One of Forbes' Scoops.

The following story illustrates the late Archibald Forbes' cleverness in days we see pronunciation tests, catch getting his news reports in ahead of his fellow correspondents:

midnight, after a hard day's work. Everybody done up. "Hello, Jones," asleep, like brass." "By Jove, yes," quoth Jones (incipient snore from off tomorrow, eh?" "Right you are," responds Smith.

cautiously, passing out like a ghost, the stump of a tallow candle, writes like a whirlwind for a couple of hours, finishes with the last flicker of his dip, saddles a horse, off he goes helter skelter across the country, gallops for "like brass" and no mistake.

at 7 a. m., shaking the sleeper. "Time | recess, romance, tirade, essay, tarpauto be up, old man," adds Jones. "What | lin, won. are you up to?" quoth Forbes drowsily. "We are thinking of getting our stuff off." "The devil you are! Why hurry? Let's have another snooze."

stuff off and in three days discover to words correctly.-Texas School Jourtheir bepuzzlement that they were 24 | nal. hours behindhand. Very provoking to Smith and Jones. But if Forbes had been the victim of the little ruse he would have been the first to laugh over it and to congratulate his successful competitor.

Couldn't See the Joke.

Once Offenbach graciously accepted the invitation of some friends to visit them in Etretat. As his hosts were waiting for him at the hotel, one of them, who was very intimate with the composer, suggested:

"Let us give him a rousing welcome."

The idea was taken up and developed. One of the party possessed a collection of old weapons. This was ransacked, and some two dozen young fellows were soon equipped as halberdlers. Another mounted a donkey and waved the flag of the club.

When Offenbach's carriage came in sight, a drum beat, the halberdiers presented arms and fireworks were set off from the balcony at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

As the composer stepped to the ground a venerable old man approached and presented to him the key of the hotel on a silver platter.

Offenbach, vain as a peacock and accustomed to all sorts of queer receptions, entirely failed to see the joke, though it was as broad as anything in "The Grand Duchess" or "La Belle Helene." He took it all seriously as a tribute to his genius, and, with tears in his eyes and in a voice that shook with emotion, he murmured:

"Gentlemen, this is too much, too

A Unique River.

Unique in its kind is no doubt the Mocona waterfall in the South American republic of Uruguay, situated about two miles below the mouth of the Piperi Assu river into the Uruguay. A great rock divides the river into two separate streams in such a manner that the right arm continues its flow on the original level, while the second arm falls gradually, so that it finally lies 22 feet below the level of the other arm. The bed of the upper part of the river is not very deep, and the water flows partly in a right angle to the river, thus forming a waterfall of more than two miles in length.

This unique view presents itself to the traveler, however, only during the winter, for in the summer, and especially during the rainy season, the Uruguay contains such immense quantities of water that both arms form one single stream, navigable even for the largest freight steamers. The fall has been known for centuries, and a description of it was published as early as 1691 by the Rev. Antonius Sepp. a missionary from Tyrol, who spent over 20 years among the Indians of Uruguay.

Man Compared.

If man grew as fast in proportion as a silkworm, he would be bigger than an elephant in two months. If he could navigate as fast in proportion as the average house fly, he could cross the Atlantic and back in the time it takes him to eat his breakfast. If he had as many eyes in proportion as the butterfly, he would have 40,000, to say nothing of an extra pair in his head for skylights. If he could spring as far in proportion as the spider, he could jump over the tallest tree in California, and it wouldn't bother him in the least. Man isn't the whole thing after all.-Freeport Journal.

Artificial Sponges.

Artificial sponges are made in Germany by treating pure cellulose with zinc chloride. The product swells in water and on drying becomes hard. But to prevent this action alkalihaloids are used. A pasty mass is thus obtained, which, being treated with rock salt, is then placed in a mold. When removed, it appears to be traversed by canals in all directions, and after having been washed in alcohol and water the sponge is ready for use.

Easy Choice.

"Did you have any trouble in selecting a name for the baby?" "None at all. There's only one rich uncle in the family."-Richmond Dispatch.

"Much learning maketh a man sad," much when they was t'run out of the says one proverb, and another says, garden? "A little learning is a dangerous Pa-Well, no; not just then, but they thing." So what are you going to do raised Cain afterward. Now go to about it?-Chicago News.

Look These Up.

In many educational journals nowawords, etc., which may be valuable for technical use and yet not being needed Here is a little scene: Time, near every day in everyday talk are, like certain folks I know, chiefly interesting on public occasions. I should like says Smith. "There's Forbes already to put down here a list of words that are very generally mispronounced.

Everybody knows how to prenounce Forbes). "It would take ten horses them perhaps, but being such common to wake him up. I'll turn in," says little things, mere street waifs, with Jones. "Time enough to get our stuff | unwashed faces, nobody takes the trouble to "speak them fair." Now, to know what is our duty and fail to do In ten minutes the wearied warrior it is a much more culpable thing than scribes are dead asleep. Forbes rises not to do it because we don't know what our duty is. So here they are, sits him down in a hidden corner with little, commonplace creatures, which are mispronounced every day:

Toward, again, bade, brooch, apricot, often, catch, hearth, aye, lien, greasy, sew. scare, years, idea, area, bouquet, ague, bleat, rise (noun), arcan hour, delivers his letter, gallops tic, shone, route, gaunt, canine, juveback, is in bed by 4, sleeps this time | nile, infidel, corporal, tete-a-tete, trousseau, amendment, restaurant, bicycle, "Hello, lazy bones," exclaims Smith | were, recipe, frontier, depot, process,

The above are in common use and of common abuse. Some of them of course come from our sister, France, and people are "kely to say that they are At last Smith and Jones get their not expected to pronounce foreign

A Natural Lighthouse.

Stromboli, one of the Lipari islands, has constantly and usefully performed the function of a lighthouse for at least 2,000 years. Circular in outline, the island culminates in a conical shaped elevation, due to past volcanic ageney, which rises to the height of 3,090 feet above sea level and is visible over an area having a radius of more than 100 miles. During the day masses of vapor are seen issuing from a point high up the mountain side, and at night successive displays of red light, varying in duration and intensity. somewhat resemble those of the gigantic flashlight on the coast. The flashes last from under one to over 20 minutes, gradually increasing to a ruddy glow and as gradually fading away.

This island is referred to by several very ancient writers as the great natural pharos of the western Mediterranean. Now it serves the same purpose for the constant stream of traffic passing to and from the French and Italian ports in the gulfs of Genoa and of Lyons, through the straits of Messina, for which Stromboli acts as a "leading" light. To such an extent is this the case that, although the other principal islands of the Lipari archipelago are marked by lighthouses, nothing of the kind is placed upon

A Dream Thet Came True.

"Talking about dreams," said Mrs. Smith as we sat around the parlor, "I once had a very strange experience. I dreamed that I was just stepping out of my house for a walk when a funeral passed by. A man with a cap marked nine and a red scar running across his forehead jumped from the hearse and, approaching me, asked, 'Are you ready?' 'No,' I replied, and with that I awoke.

"A few months later I was stopping in Chicago. I was on the top floor of one of the big houses and just about to step into the elevator when I remembered another thing I wanted to buy. I stopped and looked through rule, but I don't think it's right"my notebook. 'Down!' exclaimed the elevator boy, and then asked me, 'Are you ready?' 'No,' I answered, and the

"The next instant a great crash was heard, and the occupants of the elevator were dashed to an untimely death. "The cap of the boy bore the figure

9, and he had a red scar running across his brow." - San Francisco Chronicle.

That Boy. "Mamma, does money make the

man?" "I am sorry to say it does sometimes,

Tommy." "Money will make a man go any where, won't it?"

"I suppose so."

"If it was down in Cuba, would money make a man go to raising man-

"Don't bother me."

"Do monkeys eat mangoes, mamma?" "I presume so. I wish you wouldn't talk so much."

"Then, if money makes the man go to raising mangoes, and monkeys eat mangoes, don't the monkeys make the mango go"-

Whack! Whack! "Ouch!"-Chicago Tribune.

A Natural Wonder,

Buenos Ayres seems to have the largest "rocking stone" yet discovered. It is situated on the slope of the mountain of Tandil, in the southern part of the province, and measures 90 feet long by 18 feet broad and is 24 feet high. Its bulk is 5,000 cubic feet, and it weighs at least 25 tons. Nevertheless, it is so beautifully poised that a single person can set it rocking. When the wind blows from the southeast. sways to and fro on its foundation like the branches of a tree.

The Tomato.

The tomato was known up to 1830 as a "love apple" and regarded with suspicion. It originated in Spanish South America and, being introduced into Italy from Morocco, was named "poma dei mori"-Moor's apple. The French called it "pomme d'amour."

After. Willie-Pa, did Adam and Eve kick

bed.

A Famous Square. There is said to be no equal in the world to the grand and imposing square of Paris, the Place de la Concorde. On one side of it is the Tuileries, on the opposite side the Champs Elysees and on a third the river Seine. In the center stands the obelisk of Luxon, a magnificent monolith of red Egyptian granite, 74 feet high and weighing 500,000 pounds. This obelisk was one of two of the same shape and size, erected in 1350 B. C., by Rameses the Great at the entrance of the temple of Thebes. Mohammed Ali, pasha of Egypt, presented it to the French government, and in 1836 it was removed to its present position in the Place de la Concorde. The removal and erection on the new site required an cutlay of £80,000 and the employment of 800 men, the obelisk being transported to France in a vessel built especially for the purpose.

The Place de la Concorde is rich in historic interest. It was there that the guillotine was erected in the "reign of terror," after the death of Louis XVI, and it was there that the signal was given for the attack on the Bastille in 1789. Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette were beheaded there in 1793, and it was the scene of great rejoicing in 1848, when France was proclaimed a republic. The Place de la Concorde has also been termed the Place Louis XV and Place de la Revolution.

Rattlesnake Poison,

"Years ago, when I was a boy at home," said a southern man, "an uncle of mine, who lived near Montgomery, was out on his plantation one day when he saw an enormous rattlesnake stretched in a furrow of a cotton field. He seized a boe lying near by and made a pass at the monster. legally kill the villain on the spot with-At the same time it struck out at him out fear of consequences. and broke off one of its fangs on the edge of the hoe blade. My uncle dispatched the snake and then picked up the fang and brought it to the house as a curiosity. It was sharp as a needle, and a faint yellow stain at the | door of his shop so as to be in full view had exuded.

uncle's writing table in his study, when one day a stupid negro servant girl, not knowing what it was, used it to extract a splinter from her thumb. In less than an hour her whole lower all the characteristic symptoms of snake poison.

"My uncle had studied medicine and by prompt measures saved the girl's life, but for some mysterious reason gangrene su's sequently appeared in her arm, and amputation was necessary. review wearing a stained uniform. My uncle lost no time in burning his murderous relic."

Two and Four.

"Two?" demanded the peremptory conductor as he took a quarter from the woman who had just struggled to a place on the trolley. "No, four," she replied.

Four fares were rung sharply, and the conductor handed back 5 cents. "That isn't right!" exclaimed the woman indignantly.

"You said you wanted to pay for four," retorted the trolley employee. "I didn't," denied the woman. "You

asked if my little boy was 2 years old, and I said no, he was 4. I suppose I'll have to pay for him if it's the The remainder of the sentence was

lost in the discords that issued from the throat of the enraged conductor. who thrust ten pennies into the outstretched hand and retired to the rear platform to relieve his feelings more fully by refusing to stop the car for ber and said, 'Cut this blanked blank any one for ten blocks.-New York

Piccadilly.

One of London's most famous streets is Piccadilly, which consists of shops the ruffs, or "pickadills," worn by the and fashionable dwelling houses. The name is said to have been derived from gallants of James I and Charles I, the stiffened points of which resembled spear heads or pickadills. Some years before the introduction of these collars, however, "Piccadille" is referred to, and it is surmised that the collar may have been so called from being worn by the frequenters of Piccadilla House.

The Atmospheric Ocean.

The atmospheric ocean surrounding the earth is frequently disturbed by gigantic waves, which are invisible except when they carry parts of the air charged with moisture up into a colder atmospheric stratum, where sudden condensation occurs. In this manner long, parallel lines of clouds sometimes make their appearance at a great height, marking the crests of a ripple of air waves running miles above our

Japanese Art.

The Japanese is a born lover of nature. Whatever he produces, from the most painstaking work of art to the simplest household utensil, is after natural models. In the representation of figures and scenes the Japanese display a perception which is astonishthe stone, which is pyramidal in form, ing. With a couple of strokes of the brush they reproduce what they see with a truth to life which is almost incredible.

His Only Fear. The undaunted Corporal Caithness. so conspicuously daring in a "pinch" at the battle of Waterloo, was asked if he did not fear they should lose the

"No, no." said he. "I knew we could not do that. My only fear was that we should all be killed before we had time to win it."

An Aspiration.

There is woe and whoa, and if woe would only obey our whoa it would be worth while driving. - Milwaukee newspaper in a four page town.-Journal.

He Lifted the Ticker.

A London detective visiting Glasgow met a Scotch police official on the of Scotch thieves as compared with

the English experts. Taking this as an aspersion cast on the astuteness of the Scottish police as well, the Glasgow detective was nettled and thirsted for revenge. Looking around, he espied a little fellow who had been dogging them and who was known as an expert pickpocket. Crossing the street he addressed the boy, and, pointing to the retreating figure of the English detective, he ask-

ed if he would know him again. "Aye." replied the boy. "What about

"I want you to lift his ticker. He says no one in Glasgow can relieve

him of it." "Ah, it's a' richt. See ony green?" "Honor bright, Tommy! I'll give you half a crown when you deliver up

the watch to me." "Ye will? An what else?" "Nothing else."

"Let's see, then. I'm to lift the ticker, an you're to pay half a crown for't on the spot?"

"Yes, that's it." "An wad ye ken it if ye seen it?"

"I would among a thousand." "Is that it, then?" And the boy, diving into his trousers pocket, displayed the identical watch and explained that he had secured it "while the gent was chaffin about the prigs."

Oriental Punishments.

The heathen Chinee deems the desecration of graves one of the most unpardonable of crimes, and, according to law, any man finding another in the act of robbing a graveyard may

If a Turkish baker palms off a loaf of bread on you that is proved to be of less weight than it is represented, you can instruct a policeman to nail the defaulter by one of his ears to the tip showed where some of the virus of the passersby. The poor wretch will then be provided with a sharp dagger "The bit of bone lay for at least three or knife, with which he can cut himself or four years in an ebony box on my fee so soon as he can summon up the necessary courage required for the operation of self maiming.

In many of the oriental countries, where precious stones are looked upon as well nigh sacred objects, it is no arm was swollen, and she exhibited uncommon thing for a jewel robber to be punished with death. In Tibet the penalty for falling from your horse when taking part in any military operations or public athletics is death.

One writer recalls how he saw a man shot in Montenegro for appearing at a

Sacrificed the Mustache.

Thomas B. Reed at one time wore a mustache of a few straggling hairs, so often seen on the upper lip of extremely fleshy men. How Mr. Reed parted with his hirsute apology can best be told by a certain barber in the the gentleman's wants:

"One day the big man from Maine that old fashioned pomade to wax mustaches with?

"The barber hustled among his pots and jars and produced a French preparation in vogue a quarter of a century ago and then proceeded to wax and furs in prime condition. the ends of the Maine statesman's few wirelike hairs.

"When the man of snapshot sentences arose and contemplated himself in the glass, he turned to the astonished barmustache off, for you have made me look like a confounded catfish." "-New England Home Magazine.

Old Teeth Bought.

or disused false teeth, which might as | was ever found of its name or owners. well be turned into money. Messrs. R. D. and J. B. —, of — — (established since 1833), buy old false teeth. If you send your teeth to them, they will remit you by return post the utmost at our first meal there we asked for value; or if preferred they will make Hamburg steak," said the woman you the best offer and hold the teeth | "Besides, we wanted to see how that over for your reply. If reference is viand would taste upon its native necessary, apply to Messrs. ---, bankers, Ipswich.'

Impression Correct. "Dinguss, didn't I lend you \$10

month or two ago?"

good business head on your shoulders, you would be able to remember a loan like that with absolute certainty and wouldn't have to ask anybody about made into small cakes-what Ameri-

Frowns and passes on.-Exchange.

Up In the Air.

This cyclone story is vouched for by the Minneapolis Better Way. It is that a cow which was picketed on a rope was picked up by the cyclone and carried up the length of her rope, about | This is a much better quality than we 60 feet, where she remained until the have been getting lately. storm had passed, when she quietly climbed down the rope and resumed her grazing.

Scene Painting.

A good scene painter may get anywhere from \$400 to \$1,000 for a scene. The average price paid to the best half dozen scene painters for a scene is \$500. But there are a great many more scenes painted for \$100 than \$500.

As soon as a married man gets a comfortable home built he begins to worry his wife by talking about selling it.-Indianapolis Journal.

There is nobody quite so busy as the editor who tries to publish a ten page Washington Post

Made Its Own Funeral Tollet.

There are certain insects that have such a respect for Mrs. Grundy and street and in the talk that followed are endowed with such an innate love spoke contemptuously of the ability of neatness and order that not even death, or rather decapitation, can pre- As a subject the theater was started. final toilet, which is clearly designed stances. to give them a sedate and respectable appearance after death.

> Dr. Ballion, a skilled entomologist, ing one of my recent horseback rides," he says, "I frequently caught one of those large flies which annoy cattle haps so. It was one of my first pleces, and horses so much, and I promptly however, and I had not had much exgot rid of it by crushing its head. perience when I wrote it. Let's change One day, instead of throwing the mu- the subject." tilated insect away. I placed it on the back of my hand and indolently watched it. For some seconds the insect re- known who her neighbor was. He mained motionless, but then, to my unbounded surprise, it moved its front legs forward to the place where the case?" speaking of a cause celebre head should have been, and, after it that was in progress. had rubbed them nervously together, apparently in anguish, it began to was the reply. brush its body and to smooth its wings with its hind legs. Under the gentle tist went on. "He never could have pressure of these limbs the body grad- had the faintest chance from the first. ually became extended and the ex- It's a marvel to me how any lawyer tremity curved, while the wings grad- could have been idiot enough to allow ually changed their natural position such a case to go into court!" and left the upper part of the body continued to brush each other from change the subject." time to time.

"Naturally I watched this extraordinary sight with great interest, and, in order to see the finale, I took the insect into my study, where it lived an entire day, spending the time at the ungrateful task of making its own funeral toilet."

Couldn't Resist.

An eccentric clergyman in Cornwall had been much annoyed by the way the members of the congregation had After enduring it for some time he said on entering the reading desk one your attention is called away from your religious duties by your very natural desire to see who comes in behind you. I propose henceforth to save you the trouble by naming each person who may come late."

He then began, "Dearly beloved," but paused half way to interpolate, "Mr. S., with his wife and daughter." Mr. S. looked rather surprised, but the minister, with perfect gravity, resumed. Presently he again paused.

"Mr. C. and William D." The abashed congregation kept their eyes studiously bent on their books. The service proceeded in the most orderly manner, the parson interrupting himself every now and then to name some newcomer. At last he said, still

with the same perfect gravity

"Mrs. S. in a new bonnet." In a moment every feminine head in the congregation had turned around .-Millinery Trade Review.

A Mystery of the Sen. One of the most curious finds ever house of representatives who attended | made from the sea was that which came to the Azores in 1858. The is land of Corvo was then in the possessettled himself in the barber's chair and sion of two runaway British sailors. requested a shave. When the operation | One morning there drifted ashore was completed. Mr. Reed straightened craft which had evidently been frozen himself and asked, 'Have you any of in the ice for a long time. It was an ancient and battered brig, without masts, bulwark or name, but the hatches were on, the cabin doors fast, and the hulk was buoyant. She had little cargo, and that consisted of skins

No papers were found in the cabin, but it was figured that she was a sealer or trader, carrying a crew of 10 or 12, and that she had been provisioned for a year. The flour was spoiled, but the beef was perfectly preserved. She had been abandoned when frozen in an iceberg and drifted for years. The date of the letter found in the forecastle showed that the brig had been abandoned nearly half a The following curious advertisement | century before. The two sailors got recently appeared in a London paper: out the furs, which eventually brought 'Old False Teeth Bought.-Many la- them \$4,000, and two barrels of beef dies and gentlemen have by them old | and then set fire to the wreck. No trace

Just an Ordinary Steak.

"When in Hamburg, we supposed we must do as the Hamburgers did, so heath, anyway. But to all our requests, couched in our best scholastic German, the waiter shook his head. Like many another prophet, the Hamburg steak was apparently without honor in its own country. At all events, our waiter "Shadbolt, you did. If you had a hadn't heard of it. 'Oh, well,' we said, 'just bring us an ordinary beef steak. But, lo and behold, when the meat was served there it was all chopped up and cans call, in fact, 'Hamburg steak!' To Hamburgers a Hamburg steak was an 'ordinary steak.' "-New York Sun.

> A Good Scheme. Mrs. Younghusband-Do you notice

any difference in the milk, dear? Mr. Younghusband-I should say so.

Mrs. Younghusband-Indeed it is. got it off a new man, who said he would guarantee it to be perfectly pure. So I bought enough to last for a couple of weeks.

A Boom. "The undertaker is very jolly this

morning." "Yes. Three hundred new doctors were graduated last night."-Harlem

papers misquoting him is the man that afternoon."

basn't any good excuse for getting

When appetite prevails over reason, the first step to make the glutton and drunkard is taken.

quoted originally.-Chicago Journal.

They Changed. At a dinner party the other day a well known and deservedly popular dramatist took a lady down to dinner, neither knowing who the other was. vent them from making one grand as it is so often under similar circum-

"I can't think why they have revived that piece at the King's," the lady sald. "I never liked it, and it's so discovered this remarkable fact. "Dur- worn that I should have done better than that?"

"Yes," the dramatist replied, "per-The lady was quite ready to do so

and wished, no doubt, that she had presently said: "Are you interested in the Fenton

"Yes. I've read all the evidence,"

"He'll lose it, of course," the drama-

"Well," answered the lady quietly, exposed. Heanwhile the hind legs "my husband was the idiot. Let's

How He Dealt With Cowards.

In appearance Osman Pasha, the lion of Plevna, was handsome and prepossessing, looking a born leader of men. Like Napoleon, he was always distinguished by the plainness of his uniform. He had a queer habit of always, even in battle, carrying a pencil behind his ear, butt end foremost. He was taciturn, grave, abrupt and disdainful of forms and etiquette. He hated all foreigners, especially Ger- . of looking around to see late comers. mans, Russians and English. As for war correspondents, he entertained the utmost detestation of them, whence day: "Brethren, I regret to see that the deeds of his army were never chronicled as they should have been. He had a strange method of dealing with cowards. He would send for them and publicly box their ears. When really angry, his rage was terri-

After the sortie and the surrender he was seen to be weeping tears of rage and shame. He was, it may be, a little touched by the Czar Alexander II, who came up to him and said:

"I congratulate you on your superb defense. It is one of the finest feats of military history."

And that is the judgment of posterity.-Pittsburg Dispatch.

Locusts Good to Ent. All native African races eat locusts, With many it takes, and has to take. the place of the British workman's beef and mutton. In a good many villages sun dried locusts are an article of commerce. The Sudanese are particularly fond of them.

Before they are eaten they are toasted. The wings and legs having first been torn off, the long, soft body and the crisp head form the delicacy.

I determined not to let my European prejudices influence me, but to give the dish of grilled locusts a fair trial. I thought how John the Baptist had enjoyed them plus wild honey. The one I was eating was rather

nice. I agreed with my Arab servant that, should the meat supply fall short. a dish of locusts would be a very good substitute. By the time I was eating the second locust it seemed to me absurd

why one should have a sort of lurking pity for John the Baptist's daily menu unless it be for its monotony, and I felt convinced that I should get tired of honey sooner than I should of locusts.-Current Literature.

The Song of the Yukon River.

"There is something peculiar about the Yukon river that I have never heard of in connection with any other stream," said Captain Gray, who has been running boats on the big Alaska artery. "From the mouth of the Yukon up as far as there is any navigable water the stream is constantly singing. No matter where you are, there is a sound like that made by escaping steam. At first I used to think that maybe it came from the boiler or engines. But when we were tied up at night, with everything cold, the sound was the same. I have puzzled my brain to find an explanation of the phenomenon, but without avail. The singing goes on day and night.

"When you get up stream some distance, you can also hear the rocks rolling over the bed of the river, and this produces a most peculiar sound."-Portland Telegram.

Frenks of Explosions.

Gunpowder explosions have one remarkable feature. The bodies of persons killed in such an accident are always found without clothing, but frequently one foot will have the shoe on. This is true of horses also. If one of the feet is in the air and another on the ground, the shoe will be found torn from the foot that was on the ground and not from the other.

When men are killed in powder explosions, the foot that happens to be in the air when the shock came will be found wearing the shoe, while the other foot will be bare.

Making It Clear.

A newly appointed French mayor inaugurated his regime by a notice to the following effect:

"On the feast of our patron saint the fire brigade will be reviewed in the afternoon if it rains in the morning The man that talks about the news- and in the morning if it rains in the

Soothing.

He-Look here. Matilde, I'm not quite such an idiot as I look! She (soothingly)-No, dear; I'm sure you're not!