Mrs. de Shrewd-Certainly, my dear. fond of you."

Bellevilles?"

an idea it was one of the half-dozen their daughter Belle had when she was married. We'll not count them in just

"Of course we'll have the Brintons. They've as good as promised me something splendid in Dresden china. Then. there's the Peytons; I detest the whole tribe of them. But they always give solid silver, so they must be invited.

"Certainly; and the Macklires." "Oh, they'll bring something splendid in bric-a-bric. They're in the business, you know. I wonder if the De Cracy's would bring any thing worth having?"

"I really don't know. They might subject. They gave superb cut-glass at the Bennett-Grace wedding last month, and I raved over it, thinking they might take the hint if we sent them cards to your wedding. I believe I'd risk it."

"They'll hardly have the face not to bring something decent when there's six of them. I don't know what to do about the Ridley's. They actually gave Marian Leyster plated ware and-"

"They'd be very likely to do the same with you. I wouldn't run the risk. Invite the Layton's instead. worth having."

Dreightons will bring?"

Leyster."

dressed one hundred and fifty invita- gentlemen present enjoyed this greatly. rilles and the Smyths and we they're not likely to send any thing."

THIEVES AND BUNCO-MEN.

A Detective Says They Are Not So Clever "Do you know New York thieves are not any thing like so clever as

they used to be?" The speaker was one of Inspector he spoke, as though the decline of for the public generally. The reporter asked the detective the cause of this change which seemed to affect him so.

"Well, that's more than I can tell." jail, or have been scared out of New York by the police, and that their places have been taken by new hands. It is not because there are no thieves, for there are just as many as ever. As soon as one is jailed or frightened off another bobs up and takes his place. But, be it as it may, the whole gang are a precious lot of bunglers.

"There isn't the talent around now to get up another Manhattan Bank affair. Even the bunco and "badger" game men are losing their grip. Take the attempt to rob Phil Daly, the gambler. That affair was a botch. So was the attempted diamond robbery. As for the attempt to "bunco" W. D. Morrissey, the Western miner and horseman, it was clumsy enough to scene with astonishing rapidity .cause some of the old-time "bunko" men to weep. And so the thing goes. It may be that the "crooks" are down on their luck, for "Hungry Joe," who used to be the cleverest of the bunco men, has made more bad breaks lately than a greenhorn, and is locked up in Baltimore as a result.

"The only clever stealing that has been done of late," the detective went on to say, "has been done by men who were not in the regular order of thieves, and who struck out on a new line for themselves. These were such men as Foster and Bedell, the lawyers. But the old line of thieves, as I have said, seem to be losing their grip, and if they keep on there won't be any credit in getting the best of them, or in hunting them."

And with this the veteran, who has made some very clever captures in his day, turned away with a sigh. -N. Y. Mail and Express

Something Had Happened.

"Do you expect a raise of salary the first of the year?" he inquired, as they rede together on the rear platform of

"Mot now." "Has any thing happened lately to

upset your expectations?" There has I had my salary cut down four dollars a week, and was told | with a dry bush.

-Tinware is best washed in soda and water. It can be scoured with 1 by being placed in an air-tight case care, yet if kept clean from day to day it seldom need come to scouring,

met process wears it out quickly. STUDIES IN HYSTERIA

A Probuser Who Makes the Nerves of Prof. Charcot, the renowned sper let of diseases of the nervous system, necessary for thoroughly drying. come striking experiments as hysterical subjects in the course of subjects in the Salpetriere cohol is a permanent fixative for beick, and doing all the work of street chercot's pet subjects. She re- it on evenly with an estist's ato

her into the profound lethargy in which she lay on this occasion.

He first stated that this young woman was in a stage of hysteria radically different from that of her companion. She was like an inert mass: her muscles were all relaxed and it was impossible for any mamber of her body to retain a fixed position without support.

There was also a marked difference in the condition of the nervous system of the two women. The one was keen-They are good for at least a case of ly sensitive, the other apparently dead. solid silver cutlery, if not something in | In each case the professor pressed a diamonds. Mrs. Baxter was always pencil upon the facie! nerve which lies directly in front of the car. This had "Yes, I know. And what about the not the slightest effect upon the woman in the hysterical sleep, whereas the "I really don't know. They didn't face of the young girl instantly lighted give any thing but a pie-knife when up in a smile. Curiously enough, she Leuretta Brace was married, and I've only smiled on the side where the pressure was applied.

It was the same with other nerves. The lethargic girl would raise her hand when the operator pressed upon the radical nerve above the elbow joint. When the mesial nerve, near the former, was touched her arm would spring up in a pugilistic attitude, with the fist tightly clenched, and on applying the pencil to what is vulgarly known as the "funny bone" she would lift her arm as if pronouncing a benediction, the first and second fingers of the hand being raised heavenward. Nothing of

this sort had any effect upon the other An experiment with the gong, which had been vainly beaten above the first patient, produced a startling effect in this case. The Chef de Clinique had struck but a single blow on the sounding brass when the young girl started up as by an electric shock. She sat straight up, with her eyes wide open, and but for their fixed, stony gaze one might have fancied her awake. She had passed in an instant from the state of lethargy into that of cata-

lepsy. She neither moved nor spoke. Prof. Charcot proceeded to show that pressure upon the nerves no long-They'll be sure to bring something er produced muscular contraction. We were in the presence of a new set of "I do wonder if there's any hope phenomena. The professor lifted the of getting diamonds from the Rev- girl's right hand to her lips, as if she enels. And what do you suppose the were throwing a kiss. Instantly the unconscious association of ideas caused "Well, I hope they'll have the the right side of the face to smile. It decency to bring something better was the same when the left hand was than the etching they gave Marian raised, and when both hands touched her lips the entire face radiated the "I should hope so. Well, I've ad-mind's happy thought. The young

tions now, and I believe they're all A frown was produced with equal good for something, unless it is the facility. Clenching one of the fists caused a scowl to pass over the cor can drop them if we finally conclude responding side of the face, and the professor succeeded by combining the two processes in making her smile on one side and frown on the other. No one who saw this extraordinary contortion could for a moment question

the genuineness of the demonstration. Still more extraordinary was the facility with which Prof. Charcot made his patient pass back from catalepsy to lethargy. This heaccomplished by Byrne's veterans, and there was actu- simply closing the lids and pressing ally a touch of sadness in his voice as | gently on one or both of her eyes, By touching the right eve he changed the clever rascality was really a bad thing girl's right side into the lethargic concition while leaving the left side under the influence of catalepsy.

He demonstrated to the satisfaction of all that such was really the case. The right eye was closed, while the was the reply. "It may be because left remained staring open. The nerves so many of the leading thieves are in on the right side responded to pressure, while those on the left remained dead. One side of the body was rigid while the other was inert. Through all this the patient never uttered a sound. Having sufficiently established the existence of this dual state the professor pressed simultaneously upon both of the girl's eyes, when she fell back on the pillow like a lump of lead.

The final experiment consisted in waking the lethargic girl. This was easily done by breathing sharply in her face. She started up, glanced about her in a dazed way, and then, realizing that she was only half dressed before a crowd of jovial medical students, she seized her seattered garments and disappeared from ting Paris Herald.

Truly Admirable Grace.

It is one thing to be right one's self; it is another thing to win others to the right. One person who holds firmly and attribute their scarcity to the use to essential truth may make that truth of duck aggs in making a new glue defense. Another person who holds his manner of decouncing higoted de- young ducks. fenders of truth. In each saw the one who holds to the truth is all right tos himself, and all wrong for others. Bigotry for the truth may be a means of promoting error; and so may a de tobacce. nunciation of bigorry. Holding the truth in such love as will make one ties is as rare a grace as it is again. able -S. S. Times.

thing, after all. The average wife year for foreign missions, \$295,501.03can read her husband's thoughts when a gain over the previous year of the she asks him for the stoney to settle 851.38; to home missions, \$226.067.26 that last bonnet bill.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

Enoutedge Which Will Lighten Many Die airhes the soap will not get soft. When flat-irons become rusty, black Calcutta. Now there are 10,000

that I didn't earn half what I was get- Use charcoal to broll with. The by giving out a hymn to be sung by Cures, and company. The pleasting after that "-Detroit Free Press. flames close the pores very quickly the chois to a lively tune, with the and make the meat very tender.

with a good-sized piece of camphor.

Do not keep ironed clothes on turn in the kitchen any longer than is necessary for thoroughly drying.

They gather unpleasant odors.

Equal parts of white shellac and although the lamber, making the lamber and lamber the lamber and lamber the lamber than the lamber than

The lethargic girl is one of crayon and chassen! sketches. Spray Mahogany and cherry fusniture often gets dull for want of a good cleaning the United States number 3,000 with a moist cloth. Polish with the band, rubbing well, and the resultability. has ever her. So sensitive is her tem-perament that he can at his will throw be surprising.

and the frost entirely removed by using The Advance. a gill of alcohol to a pint of hot water. Clean quickly and rubdry with a warm have a new church bell, the old one

chamois skin. book gives the following recipe as an in 1600, and has it a its time summoned tine. Rub the surface all over with it America.

and rub in with a dry cloth. Telegraph wire of galvanized iron is much better to hang clothes on in winter than rope, as the clothes will not freeze to it. Have it hung up by a line-man and it will never "give," no matter what the weather may be.

For chapped hands, make camphorice of one and one-half ounces of spermaceti tallow, four teaspoonfuls of oil of sweet almonds and three-fourths of an ounce of gum-camphor pulverized fine. Put on back of stove until dissolved, stirring constantly, using just enough heat to melt the ingredients together.

Laundry polish for shirts, collars and cuffs, etc., is made in the following manner: Dissolve on a slow fire one ounce of white wax and two ounces of spermaceti with one large tablespoonful of salt. Turn into a wet cup to cool. Make boiled starch as usual cooking slowly for twenty minutes, and for every tablespoonful of dry starch used put in a lump of the preparation the size of a cherry. Use no cold starch and do not sprinkle. When the starched pieces are dried. lay them in a wet towel for two hours, and with a rough polishing-iron bring out the gloss .- Mrs. W. H. Maher, in

Good Housekeeping.

Campanini's Queer Failing. Campanini, the once world-worshiped tenor, is never comfortable unless he has something to chew. Meet him where you will, and, if he is not singing, his mouth is sure to be filled with some chewing material. Rumor has it that to this ruminating habit the untimely loss of his voice is largely due. Denied tobacco in every form. he has to levy on drugs, herbs and groceries, and will never pass a bag of coffee or a box of dried fruits or a stock of sweet roots without purchasing or plundering a mouthful. During his last operatic season he resorted to prunes, which he carried about in his vest pocket. Money and fruit occupied the same pocket, and it was not an unusual thing for the tenor to purchase and have the shopkeeper pick off the dried berries or little balls were little balls by the dried berries or little balls by the little b take out a banknote to pay for some of sugar before the identity of the bill could be determined. His wife always traveled with him, occupying the same dressing room in the theater and assisting in changing his costumes. His sugar-coated, syrup-lined pockets were the bane of her existence, and she was continually wiping them out with benzine or alcohol. When her husband sang in concert she always put his white gloves on just before his number, and her last words as she was leaving the wing were : "Don't put your hand in your pocket."-Pitts-

burgh Dispatch. Drametic Mode of Execution.

A Leipsic inventor has devised an extremely dramatic mode of execution for criminals, which possesses the additional advantage of being painless. The machinery consists of a platform nine meters square, approached by steps. In the center of the platform is a chair for the easdemned man. Behind it stand a figure of Justice, holding a pair of scales in her left hand, the scales being movable. Under the platform is placed an electric battery, from which wires pass through the legs of the chair into the seat and back, terminating in platinum plates. If the patient objects to seating himself in the chair, he is simply tled in. Then. after the sentence has been read, the executioner takes a stick, breaks it. and places the pieces in one of Justice's scales. This desceptls, puts the battery in motion, and each the matter. Death is instantaneous and patrices. The machine has been tried on animals in the presence of a large company of invited guests, and is pronounced a success. Christian Labou.

-Western sportsmen complain that wild duck are becoming very scarce, offensive to others by his bigotry in its that is manufactured in Canada. Their eggs having become valuable, Canswith like firmsess to the same truth dian hunters despoil their asses and may make error wiscome to others by thus materially reduce the supply of

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

-The Chambersburg, Pa., Academy declines to receive students who use

-Japan has 29,255 picacestary loving towards both bigots and skep- 316 teachers. Attendance is computschools, with 3,233,226 pupils and Ma

-Ite women of the Northern -Mind reading is not such a queer Presbyterias church nontributed last -a gain of \$34.106.91.

-The Catholic missions in Bengal are especially prosperous. When they were astablished in their present form If the cover is removed from soap in 1859, there were then 8,000 Catholies among the see ighabitants of

them with stove-polish, and rub well -An Arcade pastor created a seem Silver can be kept bright for months the congregation up." and it did.

pinked at the edges, under statuary or ing each an apple or a potato. Ten any heavy ornaments that are liable barrels were thus alled and then distributed among the needy of the place.

tion and finish except putting so the

per cent of growth in the enrollment Windows can be cleaned in winter of the public schools ir as been eight -

-The Methodists of Lumpkin, Ga. being cracked and worn out. It's time An old and reliable English cook- the old bell had a rest, for it was cast oil-cloth restorer: Melt one-half of an to worship men of varying croeds in ounce of beeswax in a saucer of turpen- the Netherland , Portugal, Spain and

-Few perso as have any idea of the changes which are going on in the older portion sof what used to be called "the West." We have heard of one church in I'linois which was almost entirely transplanted from the central part of the State to Kansas, minister and people going along to the new neighborhood. -- Chicago Standard.

-"The Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Mother-House of Deaconesses," which has been in course of construction during the past two years, was lately dedicated. For the present only that part of the home will be occupied which is to be devoted to the training of the deaconesses, and is intended to form their permanent home or " mother-house."

ELECTIONS IN JAPAN.

A Politician of That Country Tells How An enthusiastic observer of the recent political campaign work in this city was Hen. Y. Honda, a resident of Hirosaki, a city of 35,000 inhabitants in Northern Japan.

Mr. Honda is now on his way around cal office, having served two terms, or four years, as a member of the Ken Aomori, or Assembly, and was elected | eng agent, or to

by the people of his gun, or county. In conversation with the writer Mr. Honda said: "I was here a week before election, and greatly enjoyed attending the meetings held by the various political parties and beholding the great street parades; also the de Marble and corum that pervades the precincts of your polling-places, and likewise the subsequent interest manifested during the count and the reception of the election news. With us in Japan there is not so much demonstration, but Fine Monuments withal, a very great interest is taken in our prefecture or ken elections for members of the gun, or county assemblies. Our country now has a population of over \$8,000,000. We have a count made every year, and there are forty-three provinces, called prefectures, or kens, in Japan. Each members elected by the people residthe kens are divided.

"These several guns are entitled to from eight to forty assembly guns, or representatives, the number depending on the population, no gun having less than 30,000 people. The kwai, or MOON BLOCK. assembly, holds an annual session. limited to thirty days, and the business discussed relates only to the assembly districts. This, you see, smacks very much of a republican form of government very like your own. This system has been ours now for about ten years. The earlier mode was for the General Government to appoint a Governor and Secretary to rule over each ken. There are three prominent political parties in Japan-the Liberal, Progressive and the Conservative. I belong to the Progressive, which has been in the ascendancy for some time. The Liberal, which is not far behind, is considered too radical. In our country voters are obliged to have a prop-

erty qualification amounting to a land tax of \$10. "In my gun there are 70,000 people, but not more than 10,000 are voters. BEWARE OF IMITAITONS This does not mean that the other 60,. 000 are poor men by any means, for many of them are rich merchants and tradespeople, but they can't vote because they happen not to be land-owners, and, therefore, do not pay the \$10 land tax. Probably one-half of the 60,000 are too poor to be voters. At our elections the voting and counting are done in the largest hall in each gun and in the presence of every body

Interested. "About eight years ago the Mikado promised the people tone in the year 1890 he would accede to a largely exarressed wish on the part of the peopic and sal! for the election of a National Assembly, which, I presume, will bereafter meet once a year. Preparations for this National Assembly and the building therefor are now being made. The Radicals think that this move will result in placing greater power in the hands of the people. but I very much doubt it Last summer too Mikado appointed a privy council to prepare a national constitution for the coming assembly, and this act, I must confess, occasioned considerable talk among the people. many of whom think that this constltwion ought not to be prepared by the Mikage Jimself, but that he By dispelling the symptoms so often ought to have called together a representative general assembly for so inportant a work .- San Francisco Es

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