Divorces are few in Canada. In Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and the Territories divorces can be obtained only by an act of the Parliament of Canada, and from 1868 to 1900 only sixty-nine were so secured. In the other provinces they may be obtained in the courts, and during the same period Nova Scotia has granted ninety-two, New Brunswick seventy-three, British Columbia forty-seven and Prince Edward Island none.

For all purposes, justiss is the wifest kind ov mercy.

An Austrian chemist, a recent graduate of a Vienna college has discovered a system of combining atmospheric air with illuminating gas, so that three parts of gas and one part of air will be constantly forced through the meter. This barefaced swindle will seriously increase the cost to consumers. Gas bills have lately bounded up alarmingly in the east sections of New York City. It is therefore, believed that the ingenious Austrian chemist is getting in his fine work in the American metropolis.

A Wonderful Discovery.

Broadland, S. Dak., March 28.—Quite a sensation has been created here by the publication of the story of G. W. Gray, who, after a special treatment for three months, was prostrate and helpless and given up to die with Bright's Disease. Bright's Disease has always been considered incurable, but evidently from the story told by Mr. Gray there is a remedy which will cure it even in the most advanced stages. This is what he says:

"I was helpless as a little babe. My wife and I searched everything and read everything we could find about Bright's Disease, hoping that I would be able to find a remedy. After many failures my wife insisted that I should try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I praise God for the day when I decided to do so, for this remedy met every phase of my case and in a short time I was able to get out of bed, and after a few weeks' treatment I was a strong, well man. Dodd's Kidney Pills saved my life."

A remedy that will cure Bright's Disease will cure any lesser Kidney Disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills are certainly the most wonderful discovery which modern medical research has given to the world.

WESTERN CANADA HAS AN EXCELLENT CLIMATE.

The Saskatchewan Valley Very Highly Favored.

An interesting feature of Western Canada is its climate. Those who have made a study of it speak highly of it. The Canadian Government Agents are sending out an Atlas, and at the same time giving valuable information concerning railway rates, etc., to those interested in the country. As has been said, the climate is excellent. The elevation of this part of Canada is about 1,800 feet above the sea, about twice that of the average for Minnesota. It is a very desirable altitude. The country has a very equable climate, taking the seasons through. The winters are bright, and the summers are pleasantly warm. R. F. Stupart, director of the meteorological service for Canada, says:

"The salient features of the climate of the Canadian northwest territories are a clear, bracing atmosphere during the greater part of the year, and a medium rainfall and snowfall. The mean temperature for July at Winnipeg is 66, and Prince Albert 62. The former temperature is higher than at any part of England, and the latter is very similar to that found in many parts of the southern countries."

At Prince Albert the average daily maximum in July is 76 and the minimum 48. Owing to this high day temperature with much sunshine, the crops come to maturity quickly.

Moisture is ample in the Saskatchewan valley, being about 18 inches annually. It is notable that about 75 per cent of the moisture falls during the crop months. Thus, Western Canada gets as much moisture when it is needed, and with several hours more sunshine daily than land further south gets during the growing season, it is not difficult to understand why crops mature quickly and yield bountifully.

Winter ends quickly, sowing is done during April and sometimes in March. Harvest comes in August, about the middle. Cyclones, blizzards, dust and sand storms are unknown.

A penniless poet in Paris determined to close his career picturesquely. By means of a rope he hung himself in the arms of a statue of Venus, and died as he rapturously kissed the statue's marble form.

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I have used Piso's Cure for Consumption with good results. It is all right.—John W. Henry, Box 642, Fostoria, Ohio, Oct. 4, 1901.

The University of Edinburgh has conferred the degree of doctor of laws on Hannis Taylor, former United States minister to Spain. The same honor was conferred some time ago by the University of Dublin. Mr. Taylor will receive the degree at Dublin the last of June and at Edinburgh early in July. His textbooks are used in both universities.

Thare never waz an estate yet so large but that the prodigality ov its possessor could run thru with it.

ODD THINGS ON THE PIKE AT THE WORLD'S FAIR

Through Centuries on a water canal to Genesis.

Bits of the emperor's imperial garden at Tokio.

Crowded market place of Triana, Spain.

Church of Holy Sepulcher same size as original at Jerusalem.

A Turkish cavalry patrol in the Holy City.

Japanese art of defense as practiced by President Roosevelt.

Jaffa gate, Golden gate, Zion gate and St. Stephens gate reproduced.

Whole state transplanted from Asaksua in Tight Japan.

Moslem priests will cry the Muezzin from the Minarets.

Jewish Rabbis will intone the Talmud in Synagogues.

Prehisotric Monsters will walk the primeval earth in creation.

A curious custom prevails in Siberian villages. In the houses facing the main street are little windows, with shelves about six feet above the ground, and on these shelves the inmates place whatever food they have to spare. This is a custom which has existed from a former period to aid escaped prisoners, the shelves being placed at that height so as to prevent dogs from getting at the food.

WOMEN WORKERS IN FIELDS

Of 4,410,910 Agricultural Laborers in United States 661,103 Are Women.

In an Agricultural Department bulletin, the total number of agricultural laborers in the United States is placed at 4,410,910, of whom 2,366,149 are "members of the family;" that is, "sons and daughters who help to work the old homestead" or "help Uncle Dan with the 'crops,'" and 2,044,761 are hired laborers.

A surprisingly large number of women are classed as hired farm help. The total number is 220,048. Naturally, the greater number of these are in the South, where the negro women are an important factor in the gathering of cotton, corn and other crops. There were 441,055 women classed as farm laborers, "members of the family," and the vast majority of these were also found in the South, where negro women taking an active part in the work in the field is an ordinary sight.

South Carolina leads in the number of women hired laborers, with 55,581, and Alabama is next, with 34,083. Then come Georgia, with 30,865; Mississippi, with 30,134; Louisiana, with 23,290; and North Carolina, with 20,467. Virginia has 5,382 of these women and Maryland has 487.

Mississippi leads all the States in female laborers "members of the family," with a total of 77,599. Then follow Alabama, with 74,315; South Carolina, with 65,889; Georgia, with 64,896, and North Carolina, with 37,439. Virginia has 4,831, and Maryland 387.

Farm wages have almost uniformly shown an upward tendency since 1899 and, in many States, they are now higher than they have been since the Civil War. The average farm wages for the entire country for 1902, as far as could be learned, were $22.14 per month, without board, as opposed to $20.23 in 1899. Where board was furnished by the employer the rate of increase was still higher.

In 1902 the average monthly wages of a farm hand who lived with his employer were $16.40, and in 1899 were $14.07.

The highest monthly wages, with board, were paid in Nevada, $34.14; Montana, $32; Wyoming, 31.21; Idaho $29.79; Utah, $29.45; California, $29.88. The poorest monthly wages, with board, were paid in South Carolina $8.24; Georgia, $9.30; North Carolina $9.61. Maryland's average, with board was $12.67 per month, and Virginia's $11.29.

The highest wages per day in harvest season, the employer furnishing the board, were paid in North Dakota $2.18. The only other States that averaged more than $2 per day were: South Dakota, $2.08; Minnesota, $2.04, and Washington, $2.01. Virginia's average pay at harvest time was $1 per day, and Maryland's $1.14.

Kansas, which kicked up a lot of excitement about its inability to get harvest hands at any price, paid a daily average wage of only $1.57 in 1902, an increase of only 18 cents in the three years from 1899.—St. Louis Republic.

CHILD FORGOT HER MANNERS.

Why the Little Girl Was Rebuked by Her Negro "Mammy."

If you had happened to be walking down Executive avenue a little time after dark on the day after Christmas you might have seen among the crowd of nurses and children issuing from the white house a very stout elderly negress and a bunchy child in a white coat and big white hat, says the Washington Post. The child was eagerly telling of the wonders of the party, and mammy was listening with intense pride. Suddenly mammy stopped short.

"I done forget to ask you till this minute," she said. "Did you pay youah respects to the president's lady?"

The child looked bewildered.

"I don't know," she said.

"Did you tell her good-by and 'spress youah enjoyment of the party?"

"I forgot it," the child confessed much abashed.

Mammy sighed.

"My lan'!" she said in utter discouragement. "If that ain't the mortifyingest thing! Here I done brought yo' to the white house, and tol' you to be sure to shake hands with the president's lady and tell her you certainly has had an enjoyable time and is mucky obliged to her for the honor of inviting you, and you goes and forgets. I certainly is mortified to death. The president's lady is a-telling her children 'bout it this very minute. She's a-saying: 'That little girl what had on the great big sash certainly did look fine but she ain't got no more manners than a shanty child.' You's just gone and disgraced your fam'ly. You certainly is trying. You's been to the white house, and you's certainly acted shameful. My lan'!"

And as the crestfallen child who had forgotten her manners was led away up the street mammy delivered herself of her final shot of humiliation:

"I certainly blushes for you, I does," she said.

Curling Popular in Canada.

One of the most popular of Canadian winter sports is curling, which is said to have originated in Scotland. To the uninitiated the sight is that of four men sweeping the ice; but there is method in the game, and the curling stones and tees are arranged carefully for a scientific player is keen to take advantage of every ruling. The tees are placed thirty-eight yards apart, the players stand behind a tee, and the score is marked on the ice seven yards in front of each tee. Of course the game is to keep the stone within certain limits, a feat not easily accomplished.—St. Nicholas.

Pleasant Incidents Occurring the Word Over Sayings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young. Funny Selections that Everybody Will Enjoy.

"Whew! but it seems good to get near a radiator," exclaimed a man as he walked into the office of a friend.

"Warm enough now?" inquired his friend, a few moments later.

"Yes, all right now, but I was about frozen when I came in here," said he, still spreading his hands above the coiled pipes.

"That's funny," said the other. "There isn't a bit of heat in that radiator. We've been using the furnace this year."

Said It.

Frugal Aunt—Well, Tommy, haven't you anything to say after eating a nice dinner like that?

Tommy—Yes'm. I hain't had half enough.—Chicago Tribune.

That's the Question.

"It was only five years ago that I started in with our firm at $5 a week," said Bragg, "and now I earn $50 a week without any trouble."

"That's so; it's easy to earn that," replied Newitt, "but how much do you get?"—Philadelphia Press.

A Joke He Liked.

In the strain and excitement of trading on Wall street, the brokers, says E. C. Stedman in the Century Magazine, often relapse into wild merriment and play boyish pranks. On one occasion an old Indian with a young brave a boy and two squaws entered the gallery. At once the "floor" put forth every effort to break down their stolidity. A war whoop had no effect. A war dance did not arouse even a smile.

At last a bald-headed man was thrust into a ring of young fellows, his hands held behind him, a knife drawn around his pate, and the mummery of a futile attempt to detach his scalp was enacted.

This was at last too much for the dignity of the aborigines. The boy broke into a broad laugh, in which the squaws joined; the young warrior grinned in spite of himself, and at last the semblance of grim humor overspread the face of the ruthless old chief, who may have been the perpetrator of as many atrocities as Geronimo.

What She's Suggest.

Mrs. Youngwed—Mariah, the dust on the furniture in this parlor is awful. What shall I do about it?

Mariah—Pay no attention to it, mum.

Life's Little Anomalies.

Clara—Pepper, they say, makes people irritable.

Cora—That's queer; Harry gets mad when the pepper bottle is empty."—Detroit Free Press.

Positive Indication.

Mabel—Did Gladys have a fashionable wedding?

Maude—Very. Why, her wedding dress was nearly torn off before she got inside the church.—Judge.

Natural Deduction.

"That singer gets $500 a week," remarked the critical patron of the vaudeville show, "yet she has a voice like a buzz saw."

"Perhaps," rejoined his friend, "that is why she makes so much dust."

Telephone Repartee.

"Who are you?"

"Who are you?"

"I asked you first."

"Well, I won't talk unless I know who you are."

"All right—neither will I; good-by."—Detroit Free Press.

'Twas Ever Thus.

Jimjones—Howells doesn't have much to say about political principle since he was elected to Congress, does he?

Samsmith—No; he's busy looking after his political interests now.

Revenge.

Teacher—I am a thorough believer in reincarnation.

Willie (aside)—If she ever comes back here as a chicken I'm going to chop her head off.

Of the Same Mind.

"Why, William, I'm surprised!"

"It's mutual, ma, it's mutual!"

Is Generally So.

Tom—Working hard lately?

Arthur—Yes. I'm making my own hours now, and I work longer than I did before.—Somerville Journal.

The Line of Least Resistance.

"I've been calling."

"Hear any news?"

"Not much. The Joneses have left their third cook within two months."—Puck.

Just a Hint.

"Talk about your incendiary speeches. I heard Arsonski make one today."

"You don't say? I didn't know he was a public speaker at all."

"Oh! this wasn't a public speech. He just whispered to me that his clothing store was insured for twice its value."—Philadelphia Press.

Refuted.

"Philadelphia's too slow a place to make money in," said the New Yorker scornfully.

"Uncle Sam doesn't seem to think so," retorted the Quaker. "He's got his mint here."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Foiled.

Mr. Phoxy—I was going to ask you to try this little trick. Multiply the years of your age by three, subtract twenty-one from the total and what's the answer?

Miss Kute—You should be able to guess the answer at once.

Mr. Phoxy—What is it?

Miss Kute—None of your business.—Philadelphia Press.

Dr. George Simson, editor of the Journal of the Medical Assolcation will give in April a lecture to the students in the medical department of the university of Michigan upon some topic relating to medicine.

Congressman Castor, of Philadelphia, was sworn in on the 29th of February and is already known as the "leap year member." The assertion is made that Mr Castor is the only member who ever took the oath on the date named.

A blood curdling feat is performed by a Parisian cyclist. He whirls down an incline of ninety degrees, and attains a velocity of 120 miles an hour. Here there is an open space of thirty-five feet between the twelve foot tracks, and the rider leaps it. Should the daring wheelman miss the landing place he would fall fifty feet.

Unfortunately the things that are too good to be true are a good deal scarcer than the things that are too true to be good.—Judge.

For some unknown reason the shark has returned to European waters. In the Baltic, for example, where sharks had been extinct since 1759 they have made their appearance in considerable numbers.

The cowbells used in Switzerland have a peculiar sound, rather mournful in its droning prolongtion. It has been discovered that tigers fear it, and run when they hear it. Therefore, Swiss cowbells have been introduced into the Himalayas, as a protection for cattle.

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Charles W. Jenking, of Corpus Christi, Tex., a millionaire, has perhaps the oddest fad of any collector of curios in the United States—that of human skulls. He has at present in his private museum 248 perfect human skulls gathered in all parts of the country.

The cooking range of Mrs Sylvius Little, of Whitmore, Mass., smoked badly, so she took down the stovepipe and cleaned it. Next, she thought

The mountains of the world are gradually but surely decreasing in height. This need not occasion worriment to the earth's inhabitants for, according to a scientific paper read recently before the Scientic Congress of Paris, at least 4,500,000 years must elapse ere the mountains will have entirely disappeared.

Thomas Nelson Page, novelist, announces his intention of establishing in Hanover county, Virginia, the county of his birth, a technical school for young men and women.

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Instructions To The Cook—"How long shall I boil the eggs, ma'am" asked the cook.

McGill university at Montreal, Que., has conferred the honorary degree of doctor of laws upon M. Jusserand, French ambassador to the United States, in acknowledgment of his distinguished services to literature.

Elfadora J. Faulkner, of Portland, Me., is sueing Louis Sulkowitch for $1,500 damages, alleging that he kissed her against her protest, "meanwhile putting both arms around her waist."

Founder's Day was observed by the Faculty and students of the medical department of the university of Michigan, Feb. 22. Professor Flemming Carrow gave an address entited "George E. Frothingham." Dr. Frothingham was connected with the medical department for thirteen years. During the latter part of this period was professor of materia medica.

We could all be happy enuff if we only knu how to play well the kards we hold.