You must know, the last of those little That have been our lingering sorrow

Is paid this night! So we'll both go forth And shake hands with the world to-With the debtor's name on his collar, While I'm a king and you are a queen, For we owe no man a dollar,

Our neighbor you saw in his coach to-day, With his wife and his flaunting daughter, While we sat down at our coverless board, To a crust and a cup of water. I saw that a tear-drop stood in your eye, Though you tried your best to conceal it;

heart, And you could not help but feel it; But knowing now, that our scanty fare Has freed my neck from the collar, That I owe no man a dollar!

This neighbor whose show has dazzled In fact, is a wretched debtor;

I pity him oft, from my very heart, And I wish that his lot were better: Why, the man is the veriest slave alive; For his dashing wife and daughter Will live in style though ruin shoul

So he goes like a lamb to the slaughter But he feels it the tighter every day .-That terrible debtor's collar!

with us, That he owed no man a dollar!

You seem amazed-but I'll tell you more; Within two hours I met him, Speaking away with a frightened air As if a fiend had beset him: Yet he fled from a very worthy man, Whom I met with the greatest pleasure-

Whom I called by name, and forced to Though he said he was not at leisure. He held my last note! so I held him fast! Till he freed my neck from the collar; Then I shook his hand as I proudly said "Now I owe no man a dollar!"

Of the truths I've been repeating; I knew that a downright honest heart In that gentle breast was beating! To follow my daily labor; But ere we sleep let us humbly pray

For our wretched next-door neighbor; And we'll pray for the time when all shall From the weight of the debtor's collar-When the poor'st will lift his voice and cry

ARE ANTS CIVILIZED ?

"Now I owe no man a dollar!"

The October number of the Quarterly until they got the captive free. on this globe.

domed habitations, aggregated together carry off the offenders into the under- tress. A sight of them in such circumso as to form vast and populous cities, that they exercised jurisdiction over the adjaining territory, laid out regular roads, executed tunnels underneath the beds of river, stationed guards at the entrance of their towns, carefully removed any offensive matter, maintained a rural police, organized extensive hunting expeditions, at times even waged war upon neighboring communities, took prisioners and reduced them to a state of slavery; that they not merely stored up provision with due care, but that they kept cattle and even cultivated the soil and gathered in the harvest. We should unquestionably regard these creatures as human beings who had made no small progress in civilization, and should ascribe their actions to reason.

Among the hymenoptera the lead is undoubtedly taken by the ants, which, like man, have a brain much more highly developed than that of the neighboring inferior groups. Perhaps the most elevated of the formicide family is the agricultural ant of western Texas. This species is, save man, the only creature which does not depend for its sustenance on the proflucts of the chase or the spontaneous fruits of the earth. A colony of these ants will clear a tract of ground, some four feet in width, around their city, and remove all plants, stone, and rubbish. A species of minute grain, resembling rice, is sown therein and the field is carefully tended.

stores, the boety, exist equally for the but the Chicago officers have evidently ter alone, the former being speedily kill- and it is thought the end is not yet. Af-

ed this natural bridge to three times its learning to a hair's-breadth the exact hour width by a number of ants clinging to it and when they would be out the longest. column passed four deep, thus effecting a required had been prepared, at an arother species, digs mines and passes the womin."

pellets of earth from ant to ant until

human beings. I knew that the contrast reached your a language of odors, for the various scents' cereals is due to the use of poor seeds. given off by them are easily perceptible. Under the induence of anger it becomes very intense. In battles how, save by You'll join my laugh, and help me shout scent, can they distinguish friend from account of a plague of flies :- "When into the nest, but a stranger is killed.

is their organization. If separate they tiresome visitor, the house-fly, or whether would be helpless, and probably soon be- they were a species of mosquito, or what. Oh, what would be give could be say len leaf. At intervals larger and lighter been scarcely possible to sit at a table Ah! now you smile, for you feel the force trees and carry off the leaves, to use as a To drive in an open carriage was like To-morrow I'll rise with a giant's strength evince a mutual sympathy and helpful- been brought to a stand. Flies burn their

Journal of Science contains an article on In Australia they have been known to heaps to the thickness of a hearthrug un- tion, she tore open the letter, pressed her "Our Six-footed Rivals," the ants, which bury their dead with some degree of form- der the gas lights, and in the house itself left hand to her throbbing heart, and may well cause us to believe that we are ality. The Texan ant removes any offen- they were a great maisance." not the only rational and civilized beings sive matter placed near its city and carries it away. Ants who refuse to work Let us suppose that we were suddenly are put to death. Prisoners are brought informed, on good authority, that there in by a fellow citizen, handed over in a lost in large towns, and roam about misexisted a race of beings who lived in very rough manner to the guards, who erably in search of their master or mis-

reliance upon slaves occur in several lost dogs has been established. Some species, but not to the same degree. The years ago, a benevolent lady. Mrs. Tealdent on its slaves, and would rather die scriptions, to get on loot a temporary than work, Farmica sanguinea, on the Home for Lost and Starving Degs, which the habits of the cattle-keeping ants. Of in and succored under certain necessary fend them from all enemies.

Instances of sagacity and design might and more civilized yearly. Each century perhaps in the dim future they may assert rights which human beings shall be bound to respect?

ORGANIZED HOTEL ROBBERS.

Travellers and sojourners at hotels have a hotel in New York of several thousand equally expressive. - Chamber's Journal.

In a formicary there is no trace of private | Police have been trying ever since to property; the territory, the buildings, the catch the thief and recover the property, benefit of all. The family among them done both, as about 1,000 dollars worth searcely exists. Rarely is the union of of the jewelry stolen from Mr. Ringold the male and female extended beyond was found in Barry's trunks. Other arthe actual intercourse, all provision for ticles have also been identified by citizens the loss is very small. For the Eastern the future young devolving upon the lat- of Chicago who have suffered from thieves, ed, as he is no longer of any use. The ter Barry was taken he confessed that he females are the larger, stronger, and more was one of a regular gang of hotel thieves, long lived. The workers and fighters are extending from New York, to San Fransexless; to them belongs the real govern- cisco. This gang works in divers ways, ment of the ant-hill, and they provide for but the most approved plan so far seems its enlargement, well being and defence. to be the same one adopted and success-Ants are sometimes very stupid in re- fully carried out at the Palmer House. gard to small things, but in many instan- The band has brought into requisition ces they displayed remarkable sagacity. several shrewd women, who have obtain-Mr. Belt, in his "Naturalist in Nicaragua," ed positions in the leading hotels as sertells of a column of ants who were cross- vants, but whose real object was that of if the labor of dressing, be counted anying a watercourse by a small branch not getting the locality of the rooms of those thing. In the other style of dressing, if who see this notice may send their address, subscribers in ten days. All who engage make mon-

SEED WHEAT .- When a grain of wheat placed at a sufficient distance outside to germinates, the germ draws its first nuprevent it rolling back into the hole. triment-its life-giving principle-from Their errors and stupidity are not more what scientists call endosperm, which, in conspicuous, however, than among the a great part, is starch and gluten, and from this the embryo wheat plant obtains These tiny creatures have a language the nourishment necessary to its developby which they can impart to each other | ment before it is capable of depending on information of a very definite character, the soil and atmosphere for sustenance; it and not merely general signals, such as is simply a question, then, whether a Oh, the creditor is but a shame-faced dog those of plarm. It has been found that shrunken seed, evidently lacking in vitalants fetched by a messenger seem, when ity, contributes as liberally the required they arrived at the spot to have some knowl- nourishment during the embryotic growth edge of the task which is awaiting them. of the plant as a plump, vigorous grain of Their principal organs of speech are doubt- wheat. It is not reasonable to suppose less the antenna; with these, when seek- that it will, or that the plant will be as ing to communicate intelligence, they strong and produce as well, as when touch each other in a variety of ways, plump seed is sown. There is no ques-There is a possibility that they may have tion that much of the deterioration of our

A PLAGUE OF FLIES.

A Calcutta paper gives the following foc? After a lapse of several months a people read of the plague of flies of former companion will be received kindly | Egypt, they are sometimes apt to wonder what sort of flies they were—whether they More wonderful than their intelligence were our common and sometimes very come extinct. Mr. Belt observed a march- They could not well have been more tireests of Nicaragua. A dense body of ants, jumping green flies in India. Of these four yards wide, moved rapidly in one Calcutta has had a veritable plague durdirection, examining every cranny and fal- ing the evenings of the past week. It has colored individuals would often stop and where there was a light. These flies come run a little backward, apparently giving to flavor the soup, to improve the tea, or orders. On the flanks and in advance of to fill up the inkstand. They cover a the main body, smaller columns would book if one attempts to read, or they setpush out, which pursued the cockroaches, the or people's spectacles, or jump into grasshoppers, and spiders in the neight their eyes. If people talk they have to be borhood. A grasshopper seeking to es- eareful lest they draw in more than the pass an hour of the twenty-four where he cape would often leap into the midst of needful breath. The streets have scarce- would be ashamed to take her. Still, Restores the entire system to a healthy condithe ants. After a few ineffectual jumps, by been better than the houses, and we with ants clinging to its body, it would have seen some people passing lamp-posts soon be torn to pieces. Spiders and bugs with handkerchiefs over their faces, and claimed: which climbed to the top of trees were others trying to protect themselves by followed and shared a like fate, In the vigorous working of a fan, against Nicaragua the vegetarian ants cat up which which the insects rattle like peas. manure, in which grows a minute species meeting a bail-storm; and in some places hand-plain envelope-came to the house of fungus, on which they feed. They business, where pleasure is business, has by mistake!" traced in man alone. Mr. Belt-placed a and the dead flies shant the balls that are out to be from a woman. little stone on one to secure it. The next gently rolling for a delicate cannon, or "May be from a widow," she mused, Is effective in its cure of Female Weakness. ant that approached ran back in an agita- turn them from the direct line to the "or from a sentimental young lady who ted manner and communicated the intel- pocket. Even the Skating Rink had to jug weman shall dare to attempt to take Is the great reasely for General Debility. ligence to others. They rushed to the be closed. At the Corinthian the en- him away from me, I'll never test till I rescue; some bit at the stone, and tried trance-hall was literally covered with poison her! Have I married a villain, and to move it, other seized the prisoners by them, the walls green with their numbers can I ever live through this ordeal?" the legs and pulled. They persevered and the floor carpeted with their bodies, had invaded the house. Finally, imbued - At the entrance to the buffet they lay in with something of the energy of despera-

LOST DOGS IN LONDON.

As every one knows, dogs are often stances is exceedingly pitiable. In the The slave-making propensity and the Metropolis, a humane plan for succoring polyergus rufescens is absolutely depen- by, was embled, by the aid of public subother hand, has much fewer slaves, being has existed since 1860. It is situated at itself capable of working as well as fight- Battersea Park Road. Any dog, when ing. No less variation may be traced in found and brought to the Home, is taken the honey-secreting aphides and cocci conditions. If a dog, after being housed that serve them as milch kind, some have and succored, is applied for by the owner large herds, whilst others have none at (with satisfactory proof of ownership), all, and if they encounter an aphis straight- the animal is given upon payment of the way kill and cat it. These aphides are expenses of its keep. If no owner comes extremely destructive to fruits and trees, forward, every unclaimed dog is sold for as they live by sucking the sap. The ants the benefit of the institution, or otherwise Bail Steel and Cast Plows. watch them with wonderful care, and de- disposed of according to circumstances. The home is growing in usefulness. In one year recently more than three theatbe easily multiplied. Careful observation sand three hundred dogs were restored to has shown that the ants are evoluting as their former owners or sent to new homes. fast as their short terms of life will per- Many owners who recover their favorites mit them. They are becoming more wise through the agency of this institution, not only refund the expenses incurred, marks an advance. Who knows but that but assist the funds by subscriptions in the name of their recovered pets-as for instance, "In memory of Pup," "For little Fido," "In the name of darling Charlie," "The mite from an old dog;" and so on. This deserving and well managed institution is well worth visiting. Only, the visitor must be prepared to see painful kept free from weeds, and guarded against | great occasion to be on their guard against | demonstrations from some of the unhappy marauding insects. When mature, the robbery. A dispatch from Chicago says: inmates. On the approach of the visitor, grop is reaped and the seeds dried and "The capture of James Barry, who, with each animal eagerly hastens to see if he ent day. A Serial Story, Phones, Sketches, Recarried into the nest. If this is done near a chamber-maid accomplice, robbed a be his master. And when a sniff and a a larger city the latter regard it as an in- large number of the guests at the Palmer glance render too evident the fact that contain only Original Literature. trusion, and a fierce warfare results, House, in this city, of jewelry and dia- you are not the person wished for, somewhich ends in the total destruction of one monds, is much more important than at thing like a tear steals from the poor dogor the other side. The queens are treated first supposed. Some time ago George gie's eye. The happiness shown when with great attention and installed in roy- Rigneld, an English actor, was robbed at one of the animals finds his lost master is

The ant government is communistic, dollars worth of jewels. The New York LIVE AND DEAD WEIGHT OF TURKEYS. -Farmers frequently have occasion to to sell turkeys by live weight, and wish to know what is the fair relative price between live and dead weight. In turkeys dressed for the New York market, where the blood and feathers only are removed. markets the heads are taken off and the entrails are taken out. This makes a loss of nearly one-tenth in the weight. A large gobbler was recently killed weighing 314 pounds. After bleeding and picking he weighed 29½ pounds, a loss of two pounds, or one fifteenth. When ready

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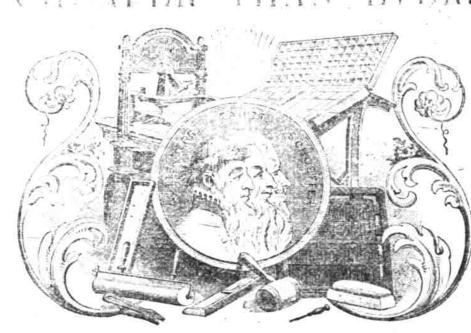
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