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EMMA LAZARUS

When on thy bed of pain thou layest iow.

Daily we saw thy body fade away.

Nor could the love wherewith we loved thee

But as the mortal sank with what white glow Flamed thy eternal spirit, night and day— Untouched, unwasted, though the crumblin

clay Lay wrecked and ruined! Ah, is it not so, Pear poet comrade, who from sight hast got s it not so that spirit hath a life Death may not conquer? But, O dauntless or Still must we sorrow. Heavy is the strife And thou not with us—thou of the old race That with Jehovah parleyed, face to face.

—Richard Watson Gilder

How Designing Started.

Every person connected with the cloth trade thought that after the new material, tweed, had had a "run" for a time it would go out of use, but after the taste was well satiated with black and white checks in four or five different sizes, a trifling but a most important bearing upon the trade, as it stimulated the invention or "designing" of new patterns, an art at that time unknown. It happened that one of the manufacturers had made a quantity of checks into brown and black.

upon these "new styles" being sent to the phrase is, we have the most stable gov London they not only sold rapidly, but ernment on earth.—Charles Dudley War large orders flowed in for more in all the different sizes of checks. To this lucky circumstance I entirely attribute the be-ginning of that important branch, "designpatterns, which has proved the very backbone and salvation of the tweed in the "Notes and Queries" column of his trade. For it does not require me at this period to tell the veriest tyro in the trade that without a constant sucdown in a few years .- Border Advertiser

Miss Nellie proceeded to make a great "What an infamous story! Who had dared-well," she continued,

then, down below the bend, relented. "I will tell you, Miss Nellie, if you in return will-will"-

"Will what?" she said, pretending ob-"Will let me find out for myself," Ten minutes later we were gliding back

up the lake, skating slower now. The pout on Nellie's lips was replaced by a dancing "But, see here," she said, "you haven't

told me yet, you haven't kept your word, though - I've - kept - mine" - (furious

blushes here).
"Well," said I, playing my last trump card, "nobody ever said such a thing to me; but now I say it to you, and I know

Men with Artificial Limbs. Did it occur to you that in the big pro cession of veterans of the Grant unveiling ceremonies there were very few who had artificial arms or legs? I noticed it particularly, for it is a part of my business to watch these gatherings of old soldiers. sent out three of my best men on the day alluded to with instructions to give every man with an artificial leg or arm one of our circulars. The report which they brought back astonished me. Nearly all of the circulars were returned unused. I have noticed the same thing in a majority

of gatherings of this character, It is strange but true that of all the men who fought in the awful conflict few lost their arms or legs. Many were wounded in those limbs, but as compared with the great number that were shot few lost a leg or an arm. My business shows that there are more artificial legs than arms. There are many men who have artificial legs who reable to conceal the fact, but I do not now of a man with an artificial arm who has ever fooled anybody with it. One reason of course is that we have not reached the same perfection in making artificial arms as in legs.—Interview in Chicago Tribune.

An idea which hardly commends itself to the best taste, but which, however, is sanc tioned by indisputable authority—the Eng-lish—is that which curtains the back of a piano, when the exigencies of furnishing require that the instrument shall stand with its back to the room. A narrow brass rod is fitted across the top and from this depends a full curtain of whatever pleases the owner's taste or seems to acc the rest of the room-plain, dull cloths or a brocade, or even cretonne, though this latter surely cannot be recommended.— New York Times.

The echo at the Eagle's Nest on the banks of the Killarney is renowned for its repetition of a bugle call, which seems to be repeated by a bundred instruments, until it gradually dies away in the air.
At the report of a cannon the londest
thunders reverberate from the rock and
die in seemingly endless peals along the
distant mountains.—Brooklyn Eagle.

"A very little salt, not too much vinegar, ater," says Abbe Kueipp, "will make you ve 100 years, and then you will die happy, or death alone cannot be cured."

A Defect In Education. By way of illustration of the need of in struction in the fundamental conception of what our government is, take the propo that is put about in newspapers and appears in popular conventions to elect sena-tors of the United States by popular vote in each state. What difference, it is asked, does it make whether the senators representing the state are chosen by popular vote or by the legislature? The question shows a profound misconception of the funda-mental nature of our system, upon the maintenance of which depends the perpetu-

ky of the republic. The framers of the constitution provided for two sorts of representation in congress a popular representation of the people of the several states in the lower house and a representation of the states themselves as ntitles, as real living bodies in the senate They secured these by providing that repre sentatives should be elected by popular vote, and senators by the vote of the legis-

latures of the states.

The constitution was not adopted by poplucky circumstance took place which had ular vote, but by the vote of the states, a most important hearing upon the trade. islatures. The state acts through its legilature and its executive, and not by popular movement directly. It needs no argument to show that to change the constituthese checks, but the whites were so im- tion in regard to the election of senators is pure and dirty looking, from being mixed to change fundamentally the character of our government, and also to remove one of and the happy idea struck some one that if the safeguards against impulsive movethe pieces were dipped in a brown dye it ments to which our stability, in a century would cover the gray hairs and convert of revolutions elsewhere, has been largel due. So long as we can keep the machine This was managed so successfully that with its original checks and balances, a ner in Harper's.

I once asked this question of a well known editor, expecting a logical answer paper. Query, "Is it a fact that one can see stars in broad daylight if he descends ession of new into a well or deep mining shaft 100 feet business would even now go deep or more, and then looks out at the opening above." In due time the answer came as follows: "Stars can be seen in the "A pretty compliment I heard for you shaft. The long dark tube shuts out all in a stride upon me. I took him by the started down the lake, skating the long to the cyc, accustomed wrist and, pulling feverishly at his accustomed." started down the lake, skating the long to the gloom, sees stars which would be in-roll. Miss Nellie's color heightened, while distinguishable by broad daylight." That her eyes danced. "A certain gentleman told me, Miss Nel-lie, that yours were the sweetest lips he had ever kissed."

answer never satisfied my curiosity, and I am not sure but that I wrote the editor again in regard to the matter.

I have two reasons for being dissatisfied with the answer as it stands-our old Who "Philosophies" taught us that the reason inted, we cannot see stars in daytime is because pouting, "I will never forgive you unless the rays of the sun are so strong or poweryou tell me at once the man's name who had the impndence"—

I refused while we skated a mile, and should the simple act of lowering one's self into a well lessen the power of smalight, strengthen the power of starlight or make human vision more penetrative? Secondly, the writer of this is an amateur geologic has been in mining shafts on hundreds of occasions, in those varying in depth from 30 to 700 feet, and has never yet seen a star

upon looking out upon the vanited canopy above, unless it was startime. This "seeing stars in daytime" is a favor-ite with would be smart Alecs, but I want to register my opinion that no man ever saw a star upon looking out of a well or shaft unless he chose nighttime for making his observations.—St. Louis Republic.

Four very brilliant crooks adopted a scheme by which they might get exceedingly rich. The game, when successfully played, ran as follows: Along some counry road leading through a fairly prosper ous district a well dressed gentleman would drive. At every well to do looking farmhouse he would stop for a drink, en ter into conversation telling of anxiety to buy land for agricultural purposes and finally in a roundabout manner wind up by either giving or selling for almost noth-ing a 2-pound box of really superb fine cut chewing and smoking tobacco. Then he left. Several weeks later the second of the quartette happens to be going the same route. He, however, is selling fruit treesthe captions agent of some plant nursery. In his desire to sell he visits the identical

farmhouses and spends an bour or so in argument. To curry favor he winds up by buying a pound of the farmer's most ex-cellent tobacco at an exorbitant rate. A week later came a government officer in blue—a striking looking government detective. He has found out that this farm-

er is selling tobacco without a license and holds as a proof the identical tobacco. Letters with great scals and red tape, and much correspondence ensues. All the delinquent farmers are gathered together and a money compromise accepted instead of the much feared government prosecution and peni-tentiary. The scheme always worked except the last time, when the crooks were shadowed and arrested. They were found to be men with fine homes and exceedingly

The basement of the Mormon temple is divided into several apartments, the larger one being 57 by 35 feet, containing a bap-tismal font. The floor is tiled with marble, polished to the highest degree of perfection, while the ceiling is of a sky blue tint. The font is of bronze, and like that in the templeat Jerusalem rests on the backs of 12 oxen, also of bronze, which stand with their faces to the east, west, north and south, Grand and impressive as this apartment is it is mediocre when compared with some of those on the upper floors. One in particular

is deserving of special mention.

Resplendent in blue and gold is this nagie chamber, while the floor is of blocks of wood not more than an inch square, brought from all portions of the world-by the missionaries sent out by the church Another apartment adjoining is still more Scarcely is there a canning establishment at this moment in France that does not, among other allimentary products, preserve the truffle. It has become as indispensable to the dinner table of the noblesse as the aromatic sprig of garlie to the frugal renamed to the fine story, delicate in tint, and in such profusion that the sight would drive a dealer in this product insane with envy. beautiful. White and gold are used, and To be permitted to look upon the mag-nificent work for an hour is said to be worth

a year of one's life and a trip across the world. - C. M. Jackson in Harper's Weekly

Among inventions we notice that elecricity is now in use for heating flatirons
and by tallors, and its employment in
herapeutics is constantly on the increase.

Among inventions we notice that elecexhibition of 1882, the volume being so
tiny that it measured less than half an inch
square. It comprised 14,328 verses and was
contained in 500 pages.

of my kinawoman, I take upon myself to
order this ceremony upon pour behalf.\*

He had scarce ceased ere I had flung upon
him; but at that very second the life surged
in my love once more, and with an inar-

Sick of the scent of the reeds, Of the scent of the cool marsh mud; Sick of the sight of the bending bays And the scent of each long white bud.

So sick of your lover's moods, My heart was full of wild, new lights As the woods at night on fire.

Oh, I hated the dreadful life. ut to me hate made it sin.

Oh, I hate the thought of the bending bays. And the reeds in the cool, marsh mud; For every thought seems a bird whose

Are wet with its own life blo

THE HOUSE OF DISHONOR

The wind was a rooring tenant of the olate chambers and scurried through the house, filling the long, bleak corridors with the sound of its furious passage. Out and aloft it screamed most melancholy in the pines, and flew around the corners and gables in claps of the veriest passion. The thousand evil powers mocking at me in lim lantern, watching her fair, frail body slipping quietly into the arms of death.

Anon her soul would flicker to her eyes; the lips would tremble, the lids would rise, and the slow, unmeaning gaze rest for an instant upon my face of dread. And then again the lashes would fail, and life, impotent and weary, would drop and vanish from the beautiful clay.

As God is above I swear in those mo-ments I had no terror for my grievous sin, As we had loved so also had we lived— may he hold those few poor months sacred upon his scroll! No distant thought of that vain weakling whom men call my wife came to me over sea. I had put her rom my mind long since with the great sin that was my happiness. In that hour but one hope held me, but one fear.

Without, the long drive ran upward through the ragged woods toward the hills, and by that avenue must come the clattering boofs to bring me help against this death that shricked about the house and wandered whining through the empty ooms. Between that silent couch and the are, shining road my glances strayed, and ever on my beart fear laid his chilly ingers, tightening his hold and straining as though 'twere I, not she, that drev pearer to the end. And in truth not she, but I, was wrestling with this specter. eard him crying in the night, I watched him on his rounds, between him and the lying, I, the living, stood defiant and alalone that night within the darkness, and, swollen to a monstrons horror, fear loomed eside me, and all past delight, all future evil laughed me to derision in his presence. Apart sat my one remaining servitor, a faithful guardian at the door, squat like a dog, immediate to the slightest call, should any call sound here save that of death above the burly burly of the night. I could not eatch her breathing; she sened her eyes in a smile, and the white room. I bent to her, shuddering-there was some whisper on those wavering lips,

but the wind was gibbering like a devil at "To steal the last whisper," I cried; "that were worthy God!" and hid my face pon the couch. It was at this instant there fell a sudden hush, and through the distant doorway he entered swiftly with the sudden clank of

spurred feet. Turning, I beheld him white nd furious against the light. "You have an amiable turn for withdrawai," said he, "but 'twill not serve you long. Put a hound to the scent," he cried, "and in the end 'twill lick his chops in

"Man"- I eried; but flercer than my flerce voice he flung between me and my "Coward!" he cried, his jaw fixing upon

esought him with my eyes. "Man"—said I, and the voice choked in my throat so that I could but point a shiv ering finger to the couch and that white illy drawing unto death.
"What is this?" said he, and stared upon

"The plague," I muttered; but my words

e low, and I seemed to speak it to my I could mark each line that time bad turned upon his cheeks, and I thought that his black eyes grew blacker, and a slow smile wrinkled about the moving lips. He said no word, but walking to the bed pecred down upon his sister where she lay consciousness, as it were, with her heaving with that plaintive look of suffering that this were so I know not surely, for at that hair restorative, were treated to an originoment the gravel rang without with a hair dissertation on the plot of "Julius clash of boofs, and, exultant at the sound. I sprang toward the door. Then there broke in my old and faithful servitor, and the wind flapped down upon us from the sky. I heard his voice calling through

the noise, his thin hands gesticulating in taken the air, and at his words I stood struck paed: dumb and cold.
"No help!" he cried, "no help! Nought will avail now. The plague has ta'en the servant from his errand," he moaned; "the

plague! the plague!"

And looking through the long windows, I could espy in the white night a great horse streaming from the nostrils, and a limp figure sprawling from the stirrup, "The plague devours us," I screamed.

"Man," I said, "ride as from hell. and God will be with you upon this errand

"Ride!" I cried.

He shook me off and laughed.
"Sir," said he, "you have mistaken. I am no serf or boudman of yours, but the mere brother of this pitiful creature who is like to redeem somewhat of our honor within this night."

At these monstrous words I fell back, staring at his white and smiling face. "Why," said he lightly, "you will per-ceive the situation. These six months I doubt not. It is a sure way out of a mighty

unpleasant case."
He stood twiddling his thumbs and smiling at me. "What field are you that should be

brother," I cried, finding voice at last "This is an ill time for a jest. Ride, ride!" I screamed, "for the devil is behind you." "I regret," said be, "to find you at a loss

for reason. You have no eye for logic at this moment, but it is obvious that your vision will be clearer by and by. You have a pleasant home," said he, giancing through the window, "but a trifle noisy on a windy night, and lonely in the time of plagues. "God who made you," said I, "judge you for this!

"I am the brother of this thing," said be jerking his finger at the couch, "that soon shall be a corpse. With that she will have passed beyond the dishonor of our honor-able house. And yet," he continued as though he would beg me a favor, "though the be no wife of yours, I have hopes you will conduct her obsequies in the decorou fushion of your race. It is said you toll the death bell in these hours of dissolution. Though the plague have rid you of your domestics, I perceive a serviceable veteran here, whom doubtless you will instruct in

his proper behavior." He paused as though for an answer, but I, speechless with horror and a growing

"No doubt it were distasteful in your eyes to treat your mistress as your wife. And yet you will pardon me if, out A complete translation of Dante's "Di-vine Comedy" was exhibited at the Paris of my kluswoman, I take upon myself to

her. Her breath went soft upon my cheel her bosom palpitated and was still. Spring ing from the room I rushed out of th use and leaped upon the panting horse before the door, and, loosened by my leap the plague stricken, dusty body slipper rom the stirrup and rolled full into th onlight upon the gravel. I dashed my hands at the reins, spurred at the reeking beast, and in a frenzy faced the night have headed, clattering for the cliffs. The horse,

The fire was gone from its palsied limts life was spent; its forelegs splayed an taggered on the hard chalk, and stumblin om point to point we rolled togeth brough the night. The winds now flex rom all quarters upon us, and stung my light so keenly that the lids fell with the med to rise up and take the beast below From the front they sprang at him, chiand gusty, choking the steaming breath back into his gaping throat. While eve from the black hills they dashed upon u both as though to swirl us in their con

erworn with the hard riding of its dea

aster, and smitten, maybe, with son

hing of the panic of that fearful country ide, shivered and trembled on its way.

pany over the sheer citifs, where the white sea ran shouting upon the walls below. In this helpless fashion I had gone but a mile or so, and was come to where the mountain closes on the sea and leaves but a ribbon of pathway, when I was aware o a rider thundering in my rear. So swift was his speed that I had but turned uneasily in my saddle ere he had swept by me; his pallid face gleamed for an instanin a set and cruel stare, and then he wa past the corner in the distant gloom.
"Ride! ride!" I called; and my weak

eed, struggling with the wind, followed behind him into the narrow pass. Th great circle of the moon hung upon the sheer heights, and the silver streak of foot way ran white along the cliff verge. I had imagined him a penitent assured that some grievous exhibition of his sister's plight had at last made a call upon his humanity, and that he was thus tardily upon mine own errand. But as I entered on the passage I perceived him standing there in the moonlight, his face turned full upon me, his horse at hand oblique across the pathway. As I rode up he raise an arm and checked me.

"Upon second thoughts," he said, "l annot perceive that the performance of er manifest duty acquits me of mine own. You will dismount. I gazed at him in stupefaction across the

apor from my borse's nostrila. "Come, you are dull, you are dull," he went on impatiently. "You must know he consideration proper to her blood. Be one with your wonder and dismount. I mighty-of my love I braved him there have given the matter thought, and be eve me, it is the one thing possible It was then for the first time I took his eaving and the full significance of his ideous purpose flashed upon me. Passion "Out of my way!" I whispered hoursely

"Descend," he said; "or shall I break his creature under you? You make an ncommon fuss." He took a pistel from is belt. "Into the case of this," said he, I have put my honor. Come."

I ground my teeth and clinched my hand

ove my head, "Out of my way, devil?" I cried, pushing he horse's nose upon him. He put it aside. 'Nay," said he, easily, "you may per

aps ride on hereafter if you have the occasion left you. By my soul, we must settle on this spot, if I should pull you from the saddle. Your mistress shall find a fitting burial, I promise you, in the tail of the morrow. Dismount, my craven."

The madness rushed upon me in a flood, nd I bent low upon my horse's neck. "Out of my way!" I yelled. He laughed. I struck my nails deep in the flanks, and

ith a start the beast leaped forward upon the white face in the path. His horse be hind him swerved and pulled, backing upon the cliff.

I saw the forefront of my horse tpoise in the air a moment, and then with a plunge he flung himself free unon the empty path; while with a sharp neigh of terror that other creature rolled in a tangle with the white, set face, slipped o'er the verge and fell from peak to peak down the great precipice below. And at that instant the shrill wind cam-

erying around the pillars of the hills, and I could hear, far off and desolately still the sound of a duli bell booming through the night,-H. B. Marriott Watson in Na

Those who attended the first performance of the "Alabama" at the Academy o. Music, and who were fortunate enough to secure seats in the proximity of the row set aside by the writers of the funny column for the owners of heads in need of Casar" by two gentlemen of the "gent

One of them asked the other if he had ever seen any of Shakespeare's plays whereupon the following conversation

First Gent-Aw, nawl Der fellah what wrote "Julius Cassar," "Richard de Third," de "Two Orphans" and dem shows. Didn't yer never see none of dem?

Second Gent-Naw! I don't like dem sad First Gent-Well, I tell yer. I'm dead stuck on "Julius Cæsar." It's a great show. Yer see, it's just like dis: Like you and me was always running together and me, I was Julius Cæsar, and you, you was Brutus, and like I was all der time treat ng yer to der beer and giving yer eigurall de stuff yer wanted and played me fer socker yer gives me de shake and jabs yer knife in me. Sec! Well, dat's de way Brutus done Julius Casar.

Second Gent-Weil, I say dat wasn't no First Gent-Naw, it wasn't no square deal, dat's what I tell yer. But, see, Julius Caesar's son wot dey call Mark An tony, he gits on to de market and he makes a speech an de people dey gets so mad dey

have been minded to dissolve this pretty runs Brutus clean out of de town and he compact, and but that you hid yourself so kilt hisself. Oh, I tell yer, "Richard de have been minded to dissolve this so kilt hisself. Oh, I tell yer, "Remard of compact, and but that you hid yourself so kilt hisself. Oh, I tell yer, "Remard of deftly those hands had surely done it. But Third" and "Julius Casar" are two boss shows fer me.—New Orleans Times-Demo-

Greek Methods of Voting.

In electing officers the Greeks voted by show of hands. Often officers were appointed by lot. White and black beans derstood to be hongry for office received the suggestive name of beancaters. The iden here was that every citizen was good enough to hold office, and this was the most impartial way of dividing the spoils. They never used a secret ballot for candidates in the modern fashion, but only to vote against them.

If party spirit was running high, and the power of a lass was growing dangerous, a vote of exile was ordered. Each citizen wrote a name on an oyster shell or a piece of broken crockery and put this vote seeretly into the box. Any boss against of speech that we still have on this big whom there was a sufficient majority must continent and pray that the time will be

This peculiar institution, called estra-cism, is really the nearest approach the Greeks made to a modern ballot system. Ostracism went out of use because on a certain important occasion the thunder-bolt failed to hit either of the prominent leaders, but struck a comparatively ob-

been suggested, however, that the great bosses made a deal by which they were to let each other alone and give all the votes to a troublesome third party man. This result was so unsatisfactory to the people trable than that ostracism was given up.—New York

Lancaster, Pa., to the man who made the nearest guess to the time a candle would burn. The winner guessed the time exact-ly, even to a second-six hours, twenty four

Why a Kentucky "Gal" Was at Work it I was traveling on horseback through Elliot county when, emerging from a long stretch of unbroken forest, I suddenly came upon a field of weeds and corn at the left of the road. Riding on a little distance served, sitting on the top rail of the bad y crippled fence, an old man. He had a ng beard, which would have been white ad not a constant bath of amber kept it ored a brownish yellow. His nose was ong and humped itself into a high, thin separating his small eyes that amed trying persistently to get together. He had an old white wool hat that rested its rear section on the occipital division of his cranium, while the right side of it sank own and took a rest on his fanlike ear. From numerous mouthlike rents in all de-partments of his old hat the bristly hair rotruded like the brushes of a sign painter. His heels rested on the third rail from the top, thus throwing his knees up to the neighborhood of his chest. On his knee rested his elbow and in his long, bony

palm hung his chin. Two bounds sat beneath him and gazed up at their lord and master with worshipful eyes.
"How do you do, old gentleman?" was my greeting, delivered in a tone of smiling

"Do jis about az I please this 'ere week. "Don't you do as you please all the ime?" I returned, laughing. "Not of the ole woman knows and I rayther jedge she do.

"Whereabouts do you live?" "On top o' this fence at the present writ-

"Part uv it iz. also a part o' the weeds."
"Who does the other part belong to?" "Thar's several other parts." "Well, who do they belong to?" "Mostly to the hogs-cain't keep the dad burn creeters ter wait fer their part till it's gathered.'

"I see a lady cutting up corn there." "No, ye don't." "Why, my eyes deceive me very much if don't see a lady cutting up corn. "Wal, yer eyes decebe ye, thin; thar's

cal over thar cuttin off cornstalks." Well, ha, ha! it's all the same.' "No 'tain't. A lady's er lady, a gal's gal, corn's corn, an cornstalks iz corn-

'What 'gal' is it, as you call her?"

"Don't know 'thout she's mine an "Who helps her cut? Do you?" "Sartinly, I hep by my influence. Sah, I keep braggine on her, tell her ef she keeps improvin she'll be sarched arter by all the most likely young fellers in the county that knows what a kind uv gals makes the best

it mighty strange that a young girl should be put to such hard work as that." "It do look a leetle strange, for most pect ter see er man like me, er true blu "Well, I don't think it the proper thing for a young girl to be at such work, I'm

"Wal, that may be, stranger, but see hur lookee how it iz. The gal must do it, 'cos t's this er way, stranger: The old woman' own at the house, both legs broke, un can't git out gist now ter cut it hersef."-James Noel Johnson in New York Epoch.

Electric Heating Mats. Mark Dewey has devised an apparatus to render electric heating effective and eco nomical in houses or cars or public build

ngs. Floor mats similar to those in gen eral use can be employed for the heater the only essential requirement being that the mats be provided with heat radiating conductors and connected to suitable sup ply conductors. These mats are perfectly safe and effective and require but a love tension current. They can be arranged se that 't is impossible to touch the conductor of the mat accidentally, but even if the The winds dropped from the heights in conductor in the mat is not protected spe shock by contact in any way with the mat, The large exposed radiating surface area of the mat heater will enable it to de velop and radiate a great amount of heat without becoming very hot; that is, not hot enough to burn wood, leather or rub per in contact with it, and thus the disad

vantages due to the fact that the heat is appendrated in a particular locality, as it he old system, is done away with, These mat heaters are especially adapted for heating rooms and halls in houses They may be made entirely of nickel or bronze and formed into a grating of orna nental design, which can rest upon the

iling or marble and have its upper surface level with the floor .- Pittsburg Dispatch. Red Rain Fell. In March, 1813, the people of Gerace, in Calabria, saw a terrific cloud advancing from the sea which gradually changed from a pale hue to a flery red, entirely shutting off the light of the sun. after the town was enveloped in darkness and the inhabitants rushed to the cathedral, supposing that the end of the world

was at hand.

Meanwhile the flery red cloud covered the whole heavens, and amid terrific peak of thunder, accompanied by vivid flashe of forked lightning, red rain fell in large drops, which were imagined by the excited populace to be drops of blood or fire. The strange shower continued to fall until vening, when the clouds dispersed.

Analyses made of the fluid showed that its coloring matter was a light dust of a marked earthy taste. Probably this dust was ejected by an active volcano, carried for a great distance by wind and precipi-tated with the rain.—Washington Star.

An Opinion on Marriage This is what a man says who has tried marriage for fifty years and ought to know something about it: "Marriage a failure! Those who say so are poor guides and poor observers. They forget that happiness means contentment, and contentment does not rush into the newspapers. Of course, there are unhappy marriages, but this only proves that unfortunate couples have made mistakes. They are to blame, not the institution. I have been married half a century, and marriage has been my salvation. My wife is the best friend I ever had. My advice to men and women is, 'Get married.' It is the only natural state. All nature hunts in couples, and nature is a far better teacher than a corrupt and sel fish faction of society." And the man who paid this tribute to womanhood not long before his wife's death was the no-blest Roman of them all-Allen G. Thurman.-Exchange.

The Value of Local Expression Let us not say too much against local pe-culiarities of expression or idioms in embryo. They are the life of the language If it had not been for the facility of the English in taking up and giving the authority of usage to these old phrases, many of which are illogical, incorrect, intrinsic ally ridiculous, we should have a dead, formal speech like the Spanish, or a pretty and graceful but fatally unelastic tongue like the French. It is not desirable that all Angle-Saxon nations should speak English exactly alike or that New England should talk just like South Dakota. Let us thank heaven for the pleasing diversity long in coming when schoolmasters shall have succeeded in running us all into one unlovely mold!—Boston Transcript.

A large quantity of amber, particularity the coarser kind, is exported to China, where it is used in the form of powder in cense. It is used also in the manufacture of varnishes for carriages, builders and photographers. The kind used for carriages is expensive, and it takes a long time to dry, but it is harder and more impene-trable than any varnish known.-Philadel-

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"Indeed? Did he jilt her?" "No, he married her." - New York

A stanch old Baptist wanted to illustrate the three sects, Methodists, Episcopalians and Hardshell Baptists. So he took a chestnut into the pulpit one day, and hold-

ing it up to the congregation, began:
"My friends, you see this chestnut; well, this outer burr here is like the Methodists, soft and spongy, with no strength into it. See, I even mash it with my fingers," and suiting the action to the word, he sloughed it off and disclosed the inner nut, and said: "This inner nut is like the Episcopalians smooth and dry and velvety, with no sub "But the kurnul, the kurnul, my Chris-

tian friends, is like our good old primitive, Hardshell Baptist faith—full of fatness and sweetness.

He then proceeded to give his hearers an ocular demonstration of his illustration by crunching the chestnut between his teeth, and at the same time blowing the moldy meat all over the pulpit and exclaiming, to the astonishment of every body:
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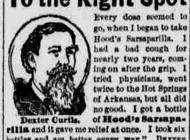
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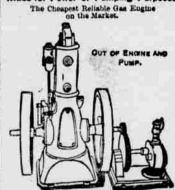
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