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Roses and Lilies.

Roses for youth with its mad ambition, Lilies for hopes that bloom into peace, Roses for work with its promised fruition, Lilles when toll and striving cease; Waxen trumpet and velvet nest, The rose or the lily, which is best?

Lilies when days slip in dreamy fashion, Roses when moments are glad and gay, Roses for hearts in the maelstrom of passion, Lilies for I reasts that are quiet for aye-Snowy trumpet and crimson nest,

The rose or the lily, which is best!

One night recently, while temporarily within the limits of one of our military posts on the northwestern frontier, I sought, at the same time, diversion of mind and shelter from the raging storm in the officers' club room. As I closed the door, and pulled the visor of my fur cap from over my eyes, I could see indistinctly through the tobacco smoke with which the room was filled, a little group of officers seated around the almost red hot stove.

"Dil I ever serve against the Comanches? Well, somewhat. I was a prisoner of theirs for five days," one of the older officers was replying to a question asked by one of the youngsters, as I accepted an invitation to draw up a chair and join the circle around the stove. His reply was followed by a silence that plainly indicated that the others awaited the story that they knew must follow.

The speaker was a middle-aged man. remarkably well preserved for his years, and so graphic was his narrative that one could almost believe himself an eye witness of the scenes that he described.

"Yes," continued he, "I was stationed down in Indian territory at the time, and we were literally surrounded by Indians, whom our presence alone prevented from going upon the warpath. The Kiowas and Comanches had been for many years the bitterest enemies, but carly in the spring rumors of prospective trouble from both of them were very prevalent, According to these rumors, the two formerly antagonistic tribes contemplated uniting against their common enemies, the whites, Those reneated rumors were promptly reported to department headquarters, but as in every case nothing came of them, an order was issued to the effect that the next efficer making any such report should be sent to investigate it and ascertain the facts before the report was forwarded to the general command-

ing the department. "I was stationed with my company in a camp some little distance from the post with instructions to watch the Comanches and Kiowas, whose camps were a few miles further on. Attached to my company were two Indian scouts, both of them faithful fellows, in whom one of them came to my tent and rehorse and ride up to the post to report

"That very morning the order of which I was just speaking had been receivel, and when I reported what my scout had told me I received orders to bring my company into the post, and, accompanied by only one scout, to act as interpreter, to visit the Indian camps allies. and find out what I could about the projected on break, and, if possible,

prevent it by moral sussion. "It was a perilous undertaking, very well knew; for if my scout had spoken truly, there was little probability of either of us coming back with our hair on. But orders had to be obeyed; so, early in the afternoon, we set out.

"The Indian was very dubious about the result of our trip, assuring me that what he had said was true, and that the best fate that we could hope for was to be taken as prisoners, and held until peace was once again declared. Late in the evening we drew near to the Comanche camp, and long before we came in sight of it, the sound of tom-toms and savage yells reached our

and replied:

he was afraid. He only wanted to save and scalped. the white chief's scalp, and will follow him wherever he dares to lead'

panted faces showing clearly in the told me that after long deliberation, he Sun.

ruddy firelight. They were having their and his chiefs had decided to be allies famous war dance, and going through to the Comanches, and that he had the ceremony of striking the post in pleaded for my life in vain, but that which each warrior able to bear arms there was some hope yet. He ordered The Barefooted Impassive Toiland willing to go on the warpath strikes | me to follow him, which I did. his tomahawk against the post to illus-

the skulls of his unfortunate enemies.

"As soon as we were discovered by simply to pay a friendly visit. A grand | handed to me, and I plunged in. council was at once ordered to decide it

and to torture me on the spot. The forme to dis appear in the underbrush be- Italian seaports in this quay, and when scout's interpretation of the words and fore taking to the water. The moment | the coolies lift the chair poles and begin the busy preparations of the Indians in- I struck the laush a yell from hundreds ascending the staircase of a side street, formed me of the verdict at the same of Indian throats reached me, and the one thinks instructively of Geneva's time, and I spent the few moments that | bullets cut the brush all around me. the post all that had happened.

that time is very vague. I was stunned | that the Indians would follow his trail, and the massive houses with their was about to overwhelm me, and I re- side coulee and hid until the Indians | blus water below is the Meditermember a feeling of anger at the order passed me, when I made tracks for an ranean or one of the lakes. Through was to die a horrible death for no other | tant. reason than that of having done my 'My ruse proved successful, for the side with masses of red, white and yel-

evidence of pleased anticipation. As proper post. they were about to bind me to the stake, 'Much to my surprise, upon my ar- with fine bunches of tendrils of root over Kettle, the head chief of the Kiowas. | dians while trying to obey my instruc- | most brilliant colors line stairways and At his back were 30 or 40 of the most | tions to escape. influential members of his tribe. I had "This was not the only time that Black setta is here a spreading bush or free a short time before performed an act of Kettle befriended me, and when Gen, far above one's head, and the whole kindness for this powerful chief, and I Custer and his command returned from | top a blaze of big red stars that fairly now waited in breathless suspense to see | their winter campaign that ended with | burn the eyes with their intense colorhow he would return it. The Co- the battle of the Wichita, it was with ing. The shade trees arch over the mauches paused for a moment, and then, genuine sorrow that I learned of the old terrace roads, and when one passes maddened at the interruption of their chief's death."- [New York Sun. gentle pastime, their yells became more and more blood-cardling, while toma- Foods Digested With Tea and Coffee, one that the climate has its Italian turn, I could trust, and when one morning hawks and spears fairly rained about Experiments have recently been made too.

ported that there was certainly going "Black Kettle said nothing, but, tak- fee and cocoa on stomach and intestinal Italian nor are the common people by to be trouble, as the Comanches were ing up one corner of his blanket, he digestion. He concludes, according to the roadside like the fascinating inhabidonning their war paint and feathers held it out to me. The grip with which science, that it is better not to cat much tants of the peninsula. The cheapness and endeavoring to induce the Kiowas the proverbial drowning man grasps at of meats at the same time as infused of human labor is shown when one can to follow their example, I could do a straw isn't a circumstance compared to beverages are taken; for it appears that be borne aloft on the shoulders of two nothing less than order around my the way in which I clung to the dirty their digestion will in most cases be re- men, like an idol in a procession, at the edge of that Indian's greasy blanket. tarded, though there are possibly ex- rate of fifteen cents an hour, and the

sulted in my going off, still clinging to tarding action on it. From this it ap | set down flatly and in a stealy me-

captors, and in order that they might boiled if tea, hard boiled if and the supernatural. The chair coolie kinds of ridiculous performances. Each taken with the beverages is probably call for a second coat, or hot enough to be certain to find one there. After the "The scout here stopped and urged day I could see that the Kiowas were absorbed in a large degree from the remove the first one. The trousers are ceremony the Bible was returned to the our going back, saying that it was all more inclined to join the Comanches, stomach, and that the butter used with of the universal Chinese cut for the our lives were worth to enter the camp and I shuddered to think of what must bread undergoes digestion more slowly coolie class, each leg in a flopping pettiat such a time, but I told him necessarily happen when they would in the presence of tea, but more quickly coat of cotton, a yard wide, reaching that I must obey my orders and go put on the war paint. I had some hope in the presence of coffee or cocoa; that | below the knee. No race of people have shead, and that if he so desired he that Spotted Dog had escaped, and that is, if the fats of butter are influenced designed an uglier dress and stuck to it could go and tell his comrades that he troops would soon come to my assist- in a way similar to oleine. 4. That without change for so many centuries, was afraid to follow the white chief, ance, and yet I feared to have them the use of coffee or cocoa as excipients and had run away. I can see the fellow come, for I had assisted too often in the for cod-liver oil, etc., appears not only yet, as he straightened up on his pony capture of Indian villages not to know to depend on their pronounced tastes, that if the troops were successful they but also on their action in assisting the "Spotted Dog would lie if he said that | would in all probability find me dead | digestion of fats.

"On the fifth day my worst fears seemed about to be realized. The "For a few moments we rode along in squaws were busy tearing down the with your father for a moment before I methods of combatting it), and so we silence, until, upon coming suddenly tepees and packing up their belongings, go?" around the base of a low hill, our eyes | Long lines of them leading their laden fell upon a sight that I shall remember | ponies were soon filing out of camp and | girl, blushing, and with a wildly throb- | ing and hunting at 50, 60, and even 70 as long as I live. On the side of the going off. I knew that this meant war, camp towards us a huge fire had been and that the women and children were built, near which a post was planted in getting out of the way. Black Kettle front door closed, "what did Mr. Samp- which is proportionately much warmer the ground. Dancing around both was had not been near me all day, and I son want?" a horde of yelling, howling demons, was almost wild with suspense when, their barbarous arms and ornaments late in the afternoon, he appeared, his bachelor apartments, and he wants not less weight than in our clothing. shining, and the hideous outlines of their decked out in all his savage finery. He another three years' lease."-[New York | They are, therefore, better prepared to

"Outside of his lodge stood my horse, trate the manner in which he will cleave | saddled and bridled, and with all of my belongings just as I had left them. He led me and I led the horse down to the them, we were surrounded by the howl- edge of the water, where were collected ing savages, pulled from our horses, and all of the warriors of both sides and in less time than it takes to tell it were their ponics. I was then informed that says a China correspondent in the -(Emma C. Dowd, in Youth's Companion. landed within the living circle. The I would be allowed to cross the river Globe-Democrat, are large docks, bar-Indians danced around us, brandish- and gain the underbrush on the other racks, an observatory and other solid THE OFFICER'S STORY. ing their tomahawks and spears, and side, after which Black Kettle's pro- evidences of England's firm grasp and rise. During the night the heavy frost the mountain, seeing how near they could come to us tection would have to cease, and the power, and comparative quiet reigns, without injuring us. In vain I made whole two tribes would engage in a but at the water's edge of the city the the 'peace sign,' and in vain my inter- pleasant little fox hunt, with me as fox. | whole din and uproor of a Chinese city preter protested that our object was The word was given, my revolver was assaults the ears, as the same old er. In this condition the lird seeks

it would not be an appropriate and fit- deep, and quite swift. I slipped off my edge, with high stone houses on one ting course of procedure to inaugurate horse, and, taking hold of his tail, al- side, swarms with barefooted coolies neir campaign and show their contempt lowed him to tow me slowly across, with poles and burdens over their for the military by burning a white During the few moments of crossing, my shoulders, and sedan chairs carried by officer at the stake and turning the war brain was very active, and when the more coolies spirit an occasional dance into a scalp dance in honor of the horse scrambled up the bank my plan foreigner along above the common

popular verdict was against us, and it the saddle girth in full view of the In- everywhere. was decided to hold the scout a prisoner dians, who, true to their word, waited There is something suggestive of

remained in instructing the scout to "I leaped from my horse and with on the roads above all the Chinese shops escape as soon as possible and report at my pistol barrel gave him a whack over and houses, the resemblance is even the back that I knew would send him greater and the stone balustrades of "My recollection of my sensations at on a gallop clear to the fort. I knew, too, the long terraces, the heavy gateways at the suddenness of the calamity that so I slipped as quietly as possible up a stories loggias make one sure that the on account of the provisions of which I other fort about twenty-five miles dis- one arched way in a high stone wall one

Indians, thinking, of course, that I low flowers to the door of a "But I didn't have long to think even | would try to get home, followed my | Portuguese chapel, and an Italian of that, for as soon as all was realy, the | horse's trail, and left me unpursued. I | convent is approached between white two bucks acting as my guard caught | traveled all that night, and reached my stone walls, and more rows hold of me, and half ted, half drazged destination just as the bugles were of gorgeous blossoms. The shrubme toward the stake. The yelling sounding reveille. On the day follow- bery is all tropical, the banyan tres savages closed in around me with every ing I went back under escort to my spreading a network of roots over slop-

and the last ray of hope seemed gone, a rival there, nothing had been heard of one's head. Banana trees, rows of tree nowerful form made for itself an open- | Spotted Dog, and it was not until | ferns, huge-leafed things that are ng through the crowd, and in a mo- months afterward that I found that the strange to one's eyes, fill the gardens, ment I saw standing beside me Black | faithful fellow had been shot by the In- and rows of potted chrysanthemums of

by Dr. Frazer on the action of tea, cof- The conveyance one rides in is not As long as Black Kettle permitted me ceptions. Absorption may be rendered contrast between the leisure and workto thus protect myself under the shadow | more rapid, but there is a loss of nutri- ing classes is most apparent when the of his wing I knew that I was safe, for live substance. On the other hand, the one leans back in his ease and the the Comanches would not dare to harm | digestion of starchy food appears to be other pants under the poles of the the protege, and thereby secure the en- assisted by tea and coffee; and gluten, chair. Nearly all the coolies are baremity of the great chief, whose tribe they the albuminoid of flour, has been seen footed, loose, flapping straw sandals were exerting every effort to secure as to be the principle least retarded being sometimes worn to save the feet in digestion by tea, and it only from the fine, sharp stones with which "Strong words and arguments fol- comes third with cocos, while the cement roads are set. The sliplowed the interruption, but finally re- coffee has apparently a much greaterre- slap, muffled sound of bare feet being the skirt of Black Kettle's garment, and pears that bread is the natural accom- chanical beat, as regular as machinery, I was quartered in that chief's lodge, paniment of tea and cocoa when used as has a curious effect on one. At first it where I could consider myself safe until the beverages at a meal. Perhaps the seems as though the regularity final disposition should be made of me, action of coffee is the reason why, in of the tread was enough "Five of the longest days and nights this country, it is usually drank alone or to sooth one to sleep, of my life were spent under Black Ket- at breakfast, a meal which consists much afterwards, especially if coming home tle's roof. I had to partake of dog soup of meat, and of meats (eggs and salt late in the evening through these still and the other vile messes that he offered | meats) which are not much retarded in | avenues of trees and high stone walls. me, for fear of offending him by de- digestion by coffee, 2. That eggs are there is something in this methodical clining. At all times the air was filled | the best form of animal food to be taken | foot-fall that gives one an uncomfortawith yells and the sounds of tom-toms, along with infused beverages, and that ble sensation as of being carried off by At night I was led forth to amuse my apparently they are best lightly some unknown power suggestive of evil gloat over my misfortune. They made coffee or cocoa is the beverage 3. wears only the two cotton garments. me dance and sing and go through all That the casein of the milk and cream | unless the weather is chill enough to

A New Lease,

bing heart she sought the old man.

CHINESE COOLIES.

ers in Oriental Hong Kong.

lian Seaboard City.

On the mainland shore at Hong Kong, Chinese smell deals the nose a blow, "The river was not wide, but very | The Praya, that runs along the water's heads. The fronts of the high houses "It was decidedly a case of 'packed | "It was by this time almost dark, and have open arcades at each story, and are jury,' and, although one or two feeble when the horse reached the top of the covered with signs, among which the voices were raised in our behalf, the bank I stopped him, and tightened vermilion paper of the Chinese shows

> stone stairways. On the upper levels, looks up a long staircase lined on either ing banks and snapping, snaky roots surmount balustrades. The scarlet poinfrom sunshine to shade there is that difference and sudden chill that warns

Eskimo Endurance.

We look upon 30 to 40 degrees below zero, which our northern neighbors oceasionally see, as a temperature that is about the limit of human endurance with any degree of comfort (and "Miss Clara," he said, "can I speak probably it is with even our best stand aghast, writes Lieut, Schwatka, "Certainly, Mr. Sampson," replied the when we hear of the Eskimo out sledgdegrees below zero, forgetting all the "Oh, papa," she began later, as the time that these people have a clothing, than their lowest temperature is colder "I'm his landlord you know. I let him than ours; and this, too, with equal if endure it than we can possibly be.

Bustard Hunting in Russia.

In ordinary winter weather the birds take shelter beneath the nearestunderwood or brush; and at such times the hunter may look in vain for the bustard. But with an exceptional v strong frost or a cold snap lasting more creature falls an casy prey to its care into their interior. that prevails during the exceptionally cold weather in Russia settles on and in the wing-feathers, binding them togeththe open, and passes its beak through its frozen pinions to free them from the ice. But if the heavy frost continue a night and a day, or the bird facture of maple sirup from any ordi be prevented from leaving the brush to free itself from the encumbrance, all is over with it. The ice-chrystals still form upon and overpower its wings; the bird sinks from over-fatigue and cold; and the fox and wolf-always on the watch for this opportunity-find the bustard an easy prev.

Aware of this, the bustard hunters

know exactly what to do, and when to look for their quarry. When an unusually severe spell of cold sets in, or a very keen hoar frost lasts more than a day or so, they make their preparations. Horses are carefully rough-shod; for the sport is pursued on horseback, and the the new metal 'Germanium' in cuxeground is as smooth and slippery as a sheet of ice. Then in the morning not too early, the party-four, five or six strong, starts. Each one goes armed with a whip having a stout handle, and yttrium. a couple of lassoes; firearms are not needed. The most promising feeding grounds in the neighborhood are of they make for the cover nearest these places. Now they beat the underwood and brush, hallooing and cracking | while the officer on the bridge can altheir whips. The frightened birds rush | ways have control of the ship. out and try to make for the open. wings presses them down; the right and left, instantly killed by a dexterous blow on the head with the whip-stock. Out fly the lassoes, and more distant bir Is are struggling in the noose. When four, five or six persons take part in such a hunt, a few minutes suffice to despatch a fairly large number of bustards; and then a move is made to fresh ground, The bustard, it is curious to note, is the only bird of the steppe that is liable to this freezing of the pinion-feathers in severe weather; but ducks are often found on the larger rivers frozen to the ice by their legs. -St. James Budget.

Relies of Washington.

The approaching celebration in this city, of the centennial of the mauguration of George Washington as first President in this country, says the New York Maii and Express, is causing those who intend participating in the ceremonies to collect relies of that interesting historic event. Among the collection owned by the New York historical society are several life-size portraits of Washington, said to be the best in ex stence. They were part of the old Livingston collection, once housel in the Rotunda of the city hall park, which occupied the site of the present court house, Among other relics of that epoch is the | ly made in a cave at Riibeland, in the tail of the horse which was bestrode by the leaden statue of George III., torn down from its pedestal in bowling green to be moulded into federal bullets. It now reposes peacefully on Washington's camp beadstead, St, John's lodge No. 1, the oldest lodge of Masons in this city, possesses the Bible on which George Washington took the oath of office on April 29, 1789. The story is told that when a Bible was sought for by those having charge of the inauguration ceremonies Washington told the committee to go to the Masonic lodge rooms and they would lodge, the members of which to-day hold the volume in high veneration, Another relic is the family pew in "Old St. Paul's" in which Washington sat during the services connected with the inauguration. It is opposite that occupied on that day by Gov. George Clinton; for at the time of the inauguration both congress and the legislature met in Federal hall, the site of which is now occupied by the sub-treasury of the United States, at the corner of Wall and Nassau streets, where a colossal statue of Washington has been placed.

A Remarkable Weather Change,

Travelers through the Hoosac tunnel recently experienced a curious change in weather. On entering the eastern end of the tunnel, the travelers left the country on which rain was pouring and which was devoid of every vestige of snow. On leaving the tunnel, the travelers saw with astonishment a driving snowstorm and a snow-covered ground. - Boston Cultivator.

SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

The total number of patents of an electrical nature issued in this country

Single-legged elevated tailways are Fantastic Scenes in a Mongo- than a couple of days, comes the sports. sgain propose I, with the cars slung ever No place here for ball or bat, man's opportunity. Then the poor a single central rail reaching well up

mies, or at such a time it is subject to A scheme is under consideration for a strange disability. The feathers of tunnelling the volcano Popocatapetl its wings freeze, a covering of ice forms | through the wall of the crater, in order over them, and the bird is unable to to reach the deposits of sulpher inside

Amalgams present many peculiari ties. Thus iron, antimony, sodium, silver and gold will dissolve in moreury but if autimony amalgam be mixed with sodium amalgam, the antimony is thrown out--iron also.

A recent invention is the manu nary sirup. The process simply in volves the mixture of an extract from the hickory tree with the sirue, thereby producing an excellent imitation of the genuine article.

Medicine may be introduced into the human system by electricity. The electrodes of a battery are saturated with the medicine and applied locally to the skin. Experiments show that there is an actual absorption of the medicine into the system.

Gerhard Kruss reported to the Chemical society of Munich that he had found nite. This metal was first discovered by Winkler in 1885, in argyrodite, and had not been observed in any other mineral. Euxenite is a trianate and niobate of

Paeumatic steering-gear for vessels is now being tried in New York harbor. It is claimed to give the rudder-head course known to the sportsmen, and cushion, to give ventilation in the engine-room or hold, to be simple, com pact, noiseless and always ready for use,

A new method of preparing cellulose But the weight of their frozen has, according to a German paper, been recently patented by a Mr. Keilner, of feathers are covered with ice; they can | Podgera, Austria. The inventor proneither rise nor run. They just waddle | duces the pulp by decomposing electrichere and there in a helpless, ungainly ally a solution of certain chlorides, such fashion. Crack! crack! go the whips; as common salt, and allowing the and the birds nearest the horsemen fall | ch'orine gas thus obtained to act on straw, wood or other material of similar constitution.

An English physician, who has investigated the characteristics and surroundings of centenarians, says he finds that the average qualities were a good family history, a well-made frame, of average stature, spare rather than stout, robust, with good health, appetite and digestion, capable of exertion, good sleepers, of placid temperament and good intelligence, with little need for animal food.

The growth of the nails is more rapid in children than in adults, and slowest in the aged. It goes on more rapidly in summer than in winter; so that the same nail that is renewed in 132 days in winter, requires only 116 in summer. The increase for the nails of the right | under the preliminary process of inhalahand is more rapid than for the left; it also differs for the different fingers, and in order corresponding with the length of the finger. It is most rapid for the middle finger; nearly equal for the two either side of this; slower for of the fingers with the remark: "Are the little finger, and slowest for the

A correspondent writes to the Frankfurter Zeitung that the discoveries late-Harz, are of an interesting character. The quantity of bears' bones is estimated at nearly 10 hundredweight, among them being seven very well preserved skulls. A set of stag's antlers, fragments of skeletons of hyenas, and some fine slender bones which experts assign to the ptarmigan and the lemming. These remains are regarded as relics of the Arctic fauna of the ics period in the Harz, It is proposed to keep them in the cave, which will be lighted by electricity for the benefit of scientific

No Old Barbers.

"Never saw a real old burber, did you?" quoth the knight of the razor. Do you know why? In shaving a customer the barber has to bend over, thus throwing the whole weight of his body on one leg. Before the barber gets old that leg gives out, and he has to seek some other employment, as nobody has invented a contrivance that permits the barber to shave while sitting down."-[Milwaukee Sentine].

A Forward Young Man. A young lady in Geneva was heard to say, "I think Mr. - is very

forward." "Why?" asked a friend. "Why, he had the impudence to propose to me in leap year?"- Geneva

Unfortunate Results,

She: "I hear that you have lost your valuable little dog. Mr. Sissy." He: "Ya'as, in a railroad accident, I was saved but the dawg was killed.' She (shocked): "What a pity!"-[Epoch.

Twilight-Land

Here we are in twilight-land;

Creakety-creak, Rocking chairs to every hand Sway and swing and squeak; Here is neither park nor street

Pare are the little twinkle feet. White are the gowns and loose, No need now for coat or bat,

None for stockings or shoes. What are the stories of twilight land!

Hark, ah, bark!

Call the sweet names where they stand,

Waiting in the dark Cinderelia and little Bo Feep.

Who lost her sheep, her pretty sheep, Jack Horner, bold Boy Rue, And the three bears living in the word. And the wolf that are Red Rading Hood,

And the spinning passy, too The little children in twilight lan-Are still as mice, And the story-teller must understand

She's to tell each story twice, The crickets chir, the stars' eyes wink Perhaps the man in the moon may think Them saucy in their play; But, whatever is heard or said or door Each sleepy, weary little one

Gets rested for next day For the pillow is white in twolight hand And white the led.

And the tender, loving methor's hand Is laid on the drowsest head. And list, the tune she hums and sing-As with soft creak the rocker swings.

How far away it seems That tune-that lullaby-ah, me They are leasting twilight land, you see

For the stiller land of dreams -(Youth's Campanion

HUMOROUS.

Bound to work-The apprentice. Carpentera should always be given to speaking the plane truth.

The Mexican raids across the border are to be avenged. The American tramps are invading that country.

There is a man in Kansas City who, it is said, can eat ninety eggs at a meal, This must be the fellow the hear are "laying for."

A Georgia farmer made \$100 off an acre planted in watermelous, and a physician in the neighborhood made \$200 off the same acre. Dr. Pellet: "So Scalpel set your

broken arm?" Patient: "Yes, sir." Pellet: "What were his charges?" "Twenty dollars," Pellet, "Relibery, sir; downright robbery! I'd have amputated it for \$25."

There are times when a man should not give up his sent in a stre t car to even a lame woman. That time is when twelve men are packed like sardnes on one side of the car and four women have spread themselves to take up every inch. of room on the other.

When the victim had unwrapped the bundle of supposed counterfeit maney. for which he had paid \$500 in good and little consumption of alcohol and bills, and found simply the end of a pine plank, and not even planed at that, he quietly remarked "A La board," and started back to Arkansus.

> While a surgeon was administering the vapor of ether to a patient, upon whose foot he was about to operate, the man, who had grown rather restive tion, begged the operator to cut away, as he was tired "sucking nothing out of a bottle, and getting drunk upon st."

> The waiter expostulates with the guest for summoning him by a snapping you calling for the dog, sirf "Goodness!" exclaimed the guest, "are you a mind-reader?" "Why do you nek?" inquired the waiter. "Why," returned the guest. "I was about to ask for sau-

A maid on economy bent Wished to give a swell luncheon in Lent, Dried apples with water She served; but it trught her A howling swell brings discontent.

A Lucky Conductor.

About two years ago a conductor of a street car in Philadelphia was discharged. He had not a cent in his pocket and had a wife and children to sunport. In this emergency he borrowed \$10 from a friend, made a bucket-shop investment and doubled his money. His luck has stock by him ever since, and he is now worth \$40,000. He cleared \$27,000 last year. His good fortune, however, should not serve as an incentive to other poor men. Two months from now the Philadelphian referred to may be penniless. - New York World.

Couldn't Understand Women.

The carhad just stopped at the Priests of Pallas hall, and a large, genial-faced, jovial kind of a man assisted a lady to alight. As the car started again be rather earnestly remarked: "Now, there goes my wife to hear Rev. Sam Jones tell her faults." Then, after an impressive pause: "Yet when I try to tell her of them there is a terribla racket. I can't understand women,"-Kansas City Times.

Got Away From Him.

Landlady (whose attention has been distracted for a moment) - Why, where is Mr. Dumley? I thought he was carving the duck!

Mr. Dumley (from under the table)-It's all right, Mrs. Headricks; I'm after the duck. - [New York Sun.