Walking up the court-house steps arm in arm with a friend, the judge felt for his watch to see if he was in time. "As usual," he said to his friend, "I have again left my watch at home under my pillow." Pressing through the crowd, the judge went in and took his seat upon the bench. During the forenoon an honest looking man presented himself at the door of the judge's residence asking for the senora (lady of the house). He carried under his arm a very large and heavy turkey, and when the lady appeared he told her that his honor, the judge, baying bought this turkey on his way to court from an Indian, had requested him to carry it to his house and had kindly paid him for his trouble. "His honor told me, too," the fellow continued, "to ask the senora to have the turkey prepared for dinner tomorrow, as the judge will bring a friend to dine with him. And also he requests the senora to be so good and send for his watch to the bedroom as he had left it as usual under his pillow." The good lady handed him the judge's watch and he left

to his wife:

"My dear, will you please send the servant up after my watch? I left it, as usual, under my pillow."

have sent that to you two, -- three hours ago," said she. "Sent it to me? How? My dear,

by whom?" "Why, by the man who brought worshiped. the turkey.'

"What turkey?"

"Why the turkey you sent." "I did not send any turkey, nor

anything." After the lady had explained, the judge said :

key to-morrow."

But the judge in his eagerness to counted the chickens before they were hatched. That cunning fox chicken once more without being caught himself.

The next forenoon the good sonora was superintending the preparation of that splendid turkey, in person, seeing to the stuffing and every other process that fowl had to pass through as well as to all the accompaniments of it. The good judge was presiding in his courtroom, and no doubt during an occasional pause smacking his lips in anticipation of the fine roast for dinner. But alas for all human calculations! While the business of the court and of the kitchen was slowly and surely progressing to its close something happened which showed clearly that somebody else besides the judge had thought about catching the thief. When dinner was just about ready, when the fine turkey was waiting in the oven, not to keep cool, but to keep warm, a bareheaded individual presented himself at the judge's door. He was the very picture of a court clerk. He wore a rather seedy looking but perfectly clean coat, had a somewhat pale and thin face, and the quill stuck behind his ear. The lady of sive catalogue of earthly miseries. the house being called, he addressed It is not by the ignorant alone that her very politely, but like one who is exceedingly glad. "Senora," he but by my eminent men of the past said, bowing deeply, "we have and present. Dr. Samuel Johnson caught the thief of his honor's watch. The time-piece was found upon him. He is about to be sentenced, but the Jewish historian, relates that he jury refuse to pronounce the verdict because they want to see the turkey first. So his honor has sent me to bring it, that they may see it before tril. James VI., who was noted for it is served upon the judge's table."

What should the good lady do? She placed the turkey on a platter in a basket, covered it up nicely and

with his friend, arm in arm, promenading toward his house.

"Now, my dear," said he after introducing his friend, "now, my dear, we will have that nice turkey for dinner."

"Yes, my dear, as soon as the clerk shall bring it back," said she. "What clerk?"

The lady explained, and the truth dawning upon her she exclaimed: "What else could I have done?" "Why," said the judge, "you dear

little goose, I don't know. But one thing I will tell you, the fellow has outwitted us all."

The judge and his friend had to dine upon something else that time.

One-third of all the gold mined goes to wear and tear, one-third into arts and manufactures.

Gold.

All records point to gold and silver as the earliest metals known. The scriptures, the most ancient writings we possess, abound with notices of them. You will remember that gold is mentioned in the second chapter of Genesis as in use, and familiarly known before the flood. The name of the first is pison, that is it which encompassed the whole land of Havilah where there is gold, and the gold of that land is good. The Hebrew word for gold is zeb, signinifying to be clear, to shine; alluding, doubtless, to the

brilliancy of that metal. The term gold occurs frequently in the writings of Moses, and that metal must have been in common use among the Egyptians when Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt, which is generally believed to have been 1648 years before the Christian era.

Silver also was not only familiarly known to the Egyptians in the time of Moses, but as we learn in the Book of Genesis, it was coined into money before Joseph was set over the land of Egypt by Pharoah, which happened 872 years before Christ, and consequently 224 years before the departure of the children of Israel from Egypt.

If you refer to the 47th chapter of Genesis you will find that Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt and in the land of Canaan for the corn At the dinner table the judge said which they bought and Joseph brought the money into Pharoah's house. The Hebrew word kemep, translated money, signified silver, and was so called from its pale color. "Your watch! why, my dear, I You will recollect that after the departure of the children of Israel from Egypt the gold ear-rings of the females were sufficient to form the golden calf which was impiously

In the museum at Copenhagen there are many tools and weapons. swords, daggers and knives, the blades of which are gold whilst an edge of iron is for the purpose of

Olaf Bagen was a rich merchant "Well, well; the watch is gone, of Odense, in Denmark, and a man of faded ribbon; it is so sweet to unostentatiously the resources of the my dear. That fellow must have of noble and generous sentiments. caught my words as I told Judge He lent money to his King, Freder- stained, ink dimmed pages; and, oh, facile, and making everybody glad - that I had left it under my erick the II; time rolled on and it is so sad to think that the dear and happy. pillow. But grieving will not bring Bagen had a large family, son and hands which traced the friendly it back; we have at least the turkey, daughters, and he became very poor words are folded in death over the the talking. It is not necessary to and I think I will do as the fellow and went to his children for help still hearts that prompted them! said, and will bring Judge - to and refuge, but they treated him dinner to-morrow; so you had bet- badly. Bagen, sick at heart and in fitfully and brightly, as though it power and splendor as to awe the ter have it well prepared, and we want of the common necessaries of would claim them for its lawful will enjoy a good dinner and try to life, felt deeply grieved at his chil- prey; but, ah, be merciful; do not forget the loss of the watch for the dren for such conduct, but he tho't burn, do not destroy them yet, the chill where his aim should be to present. I say for the present, my of a way to punish them and provide old, old letters. dear, for I intend to have the fellow | himself with what he wanted at | caught who played that trick. I am their expense; so he went round to hear you say-that woman with feel quite at home with him, so that pretty certain we will have him his friends and merchants with snow-touched hair and furrowed no matter how great may be his atbefore we sit down to eat that tur- whom he had dealings, and returned cheeks; but, friend, note written to with a heavy coffer, which he deposited in a safe place, and placed it administer justice to the culprit had under lock and key. He told them more. And I think that there is talking to him as hearing him talk. that the contents of the box he intended to leave to the son or the was going to catch the judge's daughter who treated him best. It sixteen. was wonderful to see now how

er. There was constant rivalry, somewhat torn, but nevertheless The comforts of life were showered sweet! Ah, the perfume has ended his days in peace. All his with all the ardor of youth, he dutiful children had been kind to thinks of a pair of scarlet lips, and of sentiment and passion .- Prof. him, so the contents of the coffer kind reader, I pity him when he were to be equally divided among wakes from his day-dream and rethem; there would be enough for members that a certain blue-eyed, all. Bagen was conducted in pomp golden-haired girl of long ago is now and honor to his last resting place, another man's wife and the mother followed by his surviving children. Afterwards the will was read and to be full of stones. This you will

and undutiful behavior. JAMES KAY.

Superstition.

Superstition has not only prevented mankind from attaining a superior eminence of happiness, but, what is more depl orable, it has added in a great degree to an already extensuperstitions beliefs are entertained. was a firm believer in ghosts and second sight. Josephus, the great witnessed the extraordinary sight of an evil spirit being induced to leave the body of an afflicted patient's nos-

his intellectual attainments and theological learning, was a firm believer in witchcraft. So deep a hold did this absurd nation have on him handed it to the would-be clerk of that he published a work upholding this doctrine, and actually persecuted Ten minutes later the judge came all who opposed the belief. Even Martin Luther, the sturdy old reformer, informs us that the devil appeared to him and so enraged him that he threw a heavy inketand at him whereupon the father of all evi! vanished. Socrates, the sublimest character in profane history, firmly believed that he was actuated and directed by a demon! Blackstone, the author of the incomparable commentaries on the laws of England, was an undoubted believer in witch-

but enough has been said upon the subject. Some of the ancient superstitions are very pleasing, and in the highest degree poetic. There is a superstitious belief prevalent in the East circulation, and one-third into the that eclipses of the moon are caused

craft. This list of superstitious vo-

taries could be indefinitely extended

of his nature, afflicts the queen of the stars. And on these occasions the inhabitants leave their dwellings, and, by pounding upon pans and pots, and shouting and discharging fire-arms, endeavoring to frighten the monster away from his work of destruction.

A popular belief is that the sound produced by a little insect known as a "death watch" portends the death of some relative or friend. That the noise made by this little creature resembles the ticking of a watch is undisputed, but that it in any wise foretells the dissolution of a human being is absurd. Observation has established the fact that these little insects infest decaying timber and posts, and that the peculiar noise is caused by them in gnawing and boring through the rotten wood fibers in quest of food.

The howling of a homeles cur in the stillness of the night has caused more dread than would the roaring of a wild beast. And many who have braved the cannon's mouth will tremble at the breaking of a look-

ing-glass. The number thirteen is suppose by many to be unlucky, and if they find themselves one of a party of that number they will depart with haste. Our Savior and his disciples were thirteen; the original States of the American Union were thirteen. Other instances could be cited to establish this principle, were it necessary.

Superstitious doctrines, countless in number, are founded on and magnifled by an ignorance of the plainest truths of natural science. If we remove the cause the effect will cease. Let more attention be given in the instruction of youth to the inculcation of the fundamental principles of the sciences, and less to mere ornamental studies, and the result will be advantageous to man-

Old Letters.

Old letters! It is so strange, so very strange, to draw them from their dark hiding-place in the dusty cabinet, and tenderly unite the knots

her in years that are past by one who

single instant she is not sixty but And that grav-bearded bachelor him best and attend to his wants. which time has only made more

of seven children! Old letters! A fond mother still the coffer opened and it was found cherises some filled with youthful enthusiam, and written by her solsay was a just requital for avarice dierboy, who fell at Shiloh. A widow treasures those penned by the husband who has gone before her; and although the words upon the pages may be dimmed by years, are they not imprinted on her heart?

An Eccentric Woman.

that no one can draw the line between eccentricity and insanity. A woman has just died in Berlin, at the age of eighty-two, who for nearly half a century had lived in almost utter seclusion, a solitary female servant being the only human being with whom she had held any personal communication. This strange being, who is supposed to have been crossed in love, was rich, and never denied herself any luxury for which she cared, but she never allowed her house or furniture to be cleaned. She lay in bed all day, rising just at dusk, and spent the night in pre- dering sun, sees nothing, from the paring sumptuous meals for herself | dew-drop to the ocean, but a mirror and her companion. She was surrounded by dogs, cats and birds, and she caused every work on zoology to be purchased for her as soon as it was published. After her death it was found that she had left a handsome legacy to her servant, and all the rest of her property to a grandniece in England, to revert, after the latter's death, to an asylum for dogs. For many years she wore no body garment except a man's dressinggown. On one foot she wore a boot and on the other a shoe, and you. her hands were encased in gloves

day and night. The man who unearthed a mummy boasted that he had got a dead by a demon who, out of the malice sure thing on the show business.

Remedies for Hog Cholera.

MR. EDITOR: A good many far mers having lost their hogs by the above disease, your writer, although not troubled that way, but wishing to help others if possible, found two remedies suggested by correspondents of the National Live Stock Journal, and copies them below for the benefit of those of your readers

who may need them for their stock The first one comes from France. A friend there writes to "Amateur' that in his neighborhoood hog cholera, called there "rouget," is nearly always prevalent, but that he thus far escaped losses by disinfecting his piggeries and by giving in each fullgrown pig's food a teaspoonful of leveuaijre phenique which is made of 216 onuces of pure carbolic acid and one gallon of common vinegar, and also by occasionally giving his pigs a dose of nitre or sulphate of

The second remedy is suggested by W. W. Thornton. It consists of quinine, twelve grains to each hog weighing 250 lbs., or at the rate of five grains to each 100 lbs. Mr. T. thinks it will save any hog or pig from dying that is yet able to eat. He proceeds in the following manner. For forty pigs weighing 250 lbs. each, he takes one bushel of common wheat bran, puts it in a J. W. Early, Treasurer. tub, pours boiling water over it, R. L. Rosssiter, Surveyor. mixing it as wet as it will stand not John Wise. to run. He then covers it up with blanket until it has cooked down to blood heat, then he mixes the quinine into it, puts his pigs into a clean pen and feeds the mixture to them. Mr. T. has used this remedy for twenty-five years and induced his neighbors to do so, and it has never failed. A. HENRICH.

A Talent for Conversation.

A talent for conversation has an extraordinary value for common everyday life. Let any one who has this gift enter in a social circle anywhere. How every one's face brightens at his entrance. How soon he sets all the little wheels in motion, encouraging the timid, calling out bend lovingly over the yellow, time- reserved and shy, subsidizing the

To converse well is not to do all talk with very great brilliancy. A Old letters! The red fire gleams man may talk with such surpassing rest of the company into silence; or excite their envy and so produce a produce heat and sunshine. He She is only an elderly spinster, I should seek the art of making others tainments or reputation, or how small may be theirs, they find it inwas once her lover-who is now no sensibly just as natural and pleasant magic in old letters, because for a The talent for conversation, indeed, more than anything else in life, required tact and discretion. It requires one to have more varied ready and even zealous the children | yonder- how eagerly he pores over | knowledge, and to have it at instant of Bagen were to relieve their fath- gilt-edged billet-doux, battered and and absolute disposal, so that he can use just as much or just as little as between them, who should receive pregnant with the scent of violets the occasion demands. It requires the ability to pass instantly and with ease from the playful to the serious, upon him, and old Bagen at length wrought a miracle; for once more, from books to men, from the mere phrase of courtesy to the expression

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A stranger passing a churchyard and seeing a hearse standing near Old letters! old letters! They are by inquired who was dead. The photographs of the soul; they are sexton informed him. "What comsouvenirs of the dead and buried plaint?" asked the inquisitive one. past; they are so strange, so sweet, Said the old man, "There is no comso sad, you cannot, must not burn plaint, everybody is satisfied."

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A young lady recently married, read Mother Shipton's prophecy for the first time the other day. "Just A. my luck !" she exclaimed, throwing down the paper. "Here I am newly married and now the world's com-

Love one human being purely and warmly and you will love all. The heart in this heaven, like the wan which it warms and fills.

A man who don't believe the world is growing better, says the time may come when the lamb and the lion shall lie down together, but if it does the lamb will be inside the lion.

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