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There is a queer little nook down on the coast below Santa Barbara, into the coast below Santa Barbara, into which a rambling reporter found his way a few days ago. It is the wreck of slightly upon a frail object at his side. a vessel, perched high among the sand-hills upon the Palos Verdes rancho upon the shows of San Podro Bay. It is the the shores of San Pedro Bay. It is the home of a vivacions, eccentric individ- that happened on the place above menual, an old salt named Capt. J. F. tioned. A colored man by the name Janes, who boasts of having met and of Andrew Jackson came to town, and vampilshed single-handed the represen-ing Mr. Wood's farm he demanded of tatives of the most powerful monopoly the driver to let him get out of the on the Pacific coast. "Come and see my museiun," said Janes to the reporter, who was weather-bound on San Pedro wharf, with the mercury steadily crawling up above the 100th degree. "It is that he would go on to the barn where a queer place, but I ain't ashamed of it, he could lie down, for he felt a little and it's cooler down here; besides, I want to show you my lawsuits. I have twenty-eight of them, all of them nailed thought about it until that night, when upon the wall, and each one represents the lad who was employed in feeding money.

The "queer place" was found in a dry arroyo, or sandy gulch, upon the north side of San Pedro harbor. It is a handsome, square house, with a piazza ex-tending all around it and a flagstaff sur-mounting the whole. At a distance it presents the appearance of a tasty little hotel, and over the top can be seen painted upon the stern of some wrecked with a light, so they could easily disship the words "Ocean Villa." It is cover the motives of the intruder. Litonly when one enters the neat little in- the did they think that the man was a closure about the house that its true corpse, standing there like a statue, uncharacter is observable. The house and in they had approached quite close to him with the glaring light falling upon portions of wrecks. The garden fence, his distorted features, one hand resting the plants, the ornaments all around on the fodder-racks and hat poised bear the signs of the sea. The house is a combination of bulwarks, bulkheads, stood more erect in his life. Of course lockers and cabins. The principal room is the cabin of some first-class ship; the room above it is the cabin of a bark. unmolested out of the door, quietly reunmolested out of the door, quietly re-The kitchen is the galley of a wrecked merchantman, and each and all of the many appointments are either cabins, not arrive till about midnight. A post wheelhouses or cooking galleys trans-ferred from some dismantled crait the jurymen were puzzled to know wrecked upon the bay. No two rooms whether the deceased had met his death are alike, and all are constructed so as by rats, or otherwise, for during the to preserve their original appearance interim the rats had clambered up the npon the ship they were built upon dead man's legs and thence his shoul-Some are ended with wood of the most to milicate, their sense began derivers. In those times, also, a week on a daily newspaper, and not some are celled with wood of the most to milicate, their sense deriverse der some are celled with wood of the most expensive character. In those times, also, taking off his ears, then his nose and taking taking

OREGON CITY, CLACKAMAS COUNTY, OR., FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1883. A ROUGH RAT STORY. NEWS AS ANECDOTES. W. M. Read, of Bolivar, Tenn., contributes the following grim story to the Memphis Ledger: A few days ago quite a singular occurrence happened on a farm owned I was shown the other day a copy of by Mr. Wood, a medical practitioner hare in this vicinity. The occurrence was not so very singular either; no more than you see or hear of most every day of our lives, but the peculiar way in which it happened is some thing novel. We very often hear of a person dying when lying down, or prostrated in some way, but we scarce, if ever, heard of one breathing his downiest couch. But such is the case have been a very refreshing "anecdote" back in a short time. He then said

immediate assistance of every subscriber in advancing the entrance money, agree-will see large farms and small ones; in advancing the entrance money, agree-able to contract, without which the life of the paper will be of very short dura-tion." There could be no misunderstanding where candor was so great. the stock went into the stable as usual, The following beginning of an advertisement is another illustration of ex-& Co., goldsmiths and jewelers, at the Mr. Little's coffee-house), in Baltimore."

orders to execute every person that has ean Corr. Harrisburg Telegram. not paid, without distinction, as I am to leave the office in November, and all accounts must be settled with

ington was one of the first patrons of the in town?" Journal, he having advertised over his think I would let you spend hirty cents

TWO PICTURES. The journey from London to Paris is. Curious Announcement of a Newspaper 100 Years Ago. Without doubt, one of the most disagree-the Form of Introduction a Texas Cowmaking the tour of Europe. This is principally owing to the wretched condition of the channel boats, which are by the first edition of the Maryland Jour- far the worst I have ever seen, and a duction to a cowboy," said David Van

nal, a weekly paper, the publication of disgrace to the two nations that support Drouver, of Cleveland. "It was in the which was begun in Baltimore, on Fri-, them. If the company would only have heart of Texas. I had been traveling which was begun in Baltimore, on Fri-day, August 20, 1773, by William God-dard, and has continued its career, though under different names, ever since, and is now known as the Baltimore and is now known as the Baltmore accommodations would use from New-American and Commercial Adver-liser. The following is the rather origin-al way in which the editor makes his bow to the public: "It (the paper) shall contain not only the public news, which I shall collect and compile with when I shall collect and compile with when I shall concer and complet the the greatest care, but on a failure of an-ecdotes of that sort I will supply the room with such moral pieces from the best writers"—and so on. The American Revolution, which thundered over the continent shortly after, could hardly that is so noticeable in the former counkicking me in the ribs. Get up thar, said a graff voice. 'What-what's the matter?' I asked somewhat timidly. try. Here we find a different order of by the following pointed and explicit statement, the editor was a man ¹ want you to get up and take a drink with me, and be purty quick about it, too, was the reply. Through the dim light of a smoky kerosene lamp I could ions and tastes that is always associated a very arduous and expensive undertak- with political liberty. In Esgland every faintly see the figure of a man, which, ing, I must now earnestly entreat the farm and every house is anesact counter with one look, I knew to be a cowboy But I never drink, my friend,' said I 'Now look ahere, stranger, no man ever refuses to drink with me more than

once in his life,' he answered, suggestingly touching the butt of one of his revolvers. I concluded that discretion every variety of appearance with which was the better part of valor in this case we are familiar in America. You feel and so without any more ado I rose and instinctively that you are inuland where plicit statement : "Christopher Hughes every man has a right to asert his own took a drink. When we had finished I offered to treat also, but he wouldn't have it. He said he only wanted to opinions, as long as he does not interfere sign of the cup and crown, the corner of with the independence of his neighbors. Market and Gup streets, in the house where Mr. Jacob Meyers formerly lived, and opposite Mr. Usher's new store (late ing covered with state, and I was insee if I thought myself to good to drink with him. 'Well, what do you think of me?' he asked, putting his hands upon his hips and staring me plump in the face. Well, sir,' said I, I don't know formed that these roofs very rarely leak Delinquent tax-payers were summarily dealt with in those days, or else the with the same cheap material. In all as I have known you long enough yet to form an opinion.' 'Come now, that Sheriff of Baltimore county was a great other respects their dwellings appear to won't go down. I want to know what you think of me, and you might as well lowing specimen tax notice of the times: better, they are owned by those who answer now or forever close your clain, and again his hand fell upon his re BALTINORE, August 18, 1773.—Many Beatrinore, August 18, 1773.—Many people in this town and Fell's Point hav-fences here than in Euglard, and convolver. As I had no shootin' irons with me, they being under the buffalo robe I saw that I must answer him quickly ing hitherto neglected to pay their pub-lie dues, this year my Deputy has my so picturesque an appearaise.--[Europ-Well,' said I, 'from all appearances

TOPNOODY.

well, said 1, from all appearances 1 shouldn't wonder if I thought just as much of you as I do of the President of the United States. Bully for you has another swis,' and again I was obliged to wallow the rot, one dose of which was enough to kill any ordinary man. J. R. HOLLIDAY, Sherin of resultance county: No less a personage tilan George Wash-tor use an of the function of the funct After this, that man was one of the best friends I had."-[Cleveland Leader. "Topnoody," she answere, "do you

> FASHION NOTES. Hot Scotch night-caps will soon

FORCED TO DRINK. A GREAT CARRON-A stout, elderly man, with a long, iron-gray beard and blue glasses, stood on the sand near the old fort at Sandy Hook directing a gang of men who were operating an odd-looking big gun, menned upon a red carriage. Four A GREAT CANNON. of shall never forget my first intro cranks, a trifle larger than those of an crains, a trime larger than hose of an ordinary band-organ, projected above the gun, and four large protuberances like mammoth iron kettles were visible beneath it. The man was Mr. J. R. Haskell and his weapon, the multi-

harge gun. "You are just in time to see us load and fire," he said to the reporter of the World. "We are to-day beginning ex-periments to learn how fast a shot of a given weight will be carried by a given to keep off malicious demons who may charge and how much pressure there be lurking on the street corners and in will be upon the sides of the gun. Now the alleys These demons are supposed watch First the breech-block was sprung out

and the shot inserted. The projectile (weighing 110 pounds) was cylinder-conical in shape and made of iron and copper, with rings to fit the bore tightly. A bag containing fourteen provider a thick wad which looked like large is consists of some rich material round ginger-snaps glued together and sprinkled with ornaments. A large round ginger-snaps glued together and copper-fastened. By turning the cranks thick lids were

inscrewed, revealing holes leading to he kettles aforesaid, which are called on, and Captain Starring, of the ord-nance department United States army, cried, "All back !" Soldiers and civilians hurried to the

rear, and flocked into an unpretentious chair her mother or some other relative subterranean structure with a gravei locks the door and the key is given to roof, called a bomb-proof. Captain the best man. I suppose he Starring opened a little box on the wall and pressed an electric button. There was a dull, heavy report, followed by a long, shrill wail, like that of some creature in distress. It was loud and clear at first, but died gradually away. "She's busted!" cried one of the workmen.

"Oh, no," said a veteran of the war, that's only the sound of a ring of moke, carried along by the wind." The projectile was carried at the rate of 1,558 feet for the first second. Fourteen pounds of powder were in the breech and eighteen in each of the first breech and eighteen in each of the first two pockets. The pressure upon the breech was 20,600 poinds to the square inch. The target, which was about 300 yards from the gun, consisted of a beard fence backed by a bank of sand twenty-five feet thick. The heat of the shells hardens the sand so that a pick-ax is

necessary in digging into it. Between the target and the gun are two frames, one hundred feet apart, with electric wires strung upon them. In its flight the projectile cuts the wires In its flight the projectile cuts the wires with the which groom he greated her with great gravity Bouleug cronograph, an ingenious in-They both approached the ancestral tablet and bowed their heads three strumens for measuring the velocity. Eater in the day, with a total charge of times. They next took seats at a small table bearing two goblets, fied together with thread and containing wines. The six and one-sixth pounds of powder, the innitial velocity of the shot was 1,673 feet. Little copper cylinders were placed at the breech, the pockets and he muzzle in aperatures made for them for registering the pressure of the gas. Before the gun is loaded the length of

THE CHINESE BRIDE

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She is Delivered to the Ground How He Makes Her His Wife.

On the wedding day the guests as semble in the bridegroom's house. Then a procession is formed, consisting of friends, bands of music, and sedan chairs decorated in red and gold, with bearers in red coats and dressed in a sort of livery, sometimes wearing red caps. The procession starts from the

honse with a courier at the head. He bears a large piece of pork on a tray the alleys. These demons are supposed

to tackle the pork, and while they are thus busied the procession passes on without being affected by their evil influence. All this time the bride is in her own house, arraying herself in her A bag containing fourteen pounds of powder, so coarse that the grains felt like chestnut coal, was used, and be-tween the bag and the ball was placed this her headdress is donned. It usual-

mantle is then thrown over her. It completely covers her. Last of all an enormous hat, as large as an umbralla, is placed on her head. It comes down pockets." By means of long funnels powder was poured into two of the pockets. Then the lids were screwed in the red gilt marriage chair, called kwa kiau. When concealed in this chair she is carried to her husband by

our men. When the bride is seated in the tarns it over to the bridegroom on reaching his house. The procession returns with more care and more style. I saw one during a ramble in a Chinese town. As the bride was born past, us we gave her three cheers. I dare say that all her children will be either knock-kneed or bow-legged, because of the cheers of the barians. Good lack to the poor bottled-up one. She had the best wishes of all our party, as we followed the procession for some squares, to the great astonishment of all the Chinamen on the street.

As the procession approached the bride-groun's door a band stationed there struck up a tune and fireracker. were let off by the hon sould the between then got the key from the bridegroom and opened the door of the sedan-chair. As the bride alighted she

It is, in fact, a house made wrecks gathered together by Capt. Janes as a waterman on the south coast during ten years. The principal portions of the house are made out of the wreck of being. No wonder the jurymen felt a the Adelaide Cooper, which was cast ashore during a southeaster about three stable door and saw a man before them years ago. The interior walls are cov- without either ears, nose or lips, and ered with marine curiosities gathered by teeth showing like that of a grinning sailors in all portions of the world. The collection of handwork made by sailors is perhaps the best on this coast. The certain as to whether the man met his models of ships and quaint carvings are death by some unknown malady, or by

splendid. The most remarkable curios- rats being a little too rough on him." ity of all is a large star formed out of legal documents from the courts and sheriff's office and nailed upon the walls. "Those papers," said Capt. Janes, in explanation, "are my lawsuits. I keep them on exhibition like an Indian does his scalps. Those are suits I have had brought against me by the palate. the Southern Pacific and by Gen. Phineas Banning to drive me away from this spot. I have defied them all and have whipped 'em. I am here yet and Quaker stronghold of Pennsylvania. there's my boats, those three little sloops, anchored in front of my house I own this land and the water front and ing at a cream-colored colt in the adja-cent field. I at once divined him to be all I have about me is paid for. When me and my wife came here we had not a dollar and we lived in a tent made out of an old sail. Now I am inde pendent and next month shall start a newspaper. the San Pedro Shipping I am no scholar, never wen Guzette te school; I am a sailor, but I have made up my mind to grow rich with San Pedro

MRS. SIDDONS AND HER POF OF FORTER.

behind the scenes, exhausted by thirst, desired to have some porter. Her dresser dispatched a,boy in great haste "to bring some beer for Mrs. Siddons," at the same time charging bits to b quick, as she was about to go on the stage.' In the meantime the play, of course, proceeded. The boy, on his return, looked in vain for Mrs. Siddons. She had gone on with her part, and the scene-shifter, to whom he applied, pointed to her where she was treading the board in death-like solemnity as Lady Macbeth in the sleep-walking scene. To the surprise and horror of all the performers, the boy, with the irothing pot in his hand, promptly walked up to her and offered it. She attempted to wave him away, in her grand manner, without effect, but the absurdity had now caught the general eye. The people behind the scenes, by dint of beekoning, stamping and calling, in half-audible whispers, at length succeeded in getting him away, spilling, however, part of the beer in his exit. But the andience were in roars of laugh-ter, which nothing could quell for some

CULTURE .- A Montana belle being asked by a Bismarck man if they possessed any culture out her way replied You bet your variegated ...Culture ?! socks we do! We kin sling more culture to a square foot in Helena than they kin in any camp in America. oosen my corsets till I smile, Oh.

lastly his lips. Of course this left the cent ante-bellum days. They were not face destitute of three of the most all negoes either. There was a fugitive prominent features. You can imagine Irishman for whom a reward of £10 was that he did not look much like a human offered by one Reiley, and several others of the same kind .- [Corr. of the Troy little uneasy when they entered the Times HE SAW WIDOWS. cur. The decision of the jury was soon rendered, and rend as follows: "Un-

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TRYING TO TALK QUAKER.

whom I met in Chester county, the

When I happened upon him he was sit-

ting upon a worm fence, vacantly star-

a Friend in undress, and determined to

delight the old fellow and amuse myself

by carrying on a skillful dialogue in his

own idiom. This is how I succeeded: "How do thee do, sir? Is-that is,

Officer Button, at the Union depot, picked up the other day a memorandum book evidently lost by some one attend-ing the State Fair. All the entries are made in a business-like manner, and some of them are readable. The first

entry is: "Shall take \$16 with me to the State Fair, Second-class hotel good enough Keep for me. Beware of pickpockets. It is no easy matter for a novice to your eyes open for a good-looking widow fling "Quaker" fluently. The tongue

you, nor shall I bring the Chief Justice View the animals, and don't forget to here. becomes confused with its triple choice take two clean handkerchiefs along. of pronouns, and flaps listlessly around The second entry reads : The second entry reads : Fair up to the average. Saw a widow character which would be resultarly and I well recollect my clumsy efforts to engage in conversation with a farmer.

n the car going up. Didn't seem to like strikingly prominent, it is that you should Somebody has stuck me with bring the Chief Justice of England into radical climatic changes, my style. a bogus half dollar. Saw another widow this house, at this time, when during all on the grounds. Rather too stout. our previous married life, yor have never Viewed the animals and was kicked by a steer." steer." of the United States to enter here and characterize your action toward the wife

on the floor. Jam on the street cars. of your bosom. So, there, fon mean, Passed the bogns money off on a boot- contemptible it," black. Saw a widow at the hotel. Most too lean. Went to the theater last night. Stayed away from the St. N-bolas ban-Can't remember the play. Saw several quet and saved \$25 .- | Maintant-Travwidows, but no chance to make an im- eler.

are thee meditating?" If he was delighted, he controlled his pression. Fourth entry-"Big crowd on the grounds. Beat my way in. Saw a wid-ow on the fence. Most too boisterous recently was an old lady who had never emotion admirably. All he did was to gape and inquire :

"Hey? for my locality. Saw a horse race. One before made a railroad journey. After "The fields, the birds, the flowers," horse beat all the others. Viewed the looking about her some time in curi On one excessively hot evening, when playing at Leeds, Mrs. Siddons, whilst bring thou dreams_I mean dreams to machinery and was hit on the ear by a ty, her eyes alighted on the hell loafer. Saw a widow viewing the head- and she asked the water boy, who hap thou.

He was looking at me now, and critically. I felt that my syntax had been very idiotic instead of idiomatic, so, wiping the sweat from my brow and hat, 1 eved him calmly and observed :

Those cows, are thy's-or the that is, thou's-dum it ! I mean thines ?" I was very unfortunate. He crawled down from the fence, nibbled at a plug Saw a widow in Honey Hall. Raised thrown up, questions asked, etc., the of nickel-nugget-an act of itself suffimy hat. Got left. Feel blue." cient to un-Quaker him -and as he am As that was the last entry it would fusion. Presently the conductor came bled away, muttered indignantly:

"Go ate your pants! I'm a tramp but a gintleman."

... WINSING A CAPTAINCY .- Seidlitz, the famous general of cavalry, when with a young officer, used to maintain that any mounted soldier who allowed himself to be taken prisoner, together with his horse, was a scamp or a coward. He once rode in the suite of the king over the bridge leading into the fortress o Glogana. When they had reached the middle of the bridge, at a signal from the king, the two drawbridges in front and behind were drawn up, and the king turned to Seidlitz with the words:

"Now, you are my prisoner." "No yet, your Majesty," answered the bold orseman, as he gave the spurs to his horse, leaped over the parapet into the ever." Oder and swam safely to the shore. He was only a cornet when he sprang must not ventilate our sorrows through into the water, but he found himself a the press." Wife-"Ugh! what is the young man's tailor is about the last ob me, an' Lhad so much dat I couldn't captain by the time he got to the land. use of the separation, then?

guished arrival. New, whatwould you Silk hand-purses with monograms think it I brought him homewith me?" nuch worn-empty. "Well, Topnoody, I should think you Blankets and heavy quilts will be

ere drunk and Coleridge vas crazy. "I don't see why, my dear; I had a case once in court before hin, when he

wed down entirely yet.

"Don't talk that way, Mrs. Tophoody

before your friend Coleridge "" "No, my dear, I shall no operrel with

Well, I'm glad of it, Tophoody; for

HASH CALLED US BY C LOCOMOTIVE

old lady sitting calmly through the con-

want?" snapped the official impatiently

'you may bring me some hash.

man on earth he wants to see.

"Well," said the old party meditatively

REFORE MARRIAGE .- 'I done on old-

Old hoop skirts are now being utilized was not so high and mighty, and we beas springs for dollar prize watches. The Marie-Louise blue has given came fast friends." "I saw his nose, as he drive past in

place to the Devonshire brindle his carriage to-day, and I should imagine A new fabric has appeared on the from its resemblance to yours, that you market called bison cloth. It is not a were fast friends, very fast, and hadn't elative of the buffalo robe.

Crushed strawberry as a fashionable olor has gone out, and mashed custard I won't have it." "Won't you? Well, you'd better file is now the latest shade. bill of exceptions, or take an appeal

much used during the coming winter.

Zouave jackets have reappeared, and he monkey business appears to be floating on the top wave of popularity.

Advices from Paris hint that the old style of short gloves will be revived-to accommodate short purses.

Paniers are growing in size and favo owing to a favorable season with for

The greatest changes in the many facture of jerseys show the vast effect It is now in order to request a lady to dull down her vest.

As the cool weather approa laundry bills visibly decrease. With much care and attention the dry goods clerk now makes a white shirt last him a week.

a share with NOT & THING TO BECOME EXCITED OVER

Do not become unduly excited over the insults that the King of Spain is al-leged to have received in Paris. The 4 spatches to the papers magnify the afr so that it seems to assume great pro portions, when in fact it was nothing more than a few hisses and hoots by a low class of people, and it was only an annoyance to the King. We should not become excited over it, and talk about wiping out the stain in blood. Keep cool. It is no more than as though the Mayor of Oshkosh should be riding in a procession in Milwaukee, and some Third Ward hoodlums should yell at him to pull down his vest, or wipe off his chin, or say shoot the hat. It is no worse than it would have been if some lond-mouthed individuals had insulta the Detroit Aldermen when they were here to inspect our breweries. In either case the people of Europe would not have been informed of their insults by cable. and they would not have discussed Osh kosh and Detroit, and got wild over the insults. Let us be calm. The King o

Spain will come out all right if he does not get full of bug juice .-- [Milwaukee fashioned things," said she, as they sat upon the beach and watched the white Sun. sails disappearing in the distance, "and

when I am married I will have my house when I am matried I with nave in the interest in the provided states and the p have you to say to that charge?"

"I isn't guilty, sah. I didn't carry i

You had some, then ?"

"Yes, sah, I had some." "What did you do with it?"

carry it away, so I less stayed dar."

each evlinder is measured with an instrument which will record 1-1006 of an By another instrument the force nch. equired to compress the cylinder, say -1000 of an inch, is ascertained. Afte the shot the cylinders are measured again and a comparison of the figures gives the pressure. Three shots were

ined. "As soon as we have completed our experiments to determine the proper charge," said Mr. Haskell, "we will try the range of the piece. So far, every thing has worked very nicely, indeed ! "How does the velocity of your shot compare with other styles of project

"Directly there is not much differ ence, but we get an equal velocity with much less pressure, and that amounts to a decided superiority over guns of other manufacture. Thus we get the velocity of 1,554 feet with 20,000 pounds pres sure, when the old guns would have 30, 000, or even 40,000 pounds,-[New York World.

THE LIMEKILN CLUB.

Elder Penstock arose to inquire ny member of the club had be any member of the club had beard whether Bob Ingersoll was to lecture this winter or not. No one seemed to have heard anything about it, and the reverend member requested that the ceretary be instructed to write to Ingeroll direct and ascertrin. "What am de object?" queried the

President. "I propose dat dis club take steps

prove dat dar am a hereafter fur the uL?

"You do, eh! If de pussun who de nies such a theory am a fool, de pussur who sots out to prove what selen eight ob de world already believes am nex' doah to an idiot. Sot down an' save vor breaf.

"But it am my dooty as a Christian man to controvert Ingersoll's argy-

"It am your dooty as a Christian mar to let Bob Ingersoll have all de rope he wants!" If you has got de proper faith he can't hurt ye. If your belief won't stan' an attack den it am too weak to stan' alone. If, after men and women have believed in God, an' hereafter, an heaben for 6,000 years, a lawyer wid a snith nose, an' a voice like a dog barkin' in a bar'l, can come along an' scare 'em into fits, somebody had better go to a liberal supply of food, and unless it is

work an' plug up de knotholes an' put new rivets in de jints."

This is the time that the dude look over his kid gloves, and picks out the pair that will stand mending and dyeing, and what the dude saves in gloves he puts into a standing collar.

go-between severed the thread, but the bride failed to quench her thirst owing to the enormous hat and mantle. The two were now man and wife The husband took the hat and manth from the bride, and for the first time in his life had a look at her. After he had looked at her for some minutes hu called in his friends and mests. The scrutinized her and made no bones expressing their opinions concern her charms. The females gave the

tongues full scope, and had no merey upon the poor bride. She took it al without making any disagreeable answer for fear that the match would be considered an unlucky one. These criticisms ended, she was introduc her husband's parents, after which she saluted her own father and mother. The wedding feast was then served, the sexes cating in different apartments The males were served by the bride

groom and his male relatives, and the females by the bride and her mother-in law, assisted by servants. The two sexes rarely sit down at the same table Marriage is very common among the Chinese. You hardly ever come across a girl of 16 or 18 who is not tied down to some man. If a woman con adultry after marriage she is decapitates under the law: The man, however, is allowed to keep as many concubines as be can support, their children being regitimated, but coming after the shildren of the wife. If the concubines live under the same roof they are mere servants of the wife. Some rich married nen keep concubines in separate apart Such positions are eagely nents. ought by damsels of very fair par-

MANURING FRUIT-TREES.

In manuring fruit-trees or grapevines the manure should not, as it is too frequently, be piled in a heap immediately round the base of the tree. Here is where it will do the least good, as the roots near the trunk of the tree large. The roots which will take the 'fertilizing matter and carry it into the tree are the small, fibrous ones really the feeders, and situated farthes from the trunk. As these routs extend as a rule, under an area of ground equal to that covered by the top of the tree, the manure should be spread over at least an equal surface. In order to have the better effect it should be

have the benefit cheet it stacking to thoroughly spaded in. If stekly and apparently dying trees be given this treatment it will rarely fail to restore them to new life and vigor. Trees need given to them they cannot be expected to grow and bear, either in quantity

or quality, such fruit as will an or which receives proper attention.

A lady of this city recently filled her lamp with gasoline and since then she has not benzine .--- [Philadelphia Call.

A tailor up town has a novel way of away.

We cannot agree-we must part for-wer." Husband-"All right; but we to see." It may work up there but it

were 150 years old ?"

seem as if he gave up in disgust and rushing into the car, exclaiming, "Who started for home. A person supposed pulled that bell?" "I did," replied the to be him "saw a widow" at the depot old lady meekly. "Well, what do you Friday afernoon, and became so obnoxions that she hit him over the head with an umbrella and two or three men

reached for him with cowhide boots .-[Detroit Free Press. A couple of pickpockets followed a gentleman for some blocks with a view

suddenly turned into a lawyer's office. if I have anything to say about it. What shall we do now?" asked one. Wait for the lawyer," said the other .--

of availing themselves of the first opportunity to relieve him of his purse.

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