The ideal Indian is tall, finely formed, mals, white facel and clean shauld: etic, and graceful. He walks with their names were Zip, Jack, Pets and the free step befitting a son of the forest, lives royally on choice game and wild seemed to be of one family. Zip, however, caught a bad cold which gradually lives royally on choice game and wild fruits, qualls the sparkling spring, and alls his lungs with deep draughts of pure air. His strength seems sometimes atmost superhuman, and his endurance is The monkey family is subject to the same amazing. We turn from this picture to look with incredulous pity upon the Everything was done for Zip that could sotual Indian of to-day, with his narrow chest and stooping shoulders, puny arms, and delicate hunds, sitting over a redhot stove in an unventilated cabin, and swallowing unlimited strong coffee. He can not cut half a cord of wood on a cold day without exhaustion, and if he plows a dozen furrows in the spring the chances are that the red stream gushes from his lips and warns of almost certain death. When the Embassador of the Eastern school comes to the agency for children, how few are able to pass the physician's seen, and I went in and called the engiexamination! How many of the most neer to witness the scene. promising youth die at school or upon | A decision was given on the case; their return home! People learn with surprise of the great sickness and mortality among Indians on reservations to- heads; at the same time the monkeys in day. "Why is it?" they ask; "why is needs; at the same time the monkeys in the adjoining cages also clustered around the average Indian healthy? We supposed him to be, above all things, a rolled on in this way and Zip finally died. vigorous animal." The Indians them. I got around very soon after his death, selves answer the question with a stern and sad arraignment of our civilization, at least in so far as it has affected their lives. "Before the white man came," exclaims the old man, wrapped in his blanket like a shriveled mummy, gesticulating with his skinny hands; "before the white man cane, we were strongwe were alive! We lived in tents, we rode on horseback, we moved constantly from place to place. ate good meat of buffalc and juicy venison, we drank pure water. Our young men never coughed, the blood never sprang from their lips our girls had not these great swellings on their necks and these pale faces. The white man brought us these things. He brought us the flesh of diseased cattle, bad bacon, the coffee that takes away our strength. We sit in the white man's houses and eat these things, and we die like the dogs! There are no old men and women nowadays; the very children are dying!" The dreadful thing about this charge is its among the Indians and studied their physique and the conditions under which they live, will tell you substantially the same story—there were no traces of scrofuld and consumption, the fearful scourges of to-day, among the Indians of the olden time. The transition period of civilization—the change from airy teepees to close cabins, from warm clothing of skins to shoddy blankets and sleazy calico, from wholesome fool to diseased meat and ill-made bread, the

Apropos of the movement to furnish books to the prisoners in Auburn jail, a Norwegian lady, resident in Auburn, tells in her picturesque way an episode which occurred in Charleston, S. C. Years ago a mother took her 5-year-old boy into prison when she went to see his father, committed for some trifling offence. The little fellow stepped into the adjacent cell, having over it the number 68. To tease him the warden shut the door, but quickly opened it at the little fellow's screams. His mother soothed him, saying "Nobody shall ever shut my little boy up in a dark prison." Years passed. The boy's father and mother died. His uncle helped him and gave him money to get to New York. He fell in with bad company, squandered his money and in sheer desperation attempted to commit burglary in his uncle's house. That relative was so enraged he handed over his nephew to the authorities. Looking at the number of his cell, to his horror he saw "68," and knew that it was the self-same cell that had inspired his boyish terror. Then his mother's words came back: "Nobody shall ever shut my little boy in a dark cell;" and he wept as he had not since her death, for he had loved that mother.

excessive use of coffee and other evils

incident to this period, among some

the pristine vigor of the aboriginal man!

Coincidences in a Convict's Life.

The warden's wife found him in melted condition. He to'd her his story and she gave him the utmost sympathy and kindness during his long term, shortaned by his good behavior. As he laft the cell and took a last look at those terrible numbers "68," he determined he would make a man of whom his mother should be proud. By his trade, learned in prison, he pursued an honest and lucrative trade, and his tasts for literature? also formed by the warden, provided for eisure hours. Ten years afterward he called on the warden's wife, and she sould hardly believe that it was he who had occupied "68."-Lewiston (Mer)

The Messa Displaced the Crown. When Na soleon III. made a triumphal

entry into Bordeaux, soon after the coup " etat, it was arranged that from an area of flowers under which he was to pass an aperial crown should hang, surmounted "He well deserves it." But the wind lew away the crown, and when the surper passed under the arch, to the reat joy of the Republicans only a rope with a noose at the end of it dangled here, with "He well deserves it" standout in bold relief above it .- West

developed a severe cough; day by day his condition grew worse until he was pronounced by Dr. Conklin a consumptive. complaints as human beings, such as con-sumption, coughs, sore throats, etc. be done by human hands, but he gradually wasted away and looked piteously at every one who sympathized with him. I watched him closely during my night inspections, and one evening I saw his three mates holding a consultation over him. One felt his pulse as carefully as a doctor would have done, another sounded him around the chest, while Pomp felt his temples and sounded all around his head. After this was carefully done they all came in close consultation and chattered to each other in a very serious manner in their own language. I was both amused and surprised at what I had

though we did not understand what it was, yet we knew it was not in favor of the patient, for they all shook their and found a real wake in progress. The monkeys had Zip laid out in the centre of the cage, with the bag that he had used to lie on rolled under his head for a pillow. His three companions sat around him looking very sad. Other groups of monkeys clustered around the ends of their cages and chattered and talked to each other. It was the most interesting wake that I ever witnessed. I would certainly have furnished them with pipes and tobacco had I not been afraid they would set the place afire. It was my duty to take the monkey out when he was dead and put him in the morgue which had been erected for the purpose, but I got so interested in the matter that I let them have the late lamented until morning.

Wonderful Balls of Crystal.

The attention of mineralogists has again been directed to one of the most remarkable crystal forms which are found in Japan, and known by the name of "God's balls," or "divine balls. They consist of mountain crystal, usually have a diameter of some four centimetres, and are so perfectly pure and clear that the eye cannot rest on any one part in paricular, but is compelled

They are, in fact, the perfection of nature and art. Being entirely opaque, they reproduce with a brilliant reflection all the outside world in their immediate neighborhood. When placed on any smooth disc which is then turned on its own axis, the crystal, though moving with it, appears to lie perfectly still, because every part is so like every other that the observer loses the appearance of any motion, and he can only convince himself of the fact that motion is going

on by placing some mark upon the ball, The Japanese signify the Godhead by these wonderfully perfect crystal forms, of which no parallel is known, and treasure these balls in their temples. In the tribes strong drink-these have ruined treasure chamber of the Mikado there is one of these balls which measures seventeen centimetres in diameter. This great national possession was intended to be shown at the International Exhibition at Vienna, but the ship bearing the valuable burden sank in the Japanese sea.

After some years it was recovered by the indefatigable endeavors of the divers, and is now carefully treas red. The crystals of which these divine balls are made are furnished by the Island of Nipon, where they are found in large and small rocks in an irregular mass of mountains .- New York Journal.

A Dangerous Clam.

The giant clam is the largest bivalve known. In Northern Australia this is considered an edible species and is regularly sought after by the natives. Mr. Denton, of the United States Fish Commission, has seen clams containing forty to tifty pounds of meat, and it is a matter of record that individuals weighing 300 pounds have been observed. The giant clam lies almost concealed in the reefs, just showing the beautiful blue and green of its mantle above the coral. The crushing power of this shell is startling. Mr. Denton thrust a stick as big as a man's leg between the valves of one of them and it was broken short off. The natives have a wholesome dread of stepping unawares into one of these formidable traps. They kill the animal by stabbing it with a long sword and then remove the meat without disturbing the shell, thus saving themselves a vast amount of labor and trouble.—Baltimere

Native Samoaus Cricket Crazy.

A cricket mania has broken out in the sunny isles where Robert Lewis Stevenson has established his home, "Cricket," writes a colonial newspaper correspond-ent from Samoa, "which was introduced here a few years ago by some of the more energetic British residents, has now become a nuisance, owing to the man-ner in which it is played by the natives. It is no uncommon thing to see a game being played in which the players number from eighty to 150 a side, and which lasts fen days or a fortnight. The natives have become so crazy over cricket that they neglect their crops during the whole of the season, and the consequence is that during a great part of the rear they are in state of poverty. -Pail Mall Gasette.

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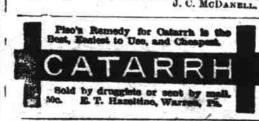
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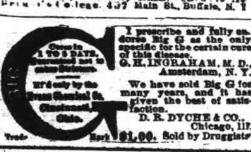
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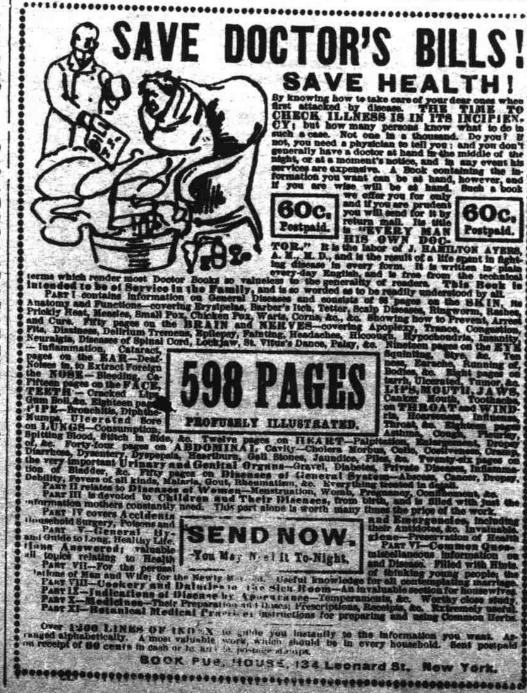
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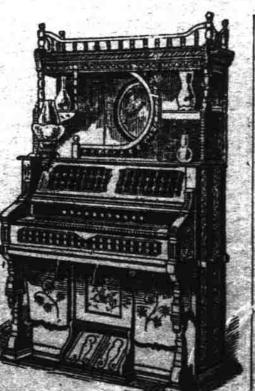
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