## THE CRISIS IN SAMOA.

Fascinating Drama of the Three Contending Nations in the Faraway Pacific Island.

WE OPPOSE GERMAN AGGRESSIONS.

will also disavow responsibility for the the ugly quarrel which had divided from markets prevents exportation. extraordinary attempt of Dr. Raffel, them. The nations were brought to In 1888 the Ceylon coffee disease the President of the Municipal Coun- their senses. But for the tragic in- first appeared on the plantations of cil, to run the Supreme Court, prob- tervention of the hand of Providence, Samoa and in a short time put an end ably accounts for the calmness with who knows but that a great warmight to coffee production in that group. No which the Administration regards the have started? The Berlin treaty fol-

man representatives in Samoa had



TWO NATIVE BEAUTIES OF THE ROYAL SAMOAN HOUSEHOLD.

been the first of their kind we might be at some loss to account for them; but we must go back more than a dozen years for the beginning of the efforts of the German traders to control the islands and to turn them, if possible, into a German possession. As long ago as 1885 Consul Stuebel and Herr Weber, the head of the leading German firm, tried to bring King Malietoa under their control, and, finding this impossible, encouraged Tamasese, the Vice-King, to plot against the Government. In 1887 a German naval officer landed his men at Apia and hauled down the King's flag, the unfortunate monarch being soon afterward taken away on a German ship to a distant land, and

Consul-General Sewall, our able representative in Samoa, backed up by those of the English Consul, were followed by the measures of Secretary Bayard against German aggression, and the result was a conference at Berlin, ending in the tripartite treaty under which the islands are now gov-

The war with Spain and the pressing occupations connected with the expansion of our territory have caused Samoan affairs to slip temporarily into the background. The appearance of the Philadelphia in Samoan waters will signalize the resumption of our full rights and responsibilities there.

More fascinating than romance is the naive story of the brown skinned folk of Samoa these twenty years past. It is tragedy, it is farce, it is opera bouffe, it is child's play. It is a tissue of intrigue and greed and simplicity. And the mighty import of the world politics threads the whole by virtue of the clashing interests there of the three great Powers of America, England and Germany.

Nearly every year in the past twenty there has been a crisis there, a clash of kings or a wrangle of consuls. War- When his following grew turbulent ships have rolled into the tragic bay of they stole him into exile and kept him Apia and lain there at anchor, silent hidden away for three long years. but powerful factors in the situation. Almost ten years ago came the great- shifted in the islands. Malietos, the est of all the crises. Rival kings were weak, died. Note the drama. A man warring in the island under German of the United States, William Lea incitement. Consuls were at daggers' Chambers, of Alabama, had come to be point. Washington, London and Ber- chief justice of the island, under the lin were aroused. Out across the provision of the Berlin treaty. Not Pacific into Apia harbor sailed three long ago a German had held that office. American warships. Three German Now that a question of vital political vessels lay there already. Her Maj- import was to arise to be passed upon, esty's steamship Calliope put in. The a hated American was seated in the ugly quarrel was smoothed over by chair. A half dozen claimants for the none of the soft speeches of diplomacy. The British and Americans of the dead Malietos Lanpeps was one; stood allied against the greed and as- Malietoa Tanus, a son of the dead sumption of Germany and there was sovereign, a stripling little known to no pretense of concealment. The bluff the chiefs and the people, was another. naval officers talked plainly of shoot- The American chief justice, coning and meant it. Rumors came to struing the Berlin treaty, read Matasia America that already there had been a outside of the ranks of those who may fight between the United States steam- be King of Samoa. The old exile had ship Adams and the German ship Ad- carried by a vast majority the odd sort ler, in which the former was sunk by of an election by which a king is electhe first shot. One day the fire was ted. The Germans, who had put that nearly ignited. English and American clause in the document, found it last vessels had followed the Germans on to bar their own path even more than a cruise about the islands with out- that of the aged, indifferent Mataafa, spoken intentions. The tension was whom they had brought back from too much; at one point the German exile to make a king. lowered his gun ports and made ready | The Germans want the ruling hand

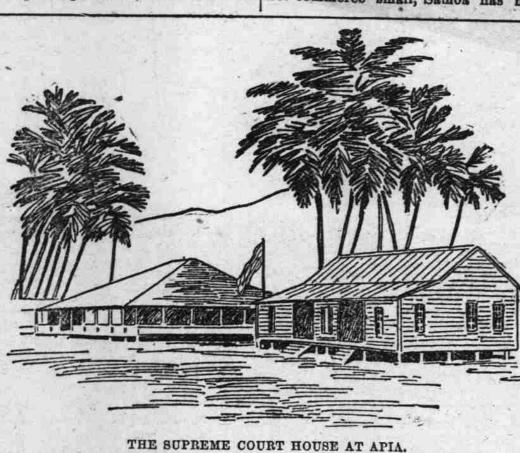
By no more than a hair's breadth the strength of their superiority in bride.

The belief in Washington that German and Amerimany will repudiate any unlawful acts of her Consul at Apia, Samoa, and which her will also disavow responsibility for the land; the land; The great drawback of Samoa is that the land; the land; She feared not though she journeyed products are tropical fruits, which are abundantly produced, but distance where the heavy shadows lay. For the halo 'round the blossom drove the distance of Samoa is that the land; the land; the land; she feared not though she journeyed abundantly produced, but distance the heavy shadows lay.

lowed in its stead. If the recent aggressions of local Now the second great crisis has Practically the whole business of

islands. Of the 135,000 acres, about one-sixth of the area of the group owned by foreigners, at least 85,000 acres, including the best land in the islands, is owned by the Germans. one-sixth of the area of the This landed estate was secured by the original German trading firm, and its

Now the second great crisis has come. The poor, vacillating king, set upon the throne by the Berlin treaty of 1891 is dead. German interests, which have ever dominated on the island, seek to replace him by a man suited to their own desires. Strange contradiction of fate—that man is Matafa. Stranger still he stands barred from the petty throne by the very set of the Germans themselves, by their own special provision, inserted in the own special provision, inserted in the her commerce small, Samoa has not



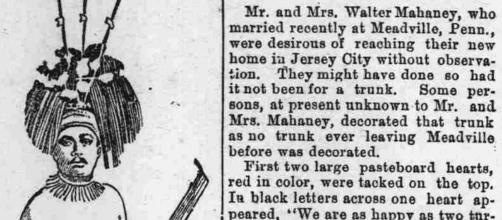
Berlin treaty, to keep him out of the had a very prosperous history. The seat of authority. It is as though the time is coming, however, when she hand with which they had struck will see better days. The resources by defeating with considerable loss a German marines. Mataafa must be

CHIEF MAUAI'A'A, ONE OF THE SUPPORT-

ERS OF MATAAFA.

Times changed. Political lines

Mataafa had rebounded and smitten of the group, which, all told, is about them. They had been his dearest as large as Rhode Island, have yet foes. He had been the instrument scarcely been touched. In fact, Tamasese set up in his stead. The with which the undisputed reign of a nobody lives more than three or four man puppet, chose Matania to be their | puppet king of the Germans had been | miles from the sea and the inner parts King, and he distinguished himself overthrown. They were his followers of the islands have not been utilized. landing party from the German cruiser. barred from the throne. He was. JOKE ON A BRIDAL COUPLE. How the Young Wife's Trunk Looked When It Reached the Station. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mahaney, who



tle doves," and on the other was printed "Two hearts that beat as one." Red, white and blue ribbons were also attached. Mr. Mahaney, who is employed in the general postoffice in New York,

had been told by a friend in Meadville that he need not give himself no concern about the trunk. The friend would see that it did not miss the The bride and groom reached the

Erie Railroad depot in Meadville as the train they were to take to Jersey City came into the depot. "All aboard!" shouted the con-

ductor. "Walter! my trunk! What about

it?" said Mrs. Mahaney, who, as Miss Annette Baldwin, was one of the belles of Meadville. "There it is," answered Mr.

Mahaney, as he caught sight of a porter lifting the trunk into a baggage "Oh, I'm so glad! I thought it



VONDERFUL BRIDAL TRUNK AS IT AR RIVED IN JERSEY CITY.

in Samoa. They cannot claim this on | wouldn't arrive in time," said the

"I wish it hadn't," groaned the groom, who had just then caught sight of the decorations upon the trunk.

During the trip to Jersey City the bridegroom tried to reach the trunk in order to denude it of its decorations, but the baggage master, who winked at the conducter, wouldn't help him find it, and when the train reached Jersey City the trunk had gained a few new trimmings. The air was blue when Mr. Mahaney, in Jersey City, aided by a sympathetic bag-

The charter of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company is dated March 17, 1638, and its founder was Robert Keyne, a part member of the Honorable Artillery Company of Lon-

THE MOTHER:

successors have never parted with an In the valley of the shadow she had acre of it.

The great drawback of Samoa is that To clasp one tiny blossom, the fairest in

Before its dazzling splender the shadows

ing on her face, While the radiance lit the future that her feet might safely tread, 
And an angel swung a censer filled wit

DAIRY PIN MONEY. A Splendid Farm Which Fills the Purses

neath, each with its lump of pure rock The old-fashioned circular cloak

wheeled in deep tin cans, kept scru-It has a cemented floor and a separate mule which turns the big barrel churns. Only the cream is chur ned. The milk is set in open paus, gauzecovered, within troughs fed with fresh spring water. It stands there the cream kept twelve hours longer sult to name butter-color in connection with the product. All the year round the pound prints, bearing the Belle Meade stamp, are as yellow as virgin gold.

has the door. An intruding fly is never permitted. Everywhere the most speckless, the most scrupulous cleanliness reigns. The butter is sold by contract, and fetches in yearly some \$19,000. "But I never see it." says General W. H. Jackson, the master of Belle Meade. "The dairy belongs to my daughters; they need what it brings in for pin money."-Chicago Record.

Girls Are Growing Taller,

stature of women, as they have done for the last decade, where will they stop? is another question often asked of late at the various classes where a number of young girls are gathered together by their little mammas, who look strangely dwarfed and shrunken by the side of their tall young daughters. A question asked half proudly and half anxiously, for, although it gratifies their maternal pride that their girls should be like the daughters of the gods, "divinely tall," they have no wish to see them pass those celestial limits, as they are doing, and become Brobdingnagian damsels, who bid fair to frighten away all their partners, says a writer in the New York Tribune. For it is an incontrovertible fact that the boys are not developing in ratio with the girls; their average height has in nowise increased of late years, while it is really startling to see how that of their sisters and their friends is assuming really Amazonian proportions.

height of the coming woman, but what was my amazement and almost consternation this year when I saw my second daughter with a younger set, who have taken the places of their elder sisters, and find that my tallest girl is a mere promy among the others, and that the second crop of girls will be much taller even than the first. Many of the m measure six feet, and even more! I should say that this remarkable increase in the average height of woman is really phenomenal, and that scientists should give it their attention." attention."

First Step in Vocal-Culture.

erticle on "The Cultivation of the

rong or pure if the lungs are room. In order to increase the size of the lung-cavity, raise the chest and keep the body well and strongly poised. "So much harm has been done to voices by allowing the mouth to become the regular air-passage that the need of care cannot be too frequently emphasized. Besides the injury done by the unwarmed air entering the lungs the museus membrane is hardened by the saliva being dried up, and the muscles of the tongue and throat grow stiff and less responsive. It is comparatively easy to control one's breathing when awake, but when asleep the harm goes on. To remedy this involves a slight discomfort, but one can endure it patiently, looking to the end. Cut court-plaster into little strips about one-fourth of an inch in Neither of my ladies is an actual dairy maid. There are two of them, you see. They live at Belle Meade, tempted to give up rather than endure n Middle Tennessee, which is the the discomfort this method involves, a biggest, the most beautiful and the walk through an ordinary day-coach, most famous stock farm in the world. or a night made hideous by the pres-Blood horses have made it famous for ence of a snorer in a near berth, will seventy-five years. The dairy is a cause a solemn vow to be taken never

The Newest Capes.

The new capes and cloaks which are miles of stone walls. Around the worn with cloth costumes are very deer park, where 500 odd head of graceful, and now that the novelty of worn with cloth costumes are very deer roam and browse under the for- the style has worn off, seem very atest primeval, the stone wall is sup- tractive. They fit closely over the plemented with a six-foot iron paling. | shoulders, are composed of no more The cows do not run with the deer. | material than is necessary, are sircu-They have richer pastures all their lar in shape at the back, and in front own, meadows knee-deep in lush blue are rounded up to the throat. They grass and white clover, lying either are trimmed with a ruffle of the same side of Richland Creek. There are material as the cloak, and are lined 150 of them, high-grade Jerseys or throughout with heavy satin of an enfull-bloods of the most famous milk- tirely different shade, and are trimmed ing strains. The number in milk on the outside with rows of machineranges from ninety to 130. The milk- stitching of a lighter shade in silk. ing is a pretty sight indeed. The Some of these capes have no less than sleek, deer - eyed, full - uddered, four clusters of stitching, three rows creamy-skinned creatures come in in each cluster. There is always a high from the pastures and range them- flaring collar faced with silk or satin selves each in her appointed stall. the same color as the cloak. There is The stalls fill three sides of a great an interlining of wool wadding or of square. An open shed covers it. Out- heavy felt that gives sufficient warmth, side there runs a trough for the dry and the only fastening of the cloak is feed, which serves as an appetizer for just at the throat, where there is a the abundant grass. In the middle, handsome buckle. This cloak is as well as about the pastures, there black, dark purple, or, in a dark green are ironwork baskets, open under- lined with blue, is particularly good.

lined with fur has returned to Five stout and jolly black men do fashion and is constantly seen, both degrees occurred after the ground had the milking. They are marvelously for morning and afternoon wear. It been opened up for one year, and it rapid, still more marvelously skillful, is not made of silk as formerly, but of | was assumed that this was due to the They use deep tin pails, and can make a lightweight cloth of some attractive | natural loss of heat in consequence of the milk streams play tunes upon the coloring in red, purple, green, or tan. | the decrease in oxidation. Then it bottom of them-"Yankee Doodle" or | The smartest way is to have the cloak | was found, as an interesting and sug-"Dixie"-as the hearers incline to match the street gown even when it is gestive fact, that after the ground had

A New Pompadour Comb.

There is a new pompadour comb which is not recognized as such at first sight. It has only a few teeth. and the tops of these teeth are decorated with an ornamental piece, which stands up perpendicularly from the teeth themselves, while the fancy edges are decorated with delicate gold traceries or set with jewels. As they are so narrow many persons have taken them for combs for the back hair, but have found them very unsatisfactory. as the jeweled part of the top does not show when the hair is put up and the comb arranged with the teeth stuck in.

It took a man, strange to say, to find out how these new combs should be used to show the jewels. He took out the comb and put it where the gems were in the best position to show as a crown pattern, across the top of the head, and the woman who had been trying to arrange the comb in her back hair at once understood that it was a front comb, a pompadour comb.

The Slik Pettlcoat Fredominates.

For a while it seemed as if the prestige of the white petticoat was established, and women do still wear them a great deal indoors, but the silken beauties are more predominant than ever before. The preference seems to be for the most glaring primary colors in the stiffest taffeta, made up perfect. ly straight, scant skirts, and the rigidity further increased by a wide, deeply accordeon-plaited foot flounce. Short comfort skirts, as they are called, for wear under a silk petticoat in the cold weather, are the prettiest little kirties that don't come down as far as the knee and are not more than a yard wide. They are wool, and many are knitted by hand of a Scotch yarn, with a bright silk thread worked in at intervals. They are scalloped about the bottom, completed with a narrow silk fringe, and are hung on silk yokes that fit the hips snugly.

Fad and Fashion. Black crepons in pronounced blis-

Plaid back cheviots are one of the novelties of the season, the face being in solid colors or in a modest melange. French cheviot, satin cloth, tricot, meltonette, drap d'ete and peau de soie will all be used in making coat basques for general wear in the early

separate skirts.

For evening toilets are sold yards of ruching made of crumpled chiffon,

Sleeves seem to be still diminishing. Some of the new models are so close as to suggest the style of ten or twelve years ago. But they have a certain fulness at the top, which is interlined with canvas of light weight to a depth of three inches.

Among fancy weaves chenille effecta have developed marked popularity. The extreme weaves are in chenilla dots of the same color as the ground tone of the material it is given to enrich. Chenille, however, is more commoniy seen in traverse weaves on materials with black or colored grounds. In silks, chenille dots on taffeta

Stripes are the general favorites, and

grounds are the extreme novelty.

POPULAR SCIENCE

Water boils at different temperatures, according to the elevation above the sea level. In London water boils actically at 212 degrees F.; at Munich, in Germany, at 2091 degrees; at the City of Mexico, in Mexico, at 200 degrees; and in the Himalayas, at an elevation of 18,000 feet above the level of the sea, at 180 degrees. These differences are caused by the varying pressure of the atmosphere at these

Authorities differ as to the rate of growth of the human hair, and it is said to be very dissimilar in different individuals. The most usually accepted calculation gives six and onehalf inches per annum. A man's hair, allowed to grow to its extreme length, rarely exceeds twelve or fourteen inches, while that of a woman will grow, in rare instances, to seventy inches or seventy-five inches, though the average does not exceed twenty-five to thirty inches.

The plague bacillus, discovered in 1894 by the Japanese professor Kitatsu, is discussed in a German medical paper, which declares that the chief difficulty in studying it is that it has no peculiarities of appearance distinguishing it from other bacilli. When dried, it retains its vitality four days, which shows that dust may be one mode of spreading infection. By inculating a horse Dr. Yersin obtained a serum with which he succeeded in saving twenty-five out of twenty-eight patients. Hyenas, jackals, ichneu-mous, and Indian apes have been found susceptible to the plague. But the animals which it favors naturally are the wild rats and mice in the Himalayas. High water, earthquakes, or drought drive them in human habita-tions, whereby epidemics are started. Ants and other insects that eat the carcasses of rats often convey the poison to human beings. Vultures are absolutely immune.

Miners are well aware that in deep mining heat generated by oxidation is often a factor in determining action, though not always a permanently deterring one. It appears that at Sandhurst, Victoria, the fact was noticed several years ago that while, as ordinarily, the temperature increased as depth was attained the depth was really not a regular factor in the increase. By suitable investigation it was ascertained that a fall temperature of five been opened up for four years the temperature became nearly permanent. The reefs and sandstones of that region are, however, specially free from sul-

An interesting quadruped has recently been discovered which has the peculiar property of a bullet-proof skin. It was first seen and snot at several years ago in the interior of Santa Cruz, by the late Ramon Lista. who heard of the animal frequently from the Indians. It was described by that naturalist as a pangolin without scales and covered with reddish hair, but it was found impossible either to kill or capture a specimen, and by many it was believed that the observer had been deceived. Now, however, Dr. Florentine Ameghino has received from South Patagonia some bony ossicles and a partly destroyed skin which bear out completely Lista's observations. The ossicles in question were imbedded in the skin like paving-stones, the skin being slightly less than an inch in thickness and so tough as only to be broken with a hatchet. Its surface was covered with coarse hair, about two inches in length. and of a reddish gray shade. Lista, who was the only civilized man to ever see this animal alive, unfortunately lost his life while exploring Pilcomayo, but on account of his discovery the animal has been named Neomylodon listai after him. It is a survivor of the old ground sloths, and as it wanders about in the night and on very rare occasions it will doubtless be a long time before a perfect specimen is captured.

An Expensive Pass.

Speaking of Sarah Bernhardt, they tell this of her in London, where she was last spring. The great one dropped into a book seller's shop one morning. "I sold her quite a pile of books," said the proprietor, "and showed her every attention, and she seemed pleased. As she was going out she took hold of my pencil and asked me something in French, which I did not understand. Seeing that I tered effects are especially favored for failed to catch her meaning, she looked about on the counters, then, quick as a flash, she took up a volume of one of the very best sets of Scott, bound in tree calf, opened it at the very centre, wrote something quickly, calmly tore out the leaf, handed it to me, smiled and went out."

The astounded bookseller looked at the leaf and discovered that Sarah had written a pass for two to her performance that evening! Magnificent, but it was not a cheap entertainment for the bookseller .- Pittsburg Dispatch.

inquired if he had any hair restorer. "Yes, sir," said the chemist; "step inside, please. There's an article i can recommend. Testimonlals from

great men who have used it. It makes the hair grow in twenty-four hours." "Aweel," said the Scot, "ye can gie the top o' yer heid a bit rub wi't,

and I'll look back the morn and see if ye're tellin' the truth," The chemist returned the bottle to

the shelf, and kicked the errand boy for laughing .- London Tlt-Bits. Progress in the Yukon Region.

By the courtesy of Captain Starnes, the Nugget representative was shown through the clean, airy and warm jail. The cleanly appearance of the prisoners, even to the five condemned, is "Proper breathing is so essential in voice production that it must received first attention, and the first requirement is to keep the mouth shut," writes Katharine E. Junkermann in the Woman's Home Companion in an obstumes.

Stripes are the general lavolites, and most commendable. Hardly is the new jail completed when every cell and passage is occupied by Dawsou's growing criminal element, and an addition of 24x80 feet is to be built on the entering the work. new jail completed when every cell and

OUR BUDGET OF

saited down.

LAUGHTER-PROVOKING STORIES F LOVERS OF FUN.

The Power of Cash-A Woman's Answer -As Evidenced-The Latest Scheme Had No Advice to Give-Ignoral Bliss-Mamma's Bad Boy, Etc., Etc.

Miss Jessie Bessie Evaleena Brown Is the daintiest little maiden in the town; She is beautiful to see, Oh, she sweetly smiles on me, And her father has a million frigid dellars

Miss Jessie Bessie Evaleena Brown
Is by far the plainest girl in all the town,
They used to call her fair,
But I don't know why, I swear—
Her father once was wealthy, but at present he is down. -Chicago News.

A Woman's Answer. "Evelyn, would you rather be right or be popular?"
"I would rather be good-looking and rich."—Chicago Record.

As Evidenced. She (approvingly)-"You won her hand, then?" He (rather glumly) - "Humph-I presume so. I'm under her thumb."

\_Tit-Bits. The Latest Scheme "She's a wonderful advertiser." "What's her latest?" "Getting her agent to mail her a poisoned gumdrop."-Cleveland Plain

Had No Advice to Give. Watts-"Say, do you know anything good for a cold?" Potts-"No. I don't even know of anything good for the grip."-Indianpolis Journal.

Ignorance is Bfiss. Mrs. McLubberty (in the cemetery) -"Dhere is a misspelled worrud on poor O'Hooley's tombstone." McLubberty-"Phwot difference is ut? O'Hooley can't rade."-Judge.

Mamma's Bad Boy. Mamma (impatiently) - "Charlie, how many times have I told you to keep away from the sideboard?" Charlie-"I don't know. I can only count to 'leven."-Cleveland

Leader. For Ornamental Purposes. "Oh, what a beautiful parlor lamp! How do you light it?" "You don't light it at all. That's the beauty of it. It's perfectly safe, and it can't smoke the ceiling."-Chi-

War Phrases Illustrated,



Strange Story. "What makes you say Mabel's hus-

band is weak-minded? "Well, they've been married two years and he would rather stay at nome with her in the evening than do anything else on earth."-Chicago

A Dissenting Opinion. "She is so lively and volatile!" said one of her admirers.

"I positively must dissent," said one who no longer admired, having become passe, as it were. "Anything volatile quickly dries up."-Indianapolis Journal.

An Encouraging Sign. Fair American-"How do you like our country?" Literary Foreigner-"I am delighted with it!"

Fair American-"Then you are not going to write a book about us?"-Chicago Tribune. As Good as His Word.

He-"I always make it a point to

profit by the mistakes of others." She -"I got weary of George Brixton because he never seemed to know when to go home." He then bade her good-night .--Cleveland Leader.

A Good Thing, Indeed. "Even in geography the beneficent plans of nature appear," remarked Mr. Poindexter.

"Do they?" asked Mr. Perkasie. "Well, consider for yourself the result if the Canaries were near Cat Island."-Detroit Free Press.

One Reason Why. She-"Ma says she krows that when we are married we won't live so like cats and dogs as she and pa do."

He-"No, indeed! Your ma is right." She-"Yes: she says she is sure you'll be easier to manage than pa is," -Tit-Bits.

Very Neat Indeed. Halbert-"Was that your wife I saw you with the other day?" Morion-"I don't know; didn't see you, I guess. Was she or I talking Halbert-"The lady was talking, if

I remember." Morion-"H'm! It couldn't have been my wife."-Boston Transcript.

The Case Explained. "What will happen to you if you are good, little boy?" asked the kindly old lady. "I'll get a stick of candy for being

good.' "And what will happen to you if you are bad?" "I'll get two sticks of candy for promising to try to be good."-Chi-

cago Post. Of the Same Opinion. She-"When you asked me to your wife you deliberately deceived

He-"In what way, Martha?" She-"You told me you were well

He-"Well. I may have said it, Martha, but I didn't know how well of I was at that time."-Richmond Dispatch.

MATAAFA IN NATIVE COSTUME, WITH HIS SISTER AND RELATIVES.

possibly was war averted that day. trade with the islands, for in this re-For some reason known only to him- spect they fall far below the United self the German did not fire. The States, Great Britain and Australasia. ships steamed sullenly back to Apia In 1897 the islands imported \$53,415 harbor. There they lay watching each worth of goods from the United States, other with angry eyes. They were \$13,322 from Great Britain and only prey to fate. At the moment when \$5562 from Germany. The Germans, war seemed most imminent came a however, prepare and export a great Henry VIII. The Boston organization of the control of the domain only don, which was chartered by King Henry VIII. The Boston organization of the control of the co terrific harricane up out of the Pacific deal of copra, and they own most of tion was first known as the Military into Apia harbor. In the angry sea the land that foreigners hold in the Company of Massachusetts,



had no place And the walk within the valley left a shin-

incense overhead.
-Nelly Hart Woodworth, in Boston Jour-

new development. The young women, to do likewise." with their brother, are the joint heirs to the estate, which embraces nearly 6000 acres, inclosed with thirty-five

hear. They work in happy rivalry, as | lined with fur. - Harper's Bazar. to who shall milk quickest and cleanest. As soon as two cows are stripped clean they are sent away to pasture

without waiting for the rest. The milking shed is a good way off the dairy proper, to which the milk is pulously clean. The dairy itself is a picturesque gray stone building, with ivy upon one wall and a climbing rose blossoming riotously over the door. circular chamber for the wise-looking twelve hours, then is skimmed and before churning. It would be an in-

The windows have wire screens; so

If girls go on increasing the average

"A few years ago," said a society mousseline de soie, or net, bordered woman recently, "my daughter was invited to join a dancing class of girls or velvet, or lines of colored silk lockwho were not yet out. At home we thought her quite tall, as she was an inch taller than I, and I had always considered mystelf over the average. So I was considerably astonished to find that she looked decidedly under- drooping vest fronts, are as fashionsized in comparison with the rest of able this season as ever. the girls, who towered above her. Even then I won dered at the increased height of the coming woman, but what