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M.B. Rieing Prof. Chemistry, University of California, and State Analyst.

W. J. Frenzeck Prof. Chemistry, College Pharmacy of the University of California.

they were broiling.

I let them do so.

Fighting In the Transvanl.

fight it out, or you will have no peace."

All other baking powders contain either alum or ammonia.

A Wealthy Vagrant.

A ragged and dirty vagrant who gave the name of John Walsh, 44 Heyward street, Brooklyn, was arrested the other day by Policeman McGowan at the corner of Fulton and Cumberland streets in that city. He was charged with loung-

ing and vagrancy. When the sergeant took stock of the contents of the man's pockets, he nearly fainted with astonishment. First a roll of bills amounting to \$30 was found, then an Emigrant Savings bank book showing deposits of \$2,200 turned up, and lastly the officer took from an inside pocket a book issued by the Provident Savings bank of Jersey City, which gave John Walsh credit for having \$1,000 in the bank's keeping. Then the man himself produced from another pocket a certificate of deposit in an English bank which added \$2,000 to his assets.

In the Butler street court the wealthy vagrant was fined \$3, which he paid with some reluctance from the roll of bills was fastened on the outside. found upon him.-New York Adver-

A Veteran's Call on the President. "I am 90 years old and was here in the days of Webster and Calhoun. I simply called to see the president and

pay my respects." This was the statement made to the doorkeeper at the White House recently by an old man whose hair was snow white, whose form was bent with age, but whose step was firm as that of any of the callers who climbed the stairway The venerable visitor was ex-Senator Bradbury of Maine. He was not readily recognized by the doorkeeper, so he was requested to wait out in the corridor until some of the senators and representatives who thronged the cabinet room had been disposed of by the president. The mistake was afterward corseat in the cabinet room. He made himself known to ex-Representative Dunnell of Minnesota, who in turn introduced him to several congressmen, who lis-tened interestedly to his recollections of congressional life many years ago.— Washington Letter.

The British Growing Thriffy. Is the spending power of the British peo ple diminishing, or are we, as a nation, learning the painful lesson of thrift in little things? It is a remarkable fact in connection with the holiday season that at a large place of London entertainment the receipts in the refreshment department on Easter Monday were lower than in previous years by about 20 per cent. The meanor of the visitors to this establishment left nothing to be desired. They were orderly, sober and in every way well behaved. Yet, for some reason of other, they or their families did not appear to stand in as much need of solid and liquid nourishment as in times gone by. This falling off, it may be remarked, was not only or chiefly in alcoholic drinks. It extended with equal severity to the nonintoxicating cup of tea and the harmless, necessary sandwich.-London Telegraph.

Every member of President Cleveland's cabinet, including the president and vice president, is married, with the exception of Hilary A. Herbert, secre-tary of the navy, who is a widower.

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very cold weather and our room was Mas. Hunr. very cold but I did not take any cold, and never had any after pain or any other pain. It was all due to God and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and Compound Extract of Smart-Weed. This is the eighth living child and the largest of them all. I suffered everything that these could suffer with the other babies. I always had a doctor and then he could not help me very much, but this time my mother and my husband were alone with me. My baby was only seven days old when I got up and dressed and left my room and stayed up all day." evidently the same care and accuracy in a new experience. the framing of the Royal advertisements

Indee of Awards on Baking Powders at the Chicago World's Fair, exposing the falsity of the claim of another house that its baking powder had received the highest award for strength, purity, excellence, etc., is a scathing rebuke to those manufacturers of inferior baking those manufacturers of inferior baking scrape about the shores of that pretty powders who have no regard for the bay ever escaped her notice, and nothing powders who have no regard for the truth, but habitually seek, in their pub-lic announcements, to deceive consum-ers. The Judge of Awards states that no such award was given to the concern in question, and has notified it that it must cease publishing his name in connection with its false statements.

Out the upper classes to listen to such the aper for information from her lips as is sought any other.

The monkey own country.

with the yard measure.

Figuro.

strument with which the balls were

THE APOLOGY. Chide not if here you haply find The rough romance of country love: I sing as well the brook and wind The green below, the blue above.

Here shall you rend of spreading cross.
The velvet of the sparrow's neck;
Sometimes shall glance the glowing to
And Laura's snow without a speck.

The crab that sets the mouth awry,
The chestnut with its domes of pink,
The spiendid palace of the sky,
The pool where drowsy cattle drink,

The stack where Colin hides to catch The milkmaid with her beaded load: The singing lark, a poet's match, That travels up the great blue road: The cherry whence the blackbird bold

Steals ruby mouthfuls at his case. The glory of laburoum gold. The valiant piping of the breeze— All, all are here. The rustic Muse Shall sing the pansy and the thrush, Ah, chide not if she sometimes choose The country love, the country blush! —N. R. Gaie.

THE BLACK PEARL

The harbor of Acapulco is an ideal one for shelter, and after the steamer is once at anchor it is a source of mystery to the now she ever entered the quiet little bay The high, blue mountains in the background, the tall palms and tropical green down to the water's edge, along the shore the tiled and thatched houses— among the oldest on the coast—and on make a sight that fills a lover of the pio turesque with enthusiasm.

with the boats and dugouts of the bum-boat women, and dirty native boxs red.

An instinctive shudder passed through oat women and dirty native boys ped-A novel method of knocking out an hundreds of half naked natives passing emy's brains is described by a gentlefrom the ship to the lighters discharging man who was camping some years ago in the Transvaal. Everything had been cargo, makes an exciting scene, in sharp ontrast to the peaceful outlook on the

hore beyond. turning in he was sitting with some of From the ship the city seems but a his companions about the fire. Soon an altercation sprang up between two of his attendants, a Mashoana and Makolocasional long, low white building in lo, who were standing not far off. The view. But no sooner has the traveler object of discussion was a piece of meat passed the gates of the custom house than a little city of 12,000 inhabitants lies before him under the shelter of the hill. traveler, till both men became extreme-ly angry, and although I did not underwith thriving stores thronged with dark eved senoritas and men in white linen or stand they were doubtless using the pespangled velvet, many of the latter choicest billingsgate that they could command. At length both rushed to the with the flaming serape hanging over the

shoulder. wagon. My servant whispered in my ear, "Assegai, boss!" so I sprang up to prevent them from obtaining these Edmund Warren represented an Amerthe traveler who for years had made the veapons, of which an abundant supply annual visit to the Mexican seaports. He had never seen Acapulco before, nor Frustrated in their attempt to arm had Henry Sanford, who accompanied themselves, they rushed upon each other. themselves, they rushed upon each other. I would have interfered but that my landed and become settled in the miser countryman quietly said, "Let them able excuse for a hotel in time to enjoy

and commenced butting their heads together like a pair of sheep. The blows were terrific and sounded almost as loud as a well executed clap of the hands. There was no attempt at boxing, only butting, and so effectually was it perunder sheltering palms opened to view. formed that blood began to flow from where night after night the lower classes both of the antagonists' noses. After a lapse of five minutes employed in this crowd of dark skinned men and women, kind of exciting work bot's sat down to all dressed in the garb of the locality. stood out in the dim light of the long torches planted here and there among Then I interfered, and about half an the throng, like ghosts of departed senor hour later I saw the combatants sitting its and caballeros. All were watching rected, and Mr. Bradbury was invited to at the same fire and chatting to each the couples dancing the monotonous clog quadrille on the low platform to the mufight had no place even in their memsic of drum, tambourine and guitar. It is reported that ammonia is to furnish the coming street car motor. Now, the chemists may not admit it, but it is evident enough to laymen that ammonia

their places. is just a smell. A big, strong smell, to be sure, and able to work, but still a The Americans had mingled with the smell. Is it not immensely clever to have harnessed so clusive a thing and ternately the platform and the groups of girls about. Soon soft eyes had discovmake it go on wheels? It is nature's own ered the strangers, and coquettish glances went out from beneath long way. When there is an ablebodied effluvium anywhere, it is a sure sign that she lashes. Warren was never happy unless is busy with something and has provided in love and in love with every pretty energy which very likely needs superface that came across his path Nature is enormously effectual, but she will not work for man unless he makes her. She discriminates, but her point of view is not man's. She is a wonderful scavenger, but she is just as

the edge of the throng.
"Gad, Henryt Such eyest Did you

rejoinder.

on her handkerchief at the theater will They did not notice the native police. be taught to hold her hat instead of be not uniformed, but armed, following ing, as now, a mere idle vanity and an ofsome distance behind as the Americans fense to her neighbor.—Harper's Weekly. dogged the footsteps of the first conquest of the amorous Warren, nor did they know their custom of "running in" the The English are very fond of the curi- foreigner on any pretext whatever for ous game of billiards, and a letter has the revenue of the paltry fine. Muriella been discovered in the British museum. Narvaez knew full well that her new adwhich gives the origin of the national mirers were close behind, and so did her sport. It was invented by a London tall lover. He bade her good night as pawnbroker, whose name was William Warren and Sanford passed, and went gle of her modern history, and a strugpawnoroker, whose hame was within warren and camber passed, if the Ameri- gle which will involve issues far greater sold cloth, and for the latter purpose had cans could have heard his consultation than those of the present measure. a yard measure, with which he used to with Old China, the bumboat woman compute the amounts. One day to distract himself he took the three round balls which are the emblems of his trade The young men retraced their steps

on his counter began to hit them about was returned. "Adelante, senors," a pretty voice said.

knocked about, and difficulty arose as to seated about, some on stools and some what to call it. They called it after the on a low couch in the corner. Two had name of the pawnbroker—a Kew.—Paris guitara.

"Here's luck, Henry," whispered Warren, and they were soon quite at home in the little white adobe, though to Hen-Company, frequently commented upon by consumers, is the absolute confidence that may be had in the truthfulness of all its claims and statements. There is

While laughter and song came from that there is in the compounding of the Royal Powder. the little house, and the Americans were whispering love nothings in the ears of Royal Powder.

It appears, unfortunately, that not all baking powder people are so scrupulously careful. The recent letter from the words were passing between Old China pareled in the regulation mazes of filmy

"So you want to buy the Black Pearl?"
To buy it! You fool!" shricked Old
China when the Mexican had finished
his story. "What do you know about

"I know what was said when the cor andante was found dead, and that the police were afraid to search for it. Five undred pesos for its use tonight-that

"The police are fools, and you are a fool. I know nothing about the Black Pearl. "Come, China. A thousand pesos for

its use and the knowledge how to use it."
"A thousand pesos," muttered the old woman. "Have you the money with "Aye, that I have, and I want its us

for only this one night."

China waddled into an adjoining room, whence after much delay she brought forth a package carefully wrapped and "You must not undo this, senor," she said, "or you, too, will suffer if you see the pearl."

The laughter and song in the adobe casita stopped at a knock on the outer door, and Ned Warren's pretty Acapulat anchor it is a source of mystery to the can answered the summons. A neat passengers who have not been on deck parcel was handed her by the messenger. which she eagerly unfolded. "With the compliments of -," it said, but she knew the handwriting.
"How funny at this hour!" she thought

but her snapping black eyes danced with glee as she undid the parcel and found it the rising ground to the right the an-cient fort and military prison—all these in beaten yellow metal of quaint workmanship. At her exclamation of delight the others grouped about, and the object The waters about the steamer are thick of their admiring glances was laid upon

dling fruit, shells, pearls and a world of Sanford as Muriella laid it under the indescribables, all keeping up a constant candle light. It seemed to emit a pecudin of jabbering jargon, that, with the liar light, and a queer, pricking sensathe jewel-the largest of its kind he had that Juror Oswald is taken with a fit ever seen. As he looked a feeling of exhilaration came over him, such as he had not felt during the evening.

collection of small adobes, scattered here and there along the hillside, with an oc- were beginning to evince signs of liveling an effort to conduct the case without the night had brought forth. A faint tically impossible. The court cannot reblue haze seemed to cover every object in the room. The figures of the girls at intervals looked far away and then near is always in jeopardy and cannot be tried by, while a feeling of utter recklessness twice, except in case of a disagreement. pervaded his whole being. All the phan- The case is a peculiar one.-Minneapolis sms of the opium eater could not be Cor. Chicago Herald. more weird than those which came into Sanford's bruin as his gaze was riveted on the jewel lying among the candles ican house. He had taken the place of grouped around it on the table. In their n light it seemed to grow and grow, emitting a demoniacal glow that, but for made up and ready to start for Bakersthe spirit of recklessness which possessed | field, when a young burro was seen rub him, would have filled his soul with

"The fandango," cried one of the girls, with a wild burst of laughter. "Let us dance once more, for I feel as though my switch as to throw it open just as the a delicious comida, when they felt an impulse to join the throngs which filled feet were on fire," and when the guitar Immediately they clasped each other the clean paved streets as evening came sounded the notes of the dance the dance the clean paved streets as evening came ers seemed to enter into it with fiendish | Cor. San Francisco Chronicle delight and boisterious enthusiasm. Back

Passing down the street leading by the and forth they crossed, swaying like wilstores, the market and the plaza, just lows in the wind, with hands on hips and back of the custom house, a small space heads well back, their feet pattering and stamping to the twanging of the guitar Faster and faster their movements beassembled to watch the fandango. The came, as the music seemed to fill every fiber with its wild action.

Five bodies were found in the adobe casita next morning, but with no marks | Guelph Herald. of violence or other signs to show the cause of death.

seaport tell a weird tale of a black pearl.

Ammon, now in possession of the Egyptiaken from the gulf, that acts upon betian government, are soon to be raffled With hands on hips and heads thrown holders as does the loco weed upon all off. back, the dancers faced each other on who taste that evil plant, and they tell, and drawn for by the museums of Lonthe boards arms' length apart, and the too, of a mad dance of death years ago don, Paris, Rome, Berlin, Vienna and constant stamping of little feet and the when two foreigners and three beauties St. Petersburg. changing from side to side was kept up of the place fell exhausted about the until all were exhausted and others took | jewel, whose demoniacal fire kept them treading the fandango till every energy was gone and life went from them .-

A New Class of Compounds. The "nitro metals" are a new class of compounds discovered by Sabatier and cut!" Senderens. They have found that reduced copper absorbs, in the cold, the Mr. H. meekly, "I haven't had my hair His vapors of nitrogen peroxide, heat being cut at all." heart beat faster as he caught the glances disengaged during the process. The shot at himself and and Henry, and he product is a maroon colored compound, land) Mcrcury. smile came from a dark eyed beauty on by the formula Cu2NO2. This is nitrocopper. A similar compound has been

The final passage of the home rule bill by the commons now seems to be in sight. The committee stage may be they nearly doubled his we ght."

"The missionary was made much of by the natives, I hear." "Yes; by judicious feeding they nearly doubled his we ght." vexations and slow, but the bill will go through within a reasonable time and be sent to its death in the house of lords. That the dead bill will in the end prove a weapon with which the house of peers itself will be struck down is confident Narvaez knew full well that her new ad- predicted by the Liberal leaders. Before that day comes, however, Britain must pass through the bitterest political strug-London Letter.

Chicago Hospitality. The large hospitality which Chicago —they may still be seen in front of cer-tain shops in London—and placing them in the door. They saluted. The bow admiration. One woman who lives in the outskirts of the city and has a large lawn as well as big house, says: "We He found it made a pretty game. He and they accepted with alacrity the ingot a kind of skill in making one ball vitation to enter. Candles burned dimly we propose to pitch on the lawn and proglance off the other, and his friends who in a corner filled with bottles-mescal vide with cots and conveniences. Here saw him thus employed called the game aguardiente and aquilla. Several other we'll quarter the men when our house Bill's yard. It was soon shortened into girls, quite as pretty as the captor of billiards. But the yardstick was the in- Warren's transitory affections, were the time."—Exchange.

Rubinstein's New Opera. Rubinstein's sacred opera entitled "Moses," on which the composer has been at work since 1881, has just been put on the stage at Brunn, Moravia The opera is a series of eight acts, the A pleasant feature of the advertising ry there seemed something uncanny out forth by the Royal Baking Powder about the place. To the Americans, evenings. The most interesting part of presentatation of which occupies two

A Consul's Son Does a Skirt Dance. At a recent party at Biarritz Nigel

Ex-President Orton of the Western pleased the stont old bumboat woman so Union Telegraph company declared that much as to be sought out by the amor- the English language was 25 per cent ous of the upper classes to listen to such sheaper for telegraphic purposes than

from the "second sight" mediums of our The manker goes to the sanny side of a tree when he wants a warm relimb.

TIS STRANGE, BUT TRUE.

We read of strange happenings and re-sults sometimes, like that of a man who

'It is laugimble," said Clerk Burney at the Arhagton last night, "to observe what consternation a strange face will reate in a crowd of public men nowa

talking and joking, when suddenly some one not known to them will approach A startled look flashes over their faces and the newcomer receives a cold reception unless he happens to be a newspaper

man or a political power.
"What is the cause? Why, office seeking. Every senator and representative in the city is approached 50 times a day by some man wanting his application in dorsed, and the senators usually are presented with a letter of introduction, makng escape impossible. They must in orse or make an enemy, and if they in dorse the application it means so much of their tatronage gone from their friends. No wonder they look frightened at the sight of a strange face approaching."-Washington News.

Faints at the Mention of Blood. The district court is somewhat under cided as to what is the best course to pursue in the case of the State versus Edward Porter, charged with carving another colored man named Clark with a knife. The trouble arises over the fact every time blood is mentioned, and the case has to rest until he recovers. The very mention of a wound or the showing "That last drink of tequila was too of a knife sends him into a fit of shivers, were beginning to evince signs of liveliness even greater than all the hilarity of the use of gory details. That is praclease the jury and try the case again under the rule that a man once in jeopardy

A peculiar accident happened the other day on the Bakersfield and San Miguel railroad at Asphalto. The train was bing himself on the switch. When the train started, the shrick of the locomotive whistle frightened him, and he train arrived. As a result the locomotive and four of the cars were ditched.-

A Long Distance Succes A reporter had the pleasure on Sun day of listening by telephone to part of a sermon delivered in St. Thomas' church, Hamilton. Every wor'd of the preacher could be heard, and if deponent be no hadly mistaken there was a sneeze at the close of one of the eloquent periods that could have come from no other individual than John R Cameron.-

To Raffle For Mummies. The gossips of that quaint Mexican The mummies of the high priests of They will be divided into six lots

Hard to Please. Mrs. Hennecker is one of those wives there is no pleasing. On the return of throng about the dancers, watching al- John Craig in San Francisco Argonaut her husband from the city last week she greeted him thusly:
"Oh, Adolphus," she exclaimed,

"how short you have had your hair "But, my dear Angelina," replied "Then it is high time you had," re-

turned Mrs. H. severely .- Leeds (Eng-

wonderful scavenger, but she is just as ready to carry off a live baby as a dead horse. Everybody knowsher method of cleaning the streets. The more colossal the odor the harder she is at it. It is not our way, or ought not to be if it is it is a glad thought that now that some one has found out how to put smells to work we may hope that presently the filth in city streets can just be geared to a proper apparatus and made to carry itself away.

Soon it may come to pass that the farmers will plow their land with the smell of the phosphates they use to fertilize it, and the musk that the girl wears tilize it, and the musk that the girl wears are deady to carry off a live baby as a dead horse. Everybody knowsher method of cleaning the streets. The more colossal the edge of the throng.

"Gad, Henry! Such eyest Did you obtained with cobalt.—New York Journal."

"In wat see where she lives. Are you with must cobalt.—New York Journal in the century, and the sturity of losser. So man she liters. The opening of the year see of the lives. Are you with must see where

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THE GRAPEVINE SWING.

sults sometimes, like that of a man who was caught by a revolving wheel and so threshed against floor and ceiling, his body turned blue from the bruines. A dart writes of a man who fell from a hadre a was covered with brui, es. He, the donor applied St. Jacobs Oli; in the morning, he says, all the blue spots had despreared. There is another way of feeling he all over, and that is after the endurance of pairs and achies for a long time without relief. Use the great remedy for pain at once; it will cure and change the color of your woes.

Alvaid of New Faces.

'It is hughable," said Clork Burney

Beginning the farmer's boy to the grapevine swing for and low,

Lesps the farmer's boy to the grapevine swing for and low,

It may be winds the branches blow.

Pring dwa to lightly pass

Lesps the farmer's boy to the grapevine swing for and low,

It winds who fell from a hadre a capable in the sunshine free.

Back, in the shade of the maple free.

Spurning the ground with supple foot at the well worn spot at the maple's root.

If gher, the branches strike his breast.

There are three blue eggs in the robin's next!

Dropping, dropping, swiftly down.

With a flying glimpse of the distant town,

it will cure and change the color of your woes.

Atraid of New Faces.

'It is hughable," said Clork Burney

For and foot, high and low,

Up where the winds the branches blow.

Pring dwa to lightly pass

Lesps the farmer's boy to the grapevine swing down to lightly pass

For feet ripple the blue egg gras.

Back, in the shade of the maple free.

Spurning the ground with supple foot

At the well worn spot at the maple's root.

Iffigher, the branches the sunshine free.

Back, in the shade of the maple free.

Spurning the ground with supple foot

At the well worn spot at the maple's root.

Iffigher, the branches the sunshine free.

Spurning the ground with supple foot

At the well worn spot at the maple's root.

Iffigher, the shade of the maple's root.

Iffigher, the shade of the maple free.

Spurning the ground with supple foot

At the

Springing at length where the grasses yield, Re follows the men to the haying field. —Mary L. Paine in Good Housekeeping.

"I am not a very good shot," said R. B. Coleman, "and this fact gave me a great deal of trouble at one time. I borrowed a valuable dog from a friend and went hunting. The animal became rat tled when he found that I knew nothing about hunting. Rabbit after rabbit was started up, and I missed them as fast as they came. Finally the dog grew tired and concluded to catch them on his own hook. He soon started another, and as it jumped the dog jumped after it just as I fired. The shot went into the head of the dog, and he died without a groan. The rabbit ran a short distance and then stopped and looked back, as if to mock me. Of course I paid for the dog, but my friend has never forgiven

LIVELY FIGHT WITH A SHARK.

-Cincinnati Enquirer.

me, and I have not gone hunting since.'

Terrifying Experience With a Man Ester by a Man Who Was Fishing. William Muller, an attorney of Denison, Tex., had an experience with a man eating shark at Rockport in the gulf. "I hired a small sailboat," said Mr. Muller in relating his unpleasant experience, "and was out some distance from land when I baited my hook and east it out. I used a new clothesline 100 to 150 feet long for a cord, and the hook was quite large, probably six to seven inches long.

"I felt a jerk, and in an instant the line was under the boat's rudder. I asked the boatman to reverse the sail in order that the line could be cleared. I was oblivious to all except the big fish, and as the boom swung around it caught me on the back between the shoulders. I was tumbled overboard head foremost in the water, some 40 to 50 feet deep. As I struck the water the fish that I had caught, a man eating shark, laid hold keep of the calf of my right leg. The pain was fearful, and I felt myself jerked rapidiv down toward the bottom of the

"In my fall I did not relax my hole on the line, and as soon as I realized my position I knew that my life depended on my ability to hold on to the cord The struggle I know was not long, but to me it seemed like an age. The cord was fastened to a beam in the boat, and inch by inch I cained on my antagonist. and as soon as I appeared on the surface the boatman came to my assistance. The shark retained its grip on my leg until my body was entirely out of the water, and even then it did not let go until the boatman knocked it off with an oar. When I was safety on the inside, how ever, we pulled for the shore, and as my hook was securely fastened in the month of the shark no trouble was experienced in landing the fish. It was between 5 and 6 feet long."-Chicago

JOHN BULL'S HUMOR.

It Is of the Fat Witted Kind-What Amer teans Think of It, Hawthorne, observing Englishmen in England, speaks of them as "heavy witted." Emerson alludes to their 'saving stupidity." Howells has introduced to us some typical specimens of English respectability and rank bafiled in their chase after American humor, but on the scent and arriving at the point of appreciation after considerable silent thought, sometimes lasting into the next day, and here is the testimony of Lowell from his recently published 'Letters." In a letter written in 1889 from England to Professor Norton he thus explains the warm reception given

to Buffalo Bill by London society: "But I think the true key to this eagerness for lions—even of the poodle sort-is the dullness of the average English mind. I never come back here without being struck with it. Henry ames said it always stupefied him at first when he came back from the continent. What it craves beyond every thing is a sensation, anything that will serve as a Worcestershire sauce to its sluggish palate. We, of finer and more touchy fiber, get our sensations cheaper and do not find Wordsworth's emotion over a common flower so very wonderful. People are dull enough on our side of the ocean stream also, God wot, but here unless I know my people I never dare to let my mind gambol. Most of them, if I ever do, look on like the famous deaf man at the dancers, wonder ing to what music I am capering. They call us superficial. Let us thank God. dear Charles, that our nerves are nearer the surface, not so deeply embedded i fat or muscle that wit must take a pitchfork to us "-Ontlook

Settled an Old War Debt. John Railey, who lives about four miles from Trimble, Tenn., is one of the happiest men in the county. The cause was the receipt by express of \$685, not a cent of which he expected to receive. In 1864 a squad of the Fifty-fourth Pennsylvania cavalry, who were out on a scout endeavoring to learn something of the movements of General Forrest, camped at a spring near Mr. Railey's residence. The following morning be-fore departing they rode up to Railey's, ill bet one, who was walking. The man on foot went to the barn and led out the finest horse there. Railey expostr lated in vain. "Let that horse loose, I wouldn't

take \$250 for that horse, you low down Yankee thief," he angrily exclaimed,
"Don't worry yourself so, pardner,"
mildly replied the soldier. "You see,
my horse died last night, and I am bound to have another. If I were to depend on my feet to get me out of this country, Forrest would get me sure." And he took the horse.

At that time Bailey was well off, but now he is poor. Recently he received a letter signed Frank K. Walldran, which costained \$685, the purchase value of the orse and the accumulated interest. Mr. Walldran lives in Reading, Pa., and though for a long time himself the victim of adversity is now well to do and has at last found himself able to pay for the horse he took so many years ago .-Cor. Chicago Inter Ocean.

When the cook, disturbed by the fierce barking of the dog, opened the kitchen door, she observed a tramp hanging for dear life on the top of a clother

line post, with the dog jumping for him.

She called off the dog, but he still hung 'Why den't you come down off that post?" she asked angrily.
"Don't ask me, Indy," answered the tramp; "don't ask me. Ask the dog." -Detroit Free Press.

Asleep While Standing Mothers, Wives and Sisters On one of the rainy days recently an unfortunate tramp received a greal deal of attention from the passersby along Park row. He was a complete and unique specimen of his kind. He was standing against a building fast saleep. The drizzle that was falling blew into the face and he was growing wet and his face, and he was growing wet and presumably cold, but there he stood straight up, sound asleep, with his back against the stone wall. His head would droop, and those watching him thought he would fall down, or that his head would be jerked from his shoulders, but when his head almost touched his left shoulder he would straighten up slowly in his sleep and keep it in position for a few minutes. Finally so many small boys gathered around him that the mur-

mur of their voices awakened him, and

with a look of disgust at those who had

disturbed his slumbers he slowly mean

dered to some Bowery lodging house to finish his nap.—New York Times. When J. Whitcomb Riley walked brusquely into a Baltimore hotel the other night and asked for a room, the

elerk called up "Front" with a marked ase of strabismus and told him to show the gentleman to 13 "Not me," announced the Hoosier poet 'Not me. You can't shoot double barreled ill luck at me in that style. I'll have no cross eyed boy showing me to room 13. I'm not superstitious, but just give me a room with a different numbe and furnish a pilot with parallel eyes, rnd he had his way.—Detroit Free Press

The haloyon days are the seven days b ore and the seven days after the shortest day. The haicyon or kingfisher is any posed to be breeding at this time, for which reason the sea for this fortnight very con-siderately preserves a perfect calm.—New York Evening Sun.

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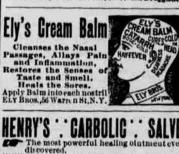
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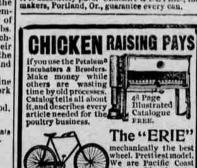
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