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The American Bible Society, having ed from experience that the \$.000. day-school children within the influence care nothing for leaflets, has decided, an e Chicago (1) et, to try the iving an Bible to every

> ant takes with h is said to be Herald thinks r change is be In Italy. The Governountry is trying to devise f preventing the exportaach silver, but that will be unless emigration is pre The peasant has to make his small coin, and when he

> > the other day," not mere 'sandds of advertise. to trousers, and t on sixty men. of employment

Express trains in Russia rarely traval faster than twenty-two miles an hour .. These are very slow expresses indeed, vet a railway guard avers that the fastest trains are always the safest.

The Minneapolis Journal is convinced that the most idiotic college vell is probably that of the senior class of the Kansas State University. It is: "Johnny took a bite, Susie took a chew. Rock chalk, jaw hawk, class of '92."

The American Dairyman boasts that the dairy industry of the United States, notwithstanding its low average profit, is more valuable than all our gold and silver mines; and, it adds, if all the cows were as valuable as the majority of those which have been tested the yearly output would be more than trebled.

The rediscovery of a new species of fish known as the tile fish, which is said to be valuable for its food qualities, comes at a time when, in the opinion of the New York Sun, it will be welcome, especially if the United States Fish Commission is able to propogate the species artificially, so as to stock some of the worn out waters around our Easterncoast. It is strange that we have no salmon in the Hudson, or only a few very rarely. Shad, once so plentiful here, seem to be disappearing. Many other valuable fishes are decreasing in numbers from year to year, owing to the furious onslaughts made on them by menhaden trawlers and other fishermen who use catch-all-nets. Perhaps the tile fish may be able to survive these nets. It is a good omen, at any rate, that from the time it was first recognized, in 1879, the tile fish has only once-in 1887been found in large numbers.

The statistics presented by Poor's Manual of American Railroads, show a total mileage January 1, 1892, of 170,601 miles, the increase in the quarter century being 131,351 miles, or 435 per cent. In the past twenty-five years the mileage railroads in New England, where the development has been without speculative feature, has increased from 3938 miles to 6360. In the six States comprising the middle group the increase has been from 9190 miles to 20,428 miles, and in the South from 9940 miles \$2,110 miles. /Throughout the West-

"Mrs. Dar-cy!" enunciated Luke, with slow and ominous precision, "may s, from the Ohio and Missis-I inquire what all this means? Are you on the east to the Rocky aware that it is fifteen minntes past nine the west, comprising a o'clock? Do you know that breakfast is 26,339 square miles in progress of the Nation pid and its increase in "I know, Luke-I know," said poor,

d and unproductive. In 1867

re only 15,777 miles of railroad

States, against 200,559 miles in Of this mileage only a small por-

1867 was west of the Mississippi,

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n 1867 the mileage in the States

Pacific coast was 431; in 1891,

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l data, the tonnage of our railroads

not exceed 47,872,500 tons, the

ge for that year being 36,801

In 1891 their tonnage equalled

8,609 tons for 170,601 miles of

line. At \$20 a ton, the value of the

merchandise moved in 1886 equalled

fluence of age. There is material for a

great many sermons in these facts and

perplexed Mrs. Darcy, striving vainly to the rebellious urchin up by one arm. ome. Freddy, you're going to be good, rked, the railway has trument in opening up now, mamma is sure, and get up to be settlement, and furnishwashed." "No-o-o," roared Master Freddy. of transportation, withese lands would be still

AS YOU GO THROUGH LIFE,

Don't look for the flaws as you go through

It is wise and kind to be somewhat blind.

And look for the virtues behind them.

For the cloudiest night has a hint of light

Somewhere in its shadows hiding:

It is better by far to hunt for a star,

Than the spots on the sun abiding.

To the bosom of God's great ocean,

Don't waste a curse on the universe-

Don't set you force 'gainst the river's cours

The current of life runs every way

And think to alter its motion.

Remember it lived before you;

But bend and let it go o'er you,

To suit your whims to the letter:

It is folly to fight with the infinite.

And go under at last in the wrestle:

The wiser man shapes into God's plan,

As the water shapes into a vessel,

Some things must go wrong your whole life

TEMPER.

-Ladies' Home Journal.

know the reason of all this up-

Mr. Darcy shut the door of his bed-

foom with considerable emphasis, and

All was bright, and quiet, and pleasant

there; the anthracite snapping and spar-

kling in the grate, the china and silver

Ah! the field of battle was reached at

last. Mrs. Darcy sat in her little low

chair before the fire, trying to quiet the

energetic screams of an eight-months' old

scion of the house of Darcy, while an-

other-a rosy boy of five years-lay on

his back, prone on the floor, kicking

and crying in an ungovernable fit of

went straight to the breakfast parlor.

ANDEMONIUM

And the sooner you know it the better.

The world will never adjust itself

form--

And even when you find them

performing a brisk tattoo on the carpet with his heels and clawing the air Like an avenging vulture, Mr. Darcy

pounced abruptly down upon his son and heir, carried him promptly to the closet, and turned the key upon his A tall, blue-eyed young lady, with a

profusion of bright chestnut hair and cheeks like rose velvet, was already at the table when they descended, by name Clara Pruyn, by lineage Mrs. Darcy's sister. She opened her blue eyes rather wide as the two entered.

"Good gracious, Evy, what's the "Nothing," answered Luke, tartly,

·Mrs. Darcy, you appear to forget that I have eaten no breakfast." "Something is the matter, though,

said Clara, shrewdly. "What is it Evelyn? Has Luke had one of his tantrumsf"

Luke set down his coffee cup with a sharp "clink." "You use very peculiar expressions,

Miss Pruyn." "Very true ones," said Clara, saucily. Evelyn smiled in spite of herself.

"It's only Freddy, who feels a little cross, and-" "A little cross!" interrupted the in-

dignant husband. "I tell you, Evelyn, it's quite time that temper was checked. Hang that parrot! What an intolerable screeching he keeps up! Mary, take that bird into the kitchen, or I shall be tempted to wring its neck. Strange that a man can't have a little peace once in a while! What does ail these eggs, Evelyn? I thought I asked you to see that they were boiled fit for Christians to eat!"

Mr. Darcey gave his egg, shell and all, a vindictive throw upon the grate. Evelyn's brown eyes sparkled a little dangerously as she observed the manœuver, but she made no remark. "And the plates are as cold as a stone,

when I've begged, and entreated, and im plored, again and again, that they might be warmed. Well, I shall eat no break. fast this morning!"

"Whom will you punish most?" de manded Miss Clara. "Evelyn, give me another cup of coffee-it is perfectly delightful."

Luke pushed his chair back with a vengeance and took up his stand with his back to the fire, both hands under his coat tails.

"Please, sir," said the servant, deprecatingly advancing, "the gas bill-the man says -would you settle it while-"

"No!" roared Luke tempestuously. "Tell the man to go about his business; I have no small bills this morning, and I won't be so persecuted!"

Mary retreated precipitately. Clara raised her long brown eyelids. "Do you know, Luke," she said, de murely, "I think you would feel a great deal better if you would just do as Freddy does-lie flat down on the floor

valve when your choler gets the better Luke gave his mischievous sister-inlaw a glance that ought certainly to have annihilated her, and walked out of the room, closing the door behind him with a bang that would bear no interpretation. Then Clara came round to her sister's side and buried her pink face in

Evelyn's neck. "Don't scold me, Evy, please-I know I've been very, very naughty to tease

truth," said Evelyn, quietly, with her coral lips compressed, and a scarlet spot

burning on either cheek. "The remedy needs to be something short and sharp," said Clara, "and the dark closet system certainly combines both requisites. Tears and hysterics are played out long ago in matrimonial skir-

mishes, you know, Evy." "Nonsense!" laughed Mrs. Darcy. rising from the breakfast table in obedience to her husband's peremptory summons from above stairs, while Clara shrugged her shoulders and went to look

for her work basket. Lnke was standing in front of his Don't butt at the storm with your puny bureau drawer, flinging shirts, collars, cravats and stockings recklessly on the bedroom floor.

> "I'd like to know where my silk handkerchiefs are, Mrs. Darcy!" he fumed. "Such a state as my bureau is in! It's enough to drive a man crazy!"

> "It's enough to drive a woman crazy, I think!" said Evelyn, hopelessly stopping to pick up a few of the scattered articles. "You were at the bureau last, Luke. It is your own fault!"

"My fault-of course, it's my fault, snarled Luke, giving Mrs. Darcy's poodle a kick that sent it howling to its often improved. mistress. "Anything but a woman's retorting, recriminating tongue. Mrs. Darcy, I won't endure it any longer!"

"Neither will I!" said Evelyn, resoraging! Chaos lutely advancing, as her husband turned inside out! plunged into the closet for his business What is the reacoat, and promptly shutting and locking son a man can't be allowed to the door. "I think I've endured it sleep peaceably quite long enough-and here's an end in the morning.

without this ever-"Mrs. Darcy, open that door!" said lasting racket raised Luke, scarcely able to credit the eviabout his ears? Childence of his own senses. dren crying-doors

"I shall do no such thing," said Mrs. slamming-I will Darcy, composedly, beginning to rearrange shirts, stockings and flannel wrappers in their appropriate receptacles. "Mrs. Dar-cy!" roared Luke, at a

fever heat of important rage, "what on earth do you mean?"

"I mean to keep you in that clothes press, Mr. Darcy, until you have made up your mind to come out in a more neatly arranged on the spotless damask amiable frame of mind. If the system cloth, and the green parrot drowsily succeeds with Freddy it certainly ought winking his yellow eyes in the sunny to with you; and I am sure your temper glow of the eastern window-Bedlam is proving much more intolerable than plainly wasn't located just here, and Mr. Darcy went stormily upstairs to the

There was a dead silence of full sixty | 1837. seconds in the closet, then a sudden ourst of vocal wrath:

"Let me out, I say, Mrs. Darcy! Madam, how dare you perpetrate this monstrous piece of audacity?"

"My dear Luke, how strongly you do remind me of Freddy! You see there's nothing I have so little tolerance for as a 1553. bad temper. It ought to have been checked long ago, only you know I'm so ridiculously indulgent.' Mr. Darcy winced a little at the fa-

miliar sound of his own words. Tap-tap-tap came softly to the door. Mrs. Darcy composedly opened it, and

saw her husband's little office boy. "Please, mem, there's some gentlemen at the office in a great hurry to see Mr. Darcy. It's about the Applegate will

Mrs. Darcy hesitated an instant; there was a triumphant rustle in the closet, and her determination was taken.

"Tell the gentlemen that your master has a very bad headache, and won't be down town this morning." Luke gnashed his teeth audibly

soon as the closing of the door admonished him that he might do so with "Mrs. Darcy, do you presume to in-

terfere with the transaction of business that is vitally important, ma'am-vitally important?"

Mrs. Darcy nonchalantly took up little opera air where she had left it, letting the soft Italian words ripple musically over her tongue.

"Evelyn, dear !" "What is it, Luke?" she asked, mildly. "Please let me out. My dear, this may be a joke to you, but-"

"I assure you, Luke, it's nothing of the kind; it's the soberest of serious matters to me. It is a question as to whether my future shall be miserable or happy.'

There was a third interval of silence. "Evelyn," said Luke presently in a subdued voice, "will you open the

"On one condition only." "And what condition is that?"

"Ah! ah!" thought the little lieutenant-general, "he's beginning to entertain terms of capitulation, is he? On condition," she added, aloud, "that you will break yourself of your habit of speaking crossly and sharply to me, and on all occasions keep your temper." "My temper, indeed!" sputtered

"Just your temper," returned his

wife, serenely. "Will you promise?" "Never, madam!"

Mrs. Darcy quietly took up a pair of hose that required mending, and prepared to leave the apartment. As the door creaked on its hinges, however, a voice came shrilly through the opposite keyhole: "Mrs. Darcy! Evelyn! wife!"

"Yes!"

"You are not going down stairs to eave me in this -this Black Hole of Calcutta?" "I am."

"Well, look here-hold up-I prom-

"All and everything that I require?" "Yes, all and everything that you require--confound it all!"

Wisely deaf to the muttered sequel, Mrs. Darcy opened the door, and 'Luke stalked sullenly out, looking right over the top of her shining brown hair. Suddenly a little detaining hand was laid on his coat-sleeve: "Luke, dear!"

"Well?"

"Won't-won't you give me a kiss?" And Mrs. Darcy burst out crying on her husband's shoulder.

"Well!" ejaculated the puzzled Luke, if you women aren't the greatest enigmas going. A kiss? Yes, half a dozen of 'em if you want, you hard-hearted little turnkey. Don't cry, pet; I'm not and kick your heels against the carpet angry with you, although I suppose I ought to be." for awhile. It's an excellent escape

"And may I let Freddy out?" "Yes-on the same terms that his papa

was released. Evelyn, was I very intol-"If you hadn't been, Luke, I never

should have ventured on such a violent remedy." "Did I make you very unhappy?"

"Very." Luke Darcy buttoned up his overcoat, out on his hat, shouldered his umbrella, and went down to the Applegate will care, musing as he went upon the new | more featherheaded than ever.

"You have spoken nothing but the state of affairs that had presented itself for his consideration.

It is more than probable that he left his stock of bad temper in the law buildings that day, for Evelyn and Clara never saw any more of it; and Freddy is daily getting the better of the peppery element in his infantile disposition .-New York News.

Inventions and Their Dates. The bagpipe, the favorite Scotch and Italian instrument, was invented in Greece 200 B. C.

Window glass was in Italy in churches in the eleventh century, in Eng. glish houses in 1557. Gas was first made from coal by Clay-

ton, 1739, and was first used for illumination in 1792.

Paper from rags was made in A. D. 1000, the first linen paper in 1319, and from straw in 1800. Chain shot were the invention of De Witt, the great Dutch Admiral. They

were first used in 1666. Watches were first made in Nuremburg in 1477, and were called "Nuremberg animated eggs."

Air brakes were invented by George Westinghouse in 1869, and subsequently

The daguerreotype was invented by Daguerre, and the first miniatures were produced in 1838. Playing cards were invented for the

amusement of the crazy king, Charles VI., of France, in 1380. Church bells were made by Paulinus,

an Italian Bishop, to drive away demons, about 400 A. D. Canon were invented in 1330, were used by the Turks at Adrianople in 1453, were made in England in 1547.

Copper-plate engraving was first done n 1511, wood engraving in 1799, etching on metal with acid in 1512. The harvester was invented by Cyrus McCormick in 1831, and has been improved by many subsequent inventors.

Quill pens were first used A. D. 553; steel pens were invented by Wise, of England, 1803, and improved by Gil-Glass mirrors were known in A. D. 23. but the art of making them was

lost and not rediscovered until 1300, in The first electric telegraph line w laid in Switzerland by Lesage in 176

the Morse transmitter was invented Air guns were first made by Gnb

Germany in 1656, and the inventu also credited to Shaw, of Ametic Breech-loading guns were invented by

Thornton & Hall, 1811. Breech-loading cannon were used by the Turks in The great anaesthetic, chloroform,

was discovered by Outhrie, 1831, and was first employed in surgical operations

Checkers or draughts were known to the ancient Egyptians, and pictures 4000 years old represent a quarrel over

Tobacco was taken to Europe by the Spaniards early in the sixteenth century; was introduced into England by Raleigh and should be used on the table, as in 1555.

The first carpets made in Europe were manufactured in France, in 1664, in imitation of some which had been brought from Turkey.

Wooden railroads were built in England in 1602; iron rails were first used in 1789; the first iron railroad was laid in America in 1827. -Globe-Democrat.

Does Lightning Sour the Milk?

It is a well-known fact that milk is especially apt to sour during the prevalence of a thunder storm, and from this it has been surmised that the electric discharge held some mysterious sway over the lacteal fluid. An Italian experimenter, one Professor Tolomei, has been making trials of various sorts, the object being to throw some light on electric in-fluence over milk molecules. In his first experience he passed an electric discharge from a Holtz machine between two balls of platinum hanging two inches apart in a bottle containing a quart of fresh milk; a bottle containing a quart of fresh milk; secondly, by sending a current between two strips of platinum at the bottom of a V tube filled with the same fluid; thirdly, by subjecting bilk in a test tube to the action of a strong current through a silk-covered copper wirs ound spirally around the tube. In eac one of these experiments, which were a thorough as any lover of science could wish, it was proved that acidulation of the milk was delayed instead of hastened, as had been expected. Three equal pattions of milk rtions of milk expected. Three eq hus treated, from the same m seventh, the began to grow acid ninth and the six respectively; while other portion ily was rankly been treated with third day. acid on the eveni Having thus d theory of light f milk Profescause of the acid sor Tolomei trie in the mystic ag his second trial surface of a que

two balls of th fluid almost insta sequence. Here, at li puzzled professo been made plai wrong when he

A Western d tained a very curic from Sweden for th is making for the were coined during tury, when Sweden its circulating medium ing but copper. The pieces roughly cut in smallest is four inches thirty cents, and the la est over a foot square and with a face value of four dollars. Each slab is stamped in several places with an inscription giving its date of issue and its denomination. The largest weighs over four pounds. When

The Use of Feathers.

ance to carry their purses.

this coinage was in circulation ladies out

shopping had to have servants in attend

Man has been defined as a featherles biped, but his better half is more than ever determined to make good Nature omission by the aid of art. It is reported in the Gaulois that a feather merchant of Paris has lately received 6000 birds of paradise, 300,000 Indian birds of various species and 400,000 humming birds. Another dealer has received 40,000 birds from America and 100,000 from Africa. We fear that the fair sex is growing

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS.

PAINT FOR KITCHEN FLOOR. A paint for kitchen floor, that dries quickly, can be made as follows: Dissolve three ounces of good glue in three quarts of soft water; heat over the fire till the glue is perfectly dissolved, then remove and stir in three pounds of yellow ochre; with a whitewash brush apply a thick coat to the floor. It will soon dry, then with a paint brush give a coat of linseed oil. For a lighter shade use half white lead .- New York World.

RHUBARB JELLY.

To make rhubarb jelly, wipe the stalks and cut them in inch lengths. Do not peel them. Weigh them. Put them in a porcelain kettle and to every pound of rhubarb add a gill of water. Stew the stalks until they are thoroughly cooked. Then strain the juice that covers them through a thick cloth. Measure it and to every pint of juice add a pound of sugar. Put the sugar and juice in a porcelain kettle and let them boil for twenty minutes, or until a jelly is formed. Put away in tumblers or bowls like any other jelly. It will be much richer in flavor and color if the stalks are not peeled .- New York Tribune.

DRYING APPLES.

In general quite a large amount of the fruit of the apple orchard falls off prematurely from the effect of winds, and a considerable quantity, usually of a better qualito, is knocked off or rejected in the final gathering from the tree of the winter apples. Where such can be sold in their geen condition in near-by markets for immediate use, even at low will commonly be found the price Where no such market is not near enough at har to dry as many very common n way much fruit be lost can, by which otherwis he time of memutilizing a port manufactured into bers of the fam ict for which there a long keeping For work of this

ld be made beforey to hire labor to hould be provided siness, and the fruit such a manner that it attractive in appearried. Nothing detracts tue of dried fruit in an to find the and with bits of core ying fruit, either it should be ripe drying will not of naturally poor ficiently fair and ing, and too good ande into vinegar .-

GRAPES AND THEIR USES.

A pyramid of grapes of different va-rieties makes a handsome centrepiece for the table and a delicious desert. writes M. J. Ashton, in the New York Observer. Grape shears are very unique with shears can be easily separated.

Iced Grapes - Take perfect bunches of grapes and wipe them, dip into white of eggs well beaten, then sift fine sugar over them and lay them on a sieve in a warm place, where they will dry quickly. These are very ornamental.

To Prepare Grape Juice for Winter-Select ripe, perfect grapes, pick them from the stems, leaving out any that are ripe or imperfect, wash and measure, and put them in a porcelain kettle with one pint of water to three quarts of grapes. Cook slowly ten minutes, skim off everything that rises; while hot pour into a jelly bag and drain; wash the kettle and return the juice, put over the fire, and as soon as it comes to a boil, dip into truit jars same as fruit. Put the covers on securely. Keep in a cool, dark place. Pack the jars in a wooden box which is a little higher than the jars are, then put a cover over the top; this will keep them from the light. This makes a pleasant and healthy beverage with the addition of a little sugar and cracked

Spiced Grapes-Allow five pounds of grapes, three pounds of sugar, two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon, one of allspice, and half a teaspoonful of cloves. Wash the grapes and take the skins off; boil the skins in water until tender; cook the pulp and strain through a sieve; when the skins are tender add them to the pulp; then put in the sugar and spices and cook slowly, watching them closely that they do not burn. When thick enough put in jars and cover closely.

Keep in a cool place. Grape Catsup—Pick over, steam and wash the grapes, then weigh, mash and cook in porcelain kettle; when soft strain through a colander. Allow twothirds as much sugar as you have grapes, add the sugar to the pulp and re-turn to the kettle, and cook until thick; then add spices, allowing for every nine pounds of grapes, one tablespoonful of ground cloves, one of cinnamon, one of alispice, one teaspoonful of black pepper, one quart of vinegar. If too thin, cook slowly a while longer. Put in bottles for winter use.

Grape Jelly-Wash and look over the grapes; put in a kettle on the stove until hot, mashing them fine. Strain through a jelly-bag; if you wish the jelly clear, do not squeeze, but let the bag hang over night and drain; tie a knot in the ends of the strainer, and put a stick through the knot. Measure the juice and allow one pound of sugar for each pint of juice; boil fifteen minutes, and dip into glasses. A little white sugar sifted over the top is used as a prevenfive of mould. All jam and jelly should e kept in a dry, dark cupboard. Grape Jam-Pick over and wash th grapes, chosing if possible those not very

ripe; put in porcelain kettle and mash fine over the fire; when warm pour into a colander and sift, weigh, put back into the kettle, allowing three-fourths of a pound of sugar for each pound of fruit; boil rapidly twenty minutes. Put in jelly tumblers to use with meats, seal and keep in a cool place To Can Grapes-Wash the grapes and

take off the skins, and cook the pulp until the seeds are loose, then sift through s colander to get the seeds out, add the akins; then weigh, allowing one pound of sugar for four pounds of fruit, cook in a porcelain kettle five minutes and dip into jara and seals.

A deposit of \$20 made in the Newburyport (Mass.) Institution for savings in 1820 now calls for interest amounting to \$898. No one has ever claimed the original deposit and ne addition has ever been made to it.

THE CLOVER.

Some sing of the daisy and lily and rose. And the panses and pinks that the summer

time throws In the green, grassy lap of the medder that

Blinkin' up at the skies through the sunshing But what is the lily and all of the rest

Of the flowers to a man with a heart in his breast That has dipped brimmin' full of the honey

and dew Of the sweet clover blossoms his boyhood knew?

I never set hevey on a clover field now. Or fool round a stable, or climb in the mow But my childhood comes back just as clear and as plain

As the smell of the clover I'm sniffin' again: And I wandered away in a barefooted dream.

Where I tangled my toes in the blossom

that gleam With the dew of the dawn of the morning

Ere it wept o'er the graves that I am ween ing above. And so I love clover-it seems like a part

Of the sacredest sorrows and joys of my And wherever it blossoms, O! there let ma

And thank the good Lord as I'm thanking Him now; And pray to Him still for the strength when

To go out in the clover an I tell it goodby. And lovingly nestle my face in its bloom While my soul slips away on a breath of

-James Whitcomb Riley,

PITH AND POINT.

The hammock girl is in full swing .-Philadelphia Record.

Boycotting the baby-Putting him to bed at night. - New York News. Let in on the ground floor-the police-

man, usually, by the cook .- Puck. A Harlem milkman says he passed the summer at the watering places .- Texas

She-"Your room mate called on me last night." He-"How did you like my new dress suit?" Hunger may be an evil, but it is the

cause of nearly all the industry in this world .- Puck. Sparing the rod spoils the child because the rod makes the child smart .-Boston Transcript.

whether you hold them or they hold you.-Indianapolis News. Father-"What are you practising with my daughter now?" . Music Master

The desirability of bonds depends on

_"Patience." _Boston Globe. The lover that Anna kissed the other night is afraid he will be arrested, because he is a fellow-Annakist .- New York News.

"No, Beatrice, you are wrong; the 'trough of the sea' is not put there for the purpose of watering the 'ocean greyhounds." -Statesman.

"Ma, can I play on the piano?" "No, dear; you might hurt it. Go next door and play on Mrs. Jones's. She rents her's."-Washington Star. It is when a young fellow in love has

lost his head that the girl in the case is

likely to mercifully lay her own on hi shoulders .- Philadelphia Times. Why does a woman carry her pursein her hand in the street? Simply becase she thinks it may induce some mar to

seek her hand .- Boston Transcript. If the telephone zirl has a soft voice it is next to impossible for the man at

the other end of the wire to believe that she isn't pretty .- Somervilla Journal. Dinglebury loves his donkey, but when that quadrupedal songster awakens his master at peep of day, Dinglebury wishes, in his wrath, that Jack might

have a visitation of softening of the brayin' .- Boston Transcript. The poor youth's brain began to whirl As he stood 'neath the sun's flerce glare, But he winked at a pretty Boston girl And she froze him with a stare.

-New York Press. "Father," said a six-year old, "where is Atoms?" "Atoms, my boy? What do you mean?" "Why, the place where everything gets blown to." - Boston Bulletin.

Jarvis-"Do you know what I'm going to do with the first hundred dollars I earn?" Jessup-"Pay your entrance fee to a home for aged men probably." -New York Herald. Baggs (emphatically)-"Now, your

wife looks to me like a woman who would absolutely be frightened at nothing." "Waggs-"Exactly; a mouse, for instance."-Tid-Bits. "Mabel, this question of marriage is a serious one that I hope you have considered well." Mabel-"Oh, dear, yes,

auntie, I have worried myself sick already about my trousseau."-Chicago Inter Ocean. "I don't see what attraction the girls can find about young Sapley. Why, his mind is positively feeble." "Yes; but as he hasn't any occasion to use it they probably have never found it out."-la-

dianapolis Journal. "What's Miss Thackeray looking so vexed about?" "Why, she became engaged in the dark last night, and found out this morning that she has duplicated. He was No. 3 of her former series."— Chicago News Record.

"Mercy!" exclaimed Mrs. Homespun when she read in the paper that Jay Gould made ten cents every time the clock ticked; "I should think he'd be worried to death for fear the clock would run down."-Boston Transcript.

Mrs. Cashus declares that her husband did not marry her, but her money. As the money is all gone, Cashus argues that he must be a widower, and therefore Mrs. C. has no claim upon him whatsoever .- Boston Transcript.

Philanthropic Visitor (at the jail)-"My friend, may I ask wnat brought you here?" Bad Dick (from the slums) -"Yes, sir. Same thing that brings you here. Poking my nose into other folks' affairs. Only I generity went in by way of the basement winder."-Chicago Tribune.

Flies Dislike Gersalums.

A suggestion comes from abroad that the fragrant geranium—the old fashioned rose geranium beloved by our grand-mothers—keeps flies away. A moderate sized geranium shrub is said to be so disagreeable to flies that they avoid its neighborhood, and two of these plants in a room will drive them out altogether. -New York Tribune.

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8957 450,020 of that moved in 1891. 87,972,180. ong the curiosities of crime, says Once-A-Week, is an analysis recently made, by a physician who has long been attached to a great prison, of the effect of years upon wrongdoers. According to him, nearly one-third of the convicts sent in the last sixty years to the Eastrn Penitentiary of Pennsylvania were between twenty and twenty-five years of ge at the time their crimes were commit There is a marked diminution in the proportion of criminals among persons between twenty-five and thirty and a still greater one between thirty and thirty-five. The natural interence is that crime in general is the result of imperfection and lack of self-control rather than that of deliberate intention -an inference which ought to be very cheering to the moralist and religious contain troublesome members. The physician's deductions do not agree with those of the police officials, who almost everywhere insist that "once a criminal, always a criminal," but perhaps in the Pennsylvania institution, where the observations were made, the treatment of the inmates is not of a nature to confirm all their bad habits and teach them new ones, which is alleged to be the result of

State Prison life in general. The authority alluded to say further that the both forest crimes committed by middle-aged perd removal sons are mostly those which can be most secretly and safely followed, and that of indithe offenses of later life are those which nmes, etc., may in general be attributed to deand improveterioration of the mental and moral and requests machinery; a large proportion of emfor all other

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