south. The embellishment—the practic, if you will—has been oversous, and now there is a reaction which tends to simplicity extreme expressed by a handsome centerpiece and a moderate exposition of not common lowers.

A different kind and color of chira with every course are affected by those whose estimat is crowded and who are proud of it, but this pride has its limitations among people of references and culture. This class does not give dinners simply to exhibit earthly treasure and create cury and perhaps coverous-ness too.

The larger the table napkin the effer. A yard square is none too ig and pleasantly recalls the Passans, whose liberality in damask islans, whose liberality in damask a proverhial, but not a characteris-ic in anything also. The material should be the best obtainable and the design the most beautiful. Any lace edging or embroidery, plain or solvened, is just as back taste as qui-

Knives, forks and spoons nova-days for almost overything are somewhat confusing to those who do not disc out with sufficient fresever to keep up with the con-mally advancing procession. one of those knives, forks and speeds are quite unnecessary, not to say silly, but the business of the silvermith must be considered.

Unless fruit be served, finger house are almost obsolete at modern disners and are no more a neces-

sary part of gastronomic ritual. Abroad in Germany, for instance, the use of the vessel for disgusting ablutions still obtains, albeit soap and towel are not provided. It were better to discontinue any table custom or fashion that generates valuarity.

A man at a formal dinner assign-d to "take in" a woman whom he has never met before should take his conversational cue from her—no Chinese desecration of course—and ereby avoid pitfalls to which the Edent and embarrassed are often let. Berides, it is woman's ad-mitted privilege to "do all the talk-ing," and she best gives the keynote

dinners.
"Should name or place cards at mners be retained?" ask the unsubstituted. "And why?" says the lost. sophisticated. "And why says are trained catechist. Because the host or hostess has had them prepared in expectation of their being rein expectation of their being re-tained and preserved as souvenirs. Ignoring them would be disrespect, and such disrespect under the social eiremestances would be unpardonble.-What to Est.

That Summer Rug In summer rugs the San Yo is really very little known to most housewives, yet is very attractive and inexpensive too. There are several different colorings, mostly with a bright center, on which are two or three characteristic Chinese figures surrounded by a dark band-like border.

les border. American fiber rugs are really triample in their way. They are woven from one and one-half inch strips of tissue paper made into fiber. The patterns and dyes are very pleasing, the latter being quite

The Dhurrie India rug is another summer friend, whose patterns and colorings in many cases resemble our Indian work. Vavain blankets in particular, only their red is more magenta where the American red-skin's is quite "frisky." Their blues and yellows are particularly

A Useful Bag.

This is a useful hag to hold work, ar it may be used to carry purse, notebook, small parcels, etc., when shopping. Our model is cut from a piece of willow green face cloth 13 inches deep and 19 inches wide. Line this with a piece of pale blue allk the same size, put a hand of



wase nac.

Is and gold or blue and green and alle or embroidery straight ross one end, then see up the side of lower end. Work two rows of thine stitching an inch apart out two and one-built inches by the upper edge. This forms a is between the lining and doth which to run ribben to draw it by.—Young Ledier Journal.

## CONDENSED STORIES.

Many Parts.

When Joseph Ramsey, Jr., the newly elected president of the Wa-bash reilroad, was superintendent of the Pittsburg Southern, a small resid in the coal district, Joseph Walton, a millionaire coal miner of Pittsburg, heard of his ability and decided that Ramsey would be just the man to take charge of a read which he was then projecting, re-lates the New York Times. Walton went over to the small town where Ramsey made his headquarters in order to offer him the position. At the office he was told that Mr. Ramsey was out somewhere in the yards, so "the coal king" went out to look



"I'M RAMBRY."

for him. The first man he cam across was a grimy mechanic who was at work underneath an engine "Where's Mr. Ramsey?" inquired Walton.

"I'm Ramsey," replied the man, and then, elimbing out from under the locomotive, he explained laughingly that there was "something wrong with a bolt of the engine, and as the engineer didn't know how to fix it I took a hand at it myself." That made Walton design self." That made Walton desire Ramsey's services more than ever and indirectly was the cause of Ramsey's rapid advancement.

Lillian Russelfs Retort. Lillian Russell has never made

any great fame for vivacity on the stage, but this has not been from any want of a feeling for the humorous side of things, and she has often flashed out a caustic bit of reply when an opening was presented, says the Chicago Journal. Not long ago she was a guest at a banquet giren to a certain Russian noble, a small gathering, and the noble, a small gathering, and the no-ble and Lillian happened to be plac-ed side by side. He was a rather bumptious fellow, with a supercilious sniff at everything American. In his estimation Americans are little better than savages. He found fault with the various dishes served, went near to declaring the cooking outrageous and made himself gen-

erally disagreeable.

Is it possible you eat that stuff?"
he asked when some bothouse corn was served. "Why, in my country we feed that to the hogs!"

"Help yourself, count," said Lil-lian quietly, sliding the dish toward him. He is believed to have "tum-bled."

The Joke on the Officer. tells this story at the expense of the British columns engaged in clearing the Orange River Colony of supplies: Scene—Boer farmer sitting at the n South Al door of his cottage; large stack of cat straw in the background. Enter British staff officer. Staff officer: "I have orders to either buy or destroy all forage and food in this dis-trict. I therefore give you notice that I am about to set fire to that pile of oat straw."

Boer Farmer—Bod, I dell you— Btaff Officer—Resistance is futile. Boer Farmer-Bod vould you

Staff Officer-I can listen to no

The stack of oat straw pres-The stack of out straw presently bursts into flame, and the staff officer goes on his way rejoicing. The Boer turns to his wife and says: "Dose Khakis are strange peoples. I vanted to dell him dis vas de out straw dat I haff sold to de English colonel half an hour ago." And he thoughtfully jingled the Beitish sovereigns in his pecket.

Lost Four Lage.

A young British officer in South
Africa recently wrote home to his
father: "Dear father: Kindly
send me \$50 at once. Lost another
leg in a stiff engagement and am in
hospital without means." The answer was: "My doar son: As this
is the fourth leg you have lost, accerding to your letters, you ought
to be accustomed to it by this time.
Try to wabble along on any others
you may have left."

## FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

How the Sparkling Drops of Dew Are

Ground a little below the surface is always warmer than the air over it. So long as the surface of the ground is above the dew point vapor must rise and pass from the earth into the air. The moist air so formed will mingle with the air above it, and its moisture will be condensed, forming dew wherever it comes in contact with a surface coaled below the dew point. In fact, dew rises from the ground.

Place some metal trays over the grass, the soil and the road on dewy nights. You will generally find more moisture on the grass inand more moisture on the grass in-side the trays than outside; you will always observe a deposit of dew in-side the trays, even when there is none outside at all. This shows that far more vapor riscs out of the ground during the night than con-denses as dew on the grass and

other objects.

Dew, then, rises from the ground.

But how is the dew formed on bodies high up in the air? Dew does not rise in particles, as it was once considered, to fall in particles like fine rain. It rises in vapor. Some is caught by what is on the surface of the carth, but the rest ascends in vapor form until it comes in contact with a much colder sur-face to condense it into moisture.

The vapor does not flow upward in a uniform stream, but is mixed in the air by eddies and whirl currents and carried to bodies far from where it rose. In fact, dew may be deposited even though the country for many miles all round be dry and incapable of yielding any vapor. In such cases the supply of vapor to form that dew would depend on the evaporation of the dew and on what was wafted over by the winds.

Some Canine Warriors. The idea of the monks of St Bernard has been adopted by an English officer, who has trained St. Bernard dogs and collies to act as carriers of ammunition and as sanitary aid to the wounded. London tary aid to the wounded. London has been enjoying a dog show by these gifted animals. Each dog carries several first aid to the wounded packages and two small flasks of brandy and has been so trained that after delivering the handengs he there shout so that the bandages he turns about so that the flasks of brandy are within reach of the wounded man.

Other dogs have been trained to act as sentrics and pickets and upon discovery of an enemy will set off for cump and give the alarm without barking. Still others carry messages. These are more like the everyday uses to which dogs are put, but in war they are rendered more complicated owing to the difficulties surrounding such work.

If this idea proves to be practical, and there is reason to believe that it may, no four footed animal will hereafted be sure of its life within lines where it is not well known.

An Extemporized Aquarium. A globe with goldfish makes a very attractive ornament for a room, but globes and goldfish are not always available, and so the extemporized aquarium may be used to great advantage. It is one of the great bottles that can be purchased for a few cents at a druggist's. Get one that holds about two gallons and some clean sand in the bottom, with a few mossy stones, and an-cher in the sand a few plants from some nearby brook. From the same brook can be secured snails, tad-poles, salumanders and the tiny black nosed dace. Hero is an aquarium at almost no cost that is capable of affording a great deal of en-tertainment and not a little instruc-

When the plants are growing nicely, giving oil oxygen and feeding upon the carbonic acid gas in the water, the latter need not be changed oftener than once a week unles too much animal life is introduced into the bottle. A little experience will show just how many inmates of the squarium the plants will "bal-

The "Wender Wender" Flower. One of the strangest botanical plants in the world is the "wonder ronder" flower found in the Malay eminsula. It is simply a blessom without leaves, vine or stem, and grows as a parasite on decayed wood. This extraordinary flower is something like a yard in diameter and has a globular cup in the mid-dle with a capacity of five or six

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### A LITTLE NONSENSE.

How an Absentminded Man Forget an

important Commission.

"Yes," said the bald man on the last seat, "I'm very forgetful about the little errands my wife asks me to do. No, she never lets me mail her letters. The other day she gave me a very particular commission, saying There, paste that in your hat. By George, I did. I got a little mucilage and stuck the paper on which she had written what she wanted inside the crown of my straw hat and started for the office. Well, I was almost there when a gust of wind came up and blew my hat clear over into a big excavation where a building was going up. I was so mad that I wouldn't stop the car and go after it, but kept on to the office. I noticed the people amiled as I hurried into the building and up the stairs. I had another hat there and were it home that night. 'Well, my dear,' I said,
'I couldn't execute your commission
because I lost my hat.' My wife
looked at me, and her face slowly puckered and she said, 'It's a good thing you didn't lose your head too.'
And what do you think? That blamed slip of paper was gummed tight to my bald head! I guess ! must have mucilaged it on the

The Laugh Was on Him.



"Yes, peoples, I'm sneaking these turnips out of the farmer's garden, and when I've filled this old barrel I'm off to the next village to sell 'em. See? I reckon ter make sumfing handsome outer this day's work.



Now, then, up she comes! could split wiv larging to fink how wild that farmer feller will get when he finds all his beautiful turnips gone forevermore. I can hard ly hold the barrel for larling!"



And when he got to the next vil lage, as per programme, he had a 19,000 double barreled horsepower fit when he found that old barrel hadn't any bottom to it. Oh, Lor' oh, dear, ain't it hard!

## The Distinction.

"I could never see," remarked the Sabbatarian caustically, "wherein the 'sacred concert' differs from the ordinary concert."
"Why, that's sim

plied Waggs.

"Certainly. The 'sacred concert' is given on Sundays only."—Philadelphia Press.

One Point Ahead.

Jones-The big newspapers beat the magazines.

Brown—How's that?
Jones—Well, when you buy a big
newspaper you get a lot of magazine news, but when you buy a
magazine you don't get any newspaper news.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Circus Business.

Mamma—Oh, see, Willic, your little brother can stand all aloncy! Aren't you glad?
Willie-Yes, I am. Now I can

get him to stand up sgainst the fence while I throw knives around him, can't 1?—Catholic Standard and Times.

Buburban Summer. Jones I put nine buckets of water on every tree in our yard every night.
Smith—Oh, you must be fond of

your trees.
Jones-No; I want to make the time pass.--Chicago Record-Herald.

He Couldn't Love Than Mrs. Naggs-I understand your husband is unable to meet his creditors.

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The Hanks and the Beants

Atlanta Journal.

It has been avident for some years past that the banks and the people were getting closer together.

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The banks flourish best when all other interests thrive. They find more oppact that the town of the sound that the country prospers the banks prosper and vice versa.

bave been organized, four hundred and fifty-seven of them with a capital of less than \$50,000 which was the former minimum. These new banks are distributed throughout every section of the country.
The rich and thinkly settled middle

sintes naturally lead in the number of three new backs, but the south comes next, brating the western and extreme cashern states decidedly. This is an additional proof of the in-

creasing prosperity of the people of this

The capital of both the national and state banks that have recently been or-ganized in the south have been very largely subscribed by citizens of the lo-onlities where these banks are to do business. The country in every sec-tion never before had so many bank-ing facilities, or such solid and such liberal banks.

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When the country prospers the bank prospers and vice versa,

Congress was wise in passing an act to recourage the organization of banks in the towns. It was easy enough under the old law to establish them in the great cepters of population and capital, but it was difficult for the towns to obtain the advantages of local national banks.

Comptroller Dawes has made an official statement that shows how generally the benefits of the recent more liberal banks and their collections with each bottle. So sufferers may test it, a trial bottle given months since the act was passed, but in that short time no less than six hundred and sixty-five untional banks have been organized, four hundred and fifty-seven of them with a capital of less than \$50,000 which was the former D.ee your Skin Itch and Barn?

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