daughter of E. P. Roe, the novelist, has taken to story-writing also. -Henry Irving says that Joe Jeffer-

son is the only foreign actor who has been universally accepted in England. -Israel Phillips, of Greenfield, Mass., eighty-eight years old, is regarded as the oldest commercial traveler in active

service. -Macon Mason, now Governor of Massowah, Egypt, is a Maryland man. A graduate of West Point, he took the losing side in the war of secession, and after Appomattox sailed for Egypt .-

Chicago Times. -The Man a curious New York publication, demands that all women, on arriving at the age of twenty-one, be permitted to use the prefix "Mrs." to their names, whether married or not .-Chicago Herald.

-Senator Morrill, of Vermont, has served nearly thirty years in Congress, six terms in the House and three in the Senate. He is seventy-five years old. but could easily pass for twenty years younger .- N. Y. Post.

-Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who recently returned from a two-years' sojourn in Europe, has decided to make Johnstown, Fulton County, N. Y., her future residence. There, in the old Cady home-tead, where she was born sixty-eight years ago, she will pass the remainder of her days. - Troy Times.

-The family of Minister Hunt, who died recently in St. Petersburg, is widely scattered. Of his six sons, one is in the navy, one is a lawyer in New York, another is a civil engineer in Dakota, and another is living in Montana. Mr. Hunt's wife and daughter were with him in St. Petersburg .- N. Y. Tribunc.

-Dr. C. C. Graham, at the age of one hundred years, writes forcibly on the cause of the floods in the Ohio Valiey. Fifty years ago he wrote in the Frankfort (Ky.) Argus that the reckless felling of trees would ruin the valley before the end of the century. Dr. Graham, still vigorous in mind and body, lives in retirement at Louisville.

- General Grant's wealth is estimated at \$200,000, which makes him the richest ex-President since Buchanan. Mr. Hayes is not rich, though in a wellto-do condition. Andrew Johnson and Abraham Lincoln each left \$50,000. Franklin Pierce entered the White House poor, but went back to Concord worth \$60,000. Martin Van Buren was the richest of all our Presidents, his estate being estimated at \$800,000.-Chicago Journal.

Of the late Mr. Chenery, editor of the London Times, Mr. Labouchere says: "He passed much of his time at husband. "S'pose I'm going to let you held above price. the Athenaum and Reform Clubs, put those things in and throw em in The czar can take life comparatively where he was more given to listen than | my face from the moment I get well till | easy on an income of twelve millions a to talk. No one would, had he not the day I die? Scratch em out, I tell year, and watch his wealth pile up without been aware of the fact, have supposed ye; I don't propose to have my life any effort of his. From his Governments, that the quiet, unassuming gentleman, made miserable by reminders of your he draws \$2,372,000 a year; from his whose only wish apparently was to page redoubtable editor of the Times."

HUMOROUS.

-The folks who saw his shadow on the window curtain thought he was in a paroxysm of delirium. But he was merely putting on his overcoat.- Eoston

-A Boston woman has discarded her pet pur and gone to petting her husband, and "her set" have gone back on her on account of her plebeian tastes.-Bismarck Tribune.

-"Clean the streets." shouted a Cincinnati paper, and next week a torrent like a river was rushing through half the streets in town. Editors can not be too particular about bearing down light in their demands.-N. Y. Commercial.

-Fly-paper manu'acturers and druggists with a large supply of this comlie down and roll all over their premises ficial bald head has been invented to at- the whole letter with one application of large buyers of Rock Island, taking in tract ties, and that it works like a the inkstand!" charm. - Exchange. -She Loved to Drive .-

"Ain't is awful," he said to the girl at his *That a fe'low like me must deprive

Himself of all hurging while out for a ride, For wish both hands the team he must

A real, the relatful look for a moment en-

Her face: then a bright happy gleam Lights it up as she cries; "Just give me the

For I do love to drive a fast team!" -Bismarch Tribune.

"My dear," said Mrs. -- to ber husband, "I wish you would meet me t -day in front of Morrison's book store about four o'clock." "Yes, love," replied her husband. "And, Henry." continued Mrs. -, "in case you should get there before me you can ain't, and it ain't a minstrel entertainmake a chalk mark on the pavement, ment with a funny man at each end! and if I get there before you I will rub it out, that you may know I was there." this country know?"

-He is a young doctor and she is a Vassar graduate. Last Thursday evening he said to her: "Do you know, dear, I have a heart affection for you?" "Have you had it lung?" she coyly in-quired. "On, yes: I feel that I will of a visage like you screwed up a minliver troubled life without you," he fer- ute ago I want to be hung instead of bevently responded. "Then you had better asthma," she softly murmured. Then he hugged her so hard that he had to reset her collar-bone. - The Hatchet. | church.'

-Why do they call it fish-chowder? Is that what you would like to know? Well, you are certainly very modest in endyke, forgetting all about his letter. your demands, and we shall take great | rolled over and went to sleep .- Brookpleasure in rewarding your modesty. | lyn Eagle. Now we will tell you why they call it fish-chowder. It's because -you won't tell any one, will you? No? Well, all right, we will trust you. They call it fish-chowder because you have to fish around in it with the spoon about halfan hour before you succeed in tishing tory of his immense property. His

up any fish .- Puck. -Frenchmen are beginning to outstrip both the English and the Americans in the ingenuity of their advertising dodges in the endeavor to attract he was worth \$194,000,000. attention to their discoveries. The tollowing will serve as an example: A cer- bilt, "the richest man in the world. In the shining hour of a family party to in- said to be worth \$200,000,000, but it is deer! What sort of a coon can be be?" vite a reporter, who carefully inspects mostly in lands and houses. It does -Detroit Free Press. the physiognomies of the inventor's not yield him two per cent. A year wife, daughter and mother-in-law, and from now I shall be worth more than -The Ohio Legislature authorizes

Dictating a Letter.

"Now, my dear," said Mr. Spoopen in bed and stuffed some extra pillows un--Pauline, the seventeen-year old der his shoulders; "now, my dear, take your pen and ink and I will dictate a etter to Specklewottle. If you will play amanuensis I don't see why I can't be sick just as well as not."

Mrs. Spoopenkyke puttered around and arranged her writing materials. "Shall I write on a card with a gilt edge, or shall I take note paper?" she

"You'd better use paper," replied Mr. Spoopendyke, severely. "When I want to convey my ideas on a shingle I'll carve 'em in with a knife. Now get ready, for I'm going to start, and don't you interrupt me or you will put me

"All ready, dear," murmured Mrs Spoopendyke, dipping her pen into the ink and contemplating her husband anxiously.

"Mr. Peter B. Specklewottle," comnenced Mr. Spoopendyke.

"Is his middle name B?" " asked Mrs. Spoopendyke, resting her album on the table, her head on her hand, and testing her pen on the blotter. "I don't think I like his name, anyway. Peter isn't nice."

"If any other name occurs to you, put it in," observed Mr. Spoopendyke, with a growl. "You don't need to have a man's right name in a letter. Put in anything and hurry up, will you? Going to keep me in suspense all day about who this letter is going to?" Mrs. Spoopendyke plunged into her

work and wrote hurriedly for a moment 'Now, I've got him in, dear." "Got who in? Anybody I know! Am 1 dictating a private letter to a stranger? Got some particular friend you want this note to go to unbeknown

to me? Who's in there?" I'm going to know who's at the top before I put my name at the bottom. "Why, Mr Specklewottle, of course," said she, looking at him with wide open | bonds \$26,857,420, of his other securi-

eyes. "That's what you said. Now go on with the rest." "Have you got the date and 'dear sir in, too?" asked Mr. Spoopendyke, peev-

ishly, for he was trying to think how he should start his letter. about those," replied his wife. "You

others in." "Will, will ye?" croaked Mr. Spoopendyke. "Sticking on a great deal of sear who is familiar with the gallery. credit to yourself for your kindness to His stables on Fifty-first street, occupythe sick, ain't ye? Willing to yield ing one of the most desirable building your own preferences in favor of your sites in the city, represent \$200,000, suffering husband? Well, you can't while the equine beauties there luxuri-

hear me?" "But I've got 'em in," pleaded Mrs. bring \$75,000 at a forced sale, and her Spoopendye.

"Then strike 'em out!" roared her vou got?"

could be no mistake in that.

"Anything to show whether he's a Spoopendyke. "Any 'Mrs.' or 'Esq.' hanging to it anywhere?"

"Certainly." replied Mrs. Spoopendyke. "It says Mr. Peter B. Specklewottle.' That's the way you told me to he stated recently, were but a trile over write it, didn't you? Now go on with the letter." "Then put: 'I am dying, and I wish

Spoopendyke, dropping her pen. "You though dressing richly, is by no means are not dying, dear; you don't want the man to think that!"

"Way not?" squealed Mr. Spoopendyke. "S'pose a man is going fourteen blocks out of his way to get the mail modity on hand will, in all probability, for a man who has only a cold in his has disposed of some of his Lake Shore head? You put it that I'm dying, or stock. Last week a firm of his brokers, in disgust when they learn that an arti- I II drop over into that corner and write Messrs. Barton, Davis & Miner, were

> "Go on, dear," cooed Mrs. Spoopendyke. "I've got it so; only he may think it strange that a dying man should write to him.

> "Then say, I want you to get my mail from the office, and tell them I

that?" "Yes," giggled Mrs. Spoopendyke. 'Anything else?'

"What're you laughing at?" howled Mr. Spoopendyke, on whom the incoagruities of his letter had begun to dawn. What have you got that measly mouth of yours stretched out like a do lgasted grave-yard for? Think I'm dictating a letter is one kind of a rebus? Well, it

"I wasn't laughing, dear," murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke, with a marvelously

ing with you." "Was, eh?" grunted Mr. Spoopening sympathized with. Another time you open your mouth like that I'm go-

And cogitating on this vast improvement in his wife's anatomy. Mr. Spoop-

The World's Richest Man.

At the beginning of every year Mr. W. H. Vanderbilt makes it an invariable custom to take a careful inventents counted, and from the total the profit for the year is reckoned. In January, 1883, he told an intimate friend. who had dined with him that day, that

"I believe I am," said Mr. Vanderinventor of a face wash improves England the Duke of Westminster is longs to an invalid and them legs to a

modern Midas repented his hasty speech and asked that it be not repeated, claim-ing his words were but boastful and his

wealth exaggerated. A few days ago Mr. Vanderbilt sent he had business relations. On looking them over the recipient was astonished to find the rough draft of a memorandum in the czar's peculiar handwriting. It was dated January 15, 1884, and was evidently his last balance sheet which by oversight had been folded inside another paper. Of course the secret could not be kept, and the figures reached the Journal. An error or two may have crept in on their travels, but in substance they tell the following:

Mr. Vanderbilt has registered in his name, and in coupon bonds \$54,000,-000 in four percents., maturing in 1907. He has lately added to these \$4,000.000 in three and one-half per cents., and yet retains a trifle over \$1,000,000 in six per cents. The four per cents are worth 124, and the market value of his Governments to-day is \$70,580,000.

But the bulk of the wealth of the king of millionaires is invested in railroad securities. He holds 240,000 shares of Michigan Central stock, 300,000 shares of Northwestern, including 80,000 of the preferred stock, and a block of Omaha, 200,000 shares of Lake Shore and 120,000 shares of New York Central. Besides these are smaller amounts in a score of other stocks, among which are Rock Island, of which he had 29,000 shares, and Lackawanna, where the total was 20,000. Of the others he had in all 21,840, a grand total of 930,840 shares of stocks. Of various railroad bonds there was an aggregate of \$22,120,000, and of

stocks and mortgages the sum of about \$2,000,000 was shown to be invested. Reckoning at yesterday's prices the value of Mr. Vanderbilt's railroad stocks is \$98,750,000, of his Governments \$70,580,000, of his railroad

State and city bonds \$3,200,000. In

miscellaneous securities, manufacturing

ties a trifle over \$5,000,000. The aggregate is \$201,332,413. The czar puts down an item of "real estate, etc., \$3,000,000." In this is included his splendid Fifth avenue mansion, which, with its furniture and con-"No, dear, you didn't say anything tents, cost nearly or quite \$3,000,000. His magnificent art gallery, with its only said the name, but I'll put the gems from the best modern masters, represents almost \$1,000.000, the estimate being that of a local connoisfool me that much. Don't put 'em in; ously lodged would not be disposed of for as much more. Mand S. would

owner would not dispose of her for any

price. Early Rose and Aldine are also

kindness when I was fishing around in railroad stocks and bonds, \$7,394,320; unnoticed through the world, was the the grave with one leg! Now what have from his miscellaneous securities, \$575, 695, or \$10,342,015 from his investments "Peter B Specklewottle," said Mrs. alone. Thus every day they earn for Spoopendyke, mentally satisfied there him \$28,334.25. Every hour sees him \$1,180.59 richer, and every minute means \$19.67 added to his hoard. Besides this, man or a woman?" demanded Mr. he calculates to make \$2,000,000 every year by fortunate sales. His reinvest-

ments last year he calculates did this. This rich man lives well but not lavishly. Last year his ordinary expenses, \$200,000. In this is not included such luxuries as his great ball, on which he expended \$40,000. His attire is modest and does not indicate a Crœsus by "Great gracious!" ejaculated Mrs. any means. Mrs. Vanderbilt, too, alextravagant, although her diamonds

cost her lord \$150,000. Since Mr. Vanderbilt made out his balance sheet some unimportant changes have been made in his investments. He one day 9,830 shares. Since then E has not been possible to dispose of any quantity of this except at considerable concessions. In his Michigan Central corner he altered also the figure of this stock. The change is merely an increase of his holdings of railroad securit'es at will be over in a day or two.' Got the expense of his loans and surplus income, for the ezar does not keep a large bank account. Everything must bear interest, he believes .- N. Y. Jour-

He Slid.

Talk about pretty girls-but she was a wild flower and no mistake! She got on the train to go over to Meridian comic almanae? Got a notion that this from Vicksburg, and she was all alone. There was a sort of sidelong movement among five or six men, but a drummer for a Philadelphia saddlery house got What're you laughing at? Anybody in there first. He grabbed up his grip and walked square up to her seat and took possession of half of it without asking a question, and in ten minutes he seemed straight face. "I was only sympathiz- to be perfectly at home. She answered his questions briefly, and he had the hardest kind of work to keep up conversation, and as the train approached Jackson she suddenly said:

"I want to telegraph papa from here. Will you help me?" "Oh! certainly. I have a blank in ing to put seats in it and start a my pocket. Write your telegram and I

will run into the office with it.' We missed him when the train started, but by and by he was found in the smoking car, his hat crushed down and his nerves all on edge. When asked what had happened, he drew forth the telegram which the girl had requested him to hand in. It read:

"Bring your shot-gun with you to pop over a drummer who has dreadfully annoyed me. Shoot to kill!"

"To think," he gasped, "that one so fair could be so murderous! Why, strong boxes are then opened, their con- | I'm all in a sweat; I want some of you to stand by me!"

We got his grip from the sear, traded hats and coats with him, and the way he slid from the depot when the train reached Meridian caused a hotel porter to observe: "Well, now, but that white face be-

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When his talking fit had left him the Leader.

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N. I. Mail.

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