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very bad.

The authorities enter the condemned

man's room in the early morning, tak-

the hour is come. From the time of

waking him to the moment of his ex-

ecution takes about half an hour. This

includes his interview with the priest, a

this moment asked the name of an as-

sistant who had been kind to him, in

order that he might preserve it in his

curate observation in one instance, only

fourteen seconds elapsed between the

time at which the prisoner put his feet

on the scaffold and that at which his

head fell into the basket. The scene

The logical neatness of the French

organization seems rather to fail in this

instance, The execution is public, but

the greatest care is taken that as few

people as possible shall attend it. The time is not known, except to the few enthusiasts who watch till they see the

scaffold erected on the night before the

event. Great care is taken to treat the

eriminal kindly, especially in the rather doubtful matter of getting the business

over as soon as he is out of bed; yet he

has all the misery of suspense, and,

moreover, of suspense in a straight-waistcoat. If the execution were in

private, as is now the case in Germany,

England and the great part of the

United States, the prisoner might have

the melancholy satisfaction of knowing

beforehand how long he was to live.

The interests, however, of the prisoner

are of comparatively little importance.

Nobody can look forward to the guillo-

tine without considerable reluctance.

or less unpleasant is not of very mate-

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pation of death, and Du Camp tries to

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The dawn grows red in the East,
With pomp of purple and gold,
And curtains of trailing mist
Are in gauzy films uprolled.
The sun like a painter comes
To illumine the background gray,
And he wields his magic brush,
Though few know it, Everyday.

Draws faint pink streaks in the cast Rehearse for a royal feast.
The robin, linnet and lark
Are songsters gladsome and gay, The music they make is good And they make it Everyday.

At earliest morning hour,
And the bee its soft drone starts
In the wet and dewy flower.
The seund of all growing things
Isheard in the wind-harp's lay, The song of peace and love, And earth makes it Everyday.

The brook begins with its song

There are children glad as dreams.
And they fill fair homes with light.
And their voices chime in chords
Of joy from morn till night,
Throughout the whole wide earth
The children dance and are gay. The throb of the rhythm is sweet, And 'tis measured Everyday. There are battles for the right, By men who are brave and true, nd the world will never know Half the valiant deeds they do.

The Art of Carrying Out the Death Penalty in France-A French Opinion as to the Perfection of the Present System of rather prolonged ceremony of taking off Execution-Treatment of the Prisoner and putting on his straight waistcost,

to consider from a practical point of half the time, so that a man might be view, as to the pleasantest mode of being asleep as the hour struck and be withexecuted. Is hanging, or beheading, or out his head at a quarter. That part poisoning the least disagreeable? How of the proceedings, however, which long a time should elapse between the takes place within view of the public is sentence and the infliction of the penal-ty? The good old plan in France was to get as much amusement out of a pris-ty product the public is expeditious enough. The trying mo-ment is that at which the guillotine, which is painted a dull red color, first oner as possible by using slow methods becomes visible, and it is then that the for the infliction of death; and a case criminal tries, often in vain, to brace is recorded where a wretched criminal survived twenty-four hours on the wheel.

They enjoyed the whole proceeding, and case himself with a view to dying game and leaving a creditable name among his companions. Characteristically, too, it good-night at ten o'clock, went to her companions. regarded it as a kind of dramatic enter- is in these moments that they try to tainment, combining instruction with recall the word, carefully prepared be- and posted to the city of New York, amusement. "If capital punishment is forehand, with which they are to take still a necessity," says a French writer, leave of this world. "Adieu, enfants "we would seek to withdraw it in every way from public attention. The present of one Avinain, "n'avouer jamais; c'est system would reach its ultimate perfecce que m' a perdu." Another man at tion if criminals were entirely withdrawn from public notice on the instant of their condemnation. After sentence had been pronounced, and the doors of memory. But the scaffold is close to the doors of the court had closed the prison; and, according to an acupon them, they would never again be visible to human eyes, except to two or three persons intrusted with the duty of ushering them out of the world. The mystery which would rest all over the details of their fate would perhaps be may be hideous enough, but it is commore impressive than the most elabo- mendably short. rate display, and even criminals might feel a greater horror at sinking, as it were, suddenly into darkness, than at

of execution in France, and of the treat-

ment of the criminal during the last days of his life. clothing being carefully removed for fear of his anticipating the action of the law. He is then dressed in the usual prison costume, with the exception of be convenient for suicidal purposes. Finally, he is put into a straight waistcoat, which makes him totally incapable of using deadly instruments, even if he wished to, or of helping himself in and whether the days are a little more any way. He is constantly in the presence of a guard and of a tellow-prisoner ready to act as a spy. The prisoner thus treated is generally reduced to a gust at the publicity of executions does state of profound depression. He generally refuses at first, even to give the capital punishment. The French are mitted by French law, and almost in- give him half an hour of certain anticivariably gives way afterward by the advice of counsel and the director of the show that the time might be reduced prison. Meanwhile he is allowed to to half. The next step would be to cut amuse himself according to his fancy, off his head before he is awake; and so far as that expression is applicable when the consummation is reached. to a man in a condemned cell, confined with a straight waistcoat, and with no to put an end to him at all.—Brooklyn company but a spy and his ailers. The Eagle. period of suspense generally breaks down the courage of the most brutal criminals. They listen to the exhortations of a venerable priest whose duty it is to attend upon such cases. They often try to read, and, according to M. Du Camp, the favorite author of these unhappy wretches is Fenimore Cooper. The reason suggested by him is that Cooper leads them into a world of adventure, far removed from European law, where killing is considered to be a creditable occupation. It is doubtful. however, whether the literary taste of murderers, as a rule, can be cultivated. Cooper is probably suggested by the priest or prison authorities as a thoroughly amusing novelist who has not a single passage which could do any human being any harm, even if he were in the immediate expectation of death. However, it is not surprising to hear absorbed in the adventures of Leather Stocking and his companions. The guardians, we are told, are kind enough various irritations, trembles when anyone enters his room, and is often haunt-R. R. Lands for sale at from \$3.00 to \$10.00 | ed by imaginary sounds like the knocktime, in annual payments to suit pur- quently amounts to physical suffering. chasers. We have also a large and choice lot of other lands, improved and under all circumstances but the unpleasant enough under all circumstances, but the uncertainty as to the day of the execution seems to add an unnecessary pang. If

complete abstract of title to all real es- the court decides against the appeal, a memorial is sent to the President of the Republic; and should he see no fit reason for commuting the penalty, orders are at once sent to the various officials concerned to proceed instantly to exe-M. Du Camp dwells elaborately upon the details of the guillotine, whose inventor, he says, did not (as has often been asserted) die by his own creation, but expired peaceably in 1814 at the age of seventy-three. It is by no means so simple a thing as it seems at first sight to cut off a human head with accuracy and dispatch. The efficiency of the machine, for example, depends entirely on a modification supplied by a Dr. Louis, who made the edge of the knife oblique instead of horizontal, and who, like other improvers, nearly got the whole credit of the invention, which for some time was called a louisine. A good deal depends upon the skill and coolness of the executioner-more, it would and for an Oliver every time. - N. Y. appear, than in the case of a hangman. He has with one hand to hold down the criminal, who sometimes struggles and

tude; he then has to turn the proper screws, and afterward, by a single, pressure of the hand, to send the body The Girl That Elopes.

Girls have been in the habit of elopdown an inclined plane to the basket. Two assistants hold the sufferer by the ing on o casions as long as girls have been. It is a practice that can not be head and keep down his legs; and, as recommended in general. Commendable or not, however, girls will do it. The reasons for leaving the paternal M. Du Camp remarks, unless they perform their duty with a simultanite irreprochable, the gravest inconveniences roof between two days in company might result. It appears, however, that this has never been the case of late with a young man appear to be varied. Sometimes a cruel parent selects a years, owing, perhaps, to the qualifica-tions of the chief performer. He is not only a man of colossal strength, and clad in black garments of elaborate neatness, but, like his predecessor, has husband without asking the daughter's consent. Oftener some would-be husband selects the daughter and the old man won't consent, thus necessitating elopement for the double purpose conferred many advantages on the con-demned by ameliorations in his instruof getting married and escaping the paternal boot. On occasions the elopement is necessary to avoid the revolver ment. He is so sensitive that he is genor shot-gun of another fellow who has erally ill for days after an execution, and M. Du Camp complains that, considering his qualifications, he is miserably paid. He receives only \$800 a year, besides an allowance of \$1,800 for suptaken a notion to the girl. Ordinarily elopements do not take place if the course of true love meets with no obstacle in the home of either member of plying the necessary materials. He has the seeking-to-be-wedded couple. the charge, it seems, of seven depart-ments; but, considering that there have been only forty executions in Paris in Girls are freakish, however, and

no apparent cause whatever. It will be remembered that a daughter of the the last fifty years, the salary is not so immortal Mr. Wardle was getting ready to run away with a famous Pickwekian without so much as suging infinite precautions not to disturb his sleep by turning the key abruptly. They then rouse him to tell him that gesting to her adorable Snodgrass the propriety of asking her father whether he had any objections to the wedding taking place at home in the usual way. The sixteen year-old usual way. The sixteen year-old daughter of a late ex-Alderman of Long Island ("ty has made herself famous by an actual elopement of this kind. She was pretty and rich, and answered to the charming name of Fanny. Her brother had a friend by the name of Walter, who was also rich, good-looking, and twenty-five. Walter visited the brother and fell in love with Fanny, which, under the circumstances, was natural enough. Nobody had any obje tion to Walter or the match, and if Walter had asked for Fanny she would have been given to him. But Walter and Fanny concluded to

sometimes run away to be married for

be romantic, and run away to get married. Fanny spent the day kissing her mother, and wondering what in the living world she would wear to get where they were married, after which a note was sent home, and the materhad by word of mouth for the asking, was telegraphed to them, and they went on their wedding tour rejoicing.

The only explanation that can be given for this highly gratuitous elopement is that it runs in the family. Two older sisters of Miss Fanny have secured husbands by this method. Whether the mother of these eloping daughters set the example by eloping herself is not reported, but as the eloping tendency appears to be irresistible in the blood, it is not at all improbable. If Fanny's mother has any more unmarried daughters, however, who develop an alarming inclination to kiss her on any particular day, she should employ detectives at once to shadow the over-affectionate girl, unless she wants the elopement to succeed. The eloping tendency is too strong in that family to be checked by anything short of the most rigorous measures. -Philadelphia Times.

The Disease of Modern Writers.

Egotism, that is the prevailing dis-

ease of modern writers. Such is the "The I in Contemporary Literature" in girl seemed to appreciate the fact. But a recent number of the Revue Politique it was neither the peddler nor the girl et Litteraire, which may well be taken | who constituted the curious sight alto heart by writers on this side the luded to. The wagon, with the thoughtenannel. M. Guillemot, denouncing ful horse between the shafts, stood in the growing tendency of authors and the middle of the road. A tarpaulin dramatists and artists to thrust them- covered the fish, and at three points, selves and their private life before the about equi-distant, three cats' tails were public, traces the origin of the malady visible above the cloth, and the vibrato America. Unless it is checked, he declares that it must of necessity lower object at the other end was enjoying the standard of all modern literary productions. It is natural enough that an author, an artist, or a poet should be said the Morrisania lady, "but each ambitious to leave an honored name to fish peddler is followed by his own parposterity; but that is an altogether dif- ticular cats. They seem to know the ferent thing from craving to be talked sound of his horn, and trot out of their about and marveled at while in the land houses as soon as he blows it. Each of the living. Formerly the poet sang his song, the author told his tales. and lowing it. I don't think any affection the artist completed his work without for the peddler influences their selecever a thought of putting himself to tion, for, if it does, there is no reciprocity the front. Whether he was married or of the sentiment, for, while the cat may single, whether tall or short, fair or love the peddler, the peddler invariably dark, sanguine or bilious what had this hates the cat. I am inclined to think to do with his work? No one knew, and | that the attraction lies in the quality of no one cared to know. They gave their | the fish. I fancy that herring is the faspirit, their mind to the world, and be- vorite fish of a cat. (ats are also fond side this they were nothing to the pub- of shad, but they dislike the bone. lic at large. They remembered Con-fucius' words: "Do not talk of yourself, three weeks have gone by the cats will either good or evil: because in the former case no one would believe you, and in the latter everybody would." Within the last two centuries all this has changed. At present all houses are built of glass, the inhabitants themselves being the architects, throwing open to the gaze of the public even those chambers which have hitherto been held sacred in their privacy. "And is not this fact," asks M. Guillemot, "the characteristic of modern society? A curious society, thanks to which the term private life is nothing but a vain phrase, and Paris an immense crystal palace." Fortunately for France these evils do not originate within its frontiers, but come, like tempests, across the Atlantic from "that powerful nation which in turn astonishes the world by its grandeur and its folly, its tempt for inferior races; from the United States, which let a Lincoln die and a Barnum live." Audacious, resolute Americans exercise the same influence on the French which every firm spirit does on the weak and undecided. "We are as wax in their hands." It was in America that conferences and lectures originated, the Yankees having always had a great desire to approach the persons of great men. That, however, is due to a physical defect, which incapacitates the American from seeing the difference between a justly celebrated poet and a two-headed calf - a remark which Mr. Arnold will perhaps not be slow to appreciate. It is by no means the deep interest in the works of a great man which excites this curiosity among the people; in the same degree as art declines, the personalty of the artist inereases in interest. American journalism and reporting strengthen this tendency to pry into the private life of public characters, and France has eager-ly taken up the evil habit.—Pull Mall

that the daily increase of wealth in the United States is upward of \$25,-000,000, or about \$838,000,000 a year. which is one-third as much as the entire increase in wealth of the whole of the rest of the world. England, whose increase in wealth is next to er but little over a third of our own

A great many years ago a prisoner of state, who was allowed to cheer the solitude of his dungeon by playing on his flute, discovered after a while that every time he played a great number of spiders gathered about him. Since then, the liking of spiders for music has been proved. I myself had often wished to play for a spider audience, but I was not well enough acquainted with any musical instrument to coax a

WHOLE NO. 745.

A scientific gentleman gave me a valuable hint by an experiment of his own. He used a tuning-fork. Now I can play a tuning-fork as well as anybody. I procured a tuning-fork, and then sought out a spider. I found a a handsome, brand-new web, and though I did not see Mistress Epeira, I knew she must be at home. Epeira diadema is her full name, though mest persons call her a garden spider. It is she who makes those beautiful, wheellike webs which festoon the rose-bushes

As I have said, Madame Spider was not visible. I knew, however, she must be in her gossamer parlor, which is at-

When there, she quickly caught hold of each of the spokes one after the other, and gave it a little tug, as a boy does his fishing-line to see if a tish is hooked. Fach was passed by until she came to the spoke upon which the hum-ming fork rested. There she stopped, and it was easy to see she was excited. She gave the whole web a shake; then tugged at the spoke again. "Hum-mm m" still sang the fork, rather faintly

now, however. was made up. Down she darted and caught the end of the fork in her arms. and at the same time she spun a web of silk around and around the two

I pulled the fork away and Madame Epeira retired in disappointment to the center of the web. But if she was disappointed, so was I, for I was satisfied that it was not the music of the fork that had attracted her. Unfortunately, it was altogether too probable that she mistook the hum of the fork for the buzz of a fly, -a sort of music no doubt

very sweet to her. Time after time I repeated the experiment with the fork, touching in turn each spoke of the web, and each time Madame Spider was deluded into trying to capture the tuning-fork. It was odd that she did not learn wisdom by repeated disappointment. John R. Coryell, in St. Nicholas.

Loved by the Cats.

"There is a curious sight," said a lady, pointing out of the parlor win-

one in this neighborhood." tory motion of each indicated that the

"It is a most extraordinary thing," three weeks have gone by the cats will look with contempt upon shad and follow the mackeral wagons. I see there is a fourth tail sticking up above the tarpaulin."

wagon seized a tail and dragged out a was made the recipient of a hard kick, and its three fellows were similarly

treated .- N. Y. Sun.

A Dentist Takes a Mean Advantage. A practical joker of the sly order is Dr. Henderson, a Brooklyn dentist. The Doctor does not look unlike a pious divine, and his mode of conducting himself, coupled with a sauctimonious timbre of voice, completes the deception. He was, of course, too much of a gentleman to engage in a scrimmage when he knew the odds were against him; so later the prize-tighter had a bad tooth tray his emotions. By dint of eloquent persuasion he induced the prize-tighter to take laughing gas, and when the Doctor's old-time fire returned. Hurrying over to his old friend. Professor William Clark, he borrowed a pair of boxing-gloves and then returning to the office went to work at the prize-fighter. When the latter awoke he had two handsome black eyes, and his nose was bleeding with delightful freedom.

"What is it?' asked the prize-fighter, when he opened his eyes. "Keep perfectly quiet," urged the Doctor, concealing his boxing-gloves under the chair, "you've fractured your

mouth, extracted the tooth and charging him \$2 for the job, advised him to go home and go to bed at once. The Doctor is always doing very funny things, but whenever he sees that prize-fighter he has to sit down for about an hour in some cool place and chuckle.-N. Y. Journal.

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-It is estimated that four million strawberry plants were set in West

Tennessee this spring. -A new process in shot-making does away with all the tall towers. A strong current of air is forced on the lead as it falls into the water.

-Yankton, Dakota, is to have a pork-packing establishment, with a capacity of one thousand hogs per day. -A Pasadena (Cal.) man has invented an apparatus for grafting vines which is said to be a great improve-ment over the hand method, and by it two men can graft 1,200 vines in ten

-Dr. Vinke writes in the St. Louis Courier of Medicine that more persons are killed by the enormous amount of whisky they take when bitten by a snake than by the bite itself. He has himself used large doses of quinine in snake bite with success, and wants physicians to test the remedy.

-Twenty-five years ago the ice consumed in Texas was carried from Boston in sailing vessels, and the people of the interior of the State seldom saw any of it. Now there are ice factories at Denison, Fort Worth, Waco, Austin, San Antonio, Houston, Dallas, and in fact in nearly all the large towns, and the cooling luxury is cheap and com-

-- A peculiar kind of building stone is found in some localities in Oregon, having the property of being uninjured by the action of cold, beat or moisture. It is called granite sandstone, is very rich in Silica, of a close, fine grain, highly crystalized, unlaminated and of a fine brown color. On being brought to a white heat and suddenly plunged in cold water it comes out as solid and firm as at first .- ('hicago Journal.

-There is an invention spoken of which it is thought may abolish the bit. It is called the carrago, or anti-horse torture. It is composed of a steel band placed over the front bone of the horse's lose, and to this appliance the reins are attached. The inventor claims for this substitute for the bit that it gives complete control to the driver over the comfort or torture on the animal itself. It has been tried with satisfactory results. N. Y. Sun.

-Dr. Thomas Stevenson, in Guy's Hospital reports, asserts "that water does, under certain conditions, act energetically upon zine and upon gal-vanized iron." As zine and galvanized iron tanks are commonly used for storing water, it is well to know Dr. Stevenson's test for the presence of zine in that fluid. The clear water is slightly acidulated with hydrochloric acid, ferrocyanide of potassium is then added; if zinc be present a whitish cloud will immediately form.

-At a recent fire in Boston the Insurance Brigade used a new device for the first time. It is called a water tunnel, and is used to carry water from floors to the street. It is simply a large tunnel of conical shape, similar to that used for pouring liquids into narrowmouthed receptacles, and has a short piece of hose attached, which is carried out of a window. The device is mouthed on a tripod, and is placed directly un-der a hole cut through the floor above. The water on the floor is then forced in the hole and carried through the hose into the street, instead of being driven down the stairway, as has before been the case. Boston Post.

PITH AND POINT.

It is fortunate, now that our forests are rapidly becoming extinct, that we are no longer dependent upon the maple tree for our maple sugar. But on tran-

A housewife wants to know how to save dishes from being broken. It is the simplest thing in the world. Simply nick all the pieces on want to save. and they will last till the crack of doom. N. Y. G aphic.

Anybody who has examined a doctor's handwriting on a prescript on will not wonder that a drug clerk fre mently puts up morph ne when the recipe calls or carraway eed or some such harmless drug. Ro la at Courier. - Marie (who is on a rug by the fireplace fondling h r Skye). "How nice

ta en to church! ' Algernon: "Why, haven t you enough things already, dear, to distract you from the sermon - I anic Avenue: There's a street in New York known as Wall, har famous for wind and for gall,

Where men who so in

twill be, Algernon, when Snip is old

enough and we'l-behaved enough to be

Intending to win
Come out with just nothing at all. Man is a harvester. He begins life at the cradle: learns to handle the fork; often has rakish ways and sows wild oats; threshes his way through the world, and when he arrives at the sere and yellow leaf, time mows him down and his remains are planted on the hill-

- "Inquirer." No, an intelligence office is not a place to look for intelligence. The name is entirely rrelevant. But if you want a green house girl whom you will lave to teach all she will ever know, that is the place where they have them on draught. Titles do not signify anything in America. -Lowell Citizen.

-An English scientific gentleman has discovered that gold coins are covered with bacteria, which are liable to produce all kinds of horrible diseases. We have often wondered what was the mysterious cause which, for many years, has pre-ented our carry ng around gold coins. Now we know. No condition of impecuniosity will ever induce us to go around with a pocketful of gold hereafter. - Tex is Si. mis.

-"How many of your parents, children, say grace?" asked the Sundayschool teacher. ", lease, mum, what's them." asked an over grown girl in a last year's hat. "Why, Maggie!" exela med the teacher; 'is it possible you don't know what grace is.' Doesn't your father say something before you begin to cat." "Oh" responded the girl, with a glow of intelligence, "ves, mum: he doe- he always says. 'Don't make hogs of you selves; that's all the butter there is in the house." - Bos'on

-There is a headstone in the Yaroo ity (Miss.) Cemetery bearing the following inscription on one side "Sacred to the memory of 'leorg. M. Hancock, born in Frederick County, Virginia, September 30, 1806; died in Yszoo (ity, Getober 28, 1805, aged forty-seven years and twenty-eight days." On the opposite side is the following: "Sacred to the nemory of John M. Hancock, born in Fairfax County, Virginia, December 8, 1796; died in Yazoo City. March 6, 1851. Here lie two grandsons of John Hancock, the first signer of the Declaration of Independence.

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There is a common question, which it is to be hoped a few of us may have

Line Prisoner

Cutting his hair, and conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conduction of the conduction of the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conduction of the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages; and M. Du Camp suggests that by certain easy in the conducting him through various passages.

once more appearing to play a conspicuous part before the eyes of their fellow-This pitch of perfection has not yet been attained, and M. Du Camp gives a curious account in the Revue des Deux Mondes of the present stage of the art

Directly after his condemnation he is stripped naked, every fragment of his handkerchief and cravat, which might necessary powers for the appeal ad-

A Pestered Professor. No other habitual Gothamite has had as much experience with the bunkomen as Prof. Dundon, of the Normal College. At least a dozen of them have tackled him at one time or another, under the impression that he was a countryman just waiting to be fleeced. All who have taken him in hand, though, have found that he knows several things besides beans and turnips. The Professor is a rotund sort of man, with ruddy face, good-natured expression and hearty and comfortable appearance in general. He dresses rather carelessly, and this helps to deceive the swindlers. who take him for a farmer or country store-keeper with a good bank account. When they first took a fancy to the Professor and began showing him attentions that murderers generally fail to become on the street he did not quite understand it, and it annoved him a little, but now he does understand, and, as his humorous faculties are pretty well deto try to distract their attention, but veloped, he rather enjoys a bunko interthe poor wretch whose day of execution is not fixed is naturally a prey to and the smartest has not yet made a dime out of him. When addressed by one of them he is always attentive and per acre for cash, or on five or ten years | ing of a hammer. This, it is said, fre- apparently a little surprised. He is never at a loss for a name and a residence, and he has been in a few years a dozen different persons, hailing from as many different places, and engaged in a dozen different kinds of business. A favorite ruse of his is to fool the bunko men in this way: The first accosts him, for instance, as Mr. Johnston, of Johnstown. The Professor disavows Johnston and says he is Mr. Bliss, of Blissville. Off goes scamp number one to his pal and tells him the stranger is Bliss, of Blissville. Then along comes number two with: "Ah, Mr. Bliss, very glad," etc., and the Professor sets him back by saying he is Mr. Johnston, of Johnstown. When number two rejoins number one the pair come to the conclusion that it won't pay to work the stranger any further, though he occa-sionally loiters long enough to give them another chance just for fun. Most

of the bunko men now know the Pro-

fessor by sight and let him alone, but

the new hands go for him now and then. -An English statistician maintains and feel a little discouraged by the resuit. While he does not invite the attentions of any of the tribe, he is always ready to receive them, and give a Rol-Cor. Betreit Free Press.

Gazette.

-To prevent milk souring, put in a generally gots out of the proper afti- small portion of bicarbonate of soda.

A Trick on a Spider.

tune out of it.

tached to the web. Here was a good chance to try tuningfork music. I rapped the fork on a stone, and in a moment a soft, melodious hum filled the air. I touched one of the spokes of the web with the fork. On the instant, Madame flew out of her parlor in great haste, hesitated a moment at the outer edge of the web, and then, instead of going straight to the tun ng-fork, ran to the very center of

Madame was satisfied. Her mind

prongs, which by this time had ceased

dow of her house in Morrisan a one day last week; "but it is a common enough The reporter looked, and saw a fish peddler flirting with a servant girl across the road. He was evidently a conclusion of a thoughtful article on prosperous peddler, and the servant

itself.

There was, and the peddler saw it too, He put a rapid end to his courtship, and, softly stepping toward his cat with a shad in its mouth. The cat

It is said of the Doctor that during one of his exciting political campaigns he quietly bided his time. Some months and dropped into the Doctor's office to have it pulled. The latter instantly re-cognized his assailant, but did not beruffian had become unconscious the

jugular."
Then he put a cork in his patient's

our own, makes only a profit on all —Over one hundred people nave been her business of \$300,000,000 a year, killed by gas at hotels in the United