## FOREIGN GOSSIP.

--The Paris-born families become ex tinct in three or four generations in consequence of their feeble fecundity and high rate of mortality, and the average length of life among them is only twenty-eight years and one month, as compared with forty-nine years and two months for the rest of France.

-Angora goat breeding has proved eminently successful in South Africa. The fleeces bring good prices, and the flesh is in active demand. The Angora goats stand the droughts well, and are exempt from many ailments which attack the Boer goat. They fatten readily, and are fit for slaughter at two years old.

-In France the ballet girl begins her career usually at seven years old. She is then paid at the rate of forty cents is from ten to twelve inches in diame- she came hur for each appearance in public, as de- ter, sharply pointed to go into the mud. studio, crying: moiselle de quadrille \$20 to \$40 a month, A favorable day is taken advantage as a coryphee \$50 to \$60 and sujet \$60 of; the poles are loaded on to \$120. A dancer of the first class will the machine-boats (two heavy get from \$120 to \$300 a month, and a boats made for the purpose, lashed star from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year. together with strong timbers) and taken

-The largest balloon in the world near London, England. It is a sphere found, the double boat is anchored, of 57.24 feet diameter, has a capacity of bow and stern, and on either side over 100,000 cubic feet, weighs 2,250 Then a shad-pole is run out and low pounds and will lift an additional ered; when the pointed end rests on the sketch and take it to him at once." weight of a ton. It is to be used for bottom the sitting-machine is screwed the purpose of obtaining continuous meteorological observations for a per-twelve feet long to the middle of which twelve feet long, to the middle of which riod of six days without descending. is fastened a hinged collar which can It has been successfully tested.

-A curious defect in French law was | Ten or twelve men take hold of this brought to light in the suit of the ex- cross-piece, and at first raise and lower king of Naples against his brother, it gently until a hole is started in the Count de Bari, and Richard, the recog- mud; then they raise it higher and nized son of the latter. The question higher, bringing it down with increased was, whose son is Richard? It might force each time, until at last it is bedded have been thought that Richard's moth- so deeply in the mud that the "devil" er would be a useful witness. But, as alone can pull it out. But the "devil" the affair is a civil one, Richard's mother referred to is a tool used for this very can not be questioned: for in French law a woman is considered incapable of manage it. answering a civil question.

-Australia has not yet recovered from her financial troubles. Rigid economy Down!" serves to keep them together has been practiced in all departments | The poles are twenty-four feet apart, of the various governments for months the width of a net, As one pole is put past, and there has been retrenchment down the side anchor is carried along all around, but yet the revenue returns | another twenty-four feet by the aid of are not satisfactory. In the colony of a tender, then the large boat moves up Victoria the expenditures of the gov-ernment during the quarter just ended exceeded the revenue by something like at regular intervals. A hickory hoop \$2,000,000. The interest on deposits in with a weight attached to one side and

-A Chinese funeral is always at- and enabling them to be raised and tended by very ceremonious worship of lowered. Every tide, in storm or fog, the gods, and by many devices intended they are carefully looked after. to deceive the devil. It is well known coast may be seen what appear to be that the devil is waiting in the street before the house to carry off the dead hedges of brush sticking out of the water. These are part of the fence erectman's soul which is believed to attend the funeral, so when the procession ed for catching shad in "fykes." As a mattress stretched on the floor the marches out, great quantities of evil- the shad travel along these fences hunt- model lay, delirious, in the final stage of ing for an opening they find the ensmelling fireworks and crackers are let off, and while the devil is coughing and trance to the "fykes," which are really out of his eyes, the bearers of the bier tervals along the fence. The "fyke" side and tried to recall her wandering The man has gone on until he fancies him a pump handle shake. This was rea corner and stop until more fireworks are burned. The devil can not easily turn a corner, so goes on ahead to get rid of the fireworks. The procession then makes another start and by frequently turning and stopping, and confusing the devil with the fireworks, generally succeeds in deceiving him as to the direction taken and reaches the graveyard without him.

AN APRIL WORK. ONLY AN ARTIST'S MODEL Setting the Nets for Shad in New York How a Good Hearted Girl Saved a Painte

When He Was Starving. The shad begin to go up the Hudson Before a man's work is established in carly in April. Then fykes and fishvalue among the picture buyers he has very often great hardships. There are tragedies in the studios that seldom get pounds fill the shoals, and drift-nets and gill-nets the deeper waters. For over a month everything in the shape into the newspapers. One of our best of a net is at work night and day to known and most prosperous portrait prevent the fish from reaching the painters lived for months on the measpawning grounds.

gerest fare when he came home from Driving a pole, from sixty-five to eighty-five feet long, ten feet into the his straitened circumstances and too litharbor bottom, is no easy task, es-pecially as the top of the pole must tle of a business man to dispose of / his sketches bend enough to enable a tow to pass

What little money he had was spent over it without doing damage. The in hiring a model. Had it not been for poles are of hickory, and usually are in the quick wit and kind heartedness of two pieces spliced together, as a tree that young woman her employer would of the required length is generally too heavy at the butt. The finished pole probably have starved. One morning she came hurriedly into the squalid

"I have sold it! I have sold it!" "Sold what?" asked the young painter. looking wearily up from his canvas. "That sketch you made of me last week," continued the model breathless --The largest balloon in the world to the desired position in the stream. Iv. "An old friend of mine met me in has just been constructed at Holloway. When by soundings the exact spot is the street just now and said he would give \$50 for a picture of me, and I closed the bargain with him at once. Here is the money. Now I will bundle up the

> Before the astonished artist could utter a protest she had disappeared with the canvas. A few minutes later the model returned, and declaring that as be closed and screwed fast to the pole. she got the money she should have the partial spending of it seized a \$5 bill and rushed to the nearest restaurant, where she bought a luxurious breakfast and had it sent to the studio.

> The painter and his friend had a merry meal together. It was his first stroke of good luck since he came back from Paris, and it put such fresh ambition into his brushes that he presently obpurpose, and very hard work it is to tained several commissions for pictures and became comparatively prosperous. The men must work well together,

> In the exultation of his success he and the captain's cry of "Uh-uh-up quite forgot the poor girl who sold his first picture. One night as he was going to a fashionable reception a grimy news-boy came to his studio and whispered hoarselv:

> > "Say, mister, she's a-dyin." "Who's dying?" asked the painter.

"Why," continued the youngster, "her as used to stand fur her picter. She's a-dyin, I tells yer, an she keeps a-ravin the state savings banks has been re-duced from 3½ to 3 per cent. a gillnet to the other is slipped over the an a-ravin about yer name thet I thought poles, thus keeping the nets in place, as how I'd come an tell ye. An I foun out where ye lived, an I com'. If ye doano w'ere Cherry street is, I'll show ye, if ye wants to see her afore she In the shoal water along the Jersey croaks.

Piloted by the newsboy, the artist made his way to the attic of a tenement in one of the poorest quarters of the city. On consumption.

Sending the newsboy hurriedly for a

Some Americans Abroad. Let an American of a certain intellectual grade get a taste of English society, and he is done for. No snob, native to ministration of Mr. Cleveland a considthat land of snobs, is more exquisitely | erable party of citizens and members of thrilled or entirely conquered by a smile the militia had an arrangement to call or a handshake from a nobleman than is on the president at a certain hour. There the American parvenne. If he stays, he were a goodiy number of ladies and genturns Tory, and like that secretary of tlemen. When the party was announced, our legation who has the Astors in tow Mr. Cleveland got up from his chair at becomes "thoroughly anglicized." Look at Ashmead-Bartlett, who married his his desk, and swinging around sat upon its corner with a cigar between his fingers, which he had been smoking, and grandmother, Miss Burdett-Coutts, and went to parliament to vote against the from which the smoke still curled up.

Castoria.

"Castoria is an excellent medicine for chil-dren. Mothers have repeatedly told me of its good effect upon their children."

"Castoria is the best remedy for children of

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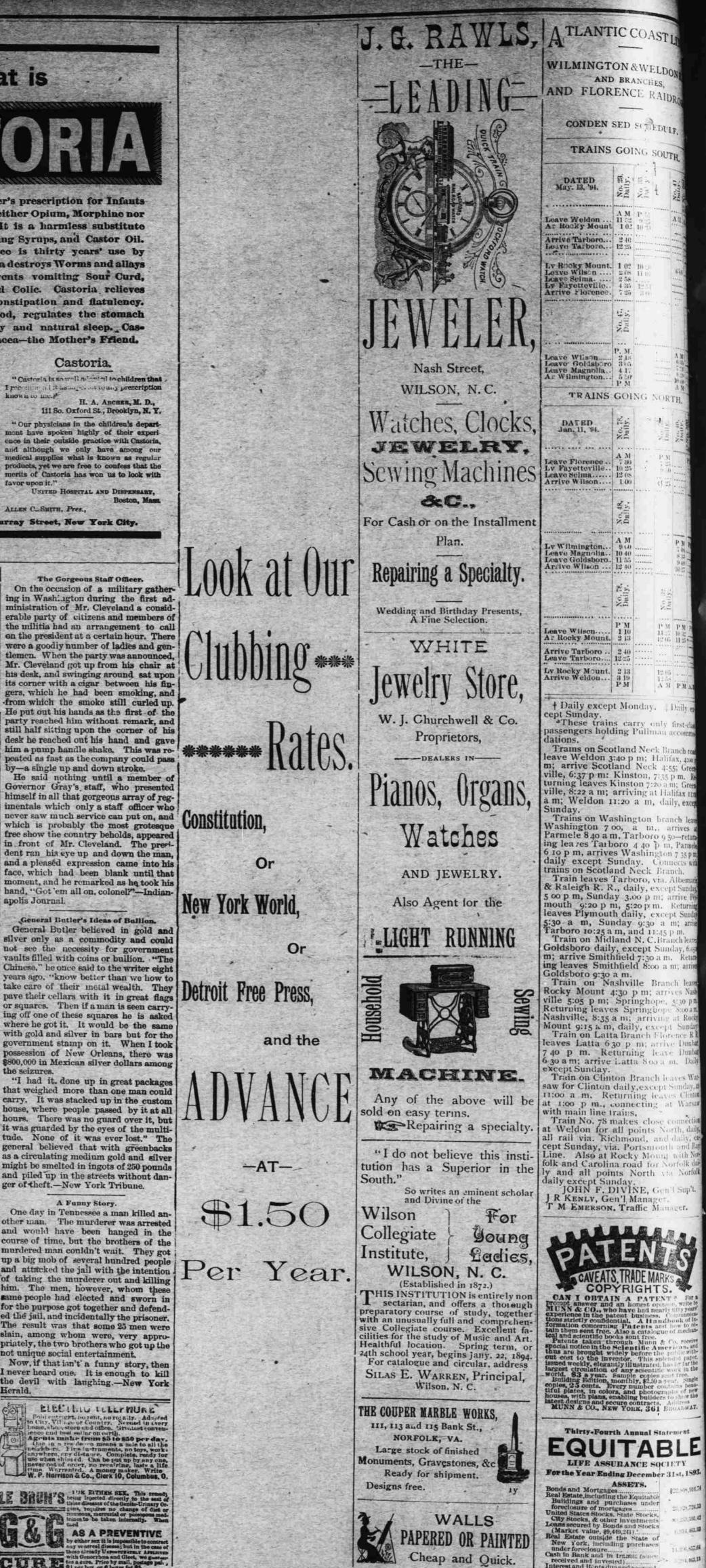
favor upon it."

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progress of democracy. Look at George W. Smalley, Mr. Whitelaw Reid's resident correspondent He put out his hands as the first of the party reached him without remark, and sneezing and trying to get the smoke nothing more than traps placed at in-sneezing and trying to get the smoke nothing more than traps placed at in-the formation of the local the formation of the formation of

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## UNEXPLORED REGIONS.

## Fields That Are Rich With Relics of An-

In central and eastern Asia there lies an unexplored region full of interest. and to the archeologist in especial. A great traveler and clever writer, the Russian Gen. Prjevalsky, speaking of the oasis of Tchertechen, situated in the great table lands, hemmed by the there firmly with the right than with unbroken wall of the Himalayas, says that close to it are the ruins of two great cities, the oldest of which, according to local tradition, was destroyed three thousand years ago, and the other | ments betray peculiarities of individual by the Mongolians in the tenth century of our era.

"The emplacement of the two cities is now covered, owing to the shifting sands and the desert winds, with strange and heterogenous relics, with broken china and kitchen utensils and human bones. The natives often find copper and gold coins, ingots, diamonds and turquoises, and, what is more remarkable, broken glass. Coftins of undecaying wood or material are there also, within which beautifully preserved embalmed bodies are found. The male mummies are all enormously tall, powerfully-built men with long, wavy hair. A vault was found with twelve men sitting in it. Another time in a separate coffin a young girl was found by us. Her eyes rest the feet flat and firm on the were closed with golden disks, and the ground, walk heavily and slowly, and jaws held firm by a golden circle running from under the chin across the top of the head. Clad in a narrow woolen garment, her bosom was cov. persons. The toes pointed and dragged ered with golden stars, her feet being on the ground with slow, measured left naked.

To this the speaker adds that all along the way of the river Tchertchen they heard legends about twenty-three towns buried ages ago by sands of the desert. The same tradition exists on the Lobnor and in the oasis of Kerya.

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lar, entirely free from

py love. Disappointment walks heavi-

Mme. Blatavsky, who was in the earlier part of her life a great and indefatigable traveler, covering more ground in a given time than is usually accomplished by even those of the sterner and more enduring sex, bears witness also to those ancient ruins, which she openly avers are prehistoric; the pages of her works also make frequent reference to ly and with irregular step. Where a revengeful purpose is hidden under a other ruins of ancient character scattered throughout the desert regions of central Asia. She hints, too, at buried crypts and underground vaults in the desert of Gobi, in particular, in which are stored many of the preserved records of the ages.

## Woman's Influence.

Just as woman in literature, both as swthoress and as audience, has affected a radical reform, an elimination of the ob- ' and another undetermined beetle. scenity and harshness from literature and art, so woman in the state will avail to eliminate the rigors of law and much of the corruption in politics that now prevails.-I'refessor William T. Harris.

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boat, and the fish taken out,-Harney him blankly and turned away. moaning Weekly. some confused thought about saving somebody's life.

THE WAY WE WALK. How Our Footsteps Betray Our Mental At-

him so until the grand ladies took him A man's foot is larger than a woman's;

away from me," she whispered. "Maybe he has forgotten me, maybe he has forgotten. But I have got it still, and when it is stronger in the ankle and more powerful in the formation of the toes, I get well and can make some money 1 especially of the ball of the great toe. mean to get it framed." When a woman owns a strong, firm, A few minutes later the poor creature wide foot, many of us experience, perthrew back her head and was still. As haps, no sensation of surprise at find-ing her "strong-minded;" when a man the painter drew an end of the ragged coverlet over her face he gave a cry of trips along on a delicate little foot. agony. The glazed eyes of the dead wopeople instinctively believe him to be

man were staring at a capvas hung on lacking in power, and often put him the wall. It was the sketch she had down as effeminate. The right foot is bought from him out of her meager ordinarily stronger and more mobile earnings when he was on the verge of starvation. - New York Cor. Boston Globe.

the left foot. There seems to be a greater capacity for propelling the Singing Helps a Consumptive. body with it. To the attentive eye, The time will soon come when singing none of the ordinary gesture or movewill be regarded as one of the great helps to physicians in lung diseases, more escharacter more plainly than the gattpecially in their incipient state. Almost the sailor's rolling, the soldier's stiff, every branch of gymnastics is employed the countryman's jolting gait are imin one way or another by the doctors, mediately recognized. Slow steps, but the simple and natural function of whether long or short, suggest a gentle singing has not yet received its full meed or reflective state of mind, as the case of attention. In Italy some years ago statistics were taken which proved that may be; while on the contrary, quick steps seem to speak of agitation and the vocal artists were especially long energy. The proud step is slow and lived and healthy under normal circummeasured; the toes are conspicuously stances, while of the brass instrumenturned out, the 'eg is straightened. In talists it was discovered that consumpvanity the toes are rather more tion never claimed a victim among them. gracefully turned. the strides a little Those who have a tendency toward shorter, and there is very often an consumption should take easy vocal exaffectation of modesty. Tiptoe walkercises, no matter how thin and weak ing symbolizes surprise, curiosity, distheir voices may seem to be. They will cretion, or mystery. Obstinate people. find a result at times far surpassing any relief afforded by medicine. Vocal pracwho, in an argument, rely more or muscularity than on intellectual power, tice in moderation is the best system of general gymnastics that can be imagined, many muscles being brought into stand with the legs firmly planted and far apart. Turned-in toes are often play that would scarcely be suspected of found with pre-occupied, absent-minded action in connection with so simple a matter as tone production. Therefore, apart from all art considerations, merely step, give a pompous appearance. Peras a matter of health, one can earnestly

say to the healthy. "Sing, that you may plexity occasions irregular steps and abrupt movements. The prudent remain so," and to the weakly, "Sing. is measured and reguthat you may become strong."-New York World. hurry, agitation, or precipitation. The .....

miser's walk is stopping, noiscless, with short, nervous, anxious steps. In joy the walk is lively, for lightness, grace, Hard to Beat Bill Bowen. "Waal, I'll be goldarned. Here I am appleness, characterize a happy mind ag'in, boys, back to the same old ranch, skinned as clean as a whistle, a-lookin although the walk here is often modifor some tenderfoot. Thar ain't no use, fied in harmony with the cause of the joy; the joy of gratified ambition, for fellers, quittin the camp and goin round to them mig towns a-gunnin for suckers example, betraying itself by a different 'Tain't like it used to be way back in the outward semblance from the joy of hap-

sixties, when the boys mosied 50 miles afoot to get to town so as to beat the

been found a fly (Microdon variegata) a marker to them big brownstone houses an undetermined small moth, both in York, whar they sort o' start the thing from Sydney, and of beetles, two species of Pselaphidæ, a family often agoin by a feed that's fit for a king "Thar ain't no pictures of actin gals occurring in ant nests, an Anthrenus, on the walls, an if a feller popped his

gun I guess he'd have to quit the game. Thar warn't a gun to be seen in the hull -Rennion, a French island in the place, and them fellers that come in thar South Atlantic, is represented in the looked more like Methodist preachers French parliament by a senator and two deputies.

than dead game sports. 1 kind o' lost my balance, but says I to myself, 'tain't no time now to flunk or be bluffed. So I joins in the game. Well, say, afore while waiting for her to descend to the drawing room, embraced the opportuni-ty—and the pretty housemaid. The lady, entering at that moment, simply re-

peated as fast as the company could pass by—a single up and down stroke. himself to be a fox hunting, hard drinking, violent tempered, bluff and hearty country squire of the olden time. And He said nothing until a member of he writes like one. See how our men Governor Gray's staff, who presented "He was so good and kind, and Iloved and women who go abroad push and himself in all that gorgeous array of regcringe and intrigue and souabble for imentals which only a staff officer who

the awful honor of bending their knces before the dull and virtuous old lady which is probably the most grotesque whom the English people choese to keep free show the country beholds, appeared as a ruler without power, and who reja in front of Mr. Cleveland. The presiresents only the principle of hereditary dent ran his eye up and down the man, government which this republic kicked and a pleased expression came into his face, which had been blank until that out of doors 100 years ago and more. No wonder Englishmen of sense have only laughter and contempt for our premoment, and he remarked as he took his

hand, "Got 'em all on, colonel?"-Indiantensions of superior political wisdom apolis Journal. when this spectacle and others like it in motive are constantly before their eyes. - San Francisco Argonaut.

In the Mountain Regions.

"Itown in the mountain regions of Virginia." raid one of the commercial Chinese," he once said to the writer eight travelers so numerons in the city yester- years ago. "know better than we how to day. "there still exists a good deal of the | take care of their metal wealth. They the days when it was enstomary to run or squares. Then if a man is seen carrya dagger into an obnoxious parson's gizing off one of these squares he is asked zard and then pray for the repose of his where he got it. It would be the same soul. I was traveling-on horseback of with gold and silver in bars but for the course-through that region last sum- government stamp on it. When I took mer, when I came across an old fellow possession of New Orleans, there was half hidden in the underbrush by the side of the road. the seizures.

"He was sitting so quiet and his weather beaten clothes so well matched that weighed more than one man could the prevailing tints of the locality that | carry. It was stacked up in the custom I should have probably passed withou: house, where people passed by it at all seeing him if my horse had not shied hours. There was no guard over it, but When he saw that he was discovered , it was guarded by the eyes of the multihe stood up and looked at me for a mo tude. None of it was ever lost." The ment or two without speaking. As he general believed that with greenbacks had a rifle that looked at that instant to as a circulating medium gold and silver be near 7 fest long thrown across his might be smelted in ingots of 250 pounds arm, I felt it my duty to be sociable. 1 and piled up in the streets without dan-"Hunting?"

"No." said he. "I hain't. I'm a-waitin fer Jim Allison to come this way, an if the Lord is willin 1 'low to blow the top - head off."-Indianapolis Jour. | and would have been hanged in the

of his

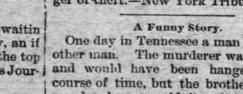
French Politics and Petticoats. It is possible that it may some time and attacked the jail with the intention dawn even on Frenchmen that petticoats and politics make a poor combination of taking the murderer out and killing him. The men, however, whom these Gambetta died with his mistress-shot by her, the unkind say. Boulanger com-mitted suicide on the grave of the wom-ed the jail, and incidentally the prisoner. Baihut owes his fall to the extravagant outlay which preceded, accompanied and followed his elopement with another not unique social entertainment. man's wife. Clemenceau ostentatiously breakfasted and bade goodby to his mis-tress before his last duel and has lost in

influence since his wife left him. M. de Herald. ly and with irregular step. Where a revengeful purpose is hidden under a feigned smile, the step will be slinking and noiseless.—English Paper. —Among the fellow-boarders of ants and white ant nests in Australia have been found a fly (Microdon variegata) ward decency in public life which obtains here and in England. -Philadelphia Press.

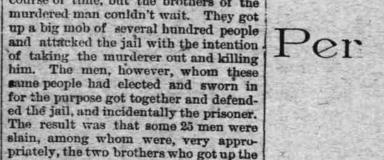
Close of a Love Affair.

They are saying that a certain Commonwealth avenue young lady is in all ways "up to date." Recently a society man, who was supposed to have aspira-tions, not wholly hopeless, for her hand, while waiting for her to descend to the

General Butler's Ideas of Bullion. General Butler believed in gold and silver only as a commodity and could not see the necessity for government vaults filled with coins or bullion. "The day. "there still exists a good deal of the take care of their metal wealth. They Detroit Free old fashioned piety which prevailed in pave their cellars with it in great flags \$800,000 in Mexican silver dollars among "I had it. done up in great packages



ger of theft .- New York Tribune. One day in Tennessee a man killed an other man. The murderer was arrested course of time, but the brothers of the murdered man couldn't wait. They got : up a big mob of several hundred people



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