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The outline of the New York wo man of fashion, when on dress parade; is undergoing steadily a positive change. This is not observable that section of outfit denominated the bustle. This is steadily dropping from the waist line, and is apparently endeavoring to reach the knee as an ultimate destination.-The extreme slope from the waist to the point of the bustle in the case of Mrs. Vanderbilt was about forty-five degrees. The new style is voted by the critics of taste who promenade Broadway to be no improvement.

property in Illinois since the war has is sold by all druggists. One hunbeen estimated at \$200,000,000. Coincident with this depression in the great industry of the State there has been a very marked increase of manufacturing establishments. The cities and towns are growing apace. The farmers, who find themselves getting.poorer, are beginning to scratch their heads and to inquire how it is that they are falling behind whilst other people are getting on so finely. When they shall quit time, anyho - one and three eights. scratching their heads and shall scratch the Republican ticket by voting for members of Congress who will cut down tariff taxation, they will find a cure for their hurt

At a hearing of the advocates of be left. the bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of whiskey in the District of Columbia by the Senate district committee on Saturday, there was herever they live. You are started introduced as part of one of the arguments an article on prohibition out. in Kansas, written for a magazine by Senator Ingalls. In this article the Senator asserted that not a single dram shop was open in Kansas from the Missouri to Colorado; that, while liquor was clandestinely con veyed into the State, the condition of the people of Kansas was more prosperous; that they were more contented; that debts were more promptly paid, and that no financial disasters had resulted from prohibi-

> It is said that not less than one million people were drowned by the terrible floods in the Hoang-Ho River, which overwhelmed several thousand of Chinese villages in October last. The fact that this appalling tragedy has not profoundly moved all Christendom shows how little we know of the lives, the sufferings and joys of people who are not closely connected with us by ties of interest and infinity. Still, this very calamity shows that widely removed parts of the world are drawing nearer together. This same river thirty-six years ago involved China in a calamity of equally terrible proportions and so great was then our ignorance of that country and its affairs that five years elapsed before attention was called to the disaster in this country and Europe. The river cut for itself a new bed far north of its previous course and seven years after the disaster European geographers were talking of the lost Hoang-Ho River and wondering what had become of it. At the present rate of progress we may expect in time to see the daily news of China laid on our breakfast table along with the other news of the world.

> The officers of the barque Abyssinia, which has just arrived at Philadelphia from the Phillippine Islands, tells a remarkable story of the visit to the vessel during the voyage of a party of savages of im mense size and curious characteris tics. When the Abyssinia was sailing along near the Island of Xulla Bessey, in latitude 14 degrees 6 sec onds South, longitude 126 degrees 32 seconds East, a white object was discovered fastened to a mast in a small boat. The little craft was permitted to come alongside, when it was found that it was manned by three enormous savage giants of an unknown race, who endeavored to talk to the people on the barque by signs, but failed to make their object known. The three savages were very tall, and their arms were as thick as an ordinary man's leg, upon which the muscles stood out like great cords. Their boat was a dugout cance, and their garments consisted of short, tar-stained shirts that only reached to their waists.-Their bodies and mouths were painted a deep brown. No one on board the barque could make out what they wanted, and after some time pent in fruitless efforts to find out their mission, the vessel went on her

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Needs signal ability-Man at railway crossing.

Impressions of America-Footprints in the snow. Wisely improving the present-

Selling a duplicate gift. It takes a great deal of pluck to get the features off a live goose.

1888 is but little over a fraction of In Arkansas squirrels are so plentiful that they are sold by the bushel. They are generally shot by the

The best mechanic in the world can't make a pair of boots that are all right, one of them is bound to

A physician says: "If a child does not thrive on fresh milk, boil it. This is too severe. Why not whip it?

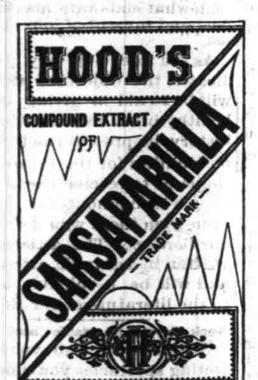
There are two kinds of clubs, social and constabulary, and they are both efficacious in knocking a man It has been averred that a lady

nose in a given period four times as often as other women. Tramp (at door): I feel so very much distressed. Madam: Something you have eaten? Tramp: No,

with a diamond ring will scratch her

something I've not eaten. Caller (to little Bobby)-Bobby what makes your eyes so bright? Bobby. (after a little thought)-I dess it's cause I hain't had 'em very

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FALL—Judge MacRae. Beaufort—†Feb. t3th. May 28th, Nov. 26th. Currituck-March oth, Sept. 3d Camden-March 12th, Sept. 10th. Pasquotank-March 19th. June 11th, Sept. Perquimans-March 26th, Sept. 24th Chowan-April 2d. Oct. 1st. Gates-April 9th, Oct. 8th. Hertford-April 15th, June 18th, Oct. 15th. Washington-April 23d. Oct. 22d Tyrrell-April 30th. Oct. 29th. Dare—May 7th, Nov. 5th. Hyde—May 15th, Nov. 12th.

SPRING-Judge Montgomery.

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Union—\*Feb. 13th, †Feb. 20th, \*Sept. 17th,
Sept. 24th.
Mecklenburg—†Feb. 27th, †Aug. 27th.
Gaston—March 19th, Oct. 8th.
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