A good story is told of A. C. Mac-Laren, a well known cricket player. He was playing a picnic match "up country" in Australia when one of the batsmen skied a ball very high between the wickets. MacLaren was waiting for the catch, but the striker to running past cried, "Oh, Archie, drop it, do, and I'll allow you to kiss my sister." MacLaren, it is added, was proof against the attempted brib- by them.

Home for Aged Animals. A wealthy Frenchman receives in his park near Paris aged animals and birds. The oldest inmate is a mule of seventy-three, whose affectionate companion in retirement is a goose of thirty-seven. Among the other inmates is a cow, aged thirty-six, a hog fenses to fall back on in the event of twenty-seven, a bullfinch which has that they are forced out of their presreached the ripe age of twenty-eight, ent positions. and a sparrow that stepped from the egg in 1869.

Not the Man-The Son. When a man has to support his grown-up con, his mother says he has an artistic temperament.-New York Press.

#### Six Doctors Failed.

South Bend, Ind., Oct. 24 (Special) -After suffering from Kidney Disease for three years; after taking treatment from six different doctors without getting relief, Mr. J. O. Laudeman of this place found not only relief but a speedy and complete cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills. Speaking of his cure Mr. Laudeman says:

"Yes. I suffered from Kidney Trouble for three years and tried six doctors to no good. Then I took just two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and they not only cured my kidneys, but gave me better health in general. Of course I recommended Dodd's Kidney Pills to others and I know a number now who are using them with good resulte."

Mr. Laudeman's case is not an exception. Thousands give similar experiences. For there never yet was a case of Kidney Trouble from Backache to Bright's Disease that Dodd's Kidney Pills could not cure. They are the only remedy that ever cured Bright's disease.

#### Occupied Queer Pulpit.

A curious pulpit was that used by ishop Bickersteth, who once occupied the lantern-space of a lighthouse in which to deliver a short address to a small gathering of visitors and the lighthouse men themselves. On another occasion the saintly old man preached in the operating theater of a hospital to a congregation of pa-

Undertook Too Much. raphy," tells of a gentleman who, hav- fire to feed the men. ing adopted a boy with a view to educating him after a system of his own. found that he had underestimated the magnitude of the undertaking. He therefore cast about for a wife, whom he gave clearly to understand that his principal reason for marriage was to secure a fit person to rear the boy.

Increased Varieties of Fruit. "Man will eat 200 or 300 more foods In the year 2000 than he eas now." said a chemist. "A movement is on foot among the world's governments | hood, but says: to increase the varieties of our foods. and every week, from somewhere or other, a new vegetable or fruit or nut is added to the international bill of

### Year of Ocean Disasters.

The worst year on record for tragedies, of the deep was 1881-82, when the list of "missing" was swoolen by the enormous addition of one hundred and forty-seven ships, with an aggregate tonnage of 41.977 tons; and the loss of life was terrible.

### Pretty Jananese Custom.

There is a pretty custom connected with a Japanese marriage which Europeans might well copy. Instead of sending wedding cake, as we westerners do, the Japanese distribute to their friends sugar flowers beautifully made and delicately colored.

Church on Mountain Ten. It is proposed to build a small concrete church on the top of Croagh Patrick, County Mayo, Ireland, for the celebration of the annual pilgrimage

mass. The church will be almost

2,600 feet above the sea level.

True Friendship. The good friend is the friend that knows, not thinks, of fancies, or imagines, or hopes, but knows that he can tell us what he thinks and how he feels with perfect freedom and aban-

The Useful Alphabet. "There's one good thing about it." chuckled the ancient Phoenician as he invented the alphabet, "some of those politicians will be sure to write letters now that will knock them into a cocked hat when they run for office."

## Pointers for Statesman.

If we were a stateman we never should begin an interview with: "My attention has been called to an article bodies of well equipped troops is pro-surpr'se. The demand of the owners concerning," etc. We would not want ceeding day and night in many dis- of the Allanton for indemnity for the papers.

Giraffe Unable to Swim. The giraffe is the only animal which is unable to swim. This is on account of its long neck. Every other animal

Oil on Roads Prevents Mud. The practice of oiling the roads has been introduced in India, at Bombay. It is found that if the oil is allowed ! to soak in slowly no obnoxious mud is produced, and the result is a successs.

New Use for Breakfast Food. A near-sighted Milwaukee man who loves his pipe recently smoked up three packages of breakfast food be fore discovering his error.

#### Heaven on Earth. If husbands and wives were always sweethearts there would be no long-

ings for another and better world.

What Men Desire. If the man who represented the majority of men were asked what he most liked in women his answer would be: Give me beauty, all beauty, to walk and to frivol with: sympathy, all sympathy, to talk and to live with!"-Chic.

# The Columbus Journal THE ARMY FRONT

ALONG WHICH THERE IS SAID TO BE SHARP FIGHTING.

# TROOPS HOLD OLD POSITIONS

Russians Are Entrenching the Ground Recently Occupied by Them.—They Are Expected to Resume the Offensive Within a Few Days.

MUKDEN-Sharp fighting continues along the front. The Russians are entrenching ground recently occupied

While no pitched battle has occurred during the last few days, the two armies are kept in touch with one another, holding the positions they occupied when the big battle ended. army will rush north, as was the case after the battle of Liao Yang. In fact, the Russians have another line of de-

During the last few days there has been frequent artillery fire, occasional infantry attacks and daily clashes between outposts and scouts.

Unless the Japanese take the initialive soon the Russians, it is expected, will resume the offensive and endeavor to drive the Japanese back. for the purpose of insuring the safety of their winter quarters, which undoubtedly will be north of Mukden unless a southward advance is suc-

Another hig battle is expected shortv. as the weather is already turning cold. It will be impracticable for the two armies to winter in their present positions midway between Mukden and Liao Yang.

Many incidents are coming to light showin gihe bravery of the Russian ated. soldiers during their stubborn resistence to the Japanese advance and in their attempts to drive the Japanese back. The men fought night and day without rest and afterwards worked for hours carrying the wounded to the hospitals. When the Russian troops recaptured Lone Tree hill they retook several guns and a quantity of ammunition which the Japanese had previously captured. They also took several Japanese guns in addition.

At the conclusion of the fight the hill was covered with the dead and with the greatest kindness. At one crease of \$230,018. work. The wounded were dressed and | ruary 1, last. forwarded to the hospitals with the greatest expedition.

admirably handled. Portable soun kit-Herbert Spencer, in "An Autobiog- chens were most useful, going under

# ARIZONA POPULATION INCREASE

Governor's Annual Report Says It is New Over 165,000. WASHINGTON-The annual port of the governor of Arizona to the secretary of the interior says that the

territorial population has increased considerably and that the total population now is between 165,000 and 170,000. It expresses a desire on the part of the people of Arizona for state-

"Finding themselves confronted with a plan to unite their territory with New Mexico, the people of Arizona have protested vigorously and will continue to do so until they have defeated this repugnant scheme. They would perfer that their commonwealth remain a territory indefinitely rather than be joined with New Mexi-

The governor adds his belief that the merger would not be acceptable to the mass of people of either territory. The report says the floating indebtedness of Arizona, which on June 30, 1903, was \$92,341, has been wiped out and a balance of \$20.849 remained in the general fund at the close of the last fiscal year. The taxable property in the territory has gained \$1,981,505 during the year. The total taxable property of the various counties is \$45,-669,545. Substantial progress in other directions is reported.

Russians Retake Shakhe Station. ST. PETERSBURG-Shakhe station, or what is left of it, has been recaptured by the Russians, who will

reopen it for railway trafic with Mukden. It is reported that the Japanese made a furious attempt to take a wooded hill near Da pass. The firing began at 11 o'clock and continued with rifle and cannon through the night. This action probably was a part of an attempt by the Japanese who were already in possession of small hills in the plain to rush the center

The Outlook in China. LONDON-Bennett Burleigh, after careful inquiry into the situation, cables the Daily Telegraph from Shangis worse now than prior to the "boxer tricts of southern and middle provinces and the Chinese authorities are

buying military equipment. COLON.-News reached here Friday evening that about 200 armed men, who are thought to be malconcan, if put to it, manage to keep itself | tent Panama citizens, rather than Colombian soldiers, have been seen in the neighborhood of Culbra, threatening hostilities against the Panama government. As soon as the American authorities of the canal zone became cognizant of this force, marines were sent out to ascertain their purpose. It respondent has made an error in usis rumored that a skirmish occurred ing the word "roadstead" for anchorinland, in which several were killed, age, which coincides with his statebut there is no confirmation of this ment that the Japanese are bombard-

## Valuable Horse Dies.

ST. LOUIS-Commodore, a 3-yearold chestnut colt, by The Commoner-Rosa Masso, one of the crack St. Louis race horses, died here from inflammation of the stomach. The own- thirty Greeks who were posted on a ers, J. C. Milam & Co., had refused an hill, supposing them to be friends. offer of \$10,000 for the horse.

Runs Vladivostok Blockade. SHANGHAI-News has been received that the steamer Canton, which sailed from this port, has successfully run the blockade at Vladivostok.

### CAPTURE LONE TREE HILL.

Japs Driven From a Point of Great

ST. PETERSBURG-Despite the feeling of bitter disappointment over the failure of the Russian offensive and the complete miscarriage of Gen eral Kuropatkin's plans, the battle continues and his defeat does not appear to be so crushing and disastrous as the Tokio telegrams led the Russian public to suppose.

While the tales of death and slaughter have plunged the nation into grief, and the exact situation of Kuropatkin's army, especially the left, is not clear, but probably must be regarded as critical, it is evident that the wild stories of a rout and of the cutting off of a whole corps, etc., are baseless. Kuropatkin is still doggedly trying

to stem the tide and there is nothing but admiration for the heroic figure There is no evidence that the Russian of the Russian commander personally directing the fight to save his battered legions Indeed, the latest official dispatches

almost revive the hope that he does not consider the battle to be irretriveably lost, as he has personally launched attack after attack against the strong Japanese position on Lone Tree hill, south of Shakhe, at last carrying it by storm and obtaining some revenge for the loss of the Third artillery brigade, by capturing eleven field pieces and one machine

But whether this offensiveness of huropatkin was forced in order to extricate his flanks is not revealed, the war office affirming that it is unable to communicate precise information regarding what is occurring on the left. Everything proves that not since the time of the ancients, and certainly not within a hundred years, has the world witnessed such desperate fighting. The slaughter doubtless is apralling, but the war office contends that the Tokio reports are exagger-

#### UNION PACIFIC'S REPORT

Company Shows Net Earnings of Over

Twenty-Six Million Dollars. NEW YORK-The pamphlet report of the Union Pacific Railroad company for the fiscal year ended June 30, last, issued, shows: Gross earnings, \$55,279,231, increase, \$4. 204,042; operating expenses, \$29,026,-007, increase, \$1,686,723; net earnings. \$26,252,624, increase, \$2,517,319. After receipt of other income and payment wounded of both armies. The Japanese of total charges, there remains a surprisoners were treated by the Russians plus for the year of \$4.713.456, a de

ospital visited by the Associated The report sets forth that owing Press correspondent Japanese pri- the decree in the Northern Securities vates were found in their officers' company suit the Oregon Short Line ward. The army hospital corps and has been unable to collect its Norththe Red Cross societies did splendid ern Securities dividends since Feb-

There were sold during the year \$10,000,000 face value Union Pacific Th Russian commissariat also was company's 5 per cent collateral notes maturing February 1, 1905; the proceeds were used in further advances to the Southern Pacific company in the construction of or investment in new lines, in the completion of the steamships Manchuria and Mongolia and in the purchase of other equip-

#### BIG MONEY ORDER BUSINESS

Big Increase in the Domestic and In

ternational Orders. WASHINGTON-The total number or money orders is ued by this gov ernment during the last fiscal year passed the 50,000,000 mark for the first time in history, as shown by the annual report of the superintendent of the money order system.

The net revenue of the money order business was \$2.528,403, an increase of \$288.494, as compared with the previous fiscal year. The gross revenue was \$3,626,676, an increase of \$376,282 The number of domestic orders is sued was 50.392.554 aggregating \$378.

778,488, and international money or ders issued numbered 2.208.344, aggre gating \$42,550,150.

The issue of domestic orders in creased 4,450,873 in number, and \$25. 150,840 in amount while internation al orders issued increased 294,195 and \$7,312,215 respectively.

# JAMES CALLANAN'S PROPERTY

Must Be Converted Into Cash Within Five Years.

DES MOINES-The millions of dol lars of stocks and other property of the late James Callanan must be con verted into cash within the next five years, according to the provisions of the will which has been filed here. Mr. Callanan's wealth is estimated at \$5,-000,000 or \$6,000,000. He owned great amounts of stock in industrial companies both local and national. He also owned extensive iron mines in Arizona and gold mines in other parts of the west. According to the will this must all be sold and a considerable quantity of the money will be deposited with the Iowa Loan and Trust company of Des Moines to pay annuities along the foothills at the Shakhe and carry out other provisions of the

Release Causes No Surprise. ST. PETERSBURG-The newspa pers publish tull reports of the trial by the admiralty council of the case hai that the political outlook in China of the British steamer Allanton, seized June 16 by the Viadivostok squadcutbreak in 1900." Widespread oper- ron, and her cargo, but abstain from ations of secret societies, he says comment on the council's annulment show a dangerous recrudescence of of the judgment of the Vladivostok anti-foreign feeling. Drilling of large prize court. The decision causes no

> detention of the ship probably will have to be the subject of negotiations through the foreign office. Port Arthur Squadron Out. ST. PETERSBURG-A correspondent of the Bourse Gazette has telegraphed to that paper from Che Fod that the Port Arthur squadron is anchored in the roadstead, from which statement there has originated a rumor that the squadon has gone out to sea. Of this report there is no confirmation. It is believed the cor-

ing the warships from mortars.

Greeks Kill Bulgarians. SALONICA, European Turkey-Twenty Bulgarians were killed by Greeks near Florina on Oceober 19. A band of sixty Bulgarians approached

Burrows Breaks a Record. MONTREAL-Tom Burrows, the English athlete, broke his own world's record for continuous club swinging of forty-two hours by swinging them forty-tures hours and six minutes.

# The Ward of King Canute A Romance of the Danish Conquest.

By OTTILIE A. LILJENCRANTZ. author of The Thrail of Lief the Lucky. Copyright, 1903, by A. C. McCLURG & CO.

Angles.

The guard discreetly held his sition. Elfgiva's bosom was beginning to heave in hysterical menace against the wall behind the first, ven-

tured a soothing word. "For your own safety, noble one, ask it not. The King is listening to a quarrel between an Englishman and Dane; and by reason of it, there are many in the room whose tempers

Randalin, who alone of all the maidens had remained undauntedly at her | rightly deny that you are king of the mistress' elbow, caught that elbow in a vice-like grip. "Take the gallery, then, lady!" she urged in a piercing whisper. "The gallery-as quick as

that, which will be an unlucky thing Whatever its shortcomings as a show-case, the balcony was excellently adapted both for spectators and for hard for me not to hate you now. eavesdroppers, its distance from the floor being little more than twice a man's height, while the fire which doled its light so stingily, lavished a

the King's massive chair stood beside

the chimney-piece.

Encircled by a martial throng, so massed and indistinct that they made a background like embroidered tapestry, three figures were the center of attention—the figure of the young commanded me. But instead of reforms of the Dane and the Angle who a forbidding hand toward Rothgar,

Shielded from the heat by his palm. Canute's face was in the shadow, Ivarsdale, revealing a picture that tance, and the opportunity passedcaused one spectator to catch her forever. What concerns war time is as they stared unseeingly before him. any harm done to him."

At last he said unexpectedly, "I you would not obey my summons tongue—but he likewise held his po- until my men had dealt with you by much respect for my authority. Do when a second soldier, lounging you not then acknowledge me as king of the English?" Rothgar betrayed impatience at this

> branching aside. Sebert himsel showed surprise. He said hesitatingly, "I-I cannot deny that. You have the same right that Cerdic had over the Britons. Nay you have more, for you are the formal choice of the Witan. I cannot

Canute said, "I do not see why you have not an argument for your de fense." While all stared at him he rose After a moment's bridling, Elfgiva slowly and stood before them, a daz-

"It you acknowledge me to be that.

whirled back with an angry flounce of her draperies. "The gallery, then, zling figure as the light caught the dog! I shall reach my lord's ear from steel of his ring-mail and turned his polished helm to a fiery dome. "Sebert Oswaldsson," he said slow

ly. "I did not feel much love toward you the first time I saw you, and it is when I see what you are going to Le the cause of. If your case had come be fore Canute the man, ou would have received the answer you expect. But glory of brightness on the spot where it is your juck that Canute the man is dead, and you stand before Canute the King. Hear then my answer: By all the laws of war, the land belongs to Ivar's son; and had he regained it while war ruled, I had not taken it from him, though the Witan itself King in his raised chair, and the gaining it, he lost it." He stretched fronted each other before his foot. | feeling without seeing his angry im pulse. "By what means matters not; battles have turned on a smaller thing, and the loyalty of those we and the giant shape of the son of Loz- have protected is a lawful weapon to brok was a blot against the flames, 'defend ourselves with. The kinsman but the glare lay strong on Sebert of t of Ivar a second time lost his inheribreath in a sob. Equally aloof from a thing by itself; as ruler over laws English thane and Danish noble, the and land-rights, I cannot give one Etheling in the palace of his native man's lands to another, though the king stood a stranger and alone, one be a man I care little for, and the scarcely have done otherwise. var. I want you to restore to him his but his fine face was white with mis- weapon and see him on his way in ple take of the war. ery, and despair darkened his eyes safety. Your life shall answer for



Fancy placed a scarlet-cloaked figure at his feet and raised at his knee a face of sweetest friendliness.

it. He built the tower that stands on | walking like a man in a dream. it, and the name it bears to this day | From the dusk of the rafters, the is the name of his giving. Under | girl who loved him stretched out her Guthrum, a weak-kneed son of his son | hands to him in tender farewell, but of his lost it to the English Alfred. there was no more of anguish in the and we fell out of our fortunes with gesture. Gazing after him, the tears the tipping of the scales, and Angles rose slowly to her eyes and rolled have sat since then in the seat of Lod- slowly down her cheeks, but on her brok's sons. But now the scales have risen again. Under Canute, Ivars- dering joy mounted to exaltation. dale, with all other English property. comes back to Danish hands. By all despite the king's restraining hand: the laws of war, my kinsman's inheri- and now, crashing through it in hidetance should be my share of the ous discord, came a ourst of jeering

Ending roundly, he drew himself up Wherever a group of scarlet cloaks and die, aghast, and they saw a score made a bright patch upon the human arras, there was a flutter of approval. In the shadow of his hand, Canute nodded slowly. "By all the laws of war." he affirmed, "your kinsman's inheritance should be your share of the

Again an approving murmur rose from Danish throats; and Rothgar was opening his lips to voice a grateful answer, when a gesture of the royal hand checked him.

"Recollect, however, that just now am not only a war-chief, but also a gar had no breath to retort with, but law-man. I think it right, therefore, the words did not go unsaid because to hear what the Englishman has to of that. Wherever scarlet cloaks made say for his side. Sebet Oswaldsson, a bright patch, the human arras swayspeak in your defense."

I have nothing to say. Your jus tice may most rightly be meted out.' "Nothing to say?" The King's measured voice sounded sharply through the hush. For the arst time, he lowered his hand and bent forward where the fire-glow could touch

As she caught sight of his face Elfgiva shrank and clutched at her wom-"Ah. Saints, I am thankful now that it is dark!" she murmured.

Sebert sustained the look with would be of use to me.' he said: "and do not choose to pleasure you by of steel was in his voice as he ansetting up a weak plea for you to I swered: knock down again. If your messengers had not taken me by surprise-" He paused, with an odd curl to his lips that could hardly be command to finish, and he obeyed have argued the matter with arrows, ly. My meaning in this judgment,

the Etheling with his bright colorless king as yours; and they shall share mill," which was built at Yarmouth as the good things, without any sort of

Answering a question from the | With one hand, he struck down the King, Rothgar began to speak, his murmur that was rising; with the heavy voice seeming to fill all the other he made an urgent gesture of space from floor to ceiling: "By all haste, which Orvar seemed to underthe laws of war. King Canute, the stand. Even while he was returning Odal of Ivarsdale should come to me. to the Lord of Ivarsdale his sword. The first son of Lodbrok took the land he seized him by the arm and hurried before ever this Angle's kin had seen him down the room, the Etheling

mouth was a little smile whose won-The murmur below was growing laughter from the Jotun. What words he also spoke they could not catch. n an attitude of bold assurance. but they heard the Danish cries sink of English thanes spring upon him and drag him backward. Above the noise of their scuffling, the king's

voice sounded stern and cold. "While I act as law-man in my judgment hall, I will hear no disputing of n.y judgmerts. Whose comes to me in my private chamber, as friend to friend, may tell his mind: but now I speak as king, and what

have spoken shall stand." Struggling with those who would have forced him from the room. Rothed and shook violently, and then fell voices rose in resentful chorus:

"Such judgment by a Danish king is unexampled!" "King, are we all to expect this treatment?" "This is the third time you have ruled against your own men." "You are our chief, whose kingship we have held up with our lives." "What are these English to you?" Snarling more and more openly, they surged forward, closing round the dais in a flery mass. Canute's sword was no more brilproud steadiness. "Nothing that liantly hard than his face, and his eyes were glittering points. The ring

"You speak as you have a right-

swines' memories. Was it your support or your courage that won me the called a smile; out canute gave him | English crown? It may be that if I had waited until pyre and fire you with rising color. "If your messen- would have done so, but it happened gers had not come upon me as I was that before that time the Ergish riding on the Watling street and Witan gave it to me as a gift, in rebrought me here, a prisoner, I would turn for my pledge to rule them justand you would needs have battered and the others that you dislike, is down the defense of stone walls to that I am going to keep that pledge. I tell you now, openly and without Mutters of mingled admiration and deceit, that henceforth there is to be censure buzzed around. Through it but one rule for Angle and Dane

equally in my justice. You may like short a time ago as 1812.

How they liked it was suggested by ward to protect their new king and the Danes whirled to meet them, but the women in the gaffery did not wait to see the outcome. In a frenzy of terror, Elfgiva dragged up the kneeling maids and herded them through the door.

"Go-before they get into the anteroom!' she gasped. "Do you not see that he is no longer human? We should be pleading with iron. Go! Before they tear down the walls!" (To be continued.)

SAW VISION OF HIS DEATH.

War Artist Believes He Has Had Premonition of His Fate.

Friends of a distinguished war artist now in Manchuria are said to be taking an almost uncanny interest in his return from the scene of war. It rises out of a strange story told by artist began his long record of campaigns he was out walking along a quiet square in his native city when, looking down, he suddenly saw a pool of blood on the pave nent. Instantly, the story goes, from the

shock of the sight, he went off into a fearful struggle. sort of trance. He was on a bleak plain, running for his life from three pursuing horsemen. He saw their of these poisons is for the moment there and it pays in every way, health. faces, knew that his efforts to escape were hopeless and then a swift blade descended and cut off his head. Af- one find a steady user of either whis- and strip clean for the work cut out ter that he came to himself and re- key, coffee or tobacco free from dis- for us. sumed his walk, but he has always ease of some kind. had a conviction that this vision forehoded the manner of his death. Once during a campaign in the Su-

dan, when the British square was broken, he was pursued. It was with ple that Whiskey, Tobacco and Coffee relief that he recognized that the are smiling, promising, beguiling mounted pursuers were not his men, friends on the start, but always false the men of the vision. He wonders as hell itself in the end. Once they still when he will meet them.

Non-Voluntary Volunteers. S. Osgood Pell sat in the smoking

room of the Windsor at Saratoga. "Count Tolstoi," he said, "is right his statement that the Russian peasants are averse to war, and go to war unwillingly. If these peasants could have had their way, there would have been no trouble with Japan.

"The Russian press, of course claims that the plain people are supporting the government heartily, and that on every hand enthusiastic volunteers pour in. But that is not true. A friend of mine in Moscow wrote me while his swordless sheath showed other is my foster-brother. Go back the other day of a joke that is being and began his slavery all over again. him to be also a prisoner. He bore therefore, unhindered, Lord of Ivars quietly circulated, and this joke shows himself proudly, one of his blood dale, and live in peace henceforth. Or pretty clearly the different views that Tobacco and Whiskey) daily reviews

"Two men, according to the story cries of pain, oaths and blows.

said the first man. "'Oh,' said his companion, indifferforcing a peasant to turn volunteer."

-Boston Post. West Indian Folklore Stories. s Miss Pamela Colman Smith, who not the habit, but his own resolution. things that a king may not do. is entertaining London audiences with It is nearly always a tough fight, with

over the weird picture." la: "In a long-before time-betore done. Queen Victoria came to reign over | Now, Reader, what is your opinion presented through the medium of an we"-which takes the place of our as to the real use the Creator has for officer of the state or an infimate

Among the figures are the Chim tion from this point of view. for several years when a child.

Scientific English Farming. At Faringdon, Berkshire, farming has been raised to a science. Mr. showing how nature checks too rapid of the Georges, the king is prevented George Adams, of the royal prize farm, advance. Illinois raises phenomenal from exhibiting mercy or grace to a Wadley house, farms some 4,000 acres, crops of corn for two or three years, willful sabbath breaker. To render evof which about half is arable and half If she continued to do so every year ery new law absolute and irrevocable pasture. He employs from 200 to 250 her farmers would advance in wealth the royal autograph must be invarialaborers, milks 500 cows daily, keeps far beyond those of other sections or bly attached thereto, nor is his maabout forty Shire brood mares, a score countries. So Nature interposes a bar, jesty ever permitted to perform his of breeding sows, and from 3,000 to every three or four years and brings duty by proxy. Even the salaries of 4,000 laying hens, grows about 1,000 on a "bad year." acres of grain, besides attending to Here we see the leveling influence and he cannot raise the salary of his other multifarious items in the ordi- at work. nary course of farm practice. About 1,000 acres of meadow hay are harvested annually. All the work, ent- Then Nature sets the "leveling inting, carrying and ricking, is done by piecework .- Tid-Bits.

# Auntie's Keen Scent.

Ex-Congressman Lafe Pence tells a story of an old lady who always knew everything before anybody else. One day her niece saw her passing the house and ran out to meet her. "Do come in, Aunty," she begged,

"and help us. We are making charades. "Certainly I will," answered the old lady. "I knew you were making them. because I smelt them as I came along."- New York Times.

Such a Combination. "No." said the cheerful idiot as he lighted a cigar, "I never use tobacco." mass. Man goes through the same be eloquent and flowery in this ad-

the new boarder cried. "That's not tobacco," said the idiot What is it then?" Well, don't know just what you would call it, but the filler is from Connecticut and the wrapper from Mrs. Wiggs' cabbage patch. Have one?"-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Soldier's Busy Moment. Emil Douche, sergeant of troop E at Fort Meade, while in a field was thrown to the ground and burned by

lightning bolt. While the soldier lay

prostrate a cow, frightened by the

flash, kicked him in the jaw. His in-

juries are serious, but not fatal .-

Milwaukee Wisconsin. but you speak as men who have The Woman of It. She-I had a splendid half hour's chat with young Simpkins last even He-Indeed! Why, everybody says

he is stupid and never says anything. listener. British Conservatism. The conservatism of the British mind is indicated by the tender regret

LEVELERS. The Mission of Whiskey, Tobacco and Coffee. The Creator made all things, we be If so, he must have made these, We know what he made food and water for, and air and sunshine, but why Whiskey, Tobacco and Coffee?

They are here, sure enough, and each performing its work. There must be some great plan be hind it all; the thoughtful man seeks to understand something of that plan

ject to the public.

and thereby to judge these articles for their true worth. Let us not say "bad" or "good" without taking testimony.

There are times and conditions when it certainly seems to the casual the artist himself. Years before the observer that these stimulant narcotics are real blessings. Right there is the ambush that conceals a "killing" enemy.

One can slip into the habit of either

enough, but to "untangle" is often a it seems plain that there are circumstances when the narcotic effect mistake it; the spark of the infinite is beneficial but the fearful argument happiness, peace, and even worldly

against them is that seldom ever does prosperity, to break off the babits Certainly powerful elements in their effect on the human race. It is a matter of daily history tes-

get firm hold enough to show their strength, they insist upon governing and drive the victim steadily towards ill health in some form; if permitted to continue to rule, they will not let up until physical and mental ruin sets in. A man under that spell (and "under the spell" is correct), of any one of these drugs, frequently assures himself and his friends, "Why, I can leave off any time I want to. I did quit for a week just to show I could." It is sure mark of the slave when one gets to that stage. He wiggled through a week fighting every day to break the spell, was finally whipped,

The slave (Coffee slave as well as his condition, sees perfectly plain the steady encroachments of disease, how the nerves get weaker day by day, and were out walking, when they saw a demand the drug that seems to smile crowd jostling and shoving, while and offer relief for a few minutes and from within the crowd came loud sobs, then leave the diseased condition plainer to view than ever and growing 'What on earth is the matter?' worse. Many times the Coffee slave realizes that he is between two fires. He feels bad if he leaves off and a ently, it is only a government officer little worse if he drinks and allows the effect to wear off.

night the struggling victim promises himself that he will break the nabit A woman who has struck upon an and next day when he feels a little

every one of Miss Smith's thirty more perfect things in both the Physi- place in that august assembly. stories. All of these tales came from cal and Spiritual world. The ponder- Of his own royal prerogative King Jamaica, where the story teller livet outs tread of evolutionary develop- Edward possesses full power to parment is fixed by the Infinite and will don a murderer, even after he has not be quickened out of natural law been found guilty and sentenced to

by any of man's methods.

A man is prosperous in his business for a number of years and grows rich. fluence" at work on him. Some of his rious and lazy. Perhaps it is whiskey, tobacco, coffee, women, gambling, or

some other form. The intent and purpose is to level him. Keep him from evolving too far ahead of the masses. A nation becomes prosperous and great like ancient Rome. If no leveling influence sets in she would dominate the world perhaps for all time. But Dame Nature sets her army of "levelers" at work. Luxury, overeating and drinking, licentiousness, waste and extravagance indulgences of all kinds, then comes the wreck.

The law of the unit is the law of the "Why, man, you are smoking now," process. Weakness (in childhood), dress, like a rival named blank. Elogradual growth of strength, energ thrift, probity, prosperity, wealth, comfort, ease, relaxation, self-indulgence, luxury, idleness, waste, debauchery. disease, and the wreck follows. The "levelers" are in the bushes along tne pathway of every successful man and woman and they bag the major-

Sure, Sure, Sure.

Only now and then can a man stand out against these "levelers" and hold his fortune, fame and health to the

So the Creator has use for Whiskey,

Tobacco and Coffee to level down the successful ones and those who show signs of being successful, and keep them back in the race, so that the great "field" (the masses) may not be left too far behind. And yet we must admit that same all wise Creator has placed it in the a God or a heaven, where angels are. power of man to stand upright.

a mess of pottage." "I will not deaden my senses, myself cheap, common and behind in what an agrostic is?" fortune and fame by drugging with with which the newspapers record the whiskey, tobacco or coffee, life is know what ma is, too." all Cannte sat motionless, studying alike; and I shall be as much their demolition of "England's highest wind too short. It is bard enough to win

NOTE-The following article has trader' when he trades strength, been widely published and is one of health, money and the good things the most remarkable illustrations of that come with power, for the halfbursting roar, and the scuffing of the value of careful marshalling and asleep condition of the "drugger" with many feet as the English leaped for analysis of facts in presenting a sub- the certainty of sickness and disease

> It is a matter each individual must decide for himself. He can be a leader and semi-god if he will, or he can go along through life a drugged clown, a cheap "hewer of wood or carrier of water.

Certain it is that while the Great Father of us all does not seem to "mind" if some of his children are foolish and stupid, he seems to select others (perhaps those he intends for some special work) and allows them to be threshed and castigated most fearfully by these "levelers."

If a man tries flirting with these levelers awhile, and gets a few slaps as a hint, he had better take the hint or a good solid blow will follow.

When a man tries to live upright. clean, thrifty, sober and undrugged, manifesting as near as he knows what the Creator intends he should, happiness, health and peace seem to come to him. Does it pay?

This article was written to set people thinking to rouse the "God with in" for every highly organized man whiskey, tobacco or coffee easy and woman has times when they feel a something cailing from within for them to press to the front and "be about the Father's business," don't

It has been the business of the writer to provide a practical and easy way for people to break away from the coffee habit and be assured of a tified to by literally millions of peo- return to health and all of the good things that brings, provided the abuse has not gone too far, and even then the cases where the body has been rebuilt on a basis of strength and health run into the thousands.

It is an easy and comfortable step to stop coffee instantly by having well-made Postum Food Coffee served rich and hot with good cream, for the color and flavor is there, but none of the caffeine or other nerve destroying

elements of ordinary coffee. On the contrary the most powerful ebuilding elements furnished by Nature are in Postum and they quickly set about repairing the damage. Seldom is it more than 2 days after the change is made before the old stomach or bowel troubles or complaints of kidneys, heart, head or nerves show unmistakable evidence of getting better and ten days time changes things won

Literally millions of brain working found the value and common sense in

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WHAT THE KING CANNOT DO. Royal Prerogative in England Has

Its Limitations. It is a prevalent and popular notion that the power possessed by the monarch is absolute and almost without So it goes on from day to day. Every | limitation, says the Hour Glass. This is a fallacy, as the following facts will attest. The privileges and powers relegated to royalty are manifold unusual way to bring in the pennies bad (as he is quite sure to) breaks, and peculiar, but there are certain

West Indian folklore stories. Clad in disaster ahead sure if the habit wins. | ince of the royal prerogative to disloose, flame colored robe, she sits There have been hundreds of thou pose of the entire army or navy and in Eastern fashion on the floor. "Be sands of people driven to their graves also to declare war without consulting fore her is the board on which she through disease brought on by coffee anybody, yet our king could not utilmanipulates the toys which represent drinking alone, and it is quite certain | ize a penny of the public funds withthe dramatis personae of her stories," that more human misery is caused by out permission from parliament. Howsays the Lady's Home Magazine. In coffee and tobacco than by whiskey, ever excellent and beneficent his mofront of the board are two candles for for the two first are more widely tive may be for so doing, the king is footlights, while in the background a used, and more hidden and insidious in debarred from communicating with grate fire "sheds a warm, red glow the effect on nerves, heart and other any of his loyal subjects and the same vital organs, and are thus unsuspected imitation prohibits him from accept-Every story begins with the formu until much of the dangerous work is ing gifts from any of his people except in cases where the offerings are these things? Take a look at the ques- friend of his majesty. After an individual has been elected by his conchim Bird. Brodda Gingy Fly and the There is a law of Nature and of stituents to take his seat in the Brit-Dibby Dibby Tree; but most import Nature's God that things slowly evolve ish senate at Westminster it is not in ant of all is Annancy, the spider from lower planes to higher, a stardy, the power of the king himself to preman, the evil spirit that figures it steady and dignified advance toward | vent the member from occupying his

> death by the representatives of the Therefore we see many illustrations law. Yet, by a curious statute of one the king's servants are fixed by state own butler except by permission or out of his own private purse. That the king can do no wrong is obviously tne view taken by his counselors, for by the laws that hedge the throne no investments lose, he becomes luxu- person can take action against his majesty and he cannot be arrested by the emissaries of the law on any pretext whatever.

### A Distinction.

Ellen Glasgow, the novelist, has a charming residence in Richmond, Va. Among her ancestors several clergymen are numbered, and of one of these clergymen she said recently: "He was noted for his sermons" originality, quaintness and humor. 1 remember a story that a great-aunt

fore a certain governor. "His women folks had urged him to quence and high-flown rhetoric were far, however, from his style; and when he rose, fixing his eye on the anxious women, he began dryly: "'When Dr. Blank, the eloquent and

flowery, speaks, the plowman leaves

his plow, the tradesman his shop, the

of mine used to tell about an im-

portant address that he delivered be-

sailor his ship, and the shoemaker his bench. But when I, in my matter-offact- way, speak, I set things to rights again, and everyone attends to his own basiness."

Freddie Sizes Up His Ma. The teacher was endeavoring to give her pupils enlightenment on the question of agnosticism.

"Now, Freddy," she said, "we will suppose that your father doesn't go to church and never says his prayers. But he isn't sure that there is not He says there may be or there may clothed in the armor of a clean cut not be-he doesn't know. That makes steady mind and say unto himself, "I him an agnostic. If he said he did She-True; but he's an excellent decline to exchange my birthright for not believe in God, then he would be an infidel. But he doesn't go that far. He just confesses that he goes weaken my grip on affairs and keep not know: Now, do you understand

> "Yes," Freddy answered, "and "What is she, Freddy?"

"Well, from the way ma goes on ai handicap, so a man is certainly a fool the time she must be a nagnostic."