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A child in England stole a piece of literature valued at less than one shilling and was sentenced to three months in jail. Then, when a hostile mob advanced upon the temple of justice, the sentence was annulled and the child

A writer in the Southern Farm makes a strong argument in iavor of female physicians for women. He says that certain specialties were in the hands of women practitioners in all countries and all ages until comparatively recent times. In support of his position he quotes from the Old Testament.

According to the St. Louis Republic the Japanese Consul at San Francisco, Cal., appeared before the Trades Council to ask that no boycott be made on the Japanese houses. He said that Japanese workmen would never affect American labor, and that instead of sending their earnings home they spent them with Caucasians.

1 The Philadelphia Inquirer is scared and is trying to scare others over the reported discovery of bacteria in imperfectly refined sugar. It declares that samples show an analysis that 250,000 of these dangerous creatures are contained in .some qualities; but whether this is the census of a pound, of a ton or of a cargo is not stated.

The farmers in the Northwest who burned nearly all their hardwood timber when clearing land have now cause to regret it. A Michigan paper gives a ease in point. A man at Riverton is selling hardwood logs to milt men at good prices, and supplying what is unmarketable to his neighbors who have cleared off their land and are forced to

The Atlanta Constitution learns that "the Mormons in Utah are still receiving new members from all over the world. They stick to their old-time religion and live up to their faith as closely as the Federal authorities will permit. They have no intentien of moving to Mexico, and instead of abandoning their missionary work, they are pushing it more actively than ever. They expect several large parties from the South.

The New York Sun believes that no one in New York who has not been out in the far West can understand the loneliness of those Minnesota farmers who have written to Mayor Grant to send them women for wives. There are regions on the plains in this country and in Canada where men go mad from lack of human neighbors, where kittens can be sold for \$5, where almost the only women are Indian or half-breed squaws, and where bachelors tame wild birds and try to tame wolves for company;

Says the New Orleans New Delta; From all over the section of Louisiana which is devoted to the cultivation of cotton comes the news that the planters are preparing to decrease the acreage of that staple and diversify their crops to a greater extent than heretofore. This determination is the result of the low price for the fleecy staple the present season. This is a wise move on the part of the planters, as nothing tends more to keep the farmer poorer than the one-crop system. If the low price of cotton has had the effect indicated above, it has at least taught the planter a wholesome lesson.

According to London Truth the order against extravagance in the German Army has led to the resignation of nearly all the wealthy officers, and the Emperor now has no regiment at Berlin or Potsdam which can afford to entertain "distinguished foreigners" in the old fashion. Formerly, a foreign guest who had visited the barracks of a crack regiment was invariably invited by the officers to dinner; but now there are no entertainments, and the Emperor has tardily discovered that he had better not have meddled in the matter, for all the Russian, Austrian and Italian-visitors leave Berlin exclaiming at the poverty of Prussian officers, to the infinite mortification of this Majerty.

OUR SPRING-TIMES.

When spring comes to seek her own Do they all rise at her words? Is the little fledgeling's tone Sweet as was the parent bird's? When once more the streamlets roam

Do the robins all come home?

Here's a nest upon a bough, But there comes no bird to claim: Has she made a new nest now?

If from some far land we came We should all the home nest know, Even were it filled with snow. There are blue eyes that we miss

In the flush of violet time; Something lacking in the bliss Of the bird-bells' sweetest chime; In the heart are many spots

Sacred to forget-me-nots, If perchance youth cometh back Through some treasure on your knee, Still the heart will prove a lack, Lovely though the child may be;

For if it so needeth you, You still need your mother, too, Sometime will the far-off springs Come back with these later ones;

There will be no missing wings, There will be no missing tones, -All the joys, but dearer grown, Of the spring-times we have known. * Mary A. Mason, in Frank Leslie's,

THE TRAVELING RING.

At the unearthly hour of 3 A. M. the opportunity for seeing the sunrise.

The hotel is on the very summit of the

were swindling the management out of both. the admission fee if you were to see the But this is neither here nor there.

Ragged patches of mist rose lazily pert pickpocket and sneak thief in Amerfrom a lake of bluish fog that filled the ica. Mr. Twygg, the celebrated detecsea of floating dampness.

tection against the icy wind that blew morning following. sharply from the glaciers. But he was much for any lady, young or old, pre- York. ferably, of course, the latter, otherwise he would have tendered his coat to the

young lady's aunt first.

As the captain looked for his overcoat he could not repress the ejaculation, "By Jingo, what a pretty picture!" and he dropped his single eyeglass to see mer.

he meant the sunrise. But he didn't. the captain's greatcoat, her cheeks all scattered a few stray locks of golden hair that had found their way from under the | with him to St. Petersburg.

dainty traveling cap. Greuze or Fragonard or Jacquet could dead, in a narrow alley. not have wished for a better model.

then let his neighbors watch that man. partly cut and partly torn away. It was not accident that placed Demp-

Consideration-two francs. Miss Merrick's vivacity and esprit formed

quiantance progressed. one goes from Luzerne to Interlaken and the ring before being executed.

pany of a clever little lady by reversing mines! a proposed route it makes all the difference in the world. And that is why the captain feigned | two stations. pleased surprise that the intended line of

his own plans, which it did not.

not matter that he changed his route. all, and lett a deep impression upon the solitudes.

good, in deference to the common sense caped convicts that conticually travel time more profitably than in sleeping, of Miss Merrick; next he abjured brandy eastward. and soda as a concession to the aunt's It is easy for an exile to obtain assistlady was not around, and, ultimately, he it is, or rather was extremely difficult for strength. It is when sleep fails that contracted the dangerous habit of look- traders to enter the territory. ing at the moon long after everybody had

a flirt, but womanlike, she thoroughly guise its wearer into a dervis. understood the subtle art of keeping her adorer in hot water by being alternately Persian merchant traveling to Herat. cov and cold.

Which showed that she liked him, she would not have teased him. whole affair came to a climax.

It was during an early morning stroll lison. down to the beach. They sat down in a And one fine morning somebody heavy rainstorm there are searchers for couple of those old wickerwork chairs, snatched the Persian's leather pouch, the precious metal and good finds are is-For awhile they discussed the morsels of 'The merchant set up a great hue and cry, ported."

about somebody or other.

Suddenly both grew silent. He began labad. to draw figures in the sand with his cane and she beat a tatoo with her dainty slipper while gazing out upon the sea fellow with the ring. and the outgoing fishing boats in an abstracted manner.

year ago," he said, "I picked up a ring in Simla, India, which bears on its inner your initials." Miss Merrick listened in pretty widow wore it. mute surprise, which changed to astonishment when the captain took a ring with up Simla way that terminated the entwo dinmonds from his pocket. He gagement of the two. next took her right hand, which hung by her side, with his other hand. Hers was a very pretty hand, and the most

that she did not interrupt him.

breakfast time. your finger? I should think that you less.

kind all along."

of the stones, aside from the initials." One, two, three-fire! mountain, and in front of it stands a this narrative, to wit: The story of the ously, and Ambrington reeled and fel. You can see the sunrise as well and took two years to ascertain all the facts mortally wounded, but he wasn't. The better from the window of your own about it, but the captain insisted upon bullet had squarely hit a ring in his

The loss of the ring had first been nospectacle from any other point of ad- ticed by the young lady on her return had been hurt they were in honor bound vantage than the one provided for the from a shopping tour in Newport, where to be good friends, in token whereof purpose. She was spending the summer. She Ambrington eventually gave the ring to would hardly have suspected that the Dempster. Miss Viva Merrick, of Chicago, hur- elegantly dressed man who had assisted Miss Merrick, or rather Mrs. Dempster, riedly donned a morning gown and her into her carriage had deftly slipped has an extraordinary influence over him, hastened down stairs at the sound of the the ring off her finger while doing so. It and even expects to make something cut was Handy Bill, probably the most ex- of him-eventually .- Pittsburg Bulletin.

valleys; rugged tops and sharp crags rose tive, happened to see the theft because in bold outline, like coral reefs upon a he had been watching the man. Unfor- has recently been discovered at line Everybody, including the young lady, port was of so delicate a character that buquerque, New Mexico. An extensive The greenish half light that precedes come generally known by arresting brought to light. The mineral discevday would make the rosiet complexion Handy Bill, and therefore did not molest ered, while not of the highest grade, sis appear pale, dull and lifeless, and rob him for the present. Some two weeks rich enough to pay handsomely and runs any face of its beauty; it was therefore latter an opportunity offered for a con- generally from \$50 to \$60 to the ten. quite unselfish in Captain Percy Demp- fidential chat with the thief, the outcome But what is more interesting is the feet ster, R. E., on leave from India, to offer whereof was that he delivered the stolen that these explorations have developed his greatcoat to Miss Merrick as a pro- ring to the detective and left town the unmistakable evidences that the work on

a gentleman, and would have done as into his pocket and-returned to New was brought to a summary conclusion by

One day not long after a Russian de-Nihilist agitator sojourning in Canada.

prospect was Newport, where the Russian envoy was spending part of the sum-

rhapsodize, "Yes, eet, ees wonterfool, sian to fire for his cigarette, he felt Miss Herald. v onterfool, shplentit, grossartig, wirk- Merrick's ring. What could be more lich gar zu nett!" because she thought natural than that he should ask his visitor to deliver it up to its fair owner, or that Miss Merrick's head just peeped out of | Sergiloff should courteously assent?

aglow with the rosy light of the newborn and in the excitement incident upon the the alleged instances of their being day. Her eyes shone and sparkled with recept of a ciper telegram recalling him found embedded in solid stone or the pleasure, and the crisp morning breeze to Russia at once, the Russian forgot to heart of a tree, with no possible con-

If there is any man who finds fault the manner of his death, and the cause show that toads cannot usually surveye with the captain for taking advantage of for it was evidenced by the circumstance even a year when deprived of food and the coat incident to introduce himself, that the entire front of his vest had been air. The toad has been known to I've

vest pocket.

a refreshing contrast to the primness of some brother Nihilists were arrested and cellent traps for use by the her maiden aunt, and the young officer underwent the farce of a Russian trial tomologists, who may thus procure rere found her more charming as their ac- for political offences. The murderer was beetles and nocturnal insects which they What difference does it make whether beria. To one of them he had given easily be made to disgorge then.

any under ordinary circumstances. But if months of weary travel those were for and larvæ. -St. Louis Republic. it is a question of keeping in the com- the unfortunates destined for the lead

The exile who had the ring concealed

travel of the ladies should coincide with and hardships of the fugitive journey master he goes to rest between 10 and But, as everybody was pleased, it did hunt escaped exiles as they would wolves; sleeper and can sleep at almost any time The summer passed very agreeably to as he traveled alone through the vast no doubt, one great secret of success.

temperance principles; then he became ance in Samarkand, or, for that matter, all hard workers. As long as you can solitary and taciturn when the young most anywhere in Central Asia, although sleep you can always renew your In Samarkand the ring left the hands, off .- Best Things.

or rather the boot, of the owner, and No one could have called Miss Merrick was traded for an outfit that would dis-The new possessor of the circlet was a

Everybody from Khiva and Buckhara

gossip that are repeated every season and the thief was captured after a long chase by a young mule driver from Jelal-

Overcome with joy at the return of his valuables the Persian presented the young Would it be possible for a good-lock-

ing mule driver to wear a diamond ring The captain spoke first. "About a without exciting comment sometimes." Mrs. Dudley was the first European in Simla, India, which bears on its inner lady who saw it, and told young Amsurface the initials 'V. M.,' which are brington about it. Two days later the

Oid "Indians" will remember the scene

Ambrington received his letters and presents back. They made nearly a cirload. He reciprocated by packing Fer pleasant thing about it, to the captain, tender missives, etc., into an envelope. was the tinniest suspicion of a responsive | Ambington always was a fool, and wishin three years after coming into his What he had to say as he placed the estate he had acquired the reputation of ring upon her finger was so interesting | being the most gullible spendthrift in the service. But he had had a most sincere They returned to the hotel long after admiration for Mrs. Dudley, who was really a charming woman. Her, actions Before entering, the captain said ! "By in public were, however, such, occasionthe way, darling, why did you look so ally, as to give rise to unpleasant surprised when I placed the ring upon remarks. But she was simply thought-

must have expected something of the One day Captain Dempster made a femark to Ambrington to the effect that Miss Merrick had forgotten all about the latter was neglecting a sweet girlfin the incident in the pleasurable excite- England for the sake of a woman wao

ment of the captain's proposal. But could not begin to compare with her. now she took the ring off her finger, Ambrington was nearly drunk at the examined it carefully, and spoke; "Per- time, and he made a scene. Next moracy, dear, don't be offended, but this has | ing his friend received his deputies, and always been my ring. I lost it five years | they met early on the following day, discordant Alpenhorn wakes the guests ago in Newport, R. I., and I can tell it pistol in hand. There they stood facing of the Hotel Rigi-Kulm to give them an to be the same ring by a tiny flaw in one each other, each ready to kill the other.

And now comes the strangest part of Two shots rang out almost simultaniwanderings of Miss Merrick's ring. It They thought at first that he had bein room, but there is an extra charge con- establishing a clear chain of evidence, wat h pocket, and had driven it into his nected with the use of the aforesaid which would begin with Miss Merrick chest with such force that it broke one platform, and you would feel as if you and end with himself, or rather with of his ribs and imbedded itself in the

Of course after one of the combatajits

Remarkable Group of Mines. A group of old Spanish or Aztec mires tunately, Mr. Twygg's business in New- Placitas, about twenty miles from Alhe could not allow his presence to be- system of underground work has been these mines, which was performed, to-Mr. Twygg carelessly put the trinket body knows how many centuries ago, an earthquake or general upheaval of some sort. Not only all the mine worktective called at the office of his Ameri- ings, smelters, furnaces, etc., were can conterree. Paul Sergiloff's mission buried under some fifteen feet of earth, As usual, everybody felt better as to the United States was to deliver cer- but there has also been found on the soon as the first rays of the sun had tain documents to the Russian Minister same level the ruins of what was once an gilded the edges of the long-stretched and to gather information concerning a aqueduct for bringing water to the camp from a source about ten miles distant. It so happened that his first point in The camp of Las Plactias is ou the east ern slope of the Scandia Mountains, about twenty miles from Albuquerque, and promises to become one of the most in-As Mr. Twygg searched for a match in teresting fields of archeological research Frau Professor Holtzhacker began to his pocket with which to help the Rus- vet discovered in that country. - Chicago

Longevity of Toads.

Some toads have a peculiar gift of long life without sustenance of any kind, But Miss Merrick had left Newport, and with a very small supply of air; that eturn the ring to Twygg, and carried it | munication with the external world, fre declared upon good scientific authority One morning they found him there, to have doubtless arisen from error of observation. Experiments in connection A bullet wound in his temple showed with the so-called antediluvian todds thirty-five or forty years, and it is The deed was done by Nihilists anx- thought to attain a considerably grea er ster at the ladies' table at breakfast, but jous to secure certain papers that Sergil- age; it has been so far tamed as to come the "Herr Ober-Kellner" (head waiter). off was supposed to carry in his inner and feed from the hand, and it seems to be capable of attachment to man. From A few months later the murderer and their fondness for insects toads make exhanged and his comrades went to Si- could not otherwise get, as the toads can Gardeners often put them into hotthence to Zurich, or vice versa? Hardly What fearful days and weeks and houses to destroy ants and other insects

The Value of Sleep. General Lord Wolseley, England's in his boat managed to escape between leading soldier, is a man of simple and absteminous habits, and is an emphatic No peu can describe the adventures advocate of sleep. When he is his own through a country, in which the natives | 11 and is up before 6. He is a sound no words can do justice to his sufferings and under any circumstances, which is, for in war, as in politics, the man who On the edge of the Khirgiz-Steppe he cannot sleep might as well retire from First he dropped his single eyeglass for joined one of the large caravans of es- the running. "You cannot put in your Lord Wolseley says, and the saying is one that may well be taken to heart by your balance at the bank of life is out

A City Paved With Gold.

"This is the city of streets paved with gold," boasts the Folsom (Nev.) Telegraph, "as is proved by the fact that on Monday morning after the big rain sevand Samarkand and Tashkend and even eral specimens were picked up in the to Teheran goes to Herat, and that is streets where the rain had washed away At Scheveningen, in Holland, the why there is always such a thieving rab- the mud and gravel. One nugget, ble there in spite of a strong British gar- found in front of the Telegraph Building, was valued at \$9. After every

THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

The Maid of the Meadow-A Matter of Proof-Very True-She Named the Day, Etc.

Like summer cloud she flits Across the meadow sweet; The daisy blossoms kiss Her pretty little feet, And merry sunbeams play Around her shadow shy,

While birds sing on her way
In shrub and treetop high.
She turns with pleasure rife,
'Tis nothing but a ruse;
For she's a thing of life.
The springtime calf turned loose. -The Continent. VERY TRUE.

"What have you got to plant to get a family tree, anyhow?" asked Wagg. "Ancestors," returned Wiggles .- New A MATTER OF PROOF.

He (rejected)-"Would you marry me if I had a million?" She-"It would depend on the evidence."- Epoch.

NONE OF THEM GOT AWAY. De Ruyter-"What do you think of my little volume of fugitive verses?" Reeder-"I think you made a great mistake in recapturing them."-Puck.

SHE NAMED THE DAY. He (awkwardly)-"Ah, Miss Mabel, I hope you understand my feelings!"

She-"I'm sure I'm quite in the He-"Then (desperately) suppose we strike a match!"-Lite.

VISIBLE EVIDENCE.

Little Boy (in the menagerie) - "Say, pa, is that parrot there the wife of the other parrot?"

Little Boy's Father (sadly)-"Yes, my son. Don't you see how much larger her bill is."-Clothier and Furnisher.

, THE VERDICT OF EXPERIENCE. "Remember, Tommy," said his father, addressing the youth after the failure of one method of discipline, "there are more ways than one to kill a cat." "'Corse?" replied Tommy, "there has ter be, else she wouldn't be killed."-

ABOVE REPROACH.

"If you insist on breaking our engagement, Miss Ficken, I shall make your letters public. "You are welcome to do so, Mr. Scamper; there is nothing in them that I am ashamed of, except the address."-Brooklyn Life.

LITTLE MINNIE'S THEORY.

Littte Minnie-"When was it, mommer, that you had four eyes!" Mommer-"Don't talk nonsense, Minnie; I never had four eyes." Little Minnie-"Then why does every one say I got my eyes from you?"-

TIME TO GO.

Chicago News.

Mr. Staylate-"I hear your mother's step on the stairs, and I shall be able to bid her good night." Sleepy Beauty (wearily)-"It can't be

mother. She's a late sleeper. Probably it is the girl coming down to start the fire."-New York Weekly.

A NIGHTMARE.

Cholly Bullseye-"Did you ever dream of me, Miss Bell?" Miss Minnie Bell-"Yes; two nights running; and the third-

Cholly Bullseye-"So delighted! And Miss Minnie Bell-"I took an opiate."

CONSOLATION. "And she rejected you?" "She wid. And I was told she wasn't Oh, well, don't be disappointed about The fact that she rejected you doesn't disprove the statement that she

QUINTESSENCE OF ECONOMY.

Cautious Investor-"But is the management of the C. Q. & D. R. R. econ-

Broker-"I should say so! Why, they buy all their rails in winter and lay them in summer, when the heat expands them about a quarter of an inch."-Harper's

A LOGICAL SEQUENCE. A tramp, putting his head inside the

door of a grocery, asked: "Please, mister, gi' me a piece o' paper to wrap su'thin' in. A peice was given him; the door closed, but in a second opened again. "Please gi' me su'thin' to wrap in it."

A WOMAN, AFTER ALL. Visitor to Menagerie (to manager)-

-Judge.

- Munsey's Weekly.

What was the occasion of that unearthly scream I heard just now-somebody being murdered!" Manager-"Oh, no; that was only Mlle. Zoosophy, the lion tamer; a mouse

ran across the floor and frightened her."

AN INSULT.

Charlie-"What an annoving thing! Blank, the tailor, has offered my account

Charlie-"No. Nobody would make him any offer for it."-Munsey's Weekly.

book in my lap, that I was the author." Orleans.

Train-boy-"Did you write that

Passenger—"I did."
Train-boy—"Then you had better keep mighty quiet about it. I just sold a copy to the man back of you."—Life.

SHE FOUND A REDEEMING PEATURE.

He-"I know, Miss Kajones, that it looks like great presumption for me to speak of love to you. I have neither youth nor good looks. I am poor, uneducated and have no influential friends. I have nothing that can attract the admiration of a young lady."

She-"You are mistaken, Mr. Whackster. I admire your magnificent nerve." -Chicago Tribune.

TOO FRESH, EVEN. Little Edith (on Miss Oldgold's lap)-

Why, Miss Oldgold, you're not very old, are you?" Miss Oldgold (blushing violently)-No. indeed, child; but why do you

Little Edith-"Ma said you were old as the hills, but I don't b'lieve it, for I rubbed my hand on your cheek just now and the paint is still fresh."-Munsey's Weekly.

A MOTHER'S EYES.

"Mistress-"Do you like children!" Domestic-"Depends a good deal or the children, mum. "Well, yes, I presume it does. Where

did you work last?" "With Mrs. Goodheart, mum. She had only one child." "Oh, well, if you could stand that horrid little brat of Mrs. Goodheart's,

I'm sure you will not object to my six

little darlings."-Good News.

WHEN THE NIGHTS ARE LONG. Esquimau Father-"Don't you think it is about time you meandered to your own igloo? You have courted my daughter enough for one spell."

Esquimau Lover-"Why, I just called in to spend the evening." Esquiman Father-"I know; but you have been here about three months, and it is near midnight." I think you had better trot away home, and call again some other evening."—Harper's Bazar.

SCORNFUL REJECTION.

Recruiting Officer-"Brave Stump-Tailed Dog, wouldn't you like to enlist in the United States Army!" Illustrious Warrior-"Ugh! How much pay Injun?"

R. O .- "Thirteen dollars a month." I. W .- "Heap plenty. What Injun have to do?" R. O .- "Nothing but drill a little occasionally, put up or take down a tent

once in a while and do your own cooking now and then. I. W .- "Ugh! Heap too 'plenty work. Injun got squaws to do that. Injun stay right here and draw rations."

- Chicago Tribune.

HUMANITY AND HYPNOTISM. Mr. Upton-"I dou't believe that story about a Philadelphia father hypnotizing his baby so that it would sleep

Mrs. Upton-"Nor I. No father would be brute enough to think of such Mr. Upton-"N-o, of course not." Downton (the next day)-"Say Upton

did you hear that story about a Philadelphia father hypnotizing his baby?" Upton-"Yes. It isn't so." Downton-"How do you know?" Upton-"I tried it on mine and it

wouldn't work." - Good Neics. THE EFFECT OF ILLUSTRATION MARRED. The visitor from Hawcreek had been

invited to address the school. "I am reminded, children," he said, of the career of a boy who was ouce no larger than some of the little fellows I see here before me. He played truant when he was sent to school, went fishing every day, ran away from home before he was ten years old, learned to drink, smoke, chew tobacco, play cards and slip ih under the canvas when the circus came around. He went into bad company, frequented livery stables and low bar rooms, finally became a pickpocket, isn't hard to suit."-New York Contithen a forger, then a horse-thief, and one day in a fit of drunken madness he committed a cowardly murder. Children," he continued, impressively,

"He stands before us!" guessed the children, with one voice. - Mercury.

"where do you think that boy is now?"

Consumption Among Birds. There is a bird's home and hospital on Oxford street, London, where people can take their pets to be nursed and Budget. The proprietor says birds suffer chiefly from consumption and asthmadiseases brought on by the birds being placed in draughty windows. Consumption is helped on by the birds being indiscriminately fed on all sorts of things that are unsuitable as food. Birds are very fond of luxuries, and the more you give them the more they will eat. When a bird is going off into a consumption it is always eating. He pointed to one and said: "He is in consumption, and he will be like a ball of down to-morrowall puffed out. Physic will sometimes arrest the disease."

A Stone Brick.

A distinct novelty in builders' materials, says the Railroad Record, is a yellow trick with a rough, chipped front surface. A building in course of erection on lower Broadway, New York, is mainly made of this composition and attracts such public attention that men Amy—"And I suppose it was bought by somebody who will force you to payt"

come from afar to see it. The peculiar five dollar bill changed hands. The luncheon was admirably served, the glow on the edge of a precipice.

Passenger (to train-boy) -"You prob- with the horrid stuccoed walls that make stranger which pays him so well as the steady ten or fifteen cent tip from the with the horrid stuccoed walls that make stranger which pays him so well as the steady ten or fifteen cent tip from the with the horrid stuccoed walls that make ably did not know when you put this unsightly so many of the streets of New come; an actual income .- New York

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Berlin will not permit an electric road. Denver, Col., will have a mineral

Cork covering for steam pipes has proved very successful in England. Many of the explosions in flour mills

In Denmark the life-saving stations are all supplied with oil for stilling the

have been traced to electricity generated

A new bag machine both cuts and sews the bag, and thus saves the labor of

fourteen operators. It takes about three seconds for a message to go from one end of the Atlantic cable to the other; this is about 700 miles a second.

In welding pipes by electricity, it has been the usual practice to employ internal mandrels to prevent collapse or change of circumferential ontline.

A large body of antimony, has been found in Inyo County, California. The owner says he has in sight bowlders of the metal weighing from two hundred to three hundred pounds. It is a valuable find.

Miss Frye, a school teacher, has discovered a method by which better tiles can be made than have ever been made before. She has a patent and is likely soon to turn from school teaching to The exhaustive experiments at Salford,

near Manchester, England, with a view of ascertaining the most efficient wethod of purifying sewage, has resulted in the recommendation of an electrical system as the most satisfactory. Small articles made of malleable iron are now finished and polished bright by

being placed in revolving drums with

curriers' shavings, from which they emerge with all of the rough edges smoothed and the surface highly pol-A secret-chemical powder introduced abroad, when sprinkled over the top of the coal in a newly made fire cements the upper part of the fuel together and causes the coal to burn at the bottom and throw the heat into the room in-

stead of allowing a large part of it to go up the chimney. A process has been recently invented by which iron may be copper, the surface of the iron being protected by a layer of melted cryolite and phosphoric acid. It has been found that if the article, when immersed, is connected with the negative pole of a battery, the cop-

pering is done more rapidly. By a new process waste leather scraps are steeped in a solution and subjected to a hydraulic pressure to mould them into railway brake shoes. The leather shoe weighs 41 pounds against 211 pounds for iron, and it will wear three times as long. Such, at least, is the claim of the compressed leather men.

A permanent and durable joint can be made between rough cast-iron surfaces by the use of lead to make a very stiff pufty. This will resist any amount of heat, and is unaffected by steam or wawhile he and his wife went to the thea- | ter. It has been employed for mending or closing cracks in cast iron retorts used in the distillation of oil and gas from cannel coal. High funnels seem to be growing

more and more popular among the build

ers at the yards of the British navy. The

Merseo has had hers doubled in height,

while those of the Blake are not less than

fifty or sixty feet, reaching as far up as

the tops. It is said that the result, as

far as appearances are concerned, is anything but pleasing.

The Curve of Health.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes has made a discovery. It is that of the law of the curve of health. "It is a mistake," he says, "to suppose that the normal state of health is represented by a straight borizontal line. Independently of the well-known causes which raise or depress the standard of vitality-there seem to be, I think I may venture to say there is -a rhythmic undulation in the flow of vital force. The 'dynamo,' which fur-'nishes the working powers of consciousness and action, has its annual, its monthly, its diurnal waves, even its momentary ripples, in the current it furnishes. There are greater and lesser curves in the movement of every day's life-a series of ascending and of descending movements, a periodicity depending on the very nature of the force at work in the living organism. Thus we have our good seasons and our bad seasons, our good days and our bad days, life climbing and descending in long or short undulations, which I have called the curve of health. From this fact spring a great proportion of the errors of medical practice. On it are based the delusions of the various shadowy systems which impose themselves on the ignorant and half-learned public as branches or 'schools' of science. A remedy taken at the time of the ascent in the curve of health is found successful. The same remedy taken while the curve is in its downward movement proves a failure. So long as this biological law exists, so long the charlatan will keep its hold on the ignorant public. So long as it exists, the wisest practitioner will be liable to deceive himself about the effect of what he calls, and loves to think are, his remedies."

A Princely Tip.

A gentleman accompanying two ladies entered one of the fashionable restaurants near Madison Square one evening recently and were ushered to a table. "Are you the man to serve me?" he said to the waiter who came to take his order. effect of brick work is lost and the of satisfaction never leaving the waiter's building presents the appearance of a face. Yet most waiters will tell you that stone structure. This brick will prove it is not the occasional large fee from a