puts every A. W. Greely, who writes of the sigtag and date and place of killing shall deer or antelope on the alert; but they nal corps in the Century Magazine,

of fright and flight on the part of the also men of scrupulous honor and confirst deer or antelope, without there siderable deportment. The stories be being any conscious effort on its part tells at their expense are humorous to express glarin.

Moreover, I am inclued to think with good mature on both sides, that on certain occusions, rare though They tried many times to send se they may be, there is a conscious effort cret information to their newspaper sion were carried to a distance by a at teaching. I have myself known of by means of a privately concerted one setter dog which would thrash its code, so incorporated in the text of a the manufacture of explosives in the puppy soundly if the latter carclessly message that the real message was or stupidly flushed a bird. Something concealed. Practice with words had similar may occur in the wild state made them masters of the art of sayamong such intelligent beasts as wolves, ing things that looked innocent on the and foxes. Indeed, I have some surface, but which contained importreason to believe that with both of ant news. these animals it does occur-that is. There were many passages at areas that there is conscious as well as un- between correspondents and the censor

> such matter as trans." Probably the President and i diffet ing to the initial stages of naval or more in the meaning we attach to the military operations. When Sampson's same words than anything else. In a fleet left Key West every effort was subsequenut letter be says; "I think made to keep the fact hidden. The the chief difference between you and newspaper men presented to the operme in the matter is one of terminology, ator many messages intended to con-When I speak of unconscious teaching vey to their journals this important

ner which arouses imitation." Imitation is no doubt the key to the basket. It was the rule that rejected whole matter. The animals uncon- messages should not be returned is sciously teach their young by their evol the sender, and that the sender should ample, and in no other way .- From not be informed of their failure to be John Burroughs's "Current Misconcept delivered. This led to one amusing tions in Natural History" in the incident.

A SAFE DIET RULE.

Eat the Smallest Amount of Food that Will Preserve Go d Health.

How shall one determine how much food to eat? Too much mystery hat been thrown upon this subject. Let your sensations decide. It must be kept in mind that the entire function whole supply of camphor is used in the of digestion and assimilation is carried on without conscious supervision or concurrence. It should be entirely unfelt and unknown, excepting by the feeling of bien-etre which accompan ies and follows its normal accomplishment. Satiety is bad. It implies a sensation of fullness in the region of ped it up in a rambling cable message the stomach, and that means that too addressed to a woman. It recited a correspondence, in a healthy animal the Windward Islands, and that his between the appetite and the amount of food required is extraordinary. As a rule, the meal, unless eaten very slowly, should cease before the appe-

tite is entirely satisfied, because a lit Bird Employed to Rid Museum of tle time is required for the outiving organs and tissues to feel the effects of the food that has been ingested. if too little has been taken, it is with a large number of obnoxious easy enough to make it up at the next spiders. They festooned the ceiling

CENSORSHIP IN WAR-TIME.

During the Spanish-American was the signal corps which was in change not regard this as schooling by the of all telegraph service at the front

will be just as much on the alert if says that the newspaper men were not they witness nothing but an exhibition only men of ability and discretion, but and show that they played the game

canscious teaching of the young ig in Key West. Among the kinds of information prohibited was that relat-I really mean simply acting in a many information, but the operators simply put the despatches in the waste

> A message was received which read. Newspaper fleet has salled to the east ward.*

> Several hours later the sender filed another despatch saying, "Strike out first word in my last message."

> This trick was too much for the censor, Col. James Allen, who, com trary to rule, handed back the message and said to the reporter, "The first one did not go."

> When the correspondent asked why Colonel Allen replied, "Because al fleets look alike to me.

Another correspondent tried to send to his editor the news that Sampson's fleet had shelled San Juan. He wrap length that "Sam" was at work is

THE SPIDER'S TRAP.

Noxious Insects Is Ensnored.

During the past senson the Field Museum in Chicago became infested neal, and the appetite will be only and great columns of the building with yards of their shuttlework. Scrub women and janitors tried in valu te rid the building of the pests and their work Finally a small bird known at the brown creeper discovered the state of things, and decided to take up bit abode inside and assist the authorities in ridding the building of the pests The Chicago News describes the bird's experiment. For several days he flitted about very much as he pleased, wagging up and down column after column and probing his bill into every crevice With his vigilance he actually carried on a very effective work, and the au thorities and the public eyed him with gratified interest

that we were made for each other. In fact, things have been so terribly obvious from the very beginning that she fears we don't know our own minds, and perhaps later we may find we have made a great mistake."

Judge Martin ran his fingers nervously through his bushy white bair. I always thought she was the most

sensible girl in the world." said he. "She is," said Lord quickly. "There may be reason in what she says."

'I know she thinks the world of you, no matter what she says," said the Judge stoutly.

T've had the temerity to think that myself." said Lord, "and I've tried to think this state of mind is merely temperary with her."

He blew smoke rings thoughtfully. 'Perhaps if I went away this winter," he continued, "it might help matters. There's the trip to California, you know. I might take that."

Nonsense!" the Judge exploded. You can't leave your practice here. And you can't afford it, either. You'll need all your money for your house. The trouble is. Ted, this affair of yours has been altogether too smooth. OFt seeds opposition to stir it into healthy life. I believe a little touch of romantic opposition would work wonders with Elizabeth "

Tu inclined to think you're right." said Lord slowly.

The Judge brought his fist down on the library table with a bang.

Confound it!" he said, his eyes twinkling. "I dou't want you for a son-in-law. I've never thought of such a thing. Marry my daughter Elizabeth? Never, my presumptuous young friend. See the point, Ted?" Lord sprang to his feet.

"Judge," he said, "you're a thoroughbred."

The Judge was evidently well pleased with himself.

Somewhat better than California, 1 fancy," he drawled.

"Infinitely," the young man with enthusiasm.

"Come around to-morrow said the Judge, "Elizabeth will here then. Oh, I'll sit you beautifully. Take another cigar with you."

"Ta-morrow at 3, then." said picking up his overcost.

The Judge nodded and dropped on eyelid deliberately,

The following afternoon at ore Lord and the Judge wer wated in the library. ked nervously at each other, as con us. They even grinned at each

m" mid the Judge

The portieres were flung violently apart, and ilizabeth, white but with proudly lifted head and flashing eyes, stood before them. "There you are mistaken," she said

in a shaken voice, looking unflinchingly at her father.

For a moment there was silen then the Judge turned to Lord.

Les v the house," he bellowed "Father!" said Elizabeth

"Leave the house before you out," said the Judge. Elizabeth walked over to

put her hand in his. "You may throw me out, too."

said quietly. The Judge turned a way, ostensibly

to control his wrath. "Keep the young idiot if you mant

him." he said; "I'm going to the "lub." Late that evening Lord found the Judge in his favorite corner at the The Judge grinned as he came club.

"How about the opposition, ch? Have a cigar, Teddy."-Pittsburg Gazette.

Moderation in Exercise.

The Japanese use practically no symnasium apparatus, yet they show rester excellence of strength and endurance than do any other people in the world. While some of their evercises may seem violent, they take them with great moderation. At the outset of a course in jujitsu the student is rarely upon the floor more than half an hour, and three quarters of this time is devoted to walking and breathing between exercises. As the student becomes more proficient, he

pends three quarters of an hour on the floor, and then an bour, and so on, by degrees, until he is able to give two hours a day to the work. three quarters of his time, or neary that an that amount, is spent in walking and forth and in breathing .- St.

at lover is pleasanter in then in real life. In real life, if m't love him h

at Way to Shoot 'Gatore

One of the best ways to shoot all gators is to row in a small boat up one of the streams which they are known to frequent, and then to drop down quietly with the current, making no noise with the oars or anything else In this way you come upon them as they lie on the bank, without disturbthem, and you can pick out just the kindu of aligator you want .-- St Nicholas

A great many people

the churning The N-rays of R. Blondlet should in terest us especially because they are to common about us. They were dis tovered while the light from a Weis bach burner was being concentrated by a quartz lens on a sulphide of cal tium screen, the lens causing the lu minosity of the screen to persist after the light was removed. They are now known to exist not only in the incandescent gas, but also in the ordinary ras flame burning without a chimper and in the radiation from a red-ho

plate of silver or tale, and they excite indio-activity in various substances meh as a plate of lead. The invisible tays can be detected by the slight in crease of luminosity of a phosphores good health.-Century. sent screen or of a very small gas lame. These rays seem to be given off

by the human body, and D'Arsonval has shown that a screen of platinoevanide of barium, made slightly iuminous by radium, lights up on approuch to a muscle, and is so sensitive that it can show the course of a nerve ander the skin.

ANIMAL INSTINCT.

('resident's Opinion on the Question of the Day Among Naturalists. I am convinced there is nothing in the notion that animals conclouely teach their young. Is it probable that mere animal reflects upon the fu ture any more than it does upon the past? Is it solicitous about the future well-being of its off-spring any more than it is curious about its ancestry Persons who think they see the lowe animals training their young supply something to their observations consciously or unconsciously; they read their own thoughts or preconceptions into what they see. Yet so trained a naturalist and experienced a hunter as President Roosevelt differs with me in this matter. In a letter which I am permitted to quote he says:

"I have not the slightest doubt that there is a large amount of unconscious teaching by wood-folk of their offspring. In unfrequented places I have had the deer watch me with almost as much indifference as they do now in the Yellowstone Park. In frequented places, where they are hunted, young deer and young mountain sheep, on the other band,-and of ourse young wolves, bobcats, and the like,-are exceedingly wary and shy when the sight or smell of man is conerned. Undoubtedly this is due to the ct that from their earliest mo of going ab out they learn to imitate

their ng watchfulness of ts, and by the exercise of some stative quality

the better and the food more

No one was ever sorry for having voluntarily eaten too little, while millions every day repent having eaten too much. It has been said that the great lesson homeopathy taught the world was this: That whereas physiclans had been in the habit of giving the patient the largest dose he could stand, they have been led to see that their purpose was better subserved by giving him the smallest dose that would produce the desired effect. And so it is with food. Instead of eating as most people unfortunately do, as much as they can, they should eat the smallest amount that will keep them in

Conveyed a Warning. The Rev. Dr. Snow, finding himsel down-town at the noon hour, dropped into a restaurant for luncheon. He hung his overcoat against the wall sat down and ordered his meal, which be ate leisurely. When he had finished

and turned to look for his overcoat in was gone. He reported his loss to the cashier

who was sorry, but could do nothing as the restaurant was "not responsi ble for hats, overcoats or umbrellas.

"Ob. I am not holding you responsi ble," said the doctor, as he paid his bill. "I shall get the coat again." "What makes you think so?" asked

the cushier.

"In one of the pockets," he replied was a letter with my name and ad dress on the envelope, and in another pocket was a printed sermon on 'Fu ture Punishment.' Good day!" His confidence was not misplaced The overcoat was brought to his house the next day by a messenger boy, who said a stranger had sent it and they there was no message.

An Accommodating Cook.

Mrs. A (at the phone)-Wait a min ute till I ask Bridget. If she has nt the landlady as she rended the chick objections I'll be delighted to lunct with you tomorrow. (A moment later) is of that foolish remark, "The higher Oh, heilo! Mrs. B., yes, I can. Bridget says I can. Isn't it lovely? Thanks ever so much. Good-by.

What wouldn't I give for a cook like were getting bald on the very top o that !-- Detroit Free Press.

Statue for the First Volunteer. A statue of Colonel Josias R. King of St. Paul, said to be the first volum mit park, St. Paul.

who have succeeded

One morning, however, as a curater of one of the departments was pass ing, a guard remarked, "There's a bird for your collection. Looks as if it were done for."

The bird lay panting on its side at the bottom of one of the columns.

"Bring a fly," said the scientist, M he took the little creeper in his hands The guard held a buzzing fly on the point of a long pin to the bird's beak and to his surprise the creeper bit a the insect voraciously.

"Doesn't look as if he were going to die," said the scientist. "I wonde what's the matter with him, and WAY?

Turning the bird over in his hand he found it had been entrapped in a large spider's web, which had bound the wing and tail together in such : manner as to preclude flying. It look ed as if some wise old spider had re sented the bird's work of extermine tion, and had purposely ensnared him in a trap.

The queer bandage was removed and the bird darted out over the iros grating and shot out of sight acros the lagoon.

Explained at Last.

"I should like to know," remarket en limb from limb, "what the meaning

"You wouldn't call it foolish." r. plied the wise guy, using both hand on his fork to cut his pie crust, "if you your bead."--Cincinnati Times-Star.

Little to Prey Upon.

Cholly-Cawn't imagine what's the mattali with Guasie. There sectas to Miss Sharpe-Ob, whatever it is, le it alone. It will probably die of vation .-- Philadelphia Ledger.

A man selden formets a favor

the fewer.""

Mrs. B. (sollloquizing enviously)-

teer in the civil war, will surmount be something preying on his mind. the monument to be erected in Sum. Miss Sharpe-Ob whatever it is

People who are trying to succe are so much more agreeable than these