at the lack of honors which foreign noteworthy achievements and distinno undignified eagerness on the part of Americans for medals and decorations, there is still a warranted pride in receiving such marks of distinction. The already long list of those who have been thus honored is growing apace, and if all whose names appear there were to form a society of decorated Americans it would start out with a membership far in excess of that with which most organizations Such a society would not be in

much favor with intensely democratic gard decorations almost in the catesurely without warrant and is growing ceived this honor. less each year. Said Count Cassini on this point not long before he left America for Spain: "I have received 33 decorations, and can it be possible that according to the old notion I orders. Men have done me very kind would have been insulted by such a crude form of gratitude. The only recourse at my command was to give a have had the distinction of wearing decoration or a gold shuffbox. The the cross of the Legion of Honor is latter the recipient would never use Mrs. Potter Palmer, of Chicago, and and could find little pleasure in, so I Mrs. Daniel Manning, of Albany, who have chosen to give the decorations were thus honored for their services

Congress has but twice in 20 years | 1900. given its consent for officers of the be accepted or not is decided.

Thus it is that there is a beautiful order in gold of Grand Officer of the Legion of Honor lying in the vaults of museum, of Chicago has as many decgiven to Gen. Chaffee he could not many. wear it as other men wear theirs on Prof. Herman V. Hilprecht has nua foreign potentate. This applies to his cuneiform investigations. the retired officer as well as those in Prof. Simon Newcomb received last

is at least a pardonable evasion of the order, and a new member is chosen law. Secretary H. H. D. Pierce last by the survivors whenever death year, when he resigned his post of as makes a vacancy. The decoration is sistant secretary of the state depart- given by the German emperor. Conment to accept the appointment as gress authorized Prof. Newcomb, who minister to Norway, spent a day in is a retired attache of the naval obprivate life between the two positions, servatory, to accept the decoration.

Surely Americans cannot complain and in that choice interval took good care to call for his decorations, which countries and societies are bestowing had for years, in some cases, laid in upon citizens of the United States for the vaults of the department. Among them were the Order of the Double guishing services. And while there is Dragon, conferred by the Chinese government, and the cross of a comman-

> der of the Legion of Honor. In the same way William F. Willoughby, formerly expert of the bureau of labor, and lecturer on social economics at Johns Hopkins and Harvard. stepped out of government employ a few days before accepting his appointment as treasurer of Porto Rico, and in that time got his medals out of official hock.

The number of legionnaires in this country has so increased of late years that the fact has justified Prof. James Americans who have been wont to re- Howard Gore, of George Washington university in preparing and publishgory of bribes, but such feeling is ing a directory of all who have re-

The French statutes restrict the number of officers of the Legion of Honor to 4,000, of commanders to 1,000, of grand officers to 200, and of holders of the grand cross to 80. Gen. have been bribed 33 times? I have Chaffee has received probably the recommended the bestowal of many highest honor in the Legion of Honor decorations, but they were given in in this country. Archbishop Ireland, recognition of favors rendered without Thomas A. Edison, Gen. O. O. Howa thought of a return. Indeed, I have ard, Prof. George F. Barker and Perry many times during by life been very Belmont wear the cross of a commandglad that I could make use of such er. Prof. Agassiz, Prof. Alexander and substantial favors. I could not in Simon Newcomb, James Hazen Hyde, honor offer them \$100 or \$500. They M. E. Stone and Prof. Gore hold the cross of officer.

Among women in this country who in connection with the exposition of

Among other orders given to Amerigovernment to accept decorations that cans there are numerous decorations, have been tendered them. Further- such as the Order of Leopold, the more, it is the law that all decora- Osmanieh and Medjidieh of Turkey, tions that foreign governments may the order of the Prussian Crown, the wish to give to American officials must Red Eagle of Germany, the order of be deposited with the state department St. Stanislaus of Russia, the White until the question whether they may Elephant of Siam, the order of Dannebrog of Denmark, and many similar

Probably F. J. V. Skiff, of the Field the state department for Gen. Chaffee. orations as any one man in this coun-Some time congress may allow him to try. He has made a collection, it receive it. The time may come when, might be said. They all came for his as with Admiral McCalla last March, services at expositions. Mr. Skiff is • he lies on what his tearful family or an officer of the Legion of Honor for dearest friends think is his deathbed. work connected with the Paris expo-Or it may happen that even then the sition of 1900. He has the order of desired permission will be withheld, Leopold, the order of Civil Merit of and only after the brave old soldier is Bulgaria, has the second class order dead and gone will the decoration pass of the Double Dragon of China, the to the hands of his wife and children. order of the Sacred Treasure of Japan, to whom it will be a treasured testi- the order of Orange and Nassau of mony to the worth of the man whom Holland, the order of the Sun and the it was intended to honor. And yet if Lion of Persia, the order of St. James the order were to be allowed to be of Portugal, and the Red Eagle of Ger-

public occasions. No officer of the merous orders for his researches in army or navy nor any civil employe ancient history. He wears the Cross of the government is permitted by law of Albert, the Bear of Germany, the to wear such an emblem of favor with Cross of Dannebrog of Denmark, for

year the German Order pour le Mer-Once in a long while an official has lite. This is a distinctly great honor, a chance to get a decoration by what as there are but 40 members of the

CHURCHILL'S MAIDEN EFFORTS. so faulty that there was difficulty in

First Speech in Parliament Hit the Mark in Spite of Faults of Delivery.

dolph Churchill in the house of com- sat down Lord Randolph had made his mons was on a May day in 1875, says mark, had established, himself as a a writer in Blackwood's Magazine. Sir Charles Dilke had been making merry at the expense of Woodstock, then represented by one known in the Parliamentary arena simply as a cadet of the ducal house of Marlborough

From the third bench behind that on which ministers ought to have been sitting, rose a well groomed young man, with protuberant eyes. pale face and a ponderous mustache. with which as he spoke he nervously

Members asking each other: "Who's this?" learned that it was the memcorporation of the borough that sent did not succeed to the throng of Denhim to parliament.

Though assisted by notes, on which the speech was fully written out, the young member was so nervous, his Pinck net a voice was badly pitched, his delivery fore it is ripe.

following his argument. But here and there flashed forth a scathing sentence that made it worth while to The first time I noticed Lord Ran- attempt to catch the rest. When he personality in an assembly in which within ten years he was predominant.

> Longer on Throne Than Father. King Frederick, of Denmark, presents the curious spictacle of a father who has become a king at a later date than his own son. When King Haakon, of Norway, was lately at Copenhagen King Frederick is said to have asked "How do you like being king?"

"I will rather ask you," replied Haaknark until Jan. 29, 1906, on the death

FOR THE MERCHANT

LITTLE POINTS THAT HELP IN SELLING GOODS.

BE READY FOR OPPORTUNITY

to Sell-Never Stop Pushing-A Hint for the Clerks.

How often you hear one business man say of another who has been successful: "Ain't he lucky?" Luck has nothing to do with anyone's success. It is pluck.

Pluck and enthusiasm are the powers which make the winner. With all man came into your store first. these two qualities, which are invariably found together, a man will

Business men who have achieved

an enthusiastic confidence that he will

To persevere against great odds, and to make a victorious fight in the sides, if the man in the overalls wants face of almost impossibilities, it requires pluck which is not governed by To cultivate pluck one must encour-

age steadfastness of purpose. When a thing is begun it should be fin-The trouble with most of us is not

so much that we have a hard row

to hoe but that we dislike hoeing. Opportunity knocks once-and often a dozen times-at every door, but you have no kick against the fates if

Bacon said: "The mold of a man's fortune is in his own hands.'

All men cannot be captains of industry. All men cannot succeed phenomenally. All men, it seems, cannot succeed even moderately, but all men can ing yourself and your boss a bad turn "home-made." make an effort to succeed.

a higher and better place until we are mind liquid. Wonderful what a pickwilling to sink to the bottom. If we me-up job-hunting is to some people.

tise most businesses, but mine is dif-ferent." The sheriff sold him cut, and now he works for his successor, who does advertise.

The secret of most successes lies in the man rather than in the method. Making people want the goods is,

after all, about as near the secret of it as there comes to being any secret. Let the Public Know What You Have Make the public want what you have to sell and the sale is half made. Epitaph of a failure: "He worked overtime dodging work."

That Man with the Overalls. When the man with the overalls comes into your store don't turn around and take your time to wait on him. Don't snub the man with the overalls in order to wait upon some elite of your town-that is, if the over-Your overall man usually stands by the home town. He works in the shops, in the stock yards, in the factories and in the mills. iHs dollar is greatness in their line are those who just as good as the dollar given to possess an abundance of enthus- you by the man who tries to put on all kinds of airs in your town. The A possession that is better than any- old American eagle on the silver dollar thing else to a man is that determina- given to you by the man attired in Ideal Abiding Place Carries Stamp of tion of character known as pluck, and overalls counts for just as much and screams just as hard as the bird on the dollar turned over by the man who belongs to the "upper tens." Becredit until Saturday night or until the first of the month, you'll stand to win to get the cash from him when he says he'll pay you. - Don't give him the marble heart. You want his trade. He needs dry goods and groceries, and he will spend his money with you if you treat him right. Business Sickness a Common Com-

plaint.

Stuck in a rut, are you? Same old rut, boss doesn't appreciate your ef-Opportunity knocks, finds you lost in forts. Interest in your business weara pipe dream and turns away never to ing thin at the edges? Eh? Thought so! Well, what are you waiting for?

You know nothing really comes to the fellow who waits, except the "push." Some people never "get there" unless they're pushed.

If you're sick of your job you're doby hanging on. Start looking around We must not stop striving to reach for another job-that'll keep your



Turn to and bury the mail-order house monopoly under the sod of local prosperity. You can do it by spending your money with the local merchants. If you give them an opportunity they will treat you fairly, and they, like yourself, represent the interests of the home town.

pluck conquer all things," for it bears | -the first sign of recovery, in fact. close relationship to the subject made the most use of them we would old. be better able to master the golden opportunities.

Let It Be Known.

them about it; they are not clair ov- the "know how" if he did ants. First use the newspapers liberally, then circulars, personal letters, talk to them when you can catch them it is as wide as human nature in its gine it's play.

world would be minus its dynamo of pickax.

Push All the Time. If it pays to push when business is good, it pays to push when business is

oad, it pays to push when business is If it pays to push at all, it pays to

oush all the time Therefore, don't let it die. When everything is coming your vay, push to make it come the faster. When everything is going the other

way, push to make it come back to Push all the time and vou'll fee the better for it, and make more

It takes hard thinking and hard work to increase business in the fac of strong competition. But the busi ness is there, and somebody will get it you or your neighbor, or perhaps our competitor in the next town. Help your employes increase your

Be Business Throughout. A joke is a joke, but business is a ke, and it is mighty hard to mal

A man once said: "It pays to adver

simply expect to float and not try to If you get "turned down" two or three swim we might just as well quit. It times you'll begin to think what small would be well for us to keep as a potatoes you really are after all, and motto before us: "Perseverance and that's good tonic for business sickness

Your present job will, maybe, acchosen. If we regarded the little op- quire a fresh interest to you, and portunities in life more seriously and you'll come at it again like a two-year-

If you were born with a square chin and the normal amount of gray matter you'll probably want to get ahead of the procession. There is only one You may know that you have the sure way, and that is "know how." A best assorted stock in town, but the fellow with "know how" never loses public will not know it unless you tell interest in his job. He wouldn't get

It's marvelous how interesting business is when you get the proper spirit. Some men obtain more genuine pleasin your store, at their homes-any- ure from business than they do from where. The first and last thing to play. If you want to enjoy businessbear in mind about advertising is that study it-soak yourself in it, and ima-

You won't have to imagine long, and Advertising is the mighty engine of when you've got the spirit of the game success, and without it the business you couldn't be kept out of it with a

Women as Lawmakers.

Nineteen women holding seats in congress. What do you think of it? Not in any little congress of women's clubs or anything of that sort, but in and citron may be added if desired. the lawmaking body of a nation.

Not one in ten thousand people in this quarter of the globe know this is a fact, although there is really no rea-Dan R. Hanna, son of the late senaon why they should not know it. These women have won congressional tor, is about to erect a costly monuonors and assumed the duties of law ment of gray granite at his Cottage makers in Finland. At the election Hill farm, Ravenna, to the memory of held in that country only a couple of Bapton Diamond, an imported bull weeks ago the socialists developed surrising strength, and, consistent with horn stables and was a prize winner heir pretensions, they nominated a at leading stock shows in the counnumber of women for congressional eats. This forced the other parties

Washing Berries. Take an ordinary tin milk pan, a o do the same thing. When the ballots were counted it was found that 19 women had been nammer, and nail and punch holes all ver the cottom. Put in your berries. ected, nine of them socialists. They have taken their seats and promet the water run over them in the to make good lawmakers. To fully anreciate the importance of this it mi wash right through those holes. Put in holes from inside of pan, so that it e borne in mind that mever befor have women or a woman been elected to the national lawmaking body of any will stand a little way from the floor country.-Woman's National Daily;

Millions in Line of Shipp There is about \$100,000,000 inve-transatiantic passenger t and gowns, which he says are wholly greng in schools below the college

PUDDING THAT WILL KEEP.

One-half cup beef suct chopped fine, one and one-half cups seeded raisins, one cup New Orleans molasses, one

Individuality.

If you can't afford to buy a new

parlor table on the installment plan,

you may buy a cheap table, and cover

it with presty chintz and muslin very

reasonably indeed; and if the cover-

ing matches the wall paper, the suc-

cess of the venture will be doubly

All husbands appreciate the efforts

of wives to make the home pretty,

bright, and dainty, and as they are

mortal, and do not possess inex-

haustible purses, it will please them

still more when they hear it is all

Swiss Curtains.

curtains for summer use is to edge

them down the fronts and along the

bottoms with narrow linen or cotton

lace. It is not fulled in, but stitched

on flat by machine. Curtains of swiss

never should fall below the window

sill, and, when edged with lace, may

have a hem an inch or more wide on

the fronts and bottoms, with the lace

sewn to the edge. This finish is far

more durable and neat than ruffling

the material on, and the expense is

about the same, since lace may be

bought for from three to five cents a

yard. Overdraperies of cretonne also

may be finished at the edges with lace,

and this will tend to make them hang

better, as the stitching and extra

weight of the lace make the edge firm.

Brown Sauce.

Two ounces of butter, two pounds of

beef, two onions, a quarter of a pound

of lean bacon, two cloves, one bay

leaf, pepper, salt and two quarts of

Put two ounces of butter in the bot-

tom of a stewpan, with the bacon cut

into small bits and the beef into very thin slices, with two small onions, a

little pepper, salt, cloves, bay leaf and

a little water, just enough to keep it

from burning; stir over the fire for ten

or 12 minutes, then let it simmer until

it looks brown and rich; fill up the

stewpan with two quarts of water and

when boiling draw it to the side of the

range, skim off all the fat and allow

to simmer slowly for an hour and a

To Can String Beans.

gathered. If toughened by long-keep-

ing or if old and stringy, they are not

available for our purpose. With a

sharp knife remove the strings from

both sides of the beans. As you do

this let the prepared beans, fall into

ice cold water. Now cut them into

inch lengths, still dropping the bits

into water. Put over the fire covered

with cold water, slightly salted and

peppered. Boil until soft, but not

broken. Transfer to heated jars, cov-

er with boiling salted water from the

Sauce for Roast Meats.

of parsley, the juice of one lemon, pep-

per, salt and one ounce and a half of

Put the butter into a stewpan with

a sprig of parsley, chopped fine; the

juice of one lemon, strained; season

with pepper and salt and a quarter of

a pint of water; set it over the fire

for about ten minutes until hot or just

on the boil, and serve with roast meat.

One cupful of molasses, one-half

cup of butter, one-half cupful of brown

sugar, two eggs, one and one-half tea-

spoonfuls of soda dissolved in one cup-

ful of hot water, one teaspoonful each

of ginger and cinnamon, three cupfuls

of flour. One cupful of chopped raisins

Bake in well-greased pan in moderate

Monument to a Bull.

No Right to Wear Them.

A quarter of a pint of water, a sprig

kettle and seal.

The beans must be young and newly

A pretty way to finish white swiss

individuality.

copy; originate.

Savory and Cheap Dessert Ready to Serve at Any Time.

For the MODISH

Service WOMAN cup milk, three cups flour, one-half teaspoon soda dissolved in warm water; beat the molasses and soda water well; add milk, suet, raisins, then flour. Put it an airtight vessel and the art of wearing tailor-made gowns, in clusters on either side. set in boiling water to steam four for it is certain that no women in the hours. Sauce for same .- One pint water thickened with two tablespoons cornstarch, one-half teaspoon cinnamon, half cup sugar; just a little nutmeg and allspice, juice of one lemon, little grated rind, whisky to taste; boil and serve hot. When done and portance. To a Parisienne it is a matturned out on a plate it resembles ter of vital importance that the dainty brimmed crinoline straw hat. fruit cake. Slice as much as you little purse carried in the hand want in thin slices and put the reshould harmonize with some other maining portion away. Turn a grandetail-with the sporting-looking little ite cooking vessel over it to keep it necktie, perhaps, or with the embroidmoist, and it will keep a long time. eries on the waistcoat of pale-hued When you want to serve it again cut suede. Everything has its own meanas much as you need and warm it by steaming in closed vessel. importance. It is natural to Frenchwomen to look at the subject from HAVE THE HOME ORIGINAL. they can-when they wish to do sodress perfectly on a comparatively

small income A peculiarity of the Parisian even-The surest way of making the home ing gowns this season is the close redistinctive is to do all we can oursemblance which they bear to teaselves, and stamp it with our own Never copy other people's ideas of vague outline. The Parisiennes revel comfort and decoration, but employ your own talents and experience to the best advantage by carrying out original designs and schemes. Don't

American women have much to used to trim the bodice, the hat being learn from their sisters in Paris as to of brown with brown shaded roses

Roses have taken unto themselves world equal the Parisiennes in this every conceivable tone, the most difficult art. Nature has made them fashionable being, of course, blue, and exceedingly careful of details, and these are usually allied to black centhis in every walk of life, and from ters and accompanied by black early youth they are taught to regard leaves, a wreath of the latter appeardress as an affair of paramount im- ing with considerable success round the base of the crown of an open-

But to turn to dresses of the commoner sort and of the greater utility. All combinations of black and white are prominent, and a mode which threatens to become universal includes a three-quarter coat of the siming and nothing is too small to lack plest style in combination with a short skirt, both being made of black and white striped coarse fibered material this point of view and this is why of homespun description. Such a costume is suitable, however, only for most work-a-day occasions, and lends itself to be crowned only by straw hats trimmed with ribbons and wings or rosettes of silk, and will no doubt look its very best when worn with a gowns. There is the same graceful white batiste or lawn shirt and perflow of supple material and the same mitted to take its walks in the country. Black and white check apin this particular mode and invest it pears in every size and form; smooth with exceeding charm and grace. of face and rough of face, it alike finds They never permit their picture gowns devotees, and an easy means of an-



Original Designs for Smart Gowns.

to look in the least like robes de swering the question of what to wear chambre, and in this they display at the immediate moment in the mornmuch cleverness, for a semi-loose robe lings can be settled by a kilted skirt has a tiresome way of looking bed- of black and white check, a small coat roomy unless worn with great dis- of whatever shape that may best

The picture styles which are making themselves so strongly felt in the world of fashion this year are specially prominent where evening dresses are concerned, not so much with rebridge parties and receptions amongst intimate friends. A leading feature of the new bridge gowns is the hanging sleeve, which can hardly be called "angel." but which is of that order. This sleeve almost invariably falls back from the elbow, leaving the lower part of the arm quite bare, From elbow to shoulder it is often nearly tight, but the real picture sleeve falls in graceful folds all the

way down. Lace of every sort is as fashionable as ever, if not more so. You may see thick guipure doing duty on the costume to left in our large illustration. The bodice is of lace, while braces and trimmings to the full sleeves are of taffeta, fringes decorating the sash ends, which are held with enamel buttons at the waist, and the plain full skirt is of voile. The other dress shows cinnamon brown cloth in combination with black and white striped silk, small bands of Irish lace being live above it.

please and best suit you with a white waistcoat embroidered with black braid and fastened with white pearl buttons, and a white lawn frilled shirt, crowned with a green straw hat trimmed with green rosettes, and a gard to gowns for dinners of cere- short green spotted veil thrown over mony as for those to be worn at | the crown, to fall just to the name of the neck. The veil must be short if the dress be short, the veil long if the dress be long. Here lies one of the rules not to be forgotten by those who realize the advantage of graceful proportion. And again I remember that this special virtue may be accredited to the short-waisted dress, so that the lines of the waist be chosen with special care.

> The Genuine Test. "Do you believe that man is a real

musical critie?" "Of course he is. Does anybody ever know what he is talking about?"-Baltimore American.

Fortunate. Cobble-I had great luck in Wall

Stone-What did you do? "Came out even."-Life.

The best thing in the world is to

A SHREWD ECONOMIST.

Pat Proved to Be One Too Many for the Preacher.

Patrick O'Fioilthan was the oracle

One Sabbath, when the minister was reading from the Bible, several not do that; could you?" lignitaries were present from another own, and in an endeavor to wax particularly eloquent the pastor became slightly confused and said, "And there were 5,000 loaves and three fishes to feed the multitude of seven. then to point his moral and adorn his tale he looked straight at the infallible Pat and said, "And sure, Pat, you souldn't do that, now could you?"

"Indade, I could," said Pat, and the

of the little Irish village. He was the wisest of the wise, and was looked up to by the other members of the community as a veritable encyclopedia. Sunday he rose in the pulpit and said But especially did he pride himself in explanation. "Brethren, last Sabipon his scriptural learning, says Sun-

It was the custom in the village church Sunday mornings for all the inhabitants to attend, and Patrick, who never missed a Sunday, always pied the front pew.

sermon continued.

That night, however, when the preacher reached his home and thought over his morning sermon, it dawned on him that he had made a serious error concerning the loaves and the fishes. Accordingly the next Sunday he rose in the pulpit and said bath I made a mistake and said that there were 5,000 loaves and three fishes to feed the multitude of seven. but what I should have said was that there were seven loaves and three fishes to feed the multitude of 5,000. And then he looked at Pat again and said, "And now, Pat, sure you could

"Ah, yis, Oi could," replied Pat. "And how would you do it, Pat?" asked the minister.

"Why," said Pat, "Oi would give thim what was lift over from last Sun

Looks Vs. Feeling