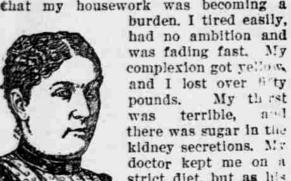
Drama in Iceland. In the march to the Pole the drams has reached Iceland. It is a recent graft upon the intellectual life of the island, according to the London Globe. The first theater was founded so fecently as 1807, and there is only one in the island-at Reikjavik-but it has taken firm root. The dramatic season opens in October and closes at the end of April, when the good folk go fishing, and the theater is open about three evenings a week. Bjornson and Ibsen are mostly drawn upon, but during the last season one or two native poets have recited their own compositions, which promise well. The municipality and the Diet each subsidize the theater to the extent of 500 crowns.

### WORN TO A SKELETON.

A Wonderful Restoration Caused a Sensation in a Pennsylvania

Mrs. Charles M. Preston of Elkland, Pa., says: "Three years ago I found that my housework was becoming a



and I lost over "ty pounds. My therst was terrible, and there was sugar in the kidney secretions. Mr doctor kept me on a strict diet, but as his medicine was not

helping me I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. They helped me at once, and soon all traces of sugar disappeared. I have regained my former weight and am perfectly well."

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### SPIDERS THAT CATCH BIRDS.

Native of Ceylon Mountains Snares

Prey of Some Size. Far up in the mountains of Cey! 1 there is a spider that spins a web II.3 bright, yellowish silk, the central n t of which is five feet in diameter, while the supporting lines, or guys, as they are called, measure sometimes ten or twelve feet. The spider seldom bites or stings, but should any one try to catch him bite he will and though not venomous his jaws are as powerful as a bird's beak.

The bodies of these spiders are handcomely decorated, being bright gold or scarlet underneath, while the upper part is covered with the most delicate slate-colored fur.

So strong are the webs that birds the size of larks are frequently caught therein and even the small but powerful scaly lizard falls a victim. A writer says that he has often sat and watched the yellow monster-measuring, when waiting for his prey with his legs stretched out, fully six inchesstriding across the middle of the net and noted the rapid manner in which he winds his stout threads round the unfortunate captive.

He usually throws the coils about the head until the wretched victim & first blinded and then choked. In many unfrequented dark nooks of the jungle you come across skeletons of small birds caught in these terrible snares .- Pearson's Weekly.

Busy Business. Hyker-I hear you have left the bank in which you were formerly employed. Pyker-Yes, three weeks ago. I'm in business for myself now.

Hyker-So? What are you doing? Pyker-Looking for another job.

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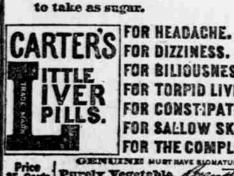
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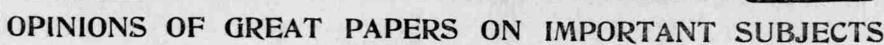
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THE VINDICATION OF DREYFUS. HE Dreyfus drama is closed at last with a triumph of justice. To say that the triumph was complete would be an error, because there has been act after act in which irremediable injustice has been done. Dreyfus himself has suffered so terribly in mind and body that no human tribunal could ever

rectify his wrongs. Men who rallied to his assistance received injuries from which recovery was impossible. An unspeakable clique of rogues prospered far too long while the innocent and the true were subjected to persecution.

These are facts that should not be overlooked when the vindication of the accused is considered. The restoration to his rank in the army is an insurance for the future, his reputation and the reputations of his supporters have finally overcome calumny, but atonement for the cruelties of the past is impossible.

The impressive decision of that great court of fortynine judges must be regarded as though it concerned another defendant, namely, the Republic of France, and in this view it is a confession. The judges say, in effect, that the French army was dominated by contemptible scoundrels and criminals; that ministry after ministry aided or condoned the offenses of these villainous conspirators; that the legal trials of Dreyfus were a mockery, and that the infamous "affaire" was a stain upon the honor of the nation. It is impossible to develop much enthusiasm over such a retrospect. The most that can be done is to dig up excuses out of political conditions, and these were long ago wasted on foreigners. But "better late than never," and France will profit in reputation by the action of the Supreme Court.-Chicago Record-Herald.

THE FALL OF THE FORESTS.



the very near future this country will be suffering a lumber famine. The once mighty forests have gone, or are going, like grass before a scythe. The lumber cut in this country in 1905 is

stated by the Department of Agriculture at 27,738,000,000 cubic feet. The vast proportions of this slaughter of the forests may be appreciated by imagining the lumber to be all of inch thickness, making a "board walk" 2,000 feet wide from New York to San Francisco.

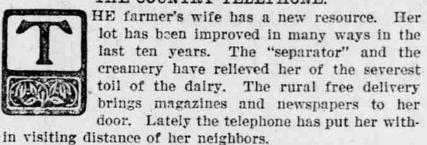
Black walnut has almost disappeared. Oak has become a rare wood. Georgia pine, once cheap, is costly. There is little more white pine, and one of the difficulties of building now is that there is no substitute of quite such versatile usefulness. Only 3.5 per cent of the year's cut comes from this noble tree. The once despised hemleck furnishes almost three times as much. In the scarcity of better lumber, poplar and basswood, which the American of 1850 did not consider fit for firewood, furnish more than white pine.

Maine and Michigan are no longer the great dumber States. The Pacific slope and the gulf lead to-day, Washington being the chief lumber State and Louisiana second. Arkansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas, Alabama, Georgia and Virginia make with Louisiana eight Southern States, each of which leads Maine in the amount of lumber produced.

How the huge annual cut of lumber and the ravages of forest fires as well shall be replaced is one of the most | It is time that this truth were enforced on our people.important problems with which this country has to deal. Indianapolis News.

Some of the great railway companies are planting trees by the millions to provide ties for the future. The government has been feebly attempting experiments in forestry. But far more thorough measures than any yet undertaken must be resorted to, and that speedily, if the next generation of Americans is not to be left without lumber .- Kansas City World.

THE COUNTRY TELEPHONE.



The nearest farmhouse may be half a mile away, and the village three miles. The lines of poles and the wires. perhaps merely the wire fence, have suddenly drawn her into an intimate relation to both, unknown to her before. To one who has never experienced the solitude of the farm it is hard to realize the joy of the wife and mother at being able to consult a friend about the cut of the baby's coat, the recipe for mince pies, or the dose of cough sirup.

The demand for the telephone in the country is imperative. "Everybody's got one," said the village storekeeper to a city visitor. "Why, there's three families that's being helped by the town, and every one of 'em has got a telephone. Old Mis' Bearce says she'd rather go without her victuals than have the telephone taken out!"

What a testimony to the desire for human companionship! The gossiping instinct, some cynical critic will say. But, after all, what is that but the wish to compare notes on the perennially interesting study of human nature—a study as fascinating to the unknown countrywoman as to the famous psychologist?-Youth's Companion.

#### THE VULGAR RICH.



ANY years ago George William Curtls wrote a little parable that now reads like a prophecy. He represented himself as having been asked to the house of a rich man, and when asked to the house of a rich man, and when asked by another whether he was going, he said: "Will he give me any of his money?" The man to whom he spoke was astonished

at the question, and asked why he supposed that this would be done. Curtis went on to say that when he went to see a literary man or an artist or a distinguished social leader or a reformer or a scholar, he got something from his host-information, pleasure, inspiration, the charm of fine society, etc. In other words, every man gave him of that of which he had most. The rich man had only money, therefore, so the essayist argued, he should give it to those who visited him. There is, of course, no flaw in the logic. For society exists that men may give something to it and get something from it. If this condition be not fulfilled there can be no society. And this means that a man who has nothing but his money has no social value of any sort. When he steals his money-as many rich men do to-day-we have only another reason for excluding him. A fortune based on bribery and corruption, on bought franchises, on traffic in foul food and drink, is a vulgar and detestable thing.

tive Forms of Trade.

no doubt that these curiously marked the original stick." sticks are carried by messengers from one body of natives to another, but it tion that the marks on the sticks do is asserted by Walter Roth, who writes not convey any communication, in the on the subject in one of the ethnograph- ordinary sense of the term; the same ical bulletins of the Queensland gov- message may accompany different themselves to convey information, but sages, and the stick may bear no marks are merely used for purposes of iden- at all. He goes on: tification. Says Mr. Roth, as quoted "I have been given a stick to take in Knowledge and Scientific News:

erty marks. If weapons are of the may be used over and over again by his own wants, and no person having round and round with twine, to constithieve and hence the lenity with which | matter plainly, the message is taken Only in cases of trade and barter, centuate the bona fides of the messenessential that one individual's goods parties, no stick is sent. On the other should be distinguished from another's, hand, there is more or less uniformity is there a necessity for a definite prop. recognizable in the shape of the sticks erty mark, this taking the form of a manufactured in different areas; the so-called 'letter' or 'message-stick.' Un- flat feather shape of the Boulia disder such circumstances the 'stick' may trict bears a strong contrast to the be put into use as follows: Charlie, squared form of the letters met farther ty of them are performers in the ring residing at Boulia, wants, we will say, north. Occasionally the stick may be and their education has progressed to some pituri, but being prevented by sickness or some other cause from going himself, sends some relative or friend Peter to the nearest market on the Mulligan River to get some for him, and gives him a 'message-stick.'

"Arrived at last at his destination. Peter is asked his business, tells who has sent him, hands over the 'stick.' and establishes his bona fides. The bagful of pituri being at last forthcoming, the vender returns the 'stick' to Peter, but not before taking careful mental note of it, so as to be sure of recognizing it again. Peter returns at last to Charlie at Boulia, and delivers up both pituri and stick. It now remains for Charlie to pay for the pi- Task of Washing an Elephant Is a turi with spears, boomerangs, etc. If he can prevail on Peter to take a second trip, all well and good, but if not, pearance of an elephant, but they probas is usually the case with so long a ably do not know that an elephant has journey, he either proceeds himself or only one bath a year, and has to con- mean? sends another messenger with the goods tent itself during the remainder of the and the identical 'message-stick' as be time with a dry rub of sand or dust. it silver-plated wedding. - Catholic fore. He, or the second messenger, ar- | The elephant's bath is a serious thing Standard and Times.

AUSTRALIAN MESSAGE - STICKS. riving at the Mulligan, finds the vender and gives him the spears, boomer-They Served as Vouchers in Primi- angs, etc., together with the 'stick.' Recognizing the latter, the seller ac-Considerable mystery has always at- cepts the various articles in payment tached to the so-called "message-sticks" for the bagful of pituri which he part- square feet of hide must be cleaned used by natives of Australia, bearing ed with some few weeks previously, and softened. marks that are often supposed to take knowing now that he has been paid by the place of written characters in the the right person, probably personally ful oiling, the ointment being rubbed transmission of information. There is unknown to him-i. e., the sender of

Mr. Roth states his absolute convicernment, that they do not serve in sticks, or the same stick different mes-

with a certain message to another dis-"The limited quantity and portability trict, and purposely mislaid it temof a native's personal goods offer little porarily, in order to secure another or no opportunity for the use of prop- specimen. Again, 'second-hand' sticks same cut, there are minute, yet suffi- strangers, who certainly have had no cient, differences which are recogniz- knowledge of the original manufactur- oil. able to the owner; even if similarly ers. Sometimes a broken twig is sufornamented, no two are so alike that ficient, without any incisions whatever, they cannot be distinguished. In a and I have often seen a piece of teageneral way, each having sufficient for tree bark, or even a rag, just tied more than another, there is nothing to tute the so-called letter. To put the theft, even when it occurs, is regarded. verbally, the stick serving only to acthrough an intermediary, where it is ger; if the messenger is known to both affixed with twine to a handle, carried such an extent that they are said to be has been offered that this expedient is "thread a needle or read Shakspeare." resorted to when the messenger is trav- The other half of the herd does the eling through hostile country, so as drudgery work of the show and is an to give him immunity for trespassing; essential part of the working crew that my experience is that, under such cir- loads and unloads the trains. One occumstances, he would avoid any risk cupies the position of a monitor and of being seen by traveling only by maintains discipline in the herd: annight. I have often seen a civilized other is a sort of a maid who carries black boy on the road holding in front hay and other food for baby so and of him a short twig, in the split ex- her mamma elephant. There are no tremity of which an envelope, etc., has loafers in the herd, each having duties been inserted; at a distance it resem- which require daily attention. bles a flag somewhat."

ONE BATH EACH YEAR.

Serious Event in a Circus. Some folks object to the unclean ap-

not only for the elephant, but for the attendants as well. It takes from ten to twelve weeks to wash thoroughly the herd of forty elephants at the winter quarters of a big circus. Thousands of

The skin is first prepared by a carewell into the hide by six or eight men at work on each animal.

The oil is applied with swabs of cotton waste, some of the men attacking the elephant's legs, while others clamb ladders and rub the upper regions of the huge neck. A keeper stands beside the animal's trunk with a hooked stick, ready for any emergency, for if a ladder should be overturned by a kick the oily back would be hard holding for those on top. A course of massage completes the anointing and work is suspended for two weeks. The next treatment consists of a thorough scrubbing, which brings off heavy layers of crust which have been loosened by the

Then the entire surface is sandpapered—a most tedious operation. As many as ten men are detailed for each animal, and they are scattered all over the enormous body. The sandpapering is a sort of beauty treatment, for It eliminates all the deep wrinkles. On its completion the elephant comes forth to all appearances as good as new. After it has had a steaming, somewhat after the manner of a Turkish bath, its | and asking in an earnest manner about toilet is completed and it is ready for public presentation.

the animals plenty of exercise. Twenvertically in front, and the suggestion able to do almost anything except

Not Sterling.

Mr. Gaddie-The Poormans celebrated their silver wedding last night,

didn't they?" Mrs. Gaddie-Oh, no; I saw all the presents.

Mr. Gaddie-Eh? What do you Mrs. Gaddle-It seems to have been

WELCOME TO BRYAN.

DEMOCRATIC LEADER RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTICALLY.

Greeted with Noise and Cordiality On Return from His 'Round-the-World Tour-New York Bay Resounds with Uproar as Ship Land

New York correspondence:

William J. Bryan is home again. Bronzed by travel by land and sea, cheerful, and apparently physically fit for a campaign two years long, he literally fell into the arms of huzzahing hundreds of his fellow countrymen when the steamship Prinzess Irene entered the harbor of New York Wednesday afternoon. A band on one of the welcoming tugs played "Hands Across the Sea," whistles and sirens screeched and humans shouted. All this was preparatory to the big demonstration to take place at Madison Square Garden Thursday night, when thousands of Democrats from all over the country gathered to pay their homage to the great commoner.

Clashes between rival welcoming committees, composed respectively of the New York "plan and scope" organization and the Nebraska "home folks," each of which was determined to take possession of the returning leader, were happily averted by the action of Mr. Bryan himself when the Prinzess Irene reached quarantine. Instead of choosing between the yacht of his friend, Mr. Goltra of St. Louis, with the local committee on board, and the government tug bearing the people of his own State, Mr. Bryan elected to spend the night on land.

The scene down the bay as the Prinzess Irene came to anchor in quarantine established a precedent as a cele-

tinguished neighbor.

of the Nebraska tugs, and a broader Ala., Oct. 28, 1905." one when he saw his old friend, Mayor "Jim" Dahlman of Omaha, standing on the "niggerhead" of the tug, rope in hand, ready to hurl it about the head of Mr. Bryan if he refused to come peacefully aboard the craft.

Mayor Dahlman, who was for years when sheriffs were two revolvers and

without you."

Bryan.

With tumultuous cheers the Nebraskans pulled up alongside the after bon, in and out, and in the distance gangway of the big steamer and called their greetings to Mr. Bryan, who stood on the deck just above them and smiled and waved his hat. Big boxes of flowers were tossed on board for Mrs. Bryan. Then the Nebraska State flag was flung to the breeze and the cheering was renewed.

Usually indifferent to all situations, Statesman. Mr. Bryan displayed much emotion when the two tugs, bearing friends and neighbors who had traveled more Results of Excessive Coffee Drinkthan 1,500 miles to greet him, ranged alongside the Prinzess Irene, with flags flying, whistles tooting and crowds singing old-home melodies, and he spent a half hour among them, shaking hands their wives and children, about "the folks across the street" and the po-The arduous season on the road gives | litical situations in the various sections of the State. Mr. Bryan talked to his friends freely about his trip, which, he enjoyment and instruction. were sung and the cheering was taken up, time and again, while Mr. Bryan was going through the necessary formalities of the customs inspection laws.

All Around the Globe.

the sheriff in its entirety. The Iron Trades' Council of San Fran- Food Coffee. It agreed with my stomcisco has decided to take a stand for an ach, my troubles have left me and I am eight-hour day.

Ferdinand Saar, the author and member of the upper house of the Austrian Reichsrath, shot himself at his residence in Dobling, a suburb of Vienna.

Sam Q. Sevier, sheriff of Ouachita county, Arkansas, and president of the Arkansas State Sunday School Associa- gave me any relief. But since I stoption, attempted suicide at his home in ped coffee and began Postum I am get-Camden by taking morphine.

ed by cable that the fleating dry dock Name given by Postum Co., Battle Dewey was utilized at Olongapo, Manila Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Bay, for the first time when the army Road to Wellville." "There's a rear transport Meade was docked there the other day.

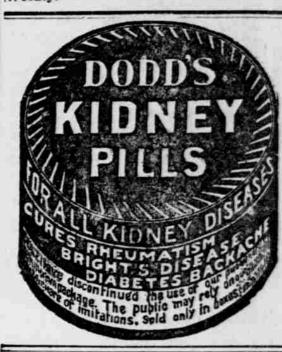
A Happy Thought.

A well-known Boston writer tells, with glee, of a neat sally on the part of his 9-year-old son, who is a pupil in a private school at the Hub.

Apropos of something or other, the teacher had quoted the line, "In the bright lexicon of youth there's no such word as 'fail.' "

At this point the lad mentioned arose, and politely made known his desire to offer an observation with reference to the

"It occurs to me, sir," said he, "that if such be the case, it might be advisable to bring the omission to the attention of the publishers of the lexicon."-Harper's



Speaking Within Bounds. This certainly is the limit!" said the detective, as he raided a "fence"

WORST FORM OF ECZEMA.

Black Splotches All Over Face-Affected Parts Now Clear as Ever-Cured

by the Cuticura Remedies. "About four years ago I was atflicted with black splotches all over my face and a few covering my body, which produced a severe itching irritation, and which caused me a great deal of annoyance and suffering, to such an extent that I was forced to bration of the home-coming of a plain call in two of the leading physicians American citizen. The news that the of my town. After a thorough examisteamer bearing Mr. Bryan had been nation of the dreaded complaint they sighted off Fire Island just before announced it to be skin eczema in its noon, and that she would be at anchor worst form. They treated me for the for the formal medical inspection by same for the length of one year, but 3 o'clock, was the signal for a wild the treatment did me no good. Finally rush of specially chartered boats and my husband purchased a set of the pleasure craft down the harbor. The Cuticura Remedies, and after using the lowering skies and frequent rain contents of the first bottle of Cuticura squalls served to keep many away, but Resolvent in connection with the Cutithose who were not deterred by the cura Soap and Ointment, the breaking adverse weather conditions gave an out entirely stopped. I continued the enthusiastic spirit to the reception, use of the Cuticura Remedies for six The "home folks" were the most en- months, and after that every splotch thusiastic of all. On two big tugboats was entirely gone and the affected which journeyed down the bay side by parts were left as clear as ever. The side they went to welcome their dis- Cuticura Remedies not only cured me of that dreadful disease, eczema, but There was a broad smile on Mr. other complicated troubles as well. Liz-Bryan's face as he spied the foremost zie E. Sledge, 540 Jones Ave., Selma,

An Adirondack Scene.

At the end of this row two miles and a half down Fulton Chain came our last carry, to Brown's Tract Inlet, and this was really the best of all. The shallow winding stream, or which we travcled over four miles, was so narrow a sheriff in Dawes County, Nebraska, that we had to hug the shore on every turn, to get the boat around, and in carried a cutlass and a "billy," but many places it was just wide enough who had himself elected mayor of for one boat to go through with out-Omaha on an "open town" platform, 'stretched oars. The banks of the stream headed the delegation, but with him were a tangle of wild roses and feathwere many prominent men in Nebraska ery spiraea, filling the air with a punbusiness and professional circles and gent, "woodsy" odor. Blue fleur-de-lis others known throughout the State for and water hyacinths made a patch of their oratory and political records. | color here and there, and between this On spying Mayor Dahlman Mr. and the green background of mountains Bryan laughed heartily, shook his head was a gray line of dead timber softenat the coil of rope which the "cowboy" ed in outline by masses of ferns and mayor held in his hand, and said: "I wushes. Gay butterflies fluttered in the guess you're going to get me, Jim." | 'air and great blue and green dragon-"You're right we are, Will. We've flies darted about. Overhead some come a long way and we won't leave cranes flew by, their feet dangling awkwardly and now and then a giant bull-"You won't have to," replied Mr. frog splashed noisily in the water as we passed.

The stream wound like a silvery rib-Blue Mountain rose in its fascinating hazy color and completed the marvelous picture.-Four-Track News.

No Reason to Be Proud Yet. Redd-He holds his head high since he

bought an automobile. Greene-Don't know why he should: he's only been fined four times .- Yonkers

GOOD AND HARD

ing. It is remarkable what suffering some

persons put up with just to satisfy an appetite for something.

A Michigan woman says: "I had been using coffee since I was old enough to have a cup of my own at the table, and from it I have suffered agony hundreds of times in the years past.

"My trouble first began in the form of bilious colic, coming on every few said, had been one continuous round of weeks and almost ending my life. At every attack for 8 years I suffered in this way. I used to pray for death to relieve me from my suffering. I had also attacks of sick headache, and began to suffer from catarrh of the stomach, and of course awful dyspepsia.

"For about a year I lived off crackers and water. Believing that coffee Slocan City, B. C., has been seized by was the cause of all this suffering, I finally quit it and began to use Postum tast gaining my health under its use.

"No wonder I condemn coffee and tea. No one could be in a much more critical condition than I was from the use of coffee. Some doctors pronounced It cancer, others ulceration, but none ting well so fast I can heartily recom-The Navy Department has been inform. | mend it for all who suffer as I did."