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MINOR MENTION.

Y. P. Co. Glesson coal. Council Bluffs Lamber Co., coal. Thatcher coal, see nivertisement.
The Hoston store for holiday goods.
Best coal and wood at C. B. Fuel Co.

Carbon Coal Co. wholesale, retail, 10 Pearl Carson Con Lo wholesale, retail, do vari. The work of driving piles on which the foundation of the new hord will rest was summenced jesterday.

The German Catholic ladies will, on New Year's eve, given grand quadrille party in the Massonic temple ball.

Year's eve, give a grand quarrile party in the Mission temple hall.

A marriage license was Issued yesterday to William H. Lester and Anna Black, both of Douglas county, Nebraska.

The loss sustained by J. A. Gorbam at Tuesday night's fire will amount to \$2,500, on which there is \$1,000 insurance.

The case of the state against Sylvester for an assault and instery committed an young Clatterback, was argued in Justice Hendricks courty-setterlay morning.

A motion to set aside default and judgment in the case of View w lioseman was argued and submitted before Judge Aylessworth in the superior court yesterday afteracoon.

Tonight Harmony chapter No. 25, O. E. S. hold their regular monthly incetting. All members are requested to be present, as there is susiness of importance. By order of W. M.

of M. M.

A party of students from Minneapolis
passed through the city yesterday. They
came in over the Sioux City & Pacific road,
and left for the west to pass the holidays at
their Nebrasan homes.

their Nebraska homes. The days the holidays at the five department was called out about 10 o'clock yesterday morning by a fire in John San Kee's building on North Mometroet. It was extinguished with chemicals and the damage was very slight.

A Christonas ball will be given at Armour hall, dardin township, on Wednesday evenium, Decomber 23. Music will be furnished by Gionn's orchesta of this city. Supper and dancing will be among the features of the evening's entertainment.

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evening's entertainment.
The extra water pressure turned on Tuesday evening Suring the fire bursted pipes and playing the fire bursted pipes and playing fixtures in various parts of the city. Several rooms were partly finded, but the loss is not reported as severe. The playmeter will reap a fair shoot harvest

plumbers will reap a fair sized harvest from it.

Justice A. L. Hendricks met with a severe fail yesterday noon. As he was going down stairs after adjoarnment of court, he slipned upon an apple that some one had careivasly thrown on one of the lower steps, and was hurled violently to the brack parennent. He received several ban bruises and a sovereshaking our gonerally.

In the district court yesterday a motion for more specific statement in plaintiff's petition is the case of David Gray vs. U. H. White was filed, also a denurrer to answer in the case of Webster vs. Jennies. Ross Heaston filed a petition to recover a horse by replevin, alleging that the animals unlawfully seld by Albert Heaston, administrator, Miles Vegols, the would be succept, has

reason filed a petition to recover a horse by recolovis, alleging that the animal is unlawfully selid by Albert Heaston, administrator. Miles Vegole, the would be succide, has been removed to St. Bernard's hospital. He jumped out of bed Tuesday afternoon, and insisted that the attendants were trying to kill him. Yesterday morning he told the physician he had not been able to sleen, as they had kept him dancing on the floor all night. Hes condition is very critical, as the kinds have been also been as they had kept him dancing on the floor all night. Hes condition is very critical, as the kinds per control of the condition of the control of the condition of the

P. C. Miller, best paper hanging and decorating. The best is the cheapest. Chapman's art display will be kept intact during the holicays. Go and see it.

Now is the time to buy your furniture. C. A. Beebe & Gempany have too many goods for their storage capacity and are cutting prices to make goods go. Berkey & Gay chamber suits, sideboards and dining tables, Windsor, Welch and Berkey folding bela, parlor suites, lounges and all kinds of fancy chairs at universit of figures. These goods are all of the theat designs and finish. Don't buy until you learn their prices. A clean sweep to be made. Come and see for yourself.

Smokers' presents at Moore & Bowman's

A. D. Telegraph Co. All persons in the city who have tele-phones can call up telephone 179 for mes-songer boys, cubs and express wagons, etc. Prompt streamon guaranteed. C. G. Robin-son, manager, No. 11 North Main street.

The Bechtele has been remodeled and re-fitted and name changed to Hotel Jameson C. B. steam dye works, 1013 Hroadway.

No Longer on the Mash.

Henry Jones is a masher, but he now sincerely wishes that he was anything cise. He languishes in dicance vite and the register at the police station says that he insulted a lady. Henry, of course, denies this and says he was merely speaking to a girl he knew when he was pressted. The girl he gestion. when he was arrested. The girl in question, who, by the way, is the fifteen-year-old daughter of very respectable parents and a most estimable young lady, says that it is not so. She avers that she nower saw the follow before he spoke to her and followed her on the street yesterday afternoon, and persistently can areast her.

fellow before he spoke to her and followed her on the street, yesterday afternoon, and persistently ran against her.

The young lady was passing up Broad way and Jones followed her from the corner of Maine to Sargent & Evans' since store. Captain Anderson of the Merchant's nolice saw what was going on, and steeping un to Jones remonstrated with him for his conduct. Jones however, wouldn't have it that way. He objected to outside interference and invited the fly cop to take a summer trin. The latter refused to go and thenry was making all due preparations to "smack him on the smeller" when Anderson laid him on the emeller" when Anderson laid him on the emeller" when Anderson laid him on the sack and proceeded to choice some of the cussedness out of him, winding on by landing him in a cell at the boilee station. Jones is a barber and has been employed at Fritz Bernshard's shop, but was recently discharged. A nimber of complaints have been made about his mashing proclivities, and several parties have been laying for him to play even for assults to their sisters and sweethearts. After being arrested Jones begged and cried like a baby, but his captor was interesting and into the hole the maker went. Maine to Sargent & Evans' snoe store. Captain Andersen of the Merchants' colice saw what was going on, and stepping up to Jones however, wouldn't have it that way. Hoobjected to outside interference and invited the fly cop to take assummer trin. The last ter refused to go and Hearty was making all due preparations to 'sancek him on the smeller' when Anderson laid him on his back sno preceded to choice some of the cussed line accided to the continuous of the cussed line acided to compliate have been make about his mashing proclivities, and several parties have been make about his mashing proclivities, and several parties have been laying for him to play even for usualts to their sisters and sweethearts. After being arrested Jones begged and cried like a batty but his captor was inexerable and into the hole the maker west form and his been employed at Pfus Rail and the videous and his been amployed at Pfus Rail and the syldenger of the cussed and cried like a batty but his captor was inexerable and into the hundred the introduced the continuous accounts with the continuous architecture when the commany even for usualts to their sisters and sweethearts. After being arrested Jones begged and cried like a batty but his captor was inexerable and into the hole the making all due to the buffer of continuous processes at the Council Hungs Carpet company.

Lund Brothers, 23 Main street, have the largest collection of fine holiday goods to be found in Council Hings.

The Boston store is the place to buy your Christmas purposes at the Council Hungs of the company were proposed as the continuous process of the place to be accompany to the continuous process of the place to be accompany to the continuous process at the Council Hungs of the depose at stated in these columns the active and the continuous process at

afternoon. As previously stated the evidence spains the secased is all circumstantial, but the state made outs very strong case, showing that the defensant was not only with the decessed on the night when the murder is supposed to have been committed, but firown was in his company when last seen along toward the fatal size, being iast seen about two blocks from where Spears' body was found nearly forty-eight hours afterward.

The defense attempted to prove an alibi and the accused and his two elsters swore that he was eating support at his home between S and 9 o'clock, the time whom the marder is supposed to have been perpetrated.

Canuty Attorney Orean made the opening

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County Attorney Organ made the opening arrament to the jury and it, was a clear, concise and powerful effort. He carefully reviewed the evidence and presented his case in a manner that woo bim many com-

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He was followed by Mr. Pinley, who opened for the defense. His position was that no makes had been shown and that no mative easisted for the commission of the micrier on the mrt of Brown. He talked around the evidence rather than reviewed it, but he worked hard for his circuit and manic an carries abposal for accultual.

mais an earnest appeal for acquittal,
Hargains in ottomans, and footrests this
work at the Council Bluffs. Carpes company.
We have some of the facest novelties in this
bite you ever saw.

For bargains in books just visit the Boston store, Council Bluffs. They can save you 23 to 59 per cent on all books, in some cases 100 per cent. Boston store, Council Bluffs.

Gold pens and pencils regardless of cost.

Oak muss and creamers the, Lund Brothers, 23 Main street.

A grand breek.

A grand holday display in diamonds, watches, clocks and jewoirs. Exceptody should see the elegant array of Christmas gifts, and as our long established recontation for bousest denling removes all doubt of high prices we can and thew all at C. H. Jacquenin's Co., 27 Main street.

Kelley & Younkerman do not try to pain off should Xuns goods on their customers, but their stores is strictly first class, and it al-ways pays to buy the best.

The Sw. tchm.en's Annual.

The fourth annual hall given at Masonle temple Thesay eventual, given at Masonle temple Thesay eventual, by Council Blurks lodge, No. 3t Switchmen's Mutual Aid association of North America, was the most successful affair of the kind ever given by them. The halt was handsomely and appropriately decorated, the national colors being hung at one end, and a lighted headlight, on which appeared the monogram of the order, at the other. Deligniful music was furnished ay balbey's ordesetra. The holdes served a bountful super at Woodnen's hall. The tables were arranged very tastefully, and presented is most inviting appearance. The indices in charge were Mesdames C. D. Donly, George Gates, E. J. Roarty, C. C. Cocican, Amos Wilson and W. A. Righsmith, and to their untiring efforts is due much of the subcess of the occasion. A large elegation of railroad men was present from Omaha and enjoyed the festivities.

E. P. Roe's complete works, 20 volumes.

Land Brothers give the largest diener ser-vice for \$12 ever sold in the west.

Blank books, all kinds, ledgers and journals, I to 12 quires, at less than cost. Send for prices. Massailo book store, Council Blants.

Mixed candy 10c per pound; a fall line of hand-made creams, but up in 1 to 5-pound boxes, cheap. Palmer's, 12 South Main.

Neumeyerhotel, first class, reasonable rates Fine stock of watches and lewerry for the solidays at Wellman's, 538 Broadway.

The Ross Investment and Trust company Personal Paragraphs.

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P. McAdam of the Chicago paving firm of McAdam & Amberg arrived in the city yes terusy to look after financial business connected with the paving done in the Highs by this firm last year.

nected with the paying done in the Hairs by this firm list year.

J. H. Benwn of Wayne, Neb., a former resident of Glouwood, la., was in the city yesterday looking for some one with capital and faith enough to start a weekly demo-cratic paper at the county seat of Wayne county. He was unsuccessful.

Miss Mary E. Gray loft Theaday evening for her home at Waukegan, Ill., after a visit with her brothers, J. L. and L. A. Gray, in

this city.

Louis Henderson of Colorado is visiting his mother, Mrs. Issac Wooley of this city.

The condition of Hon, Joseph Lyman was very much improved yesterday.

See the 75 candle power calcium lamp a Land Brothers. It is a perfect lamp and a perfect light.

"This murble is stainless—can't be minred by spotting." is the legend tacked to a fine monument in front of Kelly's marble yard, on Upper Broadway. Some vandals have defined it by spitting tobacco jaice upon it. The fifth has been washed off, showing the beauty of the spicendia Georgia marble, from which it is cut. The marble cannot be de-filed, but is lamerishable in its beauty.

A handsome lamp makes a beautifur Christians present. You can find just what you want at Lund Brothers, 33 Main street. The New Union Depot,

The new Union Depot,
The matter of all absorbing interest to the
citizens of the Biuffs at the present time is
the union depot project, and it transpires
that there are several matters that hinge
upon it, either directly or indirectly. At the upon it, either directly or indirectly. At the meeting of the union depot committee with the railway managers in Chicago two weeks ago the question was fully discussed, pro and con, and it then developed that the Burling-ton, Wabash, Northwestern and Union Pa-

cific were in favor of it, while the Milwan-kee and Hock Island held aloof, fearing that kee and Rock Island held aloof, foaring that they were to get the worst of the deal, and refused to make a definite answer. The Milwankee is to cross the river on the new Nebraska Contral bridge, and could not say just what action it would take regarding the union depot until certain other matters were considered, and another meeting was accordingly arranged, to be held in this city on the last day of this month. The Rock Island is also figuring on getting across the river on a new bridge that may be built below the present Union Pacific bridge, and they wanted time to consider the matter. This is what is to be finally settled at the meeting to be held in the Bluffs two weeks helde.

ting the new union denot, provided the caty will allow them to retain a right-of-way on Union avenue. It is a retain the retainment of extending its line coatward, and wants this street and a right of way up indian creek to get out of the caty. The matter was fully presented to the committee and the council will act on the matter interest to the council will act on the matter interest to transfer its franchise on Union Evaluation of the cate of the cate of the council will act on the interest of the council of the allowing the demands of the configurate, as it is a will settled epineon that a tinon depot is needed, and needed very boddly.

Christmas tree decorations, costume mot ics, etc., at Paimer's, 12 South Main.

The freet display of handkerchiefs ever seen in lowers at the Boston store, Council Bluffs. Handkerchiefs from 1c to \$2.50, from 25 to 50 per cost below regular prices. Boston store, Council Bluffs.

Fountain cigar, a strictly 10c cigar for 5c at the Fountain, Try one.

Drs. Woodbury pave removed their dental office to 101 Pearl street, up stairs. Probatis's harness shop, 333 opera house block, headquarters for robes and blankets. Fine candy, fruits, nuts, Christmas baskets, etc., at Palmer's, 12 South Main.

WHERENICKEL COMES FROM

Four Thousand Tons Per Year the Product of a Single Mine.

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In the Copper Cliff mine near Sulbury, Canada, it is said more neickel is being produced than the entire market of the world calls for at current prices, says the Youth's Companion. A little branch railway off the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway, four miles in length, leads out to the mine, which opens into the face of the erag of the principal control of the Canadian Pacific railway, four miles in length, leads out to the mine, which opens into the face of the erag of the brown, oxidized, Laucentian reck characteristic of this region. The minors are now at work at a depth of about 300 foct below the surface. As fast as the nickel and copper bearing rock is hoisted out it is broken up and piled upon long beds or ricks of pine wood to be calcined, or consted, for the purpose of driving out the sulphur which it contains. The reasting process is of the nature of lime-kining or charcoal-burning. Each great bod of ore requires from one to two months to roast. When roasted the rock goes to the principal smelter, a powerful blast furance, "jacketed"—in mining phrase—with running water to enable it to sustain the great heat requisite to reduce the crude, obdurate mineral to fluidity.

The dreas of the moulten mass is first allowed to flow off, and afterward the nearly pure nickel and copper, blended togother in an alloy called the "mat," or matte is drawn off at the base of the furnace vat into barrow pots and wheeled away, still liquid and flery hot, to cool in the yard of at he hase of the furnace vat into barrow pots and wheeled away, still liquid and flery hot, to cool in the yard of the sinciler. The matt contains about 70 per cent of nickel, the remaining 30 per cent boing mainly of copper. When cool the conical postoaves of mit can easily be cracked in pieces by means of heavy hammers. The fragments are then packed in barrels and slipped to Swansea in Wales and Germany, where the two constituent metals are separated and, refuned by secret processes which are very jealously gu In the Copper Cliff mine near Sad-cary, Canada, it is said more stekel is

Money loaned at L. B. Craft & Co.'s loan office on furniture, pianes, horses, wagons, personal presents of all kinds, and all other articles of value, without removal. All business strictly confidential.

The Manhattan sporting headq'rs 418 B-way, Saddle Rock restaurant, 492 Broadway, onen day and night. First class. J. E. Yaney, prop.

Miss Mary Gleason has removed her dress making partors to the rooms lately used by the public library, No. 14 Pearl street, where she will be glad to see her old friends.

Frisky Girls With Tied-Up Pettico its.

We pass a threshing floor where the cattle are treading out the grain, says a St. Michael's, Azors, letter. On the level, sun baked floor three or four yoke of oxen were dragging flat boards, on which stood groups of merry barelooted girls, who guided the cattle round and about the floor by touching their horns with a pole, whilst others turned over the straw to expose freah pertions to the weight. The floor was placed on high ground, so as to catch the breeze for the subsequent operation of winnowing, which is here done as in the cast, by throwing up the grain into the air. Half the village seemed to be engaged in the work or in contributing to the ceaseless talk and merriment which accompanied it.

The frisking girls with their tied-up petticoats and many colored handkerdilien garments and in all manner of wonderful head gear; the fussy farmer, who seemed to be everywhere, and gave twenty orders at once; the impuriurbable oxen; old women and naked little urchins and nursing mothers—concive all this bathed is bright sunshine, and backed by black cliffs with noverfalling white fringe at their base, and boyond the great ocean strotching into the far distance until it seemed to lose itself in the blue unclouded sky, and you have a picture worthy of the pencil of Rosa Bonhear.

Ferry. Shoes. Frisky Girls With Tied-Up Perticoats

Shoes. Ferry. Shoes. Will sell gents' fine aboes at less than coat until January 1. Corner Broadway and Main, under the bank.

Solid goldrings at Wollman's, 598 B'way. J. G. Tipton, real estate, 527 Broadway.

Bush & Gert's planes, 538 Breadway.

Hereafter the dining room of the New Pa-cific will be run on semi-European plau. All meals served at 25 cents each.

Fine perfumes, anchet powders and tollet bottles for the holidays at Dell G. Morgan & Co. s, 742 Broadway.

A Freesno, Cal., woman threw a celluloid cuff into the stove. Her husband will have to pay \$150 to repair the damage to the kitchen and get a new stove.

Always on Tim.

If you wish to purchase a good and reliable watch 35 per cent less than club rates, and on easy terms, then call at once and make your own selection at C. B. Jacquemin & Co., 27 Main street.

Holiday roods and books as low as thowest of Doll G. Morgan's, 742 Broadway

Proposals for School House Site. Proposals for School House Site.
The undersigned will receive proposals for lots in the western part of the city of Council Blidfs, near the Cehran tract, on which to creek school buildings. Said grounds skall consist of not less than one-half block. To receive attention proposals should be filed at once.

Gro. BLASSM.

Committee on grounds and buildings of the board of education.

MAURER'S CHINASHOP.

340 Broadway Council Bluffs.

Visitors and purchasers equally welcome.

Our stock is the largest and finest in the west, comprising some of the choisest in the following goods:

Rich Cut Glass in choicest patterns. Gems in Royal Worcester and Doulton, Hungarian, Carsbad, Beedapesht.

Latest in Bronzes, Sterling Silver, Onyx, Tabbs, Piano, Banquet and Table Lamps. Woodard's and other makes of Choice China in Game sets, Fish sets, Desert sets, Soup sets, Dinner and Tea Ware and an elegant assortment of Dainty Pieces for the table of every description.

Medium priced goods in all lines that can not be duplicated in price.

W. A. MAURER, 340 Broad way.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA.

Take Electric Motor at Millard or Paxton. It will land you at our store in twenty minutes.

NATIVE BELLES OF AFRICA

All of Their Costumes are Cut Very Dacollete.

ALL LOADED DOWN WITH BEADS.

Some of the Society Ladies Carry Haif a Hundred Weight of the Orna-ments, But Don't Wear Much Else.

The Maidens of M Telta.
As we had supplied our men liberally with cloth to trade for food, and were remaining a day for purposes of traffic the Wa-Teita celebrated the occasion by turning out in their most gorgeous to turning out in their most gorgoons costumes. Gorgoons is hardly the word to apply to the get-up of the ordinary African savage, but it may well be allowed to stand in regard to the gala costumes of the plump and oily-skinned Wa-Toita belles, who fairly took possession of our cause on this occasion. session of our camp on this occasion, writes Thomas Sterns to the New York writes Thomas Steras to the New York World. The ladies of the tripe believe in the time-honored idea of cohancing their charms instead of concealing them. To carry out this happy femi-nine conceit they array themselves al-most exclusively in a costume of beads, of which ornaments they manage to

of which oranments they manage to wear a most astonishing quantity. Young women cause strutting proudly into our camp with certainly not less than thirty or forty pounds of beads of various bright colors disposed about their persons. As the ladies of western Asia carry about in the form of jewels and gold coins their husband's surplus

their persons. As the ladies of western Asia carry about in the form of jewels and gold coins their husband's surplus wealth, so the belies of Teita burden and at the same time decorate themselves with their little all in beads.

The weight of birds they carry and the manner in which they are worn must be exceedingly uncomfortable. But they care no more for comfort where fashion is concerned than do the ladies of Paris or New York. The swage belle is, in fact, always a greater votary of fashion than her civilized sister. If Miss Fashionplate of America converts herself into a wasp and the Golon Lity of China discards her feet at the dictates of fashion, rest assured that the dark daughters of the savage continent act well up to their lights in the same direction. But the M'Teita belle does nothing very absurd. There are no holes bered in her lips, nor is her well-olled body disfigured by tattooing as are the women of many savage peeples. She files her front teeth to a sharp point, which leads you to draw irreverent comparisons between her knowing smile and the jaws of a rat-trap. Her chin is selevited like the British soldier's by the enormous collar of beads she wears, and various other little peculiarities reveal themselves to our eyes or our nostrils as she poses before our tent to be admired; but with all this, I say, she is neither a human wasp nor a person who has to be carried pick-aback from having destroyed her feet.

But let us endeavor to draw a pleture of her, as sear as one may in more words, and for the rest a photograph, snapped off before she becomes aware of our intentions by means of the World office detective camera.

In the first place, you see nothing of a fashionable M'Teita woman's neck. The whole contour from chin to collarbone the movements of the head. Forty of fifty other and longer strings, suspended from caches houlder, cross between the breasts, forming a bandolier that seems to us as much of a barden as an oranment. Another huge coil encircles the waist, or in some instances, inst

circles the waist, of in some instances, instead of innumerable strings, a bead belt of curious pattern and neat design. One would think this were beads enough to satisfy even the most bead-loving African damsel. But even these massive accumulations fall short of perfection is the eye of the M Totta bello. Wherever there is room about her person to bestow a bead, there, rest assured, will the bead be found, if she has enough to go round. The head is shaved so as to leave, a circular patch of wool on the crown, about three inches in diameter. A bygad band, or coronet, of beads encircles and covers this shaved so as to leave, a circular patch of wool on the crown, about three runches, in diameter. A bygad band, or coronet, of beads encircles and covers this shaven part, and the hair of the crown is gathered and twisted into hundreds of tiny strings, on each side of which is threaded a red, white, blue or green bead. Hoops of beads threaded on wire added a red, white, blue or green bead. Hoops of beads threaded on wire added a red, white, blue or green beads. Hoops of beads threaded on wire added to the earns bright articles encircle arms and legs; and, indeed, the very fig-leaf, with which her single soul satisfies the requirements of decency, is a tiny about of beads, fringed and embellished by a border of tiny iron chains of Chagaworkmanship.

Hut the most curious object about the Mount Teita indies' costume, and which was seen by us on the women of no other tribe, is observed from a back view. Suspended from the beads around her waist is a piece of goatskin, natterned after an exaggerated swallowtail, the pointed extremeties of which descend to the calves and fap jauntily about her legs as she walks. It is needless to add that this strange garment also is adorned with heads.

Picture to yourself a hundred or so chocolate-hund women of all sixes and ages, one-half of their persons glistening like pateut-leather in the bright sun, with every inotion of the sup plot of color—masses of beads; and you have with us

to that particularly dashing young lady who is approachind the tent. She has been making her toilet afresh for the conquests of the afternoon among the porters. In other words, she has just come from her hut, after annointing from head to feet with a pint or so of extremely odoriferous oil. How she shines and glistens—and what a boug quel! And how proud and self-conscious she is of these added charms! She cannot help smiling as she notes our looks of admiration and approval. Or very likely she smiles to let us see to what the points her teeth have been filed. We note the teeth and also a curious sharp and lively twinkling of the bright, heady black eyes, which betrays the fact that every lash, which in other lands are coveted by the fair sex for the softened expression they impart, has been removed.

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the fact that every lash, which in other lands are covoted by the fair sex for the softened expression they impart, has been removed.

Having seen all this and been profoundly impressed thereby, I issued forth with the Hawkeye camera to obtain, if possible, correct representations of the same for the benefit of eyes at home. With pardonable deception, I summon what we consider the flower of the flock, on the plausible pretext of laspecting the banch of bananas she has brought to sell, and as she approaches, all unconscious of our wiles, "click" goes the camera, and—Have I got her? Most likely, and yet, possibly not to any great extent, for it is a day of sunshine and shadow, and a trouble-some cloud went scudding neross the same at the very moment I checked, threw our interesting "subject" in the shade. Moreover, she fluched awfully from fear as I leveled the mysterious "sanduky" at her and touched the spring. I shall have to tryagain. But suspicious as to my intentions had in a very short time circulated through the camp. Already my first victim had told with supersitions awe of the bright and baleful gleam of the long that the maunga wise, by means of a mysterious little box, with eyes in it, bevitching them, and the ladies became keenly niert to avoid coming anywhere near me, or letting me come anywhere near them. Many of the more timid fled the camp entirely, others hovering wurily on the outskirts, fluctuated between a desire to sell their produce to the porters and their fear of the dark designs of your humble servant.

Seeing the mischief I was creating I secretly retired into the camp to abide my time. The contest between their commercial designs and their super-

Seeing the mischief I was creating I secretly retired into the camp to abide my time. The contest between their commercial designs and their superstitious awe of my fell intentions was an amusing spectacle. But, seeing that I remained in the tent, the ladies gradually returned into camp. I then tried it with the Kodack, as their suspicious were particularly directed toward the larger camera. I wished particularly to obtain the queer, swallow tailed appendage above described, in addition to a full portrait. Lo, bringing a critical eye to bear on our surroundings. I observed one of the choice buds of the assembly, standing with her back beautifully presented to the sun. Sauntering carelessly towards her, pruning the Kodack as I went—O! now, splendid!—but no, it is not to be; just at the supreme moment the damsel is warned of my approach, turns round, and in a twinkling the coveted swallow tails are flagging against her shapely limbs as she directly flees the field.

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against her shapely limbs as she directly flees the field.
Growing desperate I resolved to obtain a picture of this unique garment
or perish, nor do I know at this present
moment whether any of these coveted
designs will "come out" properly as a
result of my patient maneuverings.
Not the least amusing of the scenes in
our camp at Matate were the firstions
between the caravan porters and the
native women. Flirtation advances in
Africa are not to be judged by the
American standard. The Teits indies
often had occasion to show their temper
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The Wa-Teita men are not entitled to

by way of rebuies. Curious enough, their mode of expressing anger was to bite their thumbs.

The Wa-Toita men are not entitled to the same amount of space as their more interesting wives and sisters. Like them they file the teeth, but they are on the whole, a rather inferior tribe of men for Esst Africa, where fine types prevail. As before stated, they incline to be spindle-shanked and ill-favored in comparison. They are a thoroughly mad lot, as may be supposed from their stubborn resistance to the good intentions of the Rev. Mr. Wray for the space of seven years. They are armed with bows and arrows, and long simes, or swords, which they obtain in trade with the blacksmiths of Chago or the coast tribes. They poison their arrows with poison obtained from some tree in Girima. The warriers are not deficient in courage of the African sort. Like all other tribes round about, however, they fear the Massi, though they have sometimes had the luck to best them in battle. Whenever they kill a Massi they mince his heart and eprincile it about their mountain to give them courage. They are full of absurd superstitions.

The only thing they seem to regard with venaration is that venerable monatreastly of the African wilderness, the boabab. Why they venerate it the Rev. Mr. Wray couldn't tell. But one day a lion invaded their mountain and killed several cows. The sages of the tribe assembled, as usual, to talk the matter over and try and discover why the lion visited them rather than their neighbor's, Mr. Wray's flock. They decided, after much expenditure of wisdom, that it was because they had, a week or so before, cut down a boabab, and so, by way of provitation, they with much ceremony, set matters right by planting several young frees of the same variety.

The Wa-Toita are not governed by whole is authority is, in some degree, recognised and respected by the young

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The only hold these worthy ancients have over the rising generation, however, are the reigns of superstition. The young people are brought up to believe their elders capable of working nowever are the reigns of supersition. The young people are brought up to believe their elders capable of working magic, producing rain, etc., and they fear and respect them accordingly. The efforts of the elders in these matters always fail, but they manage to hoodwink the rising generation until the latter arrive at a certain age, when they in turn begin to nose as medicine men and elders and so the strange cycle of youthful credulity on the one hand and crafty old age on the other goes round and round among these strange people and some semblance of government is maintained.

Marrying among the We-Telta, as with most African tribes, is simply a question of purchasing the bride from her parents. The price of one of those eleaginous and bead-bejewield damsels (presumably beads and all) is three to four cows. Boyines are scarce in Telta, however, thanks to their cvil genii, the belicose El-Moran (Masai warrior), and so, because he cannot afford to pay for a bride, the M-Telta warrior sometimes marries his near relative.

If he gets an unrelated bride, the coy damsel, in accordance with an ancient custom of the tribe, affecting to face from the consummation of her own happiness, runs away and hides in the hut of some distant relative.

Cellecting his friends and armed with the search warrant of time-honored custom, the groom then enters and searches house after house where he fancies his bride may be concealed. At length the shrinking maiden is discovered amid much boisterous morriment and is hadded triumphantly from her hiding place. Four of the groom's assistants, solzing them cach an arm or eg, now carry her of to her new home.

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Fan With Seagults.

Sea birds are always an interesting object to voyagers, says the maritime magnatine, Ocean. They follow a vessel sometimes all the way across, ever reatless and untiring. The gulls particularly, with their long, swift wings realize the highest powers of endurance, and fly with ease against the severest storms. Some say that these birds never visit the earth except to denosit their eggs; otherwise they live constantly between the sea and the sky. In fine weather they fly high in the air, desconding with great rapidity to seize the fishes on the surface of the water. The symmetry and strength of the gulls are remarkable, showing how nature has adapted them in every particular for the purpose of long flight. Their pectoral, or broast muscles, are one solid mass of firm, hard muscle, and their bones are hollow, having no marrow in them. Sleep is not necessary to them, or rather, they rest upon their wings and allow themselves to be cradled by the breezes, whose violonce neither worries nor frightens them. On the other hand, they seem to take a fierce delight in the fury of the storm which, convulsing the waves, brings up the dead fishes and mollusits.

Sailors are very fond of playing off a joke upon the gulls, which are always hovering about the ships. They take three or four pieces of sail-twine, about six feet in length, these are tied together in the middle, and to the end of each a small piece of blubber or fat is attached tightly and then thrown into the sea. A guil comes along and swallows one piece; another the sees there is plenty to spare, and swallows the next; perhaps a third bird takes possession of another; but as they are all attached to the sail-yarns, whenever they treated to the sail-yarns, whenever they treated to the sail-yarns, whenever they treated to the sail-yarns, whenever they Fun With Seagulls.

next; perhaps a third bird takes posses-sion of another; but as they are all at-tached to the sail-yarns, whenever they try to fly away one or the other is com-pelled to discorge his share, and this as continued to the tantalizing suspense of the poor guils and the great fun of the passengers and sailors.

Madison, Ga., claims to have a horse that took part in the Indian wars in

Britain's Convicts.

A notable degrease has taken place in the British convict population. In July last the total number in custody under sentence of penal servitude had deopped to 6,405, as compared with 11,600 twenty years ago. The number of women sectenced to penal servitude has fallen very much below even recent years, the number in 1888 being 57, and in 1883, 186. The whole number of women in England and Wales now under sentence of penal servitude is only 402, or less than, a third of the daily average formale convict population of ten years ago.

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