Strange Suicides.

Suicide has always been a method of escaping the ills that flesh is heir to, more or less favored by humanity. In the purer days of Greece and Rome, selfmurder was regarded as a crime, and by way of punishment the body was sublected to disgrace. In Greece, for instance, the corpse was buried instead of being burned. In most of the countries of antiquity, however, suicide was considered an act of courage, as disemboweling is even now in China, and in some places was even a lawful act. In the island of Ceos the magistrates had the power of determining whether a person had sufficient reasons for killing

A poison was kept and given to the applicant who made out his case before the magistracy. The same custom prevailed among the Massilians, the ancient inhabitants of Marseilles.

One of the most singular features suicide is that it has been known to prevail epidemically. If one person strikes out some new method of self-destruction, others are sure to follow. Sir Charles Bell relates a strange incident that occurred to the surgeon who was Bell's predecessor in the Middlesex, London, Hospital. The surgeon went into a barber-shop to be shaved, and the conversation turned upon a man in the hospital who had vainly attempted to cut his throat.

"He could easily have managed it," said the surgeon, "if he had been acquainted with the situation of the carotid artery. He did not cut in the right

The barber quietly inquired as to where he ought to have cut. The surgeon shikaree ever attempted to shoot it, we thoughtlessly pointed out the exact position of the large vessels, and where they could be wounded.

After a little more conversation the barber left the room, and not returning. the surgeon went to look for him. He found him in the yard with his head nearly severed from his body. This was a case of what the doctors

call epidemic or imitative suicide. Some years ago a man hung himself on the threshold of one of the doors of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris. No suicide had fourteen days no less than five invalids Plutarch relates that the women of into this very ravine. Close by the Miletus, a city of Iona, were seized with carcase there were some trees, an epidemic mania for suicide. They

were melancholy because of the absence of their husbands and lovers who were away in battle. The women hanged themselves in such numbers that a law woman who hanged herself should be same rope with which she committed the deed." This edict immediately put an midnight, and my friend from then till end to the crime. Suicide is more common among men

family upon them, are not so apt to commit suicide, while those untram-Men commit suicide by the pistol and by drowning, women by poison and voluntary falls—that is, in the great majority of course of the worshippere untary falls—that is, in the great majority of course of the worshippere grow less, as the chanted charm of their jority of cases.

People in every grade of life have retrouble, but the causes which come highest in the list of reasons for self-destruction are insanity and chronic diseases. Among the young disappointment in Among the young disappointment in love is the predominating cause, and in then the only sounds heard are the cries France, the land of suicide and romance, of the jackal and the screech of some an unfortunate couple usually resolve to perish together. Some years ago a boatman discovered in the Seine a mass which the stream appeared to roll along with difficulty. It proved to be two bodies, that of a young girl and a young officer. They had lashed their right feet and right hands together. A letter written on parchment declared that they died together that they might be eternally

A singular suicide was that of a young with her own fowling piece because she had no children to inherit her large for-

A mere desire to be talked of sometimes leads people to take their own

As George III. was passing Green Park, London, a gentleman seeing the royal carriage approach, stuck a paper addressed to the King on the railing. When the carriage was immediately op posite him the man discharged a pistol into his breast and fell dead. The suicide was a gentleman who had held a Government position but had been sus-

A Frenchman who had been jilted in-

kill himself, and requested him after his death to make a candle of his fat and carry it lighted to his lady-love, so that she might see that as he had burned for her his flame was now real, for the candle by which she read the note he sent was composed of his miserable body. He committed suicide after writing the letter. | consciousness we were being looked In the reign of terror Mme. Augine, sister to Mme. de Campan. expected village of S-. He told us that at to die by the tyranny of Robespierre. daybreak a party of villagers had She declared she would kill herself rath- ascended the ravine, and finding us iner than be guillotined. In vain Mme. sensible, had immediately carried us to her life, as she feels persuaded that bede Campan urged her to wait the order his house. And he ended by asking us tween Jones and the what-you-techt

the moment of the greatest danger, but of her tiger. the guards arrived as she was speaking. and Mme. Augine can to the roof of the the ravine and found our machan rested house, threw herself off, and was taken upon two trees growing close together, up dead. As they were carrying her one of which was of a poisonous charcorpse to the grave the pall-bearers were acter. To the exhalations of this tree. obliged to turn aside to let the cart pass when the breeze died away I fancy we which conveyed Robespierre to the scaf- owe the state of coma that I have de-

ever heard of a man making his quietus ing the slaughter of the tiger. - Cham with almost a bare bodkin was that of a bers' Journal. Greenwich pensioner, who stabbed himself to death with his spectacles, which he had sharpened to a point for that pur-

ropes, bands, crown of thorns, etc. in one of the upper windows was a scrubwhich he fastened over it, securing it at asked of a boy beside the wagon: the bottom of the upright beam a little below the bracket he had placed for his feet, and at the ends of the two arms. The whole apparatus was securely tied by two ropes, one from the net and the other from where the beams intersect each other. These ropes he fastened to the bar above takes a transit from that window to the not the attendant come to the rescue. them. Then, taking off his clothing, he girded his loins with a handkerchief, and put on his crown of thorns. Next he got into the net, and seating himself on the cross, drove a nail through the palm of utes, and at the end of that time the his right hand, placed his feet on the woman finished the window and disapbracket, and with a mallet drove nails peared inside. The man rubbed his eyes through his feet. Next he tied himself and looked, and stood up and looked to the cross, and wounded himself in the again, but she had gone from sight. side. All this he did inside his own room, I side. All this he did inside his own room, but he was bent on showing himself in as he gathered up his lines. "In the public. To accomplish this, he placed first place Venus was as hom'ly as an the foot of the cross upon the window old oak stump; in the next place she sill, which was very low, and by the aid didn't transit at all, but disappeared, and of his left arm, which was free, he tilted in the third place how on airth these city the whole machine out of the window, folks can fool away so much time and and there he hung by the two ropes make a living, too, beats me all helles, which were fastened to the beam. His desire for display defeated his own ends.

Detroit Free Press. for being seen immediately, people rushed up and hauled him in, cross and all, dis-

were healed. He never again attempted to crucify himself, or to take his own

In our country suicide is becoming prevalent, unless the circumstances are attended with some unusual horror, like that of Mrs. Seguin, who recently murdered her three children as well as herself, they awake little more than a pass-ing shudder.

The American woman has begun to be as familiar with the use of the pistol as a man, rendering suicide much more easy of accomplishment than when her only means of self-destruction were by water, poison, or rope. The checking of suicide is surely of as much importance as any other question affecting life and happi-ness, and if some of our great scientists and philanthropists would show us how to securely fasten in the closet that skeleton which continually breaks out, a domestic will-of-the-wisp, luring the wretched to a violent death, then would our Herbert Spencers be doing humanity an appreciable service.—N. Y. Dispatch.

A Hunting Experience in India.

The following adventure happened whilst a friend and I were staying at the pretty village of 8-, famous for its pictures and temples. The village lies as it were in a dent of the hills, for they rise on all sides far above it, and are intersected with numerous rocky ravines, infested with tigers, panthers, etc. In the wildest and steepest of these, that ran down between the hills close to the village, a tiger had taken up his quarters, and prowling forth at night, used to kill and carry off the cattle of the villagers. When we inquired if any brave were told that it was a sacred tiger. being protected by Camackria, the presiding goddess of the largest temple of tne village; and that it was preferable to suffer the losses caused by its ravages

than to commit the impiety of attempting to kill it, for some terrible calamity would be certain to happen to its slayer.

My friend and I thought differently; so when, next morning we were in-formed of a fresh depredation that the animal had committed the previous des Invalides, Paris. No suicide had night, we determined to attempt its occurred for two years before, but within destruction. Guided by some of the natives, we went to see the carcase of hung themselves on that same cross-bar. the bullock, which the tiger had dragged.

and we quickly made our arrangements. We erected a strong platform—called by the natives a machan -in a neighboring tree; and on this, the following evening, my friend and I was passed "that the body of every took up our quarters, patiently awaiting woman who hanged herself should be the tiger's appearance. As we thought dragged naked through the streets by the it useless for both of us to keep awake, we arranged that I should watch till

than women. Married women and widows are more prope to said destrucwidows are more prone to self destruc- branches of neighboring trees, and the verse is the case with men, who, if through these shadows. The only sounds about to marry or have the care of a I heard were the clang of the cymbals and the beat of tom-toms, that rose from the valley below as a procession of

priest arises; and now, under the strange course to suicide as a ready escape from powers, the cries of the fanatics cease. while the notes of the tom-tom throb pulse-like in the beat of its rhythm. Now the song ceases below, and its last notes have echoed and died in the dis-

> Towards midnight, the breeze light-ens, then dies away; then gradually, dim terror steals over me, and I shives in the chill of an indefinable dread.
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> Midnight has long passed, when missive out of his overcoat pocket unt l

night-bird.

after a pull at the flask, I settle my. the unlucky overcoat in her hand. countably oppressed and nervous; and watch along with him. I agreed at stop to look at the letter. Oh yes she once. As we sit waiting I feel my feet does, let a woman alone for that! all my efforts I cannot bring back the circulation. The sensation of deadness

is also affecting my legs. My friend says he is suffering in the same way. Gradually my arms grow powerless, and I am unable to raise the gun at my side, and now even my neck stiffens. All my goose you are? I picked that up in the body, indeed, seems paralyzed. At that moment a crashing of sticks in the neighboring bushes tells the approach of some animal. Louder the sound grows, and formed his servant that he intended to presently the bushes part and the head of the tiger is thrust forth, then his

whole body, and he proceeds to his unmolested repast. With the sound of not, and if marque rie was spelled with crunching bones in my ears, a deadening sensation seizes my braim and I become insensible. When my friend and I recovered

after in the house of the headman of the of arrest, telling her that something whether we now believed in the power she would have been worred out of her might arise to prevent her fate, even at of the goddess and in the invulnerability life, -Detroit Post and Tribune. Before leaving the village we revisited

scribed, and the long subsequent illness The nearest approach the writer has which prevented us from again attempt

She Didn't Transit. In 1731 a young lady at Bath, moving in high life and fond of high play, gambied away her whole fortune and hanged herself. A relative was inhuman group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. There was a group of forty or fifty at the corner of the sun through smoked glass to behold the transit of Venus. enough to remark, on being told of her Michigan Avenue and Griswold Street, is unhitched and goes back to the foot suicide. "Indeed! Then she has tied and a farmer who was on his way to herself up from play." and a farmer who was on his way to of the hill, taking it place next to the market with a load of produce halted his curb-stone, which indicates to the next One of the most singular attempts at team to see what it all meant. He car that the outside horse is to help pull suicide was that made by an Italian didn't "give himself away" all at once, up the hill. So accustomed have the named Lovat, in 1803. He was a shoe- as some men might have done, but first horses become to this routine that they maker at Venice, and determined to cru- looked to see what could be seen. The seem to go through it mechanically, and city himself. He provided the nails, crowd faced the Mechanics' block, and are left to go down alone and take their Seeing that I would be difficult to nail woman cleaning the glass. After a long himself to the cross, he made a net look at her the farmer bent down and "Sav. bub, what's happened?" "Transit of Venus," was the reply.

"When does she come off?"

"Right away, I guess." "Then I'll wait, and I'll bet this load of 'taters agin a sheep pelt that if Venus He waited and watched for tan min-

ap and hauled him in, cross and all, disengaged him, put him to bed and sent for a doctor. Lovat submitted to treatment. He had injured no vital part, and in the course of a couple of weeks his wounds thoroughly and bake quickly.

Jenes' New House.

One day last week Mr. Jones received letter informing him of the death of an uncle of whom he had never heard. and stating the comfortable fact that he was sole heir to a large amount of money. Jones answered the letter by the next mail, telling the writer, who was a lawyer, how to send the funds, and then he went home and indulged in some

Jones with a sheet of drawing-paper covered with intricate lines, "do you know what that is?" "Yes," answered Maria, looking at

a view of Central Africa; we had it at "Nonsense," retorted Jones, walking heavily up and down the room, and

stepping on the baby, "it's our new house. That's what it is."

tion that it was arnica. "Immediately," answered Mr. Jones, putting both elbows through the parlor window in his excitement. "Do you see that plan. Maria? I drew that ali out of my own head and have wood enough left for another. Look at that vesti ule! Fourteen ways to get out in

. I'd rather be sure of one way to get in-did paps break its 'ittle head. poor thing? Seems to me I've heard, Jeptha, of fools building houses and wise men living in them! What does it mean?" "It means that some fool of an architect will build this house and I will live in it. He's making out the plans now—four parlors, a hall with stained glass windows, marquetrie floors. 'Tell you what, Maria, folks will stare."

asked Mrs. J-"Oh that's all right! Lot of building corners everywhere. Now, let me see. Every room must have a bay window, and there must be a niche in the hall for a bracket of Venus or some-

· But don't you catch your lot first:

Willie Jones went to school and told the boys they were going to have a new house with the n'itch in it, and he'd catch it and give it to them all and Jones went off up on Davenport street to look at a house that suited him; he staid there all the morning studying modern architecture, and getting his death of cold, and then when he sat down before supper to make a drawing from memory he found that he had forgotten whether the front door opened

"I'll go up and take another look." he said to him elf, and he did; he got down on his knees on the door-mat in the du-k, and took a mental measurement of the premises. Just as he was rising a voice came through the key-hole into his nearest ear.

"My hero, my prince, I have long waited for thee. I fly to meet thee. nine to night. Adieu, my unknown. fact is, A, B and C (naming his three Read this letter and you will know that deriders who were known to Gould) deyour passion is resiprocated."

Jones took the letter that was insinuated un er the door, and turned to leave, all in a flutter, when a brawn v hand fell on his shoulder. "I say, you feller, git! I've hed my eye on you all day, and you're actin'

mighty suspiciously. If you don't want on a single policy?" to be jugged keep out o' this beat. Yer appearance is agin yer." "But," stammered the unfortunate man, "don't you know me? My name s Jones. I live on—"

". on't care if your name's Smith or Brown," retorted the policeman; "it's my opinyon yer n. g. -so git." Jones got; he went home rapidly. filled with a sweet, mysterious influence from the secret letter he carried, and through this midnight calm, a sense of which he dare not stop to read under a

awake my companion, and thet after tea. Then Ma is came in with self for a nap. Hardly seem to have "I'm going to sew on that button closed my eyes, when I am aroused by this very minute," she said, holding the French lady of rank who killed herself the grip of my friend. On my asking said button in her teeth and turning the what he saw he said that he felt unac pockets inside out, while quarts of perspiration ran down Jones' back and his he expressed a wish for me to kees knees shook like castanets. She doesn't

> are getting benumbed, and in spite of "What's this?" she gasped "To my heart's idol," in a strange woman's hand. "Ch, hold me, I'm going to die. Trai-t-o r-r-r! Wret-ch!"

"What is it?" asked Jones, innocently, in a voice that seemed wrenched from his boots. "Why, Maria, wha; a car—don't open it, there's a fine of five hundred dollars for opening other people's letters:"

Mrs. Jones concluded not to die just then, and they spent a lovely evening quarreling as to whether there should be a china closet in the front par'or or two q's or one. The next day just as the architect was wishing either that he was dead or Jones was, there came another letter from the lawver saving that he was not the Jones-the money was intended for Joseph Jones, the Board of Trade man. The mistake arose from the initials of their front names being similar. Mrs. J. says she never was so thankful for anything in

Sly Trick of a L zy Horse.

Any one desirous of verifying the folowing story need only to take a stand at the foot of Chardon street, where the relief horses are stationed, and watch Lady Knights' maneuverings. 1 adv Knights is a veteran on the relief corps of horses, having served in that capaci ty some eight or ten years, and it is quite evident that during that time she has learned a thing or two by observation, if in no other way. Part of the day two horses are kept for the pur pose of helping the cars up the hill, and they alternate, or are supposed to, places. Now, this is one of Lady Knights' favorite tricks. When the other hor e comes down and stations himself in his proper place, she walks up just ahead of him and then backs herself in between Old Stupid and the curb-stone; the consequence is Old Stupid sometimes pulls three or four successive ars up the hill, and would probably keep on pulling for the rest of the day did sidewalk she'll never dance agin. It's The look of injured innocence which a free show, anyhow and I'll count my- Lady Knights assumes when the man snakes her out from next the curb and puts her in her proper place is funny. -Boston Journal.

-A convict in a Georgia railroad car slipped off the handcuffs and j mped head-foremost through a window, exactly like the harlequin's feat in the pantomime: but there was no device for catching him softly, and it was sup-posed that he would be killed by the fall. However, he was seen to stagger to his feet, stand a minute as though lazed, and then dash of toward the woods.

-Prof. Brewer says: 'The trotting horse is a modern and Amer can invention." Thank heaven, there is one thing that wasn't invented by the Chinese 23,000 years ago! later seturus, however, may rob us of this honor. -

The Gould Guards-A Tale of Wall

Blatt is an accident insurance agent, and was trying a few days since to induce sundry brokers to take out accident policies. They laughed him to scorn. and finally one in derision said: "If you'll get Jay Gould to take out an accident policy we'll see him and go him ten times the amount better." "I'll do it," said Blatt, and he darted out of the office.

Blatt is a man of nerve and function:

of good address and great executive ability, and also of audaciousness. But it worried him to think how he should it a moment with careful attention: "it's get at Jay Gould. He knew how well Gould is fortified. It is necessary to pass the investigative scrutiny of three men ere one can reach the ear of Gould in his financial holy of holies. If the first guard deems the business and the man worthy the attention of the second "Are you going o build, Jeptha?" guard, he turns the Gould seeker over to the second guard. If the second head with vanilla under a mistaken no- guard deems the man and his business worthy he turns him over to the third guard. If the third guard deems the man one of the elect he admits him to the presence of the great Wall Street potentate. It's a terribly sifting process, and this road to Gould is strewn with the wrecks of those who have gone to pieces on one or the other of the three, and so come short of the glory of a private interview with

Blatt determined in his intercourse with the three Gould guards to fence in his business with mystery and importance; to state no details but only generalities, inferring affairs and secrets of great moment to be whispered into no ear save that of Gould.

So he met the inquiry of guard one with the reply: "I am just off the street and am the possessor of a secret which must reach none but the ear of Gould And with this and a bold front he did

actually, to his own amazement, pass the three and found himself in the presence of Gould. The King of Cash sat idly and alone,

with one leg on the table. He greeted Blatt with the remark: "Well, sir, what is your business with me?" Blatt at that moment would have given a part of his being to be out of the Mighty Presence. But he was in for it, The Rubicon was passed. The ships were burned. There was no escape nor looking back.

So he said, with an air of frank self deprecation: "Mr Gould, the fact is, I've come to ask you to take out an ac- the taste. cident policy." Gould stared and then laughed. That this man with business of no more im-

portance than this should manage to run the gauntlet of his three guards amused him. And he also admired the talent which could do it. He said: "But why should I take out an accident policy?"

clared that if I could get an accident policy out of you they'd go ten times the amount better." "O, they did, did they?" said Gould.

whose eyes twinkled with satisfaction of scoring a point on the Derisive Three. "What is the highest amount I can take "Ten thousand dollars."

"Make it out, then." Which Blatt did. But as Gould tendered him the money Blatt remarked: "Mr. Gould, I've one more favor to ask of you. I want your signature to a check for that amount, because if I haven't it they won't believe I've captured you and I want it to shake at those fellows.

"All right," said Gould, and he passed on his signature. Blatt in two minutes was back before his deriders. "I've got him," he cried, and then, even before the expression of incredulity had time to harden on the faces of the three, he did shake under their noses the check with Gould's sig-

Blatt retired with three big accident policies. The Derisive Three are still wondering how Blatt got past the Gould Toujours l'audace!-N. Y. Graphie.

Innocent and Guilty.

The oft-told story of the painter who painted an ideal picture of "Innocence." from the face of a beautiful child who sat as his model, and in his old age had a villainous looking criminal sit to him for the model of a picture of "Guilt" as a companion-piece to the other, and discovered that the child and the criminal were the same person, has received some startling illustrations in real life. A convict discharged from the old Charlestown State Prison told the following remarkable history of himself to the warden of that prison:

Some years ago a gentleman and his wife and their only child, a boy of five or six years old, visited the prison. They were shown through the workshops and prison by an officer, who pointed out the different objects of interest as they passed along. The gentleman was inquiring about a man who had recently been sent to prison for life "By the way, this is his room," said

the officer, stopping before one of the cells, the door of which stood open. The little boy, with a child's curiosity, stepped up and looked in. His father came up behind the child and playfully pushed him in, and closed the door. The little fellow shrieked to be let out. The door was immediately opened, and the child ran sobbing into his mother's arms. She, brushing back the light curls from his forehead and kissing him, said soothingly:

"No. no; they shan't shut up my little son in prison. The boy was terribly frightened; he turned his eyes once more toward the dreaded cell, and for the first time noticed on the door the "No---. The incident made a deep impression apon his mind.

Time passed. He grew to manhood. His father and mother were both dead. He became a sailor, and a good one,

lower and lower, and was finally ar-

tom—bathed, shaved and clipped; clothed in the prison dress and conducted te the room he was to occupy.

Judge of his horror and consternation when he found himself standing before. and the officer unlocking, the door of when a child, had been thrust for a moment by his father.

In relating the story to me (says Warden Haynes), he said no one could imagine his feelings when he found himself an inmate of that cell. Every incident and scene from childhood rushed upon his mind; the exclamation of his mother: "No, no; they shan't shut up my little son in prison," rang in his ears, and he threw himself upon a stool weeping, in utter despair and wretched-

But it is pleasant to see shining through this strange story of circumstantial retribution the truth of the famous line: "There's a divinity that shapes our ends." The convict became a religious man in prison, and years after his discharge rose to be an officer in the navy .- Youth's Companion. -The human race is never a walle 1883.

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FARM AND FIRESIDE.

-For spice cake use two cups of sugar, one cup of butter, three eggs, one cup of cold water, teaspoonful o soda, three cups of raisins, chopped, three cups of flour, and spice to suit

-For cup puddings that are quickly made beat up four spoonfuls of flour, with a pint of milk and four eggs; add nutmeg and sugar to suit the taste; butter tea cups and fill them three-quarters full, and bake for a quarter of an hour. -Ham toast, which is very nice for breakfast, is made of one slice of cold ham cut into small pieces, one egg, a little thin cream, and a little pepper and salt: mix together on the stove until it thickens, and then pour over toast buttered and cut in slices.

-To make good turkey-soup take the bones and cook for about an hour in just enough water to cover them, then add a little of the dressing and a beaten erg, and if desired a little finely chopped celery. After taking from the fire, season with butter, pepper and salt.

-Poultry breeders do not seem to anpreciate the great value of bones for their fowls, and but a limited few ever make use of them for this purpose. No matter whether the birds are confined or not, they are sure to be benefited by a moderate quantity of bones, though those which are in close confinement need them

-For a delicious white cake take one cup of white sugar, one-third of a cup of melted butter, whipped to a cream, one-third of a cup of milk, and stir thoroughly; then add one cup of flour, sifted, one-third of a cup of corn-starch and one teaspoonful of baking-powder. Take the whites of four eggs, beat them to a stiff froth and stir in thoroughly; flavor with lemon and bake slowly.

-For excellent lemon creams, pare four lemons very thin, and put the peel in twelve tablespoonfuls of water; squeeze the juice into eight ounces of finely-powdered sugar; take the yelks of ten eggs, well beaten, and add the peel water and juice gradually, and strain through a muslin cloth into a stew-pan; stir one way over a slow fire until it becomes quite thick, taking care not to let it boil; serve in custard cups.

-One of the best omelets we have ever caten is made after Catherine Owen's recipe: Take the crumb of a slice of bread, soak it in hot milk (cold will do, but hot is better), beat up whites of four eggs to a high froth; mix the bread with all the milk it will absorb, no more, into a paste, add the yelks of eggs with a little salt, set the pan on the fire with an ounce of butter. Let it get very hot, then mix the whites of eggs with the yelks and bread lightly, pour in the pan, and move about for a minute; if the oven is hot when the omelet is brown underneath set the pan in the oven for five minutes, or until the top is set; then ouble half over, and serve. The advantage of this omelet is that it keeps plump and tender till cold, so that five minutes of waiting does not turn it into leather, the great objection to omelets generally. - N. Y. Examiner.

No Doubt.

The truest successes in life are not

those into which people fall by accident, or those which they win by a single bold stroke, but those into which they grow by a slow and sure unfolding of capacity and power. The most unfortunate thing than can happen to a young man is often the very thing which his friends regard as a piece of exceedingly good luck. There is no better preparation for failure than that a man has been put into a place of influence, responsibility and power, before he has been developed and equipped for it. Men who make this mistake, or have the misfortune, commence life at the apex of the pyramid, and descend, step by step, to the bottom. The true road success leads in the opposite direcrising step by step until he was second in command of one of the California steamers sailing from New York.

tion; it begins in small things, and by a pay, he is not so bound to his trade that he cannot try his hand at something else.

In such times, too, he feels at liberty to CHICAGO HERALD COMP'Y

As trains run to and from Union Depots But like many others, in consequence deferred, moves on from one point of ask the alumni of his institution to assist of that vice which has dragged down so achievement to another, meeting each in securing him employment. This may. many even from high positions, he lost new opportunity with an increased perhaps, seem a trivial matter, but as a his situation, came back to Boston, sank power and each new duty with an enlarged outlook upon the work to be circumstances, while those who are able rested for breaking into a store. He done. The method of growth is the was sentenced to State Prison for four method of nature, and no man can copy many a college man will testify to en-When received at the prison he was the only methods that are helpful and alumni in times of commercial deprestaken to the bath-room—the usual cus-tom—bathed, shaved and clipped; the whole matter of success in life in a life might have been very different. few pathetic words descriptive of the There is one other point suggested by race in which those who started with most of promise were left behind, and the unexpected winner came to the front by virtue of qualities unsuspected at the the same cell, "No—," into which he, beginning. The promise of success is when a child, had been thrust for a monot in brilliancy of gift, in quickness of action, nor in high ambitions, but in that patience which is in itself a noble achievement. The man who is sure to win waits for success while he slowly trains himself in all the schools of work, endurance and study. The patient man has no expectation of carrying off the crown when he has passed the first stone of their youth be spent in academic halls. in the course, and the shouts of the spec- where the worry of business is unknown. tators, if they applaud his speed, have Let the selection of their special branchno other effect upon him than to urge | es of engineering labor be deferred until him on over the tract which lies between | they are qualified by age and experience him and the distant goal. He places to select. Overwork and gray hairs come his faith not in tricks, or devices, or soon enough to men, even when life is luck, but in the development of himself | begun at twenty-two, and by commencby a law of nature which is as certain in ing younger nothing whatever seems to its operations as that which moves the be gained, but rather much seems to be planets in their courses. There is not lost. the slightest doubt that patience wins the most lasting successes, and that he alone wishes to attain success and happiness

check for her trunk.

two feet through the air. Her body struck the side of the station building nied graciously," says a philosopher. That may be so; but denials, however

-The editor of the Troy Press, who was recently horsewhipped, is said to have purchased a sixteen-dollar revolver, and is now employed in shooting apples off the heads of his reporters. -The rate of vibration of the rattle-

snake's tail has, been determined by Dr.

Ott to be sixty per second. The method of experiment was to attach a pen to the on a revolving drum.

dred pages, and life is too short to read Norristown Herald.

lie prints of that city, a very sensible suggestion to the effect that the fire department should be supplied with large nets into which, when supported by poles, persons in danger of incineration could jump from any height.

to living in the northern districts of China as in some of the western States. The hurricanes, floods and other calamities that afflict the Celestial empire are as fearful as any in this country. -The system of co-operation in France is rapidly extending among farmers for

the purchse of seeds, manures and implements of the first quality. The members of the society bind themselves individually to guarantee the payment of all orders given. -Bicycling is rapidly becoming universally popular, and scarcely any sec-

Good Hope, and a club in Cape Town has about seventy members. -The new ship canal which is to connect the Baltic and the North Seas will save nearly 600 miles of the water journey now made around the Danish peninsula. The cut, as proposed, will be from Gluckstadt to Kiel, and the length will be about half that of the Seuz Canal, or some fifty miles. As in

in the two cases are far different.

in general, hold responsible and lucrative positions. On graduating, they began at the bottom of the ladder with low pay,

a very few years of practice.

And when we look at the question from other points of view than the financial, everybody will agree that the young man of education has the advantage. The locating engineer, for example, does his work with a more cheerful mind, if he knows something about the rocks of the country through which he travels. He has an interest in the progress of science in general, as well as in that of his own specialty. When the panic comes that stops his work and his terms to agents and clubs. her methods too closely. They are couragement received from his brother the remarks made two weeks ago, by Herbert Spencer, concerning overwork and gray hairs, that should receive the careful attention of parents who are puzzled to know whether to give their boys a technical education or put them at once into practical work. Much of course depends on the boys, but if they have any liking for study, we say by all means let them continue at it. In these days of hurrying business rush and overwork,

MISCELLANEOUS.

-It takes but thirteen minutes to lead an elephant on a train, while it takes twenty for any sort of woman to kiss her friends good-by and lose the -A girl at Richmond Hill, L. L., was struck by an engine and thrown sixty-

with such force as to break the boards. -"That is half-granted which is desweetly made, do not fill the contribu-

snake's rattle, the record being received -The success of a Roman Catholic colony, including several County Cork (Ireland) farmers, in Greeley County, Neb., has encouraged Mr. Lane to form a syndicate of capitalists, with the view of establishing a similar Irish colony in

- The strongest man in the country lives in Georgia. His name is William Mills, and he is reported to carry 4,000 pounds on his shoulders. This is nearly as much as the late Dr. Winship, the champion strong man could lift in har-

-A new book is called "How to Keep

Store." It is a work of several hun-

The best way to keep a store is to advertise judiciously, and thus prevent it falling into the hands of the Sheriff. --A Boston man has made, in the pub-

-There are quite as great objections

tion of the civilized world is now without a bicycle club. There is a flourishing organization in Port Elizabeth, Cape of

the Seuz Canal, there are several small lakes lying in the way, which will be utilized by the engineers.

Education for Civil Engineers.

If a census could be taken of all the young men of the age of thirty who are in charge of parties on railroad location or construction, it would be found that those who graduated from technical schools were receiving the highest salaries and had the best prospects for pro-motion and further, we feel confident that in number they would far outrank the others. This cannot be said of men of fifty, for thirty years ago, when they were young, technical schools were scarcely known. To argue that, because these older engineers have attained reputation and success without the advantages of scientific education, the young men of to-day can do so likewise is certainly fallacious, for the conditions

An inspection of the lists of graduates given in some of the catalogues of technical institutes shows that young men who have been six years out of the school. but they have rapidly mounted the steps, passing and often leaving far behind those who began the ascent when five years younger. In fact, we know of no profession where the graduate advances so rapidly as in civil engineering. A young doctor finds it hard to obtain patients, even when he furnishes both services and medicine gratis. A young lawyer is glad to take cases where he receives nothing if he loses, and almost nothing if he wins. But the young civil engineer earns at once as rodman or draughtsman fifty dollars a month, and usually double or triple that amount after

The indications are, that technical education, as a qualification for techni-cal pursuits, will grow every year more and more important, until finally it will become, as it is now in Germany, indispensable. Already some railroads hire for their field parties and draughting Frank W. Palmer (Postmaster of Chigraduates. They do this because they Daily for find it pays. A young man who is trained how to think is of more value to them at higher wages than one who does his work by rule of thumb at lower wages. He does more work in a day and does it

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