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Blindness In Europe.

A Swiss scientist says that there are 311,000 blind persons in Europe who were born with good eyes. Most of them lost their sight through fevers. The scientist declares that 75 per cent of them would have retained their vision had they been

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Over fields that are ripe with the sweetness.
That hides in the full tasseled corn,
Over vineyards slow reaching completeness,
Dim purpling at dusk and at morn,
Shine down in thine affluent splendor,
O moon of the year in her prime;
Beam soft, mother hearted and tender;
Earth hath not a holier time.

For the seed that slept long in the furrow Hath wakened to life and to death; From the grave that was cerement and

Hath risen to passionate breath.

It hath laughed in the sunlight and starlight,
Hath thrilled to the breeze and the dew
And fallen to stir in some far night
And all the old gladness renew.

O moon of the harvest's rich glory, Thy banners outflame in the sky, Azd under thee men write the story That cries to the heavens for reply— The story of work and endeavor, Of burden and weakness and strength,

The story that goes on forever, Through centuries dragging its length.

And thou, ever stately and golden,
Thou moon of the latest year's prime,
What sight though thine eye hath beholden
No grief to thy pathway may climb,
As over the fields that are reapen
At evening and level and shorn
Thou pourest thy splendors that deepen
The rose and the silver of morn.
—Margaret E. Sangster in Harper's Bazar.

Popularity of the Banana A curious instance of the cultiva-

tion of taste is found in the progress of the banana trade. A few years ly, "they are b ago the fruit had little sale. It was wouldn't mind." hardly ever found at select tables of civilized races. Now the banana is one of the most popular fruits of the day, is found everywhere and is voted a delicious morsel. In the hot states of America it is regarded as a

The Sympathy of Boston Natives. palliative, if not an absolute pre ventive of fevers, but in this country its only claim to favor is that it country to strangers within the city gives a pleasant and cheap addition to our own orchard dainties.

It is calculated that in the United States last year the quantity of bananas consumed reached the enormous total of 1,285,000,000. The British taste for them is not so propourced but it is revisible growing.

Whistling a Healthful Exercise. What do you think of the physician who gave encouragement to the whistler in such words as the follow-

"All the men whose business it is them off for sale are without exception free from pulmonary affections. I have known many who, when endent symptoms of that tired feeling tering upon this calling, were very delicate and who nevertheless, though the inquiry of the visitor."—Boston Herald. T. M. BUTNER, delicate and who nevertheless, though their duties oblige them to blow for hours together, enjoyed perfect health after a certain time."

should be the same. - Exchange.

A Disinfectant Better Than Charcoal.

they are absorbed. Charcoal has always been regarded as an excellent disinfectant; but, as matter of fact, soot is superior to it from containing some of the unexidized hydrocarbons contained in the smoke from the fuel, and among headgear.—Kate Field's Washington. these hydrocarbons is creosote, a and Copyright Cases, germ killer of wonderful power. - St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Blindness In Europe.

tained their vision had they been properly treated.

60 times a minute. Tiger eye is a peculiar crystalliza-tion of quartz. Formerly very rare

A woman says that a man can suffer the amputation of a limb in heroic
silence, but he cannot endure a mustard plaster on his chest without
shricking aloud for mercy.

A woman says that a man can sufing, but peaches are a tonic, an aperient, a food and a drink combined, or,
to put it briefly, they are meat and
medicine.—Chicago Post.

THE HARVEST MOON.

How Sheridan Became a Soldier. When Phil Sheridan was 18 years old, the congressman of his district, in Perry county, O., the place of Phil's birth, had an elephant on his hands in the shape of a West Point cadetship to give away. The Democratic chairmen of five counties each had applicants to urge, and to each the congressman was under equal obligations. But to recognize one was to offend the other four. One day the congressman was walking along the country road near Somerset, revolving the problem in his mind, when he met Farmer Sheridan, with whom he was slightly ac-

"Good morning, congressman," said Mr. Sheridan.

"Good morning," was the reply. When he had gone a few paces, he stopped suddenly and called out: "By the way, Mr. Sheridan, how many boys have you?"

"I have two fine boys, your hon-or," was the reply, "Mike and Phil." "How would you like to have one of them sent to West Point for a military education at the govern-

ment's expense?" "Well," replied Mr. Sheridan slowly, "they are both a help, but I

"All right, which one shall I take?" and was regarded generally as an in sipid edible, fit perhaps for naked blacks, but unworthy of the palate er I reckon Phil's the one you want." "Depends," was the reply. "Mike's the smartest, but if you want a fight-And that was how Phil Sheridan

"I think the residents of Boston gates," remarked a traveler in my hearing the other day. "I have been nounced, but it is rapidly growing, and one firm in Covent Garden often twining and tortuous thoroughfares

have actually gone out of their way to assist visitors. "In New York and Chicago, on the other hand, a civil question as to the location of a street is generally met with instructions hastily mumbled, to try the wind instruments made at the various factories before sending much when his informant has departed as when he hesitatingly slackened his footsteps to hear with evi-

The Act of a Gentleman. There is no better cure for an at-Main Street, - - Elkin, N. C. He supplemented his fiendish reduced tack of pessimism than the simple marks by saying that as the action old remedy of turning your attention of whistling was the same as that of tion to the small acts of kindness blowing wind instruments the effect which go on around you. I was coming down the street one morning and glanced up at a lineman climbing an electric light pole. He The general idea in disinfecting is, struck his hat against one of the Anything in my line ordered promptly at the lowest price possible.

The lowest price possible.

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The lowest price possible in the lowest price price possible in the lowest price price possible in the lowest price possible in the lowest price possible in the lowest price p and then to have the necessary way. Quick as a flash, before the water could further damage the well worn hat of the workman, a gentleman sprang from the sidewalk and rescued it, placing the shabby derby against the foot of the pole with as

> stowed upon his own irreproachable find a man who can with any great degree or success personate a woman. The most striking exception was the celebrated Chevalier d'Eon, whose real sex was never determined. So like a woman was he in build, voice, manners and mannerisms that the French government made use of him as a secret emissary to various Eurothat the pulses of Napoleon and Al- in the other direction-that is, in the exander the Great never exceeded 40 assumption of man's character and beats to the minute. Another writer attire by women-the chronicles of has said that Napoleon's pulse, in its in the stage and annals of everyday life normal condition, beat at the rate of fairly swarm with instances.—Chica-

Peaches Better Than Medicine. A dish of peaches is better than a and costly, large deposits have been dose of medicine. There seems to be found in the western states and in a difference of opinion as to whether peaches rank with the best of sum-Produce.

American horses are said to be better trained to disregard shocks and surprises than English horses. This is partly due to the growing custom of driving without "blinders."

American horses are said to be better foods. Seed fruits, particularly figs, strawberries, blackberries and cranberries, and digestion. Grapes, grape fruit, limes and oranges are prime aperients. Apples, dates, melons, cherries and plums are nourish-

ESTABLISHING CREDIT RATINGS.

Trifling Considerations Have Influenced Merchants In Trusting. Credit rating is more easily obtained nowadays than in the old times. The process has been simplified by the credit bureaus, the development of the commercial traveling system and the ready means by which knowledge is diffused by telegraph and rapid mail service.

Not many years ago it was a differchant to get a rating in New York from what it is today. As a usual thing a man began business in a small

corps and collections in his vicinity; you, lodging dead in the chaparral genuine peur a faire fremir is there another about his capital, class of trade and volume of business. His answers were carefully noted, and

ter into the matter of credits. To this very day there are merchants in

a prejudice prevails against them. In addition to this other names are frequently prejudicial to a business man seeking to buy goods on time. For years, and until his death, a successful merchant in the dry goods

to refuse to sell merchants who wore aboard.

have been at once rated as "good for alight on the right foot, bending the their wants" by an exhibition of fru- knee slightly; bring the left foot in gality or caution. One instance is front of the right, and you will find entering a store to buy goods, knocked plishment that will be useful to you. the ashes from a half smoked cigar Never get off backward or straight and put the butt in his pocket. One out from the car. -St. Louis Globeof the partners who observed this at Democrat. once concluded that he was a man careful of small things and capable of paying for his goods. His opinion proved correct, and eventually the

Business Methods of the Great Worth. ees of various kinds, besides all the much care as he would have bepersonnel of the dressmaking department. The latter includes from that was in that kitchen was a tin an army of mice running races over 200 to 700 girls, according to the sea-Women Who Personate Men.

Extremely rare is it that you can independent and a man who can with any great legree of success personate a woman. The most striking exception was the celebrated Chevalier d'Eon, whose good many fitting rooms, each called furnished Generally a week is required to make a dress, but if necessary it can be done in 24 hours, and on one occasion a gown was made pean courts, and many are the books for the Empress Eugenie in 34 hours. An English scientific writer asserts give the true history of his life. But North — New York Sup

> The London Spectator calls attention to the fact that nearly all great

heroes of fiction or romance, like the great characters of history, are deepwho are both perfect and thoroughly that education will increase. It is all. pathetically helpless or else the most passionate and imperious of human

Killing the Mountain Lion.

While making the descent to secure the game the hunters came suddenly to a huge rock on the mountain extending toward a like mass on the

business, and hence even to this day | Rules For Getting on and Off Electric Cars. The perfect ease and grace with

When you wish to take a car, stand commission business would not trust on the right hand side of the street, a man who, as the saying is, parted on the far crossing in the direction from driving over her father's the car you wish to take is going.

Triffing incidents sometimes determine a man to give or withhold credto the car, grasp the handrail with has a weakness it is for a plump, well matured mouse, and puss has it. Thus some years ago old men, step with the left foot, give a light believers in the manners and the cus- spring with the right foot, and you toms of the past, have been known will find yourself safely and speedily

mustaches or who parted their hair As you approach the corner where in the center. The prejudice against you wish to alight, signal the conthe former wore away long before | ductor, move toward the rear of the the latter was outgrown. In fact, it | car, holding tight to the platform or is only within a comparatively few | side of door so that you will not feel years that some men could regard the sudden jerk made in stopping; others who parted their hair in the step on the lower step; face the way center without suspicion or disgust. | the car is going; hold on to the hand-Men who were utterly unknown rail with left hand; stepping off, recorded of a merchant, who, upon | that you have acquired an accom-

> Only One Tin Cup. come down to the one tin cup be- Woman. cause I was forced to it." I have known ladies to have a few fine saucepans and other utensils put away and used only when they were in their kitchens themselves.

Education Diminishes Crime, men. We have now and then an ideal heroine, like Portia or Cordelia, who are both perfect and the correctly who are both perfect and the correctly with the system, with his restaurant hi

The Art of Walking. An English authority says: "The body should be held erect, the shoul-In Mexico City they once started a Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and to put the infant society in good funds they inaugurated it with a bull fight.

In Mexico City they once started a Society For the Prevention of Cruelty throw a ball, sharpen a pencil or tie da knot that won't slip, but you just it with a bull fight.

In Mexico City they once started a Society For the Prevention of Cruelty throw a ball, sharpen a pencil or tie da knot that won't slip, but you just the women alone. They know what they are about. To appear help-less is woman's way of flattering man. It is because she allows man to look to his conversation is too often like

At ransition from an author's book to his conversation is too often like

In English authority says: The body should be held erect, the shoulders down, chest extended, and the landing a couple of choice cigars to land the leg moved from the hip, the whole figure above being immovable. The movement from the knee is said to be the secret of bad walking, combated the work at a time the only order I have had today.

The client accepted the weed, but as he glanced at the next quotation remarked, "They are rather more figure in a most disgraceful manner. A short brisk walk is beneficial, while lamity will happen if it is either combate the condition of the landing a couple of choice cigars to land the leg moved from the hip, the whole figure above being immovable. The movement from the knee is said to be the secret of bad walking, combate the couple of the work at a couple of choice cigars to land the leg moved from the hip, t

WHY ARE WOMEN AFRAID OF MICE? A Brief Disscussion of a Subject Wherein

As a woman, and I trust a brave opposite side of the chasm. On reach- one, a lover of animals and a student ing it Don Felipe uttered a cry of of natural history, I ask the vexed precaution and pointed across the question in all seriousness, Why are canyon. There in its sanctuary stood | women afraid of mice? Why should in strong relief against the rock the great cat of the Sierras—the moun- name) of a tiny, harmless, graceful tain lion-its head raised in a listen- little creature strike terror into the ing attitude. The whole position was stoutest hearts that beat in feminine ent matter for an out of town merso noble and impressive that it was breasts? Echo answers, "Why?" some seconds before the rifles cracked | The fear of mice is a hereditary and the fierce yell of the wounded curse, an inherited weakness, a fatal animal broke the stillness. It turned foe which it is useless to combat, a way by buying and selling for cash or on short credits. When he came to New York, he was questioned and cross questioned on a wide variety of subjects.

One man asked him about the came to the stillness. It turned quickly and savagely, snarling and biting at the wound in its flank; then, being struck again, whirled and, blinded by pain and fury, sprang or rolled over the precipice and went at the same of the came. It is useless to compat, a foolish dread of which we ought to feel heartily ashamed, and yet it is a real and formidable terror. It is never assumed. It may be exagger ated by a fit of hysterics or a succession of piercing screams, but the One man asked him about the thundering down the side of the can-cession of piercing screams, but the

all the same-and why? "That chap was alying for a doe." I remember once reading a story said the old mountaineer as later he about a coterie of strong minded wothe chances were that his personal habits were made the subject of a of the lion over his back. "They upon female virtues in an old country town assembly room. One of rigid investigation. Features such as these enter into the granting of the non over his back. They kill more deer in and out of season try town assembly room. One of than all the hunters in California put their number was chosen to deliver than all the hunters in California put their number was chosen to deliver than all the hunters in California put credits nowadays, but not to such an extent as, say, 50 years ago.

It may not be generally known, but it is true nevertheless that prejudice superstition and tradition enumbers of the first than all the hunters in California put together, and when your folks say a mountain lion ain't up to the mark don't you take any stock in it. No, I never knew one to kill a man, but the valor of her sex in general a tradition of the sex in general and the superstition and tradition enumbers of the lecture on valor and selected for her subject the history of Joan of Arc. But when the evening arrived and she was discoursing upon the valor of her sex in general and the hunters in California put together, and when your folks say a mountain lion ain't up to the mark don't you take any stock in it. they will tackle a grizzly, and I've the valor of her sex in general a seen 'em tear a horse so that the mouse ran across the platform, and this very day there are merchants in New York who will not sell a bill of merchandise except on each to a nor.

Owner didn't know him when he saw the lecturer and her strong minded him. I've killed the mountain lion sisters jumped on to their chairs, merchandise except on cash to a person the terminal letters of whose name are "sky" or "kie." Years ago a class of the population whose names frequently end with these letters were in the habit of failing in her petticoats in precisely the same

and the tail of one popping oppor-tunely from the carving of Tuillia's chariot would have prevented her and one firm in Covent Garden often distributes 10,000 bunches per week.

The trade may be regarded as in its infancy as yet, but it gives promise of vigorous ircrease and proves that the best of everything in the world gradually gravitates toward London.

London Telegraph.

To 10th of EACH MONTH.

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The trade may be regarded as in its infancy as yet, but it gives promise of vigorous ircrease and proves that the central district of the city, inquires his way to a certain point which he has vainly endeavored to find by examining a pocket map of the world. "No man," the veteran used to affirm, "who is ashamed of the name given him by his father or at baptism is honest, and no such one can get credit from my house."

Before attempting to get on transfer anything you may be carrying to the left hand or arm, stand close get credit from my house."

London Telegraph. perhaps for this reason earned the affections because the gratitude of

The story of a prisoner who was cheered in captivity by a mouse is familiar to us all-but the prisoner was a man. Equally familiar is the fable of the grateful mouse which gnawed the net, but again-the prisoner is said to have been a lion, not a lioness. I believe there is a mutual antipathy between them.

Most women have experienced the sensation. You are sitting alone reading, playing, writing, painting or working. Suddenly you instinct-ively feel a sensation of horror of some evil influence that is present.

You lift your eyes. You behold, gliding over the carpet toward you without noise, apparently without During one of her lectures at Chau- the trouble of walking, a mouse. It tauqua Mrs. Ewing told the follow- stops; it fascinates you. You drop ing: I was once entertained in a your book, your music, your brush, man became one of the firm's most family by the wife of a millionaire. your needle, whatever it may be, but desirable customers. — New York She was interested in cookery and you make no other sound. You feel She was interested in cookery and you make no other sound. You feel got up a course of lectures in cook- your blood freeze; and your limbs ing. I went into that woman's kitch- slowly paralyze; your heart stops M Worth has a staff of 50 employ-es of various kinds, besides all the pare certain things that were desired chill creeps over you. In your imfor the table, and the only saucepan agination you feel the soft touch of

sils. I have given them the best of of them, but the fact remains that according to the color in which it is granite ware and porcelain ware, and we are, and I have long since resignin a month's time they were all ed myself to the fact as an evil for burned up and destroyed, and I have which there is no remedy.—London

> Conversation of "Great" People, It is an old story how an enthusiastic young girl, seeing Harriet Martineau approached by Mrs. Somer-ville, listened breathlessly to hear what the two great women might

Education enlarges, strengthens say to each other.
and refines the brain, gives it close Miss Martineau inquired of Mrs. ness, determines its growth, and just Somerville what she thought of the great characters of history, are deeply scored with lines of tempestuous force and noble or ignoble passion—in other words, are not ideally good.

so far as criminality has anything to do with the insufficient brain education will abate it, and the malnumber of the maintenance of the properties of t in other words, are not ideally good trition of the system, with its re- ville shouted into the deaf writer's

real. But in the case of the men whenever stormy passions are absent we have in their place some signal want of power, some deficiency in saggestive resoluteness and distinct.

That education will increase. It is not agreeable to dwell upon this dark side of human nature, but if we know nothing about it we shall do nothing for it, and surely there is in saggestive resoluteness and distinct.

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Building a Stone Wall. to his conversation is too often like an entrance into a large city after a down upon her that man looks up to distant prospect.

It is because she allows man to look an expensive than I usually smoke; so down upon her that man looks up to far they have cost me \$12.50 apiece."

A short brisk walk is beneficial, while a tramp of miles results in utter pleted or the work goes into other hands.—New York Evening Sun.

Corner Maple and Cleveland Sts.

North Wilkestore, N. C. hands,-New York Evening Sun.

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