News in Brief

Edward Wilder, treasurer of the Santa Fe Railroad company, died at Topeka, Kas.

Contributions to the relief fund for Russian sufferers has reached a total of \$1.172.639.

Anthracite miners in convention at eight-hour day. Rock Island directors decided to ex-

pend \$14,587,000 in improving their railway system. President Eliot of Harvard deplores

restriction of immigration in an address in Boston.

"Invisible government" of Russia issues manifesto declaring that treasury is nearly bankrupt.

Federal grand jury returns fourteen indictments at Kansas City against railways and shippers. The international fleet which has

been making a demonstration in Turkish waters has been recalled. George Memsic and Adam Ryan, both of Chicago, fought ten rounds at Denver, Memsic receiving the deci-

Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, addressed the students of Yale university on "Evolution in Self-

The Rev. William Bayard Craig, former chancellor of Drake university, has issued a statement in Denver defining his attitude on Christian Science Diamonds and other jewels valued

at \$15,000 were stolen, probably by a sneak thief, from the rooms of Mr. James Morgan at a hotel at Pasadena, Cal. Engineer-in-Chief William H. Shock,

U. S. N., retired, died at Washington, of bronchial trouble, aged 84 years. He was a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars. Medical Inspector David Oldham

Lewis, fleet surgeon of the United State Pacific squadron, who arrived at Honolulu on the cruiser Chicago, died of apoplexy. The jury in the case of Mrs. Sarah

Caldwell at Salina, Kas., charged with the murder of her husband, was discharged, having reported they were unable to reach a verdict.

Edward Joris, the Belgian, and three others, charged with participation in the attempt to assassinate the sultan of Turkey last July, were sentenced to death by the native court.

Samuel N. Hoffheimer, accused of swindling the banking firm of S. W. Straus & Co., of Chicago, out of \$250,-000, was held to the grand jury by Justice Cochrane in bonds of \$22,500.

All efforts to connect James Kendall with the murder of Miss Maud Reese. who was shot and killed by a burglar in her apartments three weeks ago at Chicago, will be abandoned.

President Roosevelt has transmitted to the house of representatives reports from the secretary of state regarding the Samoan claim of Geary against the United States for \$20,000. Enormous demand for all sizes of plate glass from all parts of the coun-

try caused an advance of 10 per cent. in the prices, at a meeting at Pittsburg of representatives of all the independent States.

All hope of finding the whaleback barge, Bath, lost by the steamer Bayview off Winter Quarters' light during a storm, has been given up, as it is almost certain that the vessel founered near Cape Henry, Va.

The State bank of Colby, Wis., was robbed of \$4.500 by two highwaymen. who ordered the cashier at the points during recess in a district school a public library building. Three fine of revolvers to turn over the money in his position The cashier complied Marie, the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. nue have already been secured and

has won large amounts of money at school by the children of a family zoo, Mich., arrived in Lincoln to take grand circuit meetings during the past named Hamerling. She miscalculated possession of a young man wanted season, has been sold to W. T. Wy- and stepped on the dog, which at once in his city for burglary. James Mcnans of London, England. The price resented in a savage manner, biting Cormick, who was employed in a hotel is said to have been between \$9,000 | the girl in the check below the eye and in Kalamazoo, has been living near and \$10,000.

nual debate at Sanders' theater, Cam- surgical attention. bridge, Mass. The New Jersey men supported the affirmative on the question, "Resolved, That intercollegiate rather than a benefit."

Dr. Theodore De Ecke, a patholorecognized in scientific circles as a Russians. microscopist of high authority.

In a duel fought in their cornfield on a farm twenty miles from Jerseyville, Ill., William Andrews was shot and instantly killed by his brother. near here to Albert E. Lake, a wealthy by the state board of educational lands James Andrews. There had been bad blood between the brothers since the death of their father, neither being satisfied with the division of the es-

Former Circuit Judge Horatio D. Wood, aged 65 years, dropped dead from apoplexy at his residence in St.

The Illinois supreme court sustains the decision of the lower courts that Johann Hoch must hang for nis crimes, Feb. 23.

The Mexican congress has adjourned until next April and a permanent

ganized to sit during the recess.

ground will be divided into city lots. John M. Gearin, appointed to succeed the late United States senator, John H. Mitchell, as senator from Oregon; departed for Washington.

E. H. Harriman electried New York by announcing that his statement as to the political responsibility for former Governor Odell was only a joke.

The sale of the art collection of the late Sir Henry Irving, which closed at London brought between \$75,000

and \$100,000. The dead body of Miss Mary Ann Virden, 85 years old, was found be will be held in the stock judging pa- at night and besides the building conside the Suburban railway station at | vilion of the university farm at Lin- sumed a quantity of hay and grain, St. Vincent, Mo.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

ROBERT ENGAL

RAISES PRIZE CORN

LINCOLN-The official announcement of the result in the state corn ing a great religious revival. growing contest for boys indicates that Robert Engel of Saunders county is the winner of the first prize from among the 500 contestants, representing sixty-five counties in the corn belt of Detroit will establish a business at of the state. Engel received a score of 84 and will be awarded a cream separator valued at \$100. The winner of the second prize is D. O. Stelk, a last week. Shamokin, Pa., are unanimous for Hall county schoolboy, while the third prize went to Talmage Miller of Cass county and the fourth to Winfred Bixby of Lancaster county. State Superintendent McBrien announced that the prizes will be distributed as soon as the necessary affidavits of the exhibits from the seed furnished quarantine. by the state department.

The corn was judged with reference to uniformity of exhibit, shape of ears, color of cob, color of kernels, market condition, tips of ears, butts of ears uniformity of kernels, shape of kernes, space between kernels, proportion of corn on ear and weight of gages were taken. grain.

PLEADING FOR A

LIFE TERM CONVICT

The friends of Ernest Bush, a lifeterm convict at the penitentiary, made another plea to Governor Mickey for clemency, alleging that newly discovered evidence throws doubt on the man's guilt. Several times since Governor Mickey's accession to office similar pleas have been made in behalf of the man. A farmer named Morse appeared and told the executive that he owned the place on which Bush and Bailey, his victim were supposed to have been at the time of the murder. He claimed that there is evidence to show that the crime was not committed in that particular section of Dundy county. Governor Mickey will take the case under consideration.

New Railroad Corporation.

The Midland Central Railroad company, which proposes to build a line from Spalding in Greeley county, through Wheeler, Holt and Rock county, filed articles of incorporation of Omaha at a premium of \$700. in the office of the secretary of state. ers, C. M. Thompson, Clarence A. Ripley, Charles E. Lear and Lyman Wa- \$50 and costs in police court at sudience. terman. Officials believe that it is a Union Pacific project, designed to offset the Great Northern invasion of Nebraska territory. The authorized capital stock is \$500,000.

MARBLE BUST FOR

LINCOLN-A marble bust of Chan-The chancellor has promised to sit for a bond of \$1,000 furnished. for over a year, it is to be placed in H. Avermann and A. E. Nelson. the Rockefeller temple building.

Horribly Bitten by Dog.

fully bitten by a dog. She was about coming spring. Don Carr, a pacing gelding, who to jump over the dog, brought to the

In Behalf of Jews.

Good Price for Land. MURDOCK-H. B. Waldron of Watand progressive farmer, for \$18,000, and funds. The attorney general Waldron paid \$9,500 for this farm. land in this vicinity.

Will Refuse Bonds.

State Treasurer Mortensen will restate of Idaho until it has been proven tated. that the securities were issued in a committee of congress has been or- Norris Brown that the bonds are not small piece of paper to show for sev- the crowd was too much for me, and I The Washington Park race track at state of Idaho requires that a bond gave up to a fellow who traveled un- was your friend?" Chicago is to be abandoned as the issue must be submitted to a vote of der the name of Smith. He passed "Dick Denver, my chum," quietly. scene of the American derby and the the people and there is nothing is forged checks, selecting Saturday as show they have been voted on.

Clemency for Prisoner.

Governor Mickey has issued a comwho has served twelve years, will be ed to the state's prison. released on New Year's day.

Dairymen to Meet.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Nebraska Dairymen's association The blaze started about 10 o'clock coln, January 17 and 18, 1896.

NEBRASKA BRIEFS

The Park hotel at Humboldt has recently changed hands. The town of Reynolds is experienc-

Hog cholera is said to be quite prevalent in portions of Cass county. The United States Heater company Omaha

Rev. William Devor, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Ponca, died

The Ainsworth High School band has been reorganized with twentyseven members. Rev. J. W. Jones has resigned as a

member of St. Paul's church, Lincoln, and will return to the east. The family of George Kreitman of

Mrs. Susie V. Tibbetts of Lincoln was bound over to the district court able place, but thousands annually to answer to the charge of shooting visit it, for to do Paris and neglect with intent to kill.

The safe in Stanley & Knight's general store at Clarks was blown and \$200 in cash and all notes and mort-

The Beatrice Fulton bloodhounds were called to the Omaha Indian agency to assist in locating a woman who disappeared from the agency. Rev. J. W. Swan of University Place

put in a good share of the past week in Polk county looking after children that he had placed in different homes. Leonard Huffman, an old and highly respected German farmer, who lived some nine miles south of Table Rock, was found dead in his bed at his residence.

James Eagan, an employe of Barnes Bros., grading contractors, was instantly killed near Bancroft by falling under a sounth bound passenger train

The Gage county farmers' institute will be held at the court house in Beatrice January 3 and 4. An excellent program is being prepared by the committee in charge. A large increase in the working

force of the Burlington shops at Mc-Cook is announced for the near future, in order to place the company's motive power in effective condition. The \$20,000 school bonds voted for

counties to Springview in Keya Paha the Bankers' Reserve Life company of the smaller man.

Schuyler. They appealed the case to the district court and bond was fur nished. County Attorney Slabaugh of Douglas county filed a mandamus suit to test the validity of the act of the legislature which unintentionally had the effect of reducing the salaries of STATE UNIVERSITY the clerk, treasurer and sheriff in

Douglas county. In county court at Plattsmouth cellor E. Benjamin Andrews is to be Judge Travis ordered the four children presented to the University of Neb- of Mrs. Lulu Taylor turned over to raska by the University Dramatic the Nebraska Children's Home so-Club, according to a decision made by ciety. An appeal from his decision the organization at its last meeting. was taken to the district court and

the sculptor, who is a pupil of St. | The Logan Valley Protective com-Gaudens, while in New York City some pany of Concord, Dixon county, sets time next spring or summer. The forth in its articles of incorporation bust is to be life size and cut from that it aims at mutual protection from the best quality of marble. On its thieves. The incorporators are J. completion, which will probably not be Hanson, G. Peterson, H. J. Olson, L.

McCook has received news that Andrew Carnegie has looked with favor on its petition and has agreed to give GRAND ISLAND—While playing that city \$10,000 with which to build grounds seven miles north of this city, centrally located lots on Maine avewithout hesitancy. The robbers quickly and Mrs. George Mader, was fright the building will go up early in the

Sheriff Charles Shean of Kalamaagain in the calf of the leg. both Clay Center, Neb., for some time. The Princeton defeated Harvard in an wounds being severe and requiring alleged burglary, which the officer says is more like larceny, was committed last July.

The supreme court has affirmed the M'COOK-A petition has been fifteen-year sentence of Clarence Swett football in America is a detriment largely signed by McCook people and of Holt county, who was convicted of sent to President Roosevelt asking criminal conduct with a five-year-old his good offices in behalf of the Jews girl, who subsequently died of a segist and expert in chemical research, of the Russian empire, especially cret disease. Swett alleged error in died at his home in Utica, N. Y. He praying that efforts be made to protect the admission of testimony and was frequently employed in making the Jews against further slaughter and claimed a right to a change of venue, examinations to trace poison and was pillage by the barbarian and savage but the supreme court holds that the conviction was legal.

Attorney General Brown has written an opinion withholding his appeal from the purchase of the \$50,000 of erloo. Neb., has sold one of his farms Idaho bonds recently contracted for being \$112.50 per acre. In 1900 Mr. states that his action is based on the omission of the history of the securi-This is the highest price yet paid for ties to show that the people of Idaho authorized their issuance at the polls.

W. H. Pitcaithley, a painter employed with Randall Bros of Beatrice. fell from the roof of Hepperlen's hosfuse to accept the \$50,000 of bonds pital, badly fracturing his ankle and of rare bugs. Permit me, my dear recently taken by the state board of sustaining severe bruises about the sir." but the other instantly draws educational lands and funds from the body. His foot may have to be ampu-

Kearney business men have again legal manner. An opinion has been been trimmed up by a forger and at the day for operation.

Martin Bush of Bartley, Neb., a paroled prisoner from the state pen- generally go far with me-I seek deepitentiary at Lincoln, who was arrested munication to Frederick Sargeant, a for drunkenness and disorderly con-Madison county man sentenced in duct, a repeated offense committed by 1893 to twenty years in the state pen- him in that city since his release from itentiary for wife murder. Sargeant, the penitentiary on parole, was return-

A large barn on the farm of George Gutzmer, four miles south of Humboldt, was destroyed by fire, which started in some unknown manner. harness, etc. The lass is about \$1,000. him, is just about the squarest that be'd suit her better than Bob Harlan Washington Post.



The Belle of the Jardin Bullier. Paris is unusually gay in the early fall, and her boulevards are thronged with people, many of whom come from various parts of the world to enjoy the whirl of revelry experienced here as in no other city on earth.

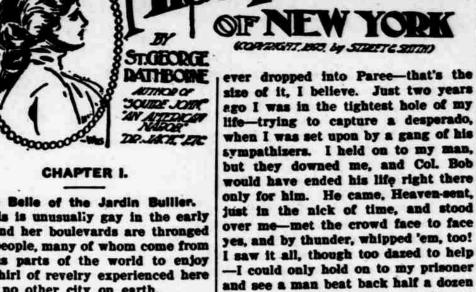
The gardens of the Closerie des Lilas, known also as the Jardin Bullier, are profusely illuminated, and as one of the sights of Paris, not wholly a fashionable or hardly a respectathe Jardins Mabille or Bullier would be a mistake, since their notoriety has the modern nineteenth century, by become world-wide.

About ten o'clock on the night in in the sights?" question, two men, undoubtedly Americans, saunter into the Jardin pearance would attract attention al. have little interest in the latter." most anywhere in Paris, for both wear broad-brimmed, cream-colored felt hats, and wear their hair long. One is rather small in stature when compared with his companion, but as quick as the spring of a tiger; blue-gray eyes that have the faculty of seeming to look through one.

The second man is well proportioned, possesses the figure of an athlete. and a face that is certainly a bold type of manly beauty; those who have associated with Dick Denver in the past can bear witness that he is same time diffident in the society of women; just such a man as might please the taste of a girl who has grown weary of society's darlings, with their lazy habits and aimless be hears his companion utter an exlives.

That it is not wholly curiosity that brings these two comrades to the Jar- | Pora!" din Bullier on this particular night might be discovered from the manthe purpose of erecting a new brick ner in which they look around, and at his arm, while the sharp, penetratschool house at Bancroft were sold to the frown that appears upon the face ing voice of the little man cries:

terson of the train that killed Mrs. | ciered around for a while, observed | magnetize, the ruby lips that invite | nita knew we would be here." Wacha some time ago were each fined the dancers, and eyed most of the a kiss! Don't tell me, Col. Bob, that



as Dick Denver, the truest, noblest ceived, certifying to the production of from diphtheria, has emerged from or dance increase in number. It is specimen of manhood God ever "Bravo, colonel; it pleases me to see one so enthusiastic," clapping his hands gently as if in applause-"Damon and Pythias over again and in

cowardly wolves. That made us

Jove! Of course you are here taking "Well, yes. You know we couldn't leave France for America, and fail to Bullier. Their dress and general ap- see the Bullier and Mabille, though I

"Ah! it is at the Closerie des Lilas one sees beauty unadorned-here the ical belies of Paris show themselveshere we see no powdered faces, no padded figures, such as one wearies of among the higher classes. Rosy he has a handsome face, with restless cheeks, painted by nature, reign instead. And of all who dance, Col. Bob, I am ready to swear perpetual devotion to the belle of the evening. See her willowy figure, note its suprle bending, pay attention to her charming face-zounds, man! Prof. John is her slave already-he will wade through seas of gore to win her, a comrade worth having, as true as and if there is another Richmond in steel and courageous as a lion, at the field, by Jupiter Pluvius, I'll-I'll throttle him!"

> The excited and enamored little professor has just reached this climax when he comes to a sudden pause, for ciamation that almost paralyzes him. "Death and furies! if it isn't my

> In an instant he has an aroused specimen of British assurance clawing

"Your Dora! Who the deuce may is your Dora, for by the gods, man,



"I'm deuced sorry—it's lucky you're | I'll have to challenge you—I will, so man of such wonderful patience, Col. Bob," remarks the other, who is watching a handsome girl whirl around in the mazes of the waltz, clasped by the arm of a tall student | ure of the girl-his face has assumed who has the appearance of a Spaniard, and smiling to think what effect it will have on his companion, the sheriff of Secora county, when he, too,

discovers this charmer. A minute later and the two friends separate, Bob Harlan to continue his search through the whole of the garden, with its dancing pavilion, Dick Denver to lean against a pillar, and, smoking, contemplate the exceedingly gay scene before him.

The New Mexico sheriff moves in and out of the throng, apparently idling his time away, and enjoying the singular sight to be seen in the Closerie des Lilas, but all the while keeping a bright lookout for the party he seeks. That he himself is an object of considerable importance does

not seem to occur to him. A hand clutches his arm—he turns and discovers the queerest little man one could well conceive-a pompous individual despite his lack of stature, and with a keen visage.

"Col. Harlan, I am delighted to meet you again. Perhaps you may have forgotten me, but we met in a peculiar way some time since on the Ring strasse in Vienna," says this individual, with extended hand.

"Ah, yes, Prof. John Fitzsimmons, the little English naturalist, in search back his extended hand and nods. "Censider it done, Col. Bob. One

experience of that grip is enough for 'yours truly.' I saw you with a comhanded down by Attorney General least six of them have nothing but a ranion a while back, but the press of valid because the constitution of the eral good, hard dollars which they failed to get near-I presume that "A fine looking young fellow, I must

"See here, professor, looks don't

say."

er to find the truth; but in this particular case they strike home. Dick against. 'sn't much of a dandy, but he's a man. every inch of him. He's been a cowboy, miner, and a rolling stone generally, because he has no real aim in life, so home ties to art as a sudder. you see. What he doesn't know about ife in the mines of Merico and on the

plains isn't worth picking up. Talk

about a square man, professor, that

tellow you see leaning against yonder

help me. Moses." The Sheriff of Secora county brushes him aside as he might a trou-

blesome fly; his eyes are on the figa frown that gives it a terrible look. "Keep back, sir-out of the way! I may be mistaken-I'll wait till she comes around again. Now I can see. Yes, it's Dora, by all the powers! The girl is surely crazy to come to this place. She needs a protector," he mutters, and the professor catches his

last words. "Yes, yes, that's it, a protector, and I'm the man who stands ready to assume that office. I'm not a hulking giant, but in intellect I tower above the best of them. I'll be her protector," he cries.

"You!" sneers the colonel. "Why. Dora would call you only half a man, professor. Women go a good deal by

appearances, my dear fellow." "Of course they do-I'm quite aware of that, which accounts for her prefence. You didn't see me dance with the beauty-watch her look this way: row, she smiles like an angel-she sees her devoted John Fitz-eh! she throws a kiss, the darling!" and he rapturously sends a dozen in the direction of the girl who goes whirling jast them, with a new partner, a man of middle age, with dark features and the general appearance of a Castillian It seems as though this belle of the Jardin Bullier has a decided penchant

for gentlemen of Spanish blood. As for Col. Bob, he deliberately turns his back on the scene, an action ature of the surrounding country is the dancing girl cannot fail to see. Over his face flits an expression of point." leen pain; he grits his teeth savagely. and then the agony is over-no one would guess what he has just passed through.

crowd. He is almost savage in his stagging; his face silver white in the advance, and more than one beau of when his patent leather dancing pumps are trodden on, or his wellbrushed dancing coat rudely rubbed

He keeps looking right and left, as though still in hopes of discovering the one whom he came to find, and all the while he mutters:

"Confound it all, I didn't believe it of Dora. I knew she was full of spirits and enjoyed fun as well as the rext one, but I never thought to find ter in this place, dancing with straners. I'm disappointed-mad. The pro- ered. rost, as though he had little life about fessor is welcome to the jade—I think

ever could, for he doesn't seem to see anything out of the way in her being here. As for me, I swear right now wash my hands-"

"Bob!"

The voice sounds close by his earhe shivers as he never was known to when facing a dozen tough despera does out West, but he does not turn around, continuing to look away from the magnet so close to his elbow. "Bob, are you very angry with me?"

Now a hand steals through his arta -it touches his own, and thrills the man. Unable to longer resist, he slowly turns his head and looks into that charming fresh face, those dazzling eyes—and Bob Harlan is again

"Yes, I'm very, very mad, Doracoiling over with indignation. What brings you to this place? I never thought to see you here when I strolled in from curiosity."

"Am I bound to tell you?" she pouts, walking beside him.

friends, comrades. I would lie down "Not at all-you are at liberty to do to-morrow and die for such a man as you please," he replies, coldly. The girl melts at once, evidently he cares much for this man's good

> "Bob, did you notice my partner in that dance?" she asks, but he shakes

bis head. "I saw only you, it seemed as though a mist came before me then. and I was blind. Heavens! girl, whatever induced you to come to this place?" he almost fiercely demands.

"A stern duty brought me here, Col. Bob. You would not hesitate to face danger where it is duty that callswhy should Dora?" "Nonsense! what mission could

bring you here?" he asks, in an incredulous tone, while they promenade emong the cowds, with the music thobbing from the stand near by. "My duty to Miss Pauline-I would

go through fire and water for her," declared the girl resolutely. "I can't quite understand how you could serve Miss Westerley by being present here. Perhaps you will con-

care," quickly seeing a shadow pass over Dora's face. "There's no reason I shouldn't, especially as you are already interested in the Mexican mine business. You know Senor Manuel Lopez?"

"I should say I did; he is in Paris

descend to explain—that is, if you

now with his daughter. Juanita, and his nephew, Carlos. We have taken dinner with them." "Meaning yourself and friend, Mon-

sieur Dick?" "Yes; you see, the senor's lovely daughter was always about half in love with Dick, but he never cared for the woman, and gave her little en-"Disappointed again, I'm afraid, your Dora be? Not that charming girl couragement. I've half believed that Engineer Glynn and Conductor Pe- Dick," he says, after they have wan- with the rosebud face, the eyes that they are in Paris now because Jua-

Crack Fourteen Miles Long. The second largest crack in the earth in the United States has been discovered in a remote part of the Terlingua quicksilver district, about ninety miles south of Marathon, Texas, according to Dr. William B. Phillips, formerly director of the State mineral survey, who is now operating cuicksilver mines in that section. Dr. Phillips says that this wonderful crack is fourteen miles long, and is at no place under 700 feet wide. It is 1,800 feet deep. The walls are almost vertical. So far as known, nc exploration of the crack has ever been made. The country where it is found has an altitude of about 3,000 feet. It is believed that an explora-

tion of the crack may reveal rich minerals, particularly quicksilver. The search that has been made recently for quicksilver prospects in that section has brought to light other interesting geological wonders. It is stated by Dr. Phillips that fifty extinct volcanoes have been found there. A number of rich quicksilver mines are being operated in the district, and preparations are being made to develop many other promising prospects. Dr. Phillips says that the quicksilver output of the district this year will be at least 6,000 flasks .-New York Times.

In St. Petersburg.

"There is something repulsive in the climate of St. Petersburg in the early spring and autumn," says a writer, "when the thermometer often falls 30 degrees in a few hours, when the roads are ankle deep in snowbroth, or mud, when the winds blow raw and cold from every quarter of the compass and the quickmoving droskies shower the abominations of the roads impartially upon noble and peasant. It is no consolation to the visitor to know that the Neva is sealed by ice early in November or late in October. Long indeed before the frost king has talked down to the latitude of St. Petersburg the lordly river is completely blocked. Great ice sheets from stormy Ladoga float down the current; they crash against the mighty buttresses of the bridges cling to the banks and gradually accumulate until the whole length of the river, which unites the greatest lake in Europe with the gulf of Finland, is completely choked. The ice is reared higgledly-piggledy at every conceivable angle. It is a strange sight -this broad stretch of water, impassable and icebound while the temperoften many degrees about freezing

The Boy and the Samaritans.

The other night two women hurrying around the avenue corner at Sev-Col. Bob abruptly leaves the profes- enteenth street almost stumbled over sor and pushes his way through the a man who lay on his back across the moonlight. Near him stood a boy. the Closerie scowls at the American | The women were terrified and the boy explained: "I don't know who the man is. I

> stunned himself in falling. My friend and I found him here, and he has gone for a doctor." "Poor fellow!" sa'd one of the wom-

think he must have been drinking and

en, "how pitiful he looks with his head on the bare state."

The boy must have thought so, too. for he took out his handkerchief and foulled it into a tiny pillow. Then the doctor came and the crowd gath-

And the Samaritans passed on.-

THE EARTH'S AREA.

One of the best authorities estimates the area of the earth's surface at 196,791,384 square miles, of which about 53,000,000 square miles is land. the rest water. Throughout most of this 53,000,000 square miles Pillsbury's Vitos has made its way because it's so good. It is the ideal breakfast food, and may be had at any up-to-date grocery.

Nineteen in One Room.

In investigating the death of a child London lodging-house inspectors found a room at the east end in which nineteen Russians slept. Their beds almost touched. There was a stove in the middle of the room and no ventilation, and water was running down the window panes in streams.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy.N. Y.

Asbestos.

Asbestos is a mineral, a silicate of magnesia and lime, together with iron oxide. It is worked in commercial deposits in Italy, Tasmania, New South Wales, Canada and the United States. Its distinguishing economical character lies in its resistance to heat and indestructibility through fire.

Competition.

A farmer, during a long-continued drought, invented a machine for watering his fields. The first day he was trying it there suddenly came a downpour of rain. He put away his machine. "It's no use," he said, "ye can dae naething nooadays without competition."

The Kindly Word.

A kindly word is a little thing-a breath that goes and a sound that dies. But the heart that gives and the heart that hears may know that it sings and sings till at last it bends with the wild bird's song and the coo of babes in what men call the celestial choir.

A Highly Developed Auto. A Brooklyn physician who used to be an automobile enthusiast owns a machine which has been educated to

such a high stage of efficiency that he

solemnly informs his friends it breaks

down while standing still in the gar-He Doesn't Gurse Now. Washington, Kans., Dec. 25 (Special)-Jesse E. Mitchell is a telephone lineman, and also a well known resiwith Mr. Mitchell knows that he was

a man who held very positive views

about Patent Medicine. Hear what he says now:-"I used to curse all kinds of Patent Medicines, for they never did me any good, but Dodd's Kidney Pills have caused me to change my mind. For twelve years I suffered from Kidney Trouble. There was a hurting across my back that made it positive agony to stoop, and as I am in a stooping position nearly all day, you can imagine how I suffered. After a day's work that any man would think nothing of, I would be tired and worn out. In fact, I was always tired. I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills and after taking four boxes I feel like a new man, I am as fresh at night as when I begin work in the morning. I have no pain in my back now, and I am

stronger than ever." In a sad world the old saints who have a right to sleep are the ones in

the graveyard. The trouble with much preaching is that it is advertising truffles when the

people need potatoes. A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PIEES. Itching, Bilind, Bleeding, Protruding Piles, Drug-gists are authorized to refund money if PAZO OINTMENT falls to cure in 6 to 14 days, 59c.

of a man's alleged good nature is to serve him indifferent meals at home. You always get full value in Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peorla, Ill.

The best way to estimate the force

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