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The Inbern Love of Distinction. Man is but a child of a larger growth, a

toys and gewgaws. Hence it is that the av erage man has an irrepressible longing for some badge of distinction, or more properly speaking, some distinctive badge Any outward and visible sign of the difference which separates a man from the common herd is seized upon with avidity and worn with pride and satisfaction whether it be the legend "Conductor," o certain numerals which serve primarily to distinguish him from the other employ ees of a corporation, or the hackman's badge, or the emblem of some secret frater nity, or the garb of a policeman, letter car rier, messenger boy or what not-in any and every case it is the same. The man presents a token that removes him from the commonplace, or so he feels, and raises

It is because of this feeling or instinct which is implanted in the human breast that men take so kindly to the uniform of the soldier or the gimerack millinery of the secret society. To it must be ascribed the rage for parading the streets at night, half suffocated by the fumes of ill smelling kerosene and for marching over the pave ments in the daytime in flaunting feathers and white gloves three sizes bigger than the hands they envelop and emphasize.—

Disposing of a Claimant. An Englishman who was present at the

Tichborne trial gives an amusing account of the way in which Arthur Orion, the "Wapping butcher," was nonplused by Mr. Hawkins, counsel for young Sir Alfred Tichborne, Mr. Hawkins, leaning back against the bench and looking over his eyeglasses at the portly claimant, said to him You, of course, having been brought up on the Tichborne estate, remember the lit village of Owlsbury on the estate? Mr. Hawkins pronounced the name of the

which you are so familiar?" The claimant without a moment's hesitation spelled it exactly as it is pronounced. "Would you be surprised to hear," asked Mr. Hawkins quietly, "that it is spelled 'O-w-l-s-b-u-r-y," and that everybody within miles of Tichborne House is aware of that fact?" The claimant, who had been surprised so often that he had become callous, simply nodded his head.—New York Tribnne.

Cantain Miles Standish's Book.

In the whole lot of 400,000 volumes in the old book store of the late T. O. H. P. Burnham of Boston there is one which will in terest collectors greatly. This volume, which the owners hold for the modest price of \$2,500, was published in London in 1621 and bears for its title: "The Passions of the Minde in Generall; in sixe bookes corrected, enlarged and with sundry new discourse augmented. By Thomas Wright." It is not the book itself, however, but its former ownership that gives it highest value, for valiant Captain Miles Standish, forming one of the very few works which his library contained. So far as is known, this is only book from that library now in existence. On the outside it bears the auto graph of Captain Standish, and on the in-side is written in bold letters, "Myles Standish his booke 1626."—Chicago Herald.

Discovered Baked Snuff.

A Limerick tobacconist of the name of Lundyfoot, doing a comparatively small trade, was unfortunate enough to have his establishment destroyed by fire. On visiting the ruins the next day he saw some of his poor neighbors among the debris gathering the half baked shuff from the canis ers which had not been entirely destroyed by the fire. He tasted what he worthless article, and to his surprise found that the heat from the fire had added pungency and aroma to the snuff. Profit-ing by the discovery, the shrewd Irishman at once set about baking his snuff in oveus, and the fame of the "Blackyard snuff" was established and an immense fortune soon made by Lundyfoot, founded upon a mere accident and growing out a misfortune.—Boston Herald.



CLOSSET & DEVERS, PORTLAND, Or.



Explorers Who Never Returned. The discoverers of the Cariboo gold fields in British Columbia, from which dust and child that has not outlived its fondness for nuggets worth \$60,000,000 have been taken, are unknown. Thomas Seward, a fruit grower, living near Lytton, relates a story of how he just missed being one of the dis-coverers and of the probable fate of the discoverers. He had the gold fever in Lon-don, and he went to British Columbia in 1858. As one of a party of prospectors he reached Point Roberts after a perilous sail long stay in the newly discovered country.

They went up the Fraser river to Yale,

and on to the head of navigation on the Lillevet river. Then they carried the provisions forty miles to Big Bar. While they were prospecting one day three men with a canoe went up the stream. One was drawing a canoe by a rope, the second was fending it off from the rocks and the third was steering. They were on the opposite side and did not stop.

They were the original discoverers of

Cariboo. After passing Seward's camp they went to Fort Alexander, where they earned from Indians that gold might be found in the river known now as Quesnelle. They went up to the forks of the Quesnelle, left their canoes and entered the Cariboo country. No trace of them has ever been found, but the news of a big strike there reached the coast about six weeks after they had entered. A few days after the three men had passed by Seward quit the camp because the dirt did not pay, and returned to Victoria. It is believed that the discoverers were killed by Indians soon after they had reached the fields.—

New York Sun.

and style of the trotter all over.

Miss Wilkins has been selling for the ranch for six years and

It is not generally known that coniferous trees, and Norway spruces especially, may be made to throw extra vigor into the lower branches and assumes a dense mass of town as it has always been pronounced by the people of that country—as if it were spelled "Husselberry."

"Now," he continued, "will you kindly occupy the position as a leader. When simply taking out the leading shoot and training up one of the side branches to occupy the position as a leader. When year; but to leave a portion of it standing as a stump. To this stump then the lateral

stump and so remains for a few months or the first of the year, when the stump is amenable of its kind. cut away close to its base. But it soon heals over and the lateral shoot then remains erect, and forms the ultimate leadng shoot. This check is all that is required to force the vital power into the ularly how this is done. Not only the Norway spruce, but all pines and firs can be treated in the same way, and the result of this simple treatment is specimens of ownership that gives it highest value, for beauty, which could hardly be appreciated once upon a time this work belonged to the such work .- Meeban's Monthly

A Comedian's First Appearance.

Jimmie Powers always tells funny a funny one about his first appearance. The play was "Buckshot Nell" and was check full of blood and thunder. It was produced at Aberle's theater in this city in 1878. Powers played a juvenile part, and he was frightened half to death.

an to you? I lost track of what I was do-ing for the moment and answered, "She is rather pretty, and as it shows such pov-Mary Dalton, my fiancee.' 'Nix, cull,' said the leading man in an aside, 'you've got 'em mixed. That's the soubrette's name. 'I had nothing but trouble the first night, on my upper lip. No one who knows me her from the possible imputation of be-remembers that I ever threw anything ing unimaginative.—New York Herald. straight in my life. In one of the scenes is

the play I am protecting the heroine from the villain. As the latter comes forward I pick up the bottle from the table and say, 'Stand back, I say, or I will kill you as I dash this bottle against yonder wall.' I cases of tonsilitis and sore throat on threwthe bottle with all my force. It missed hand," and he added a quick piece of the wall by about a mile and struck one of the wall by about a the wing. He dropped "just the time of the year," and "don't as if he had been shot. The blow laid him up for four weeks, and out of my princely

Large rocks should be heated by burning a quantity of brush on each one, and then with a good heavy sledge and steel wedge most of them can be split into fragment that can be hauled off upon the drag Medium sized rocks may be gotten out by digging round them, fastening a log chair upon the lower side and attaching the team. Let the horses start slowly, and with a little effort the stone may be pulled out at the second or third pull. A good way to get rid of stones is to bury them but bury them deep-not less than three fest from the surface—as they will be cer tain to work up to the top in a few years when the work has to be done over again at considerable cost.—Baltimore American

A Neat Retort. A merchant put a sign of "Boy Wanted" in his window. The first applicant was an overgrown youth who inquired if he would

"No, you are too large. I want a chear boy to run errands. "I see," answered the youth, "you want a little one for a sent." The merchant was so pleased with his wit hat he gave him the place. - Detroit Free

An Original Wedding Gift. A novel and delightful wedding gift was one received by a very recent bride. An oblong box covered with gold plush, upon being opened revealed a satin lined interior of the same rich has fitted with tiny compartments. In every one lay a shining gold coin, of every denomination from one dol-lar ranging upward to the largest coin, the whole aggregating nearly \$100.—New York Times.



A WOMAN HORSE DEALER.

Riss Kitty Wilkins Has a Practica Knowledge of Stock Raising. A "lady horse dealer" is a novelty America. which Idaho, though very young in statehood, has given to the Union. The name of this young lady with the somewhat paradoxical title is Miss Kitty C Wilkins, a tall and graceful blond, refined and ladylike in manner and very is not merely an amateur horse dealer, or a horse dealer in name, with somebody else to transact the business for her, or advise her how to transact it. Quite the contrary. She not only con-ducts the business for herself and wholly upon her own responsibility, but her transactions are on a large scale. She sells horses by the carload if she can se-

cure what she thinks they are worth, and failing to do so she will land her two or three, to suit the purchaser. Besides being a fluent and agreeable of course she is equally quick to disover real merit in a good horse regardess of defective condition or other it was a generation ago. causes which might serve to conceal his

real merits from a superficial observer. Miss Wilkins is associated with her fathers and brothers in the proprietorship of one of the finest horse and cattle range, after this season's sale of animals had been rounded out of the herds, 2,500 in a dugout across the gulf, where a canoe from American mares originally brought was loaded with sufficient provisons for a from the older states and crossed with Clydesdale, Percheron and trotting stallions, the latter being of the Mambrino and Hambletonian branches of the great Messenger family, with a fair sprinkling of Morgans among them.

The father and brother manage the ranch and Miss Kitty attends to the shipping and sale of the horses. To far above the average of range horses. weigh from 900 to 1,200 pounds. They one of them had ever tasted hay or grain till the lot was rounded up for shipment. showing the draft horse characteristics, and again does fashion adopt this style, while the lighter ones show the outline

Miss Wilkins has been selling horses for the ranch for six years, and during breathe through my 26-inch waist, yet that time she has visited most of the so far as I am aware I am not "talked successful in disposing of her horses at reasonably good prices.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

this is done no further trimming or shear | volves an outlay of dollars, and fashion | a path it is.—Springfield Republican. ing of any kind is required to produce the evinces her usual lofty contempt for dense mass of vigorous green lower shoots pecuniary considerations when she dense mass of vigorous green lower shoots so desirable. In cutting back this leader it is best not to take it wholly out the first manipulation. One moment she com-

branch is tied-the lateral branch which is basque, today a tight fitting coat, to- In place of exact squares or elongated branch is tied—the lateral branch which is to take the place of the leading shoot findally.

In place of exact squares or elongated the place was at a restance of the leading shoot findally.

This lateral branch is tied—the place was at a restance of the leading shoot findally.

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This lateral branch is tied—the place of exact squares or elongated bits of pasteboard they have adopted a taurant where they charged sixteen dolars at the place was at a restance of the leading shoot findally. Poor Diana harkened to all my elegant

courage to confide in me that impecunilower side branches. An actual test with osity for the time being had marked her knife and string will explain more partie for its own, and it was an economical suggestion she was seeking. This of course involved a coat of another caliber, and we ultimately decided that her the shoulders, hanging in loose plaits, Leader. should be an overmantle of tan brown faced cloth, lined with plaid silk. This stories, so he is right in line when he tells style appealed to her so irresistibly that when Fortunatus is once again presiding over her purse she proposes to have an opera cloak made on the same lines.

The full sleeves and vest are to be of erty of idea for one woman to have two No epidemic of domestic discussion way, I am seriously considering whether

The Season of Sore Throats, The family physician mentioned in a cases of tonsilitis and sore throat on and motherhood, -Chicago Letter. advice "to be careful," and that this is sit in drafts," Although severe cases of of exposure to injurious sanitary conditions, a simple sore throat may yield to day or two. It is said that in some city hospitals almost the only gargle used for

sore throat is hot salt water. An excellent gargle is made of ham-mamelis, or witch hazel, glyceric and water, with the proportions of three teaspoonfuls of water, two of witch hazel and one of glycerin. A gargle of hot water is useful in allaying inflammation. For diphtheritic throats, flower of sulphur, dissolved in whisky and water, is often efficacious. There are other remedies which physicians use, but the simple home gargles may be so useful that safe. The milk may be heated over the gas on small heaters sold for the purpose, and if taken in small quantities once in two hours is more strengthening than

ure. -Boston Journal. A Bride Who Will Have Millions.

ectual face. She is a linguist, a mustan, something of an artist and student of the drama. She dresses with rare good taste. I saw her once in a banker's office in Paris, where she had come with a letter of credit. The bank clerk eyed her for a moment carefully, examd her letter of credit and then timidly inquired, "How will you have it?"
"In bills," was the quick response.

'How much do you want?" "But it's for \$5,000!" pay my French dressmakers and mil-

liners tomorrow, before I return to The clerk almost had a fit, but he she swept out of the office.

Some day she will be worth a good

"It makes me tired to hear so much about higher wages for men and to see as they received twenty-five years ago," said an Alleghany housekeeper the other day. "Nearly every trade in which men have control and are employed has seen war. With women it is different. Twenty years ago a woman who came to my ne work today. As far as I know, the Bible on Sunday.—Exchange. scale of wages for women in the lines which they monopolize is exactly what

"I don't complain, because I am an exactly the same in 1890 in certain lines of work. But if this is so doesn't it seem advanced in the same time, and advanced as much as 100, and even 200 and horses and about 1,500 cattle. The horses | 300 per cent, in some cases? I know that have none of the mustang, broncho or all men's wages have not grown in this cayuse blood in them. They are bred way, but there are enough to make a pretty strong contrast. I fell to thinking of it when my husband was talking to me the other day about the comparative value of men's and women's work, and perhaps some profounder student of economics can give me an explanation of the phenomenon."-Pittsburg Dispatch,

We need not jump to extremes. Minjudge from the horses Miss Wilkins has ervas do not spring forth full armored at the Southern stables here, the horses nowadays, not even from the heads of produced on this Idaho ranch must be the Joves, as witness the dentist who be mouned to me his stiff linen cuffs, which They stand chiefly between fifteen and hindered the free play of his muscles. sixteen hands three inches in height and Don't follow the fashions, and they will follow you. I always wear full gathered, are shown and sold in the rough, as not light weight skirts, and as surely as the seasons come round, sooner or later such skirts "are worn," and let I am the They vary very considerably in confashion. I wear comfortable blouse formation and outline, the heavier ones | waists in which I can breathe, and again

becomes the head of the corner, I can walk in my short skirts and western cities, where she has been very about," and never go into the papers unless I walk in. I venture to say none of you have ever seen me on the streets. have you? Yet I walk many a mile in have you? Yet I walk many a mile in the intense misery I endured for 20 years with dyspepsia. No prescriptions seemed to help me and I had great prejudices and on the yolves an outlay of dollars and fashion a path it is —Springfield Remphlican and I had great prejudices and I had great prej

and the stone that the builder rejected

Cards for Young Women. Young unmarried women no longer manipulation. One moment she com- use visiting cards of the same shape or mands a larger sleeve, another a longer size as those the matrons have engraved. were as easy to procure and handle as name in old English script, exactly in cloth, and as if scalskin were the most the center. This card is extremely pret room with a big revolver and a bowleknife ty, has a distinctive look, and is girlish, chic and simple. Older women preserve proposals of sable facings and sleeves the conventional size, but it is noted and brocaded linings before she had the that heavier strokes are employed in the

that heavier strokes are employed in the engraving than were formerly seen, the were placed on the table tops down in orold mode being readily distinguished by | der to keep out the auts. its faint hair lines. Card etiquette should be carefully studied by those who er, please bring me some meat.' The assume to live in the world, such seeming trivialities being the real foundation old jacket should form huge sleeves, a of ceremonious interceurse, and, if novtight vest and a pointed plastron down ices only knew it, saving a vast deal to the waist at the back, and that from of effort and explanation. -Pittsburg Francisco Argonant,

Chicago Women Who Registered. Chicago men manifested most sincere interest in the recent registration of the women, and encouraged the work in the chinks of the cabin and was growing every way. Husbands constituted themselves the political instructors of the black brocade, with pale colored flowers wives and insisted that the wives should he was frightened half to death.

"Stand back, Phil Kennington, you shall not harm a hair of her head," were my first lines," said the comedian, "to which the villain replies, Who and what is this women to the places of registration, and to you?" I lost track of what I was do be a narrow trimming of natural to be a narrow trimmin tinted emu feathers. This ought to be in a carriage because she was unable to

garments fashioned in exactly the same seems to have swept over the city be One-half of my mustache came off, and I was obliged to finish the act with a goatee was obliged to finish the act with a goatee to adopt the notion for myself and save rogative under the election laws. Dinners cause the women have been devoting have been as well cooked and served, babies nursed with the same solicitude, its inky hue entirely to soot. The explanaand even the shopping district reports no great financial disasters, now that the women have added the rights of the cithurried way that he had 'a good many izen to those of womanhood, wifehood

Curls Are Expensive.

The number of women affecting short early hair on Broadway during the past tonsilitis are looked upon by many physicason may or may not have attracted salary of \$14 a week I was compelled to pay him \$4 a week during his illness or take sicians as evidences of a run down condition of the chances of going to jail."—New York tion of the system and perhaps the result crowd certainly attracted money to the particular attention, but the carly haired pockets of the hairdresser. There are many ladies whose professional occupahome treatment if the gardes are ac- tion requires short bair, and it is desira companied by rest and careful diet for a | ble to make what they have as attractive as possible. A clever young soubrette tells me that her pretty curls cost her the next night be is around again for four or five dollars a work. A good hair "carbolic acid."—New York Herald. dresser gets seventy-five cents for a complete job. Sometimes he must perform the operation at the residence of his customer, and in that case it comes still

> have to be treated professionally but walk in his sleep all night without being once or twice a week. But a good many in danger of tumbling down a well or off a curly heads straighten out over night roof, -Exchange. and must go through artistic hands it will not be found necessary to sum every day their owners desire to appear mon a physician. In cases of sore throat on Broadway. It costs money to be a the back of his coat, there would be a say. the taking of milk in large quantities is pretty woman, and if the particular ing of millions of dollars. The fact is recommended. A milk diet is always pretty woman happens to run to short that the fashion of putting on those two curly hair and the cream she is doubly useless buttons gives employment to many expensive.-New York Herald.

taken at longer intervals in larger meas-Some rather pronounced French color combinations are noticed among new places and played queer pranks with hutoilets prepared for weddings and other manity. Novadays the small boys play ceremonial occasions. Many of these the pranks. Miss Harriet Pullman, daughter of have an extremely stylish and elegant Idaho has a river whose source is a mysthe palace car builder, who is to be mar-ried in the spring, is as well known in the dressmaker in discovering the par-volume and at one point is see feet deep New York, Paris and London as she is ticular shades of contrasting color that Where all the water comes from is so in Chicago, for she divides her time be- can be combined to bring out successful thing no one can tell. tween the three cities. In appearance results. Among the superlatively eleshe is tall, superbly formed, a typical American girl, independent, dashing, straight and strong. She is not exactly beautiful, but she has rather an intel-

of gold passementerie in Venetian point patterns, dotted with mock gems; ball fresses of ruby velvet, frilled with pale pink embroidered chiffon, and Havani velvet, with sleeves and chemisette, a la Veronese, made of red, Roman blue and zold brocade, -L'Art de la Mode,

ed Male Attire for a Worthy Purpose An Italian joined a gang of railway workers in Pennsylvania last summe and soon discovered that among then was the daughter of an old neighbor of "I know it. I need it all. I have to his in Italy. She explained that she could earn more in such employment than as a domestic and had therefore adopted masculine attire. She said he great desire was to earn enough to bring handed the young lady the money, and her parents to America, and that she had saved about sufficient for the pur pose. She then went to the contractor many millions. Her husband that is to be is wealthy too. Her wedding will be work if he objected to her on account frank and pleasing in address. And it a great event. Her sister Florence is of her wearing man's attire or on any may be said just here that Miss Wilkins said to be engaged to be married to a other account. He told her to keep on newspaper writer of this city.—Foster | She is twenty-two years of age. She Coates in New York Mail and Express. | lives alone in a cabin.—Housekeeper.

Dr. Helen Druskovitch, the first wom an in Austria to follow a course of women getting paid precisely the same | philosophical study at the university, has fallen a victim to insanity from overwork, and has been removed to an asylum. She is a woman of but thirtyfour now, but she has taken her degree stock and sell them out in lots of one, a gradual but great increase since the at Zurich and written many books of opposers of woman's higher education! talker, Miss Wilkins has a thorough house for a day's work got a dollar— How they will smack their lips over it knowledge of her business. There are that's what she gets today. Twenty years and forget how large a proportion of inquicker eye to detect unsoundness, a I pan my cook turee donars a week; sane patients are wives who never have blemish or a faulty conformation, and same work today. As far as I know, the Bible on Sunday — Exchange

A charming material out of which to make evening dresses for home wear is what is called canton crepe. Although employer. Perhaps it is just; perhaps of cotton it has quite the wrinkled effect women were worth so much in 1860 and of crepe de chine, and it comes in such delicious colors that one cannot but rejoice that it is only fifteen cents a yardranches in Idaho. They had left on the singular that men's wages should all have which makes a gown of it no extrava-

A silk petticoat shakes the dust and is light to travel in. Comfortable shoes, not too new, chamois or Biarritz gloves of vellow or tan, a straw toque or felt sailor or English walking hat simply trimmed with wings and satin ribbons are other adjuncts to the costume for traveling.

An American woman, now in England, who met Nellie Grant recently says of her: "She has changed very little since I saw her a girl in the White She has the same Frenchy, piquant beauty, always affable and pleasant to every one."

It is considered very bad fortune for a bride to make her own wedding cake or to have anything to do with it, and strange as it may seem it has been obmarriages that the bride had stirred the wedding cake.

They looked so natural that a horse, near which she was standing, ate the hat, trimmings and all. A scheme to found a women's press club in London has been found imprac-

A lady in Santa Cruz, Cal., had on a

ticable. From its ashes, however, a proposed writing women's club seems to stand a good chance to succeed.

stick of wax, a tiny lamp and a mucilage

One Way of Sewing.

John H. Curtis, of Butte, Mon., tells this feel better than I have in twenty years, and tory of the early days in that city: "The buckled around him. In one hand he car ried a coffeepot and in the other a teapot When he reached the door he shouted 'Cups up!' meaning those who wanted tea

"One chap, a new man, called out, 'Wait waiter put down his coffee and tea, and, hauling out his revolver, shouted, What infernal idiot's callin for somethin out'n his turn?' A tragedy was averted by the new man jumping out of a window."-Sar

Honeysuckle Superstition.

One of the popular superstitions of the negro of antebellum days was that if a Inside, as it often did, it was a sure indic tion that they had not led upright lives 'W'y, bress your soul, mis,' Eve gabe to Adam. Go way, honeysuck'!

-American Notes and Queries.

On Nov. 9, 1819, the city of Montreal was suddenly enveloped in darkness and rain as black as ink began to fall. So liquid collected and forwarded to New tion of it was that there had previously been immense forest fires south of the Ohio river, the season being remarkably dry, and the sooty particles from the con-

flagration had been conveyed by strong winds northward, so as to mingle with the rain when it fell.-Washington Star. Wants Carbolic Acid Every Time. Of all the cranks that infest this city one of the oddest is a little old man who stops every night or two at the door of the Chambers Street hospital. If no attendant is on the spot to warn him off he enters and timidly says to whoever is at the desk Please give me some carbolic acid. "Get out!" is the usual salutation he re receives, and if he doesn't move quickly he

A Dundee (N. Y.) man, who is addicted to somnambalism, has constructed an in genious contrivance for his own safety when experiencing it. He has placed a There are curls that have a natural treadmill beside his best where he will step tendency to remain curled, and these on it the minute he gets up. He can then

> It has been estimated that if every man workmen.

Authorities of a century or two ago say that at Halloween the pixies, the sprites and the witches emerged from their hiding

MY PICTURES.

"Exquisite!" I'm glad that you like them, "The wonderful artist!" Unknown-

Or, at least, not given due credit
For all that we often see done.
There's a delicate toning in this one,
Those sorrel and grass tints are fine.
Where the meadows sweep up on the hillside
In that waving wind tossed line.

"The Homestead!" Yes, that hit is priceless "The Homestead!" Yes, that bit is priceles
How the hellyhocks seem to sway
From its rioting wealth of a garden
In the breeze of a childhood's day!
And the warm, glad i into of the sunshine
Seem to light up its time worn gray,
And illumine the winding path that leads
To the well sweep over the way.

"Inspiring, indeed?" See the mountains Like priests in the distance shind As bearing our highest thoughts with them, As searing our injused thoughts with them,
They enter some unisen shrine.
"My collection would challenge the critics"—
Ah, where is the critic so rash?
My pictures are all above consure,
They are framed by a window mash.
—Edith Perry-Estes in Youth's Companion.

The responsibility of the warship's cap-tain is greater now than ever. On his judgment and experience depend the safety of his craft and the lives of the crew, and one mistaken move on his part may cause the destruction of the vessel and give the victory to the enemy. His post is one of great danger, although protected by the heavy walls of the couning tower, from whence he directs the course of the combat, it is exposed, from its very position and calm and determined indeed must be at Zurich and written many books of the courage of the man who in such a hell note. What a delicious tidbit for the of fire and devastation can coolly watch the foe and communicate his commands to his subordinates at the guns or in the bowels of the ship.

A touch of the button of one of the row

degraph his orders to the engine room, while with word or gesture he directs the course of the ship, and the steam steering wheel revolves to port or starboard in the In the wild storm of battle, here in the conning tower the mind that governs all has its place; and for weal or woe, for life or death, for victory or defeat, the thought that flashes over the wires, even to the uttermost parts of the vessel, is born here where lie the brains of the ship.—Harper's

I wonder how many people there are who are aware of the strange fact that the tate King Alfonso of Spain, who died six years ago, is still unburied and awaiting his final interment in the tomb which has been prepared for his corpse, clothed only in a thin linen garment. The dead king lies on a slab of rock near a running spring of water in a cavern in the side of the mountain on the slope of which the grand old Escurial is built. There he will remain until his body has attained all the peculiar properties of a mummy, and then only will the ghastly object be placed in its niche in that marvelous jasper vault under the great dome of the Escurial church, where only the remains of Spanish kings and of the mothers of kings are allowed to lie. Some bodies, notably that of Queen Isa-

bella's father, remained on the rock table for twenty and tweaty-five years before they were in fit condition to be transferred cavern is the "Podrido," a name which is nice new bonnet, the trimmings of also misapplied to the vaults containing which were outs and clover blossoms. the bodies of the infants and the infants. -New York Recorder.

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