### A MATHEMATICAL PROBLEM Can You Solve It or Prove That It Cannot Be Solved?

At a lecture at the Royal institution on the fascinating subject of "Magic Squares" Major P. A. MacMahon, F. R. Squares" Major P. A. MacMabon, F. R. S., reminded his audience of the existence of a curious problem which, despite its apparent simplicity, has never yet been solved. He commended it to the attention of any one present who desired to exercise his increases and patience.

The problem is as follows: There are The problem is as follows: The

thirty-six officers of six different ranks and drawn from six different regi-ments, and it is required to arrange them in a square of thirty-six compartments, so that in each row as well as in each column there appears an officer of each rank and also an officer from each regiment.

Euler's "Recherches Sur une Nouvelle Espece de Quarres Magiques," which appeared in 1782, discusses this problem, but gives no solution, and the late Professor Cayley, writing more than a son who advanced to greet him was the century afterward, confessed that it was beyond his powers.

Major MacMahon, who has added so much to our knowledge of the theory of groups-a fascinating branch of mathematics which has an important bearing on many branches of physical he was lacking in a sense of humor, science—has not yet found a key to the for he evidently cabled his government

mystery. prove that it cannot be solved will pointed. achieve immortality on the lips of mathematicians and perhaps open a door into a new realm of the scientific wonderland which is called pure math

ematics.-London Post.

Have Courage, You must have courage, my boy. No matter what band of circumstance ray themselves against you, if your purpose is right you will succeed. Life purpose is right you will succeed. Life is a beautiful thing. The chance to fight is a great blessing. No matter how hard the situation may seem, keep on doing right, bravely face the future, set your standard high, work and wait, be patient and thankful, and you will win. You may never be rich as the world goes-not rich in money or rich in power—but you may be rich in the knowledge of the truth that you have made the best of your chance to be a man. Don't set your standard by the men who have achieved great wealth. That is nothing compared to the riches that belong to him who has struggled to enlarge and ennoble the circle of life in which he is cast.—Schoolm



## A CARELESS CONSUL.

The Way Bret Harte Came to Loss His Position at Glasgoy. When Bret Harte was consul at Glasgow, he was seldom to be found in that city, as he spent most of his time in the London drawing rooms, where he was at general favorite, and delegated the consular business to assistants. One day while making one of his rare vis-tis to Glasgow he scraped acquaintance with a stranger on the train. Each seemed fascinated by the other's per-sonality, and time passed quickly. At last they reached the outskirts of a

large city. "What place is this?" inquired the stranger. "I haven't the slightest idea," replied

Harte, after looking out of the window. A few minutes later the railway guard opened the door of the compartment and announced that they had arrived at Glasgow.

When Harte showed up at the con sulate the next morning, the first peragreeable stranger, who introduced himself as a special agent of the home government sent to investigate charges of neglect of duty on the part of the

The agent may have been affable, but an account of the train incident, as Whoever can solve this problem or Harte's successor was soon after ap-

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FOURTH OF JULY

Passes off Quietly. Large Crowd in the City. Old Vets Parade and are Peasted. Colored People Celebrate, Good Order Prevalled all Day.

Tue Glorious Fourth was celebrated

The morning dawned with clear skies but it was early evident that a hot day as on hand, and it proved to be the hottest day of the senson. At one o'clock the thermometer was bubbling at the 100 mark, and at five o'clock, had only fallen

Despite the futense heat the street were thronged all day with people, and everybody seemed to be enjoying the

eterans marched to the Planters Wareiouse, where they were served with an legant dinner, after which they scattered about town, on pleasure bent.
Many of these old soldiers will remember
yesterday as a red letter day, and it is
hoped that many such happy days are in

All day Thursday large crowds of colored people were coming in on bosts, trains, carts and other vehicles, not a few walked in, by scores and hundreds and by scon, yesterday the streets were alive with them. No estimate could hardly be made of the immense crowd, walked in, by scores and hundreds in succession, and it has been nearly by noon, yesterday the streets were with them. No estimate could dily be made of the immense crowd, the climate was reached when an analysis of six cars came up late in the uneven from Mcrehead City and discount Daughter—Oh, papa! May 17 It was just what he wanted, but he was too bashful to ask you. He'll be delighted when I tell him this even-

noticed, with one or two exceptions.

In the afternoon a ball game was pulled off at the Athletic Park by Beau-fort and New Born, colored, the home

A small show at the foot of Hanco

white no effort was made by the "I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for the life it brings is marvelous and surprising some cuis and hrules," mays L. B. John formal manner, it passed off pleasantly on the market." Bure ours for piles and afforded an joyment for thousands on the market. Bure ours for piles and alter the later to be the propin whom lives are not present. Bowers of counterfelts.

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

What is Democracy?

sident Roosevelt in a speech at flarward in paying a merited compliment to the venerable Senator Hoar, esed a new term, "a Democracy like ours," thus indicating an apparent

change, a new kind of Democracy.
This writer, is an "old time Der crat" and believes that the voice of the people is Democracy; the only just rul-ing power. He has never been in the political arena, felt no such aspiration, nor never had "an az to grind." Yet, rears of observation sustains the fact, 'tis plainly seen,) that inconsistency in government matters, during the past decade, and especially in these days are

He has always been opposed to the vote power, as being in line with "King-

If the Voice of the People, or their representatives, pass a law, True Dem-ocracy, will, or should sustain that law, and none other than a "Majestic Power" has, (in his humble opinion) the right to veto or annex it. Briefly let me ask, can it be Democracy for one man, to grant advancement, to favorites, of the Army, or Ravy, over the heads of others whose positions and merits are far above and superior, to that of these favorites? Evidently imperialism is peoping around, but she had best not venture in.

A man, though not claiming to be "Solomon," said, "the political scheming, and rollings of the day, is a damna ble blot upon the Escutcheon of America's so-called free government."

I confess I cannot feel other than oncurrence with him in opinion. In this connection it may be appropri to say that the pardoning power so often used by the governors of States, both West and South, is a showing of im-

perialism pointedly at variance with what is understood as true Democracy. A culprit is arranged before a court and sworn witnesses, who testify before sworn jurors, and tell what is received as positive truth, against law violators. The jurors find him guilty, the judge passes sentence. Yet ere long the criminal is pardoned by the governor, yes turned lose upon the community, and in some cases he again violates the law, (New Bern has had such a case,) and doubtless there are others.

Just here let me say, that if this pardon ing power is to over rule the action of jurors, judges and the voice of the people, where is Democracy?

Let me ask why have courts? why are the people taxed to pay jurors etc., to keep up the apparent useless courts. If tis in the power of one man to annul their discussions. Justice is doubtless a noble principal, yet it should not be over ruled by sympathy. It may be claimed that there are paliating reasons for pardoning culprits, if so, why are they not brought before the court at the trials of the law violators, and check its Morehead City, July 1, 1902.

The Cimiet Screw. The gimlet screw, the idea of a little girl, brought many millions of dollars to its inventor.

Doctors and Insurance, Accident insurance companies regard the physician as a better risk than the surgeon, and they regard the city phy-sician better than his brother practi-

tioner in the country. A Ring on Her Toe. A woman without arms has been married at Christchurch, New Zealand,

The ring was placed upon the fourth toe of her left foot. Too Strennous For Him. Mr. Petronius de Hamme, the emb nent tragedian, was compelled by the exigencies of the play to carry the heroine up a rocky defile night after

Mr. de Hamme was not so sturdy as he used to be, and when the management cast Miss Vera Hevvelgh, who tipped the scales at 310 pounds, for the beroipe his spirit rose within him. That night he made one mighty effort to carry her up the rocky defile and then advanced to the footlights. In an apologetic tone he inquired, "Is there a plane mover in the audience?" -W. D. Nesbit in Woman's Home

A charge was made at a wall-lined with French infantry. Sergount Mc; Quade of an English regiment saw, two Frenchmen level their muskets on rests

Appearance of an enemy.

Bir George Brown, then a lad of sixteen, started to ascend at the fatal point. "You are too young at point. "You are too young, sir, to be killed," said McQuade, pulling him back and stepping into his place. He fell dead, plerced with both bullets.

Sarcastic Father—Julia, that young

He-Would your mother let you go to the theater without a chaperon?

She-Not unless I was engaged.—
Brooklyn Life.

A small show at the foot of Hancock street was about the only other answer ment furnished the crowd, but what was incked in amusoments was made up at lemonade and peanut stands.

The small boy was very much in evidence with his fire cracker and torpedo, as many a pedestrian can testify from his "shocking" experience.

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## VETERANS MEET.

Representatives of the Confederate Army From Four Counties Hold a Re-

Once again the gray and grizzled veterans of the civil war have met in annual session to recall old memories and experiences of the great struggles of which they are survivors. Many who were present bore evidence of sacrifice and physical sufferings they had undergone. Though the ravages of time have made their marks on the brows of these men, yet when they assemble in these interesting unions their hearts beat as fast and their blood flows as free as it did in the days of '61-'65.

The reunion of Confederate Veterans here yesterday was made up of old soldier residents in Oraven, Jones, Onslow and the upper part of Pamlico counties. There were over one hundred soldiers in the procession many of whom were visitors.

The Camp met in the City Hall at 11 o'clock and was called to order by Commander K. R. Jones. One of the items of business transacted was to order the adjutant to get a book and inscribe upon separate pages the war history of each member of the Camp. He to be assisted in the work by the committee and first Lieutenant Commander. After several other minor items were transacted the old officers were re-elect-

ed. They were as follows: Commander K. R. Jones, Sr.; Lt. Commanders, J. J. Wolfenden, Dan'l. Lane, and W. C. Brewer; Adjutant, J. F. Clark; Paymaster, M. DeW. Stevenson; Quartermaster, J. M. Hargett; Surgeon, Dr. Chas. Duffy; Chaplain, A. C. Hart.

The deaths of five members of this Camp have occurred during the year. After the organization and business they formed a procession and marched

where the Daughters of the Confederacy had prepared dinner. The dinner was a feature which was served with such lavish bounty that the old veterans and every one who partook had to cry "hold, enough! The tables were decorated with handsome boquets and on the walls hung the Confederate

flags of several States. The after dinner speeches were made by Hons. James A. Bryan, Charles R. Thomas, William Lane and William C. Lane and they had a ring of loyalty and patriotism that was rapturously applaud ed. They all complimented the ladies very highly which they richly deserved, the Women of the South during the war were also given their measure of warm praise for their noble deeds of love and sacrifice during those dark days. The Veterans disbanded after the speeches without further ceremony and all expressed themselves as delighted with their entertainment.

Several cart loads of water melons were brought in yesterday by the country people, which sold for good prices. The quality of the melons were rather

market, selling for 8 and 10 cents the under similar conditions in America forces, to bless the colors that his quart. The pickers report a very large would bring herself undoubtedly to our crop of them this year, and they are in standpoint.-Chicago Tribune. excellent quality.

The colored people had a cake walk during yesterday afternoon and evening at the tobacco warehouse on the fair grounds. The event was immensely enjoyed by the colored populace and the visitors.

Ernest Blount colored, was arrested yesterday morning on the charge of carrying concealed weapons. On default of ball he was committed to jali to await trial in the August term of Criminal Court.

One of the Veterans who came here from Pamlico County yesterday met with painful accident by spraining his ankle while on his way here. He received medical attention here and was able to at tend the barbecue but suffered a great deal.

In the celebration of the Fourth, yes erday the transfer drivers looked well after the millinery of their steeds, and many styles of horse bonnets were exhibited. And even a mule hat was seen which although not very ornamental was perhaps thought much of by its wearer.

Vade Mecum Springs seems to have had a remarkable beginning. Their open ng ball on June 21st was attended by 150 guests and was a brilliant affair. No other North Carolina resort could make such a showing this early in the season There seems to be something in and behind this Vade Mecum movement beyond the ordinary. Their water is being marketed widely, they have scenery and climate that astonish all who visit the Sauratowns. They have acquired thous ands of acres of land and the money seems to be forthcoming to make this first watering place in the land. A zooogical garden and a system of turnpike roads are announced as a part of the immediate development.

London's Postal Service. So complete are the postal arrangements of Landon that there is not a house more than 200 yards from a let ter box or 400 from a postoffice and money order Alice. There are over 10,000 fillar boxes (we call them letter boxes), which are cleared every bou from 10 in the morning till 5 in the ng, and there are twelve deliver les a day in the city.

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## WOMAN AND FASHION

A Pretty Blonse. Blouse of white silk tucked all over and trimmed with ecru lace insertion. The fichu and sleeve caps are of sky



### A FRENCH NOTION.

blue panne trimmed with the insertion and finished with applique bowknots made of the velvet and insertion. The blouse fastens invisibly on one side.

White Is Still Popular.

There is absolutely no waning in the popularity of white. Never before was so much white worn. Cloth, alpaca, homespuns, white china crape and other materials are much in demand, while inevitably for summer wear white muslins will be all the rage, dividing popular favor with white pique, which will be exceedingly smart made up with tiny gilt buttons and touches of gilt trimming. Among the favorite combinations are

to the Planters Tobacco Warehouse black and white and green and white, both of which are striking. Particularly in foulards these combinations are noticeable. The prettiest among the new silks are the white ground foulards with black spots and the white foulards with green foliage designs running through them. The latter are often trimmed with a touch of black guipure edging a flounce of net or one Beecher. of white or ecru guipure. The effect is strikingly original.

French and American Women. The American woman is first of all neat. She likes things snug and trim, and all this fancy and theatrical business does not appeal to her. Her critical faculties are free, and when she sees a thing she asks; "Why is it made so fanciful? Why not more simple?" | 000 serfs in Hungary, sentenced 260 This is the reason why French hats persons to death, many of them noble lose much of their grotesqueness when men, has just died at Leon, Ia. identified with the better class on this side. In fact, good taste is pretty much the same the world over, and the really stylish American women are similar in their tastes. The difference is in figure, revival meetings in the country places. the association, and the conditions of life and necessities are really accountable for the difference in dress. The American woman in the same position as the French woman would probably Huckleberries are plentiful on the dress similarly, and the French woman

A Floral Tent.

Construct a floral tent in this manner: Connect the tall center stake with requests for the autograph of the late the low stakes surrounding it in a circle or triangle by lengths of stout close to Mr. McKinley, but neither had stalk along the strings, water generously, and the thing is done.

Thick Gravy.

For a thick gravy fry a minced onion in butter to a dark brown color, stir into it one ounce flour, stir well, then add half pint of stock, pepper and salt to taste and a little catchup. Stir while all boil for a few minutes, then strain

Tobacco Plant.

The Nicotiana affinis, or sweet scented tobacco plant, should be in every garden. It attains a height of two feet under good conditions, bears an abundance of large, fragrant, pure white blossoms and is sufficiently hardy. The plants, if cut back at the time of the autumn potting, will bloom all winter.

The Indian Vina, The Indian vina is a bar of hollow bamboo, to which are fastened two empty gourds. It is strung with eight wires, five of which are provided with movable frets.

Double Headed Reptiles. Double headed snakes have been known to occur, and in a German journal Dr. Collin of Berlin describes and figures a double tailed earthworm and mentions four cases of such malformations. Double tailed lizards have occurred; also double headed and double tailed fishes.

Flour Consumption. The consumption of flour in the Unit-ed States is about one barrel a year to every man, woman and child in the

# OLD PEOPLE

Do not always receive the sympathy and attention w they descrive. Their ailments are regarded as purely imaginary, or natural and unavoidable at their time of life. Disease and infirmity should not always be associated with old age. The eye of the gray haired grandsire may be as bright and the complexion as fair as any of his younger and more vigorous companions.

Good Blood is the scoret of healthy old age, for it regular and controls every part of the body, strengthens the nerves, makes to muscles elastic and supple, the bones strong and the flesh firm; but where the fluid is polluted or poisoned and loses its nutritive, health sustain in glements, then there is a rapid decline of the vital powers, result in premature old age and disease. Any derangement of the blood quick shows itself in an ulcer, sore, wart, tumor or some other troubless of the property when the body and thermatic and negregative pains become almost the sore the body and thermatic and negregative pains become almost the sore that the sore th

shows itself in an ulcer, sore, wart, tumor or some other troublesome growth upon the body, and rheumatic and neuralgic pains become almost constant, accompanied with poor digestion and cold extremities.

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## NOTES OF NOTABLES.

The late E. L. Godkin was engaged upon a volume of reminiscences when he died.

Lieutenant Colonel Andrew Haggard, brother of Rider Haggard, the nov elist, has opened a barber shop.

A. H. Curtis, cashier of the National Bank of North America, New York, recently carried \$4,000,000 with him in money from the bank's old home to its new quarters.

John Glover, whose death occurred recently in Tyneside, England, was the inventor of the Glover tower, an apparatus of enormous value in the chemical trade.

Rev. Dr. Joshern Young, the well known Unitarian preacher at Groton, Mass., and at one time a noted abolitionist, has retired from the ministry after fifty-three years of active serv

Dr. William Craig Burke, who was the oldest alumnus of Dartmouth college, has just died in Cheyenne, Wyo He was a member of the church coun cil which tried the Rev. Henry Ward Charles Stewart Street, an American

the king of all card games. The king and a small party of royalties will receive their first lessons during coronation week. Francis Varga, who as advocate general under Louis Kossuth in the struggle for the enfranchisement of 40,000.

whist expert, will teach King Edward

Though not a preacher, Congressman Candler of Mississippi takes active interest in religious matters and while at home during the summer always holds He has spoken from several Washing

ton pulpits. King Edward has invited the Right Rev. Dr. Brindle, D. S. O., the Roman Catholic bishop of Nottingham and for twenty-five years a chaplain to the majesty will present to the new regiment of his Irish guards on June 24,

Senator Hanna and Secretary Cortelyou are daily in receipt of numerous President McKinley. Both were very away.

## THE FASHIONS.

Square cut necks are to be seen occasionally, and they are becoming to some women.

Batiste is used in combination with shepherd's check and foulard gowns for both waist and skirt trimmings. White fadia mull neckties, tucked in

points at the ends and trimmed with medallions and one deep frill of lace, are among the novelties. White buckskin shoes are considered

the proper finish to a swhite summer costume, and pipeclay will keep them in their pristine freshness. The jacket and skirt costume of pale

blue pique or blue butchers' linen trimmed with strappings of the same piped with butter colored batiste, the points held down with tiny, gold buttons, forms a charming summer gown. Embroidered india mulls, in white or delicate shades of pink, bebe blue or ecru, made over lawn, pr taffets slips, form very pretty summer gowns which are almost if not quite as effective and dainty as the more perishable chiffon. -New York Post.

Judgment Proof. Ascum-I confess I was surprised to hear of your marriage; thought you were a confirmed old bachelor. Oldbache-But I'm in business for myself now. Ascum-Well?

Oldbache-Well, I had to have a wife in whose name I could put my proper ty.—Philadelphia Press.







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