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# GRAHAM, N. C., THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1891.

# COLLAPSE OF THE SHOW.

Change Confiscated, and the Animals Interview with Jefferson Davis.

tic Gout, and the THE SHOW IS CONFISCATED. like, are thoroughly eradicated by the use of this wonderful alterative. Mrs. R. Irving Dodge, 110 West 125th street, New York, certifies :ap York, certaines :--"About two years ago, after suffering for mearly two years from rhaumatic gout, being able to walk only with great disconfort, and having tried various remedies, including mineral waters, without relief, I saw by an advertise-mout in a Chicago paper that a men had been relieved of this distressing com-maint, after hour suffering, by taking 10

plaint, after long suffering, by taking Ayor's Sarapavilla. I then decided to make a trial of this madicine, and took it regularly for eight mouths. I am plassed to say that it effected a com-plete cure, and that I have since had no return of the disease." Wrs. L. A. Stark Nashne, N. H. Mrs. I. A. Stark, Nashua, N. H., writes: "Ono year ago I was taken ill with rheumatism, being confined to my house six months. I canno out of the sickness very much debilitated, with no appetite, and my system disordered in every way. I commenced to use Ayer's Sarsaparilla and began to improve at once, gaining in strength and soon re-covering my usual health. I cannot say too much in praises of this well-known medicine."

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"I have taken a great deal of medi-"I have taken a great deal of medi-cine, but nothing has done me so much good as Ayer's Sarsuparilla. I folt its beneficial effects before I had quite fluished one bottle, and I can freely testify that it is the best blood-medicine I know of."-L. W. Ward, Sr., Woodland, Texas.

# Ayer's Sarsaparilla, PREPARED BY Dr. J. C. Aver & Co., Lowell, Mass. @rice \$1; six bottles, \$5. Worth \$5 a bottle.

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## JAS. E. BOYD,

#### ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Greensboro, N. C. Will be at Graham on Monday of each wee attend to professional business. [Sep 16]

J. D. KERNODLE. ATTORNEY AT LAW

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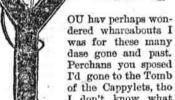
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SELECTIONS FROM THE WRITINGS by smashing them to attums. They then went to my money box and confisticated OF ARTEMUS WARD. all the loose change therein contained. They then went and bust in my cages, The Statues Smashed to Atoms, the Loose

Turned Loose-A Brief Imprisonment. [Copyrighted and published by special arrange-ment with G. W. Dillingham, New York, pub-lisher.] XII.





I don't know what those is. It's a popler noospaper frase. Listen to my tail, and be silent that ye may here. Twe been among the Seeshers a earnin my daily peck by my legitimit perfeshun, and havn't had no time to weeld my facile quill for "the Grate Komick paper," if you'll allow me

to kote from your troothful advertisement. My success was skaly, and I likewise had a narrer scape of my life. If what I've bin threw is "Suthern hosspitality," bout which we've hearn so much, then I feel bound to obsarve that they made two much of me. They was altogether

too lavish with their attenshuns. I went amung the Seseshers with no feelins of annermosity. I went in my perfeshernal capacity. I was actooated by one of the most Loftiest desires which

can swell the human Buzzum-viz., to giv the peeple their money's worth, by showin them Sagashus Beests, and Wax Statoots, which I venter to say air onsurpast by any other statoots anywheres. I will not call that man who sez my statoots is humbugs a lier and a hoss thief, but bring him be4 me and I'll wither him with one of my scornful

frowns. But to proseed with my tail. In my travels threw the Sonny South I heared a heap of talk about Seceshon and bustin

up the Union, but I didn't think it mounted to nothin. The politicians in all the villages was swearin that Old Abe (sometimes called the Prahayrie flower) shouldn't never be noggerated. They also made fools of theirselves in

knees, unsound in the heart, milk-white in the liver, and soft in the hed, if we varis ways, but as they was used to that I didn't let it worry me much, and the stood quietly by, and saw this glorus Stars and Stripes continued for to wave Govyment smashed to pieces, either by over my little tent. Moor over, I was a a furrin or a intestine foe. The gentleharted mother hates to take her naughty Son of Malty and a member of several other Temperance Societies, and my wife she was a Dawter of Malty, and I child across her knee, but she knows it So we shall her dooty to do it. to whip the naughty South, but we must do it if you don't make back tracks at onct, and we shall wallup you out of your boots! J. Davis, it is my decided opinion that the Sonny South is making a egrejus mutton-hed of herself!" "Go on, sir, you're safe enuff. You're too small powder for me!" sed the President of the Southern Conthieveracy. "Wait till I go home and start out the Baldinsville Mounted Hoss Cavalry! I'm Capting of that Corpse, I am, and J. Davis, beware! Jefferson D., I now leave you! Farewell, my gay Saler Boy! Good bye, my bold buccaneer! Pirut of the deep blue sea, adoo! adoo!" My tower threw the Southern Conthieveracy on my way home was thrillin enuff for yeller covers. It will form the subjeck of my next. Betsy Jane and the projeny air well. Yours respectively,

THE NATION'S LIBRARY.

Resistance was useless, for a variety of

reasons, as I readily obsarved.

has bin inwaded by Seschers!"

didn't confisticate him much.

bidge.

kindly.

flag.

I can't say for certain that the tiger

serisly injured any of them, but as he

was seen a few days after, sum miles dis-

tant, with a largo and well selected as-

sortment of seats of trowsis in his mouth,

and as he lookt as tho he'd bin havin sum

vilent exercise, I rayther guess he did.

You will therefore perceive that they

I was carrie to Montgomery in iuns

and placed in durans vial. The jail was

a onery edifiss, but the table was lib-

erally surplied with Bakin and Cab-

when I didn't hanker after Bakin I could

help myself to the cabbige. I had nobody to talk to nor nothin to

talk about, howsever, and I was very

lonely, specially on the first day; so when

the jailer parst my lonely sell I put the

few stray hairs on the back part of my

hed (I'm bald now, but thare was a time

rollin my eyes like a manyuck, I cride

and axed me to sit down and state my

case. I did it, when he larfed and said

his gallunt men had been a little 2 en-

too muchly. I had sum hosses confisti-

cated in the same way onct, but the con-

fisticators air now poundin stun in the

South, I know. Even now we hav many

frens in the North, who sympathise with

"J. Davis, there's your grate mistaik.

Many of us was your sincere frends, and

thought certain parties among us was

fussin about you and meddlin with your

consarns intirely too much. But J.

Davis, the minit you fire a gun at the

piece of dry goods called the Star-

Spangled banner, the North gits up and

rises en massy, in defence of that ban-

ner. Not agin you as individools-not

agin the South even-but to save the

"We should indeed be weak in the

us, and won't mingle with this fight,"

"Wall, wall, Mister Ward, you air at

States Prison in Injinnapylus."

"Yes," sez I, "they confisticated me

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This was a good variety, for

ething About Its Thousands and Thos. The Seseshers confisticated my statoots sands of Books of Every Kind. Our national library is a huge triple oom in the west front of the Capitol building, and holds more than 600,000 volumes in its capacious shelves.

lettin all the animals issee, a small but Imagine an immense chamber, along helthy tiger among the rest. This tiger has a excentric way of tearin dogs to each side of which run large alcoves of peaces, and I allers sposed from his ginironwork. Within these alcoves, which eral conduck that he'd hav no heaitashun are large enough to contain two peoin servin human beins in the same way ple, are four walls of books. Above if he could git at them. Excuse me if these small chambers are iron galleries, was crooil, but I larfed boysterrusiy one rising above the other until the when I see that tiger spring in among roof is reached. And each one is loadthe people. "Go it, my sweet cuss!" I inardly exclaimed. "I forgive you for ed down with thousands upon thousands of volumes. bitin off my left thum with all my heart! Rip 'em up like" a bully tiger whose Lare

Every available space is occupied by dusty tomes, yet in this seeming confusion there is admirable order. The location of every book is kept, and a visitor calling for a certain author is kept waiting only a few moments.

Children under sixteen are not allowed in the library, yet part of it is devoted solely to children's literature and fairy tales.

Many are the quaint and curious books preserved on these shelves. One can see the Bibles of all nations-the Zend-Avesta and the Khoran side by side with the test book of the Mormons and the Scriptures of the Christians, Then there are volumes in the quaint old English type, books published three or four hundred years ago; "Pilgrim's Progress" in Chinese, huge dictionaries, an old Bible printed in the Sixteenth century, and the first newspaper that ever appeared.

when I wore sweet auburn ringlets) into The largest book in existence is in as dish-hevild a state as possible, & this library, a huge volume nearly two yards long and containing life size col-"Stay, jaler, stay! I am not mad, but ored illustrations of birds of all nations. soon shall be if you don't bring me suthin to Talk!" He brung me sum This book is called "The Audubon Book on Birds," and is worth a fabulous sum. noospapers, for which I thanked him Audubon, remember, is the man for whom is named the society for the pre-At larst I got a interview with Jeffervention of cruely to birds. Its aim is son Davis, the president of the Southern Conthieveracy. He was quite perlite, to do away with the useless slaughter

of birds for millinery purposes. Many are the cranks that visit this great library. Some come day after day to search out some pet hobby, and never weary of their useless efforts. One old lady is said to haunt the place and search volume after volume to discover something about herself which she imagines to have been written. She declares her intention of destroying the liberty to depart; you are frendly to the page as soon as found. Another crank is reading all the Bibles and from them compiling one of his own. He will probably end in the lunatic asylum or the poorhouse.

Hypnotism is a subject that is much investigated, and palmistry comes next. There is no subject upon which some book cannot be found. Science, art, medicine, law, literature, poetry, religion-everything known to the human mind that has been written upon by the human pen can here behad, -Philadelphia Times.

#### Well Satisfied.

When the late Archbishop Tait was passing some time in a little village of Perthshire he received an unexpected and no doubt a pleasing expression of appreciation. As far as it went the tribute to his ability as a preacher was One of the huge delights of the Fijl incere. He had given instru ictions fo his letters to be sent to the local postoffice to be called for.

Women Who Please Men. Man in many respects is a peculiar

animal. He is easily persuaded by a woman, but he cannot be driven. A woman who seeks a man's admiration, and says by her demeanor or suggestion "Admire my beauty or my brightness," is a woman from whom a man will turn quicker than from anything else. A woman will always make a mistake when she attempts to force her beauty or her talents upon a man-or upon another woman for that matter. A woman who seeks admiration always rominds me of a hollyhock, conspicuous and flaunting, and anxious to be seen, Now, men never care for hollyhocks. It is not man's favorite flower. The violet, or a half blown rose is more to his taste. Go where there is a company of well dressed men, in evening cos-

tume, with boutonnieres, and if in season the violet and the rosp will be seen on the lapel of every coat, and what is true with men of flowers is true of what he always associates with themwomen.

A man likes to discover a violet or a rose; he wants to find out its charm himself; he doesn't wish a directory to aid him in this, and he is very contemptuous of the woman who here, there and everywhere askes his admiration. - The women who are popular with men are the women who impress them with their womanliness, and by this is meant that subtle something that says "I do not thrust myself forward, but perhaps if you find me you may like me." Men have always liked voyages of discovery, and they like to sock the ideal woman, and not have her thrust her greatness upon thom .--Ladies' Home Journal.

#### About Marking Books.

"What do you think of the habit of marking books?" I asked an old bookworm and book lover.

"Why, I think that if the marker himself doesn't mind it, no one elso ought to."

"I do not understand. Why should the person who marks books mind it?" "Because it is such a rockless giveaway. It is had enough to have to stand by the things you say yourself without adopting a lot of things some one else has said in addition. When you mark a book you often put on exhibition sentiments which you would express only with the greatest reserve, but here they are open to the criticism of friend and foe alike. I have always had a private opinion that the marking of books showed a lack of proper reserve and delicacy. It is making the

public a present of what belongs to yourself and your friend.

"Then, apart from the revelation made to other people, you often find marked books an uncomfortable record of your own past mental poverty. If you should read the same work, but in different copies, once a year for five years, and mark at each reading the things which struck your fancy, the five copies, when compared, would show you some startling facts."-Kate Field's Washington.

### Sport in the Fiji Islands.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC VOUCHERS Proof Which Big Advertisers Requir

That Coptracts Are Fulfilled. "Some of the big mercantile firms

that rely largely upon liberal advortising for their patronage," said a big bill poster, "go to great expense to attract attention. The cost of advertising with them is not limited to the more payment of the newspapers, painters, bill posters and others who undertake to display their announcements, but there are a number of necessary expenses incidental to these which are by no means small items in the total expenditure.

"Many employ men to originate striking forms of advertisements, and the demand for men of special genius in that direction is so great that very large salaries are offered them. Some of these firms, especially those who deal in patent medicines, employ a man whose sole duty it is to see that the contracts for displaying before the publie their advertisements are carried out Jessie Richards were absent and exas agreed. This man has to do a great | cused on account of sickness. deal of traveling.

"One of the forms of advertising, which is extensively indulged in by these firms, is the painting of signs on the fences and rocks along the lines of the railroads which enter this town. In making a contract with a bill poster, who usually does this work, the firm specifics the style and size of the signs it wants and the places in which it wants them displayed. The bill poster then sends out his men presumably to fulfill the terms of the contract, but these men travel over hundreds of miles of territory, and the question arises. How can the firm be certain that its provisions have been properly carried out? It is impossible for the members of the firm to spend time in going over all these miles personally, and, as

a result, they have to employ a man who can do it for them. This man can do little else.

"If the firm would rest content with his assurances his labor would be comparatively light, but one of the first principles of a big mercantile firm seems to be that, so far as possible, the assertions of an employe should be supported by material proof. It would, of course, be possible for the man who undertakes this work to defraud the firm by conspiring with the bill poster, and, to prevent this possible collusion, a novel form of proof that the work has been properly done has been devised. The firm's agent follows in the footsteps of the bill poster's workmen.

"He is provided with a camera and be photographs every one of the firm dustrious and plons. They take a signs. As each photograph takes in not only the sign but the surrounding scenery, the firm is of course convinced that the number of signs contracted for have been duly made, and also that they are in the places designated by it. These photographs are kept until the terms of the contract have expired, and frequently one firm will have a collection of thousands of photographs of a particular sign, in the background of which will be different kinds of scenery."-New York Sun.

#### Diamonds Absorbing Li

SIXTE FIRST SESSION. The North Carolina Classis of the Reform

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HICEORY, N. C., May 11.-The Sixty-First Annual Session of the North Carolina, Classis of the Reformed Church was held in Bethel church, Stabley county, on the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th. The annual sermon was preached by the outgoing president, Rev. P. M. Treier, D. D., from I Cor. Rev. P. M. Treler, D. D., from I Cor. iii 8, 9. After song and prayer service by Rev. J. L. Murpey, the following members answered to roll call: DR, G. W. Welker, Stated Clerk, Dr. J. C. Clapp, president of Catawha College, Dr.P.M. Trexler, Revs. J.A. Foil, Paul Burringer, C. A. Starr, J. L. Murphy, C. B. Heiler, J. W. Cecil, A. R. Hols-honser, J. M. L. Lyerly, J. C. Leonard 1 and elders, H. A. Forney, Wm. Ram-saur, G. K. Foust, Geo. W. Clapp, L. Everbart, Daniel Palmer, Wm. Long, Everbart, Daniel Palmer, Wm. Long, T. A. P. Roseman, V. M. Mitchell, Das vid Loog and J. F. Murrill.

Dr. J. Ingold, Revs. Thos. Long and

The first business of the Classis was the election of a president for the next year, and Rev. J. L. Murphy, of Hickory, was elected. The regular committees on the various divisions of church work were appointed, to which matter was referred as it came up. The Parochial reports from the dif-

ferent congregations showed a healthy condition in all the churches throughout the Classis. The report of the Treasurer of Classis, and of Catawba College were read, showing a healthy financial condition of both, and were referred to the financial committee.

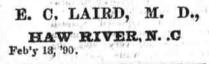
The usual church work during the four day's session was beneficial to the church but is not of interest to the general reader.

Rev. Lewis Reiter, formerly of the Hickory Charge, was at his own re-The Reformed Church in North Carolina has never advertised its existence, and is therefore little known to the general public. Its founders in this country are mainly from the agricultural and rural districts of Germany, and have been content to build heir churches in the country and occupy the country around them, remaining out of towns. In North Caro-lina its membership numbers about four thousand and is confined to the counties between Alamance and Burke and Watauga. In the Northern, Middle and Western States the membership numbers, as reported to the Synod, May, 1891, nearly 850,000. The same reports show a sum total of contribution for all purposes of \$3,060,570, au increase of \$397,849 over the preceed ing three years. There is but little wealth in the Reformed Church, but its members, as a rule are honest, inand control some of the best educational institutions in the country, and many of its ministers shine among the brightest huminaries of the protestant Church.

The church is now more than ever before, in this country, taking its place by the side of its Protestant sisters, in he cities and towns, and will therefore become better known to the reading world than heretofore. Being the eldi-t sprout of the Reformation, it should no longer be ignorantly termed, "sorter a part of the Catholic Church," for



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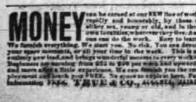
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Office over G. W. Helt & Son's store. Will be at Haw River at Dr. Patterou's every first Moaday.





sposed these fax would secoor me the infloonz and and pertection of all the fust families. Alas! I was dispinted. State arter State seseshed and it

growed hotter and hotter for the undersined. Things came to a climbmacks in a small town in Alabamy, where I was premtorally ordered to haul down the

Stars & Stripes. A deppytashun of red faced men cum up to the door of my tent ware I was standin takin money (the arternoon exhibishun had commenst, an' my Italyun organist was jerkin his sole-stirrin chimes). "We air cum, Sir," said a millingtary man in a cockt hat, "upon a high and holy mishun. The Southern Eagle is screamin threwout this sunny land-proudly and

defiantly screamin, Sir!" "What's the matter with him?" sez I; "don't his vittles sit well on his stummuck?"

"That Eagle, Sir, will continuer to cream all over this Brite and tremenjus land!

"Wall, let him scream. If your Eagle can amuse hisself by screamin, let him went!" The men anoyed me, for I was bizzy makin change.

"We are cum, Sir, upon a matter of dooty"----"You're right, Capting. It's every

man's dooty to visit my show," sed I. "We air cum"----

"And that's the reason you are here!" sez I, larfin one of my silvery larfs. I thawt if he wanted to goak I'd giv him some of my sparklin eppygrams.

will you haul down the Star tion is, Spangled Banner and hist the Southern flag?

"Nary hist!" Those was my reply. "Your wax works and beests is then

Spy!" Sez I, "My fragrant roses of the Southern clime and Bloomin daffodils,

They made no reply to that, but said

among thieves in that country, to which they also made no reply, but sed I was arrested as a Spy, and must go to Montgomry in iuns. They was by this time jined by a large crowd of other Southern patrits, who commenced hollerin "Hang the baldheaded abolitionist, and bust up his immoral exhibition!" I was

proof pavilion, wherein instruction and amoosment had been so muchly combined, at 15 cents per head-and tore it all to pieces. Meanwhile dirty faced boys was throwin stons and empty beer bottles at my massiv brow, and takin other improper liberties with my person.

panion. A. WARD.

#### FRAGMENT FROM A NEW ENGLAND SPEECH. I see mutch to admire in New Englan. Your gals in particklar air about as snug built peaces of Calliker as I ever saw. They air fully equal to the corn fed gals of Ohio and Injianny, and will make the bestest kind of wives. It sets my Buz-

The fust glass indused me to swar like

a infooriated trooper. On takin the sec-

und glass I was seezed with a desire to

break winders, & arter imbibin the third

glass I knockt a small boy down, pict his

pocket of a New York Ledger, and wild-

ly commenced readin Sylvanus Kobb's

last Tail. Its drefful stuff-a sort of lick-

wid litenin, gut up under the personal

supervishun of the devil-tears men's in-

ards all to peaces and makes their noses

blossum as the Lobster. Shun it as you

would a wild hyeny with a firebrand

tied to his tale, and while you air abowt

it you will do a first rate thing for your-

zum on fire to look at 'em. Be still, my sole, be still, & you, my Hart, stop cuttin up! I like your skool houses, your meetin

houses, your enterprise, gumpshun, &c., but your favorit Bevridge I disgust. 1 allude to New England Rum. It is wuss nor the korn whisky of Injianny, which eats threw stone jugs and will turn the "Sir, you're inserlent. The plain quesstummuck of the most shiftliss Hog. I

seldom seek consolashun at the flowin Bole, but tother day I wurrid down some of your Rum.

confisticated, & you air arrested as a

what's the price of whisky in this town, and how many cubic feet of that seductive flooid can you individooally hold?"

my wax figgers was confisticated. I axed them if that was ginerally the stile

tales, sayin nothin about the trabble and ceased and tied to a stump, and the crowd went for my tent-that watersufferin they cawse. But unless your inards air cast iron, avoid New Englan's favorite Bevrige,

In two of the London clubs where the chief butlers have been in office for forty years, all gold and silver change is washed before being given to the members.

The day that he arrived in the village he walked down to the general shop, which also did duty for the postoffice, and asked, "Are there any letters for the Archbishop of Canterbury?"

The storekeeper had something to say before he answered the question. 'Maybe you'll be that purrsen yersel'?" "Well," said the archbishop, "as a matter of fact. I am."

"Well," the postmaster continued earnestly. "I have a son and he is in a shop in London, and he told me that he aince gaed to St. Paul's cathedral to hear ye preach, and he was verra weel satisfied wi' ye."-Youth's Com-

#### Lincola's Humor.

In an article on the "Humor of Abraham Lincoln" we are told that his humor was often unconscious, and that his wit was illustrative. He used it because at times he could say more in this way and better illustrate an idea. He never cared how he made a point so that he made it, and he never told a story for the mere sake of telling it. "In one interview," says the writer of the article. "the name came up of a deceased politician of Illinois whose merit was blemished by an overweening vanity. His funeral was largely attended. 'If,' said Mr. Lincoln, 'General --had known how big a funeral he would have had he would have died years ago.' "

#### Ladies' Figure Forms.

Ladies who can afford it now purchase wooden models, built exactly upon the measurements of their own bodies to save themselves from the weariness of "trying dresses on." The dresses are successfully draped upon the "figure forms," as they are called. -Dry Goods Chroniele.

#### Coming It a Little Too Fine,

Madison Squeers-It has got so now that you can't ask a policeman a quastion without you have a permit.

Upson Downes-What kind of a perself and everybody abowt you by shunnin all kinds of intoxicatin lickers. You mitł Madison Squeers-A permit to'live! don't need 'em no more'n a cat needs 2

-Puck. The Point Was Hidden

"That is a very poor joke, boys, said the schoolmaster, rising suddenly from the bent pin. "I fail to see the

point," "'It's there just the same," said the bad boy of the class, sotto voce.-Harper's Bazar.

oung men and boys-and, truth to tell, the Fiji young ladies likewise indulge occasionally in the sport-is the swing. The Fiji boys look out for the stump of a nice, straight and not too thick tree, which has obligingly grown on the side of a convenient bank. Then they fasten to it a number of lengths of native rope, which usually have loops in their free ends. The next process is for each player to place his foot in one of these nooses and go swinging off through the are of a circle of fifty or sixty feet in radius. For the Fijian is almost, if not quite, as much at home in the aqueous element as his brothren; the Sandwich islanders, and is usually able to swim like a duck at about that period in his history when he begins to toddlo.

So he plunges into the game with vigor, flying through the air to the extreme length of the rope before letting go to disappear with a splash into the water, his wiry head of hair coming presently to the surface as player after player follows his example, and while

the water is alive with coal black wigs the air is rent with shouts of laughter. -San Francisco Examiner.

#### Baby's Appetite.

When we consider the thousand and one things that baby partakes of during the first two or three years of its existence we are inclined to think that it outdistances a cat in the number of lives it possesses. Fortunately for baby it samples everything upon which it can lay its hands in delightful innocence. Probably if the little mite could speak it would tell you that it enjoyed the dust out of the coal scuttle equally as well as the preserve out of the jam pot. It will simply cat anything it can put its hands to. Old paper, rags, socks, gloves are all in turn tasted by baby, and the probability is, so varied are its tastes, that if its month were big enough it would prefer to swallow the piano or the umbrella stand in the hall rather than anything else.-London Tit-Bits.

#### Massels Produce Valuable Pearls.

The scallop, which I have kept in an quarium, is remarkable for its eyes, which skirt the mantle. They resemble gems of the purest description. The fresh water musicle produce pearls, those of the St. Clair county, Ilis., and Butherford county, Tenn., rivers being most valuable. Fifty thousand dollars worth of pearls have been taken from the fresh water rivers of Sectland in a single summer, and a pearl taken from a Salem, N. J., mussel a few years ago was sold in Paris for \$2,000 .- Cor. San Francisco Chronicia.

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sorption of light by diamonds which was carried out in Paris during the exposition was referred to. On this occasion a collection of 150 diamonds was placed in a dark room. In a side of the room was inserted a lens, outside of which an are lamp was hung. The lens, which was employed to concen trate the light, was covered with violet colored glass, so that only ultra violet rays fell on the gems, of which but three of the entire number proved to be phosphorescent. All the others as sumod a beautiful violet tint. The two stones whose phosphorescence was most marked were perfectly transparent white stones, one having a bluish tinge. The phosphorescence exhibited by these stones is described as extremely beautiful, and remained visible, with gradually diminishing intensity, for fifteen minutes after a metallic cap was put over the lens.

Nations May Be Judged by Their Children In all climes and ages human nature is essentially the same, yet the conditions under which life develops in various nations often make the habits of different races seem very strange to foreigners. The prevailing idea of a nation may be known by the desires of its children. Some writer once remarked that let a French child express his ideal and it would be that he might grow into a famous general, the soldier surrounded with all his military glory being the height of his ambition. Put the same question to an Ameri

can boy, and with a toss of his head he will inform you that he intends to be a fireman or a street car conductor when he "grows up to be a man." But the Chinese boy is so differently trained that it would be a most difficult task to fathom his wishes and ambitions --Philadelphia Times.

#### A Loading Part.

"I'm going to give you an important part in my next play," said the manager to the supe with large hands. "So?" said the ambitious assistant. 'A leading part ?"

"Exactly. I want you to sit out in the audience and start the applause," -Harper's Bazar.

Very True. "Idioms are not universally applied nble."

"Which, for instance?" "Well, a farmer onn go to seed and a

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ow to grass and not be any the worse for it."-Harper's Bazar.

