The telephone, Rang "Tinkelty, tinkelty-tink!" l put my ear Close up to hear, And what did I hear, do you think?

Papa, hello Tis me, you know!"
The voice of my own little miss: "You went away From home to-day, And you nevergave me a kiss!

"It was a mistake, I was not awake Before you went out of the house; I thought that a kiss If I gave it as sly as a modse!

So here goes, papa, And another when you come home; Just answer me this, is it nice to kiss When you want through the dear telephone?

"Hello!" I reptied, With fatherly pride, "I've got them as snug as can be;
I'll give them all back,
With many a smack,
Whenever I come home to tea!"

THE BLUE PENCIL.

Reasons Proving That It "Runs the World."

look for perfection in the office of a Government. newspaper which sells for two cents a "Ah! What's this?" remarked the pencil found themselves upon the same desk. This certainly should not have came together it would be difficult to say at this late day; it was probably an oversight on the part of the office boy, or perhaps the owners had been careless-but they were there, and nothing was left for them but to make the best of the situation.

"Well." observed the pen through the layers of ink which corroded its once bright golden surface and muffled its voice, "how are you to-day?" "Pretty well, thank you," replied the olue pencil affably. It could afford to

worn smooth at both ends. "And how are you?" asked the pen

of the shears. "I'm all right," replied the shears with a snap, for the shears felt the im- until now there is an almost uninterportance of its position and was far rupted line of telegraphic communicafrom being humble. A large portion tion extending around the globe, and, of the paper was cut out with its sharp but for a few thousand miles between edges, and it felt with some slight degree of justice that it was indispensa-

"Well," remarked the pen, after these fraternal greetings had been ex-

"Not any more so than I." answered the shears, with pardonable vanity. "That Washington special which created such a sensation vesterday was done by me. I cut it out of a Boston paper. If it hadn't been for me I

"I think I had something to do with that special, myself," interposed the mucilage, thickly, for the first time obtruding its voice. "I stuck the extracts together and put them into shape for the foreman of the composing room."

"For that matter," answered the boy who carried the copy to the copy box, the editor who saw it, and the man who wrote it for the Boston paper might as well claim some share in the

"Why not, indeed?" retorted the mucilage. "So you think so?" answered the shears. "Well, I would like to know how they would ever have got their work into the paper had I not cut it

"Fight it out between you," interrupted the pen. "That's right, fight it out; but I would like to know how your special would have looked if I had not written the headlines, changed Norway, 52 cents; Portugal, 57 cents; the date and put in a few words crediting the dispatch to 'our own correspondent.' I tell you," went on the Spain, 58 cents; Sweden, 56 cents; pen, fluidly, as was its wont, "it is I who make the paper. Haven't you ever heard that the 'pen is mightier Islands, \$2.87. than the sword?' Well, that includes shears and mucilage both."

there was nothing to be said. They ten or fraction of ten letters is counted had been long enough in the newspaper business to know what logic was when they saw it. So after a long or letters to a word, plus one word for silence, unbroken save by the evaporation of the water in the mucilage, the composed of words selected from the pen remarked, with a little petulant sigh:

English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Dutch, Portuguese and Latin

newspaper office. queried the shears, rather incredulously

career. I was first bought by a young China to towns or cities in that country man who thought he was a poet. You ought to have seen what I used to write | thirty-seven cents for postage .- Albany

"I shouldn't like to," observed the shears, sagely. "I see enough bad poetry in the exchanges."
"I should say so," added the mucil-

What do you know about it?" retorted the shears. "You see only called, for sea-sickness, yet med cal the other side of what I cut out. You science, we believe, refuses to put forth give names, as it would ward.

always want to stick yourself for- any of them either as preventives or as color, but before it could recover its ear nor to the hope, are wine and

"He couldn't make half a living. At spirits. An anecdote of President Linlast he had to give it up. He is now a coln, related in the Century, shows he is getting rich. I was next owned remedies. by a young man who wrote comic stories for the weekly papers. He thought they were funny, but I'll give arrival by the General and his staff. you my word, they were not. They always affected me to tears, and I often replied: felt like a grave-digger's spade. I never was so misused. A man ought pretty badly shaken up on the bay to have some consideration for the feel- coming down, and am not altogether lings of his pen. If he did," continued over it yet." the pen, with rare and radiant wisdom, "it would be better for him in many pagne for you, Mr. President," said : cases. After standing this sort of staff-officer; "that is the best remedy I thing until my points ached, he was know of for sea-sickness." offered the position of live stock reporter on a newspaper, and I was relieved the President; "I've seen many a man

of further misery. Next I was owned in my time sea-sick ashore from drink-by a young novelist. He used to write ing that very article." romances which often made his readers weep. He had lived in many places up sufficient courage to offer him wine. and was old for his years. When he - Youth's Companion. wrote he put his own life into his pages. He expressed his own emotions and told his own love story."

"That depends upon the way you piano, and no matter where the pigeon look at it. She didn't marry him, and is it will start immediately for the parhe always felt that his life was blighted, lor and perch itself on the piano, showand every story he wrote bore that im- ing vumistakable signs of pleasure.

THE JOURNAL. | pression. But I have no doubt that he was just as well off without her. I The Costly Dishes from Which Fashion have noticed," continued this wise little pen, "that most men are about as well off without their particular Heras. with Her. After a while he gave me to a dramatist and I used to write plays that make me blush to this day to recall. He made more money than any of the previous owners. He has made as much as three thousand dollars out of one absurd play filled with stuff and rubbish that I wouldn't like to repeat. That was ages ago, though, and I have belonged to a newspaper writer for months and months. Since then I have been doing great work. I have advised the President about his duties. I have dictated the policy of foreign governments. I have managed two campaigns and made and unmade many a public man. Yes," added the spreading its nibs apart with "I am great now. I run the

world.' "You and I together," remarked the shears. "And I, too," observed the mucilage, tenaciously.

"You?" retorted the pen and shears tenaciously. "You little bottle of gum. You are not to be mentioned in the same connection as we." "I have some work to do to-day."

aid the pen, after a pause. "I have to write an editorial on the Situation in Bulgaria. "And I have a column special on the 'Value of Republican Institutions'

to cut out," added the shears. A few minutes later the owners of the speakers came into the office and claimed their property. Late that night there lay on the desk of the All newspaper offices are not so or- managing editor a beautifully written derly as they should be, but this is only editorial on the Lastern question and a to be expected. It would be unfair to column of reprint describing in glowing terms the value of our form of

copy. It would also be useless. So it managing editor, as he grasped the happened one day that a pen, a pair of blue pencil in his fingers. "Bulgaria? shears, a pot of mucilage and a blue Rot!" and down went the pencil through the pages from the title to the last line.

"And what is this? Republicanism? occurred, for these potent factors of Doesn't that fool of an exchange journalism belonged to different per- reader know that this is a Democratic sons. The pen was the possession of paper? Rubbish!" and again the blue a writer, the shears and mucilage were pencil traversed the paper smoothly the property of the exchange editor of a savage painted for the warpath. but firmly until it looked like the face and the blue pencil was owned by the Then both articles fell into the waste managing editor himself. How they basket, and the blue pencil, with a sly wink and a little chuckle, remarked softly to itself: "I think, myself, that it is the blue

pencil that moulds public opinion. I run the world." The mucilage bottle was revenged.

What It Costs to Send Messages to the Dif-

Benjamin Northrop, in N. Y. Graphic. CABLE TALK.

ferent Parts of the Globe. Since the laying of the first transbe affable, could this little stub of a pen- Atlantic cable in 1858, the extension of tive stew-pan. Others imitate shells, by means of another fluid with specific cil, with its thick vein of blue crayon a connected line of wires from this country to Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and Australia has been progressing with great rapidity. this country and Australia, across the

Pacific, completely girdling it. The constantly recurring frequency of rumors to the effect that a trans-Pacific changed, "I'm pretty well myself. I line is about to be laid gives promise am a little overworked. That is all. I that in the near future this will be achave had a rather hard week of it. I complished. Ordinarily people have have been moulding public opinion, I no idea of the extent to which telegraph lines have been carried. They can not imagine that there is hardly a village of over ten thousand people in any part of the earth but what has its telegraphic station for the receipt and transmission of messages. Nevertheless, such is the fact. That the revenue don't know what the paper would have from such a tremeisdous systematized concern can not but be very large is easily understood when it is known that for messages to some parts of the world from San Francisco a charge equal to over \$10 per word is levied. From Washington to Great Britain, Ireland, France and Germany, to send a mes-

sage costs 42 cents for each word sent. To Alexandria in Egypt it costs 76 shears, with neat sarcasm, the office cents per word; to nearly all places in South Africa, \$2.67 per word. to Rio Janeiro in Brazil, \$2.83; to Callao in Peru, \$6.20; to Burmah in India, \$2.22; to Ceylon, \$1.67; to Canton, Foochow, Nankin, Ningpoo and Soochow, in China, \$2.85; to Amoy, Hong Kong and Shanghai, \$2.47; to Corea, \$3.80; to all ports in Japan, \$3.40; to all scaports of Turkey, 62 cents; to Australia, \$3.07; New Zealand, \$3.32; the Canary Islands, 76 cents. Austria, 53 cents; Belgium, 48 cents; Bulgaria, 56 cents; Corsica, 51 cents; Denmark, 52 cents; Gibraltar, 60 cents; Greece, 58 cents; Holland, 50 cents:

Hungary, 52 cents; Italy 51 cents; Russia in Europe, 60 cents; Russia in Caucasus, 67 cents; Sicily, 51 cents; Switzerland, 48 cents; the Madeira Islands, 80 cents; the Phillippine The maximum length of a chagreble word is fixed at ten letters. Should

Against this indisputable argument a word contain more than ten, every as a word. Groups of figures or letters are counted at the rate of three figures any excess. Code messages must be "I was not always employed in a languages. No cipher messages are allowed in Servia, Roumania, Montenegro, Herzegovina, Bulgaria and Bosnia. Telegrams directed to be "No, indeed! I have had a varied mailed from any telegraph office in must have an additional charge of

> Argus. ----SEA SICKNESS.

Abraham Lincoln's Opinion of a Popular Though there are many remedies, socures. Prominent among the remedies At this rebuke the mucilage changed which keep their promise neither to the

dry-goods merchant, and I understand that he knew the uselessness of these When he visited General Grant at

"I am not feeling very well. I got

"Let me send for a bottle of cham-"No, no, my young friend," replied

That was the last t me any one screwed

-A young lady in Columbus, Ga. has a pet pigeon that is very fond of "It was sad, was it?" asked the music. When she wants it she goes in the parlor and commences playing the

SILVER AND GOLD.

Eats its Chops and Potatoes. The common usage among wealthy persons of giving elaborate dinners has brought about many changes and many improvements in table-ware and the decoration of the table. The change has been in the direction of increased

substitution of massive silverware for the decorated china and porcelain which was popular for several years. The fashion of giving heavy dinner parties seems to have been copied from the English, and the prevailing styles of silverware are also copies of the old English models. Japanese work, hammered work and other styles have had their day, and fashionable silversmiths now manufacture only imitations of the old Oncen Anne or fluted ware, and the reponse flower and leaf patterns of Engl sh and sometimes French design.

Often the fluted and repousse styles are combined, a plan which gives a very handsome effect. The old evergnes carrying several ers, and which obstructed the view across the table, are entirely out of use. which, by an ingenious device, descend as the candles burn down. A welllitted table has two candelabra and four small candlesticks, each carrying a single candle. In the center of the table is a low silver dish resting on a plateau corners are four comports for bon-bons, and beyond these, at each end, a larger

comport for fruit. All are covered

pierced work. The fluted ware is simpler, but not so rich. work, but of a kind far inferior to the of working in silver in this country is much in advance of that in Europe. There is now on exhibition at Tiffany's a pitcher in repousse work of marvelous finish. It is valued at five hundred dollars, and it would not be possible to make another like it in Europe.

The tendency of silver tableware has been to smallness and compactness, and this has affected the size of the smaller ware. The butter-plates, saltcellars and pepper-pots are very diminutive, and as a rule they are decorated in the same manner as the larger pieces although there are many odd and strikcigar-lighter to be passed around after was generally a mixture of salt and dinner, resembles an antique lamp. It | water. has a handle at one end and at the other a wick which burns and sucks up alcohol from the bowl. Pepper-pots come as mushrooms; salt-cellars, strawberries and acorns, and the only limit is

the imagination of the designer. A leading house has a specialty in the use of the Indian chrysanthemum as applied to silverware. It has a very solid and ornamental effect. They also manufacture sets of Indian coffee spoons, like the apostle spoons of old times. The tops of the handles are bammered out into shapes that represent Indians going through their various dances. The work is very delicate and the ornamentation on handles and bowls is copied from wigwam decoration. These spoons are inclosed in boxes covered with deer skin untanned. Other Ind an bon-bon spoons have the tigures in bas-relief and richly colored with enamel. These designs are dis-

tinctively American. In France the teacups are sometimes of silver, but this fashion is not favored here, as the metal heats too easily. Occasionally silver is used for coffee cups, and when decorated like the Niello or Tuba ware, with black and red inserted metal, has a pretty effect; but as a rule tiny cups of richly decorated porcelain for coffee form a part of the regular dinner set. An attempt was made to introduce the French style but it was not successful except for

The substitution and use of silver has been carried so far that there are silver table brushes and crumb pans, silver tongs for lifting asparagus, silver fish knives and forks smaller than those used ordinarily, small silver butter knives for the separate use of each guest, silver call bells, silver toasting and pickle forks, silver bon-bon sets, and indeed all wood and metal used at the table and even in France-has been supplanted by silver. It is easily kept in good condition and readily repaired, a good quality which fine china

does not possess. The custom of making tea at the table has been newly introduced from London, and the silversmiths have tried their hands at making very elaborate tea caddies. The majority are in old English repousse work. The lid is generally used to measure the amount of tea to be used. Fruit plates and salvers in etched silver are an expensive novelty. The plate is covered with varnish, on which the artist etches an original design. It is then exposed to the action of acid, which eats into the s ilver only where the varnish has been scratched away. The result is that the drawing is reproduced in the most elaborate manner, and retains the full spirit of the original. Some of the designs are of sporting and hunting scenes, and the drawings are clever. In making repousse work the design is first snarled out roughly from the interior, which is then filled with cement. The chaser then finishes the design

from the outs de. Gold services are very rare, although they are very servicable, as they do not tarnish. Mrs. Catherine Astor has a gold service, and the fashionable jewelers say they know of other persons who have them, but they decline to be an adversement to thieves. Persons who fancy the gold color use silver gilt. which, when heavily plated, wears well and looks well on a snowy white table cloth. There is something too roval about a gold service to suit most Americans, and perhaps its security would be the cause of too much anxicty. The larger pieces of a silver ser vice in repousse work cost from one thousand dollars a set u ward, and a gold service would cost fully sixteen times as much. Such a service is not

N. Y. Cor. Cleveland Leader.

kept in stock an where in this country

and would only be made to order .-

Not Frightened. A little four-year-old girl was put to bed in the third story of her home, and left, as usual, in the dark. A terrific thunder storm came up, and her mother, thinking the child would be frightened at the lightning, went to her. On entering the child called out with del ght: "Mamma! the wind blew the sun up fust now; did you see it?" Fear had no entrance there. - Detroit Free Press.

-A Nevada prospector, digging in a hole made by some squirrels, in which to bury their winter food, found a gold ledge which he soon afterward sold for thirty-five thousand dollars. -Chicago THE LAMP.

Origin and Changes of the Popular House Hold Ornament.

Lamps, derived from the Latin lampns. has been defined, until within a few vears, as a receptacle for oil with a wick for illumination; but the nventions of the past generation have made it impossible to distinguish between the richness of effect, and is marked by the lamp proper and any other artificial means of giving light. As used by the Egyptians, Greeks and Hebrews, lamps were simple flat vessels, round or oblong in shape, at one end of which was a small handle, at the other a nozzle, and with a larger opening in the center, into which the oil was poured. The oil commonly used was vegetable, but, according to Pliny, sometimes of liquid bitumen. These lamps, many of very elegant form and ornamented with fan-

ciful designs, were hang by chans to

bronze candelabra. Tarentum and

Ægina were especially famed for mak-

ing them of great excellence.

Among the Canadian French the same low, oval metallic vessels, furnished as in early days with a handle dishes, to be tilled with fruit and flow- at one end and a nozzle at the other, may still be seen. Some are made to be carried in the hand, while others are Candelabra with spreading branches suspended by chains in the middle of take their place. These bear white wax | the room. The Hebrews kept their candles fitted with small red shades. lamps burning all night, and this custom is still in vogue in Aleppo and Egypt. From the earliest times until within about a century the lamp remained much the same, consisting simply of oil and a wick in some kind of vessel. A complete revolution in and intended for flowers. At the four artificial light was caused by the invention by M. Ami Argand, in 1784, of a burner with a circular wick. The flame was thus supplied with an outer and with richiv-chased reponse work, that | inner current of air. Argand was also on the comports being composed of the inventor of the glass chimney, as vines and grapes, rel'eved, perhaps, by applied to his and other lamps. The so called astral lamps were provided with these circular wicks, the reservoir The closeness of the imitation of the for the oil being arranged in the form of old ware can be seen by comparison a hollow ring, enveloping the central with a teaporat a John-street jeweler's. stand that supported the burner. In It was made in Edinburg in 1717, nine - consequence of the peculiar shape given years after the introduction of teas into to the ring the lamp casts no shadow Great Britain. Its age is determined at a little distance off. An ingenious by the hall marks. It is repousse piece of clock-work machinery was devised by Carcel, in 1800 for pumping work now done in America. The art the oil from the reservoir at the foot of the lamp up to the burner, and thus supplying it always from the same point. This lamp, slightly improved by others, was, in many respects, the most perfect of these contrivances, but its great cost prevented its general adoption. It was, furthermore, so large and heavy, that it could be moved only with difficulty, and the very complicated nature of its mechanism required access to skilled workmen to keep it in repair. A modification of

the Carcel lamp, known as the Diacon. was long popular in this country. In 1787 Peter Keir made the great ing designs. A new style of salt-cel- invention-since fully developed by Aronson-of raising the leaves, fruits and flowers. A silver gravity greater than oil. This fluid

> The "automaton" invented by Porter in 1804 was very ingenious. The lamp was suspended on an axis, counterbalanced by a weight, so that it hung level when full, but at an angle of forty-five degrees when empty, thus being fed evenly by the gradual ascent of the burners.

In 1822 Samuel Parker, Jr., made an important improvement, the fixing of French chimneys upon burners by means of metal support. The difficulty of distinguishing be-

tween the countless inventions relative to lamps and those referring to general illumination does not appear great prior to 1865, when the production of petroleum greatly stimulated the study practical methods of generating

It is remarkable that the invention of Hero of Alexandria, in which the oil was raised by water, involves the pressure principle, since developed in nearly a hundred forms. It is adapted to any kind of inflammable fluid, and while burning may be rolled on the ground, upset, or reversed for any time without danger. It is interesting to note that the most important recent inventions in lamps are chiefly American. A full description of them all would occupy volumes; but it is safe to say that no other household article has changes in the past century as the lamp. -- Boston Globe.

THE SEWAGE SYSTEM.

Why the Sanitary Engineer Will Figure Far More in the Future. With the growth of modern cities comes up the queseion, what to do with the filth and waste. Some years ago London, to save the Thames from pollution, built a system of tunnels to convey the sewage to a distance, but nels are projected to cost \$22,000,000, but it will convey the waste of the city project is to construct works costing \$500,000,000, which will convey the tilth right across the country and empty it into the sea at Thames Haven. Madrid, Rome, New York, Boston, Philadelphia and San Francisco, are all engaged on the same problem-the disposal of sewage and the protection of the water supply. But in every one | paid." of these cities expert engineering talent is being employed in a thorough study Subreme Court. Dis ish a dickensofer of the conditions lefore plans are formulated or the expenditure of money authorized. Chicago is wrestling with the same problem, and one of the arguments for the construction of an artficial river running south-west is that it will drain Chicago of its filth. The growth of cities in these times is phenomenal. Population gravitates to necessity for some means of getting rid of the cities' waste. It is now settled beyond all peradventure, that typhus fever, diphtheria, scarlet fever, small-pox, many of the disorders called from the foul conditions in which the sanitary engineer will figure far more in the future than he has in the past. -Demorest's Monthly.

The Burmese Prime Minister.

The Kin Woongyee is the Prime Minister of Burmah, and he is otherwise called the Kin Woon Mingyee. He is much more than Premier, for, when the disturbance arose some years ago, he got himself raised to the august rank of Thavat Woongyee Thet Tau Shay. The meaning of this ponderous title is, in plain language, that the bearer of it is ble, and that the King has no power over his life nor the means of doing him harm. The Burmese State Council consists of twelve Ministers, who are of three ranks, to-wit: Four Woongyees or Mingyees, as they are indifferently called; four Atwin Woons, and four Woondouks. In addition to these one or two Generals may be taken into the Council. In ordinary meetings the rank is indicated by the height of the seats or cushions on which the Ministers sit, the elevation of a seat being in

-The tidal wave of capital is steadilv flowing into Arizona, and in a few | Post. years that Territory will rank among the leading breeding grounds for cattle, excelled by but few States and Territories in America. - Chicago Times

A METAMORPHOSIS.

Young Wife The following true story might perhaps furn sh matter for a little comedy. It is generally the case that the more beautiful and richer a young girl is the more difficult are both her parents and herself in the choice of a husband, and the more offers they refuse. The one is too tall, the other too short, this not wealthy, that not respectable enough. Meanwhile one spring passes after another, and year after year carries away leaf after leaf of the bioom of youth,

opportunity after opportunity. Miss Harriet Selwood was the richest heiress in her native town in - Shire. England; but she had already completed her twenty-seventh year, and eheld almost all her young friends united to men whom she had at one time or other discarded. Harriet began to be set down for an old maid. Her parents became really uneasy, and she herself lamented in private a position which is not a natural one, and to which those to whom nature and fortune have been niggardly of the r gifts are obliged to submit; but Harriet, as we have said, was both handsome and very rich. Such was the state of things when her uncle, a wealthy merchant in the north England, came on a visit to her parents. He was a jovial, lively, straightforward man, accustomed to attack all difficulties boldly and coolly. You see," at her father to him one day, "Harret cont mes single. The girl is hands are what she is to have for her fortune, you know; even in this scandal loving town, not a creature can breathe the slightest imputation

against her; and yet she is getting to be an old maid.' "True," replied the uncle; "but, look you, brother, the grand point in every affair in this world is to se ze the right moment: this you have not done -it is a misfortune; but let the girl go along with me, and before the end of three months I will return her to you as the wife of a man as young and wealthy as herself." Away went the niece with the uncle. On the way home he thus addressed her: "Mind what I am go ng to sav. You are no longer Miss Selwood, but Mrs. Lumey, my niece, a young, wealthy, childless widow; you had the misfortune to lose your husband, Colonel Lumley, after a happy union of a quarter of a year, by a fall from his horse while hunting." "But, uncle-" "Let me manage, if you please, Mrs. Lumley. Your father has invested me with full powers. Here, look you, is the wedding ring given you by your late husband. Jewels, and whatever else you need, your aunt will supply you with; and accustom vourself to cast down your eyes." The keen-witted uncle introduced his niece everywhere, and the young widow excited a great sensation. The gentlemen thronged to one of the class: "One of the fairabout her, and she soon had her choice est girls of Baldwin County, the firstout of twenty suitors. Her uncle ad- born and the pet, lost her father when | Coal. vised her to take the one who was the she was in her sixteenth year. She deepest in love with her, and a rare was engaged to a worthy young man, chance decreed that this should be precisely the most amiable and opulent. The match was soon concluded, and one day the uncle desired to say a few words to h s future nephew in private. "My dear sir," he began, "we have told you an untruth." "How so? Are Mrs. Lumley's affections-" "Nothing of the kind. My niece is sincerely attached to you." "Then her fortune,

suppose, is not equal to what you told me?" "On the contrary, it is larger." "Well, what is the matter, then?" "A joke, an innocent joke, which came into my head one day when I was in a good humor-we could not well recall it afterward. My niece is not a widow." "What! is Colonel Lumley living?" "No. no she is a spinster." The lover protested that he was a happier fellow

than he had conceived himself; and the old maid was forthwith metamorphosed into a young wife. - Tid Bits. PURGED OF CONTEMPT.

A Teutonic Butcher Who Will Employ Legal Talent Hereafter. Henri Litz, a German butcher in Central Mississippi, was recently indicted by the Grand Jury of his county for "profane swearing upon the public undergone so many and such marked highway in the presence of two or

more witnesses." It seems that he was driving a lot of cattle and they became unruly and took to the woods, and it was while he was trying to get them back into the road that he lost his temper and gave utterance to a lot of "cuss

words. When the case came on for trial he appeared as his own counsel and admitted that he had used the oaths as charged, but justified himself on the score that the cattle were h sown propthe city has grown so lately that new erty, and argued that "if he had the works are indispensable, and new tun- right to kill them he certainly had the right to curse them.' But his Honor didn't look at it in

only fifteen miles. A still bolder that light; and, after reprimanding him severely, fined him one dollar and costs in all about five dollars. "I von't bay it," said Henri.

"Mr. Clerk," said his Honor, "enter up a fine of five dollars against the accused for contempt of court, and Mr. Sheriff remand the prisoner to ja 1 until the fine and costs in both cases are "Shudge, I appeals der gase to der

gourt and gundry vot dond led a man cuss his own gattles." "Mr. Clerk, enter up another fine of five dollars against the accused for contempt of court." again said his Honor. By that time the Sheriff had got

Henri out of the court room and a dep uty was taking him to jail. The Judge sent word to him the next the centers, and hence the pressing morning that "If he would purge himself of contempt he would remit all the fines except the original one." Henri agreed to the proposition, and

after some instructions from the Sheriff, who told him he had made a mismalarial-in fact, more than half the take in not employing a law er, prediseases people die of, come directly sented h mself at the bar of the court. "Shudge," said he. "I take um ali people in cities are forced to live. The back. Ds is a good gourt, and a good goundry, und der nex' dime I shwear mit dem gattle I bay a lawyer to do der peeznis." - Detroit Free Press.

Drying the Zuyder Zee.

It seems that the project of drving up the huge Zuyder Zee is again being urged with some vehemence. A "State Social st" argument is now freely used: it is said that the gigant e task will find employment for the Dutch workingclass population for many years, among whom social democracy is increasing. The provinces of Utrecht, Gelderland Marshal of the Army; that he is infalli- | and Groningen, and most of the municipalities whose cities and towns lie upon the sea, have given their adhes on to the scheme, and have empowered a commission of experts to report upon the probable cost. On the other hand a few of the towns, including Monnikendam and others, protest earnestly against the scheme, since its execution must infall bly convert them into truly "dead cites." If the sea should ultimately be turned into dry land, the kingdom of Holland wll be enlarged by the acquisit on of a new province Burmah a sign of honor. - Brooklyn twice the size of the province of Utrecht. The new country has been already provided by anticipation with the name of "Willemsland."-N. Y.

> Pennsylvania coal (anthracite) is sold in the city of Mexico at twenty-five dollars a ton.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

-Patti's spare moments are being devoted to the writing of her memoirs. .-G. A. Sheldon, of Randolph, N. Y., has a fancy for old carriages, and has invested twenty thousand dollars in them .- Troy Times.

-A marriage ceremony was lately performed on an iceberg in the Atantic Ocean, the contracting parties being a German clergyman and an English girl.

—A woman in Louisville dropped a

box fast week, in the bel ef that it was a receptacle for missionary contributions. - Louisville Courier-Journal. -Old Uncle Peter, who died in Clarke County, Georgia, the other day, had lived with one family for sixty-one

vears. Although emancipated, he lived with his old master until the latter's -An Englishman named McDonald has remained in Ludlow street jail in New York for seven years for a contempt of court. He might have purged himself at any time, but he stubbornly

refuses to go of his own motion. -N. Y.

Tribune -The world has been taught to believe that the Sandwich Islanders killed Captain Cook with a club. This tradit on has been exploded by ex-Minister Daggett, who says the great circumnavigator was stabbed to death with a wooden dagger. - Chicago Herald. -Thomas James (colored), residing

near Gainesville, Fla., has a family of tifty-four children, thirty-three of them being now at home with their father. He has had three wives, and the three were all living at one time. Only one of the three is now living, and she claims nineteen of the children .-Chicago Tribune. -Benjamin Fish has resigned the position of Secretary of Barnum's cir-

cus, which he has held for five years, and will return to Southport, England, where his family resides. He is a relative of Mrs. P. T. Barnum, and is a man of wealth. Mr. Barnum says he has handled ten mill on dollars without having made a single error as far as is known. - New Haven Register.

- Ar stocratic Murray Hill, New York. s in this story: Miss Cowling, on the occasion of the Van Gilder wedd ag. gave the br de a beautiful vase. which chanced to be just like another rece ved from another source. In a fit of economy, one day Mrs. Van Gilder sold this vase, without giving the donor's name, to a friend, Mrs. Holland, from whom she exacted a promise never to tell. Recently M:ss Cowling was married, and she was not a little surprised to find her present to Mrs. Van G lder returned to her as a present from Mrs. Holland. The three ladies are now strangers to each other.

-- N. Y. Mail. -The Atlanta Constitution, in a chapter on "old maids." pays this tr who urged her to marry him in order that he m ght protect her. 'No,' she replied, 'mother needs me now.' The mother's life proved a wreck through gr.ef over her husband's death. Our heroine removed the family to Savannah, procured employment, educated and maintained her four little sisters, saw them happily married, and kept her mother absolutely removed from care and trouble. She is now, indeed, an old maid, but her old maidenhood is a crown which will shine with splendor throughout all eternity.

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-What's the difference between a woman's sphere and a woman's fear? One's a house, the other's a mouse.-N. Y. Journal.

-The war for the Union developed many heroes; but the bravest man this country has produced only came to the front this month. He abducted a Boston school-marm!-Norristown Her

-"Mamma," said a little girl, "I think I will soon begin to raise a mustache." "Impossible," replied the mother; "girls can not raise a mus-tache." "Yes, they can, for I saw tache." Annie raise cousin Charlie's mustache when she kissed him, and that's how I mean."-Carl Pretzel's Weekly.

-A Western lecturer advertised "a talk for ladies over twenty-five years of age." Fifteen minutes after the time advertised for the opening of the lecture the lights were turned down, the janitor collected the rent, and the lecturer walked to his hotel, a sadder but a wiser man .- Burlington Free

-A little fellow of four years went to a blacksmith's to see his father's horse shod, and was watching closely the work of shoeing. The blacksmith began to pare the horse's hoofs, and thinking this was wrong, the little boy said, earnestly: "My pa don't want his horse made any smaller."-N. Y. Ledger.

-The following compliment was lately paid by a Boston dentist to a lady. He had made several ineffectual attempts to draw out her decayed tooth. and finding at last that he must give it fact is, madam, it is impossible for anything bad to come out of your mouth.' -Boston Transcript.

-A cowboy married an actress belonging to a strolling theatrical company. In a short time a traveling drummer ran away with her. When the deserted husband heard of it, his brow grew dark, and, convulsively clutching his revolver, he hissed: "l'il kill the scoundrel on sight-if he ever brings her back!"-Chicago Tribune.

- A philosopher who had borrowed some money to pay for his night's lodging at a hotel, woke up in the night and saw a person climbing through the window. With admirable nonchalance he said to the intruder: "Look here, my friend, you'll get into debt if you rob me, for you won't find anything but unreceipted tailors' bills in my pockets."-N. Y. Sun.

Ante-Persian-Invasion Remains. The Berliner Philologische Wochen-

schrift reports a very interesting discovery at Eleusis. Some years ago, as is well known, the remains of a great assembly hall, supposed to be used in WEST TO EAST! the ceremony of initiation into the Eleusinian mysteries, were laid bare. The assembly hall was supported by forty-two columns, and was planned by Iktinos, the architect of the Parthenon. There was always the presumption that it was erected on the ruins of an old temple destroyed by the Persians. This presumption has now become a certainty. Digging deep down below the foundation of the Iktinos temple, by all agents of the "Burlington Agents wanted everywhere, of either the excavators have come upon the remains of a square building, undoubtedly the older sanctuary. It fits exactly into the northeast angle of the temple of Iktinos, so that a part of the north and east walls of the earlier and later buildings are precisely coincident. It is the intention of the Government, for the better preservation of these most valuable ante-Persian-invasion remains, to fill in the excavations again, but in such a manner as to leave the upper part of the ancient structure just visible

-General Butler has secured the services of several good readers, who are placed on little platforms in differ-ent parts of his mills and read to the operatives as they work. - Lowell Citi-

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