KNIGHTS OF THE URN.

Stary Mon with a Genius for Doylles, China and Velvet Rugs.

As a contrast to the masculine girl and her swagger it might be pertinent to present the sissy man and his affec-tations. You see this rare exotic in full bloom at those essentially feminine ceremonies known as five-o'clock tens, where nothing sweetened and tied up with a bow furnishes the repast, where soft light filters through rose-hued shades over fair faces and metheticism revels in daintiness galore. The sissy man has his prototype in Paris and in London, and one of his chief characteristics is his devotion to the married women, particularly if she has a monster of a husband that can't understand Browning and had rather shovel coal than read Rossetti. The sissy makes it a point to calmly ignore the husband. who would kick him out for his impertinence only that he knows what a harmless little lamb he is and thinks it would be needlessly ernol.

He knows, according to the New York Sun, more about the code of candy giving and the etiquette of flowers than he does about the constitution of

the United States.

He has his sweet apartments, where the foot sinks neiselessly into velvet rugs and the walls are draped with sigh-away tints and hung with pre-Raphaelite etchings. He gives his dear little teas, where the china is exquisite. the appointments elaborate and beautiful. He is up on doylies, and knows all about linen and silver. He per-suades his married divinity to preside at the urn and gives himself up to the perfect eestasy of adoring and serving her. A nice old lady who was invited to one of these teas, and went early because she thought the poor fellow wouldn't have enough spoons and napkins, or think to dust the glassware. and would be terribly upset and flus trated, looked on in amazement while the host made delicious cream things in a silver chafing dish and apologized for the stupidity of his servant, who gave some one a chocolate spoon with a tea-

And when he began telling how he had a dinner served for four every night whether he invited any guests or not. and that there was the same order of service and quite as elaborate a menu when he dired quite alone as when his most honored guests were at the feast. because that was the proper way to train servants and manage a household. the old lady said it positively made her feel profane, like going to an Ingersol lecture and having the Bible ridiculed, it was so opposed to all Christian customs and practices.

A REAL KING IN AMERICA. Be Is a Half-Breed Comanche fodian and His Rule Is Absolute.

"There is a real king out in the southwestern part of Indian territory," said a citizen of St. Louis to a Washington Star reporter recently, "and in a recent trip down through the Comanche and Kiowa countries I met Quanna Parker, head chief of the Comanches. Commehes are still 'blanket Indians, that is, they are not civilized and educated like the Choctaws and they live in tepees. But they are among the sharpest and brightest of Indians. Every boy remembers in dime novels that Comanches were the favorite enemies of the brave trappers and hardy pioneers. They were fighters and are the most expert horsemen in the world. But they fight no longer are rapidly becoming civilized, and for their progress and docility Quanna Parker is to be thanked.

"Parker is a half-breed, the son of a chief whose wife was a white captive girl. When but a youth Parker, by his ploits against other tribes and the whites in the Indian wars, rose above the older chiefs and became the leader Now that the wars are forever over his same great will power and strong personality impress themselves as strongly upon his tribe, but in the direction of advancement and civilization. He is virtually a king. His word is law; his will supreme. He says he will civilize his tribe, and he will do it. As one result of his efforts many of his Indians live in frame houses. He compelled them to save one-half of their money received from the sale of their cattle. With sixty Indians' wagons he went down into Texas, bought lumber, then came on to Washington and persuaded Indian Commissioner Morgan to build the houses. He lives in a fine nine-roomed frame house, handsomely furnished in modern style, Brussels carpets, fine upholstered furniture, mural adornments and decorated nicely. His office, with its desk and fittings, occupies one room, and it is here he transacts his business. He wears a white shirt and trousers with leggings, braided hair, and colors his face when among his people, but when traveling dresses expensively in fashionably made clothes and sports a big diamond pin. He has horses without number, two coaches. four buggies and other vehicles. He has six wives to brighten his household, and I never heard of any hair pulling. There is a method in his polygamou madness. Each wife is the daughter of a chief of the six principal divisions or squads of the tribe. So he is solid with the whole lot on this score.

"Parker is about forty, tall and muscular, with a light copper-colored skin, the Indian facial characteristics with a piercing black eagle eye. He speaks English well, and is a general favorite with all who know him."

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HOW ONE DLD MAN LIVES nival Board and Room Keeping of a Resident of Washington.

It is wonderful how the theories of our past lives comes back to us now as the realities of the present. Daniel Webster constantly made notes of our- The Pasteboard Used by Abraham Linrent ideas, and when asked how long it was before he used them, replied sometimes twenty years, sometimes longer. When I was a boy, in Shelby county, 1 went one day to Mr. John Cooper's shoemaker's shop to be measured for a pair of shoes, as the custom of the country then was. He and his little son Robert lived alone in the woods in a house of one room, which was dwelling and Soon Bob's uncle, Gideon shoe shop. Kaylor, about his age, came in, and Bob joyfully exclaimed, "Come, Uncle Gid,

we've got some potatoes, and there is plenty of salt." It seemed strange to me to see how engorly they roasted and ate the potatoes and how happy they were. They lived happily, and yet this was all their liv-ing. I have repeated this story frequently during my prosperous days as a great wonder, never dreaming that it would become my own reality, as it now

is, and I am happy too. A German woman who could not speak a word of English came into my office one day with one of my German circulars in her hand, which Mr. Coop had given her in Saxony. 1 seat her out into the country with a German merchant to look at lands, and that day she bought a farm. The next day I made the deeds, and she became the owner and moved in. A neighbor soon after-ward told me that it cost that lady nothing to live. He says she puts a tin cup of coffee on the stove and a tin cup of cornmeal mush, and that is all her living, but she is getting rich. I thought that very strange, too, never thinking that 1 should live so, but I do just that thing now, having remembered hearing how she lived.

When I lost all my money and yet must live, I rented a room 14 by 16 feet, with heat, for \$5 per month-not a very good room and not very well furnished, but comfortable and respectable, and there are plenty of them at that price. I bought an outfit as follows: An iron handy lamp, 75 cents; three seamless pint tin cups, 15 cents; one do. quart, 15 cents; one half gallon tin cup, with cover, 10 cents; three bowls, 15 glass oil can, 35 cents; oil, 15 cents; spoon, 10 cents; total outfit, \$2. Then I bought one month's provisions as follows: Half bushel pointoes, 35 cents; the business card are eminently characten pounds cornmeal, 20 cents; three pounds Graham flour, 15 cents; one are expressions, too, in the "to whom it pound ground coffee, 25 cents; eight may concern" with which Mr. Lincoln pounds granulated sugar, 26 cents; one pound lard, 10 cents; coarse salt, 5 cents; total for the month, \$1.46.

it, but I cannot eat all of my month's provision. There is always a considerable amount over every month, and I live well too. In the morning I light my handy lamp, fill my seamless pint tin cup with water, put a teaspoonful of ground coffee into it, put it over the lamp, and turn another tin cup, bottom Dec a Back Bill of Large Denomination, upward, over it for a cover. In ten minutes there is a pint cup of good, hot coffee. While the coffee is boiling I put a little water into the half gallon cup, not more than one-eighth full, and then fill the quart tin cup about one-fourth full of commeal, add a little salt, then set this cup into the half gallon cup, and fill up the quart cup full of water and stir up the meal well. Jam in the handle of the quart cup so that it will go into the larger cup. As soon as the coffee comes off set the much on the lamp. Stir it occasionally, and when it thickens and fills up the cup take it off.

I buy a loaf of bread for four cents

for Sunday, and melt a little lard and salt for gravy, and I live well and have plenty to eat. Many others in this city, gaunt and half starved, can live well in this way.-John Howard in Washington Post

The Evolution of the Sword.

As men in early times fought hand to hand, the oldest specimens of the sword are short; in fact, the sword is probably but an evolution of the club, which at first made of hard wood was gradually sharpened on one and then on both sides, so as to inflict a more deadly wound. Even today we find some savage races employing wooden weapons. Wood gave way to stone, which in turn was displaced by bronze, iron and finally

became more civilized and showed a disposition to fight farther away from each other, which required more dexterity in the use of the weapon. Some specimens we have of swords of the Middle Ages are almost if not quite as long as the war riors who wielded them. During the Fifteenth century the science of fencing was invented, when the sword in the form of a rapier reached the highest point of development.—Kate Field's Washington.

Unasked Sympathy.

I cannot touch a piece of velvet with my fingers or permit the furry side of a peach skin to touch my lips without experiencing immediately a sort of cold chill all over my person. It is not so very severe, but it is unpleasant. Still I would prefer to living forever under the ban of such a chill than to be compelled to meet once a day one of those olenginous bundles of insincerity and pretense, the unctuous and effusive chap who thinks you are not properly treated and never loses an opportunity to tell you so. any desired rate of speed, and at the Of course I am aware I am not properly same time, with an independent set of appreciated, but I detest being told of the fact by another person, who never lifts a finger in my behalf, and who only wags his tongue in my favor when I am by to see him do it.—Detroit Free Press.

Mr. Simpleson is in the habit of punishing his boys very severely. Not long since he observed that one of his sons needed a new pair of tronsers. He scolded the boy for wearing out his clothes so ABE LINCOLN'S CARD.

A Relic Showing the Great Man's Business Methods

coin After His Return from Con-gress-Some Characteristic

The business card of Abraham Lincoln, reproduced here from the Chicago Inter Ocean, was not an advertisement. but a small glazed eard, on which are printed his name, business, address and mments, as reproduced in the facsimile here presented. The lettering is plain on the eard, and under "To whom it may concern," the letters are small and humorously set forth the following:

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The eard belonged to a collection of such curios and a number of autographs in the possession of the late George W. Baker, of Chicago. The authenticity of the card cannot be doubted as Mr. Baker treasured it for years among his collection and frequently exhibited it, though he left no written document of how it came into his possession. known, however, from what Mr. Baker had said about it, that the eard was one of a lot Mr. Lincoln had printed and used after his return from the congress to which he was elected in 1840 over Rev. Peter Cartwright.

Mr. Lincoln was not a candidate for reelection, and the disinclination to be a candidate is well conveyed in his "to whom it may concern' well, he expresses his satisfaction at being at home again with the hope of securing more congenial work than had cents; cup and saucer, 10 cents; gallon been incumbent upon him in the discharge of his duties in congress.

The quaintness of the humor and the oddity of the address to the public on teristic of Lincoln's originality. There familiarized the country afterward. "Swapping horses" and ralls," which were not enough striking I am a good, hearty eater, and am full in 1848, or the man using them was not fed and live well, and am thankful for enough famous to cause anyone to perpetrate a joke on him in manufacturing such a business card for A. Lincoln. The work was Lincoin's. The card bears the impress of the man as much as it does his name.

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"Paper is no account, as it leaves speeks on the glass. Cotton is sure to leave a lot of lint behind it. Chamois is too thick, and kid don't do at all. I've tried them all, and I know. The thing to use, my boy, is a bank note; it cleans the glasses beautifully and leaves nothing behind it.

"Of course, it isn't necessary to use a fifty every time, but I happened to have this one loose in my pocket and I'm expecting a friend along in a minute and wanted to make an impression. Yes, they say bills carry disease with them, but I ain't afraid much. I've never caught anything from them. You can use a one as well as a fifty, but use a fifty if you can; there's more money in it."

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