M. M. AMSBERRY, Editor and Publisher take folks utterly unawares somet im-

ing of men when they have reached the age of 45. Why wait so long?

The cause of irrigation is making opponents wear gum shoes.

Ensan B. Anthony says there are too many bables in the world. It would be o much, however, to expect a lady in san's position to harbor an extraorlinary foudness for bables.

The files of an old Ohlo paper prove that Whitelaw Reid used to be Jacob Reid and that he wrote poetry. bese damaging facts were excavated some mean journalist hunting for a column stuff.

A man, still young, who was famous his way a very few years ago, and who has received as much as five thousand dollars and expenses for nine nonths' service as a base-ball player, now earning his living by ditch-digging, at a dollar and a half a day. A professional athlete's life is a rather pleasant one while it lasts, but the cosperity of a man who trains his inflect instead of his muscles generally asts longer.

The old, old story is told once more the downfall of the Detroit bank wrecker, Frank C. Andrews. Speculation and peculations are spelled with the same letters. It is said that if Andrews had abandoned the stock market last summer he could have retired with the comfortable fortune of \$1,000,000, but, of course, he did not do this, and finally too much faith in Thomas W. Lawson and Amalgamated Copper settled his fate and that of the bank he looted like any other vulgar rascal.

With a vast network of interurban trolley lines spreading over the State. grossing and recrossing the steam rallroads, the grade-crossing problem in the country is becoming more serious and calls for speedy adjustment. The guestion should have been settled years o, as it was easy to anticipate the yast extension of rural electric tracion lines that has now set in. In Engural grade crossing was abolished ng ago. This state, in common with many other States, will soon be gridoned with trolley and steam railds, and the dangerous grade crossing could be wiped from the list of perils at menace railway and trolley traffic.

Many incidental as well as direct ing for one thing the difference tween false and true courtesy-besen the considerateness for others at is always lovely, right and desirat is merely a soft-hearted weak-Real courtesy is nowhere more cessary than in clubs and assemblies; but courtesy should never prevent honnew clubs and among inexperienced nembers such expressions are still seemon as: "I didn't agree, but I sidn't speak out and hurt her feelga." "It is a pity the motion was erried, but Mrs. So and so had set her eart on it, and we didn't like to dispoint her." "Oh, dear, no, it doesn't ork well at all; but the thing only lipped through because nobody wanted to get up and fight it." When to sopose, how to oppose, and when to ase opposing is something desirable or every one to know; but it is a leseen especially needed by women, whose satural politeness makes them pecu-Marly apt to fail in frank opposition to a act, a measure, or a decision on sodal matters at the moment it ought to e contested. Then, when they have fone nothing to prevent the error, folows often the further fault of comdaining either piteously or angrily of is results. Even the culminating exasperation of "I told you so!" is sometimes perpetrated by those who have thought so, but have not told any one so, or have not told the right people, or enough of them, or at the right time. Experience of club work has taught many women that there and elsewhere they owe it alike to courtesy and to self-respect to oppose first, rather than to complain afterward.

Our grandfathers, born in placid solitudes, were reared to few things more exciting in their youthful days than a green-apple stomach ache. But in these times city infants are taken on trolley rides before they reach the age of one and are introduced to all the excitement of city streets before the age of 4. and by the simple process of experience and observation know at 5 more ways of being exterminated than their great-grandfathers did at 15. They know about turning on the gas, chloroforming a cat, getting run over by a train or a street car, rough on rats, breaking one's neck on a bicycle, being electrocuted by a live wire, being blown up in the street, being cut and smashed in a railroad wreck, falling down an elevator shaft, and all sorts of things that are seen or heard or read about in the papers. Compare this fandango of horrors and excitements, with which city children nowadays become more or less acquainted at a tender age, simply because of their environment, with the serene, almost bovine, existence which their ancestors in this country enjoyed only two or three generations back, not only in childhood and youth, but even

in maturity and old age. Is it remark. METHODS OF REFORM. Custer County Republican able that children in these times have - nerves! The few great disasters that reap a big harvest, but being the most BROKEN BOW, - - NEBRASKA Edaptable creature to existence, a city man is all the time adapting himself to his surroundings, and as his surroun! William Mellean advocates the shoot- lings change, he changes with them. It now "looks out for the engine" in minute more than his remoter ances tors did in a month, and he does it with perfect unconsciousness, for the most pather slow progress, considering that it part, of the nervous strain upon blin. as no visible opposition. Perhaps its | And his alertness and watchfulness, grown with the development of the a_e. doubtless save bim from exterminating But he is all the time growing more nervous and his children are growing more nervous. In all these respects it would seem clear that the physical basis of life in cities is much less to be desired than the physical basis of life in regions where greater repose prevails, especially for the rearing of one s

President Ellot of Harvard Uni versity declares that the attendance at that institution is not increased by victories of the students in athletics. Comparisons extending over a term of years show that victories are sometimes followed by a low registration. defeats by a high registration. On the says that athletic prominence not only conduces to a large attendance at that university but that the influence of v.ctories is peculiarly marked. Both president and dean are absolutely reliable witnesses to the facts concerning the enrollment of students, but the president's conclusions with reference to the effect of athletics coincide with the general conclusions which one would arrive at from a consideration of the subject. A victory or a series of victories in a single year is no proof of fixed athletic superiority, and the student whose choice was determined by such a fleeting glory might find that his Impulsive selection had condemned him to a share in the humiliation of four years of defeat. Nor is it by any mea is certain that even a long record for vicfory or defeat exerts any marked influence upon the attendence. Harvard. which has by far the largest attendence of any university in the country, has not been fortunate in athletics. Taking the two sports that are given the widest notoriety, boat racing and foot-ball, it will be found that she has lost twelve out of fifteen races with Yale since 1884 and ten out of fifteen foot-ball games. In and and other European countries the the meantime both universities have grown rapidly, with not a sign to show that victory or defeat was materially affecting their popularity. As a rule sudents make their choice of a university or college, or have the matter decided upon, long before they are through with the preparatory school Where they have perfect freedom of choice they are affected by their assocised results come from the participa-ten of a large number of women in fine, by mere fancy, and a very small work of women's clubs. They are per cent make athletics a serious factor in the selection. Again, there are many who have the question settled for them by their parents before they have taken their first lesson in visualization and the easy-going complaisence | One of their earliest articles of faith is that a certain college is to be a second mother to them, and they never think

CHICKERING HALL.

Another New York Landmark that Must Pass Out of Sight,

hardly worth counting.

Many old landmarks of New York are disappearing rapidly, and now Chickering Hall, where so many distinguished men and women have trod its spacious platform in the twenty-six years or so of its existence, must go. The property has been sold for \$600,-000, and an eleven-story building is to be erected on the site. Chickering hall has been an important auditorium for more than a quarter of a century. The opening concert there was given by Von Bulow, the planist, followed by Ole Bull and Emma Thursby. Famous singers that have appeared there were propeller for the string. The problem Anna Louise Cary, Clara Louise Kel- is threefold. logg, Brignoll, Campanini, and, in fact. in this country up to a few years ago. Eminent lecturers that have discoursed to immense audiences included Henry Wendell Phillips, John B. Gough, Canon Kingsley, Charles Dickens and the most important being the Morgan ing hall is very large, and, at 18th Is drawing art out of lower Fifth avewill be "downtown."

English Clothes for Americans. London tailors make a fortune in

New York every spring and fall. They send their representatives over from London and the latter put up at the best hotels in New York City and take innumerable orders for suits of clothes from the younger members of the swell clubs, who cannot go over and who desire to own English clothes with the English mark in the neck of the coat

A Slap at Tradition. Dorothy-"What did you and your

mother-in-law fall out about, Kitty?" Kitty-"Oh, she never liked me after she heard me say that no husband of mine should ever wear home-made

with suspicion, it doesn't mean that he their collepse under any air strain to has done anything wrong; she may have dreamed that he has.

MODERN MEANS OF RECLAIMING CRIMINALS.

Severity Was Anciently Supposed to Be the Only Logical Way, but Fear Is Not liffective kindness and Close Supervision Are Best.

There is probably no subject of greater importance to organized society than the problem of how to deal with the criminal classes, so as to reduce their number and thereoy prevent crime. Criminais there always will be, and hence some crime. How to minimize both deserves the best thought of the

Crime is largely a matter of heredity and environment. Men seldom become riminals unaided. A few acts of crime are committed under stress of extreme necessity; but the men by whom these are committed should not be ranked with the criminal classes.

It is often said that crime is on the increase. It would be truer to say that what constitutes crime is constantly being increased by legislation. Our State Legislatures at every session pa. s one or more statutes making certain other hand Dean Meiklejohn of Brown acts misdemeanors which were not so before. Real crime and actual crim inals are not on the increase. Professional criminals are rapidly tading away before the advancing light or civ dization and education.

> Punishment for crime has much to do with making criminals. This statement seems paradoxical, but it is an indisputable fact. Hundreds may be saved from a life of crime by the p. ope. administration of the criminal laws. It used to be thought that severity of pun-Ishment was the wise course, indeed the only method, to prevent crime Fear, no doubt, deters many; but it is no fear that must be chiefly relied upon to save men from crime. Crime existed when men were drawn and quartered and when death was the penalty not only for murder but for many minor offenses. It existed when the death penalty was inflicted in public places and when the plucking out of an eye, the cutting off of the hand and various other kinds of torture were common punishments. No man was ever made better by being put in the stocks. Severity is useful only in cases In which reformation is hopeless and In which absolute removal from all social intercourse is therefore necessary.

We are rapidly coming to believe that kindness and close supervision are the best preventives of crime. There is no more cruel, inhuman or unwise provison, says J. Franklin Fort in the Forum than that of the New York constitution which requires the judge to impose for a second offense double the penalty fixed by law for the crime of which the offender is convicted. It simply substitutes brute force for reason and righteousness. Criminals and penalties must both be graded. Time has demonstrated the wisdom of so doing. Until within a few years—say fifteen as the greatest period-all the States confined convicted persons, whatever their age or offense, in the same prison, and the penalty imposed had to be served of disputing her claim. In the whole by all inmates alike for the term imstudent body the athletic floaters are posed. Such is still the case in many States. But gradually there has grown up as a first step in criminal reformation a system of reduction of time for good behavior. This was established at first largely as a measure to assist prison discipline. It was found to be successful in its operation and it has led up naturally to two other systems now existing in several States -namely, conditional pardon and par-

THE KITE AND THE AIRSHIP.

Toy Is the Prototype of Flying Machine-Future of the Latter.

The kite is the prototype from which the flying machine will be developed. The modern idea is only the evolution of this toy, substituting a motor and

1. To get a surface strong enough nearly all the lyrical stars that were to support one pound per square foot. 2. To get a surface which is stable. 3. To get a surface which will offer so little resistance to forward motion Ward Beecher, T. Dewitt Talmage, that but little power is needed to drive

The first problem seems to be satis-George Augustus Sala. Many art factorily answered by the Blue Hill sales have been held in the old hall, box kite construction. This kite, built in the form of a truss, is capable of sale in the spring of 1886, at which standing a pressure of five pounds per priceless pictures were sold. Chicker | square foot and hardly any flying machine would be required to stand such street and 5th avenue, is in a central a pressure. Kites are lield to the and convenient situation. Commerce ground and thus feel a pressure equal to that of the actual velocity of the nue and it is only a question of time wind; but when a flying machine when even Carnegle hall, at 57th street. leaves the ground and loses its first inertia there exists for it but one wind, and that is the wind of its own mak

To illustrate. The resistance to the movement of a steamer is dependent upon its speed relative to the water in which it floats and is independent of whether it floats in a strong current or in calm water. To fly in a wind which is moving over the earth at the rate of 100 miles an hour involves no more pressure on the machine than if it was calm, and therefore the supporting surface need only be made strong enough to stand the pressure necessary to support the weight at a given ratio of surface to weight, which in this case

is one pound to one square foot. Since, then, these kites above spoken of can stand a pressure of five pounds per square foot, I claim their factor of When a woman treats her husband safety is sufficiently large to prevent which a flying machine would be subject.

The question to eas what is the future for flying much nex?

there is no question in my mind. says a writer in Modern Culture, that, like the balloon, they will never compere with modern methods of transporting passengers or freight. In comparison with a navigable balloon they will be very cheap both to bulld and to run, and very compact, and therefore will be used for individual transportation, perhaps, as the automobile is. They will, I think, perform over long distances and to otherwise inac-

motor bicycle will do on the roads, The stability of a flying machine Omaha, Nebraska; Kansas City, Miswill be so delicate that, like the bicycle, it will always depend more or less upon the skill of 6 - rider to keep it upright, which eliminates it as a passenger-carrying machine and also and Columbus, Ohio, and by writing limits its size. Nevertheless its im-

cessible points the same work that the

A Leap to Fame.

tremendous.

Washington is a glass case containing what the correspondent referred to has stuffed cat. A card tells why this par- to say of one particular district; ocular cat is known to fame, and the To the Editor of the Leader;

tory is as follows: Many years ago, while the Washingon mounment was still in an unfinishd condition, an adventurous and patriotic cat ascended the interior of the and an immense migration from this thodox Christian church came to be shaft by means of the ropes and scaf- country may be confidently predicted. called "catholic," the Living Church, folding. When the workmen arrived People here laughed at first at the idea at the upper landing the next morning of any one leaving the United States and began to prepare for the day's for Canada, but the Dominion authoriwork the cat took fright, and springing ties knew they had a good thing and o the outer edge, took the leap of one

In the descent, which was watched lo, on all fours.

mes as if dazed, she prepared to leave he grounds. She had got almost beyoud the shadow of the monument, when a dog belonging to one of the night to all comers. workmen pounced upon her and killed her, she of course not being able to run eral went up from here to spy out the as fast as usual after performing such land and, like Caleb, the son of Jepunan extraordinary feat.

he cat, smoothed out her silky coat and turned the remains over to a repreentative of the Smithsonian Institu ion, who mounted the skin and placed t under the glass case.

No Danger.

reared back on their haunches as a one highwayman with a Winchester ppeared on the scene.

"Step out of the hearse, gentlemen, and hands up!" he ordered.

One by one they climbed out, with lieved the party and several times was orced to remind one nervous little nan to keep his hand from his pocket.

"What's the matter with you?" he love like that and I'll pump the slugs

"Please let me," pleaded the little man as his hand again slid toward his

"Please let you!" roared the desperido. "Please let you perforate me? You're imposing on my generosity, ouny. Look out! Look out! Keep your mit away from that pocket, or by the Eternal-"

"But it won't hurt you!" protested all! Stand just as you are now and year. The agreement is a renewal keep your ride levelled. There! That's of last year's, no concessions being

And while the highwayman was recovering from his astonishment the little man had flashed his kodak and snapped the button.

Fraudulent Giants.

The teeth and bones of the fossil elephants found in Europe were formerly assigned to giants, and many remarkable stories were circulated regarding what was supposed to have been an extinct race of men "with teeth weighing from four to ten pounds." The last of these finds, which was believed to be the remains of a giant of the genus homo, was discovered during the reign of Louis XIV. and was referred to as the glant of Dauphine.

These gigantic remains were discovered by a surgeon, who stated they were inclosed in an enormous sepulchre covered with a stone slab which bore the inscription, "Teutobochus Rex," and that in the vicinity there were also found coins and medals, all of which showed the remains to be those of a giant king of Cimbri, who fought against Marius and was slain. It was afterward proved that the surgeon discoverer of these gigantic remains was as great a fraud as the mar, who manufactured the plaster cast known as the "Cardiff Glant,"

Nature Defies the Decrees of Man. In a beautiful cemetery near Hanover stands this curious monument. It is one that was placed on the grave of a young wife by her husband, and on which he had engraved the following inscription: "Bought for Eternityand by strict command is this grave never to be opened." A tiny seed falling into a crevice caused a large tree to take root upon the same spot, which finally split the solid marble, and opened wide a tomb around which for many years had hung a mystery.

Snuff-Taking.

Snuff is coming into fashion again with the early Victorian fashion. Snuff-taking increases the size of the nose and keeps it in a state of perpetual irritation.-London Chronicle,

Salt Used in London. London consumes eleven tons of sale

A WISCONSIN PAPER ON WEST-ERN CANADA.

Saskatoon, baskatchewan, One of the

Favored Districts. The following, clipped from the correspondence columns of the Eau Claire (Wisconsin) Leader, is but one of many letters of a similar character that might be published concerning Western Canada, the land of No. 1 hard wheat and the best cattle on the continent. It is a simple matter to reach the lands spoken of, the Canadian Government having agencies established at St. Paul and Duluth, Minnesota; Grafton, North Dakota; Watertown, South Dakota; souri; Des Moines, Iowa; Wausau and Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Chicago, Illinois; Indianapolis, Indiana; Sault Ste. Marie and Detroit, Michigan; Toledo to or calling upon any of these agents portance to the human race will be secured. This is a great opportunity to secure a home free of cost, or if you desire to purchase lands, they can be bought now at prices much lower than In the Smithsonian Institution at will exist in a few months. But read

"The rush of the land seekers will be to the prairie provinces of the Dominion of Canada. The allurements of a soil that yields 40 bushels of wheat to the acre are too great to be resisted they stuck to it. Their officials evident- the persecutions were past heresies nundred and sixty feet to the hard ly knew the value of printer's ink. They arose, and the heretics as well as the spared no expense in letting the people orthodox claimed (rightly, for they of this country know that these lands were there and that they were exactly losely by two score of men, the cat as represented. They did more. They pread herself out like a flying squirrel, sent out specimens of the crops raised cient belief therefore termed themell slowly, and alighted as cats always and samples of the grain. We have selves catholics, in distinction to had them here at four consecutive After turning over on the soil a few street fairs presided over by one of their ablest immigration officers. This gentleman spared no pains. He explained the value of the lands and the richness of the soil from morning to

"All this told in the long run, Sevneh, and Joshua, the son of Nun, One of the men rescued the body of brought back a good report and now some ten families will leave here in a few weeks for Saskstoon to settle upon farms there, and others are preparing to follow. Of course many will appear shocked at the idea of any one leaving the Stars and Stripes for the Union Jack, but patriotism is but a nomenclature after all, and our experience has The stage was rolling along the been that in nine hundred and ninetyanyon trail when suddenly the horses nine cases out of a thousand, a man is the most patriotic where he can make the most money and do the most harm to those whom he hates."

May Enter Political field.

The Montana Federation of Labor, as well as the state organization of elevated hands. The highwayman re- Wisconsin, has decided to investigate economic questions, with a view to entering the political field.

IF YOU USE BALL BLUE inally roared. "You make another Get Red Cross Ball Blue, the best Ball Blue. All grocers sell large 2 oz. package 5 cents,

Ohio's Working Women,

Ohio has 26,920 working women. Their average weekly wages are \$4.83 and savings 14 cents.

YELLOW CLOTHES ARE UNSIGHTLY. Keep them white wi h Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers sell large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

Renew Last Year's Contract.

Thirty-one planing mills in Chicago have signed agreements with the he little man. "It won't hurt you at Wood workers' union for the ensuing asked for by the men.

> Every woman likes to have it to say that at least one man loved ner.

Half-Sick

"I first used Ayer's Sarsaparilla in the fail of 1848. Since then I have taken it every spring as a blood - purifying and nerve-strengthening medicine." S. T. Jones, Wichita, Kans.

If you feel run down, are easily tired, if your nerves are weak and your blood is thin, then begin to take the good old standard family medicine, Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

It's a regular nerve lifter, a perfect blood builder. \$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

Ask your doctor what he thinks of Ayer's Sareaparilla. He knows all about this grand eld family medicine Follow his advice and we will be astisfied.

J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Origin of "Catholie."

Explaining the reason why the or-

"The church corporately was originally called only Christian. After were baptzied) to be christians The followers of the orthodox or and the various names of the heretics."

Sweat and fruit acids will not discolor goods dyed with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. Sold by druggists,

Will Insist on Franchise,

The Compositors' Union of Sweden has deeided to strike for a franchise reform next year if necessary. Hitherto only socialastic unions have agreed to that step.

A budding statesman, who was elected to Congress to air his oratory; recently received this letter from one of his constituents: "Please send me so me of the volumes containing memorial addresses for dead members of congress. There is nothing ! read with so much pleasure as obituaries of congressmen."

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A remedy for Nasal Catarrh which in drying or exciting to the diseased membrane should not be used.

A West Viginia man eloped with a hefty bride the othre day. Hea weight is 432 pounds, and it is supposed they journeyed to Pittsburg on a freight train.

