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The Crab as a Rabbit Driver. Along the coast of France, where the land line is formed by long stretches of candbanks lying between the high cliff uplands, there used to be found innunerable rabbits, who made their burrows in the dry sand above high water mark. They ran one hole into stocher, so that the labyrinth of underground passages frequently extended for en eral hundred feet, rendering it next to 'mpossible to dislodge the inmates in the sual manner

by slipping a ferret into one of the holes. For if this were done, the ferret would simply drive the rabbits from one corner of the network to another, where they most general of all diseases or affections, for would hide as soon as they had evaded-The continental peacher, ever prolific

n devices, knowing that the instinct of the crab will lead him always to descend in search of watter, elaborated a system of placing a bolt net at the mouth of every hole he could locate, no matter how many there might be. Then taking medicine for this disease. Some of these a dozen or so good sized crabs, he fastcures are really wonderful. If you suffer from | ened about half an inch of composite wax scrofula, be sure to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. | candle to the center of each shell, fixing "My daughter Mary was afflicted with scrof- them firmly enough for his purpose by slightly melting the wax at the bottom, and then pressing it to the shell. These pieces of wax candles he obtained from the innkeepers and lodging house keepers in the adjacent coast town.

> He then lighted the candles and turned one crab into each of the main runs. The erab just taken from a damp place immediately sought the lowest ground in the burrow, carrying his light along with him where light had never penetrated before. The rabbits, frightened almost to death, rushed madly through the runs to the mouths of the holes, sprang out into the bolt nets, and, hopelessly tangling themselves in the meshes, lay panting until the poacher came and put them out of their misery. I have known more than one hundred rabbits taken from a single burrow at one haul, and the practice proved so destructive to the rabbits that the French government took the matter in hand and subjected every offender to a heavy fine and imprisonment.-W. P. Pond in Youth's Com-

A Salutation in Northern Africa. A short distance ahead we overtook and passed a caravan headed the same way we were going, and my men had to go through the process of salutation, and while I begrudged the time it took I could not but feel that the Moors would confer a great boon upon enlightened America if they could only come over and introduce their form of salutation. A couple of Americans meet, grab each other's hands, and you wonder how much water they have contracted to pump in five minutes. An Englishman nears a friend and they pound each other on the shoulder, while you look on nervously, wondering who will draw first blood. Frenchmen meet and they fall to kissing each other, while you go off in a corner and feel sick. Italians fall into each other's arms and go into convulsions, while you are hunting for the doctor. The Portuguese hook their chins over each other's shoulders, as if Practices in all the courts of the State. Han-the money and invest the same in best 1st Mort-gage Real Estate Security. Settle estates and each other, with tears streaming down their cheeks, leaving you in doubt as to who has just died; but the Arab, when he meets his friend, advances toward him, they join hands in firm pressure for just a moment, and then, without a grimace or movement of the lips, raise their own hand and touch it to their lips, saying afterward: "Welcome sight." The whole thing is done with dignity that is thoroughly manly, and yet with a hint of tenderness that is nothing less than

beautiful.-Cor. Boston Transcript. Manual Training in Toledo. This intense interest in the new work had at first to be so modified as not to interfere with the regular prosecution of the intellectual or class room work proper. After some experimenting, the two lines of work were harmoniously adjusted to each other. Boys and girls pass from their algebra and history to their drawing, wood carving or clay E. Bradsher. Office over C. G. Mitchell's modeling, and from these again to geometry and English literature, with a hearty zest for all. The girls in the domestic economy department con their Virgils or don their cooking suits, and prepare with ease and grace such savory and palatable food as would mollify the most radical opponent of industrial training. In short, there is such a harmonious blending of the useful and the practical with the higher intellectual culture, that the unprejudiced observer needs but to inspect the work to be convinced of the reasonableness and great utility of such training. The advantages of the manual department are open to none except pupils of the public schools. Those who take the manual work do the same amount of mental work in the class room studies as those who have no work in the industrial department.—Superintendent H. W. Compton in The Century.

A Ring and Its Setting.

Probably the most curious ring in New York is worn by the wife of a wealthy prisoners.—Harper's Bazar. and well known lawyer. She has three handsome, manly sons, but only one daughter, who made her debut into society this season, and was much admired, This girl is the idol of her parents, and the ring worn by her mother is a testimony to their affection, though a very eccentric one. When the girl was 10 devised four new kinds of bustles, and years of age the father presented to the mother at Christmas a ring in which were set two little semi-translucent white ing. The wonder is, rather, that men were set two little semi-translucent white | ing. The wonder is, rather, that men Do Your Own Dyeing, at Home. stones surrounded by diamonds, and for They will due everything. They are sold everywhere. Price 10c. a package. They have no equal for Strength, Brightness, Amount in Packages of Color, or non-fading Qualities, or for Fastness of Color, or non-fading Qualities. They do not crock or smut; 40 colors. For sale by sembling them. Finally he confessed to her a little shamefacedly that when their W. T. Pass & Co., Rexboro N C., and small daughter had lost her pretty little W, G. Coleman, Gen, mds. Gordonton milk teeth he had saved the two front ones and carried them about in his pocketbook for a long time until the idea occurred to him of utilizing them in this way. The wife laughed at him a good deal, but continued to wear the ring and still wears it, though very few persons know the story of its setting.-Brooklyn

> Fanny Fern's Beginning. It is said that Fanny Fern had never written a word for publication until she of railway and 2,000 or 3,000 miles of had passed her 40th birthday. She was telegraph line. A Japanese reporter colunconscious of her latent powers until lects news, but does not in every case misforiune bade her exert them, -Albany write it. He tells what he knows to

THE FAMILY OF DOSERS.

Growth of a Pernicious Habit-Enriching Patent Medicine Proprietors.

"Drink it; it can't hurt you." Unless you happen to be a person with a strong will of your own, this injunetion, with its accompanying assurance, is likely to do the business, and you straightway take the first step in the broad avenue which leads to the great and ever growing community of dosers. It is probable that Americans are greater sufferers from the dosing habit than the people of any nation on the footstool, and it would be difficult to say what nostrum they would not grasp at and greedily gulp down, provided it were put up in an attractive form, with a nameno matter what-blown in the bottle.

And there is good reason for this predilection for patent proprietary potions. In the first place, a bottle of medicine, although claiming to be a specific for but one disease or one class of disorders, is shown also to be a radical cure, or helpful, or at the least innocuous in any or all other forms of bodily derangements; and as this fact is testified to, not only by the dealers, who of course have no interest in deceiving the public, but by an endless array of unsolicited testimonials from clergymen, who, it would seem, indulge in this variety of literature as a recreation from excessive labor in the soul saving department of industry; from actors, actresses, singers and other show people, who therefrom receive incidental notoriety; from respectable druggists, whose position of middlemen is merely an adventitious circumstance and not to be urged against their known disinterested conduct outside of business and after business hours; and, generally, from unknown and unknowable persons whose last and usual place of abode is the greatest possible distance from the city or town in which you happen to

Then the inducements for a copious libation are generous to a fault, but this is not the fault of the proprietor. Quite the contrary. While the temperate doser is forced to pay \$1 lawful money for each and every bottle of the syrup, elixir, bitters or whatever appellation the medicine affects, the regular and approved doser is offered special terms-\$5 for six bottles-so that, beside being given an opportunity to indulge his dosing propensities to the full, he has the satisfaction of knowing that the more of the stuff he devours the more money he is saving, and, conversely, the more saving he is, the greater the opportunity for dosing which is vouchsafed him. Thus, by one stroke, he is building up both his fortunes

and his health. And then it is so handy to have in the house! Could anything be more convenient than to have in one's cupboard the wherewith to cure rheumatism, coughs, colds, neuralgia, chilblains, cancer, ringworm, consumption, corns and kidney complaints, when that wherewithal is comprised within the convenient compass of one quart bottle (five to the gallon), and especially when, as if by special providence, it usually happens that symptoms of all the diseases named are over present within the house which has that puissant bottle in its cupboard?

There are, to be sure, incredulous persons who hold that this perpetual dosing does no good; but these doubters should consult a few of the consumers of the patent medicines, and hear said consumers' testimony as to how much better they feel during the dosing period, which generally lasts the year round, and how depressed they feel when they abstain for a day or two. The doubters should also examine the bank accounts of the manufacturers and dealers in proprietary specifics, and the rooms of their spacious and beautfully adorned houses and their extensive grounds. If they shall then assert that patent medicines do no good, they are doubting Thomases indeed, and it were idle to further discuss the matter with them.-Boston Transcript.

Why They Leave the City. To see the world, its great features, its natural scenery, is a fine and good desire - is an enlarging and ennobling experience; to enjoy the rolling of the creamycrested waves on the azure field of the sea, the spread of changing color on the mountain sides, the sweep of leagues on leagues of prairie, the depth and depth of forests, is all enriching to the soul, and sometimes refreshing to the body.

But it is not in this noble rage that the host of travelers leave the city; it is for the sake of gayety, in order to wear new clothes and see those of others, to tell of it, and because others do it. To some, of course, the need of a vacation is vital; a week more of the same scenes, the old places, the old faces, is destructive to the nerves, and change of air is indisponsable to continued existence. Of these we are not speaking. Let them go, and speed their going; it is the necessity of life that impels them. But the great majority of people, who go with no such need or motive, would perhaps, in the middle of their gayest season at sea side, spring, or mountain, gladly exchange cells with those who consider themselves city bound

Inventions Patented by Women

That women can invent and can patent their inventions is shown by a review of the patents issued to them. That three women should have patented three kinds of corsets, and four more should have should have, during the same period, woman has patented a new and useful plumber's trap to preyent sewer gas from escaping into a house from a washbowl. But when it is found, as the fact is, that one woman has patented a successful hay press, and another a machine for making barrels, the right for which has been purchased by a great barrel making corporation, it becomes apparent that woman's intellect can grasp intricate mechanical movements, and combine them for the benefit of the race.—New York Sun.

Japan's Civilization. Japan has 250 newspapers, 1,000 miles pews writers.—Inter Ocean,

A Snake Charmer Falls a Victim. India has just lost a snake charmer one Kondajee Muboojee, who fell a martyr to his belief in his own powers. A lad 6 years old, named Vittoo Heorree, was bitten by a cobra at Mazagon, Bom-

evidence of the spectator showed that of adamantine and brittle steel! hesitation. It is certainly singular that ing its name upon monuments and to cause death. - Foreign Letter.

The Arabs in Central Africa. dustrious people. About the time Dr. Swedish nightingale. Summers, of the Taylor missions, reached We watched the sun sink beneath the the adjoining Tushilange country, Lieut. western sands on his tireless voyage

or dispersed the inhabitants. enterprises in Africa.—New York Sun. | much reveal its defacement.

Some Hints Concerning Exercise. It is a positive advantage in the amount of work accomplished if we turn aside to rest after meals. But by rest I do not mean doing nothing except digest, but digestion is advantaged by light exercise. Exercise for this purpose should be of a sort that gives pleasure, and is not a task. Exercise that gives no thrill of delight is at least defective, if not radically wrong. To walk a mile as a duty is nearly valueless. To ramble in pleasant woods for an hour, as a botanist, exercises the nerves rather than the muscles, and is of vast value. What, then, is our physiology of study in relation to digestion? work, a book, pen, or even newspaper, for two hours after eating. For the same reason you should not lecture, sing, or preach under the same conditions. (2) Work your brain with impunity for several hours after such rest. (3) Such Democrat.

Emperor Nero's Canal.

Isthmus of Corinth, of which Gen. Turr of the principal dishes and the dessert. is the De Lesseps. It was begun in 1882. and was to be completed this year, 1888. but it will not be finished for several is to be lighted by electricity. The cost write out the next one. was estimated at \$7,000,000. This canal will save-yessels from Trieste or Brindisi it actually follows the course which was tis in New York Mail and Express. surveyed by order of the Emperor Nero. Thomas D. Seymour in Scribner's.

The Salon's Prize Picture.

The grand prize has been carried off by M. Detaille, who painted for this from 1695. Every person not in receipt salon a big picture which he named of alms was required to pay two shillings "The Dream." It is a clever painting, for every "little stranger" that came into but not a masterpiece, and it mixes up realism and dreamland. We are shown to the lower orders; but the nobility and wrapped up in their rugs and asleep on a moor, or, at any rate, what seems in Thirty pounds had to be paid on the the moonlight a wile plain. The arms birth of a duke. This sum gradually are stacked and flags are stretched from diminished, according to a certain fixed stack to stack. Sentinels pace up and down. Far off the military incendiary. has been at work, and the moonbeams struggle through a lowering sky. One must stand at some distance to see the dream, which appears in clouds that take the form of a triumphant army of the great Napoleon. The standards which waved at Fleurus, Marengo and Auster-litz are borne by the spectral host—so spectral that at any moment it may be dispersed by a moonbeam.—Puris Cor.

THE PYRAMID OF CHEOPS.

Climbing to the Summit Where Forty Centuries Sit Enthroned. We drove in the afternoon to the pyr-

amids in a victoria, over a beautiful road bay, and, as usual, a snake charmer was shaded by a double line of fine trees. at once sent for. Kondajee arrived at Old Cheops did not look the same. He the spot in half an hour, but the boy was looked small from this avenue of civilialready dead. The snake charmer in zation. Years ago I waded to him quired where the cobra had taken through deep sands. The hot sun burned rafuge, and, on a woodpile being pointed into my brain, and I wore a green veil to out, he removed the wood, found and protect my eyes from the glare and the seized the snake, and endeavored to make driving sands. Now green fields run it bite the dead boy, declaring that if it nearly up to Geezeh. Said and Ismail did so the child would at once be re- Pashas have left Egypt covered with stored to life. For two hours he persedebt, but they done much to improve vered, but the snake refused to strike the the material of the land. As we body, and at last, irritated beyond endrove up the two pyramids looked durance, turned and bit Kondajee in the small to me, but before I reached hand. The snake charmer calmly placed the top of Cheops, though I had the snake in a copper vessel and then two stalwart Arabs to lift me up the sat down. A vehicle was sent for and rocky steeps, I reached the conclusion the man placed inside, but by the time that they were mighty mountains of he reached home he was dead. stone, and that over 210 pounds of solid The story testifies strongly to the belief flesh and 63 years were a heavy load to of the snake charmers of India in their carry up to the summit where forty odd power over the snakes, and in the exist-centuries sit enthroned. I looked in vain ence of a superstition that the second for two sets of initials coupled in brackbite of a snake will restore the life that ets, which I cut in the cold stone thirtythe first has taken away. The apathy of six years ago. They are lost among the Hindoo is evident by the fact that masses of others. It is well. She is fat the snake charmer used no effort what- and nearly 60; I am fat and over 60. ever to save his own life. Whether he One flame burned out, another burning. thought that he was proof against its ill She did not even wait to learn from me effects was not stated in the evidence if I fulfilled my promise to grave our given at the inquest held on the body of names upon the pyramid's highest stone. the child, but it is clear that he had no I wonder if in these thirty-six years she belief in the virtues of any antidote or has ever thought of that promise made mode of treatment. It is most probable under the softest of skies, and which one that he was confident in the power of of us thought could never be forgotten? the drugs, ointments, or charms he had What a boon it is to man that his heart previously used to protect him, or the is made of malleable material rather than

upon finding the snake in the woodpile By the way, sensible men justly inhe had seized it without the slightest veigh upon the habit of "vanity" in carva man accustomed to handle snakes thereby defacing them. But there is some should have been so convinced that their sense in cutting one's name upon imperbite had power to restore life as well as Ishable rock which does not deface it. Some one may come afterward, and, seeing it, feel like meeting an old friend. My heart was warmed up here in Egypt when The havor of Arab traders in Central seeing the names of some old acquainttended to reach when he started his mis- Lind's name upon the pyramid. Did she sions three or four years ago was wiped have it cut or did some of her lovers do out of existence some time before the it? I do not know. But for a moment bishop's missionaries finally arrived at there came from the west over the dead the borders of the desired country. The desert a trill of perfected harmony which bishop was attracted to this region by I never heard but once and will never Lieut. Wissmann's description of the big hear again until an angel solo shall come city of the Beniki, where Dr. Pogge and to my ear from the white robed ones hovhe traveled for miles along one street, ering around the throne of the eternal. Camping at the further end of the town, I can almost fancy that Bayard Taylor had they were visited by about five thousand the name cut. I have a vague recollecof the inhabitants, whom the travelers tion of his telling me of his cutting it described as a gentle, cheerful and in- somewhere. He almost worshiped the

Wissmann again visited the Beniki re- around the world. We were glad our gion, where all was silent in the big path did not carry us across those bleak town, the huts in ruins and the street sands. We have not abandoned our race overgrown with tall grass. The Arabs with him, but we have much to see befrom Nyangwe had swooped down upon! fore we can gird our loins for the homethe peaceful spot and had killed, captured stretch. My old legs enabled me to descend Cheops' ribbed sides quite rapidly, How to put an end to the terrible out- so as to look upon the sphinx as the rages of the Arabs in Central Africa is a shades of evening should gather around problem that is beginning to give serious it. I wished the boys to see it first when concern to all the promoters of white the broad glare of the day should not too

We then loitered about until the full moon came up from the east. One should see this famous monument first by moonlight. Then there is one point from which it can be seen, when it is not all fancy and sentiment, which can pronounce it the calmest and most original monument of the world. We were fortunate in being here during the full moon. One visit at such time repays the long trip to Egypt. There is a quiet grandeur about the pyramids by moonlight which one cannot conceive who sees them only in the broad glare of sunlight. We (1) Do not touch any sort of literary as long as they live. - Carter Harrison in Chicago Times.

A Housewife's Plan for Dinner.

A notable little housewife whom I once knew, and who never asks what she shall have for dinner, once told me rest should not be absolute indolence, but her plan. She said: "Somebody has to light exercise, and pleasurable. (4) Do think it all out. I can't trust my sernot go from study to the table directly. vant. I won't bother my husband. I There should be a brief reaction before won't take the time to study it over dining .- M. Maurice, M. D., in Globe- every day. So I make out a list every two weeks of fourteen breakfasts and dinners ahead. I try to avoid too frequent repetitions, and it isn't very hard Among the most important public to do that. I don't make out a regular works in Greece is the canal through the bill of fare, but just put down one or two

"Then at the end of the two weeks I begin over again. I don't make just the same list over again, and I don't stick to years yet. It has the same breadth and my programme too closely. I do my depth as the Suez canal, and is about own buying, so I know pretty well what four miles long. The deepest cut is 250 is new in the markets, and if I want to feet. It passes through solid rock, and change the dinner I do it. And after the its sides are as yet left almost vertical. It first list is made out it is easy enough to

"By doing my own buying I serve three purposes: I keep posted on the to Athens or Constantinople about 200 markets, I get exercise and I save miles; it will save ships from Gibraltar money. I never run a grocer's or a about seventy-five miles. It has been butcher's bill. If I have not enough dug largely by Italians, Turks and Monte- money to buy what I want, I go withnegrins: Few Greeks have been em- out. I find it worries my husband less ployed; they do not take kindly to such to have something missing from his dinwork. The canal carries out a plan that ner than it does to have bills to pay, for was cherished by many of the ancients; we are poor, you know."-David A. Cur-

> people the "birth tax" was the most edious. It lasted thirteen years, dating

But of all the taxes ever imposed on a

existence. The tax was a great burden a camp of soldiers, or rather soldiers gentry were subjected to still heavier payments than their poorer neighbors. scale, until it reached ten shillings .-Chambers' Journal.

Parental Judgment. Little Dot (at the table)-Some more of

that, please. Mamma (who has finished her mea and feels a sense of repletion)-Mercy, no; you'll kill yourself. Papa (who came in late and has just

got started)-Well, if you won't help her

I will. I'll not sit quietly by and see a child starve.—Omaha World,

A Frenchman at the Seaside. For more than a month there has not

been a cloud in the sky, the earth is parched and cracking, and life is only rendered tolerable to an Englishman by the plentiful use of a cold tub, but a Frenchman does not consider that the bath should be entered lightly or without he would, no doubt, make his annual visit to some fashionable seaside bathing place and there disport himself on the beach in a tight and many hued garment once a day, stalking down a plank path across the shingle, slowly and with conscious pride, toward the sea, till he was authorities would permit, and then he

We lose his society for ten days, and he takes six baths. On his retirement from the world he takes medicine and devotes the first two days to preparing himself for the ceremony. Then for six due nature to their own aims, and who consecutive days he takes a bath, the yet finally succumbed to her and whose water being slightly warmed, that he may not catch a chill, and then he remains in doors for two more days, that his system may have time to recover from the shock before he exposes himself to the chance of catching cold under an August sun. The ten days passed, he reappears among us washed and rejuvenated, and so marvelous in his economy that, on those half dozen baths, he manages to look perfectly clean all the year round.—All the Year Round.

Unique Combination of Relics. handle is made from a piece of the in a state of unstable equilibrium. Africa is vividly illustrated by the fact ances now dead. I felt we were living a branch of the old elm tree at Cam- merable fences are added, mostly of the that one of the tribes Bishop Taylor in- over again a long dead past. I saw Jenny bridge under which Washington as sort which may be described as the tured by the Americans from the Hessians at the battle of Brandywine. Eight oblong pieces of brass have been inserted in as many sides of the octagonal handle. These were made from buttons cut from the military coats of eight generals

Arctic and Antarctic Icebergs.

It is not generally known that a marked difference exists in the form of the icebergs of the two hemispheres, Those of the Arctic ocean are irregular in shape, with lofty pinnacles, cloud capped towers and glittering domes, whereas the southern icebergs are flat topped and solid looking. The former reach the shore by narrow fjords, but the formation of the latter is more regular. The northern are neither so large nor so numerous as those met with in the Southern ocean.

In 1855 an immense berg was sighted in 42 degs. south latitude, which drifted about for several months and was sighted by many ships. It was 300 feet high, sixty miles long and forty miles wide, and was in shape like a horseshoe. Its two sides inclosed a sheltered bay measuring forty miles across. A large emigrant ship ran into this bay and was lost walked around them so as to see them in | with all on board. Only about one-ninth deep shade, and then again in the silvery of an iceberg is visible above water. light. I think the boys will remember it There are several well authenticated accounts of icebergs 1,000 feet high having been sighted in the Southern ocean. This would make their total height 9,000 feet, or nearly two miles.-Detroit Free

Preserving Flowers' Natural Colors.

A method of preserving the natural colors of flowers, recommended in the Deutsche Botanische Monatshefte, consists in dusting salicylic acid on the plants as they lie in the press and removing it again with a brush when the flowers are dry. Red colors in particular are well preserved by this agent. Another method of applying the same preservative is to use a solution of one part of salicylic acid in fourteen of alcohol by means of blotting paper or cotton wool soaked in it and placed above and below the flowers. Powdered boracic acid vields nearly as good results. Dr. Schonland recommends, as an improvement in the method of using sulphurous acid for preserving the color, that in the case of delicate flowers they might be placed loosely be-tween sheets of vegetable parchment before immersion in the liquid, so as to preserve their natural form.-Home

Aggravating to the Eye. It is a curious fact that most of the stout and red faced women at Long Branch are prodigal in the use of red parasols, and the stouter and the redder they are, the bigger and brighter are their sun shades. One can but think of glorified beets in looking at them. On a cloudy day or in a cloudy country, or as a bit of color to light up a landscape, the red parasol does very well, but it best fulfills its mission in color and size over the head of a great church dignitary, a bronze faced Buddhist priest, or the fruit stall of a black eyed Roman market woman. Taken collectively, with the sand, the sea, and the sun all a-glittering, the red parasol is an aggravation to the eye.-New York Press.

Products of Scandinavian Labor. The exhibition of the products of Scandinavian industry, opened at Copen-liagen, has seached unexpectedly large dimensions and has been converted in a measure into an international exhibition. The Russian exhibit is said to be magnifi-cent, the passer museums having been directed by as czar to display their treasures. In the hygienic department there are more than 400 exhibitors.-New York Post.

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Family Graves on an Old Farm - Th Modern Cemetery.

Some of us, perhaps, may remember to have seen a cluster of many family graves in an uncultivated hook or dell of an old farm, where some of the less commercially valuable, but equally beautiful, proper precautions. In happier climes original timber trees have been allowed to grow undisturbed, till their very size makes the few brownstone grave slabs seem modest and nestling to the ground, and where, the cattle having been kept out, the wood violet and other shy wild plants add their delicate charms, while they also mark the peaceful seclusion of immersed as far above the knee as the the spot. Such simple and yet dignified rural furnishings are in harmony with would splash himself discreetly and with caution, or, perhaps, join hands and bob round in a circle with ladies and gentlemen similarly attired; but here there is tion free to conjure up, if it will, romantic visions of the past. In such a spot that here was indeed a restful place in which to have laid away the mortal remains of a few of those weary human beings whose life struggle it was to subremains became a part of her.

How much more appropriate to their lives are such graves, with such surroundings, than they would have been in some great cemetery, where their modest little gravestones would have been put to shame by scores of big, star-ingly white Egyptian obelisks, broken topped Greek columns, Roman urns, weeping Italian angels, Renaissance canopies, Gothic spires, and all the other kinds of showy monuments, and where all restlessness and seclusion are annihilated by rows upon rows and scattering The most unique thing in the way of a swarms of factory made, white marble combination of relics, and one which gravestones, all set up on edge so as to be must make the army of collectors of as conspicuous as possible and looking as curios, antique and bric-a-brac pale with if they would be heaved out of plumb by envy, is an umbrella owned by a cattle every frost. Such stones have, in fact, man in Arizona, named Wilson. The the very unmonumental quality of being

Charter oak, in which is set a small tri- And as if all these white monuments angular piece of stone chipped from and gravestones were not enough to Plymouth rock; the stick is made from frighten nature into submission, innusumed command of the colonial armies; "this-is-the-most-show-you-can-get-forthe brass cap on the lower end your-money" cast iron fence. And, as of the stick is made from the iron rusts into a color which is sometrimmings of a sword scabbard once used | what harmonious with nature, such a by Gen. Grant; the green covering origi- catastrophe is carefully avoided by paintnally served as the lining of a coat worn | ing all ironwork a gloomy black, a vivid on state occasions by the suave and white, or by gilding it, like a cresting courtly Aaron Burr; the ribs, springs over a chromo tea store. The managers and other metal trappings were manu- of cemeteries seem to be proud of these factured from a small steel cannon cap- private fights with nature, and do all they can to aid and abet them with their ribbon gardening and by planting all the most artificial looking specimens of "nature's bright productions" that skillful nurserymen can induce to grow. They have no limiting rules as to showiness, amous in the Revolutionary war. -Once | but are only too glad to sell lots to those who will spend most in making a show that will advertise the cemetery.-J. C. Olmstead in Garden and Forest.

Calcutta and Its Associations.

Calcutta cannot fairly be classed among those places which attract one at first sight. The Hooghly river, upon which it stands, might more justly be called the Ugly river, and the city itself is merely a big, showy, flat, dusty, thoroughly modern town, which, being neither so ancient nor so conveniently situated as its two great rivals, Madras and Bombay, might well seem to have become the metropolis of India by mistake. But if there is not much romance in its outward appearance there is more than enough in the associations connected

Not ten minutes' walk from this hotel in which I write lies beneath the shadow of the shining dome and jaunty pink columns of the new postoffice that fatal spot where 123 English prisoners died of suffocation in one night, cursing with their last breath the savage despot whose cruelty has handed down to remotest ages the terrible name of the Black Hole of Calcutta. In the very center of the bustling and populous business quarter once stood, if native tradition may be trusted, the gloomy temple of the demon who presides over secret murder, whence the future capital took its name of 'Kali 'Kuttah'' (Kali's shrine) .- David Ker in New York Times.

Oldest Chime of Bells. The oldest chime of bells in America is

the chime of eight on Christ church, Salem street, Boston. They were brought from England in 1744, and were procured by subscription, Mr. John Rowe giving the freight. They cost £560; the charges for wheels and putting them in place were £93. The inscriptions on them are as follows: The tenor first says: "This peal of eight bells is the gift of a number of generous persons to Christ church in Boston, New England, Anno 1744, A. R." The second: "This church was founded in the year 1723, Timothy Culler, doctor in divinity, the first rector, A. R. 1744." The third says: "We are the first ring of bells cast for the British empire in North America, A. R. 1744." The fourth exclaims: "God preserve the Church of England, 1744." The fifth commemorates "William Shirley, Esq., governor of Massachusetts bay in N. E., Anno 1744." The sixth bell tells us: "The subscription of these bells was begun by John Hammock and Robert Temple, church wardens, 1744." seventh says: "Since generosity has opened our mouths, our tongues shall read aloud its praise, 1744," and the eighth concludes: "Abel Rudhall, Gloucester, cast us all, Anno 1744."-Boston Herald.

Must De Better Trained.

We need and must have greater physical endurance, stronger mental powers, better executive ability. In the good old time of slow communication, a clever man competed with but a few of his immediate neighbors, and easily rose their superior. Now he finds in any field he enters thousands who contend against him; he must, therefore, be better trained, and intellectually better armed than his father before him was, else, so far from making progress, he cannot even hold his own, but must be crowded out or trampled down in the fierce contest for supremacy.-Frances

It is good to put a bother away over night. It all straightens out in the morn.

Fisher Wood.