The old saying that every sweet has Its bitter might be accentuated by the statement that honey sometimes contains the most active and dangerous poison. A case in point is related in a medical review as follows: A man and his wife ate honey. They took but a little, as they observed a burning sensation of the mouth and throat as soon as the honey was swallowed. Within a few minutes both were taken ill. There were nausea, severe pain and vomiting, then a loss of consciousness, coldness of the extremities, feeble action of the heart and collapse. No pulse could be detected. The wife remained insensible day Even then strength returned very slowly, and there was every indication of extreme exhaustion. A portion of the honey was treated chemically, and an extract was given to two cats; to one a was administered.

The small one produced partial exmuscles and general depression. The large one took effect almost immediately, producing relaxation, vomiting, purging, prostration and almost com-plete loss of control over the voluntary muscles. The cat did not regain its normal condition for 24 hours.

A fairly thorough examination of the honey was made in order, if possible, to discover the nature of the poisonous element. No positive conclusion was arrived at, but the chemists were reasonably satisfied that the rhododendron nists looked upon with apprehension, for the reason that they have been suspect. ed of harboring the toxic qualities which accounted for the cases of honey poisoning. - New York Ledger.

### With Burgoyne at Saratoga.

In 1791 an officer who had served with Burgoyne wrote a volume, which he called "Travels Through the Interior Parts of America, In a Series of Letters." The writer was Thomas Anburey, captain of the Twenty-ninth regiment, who was with Burgoyne at his surrender. In Macmillan's Magazine there is an excellent notice of Captain Anbarey's work, and the condition of the English soldiers is thus explained:

Burgoyne's army was steadily diminishing, while the cords round it were surely tightening. All day and night from the surrounding woods whistled the bullets of the American riflemen. The soldiers were so inured to fire, we are told, that they are and slept under it with scarcely any concern, while, to add terrors to the night, came the dreary howl of wolves, attracted by hundreds to such an unwonted banquet. The American sharpshooters were naturally in their element upon the steep sides of the wooded ravines that formed such a | Europe. feature in every battle and skirmish. The longed for bayonet hung in idleness from the belts of the British infantry-there was no room or place for it. The soldiers had nothing but discipline and their native valor to make up for their immense inferiority in the use of the rifle to most of their foes, nor do we require Anburey's testimony to realize what a hopeless country was this in which Burgoyne's army now found themselves for the conduct of warfare upon European systems. For ourselves, we have always marveled at the fashion in which the British soldier of that day, half starved and ridiculously clothed, fought his way through superi or numbers of his own race as well armed as he, better marksmen and familiar with the wild woods which to him must have been strange and terri-

# The "Ears" of Insects.

The naturalists have not as yet been able to answer the burning question, Can bees hear? But their researches along that line have resulted in many queer discoveries. Simply because a bee has no ears on the sides of his head it is no sign whatever that he is wholly without some sort of an auditory nerve. This last assertion is proved by the fact that grasshoppers, crickets, locusts and flies all have their ears situated in queer places-under the wings, on the middle of the body and even on the sides of their legs. The common house fly does his hearing by means of some little rows of corpuscles which are situated on the knobbed threads which occupy the place which are taken up by the hind wings of other species of insects. The garden sing or shell-less snail has his organs of hearing situated on each side of his neck, and the common grasshopper 1 as them on each of his broad, flat t arby. In some of the smaller insects ti... the bases of the wings, and in others the bottom of the feet. -St. Louis I public.

Great Drunkards. The question as to whether great men are ever drunkards must be answered in the affirmative, though argument is frequently made to the contrary. Cato was a hard drinker, while, in the language of one writer, old Ben Jonson was constantly "pickled." The poet Savage used to go on the hardest kinds of "tears," and Rogers observed, after seeing his own statue, "It is the first time I have seen him stand straight for many years." Byron says of Porson, the great classical scholar, "I can never recollect him except as drunk or brutal, and genrally both." Keats was on a spree once that lasted six months. Hornce, Plato, Aristophanes, Euripides, Alcaeus, Socrates and Tasso of the old timers and Goethe, Schiller, Addison, Pitt, Fox, Blackstone, Fielding, Sterne and Steele were all hard drinkers at intervals -Pittsburg Dispatch.

# His Mental Burdens.

"Where do we go tonight, Henry?" "Idon't know, Agnes. I've had something awful on my mind all day, but I can't remember whether it is a progresswe enchre party or the Browning class." -Chicago Record.

A society of women in Eugene were given prizes for the best and poorest answers to the question: "Why am I a republican." The answer that received the booby prize was "Because I was born a republican." "This was probably the only honest answer in the list" and should have been given first prize. The answer that received the first prize simply applied to republican or democratic torm of government and was applicable to one party as well as the other. Here it is: "I am a republican because the lot 1, blk 51, Milwaukie Heights; \$1000. form of government and was applicable it is: "I am a republican because the principles of republicanism involve all there is of freedom of speech, free press, and free country, and because republicanism gives us the most glorious and prosperous nation on the face of the earth, and makes us the happy and contented and makes us the happy and contented displacements. for several hours, but the husband was and free country, and because republinot entirely restored until the following canism gives us the most glorious and and makes us the happy and contented people we are today—and because republicanism is the rock upon which this free government rests."—Albany Democrat.

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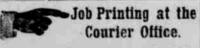
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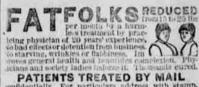
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