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of the prodigality with which the emperors expended the money ans labol of the people. The arena in which
the gladiators fought with their felthe gladiators tought with their fel-
lows and with wild beas's-the arena in which many of the Christian martyrs met their death-is slightly oval in form, the longest diameter being about 250 feet. The arena was so arranged that it could be flooded with water and used for aquatic tourna$\mathrm{m} \in \mathrm{nts}$. The stectators looked down uron the contests from gallerics that rose in four tiers to a height of 150 feet. At one end of the arena was the tribune occupied by the emperor and his suite; at the other end the vestal virgins occupied anothor tribune and it was their privilege to confer either life or death upon the vanquished gladiators by turning the thumb up or down-turned up
meant Hife, turned down, death. The Roman populace gained access to the galleries by 160 doors and stairways. The seating capacity of the collisseum is estimated to have been fifty thousand.
The Forum is even richer than the Colisseum in historic interest and rewhat are supposed to be the to 1 g ght what are supposed to be the tomb of
Caesar and the tomb of Romulus. The tribune is rointed out from which the Roman orators addressed the multitude. Here Cicero hurled his inmultitude. Here Cicero hurled his in-
vective at Cataline and Mark Anthony is by Shakespeare made to plead here for fallen Caesar. The triumphal arch of Constantine stands at one end of the Forum and is in an
excellent state of preservation. Among excellent state of preservation. Among
the carvings lately exhumed are some (especially attractive to an asricul urist) showing the forms of the bull, the sheep and the hog. They are so
like the best breeds of chese animals like the best breeds of chese animals
today that one can scarcely believe twey were chisclled from stone nearly twenty centuries ago. In Rome, as
in Paris, there is a Pantheon in the fanilliar style of Greek archilecture In the Roman Pantheon is the tomb of Raphael. Cardinal Bembc in recto be placed upon his tomb a Latin epitaph which Pope has translateū:
"Living, great nature feared he might Fier works, and dying fears herself
those who are familiar with Roman history the river Tiber is an ob ject of interest, but here, as is often the case, one feels disappointed in finding that the thing pictured was larglow as the Missouri, flows through the very heart of Roms and is kept embankment. In and near Rome are many ancient palaces, some of them falling into decay, and some well prethe pase of the most mode of buit by American money, the wife York a member of a wealthy New now occupled by the American ambassador, Mr, Myer, Art galleries and museums are numerous in Rome and tain mally r rities of flaly and con Italian artists like Rarhael, Angcio King and others. The palace of King Victor Emmanuel and the pub-
lic buildings of Rome are lmposing. but do not compare in size or magnificence with the ancient palaces of
England and France. The journey ficm Rome to Venice carried us th: ough a very fertile nart of Italy. The land is carefully cultivated; the chrifty farmers in some places have set out mulberry trees for the cultivation of the silk worm and have trained grape vines upon the trees.
We passed through the edge of Venice and saw the gondoliers on the Giand Canal waiting to carry passengers into the city. A very irtelligent whom I met in Rome informed me
that the northern provinces of Itaiy were much surther advariced in education than the southern provinces, mentall the Jeopie of the south were mentaily very alert and witt the ad-
dition of instruction would soon reach the intellectual level of the north M2 stay in Italy was all too brifi and I left with much reluctance this nursery of early civilizacion-this eeat of government of the world's greatest rel:gious organization.
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## An Iowa Girl's Work.

A dispatch to the St. Paul Globe under date of Waterlqo, Ia., January 23, said: An lowa hen has been sold imes that amos fair to bring sorll disposed of. Nearly a year ago the Iowa Presby terian synod voted to locate a hospital that a canvass of the was discovere essary in order to the public was neced to complete the building
After the canvass had started little Maud Ballou, an orphan girl, nine years of age, and living with an un thing to atives are poor, her foster-mother being forced to take in washing to supply the daily necessaries, while her uncle is slowly dying of consumption This chit of a girl canvassed he resources. to discover what she could give. She had few of the joys which
come to most children. She had fow if any toys to cia in making her life more happy, but she possessed a young hen whick she had nourished and raised from the egg, and which she kept as it house pet. After much thought the derision was reached that the hen must bs sacrificed. The girl consulted her foster mother. The
latter could do hut litule but prom latter could do but little, but from her heard-earnad stipend she gave the child twenty-tive cents for the hen, and the twenty-five cents was carried U . and given to that association to be made a part of $\$ 500$ which it had
Hearing of the work of the iltte girl, a local merchant visited her fore and rebought the hen paying for it $\$ 3$. Then it was sold and re-
sold, time and again. lodge of Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen gave $\$ 25$ for it; other lodges followed suit, and sums of $\$ 10, \$ 16$ and $\$ 25$ kept pouring in.
One Sunday the pastor of the Fres-
his pulpit during the services, and preached a strong sermon on the good deed of the iltte girl, and after the sermon the church congregation paying more than 860 , which was raised by a collection.
The mite given by the child is still growing, and the belief is that it will reach fully $\$ 500$ in a short time.
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