NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

Spain has adopted the French system of coinage. Laporte the French glove maker, em-

ploys 12,000 hands. The snow sheds on the Central Pacific Railroad extend a distance of 22 miles. Why is a newspaper like a wife? Because every man ought to have one of his own.

Alexander Dumas cannot remember the titles of all his books.

Among the recent marriages posted in Paris is that of an "artist of agility." Birmingham now boasts of a statue of James Watt, of steam invention fame.

There are three hundred religious newspapers in the United States At night, the streets of London are

illuminated b 360,000 lamps. Napoleon's and Eugenie's portraits were publicly destroyed in the streets of

English papers ridicule the idea of making Prince Alfred King of Spain.

visit the United States next May. Bismark makes no secret of his de sign to leave the Federal party and join the Liberals.

Can ladies who profess to walk in the "straight and narrow path" consistently adopt the Grecian Bend?

The English and French papers are agitating a continental war. They prediet an outbreak this fall. During the last twelve years, twelve

thousand five hundred lives have been lost in the British coal mines. The new postal convention with Great Britain was signed by the President. It

took effect January 1st. The Stockton people have subscribed \$70,000 toward the construction of the

Stockton and Tulare Railroad. Peate is used in Fon du Lac, Wisconsin, as common fuel in stoves provided with grates, and is giving satisfaction so far as heard from.

Six pumpkins grown at Watsonville, Santa Cruz county, by James R. Richen, weighed in the aggregate 960 pounds. Some pumpkins, those !

Austria has ordered the construction of more than 3,000 miles of railway within six months, involving an outlay of \$400,000,000.

can sleeping cars.

Mrs. Lydia Maria Child says she would walk barefoot to California if such a pilgrimage would insure Charles Sumner's being elected President.

A vessel is building at New York larger than any other in the world except the America, and is designed for the China trade.

beg for a king, but to establish a Republic in fact, though not in name, if the word republic frightens the nation.

King George of Hanover, in the next session of the British Parliament, is to the Blood Royal.

Of the officers of the Rhode Island Historical Society elected at its organization in 1832, only one survives-Richard W. Greene.

The first complete edition of Swedenborg's works that ever appeared in Sweden, will be shortly published at Linkjoping. sepremo avensua

A letter from Rome reports that the Roman Government has come to a favorable understanding with Napoleon in regard to Italy.

Buenos Ayres letters report that the President, Sarmiento is desirous of having the command of the army given to some distinguished United States general.

Underground traveling in London increases at an astonishing rate. The number of passengers carried for the first half of the present year by the Metropolitan underground railway was 16.504,395, against 5,823,436 in 1863 and 7,462,283

It is reported that a large amount of treasure—\$340,000—has recently been unearthed by some negroes near Pensacola, Florida. It was in a wooden chest in a black vault, and must have lain in its resting place for a great number of years, as no one had any knowledge of

The reports of the British Post Office for 1865 show a profit over and above expenses of \$7,400,000. The net revenew of the Department for 1865 was \$3,000,000. All the charges for ocean service are paid for in full out of the postal results, nothwithstanding the appropriations are made directly by Parlia-

Salt is now being manufactured in Almeda county on a larger scale than ever. Seventeen companies are now engaged in the business, employing about eighty persons. It is expected that 15,000 tons will be produced this season, for which is ready marked in this city at remunerative prices.

Fine rense and exalted sense are not half so valuable as common sense. There tw men of wit for one of sense, and he that will carry nothing about him but gold, will be every day at a loss for ready obange. 740 plants are used, and there are 615

AGRICULTURAL.

MAKING A BEGINNING.—Every day we meet young men, just beginning life, anxious to improve their position, and ignorant of what course to take; yearning first dollar put into the savings bank, are her bread splendidly. all very important things; they make a Alexander Dumas says he intends to beginning, and thereby a hope, a promise, a pledge, an assurance that you are in earnest with what you have undertaken. How many a poor, idle, erring, hesitating outcast, who is now creeping and crawling his way through the world, might have held his head up and prospered if he had only made a beginning, instead of putting off his resolutions of amendment and industry. It is by following out this principle that we see so many instances of men who originally commenced from very humble beginnings outstrip their compeers in the race of life, by acquiring information which the others had neglected, or put off acquiring till a more convenient season; by force of study and a strong will and indomitable perseverance, they become generals while the others remained in the ranks. There is no spectacle more encouraging and beautiful, and more worthy of our admiration, than that of a man of humble lot combat- to he transported. ing trials and adversities by patience, and overcoming them by integrity and an exquisitely formed dog? Because he a persevering will-a man who, when his legs fail him, "can walk upon his

Working Bulls .- I have one of Frederick Gertstaccker, the famous Emery's endless chain powers to drive like a house with a rear piazza? Because traveler, urges the German railroad com- my hay cutter. My bull is an Alderney, he has a back stoop. panies to introduce on their lines Ameripounds. I put on the brake and had him led into the power, where he had a small feed of oats given him. While he ate these, he was groomed and caressed. This was repeated two or three days in succession. Then, hile he was cating the Great Eastern. She will be named the brake was slacked a little, and as the floor moved down, (slowly, so as not to Giradin counsels the Spaniards not to his muzzle at the oats. At the tourth cells," and a honeymoon consists of one lesson he worked an hour, and cut enough | "great sell." to last my stock-some 18 head in alltwo or three days. We have not had the slightest trouble, and so much does take his seat in the Lords as a Prince of he appear to like the exercise and the pleasant remembrances of the reward of good behavior, that I shall hot be surprised if, when he happens to find the door open, he should go in and "run the machine" on his account. I intend to put up a circular saw, and let him cut my fire wood. Now for the advantages. The pampering and confinement which makes a horse run away, will in time make a bull devilish. The work I gave him requires no harnessing; it is only an hour's walk up a hill of 13 degrees elevation. It gives him an outlet for his superfluous spirits. It keeps him "in hand" and gentle; it wears away the growth of his hoofs, develops his muscle and improves his health. Have I not a right to expect my herd to be benefitted by such management? I

> NUMBER OF USEFUL PLANTS .- A German author states that the number of useful plants has risen to about 12,000, but that others will no doubt be discovered, as the researches yet made have been completed in only portions of the earth. Of these plants there are 1,350 varieties of edible fruits, berries and seeds; 108 cereals; 37 onions; 460 vegetables and salads, 40 species of palms, 32 varieties of arrowroot, and 31 different kinds of sugars. Various drinks are obtained from 200 plants and aromatics from 266. There are 50 substitutes for coffee, and 129 for tea. Tannin is present in 14 plants, caoutchou in 96, guttapercha in 7, rosin and balsamic gums in 387, wax in 10, and grease and essential oils in 330; 88 plants contain potash, soda and iodine; 650 contain dyes, 47 soap, 266 weaving fibres, 44 fibres used in paper making; 48 give roofing materials, and 100 are employed for hurdles and copses. In building

thought so before I knew Prof. Agasiz's

gratifying developments is, that of 278 known natural families of plants, there are but 18 species for which no use has yet been discovered.

THE BEST YEAST IN THE WORLD .for the excitement that awaits them in | Boil a pint bowlful of hops in two gallons the struggle of life in the years before of water, strain and add a tea-cup-full of them, but unable to discover means by flour, one of sugar, a tea-spoon-full of which to attain the object of their desire. | salt. No yeast is required to raise it. To all such, we doubt not, every one of Let it stand for three days in a warm us would gladly stretch forth a helping place, and it will then begin to foam hand, and aid if but with words, and all Then boil three pounds of potatoes, mush we could say would be, get knowledge. fine, and add them to the yeast, and stir Apply yourself assiduously and resolutely, the whole well together; then put into a energetically and perseveringly to acquire | jug and cork tight, and set in a cool place. skill and information connected with your It should be made at least two weeks beprofession, whatever that may be; be alive fore using, and it will keep good any to all that is passing around you; avoid length of time, and grow better all the dissipation and extravagance of all kinds, while. A small tea-cup-full is sufficient and he ready to take advantage of the first for six loaves of bread. When this is apportunity that may offer to apply your gone make a new jug full in the same acquired skil and information in the way, and keep corked tight, and you need most productive and remunerative paths. | never go to bakers or brewers for yeast. Bear in mind, that if you never make a Since writing the above, my wife obtained beginning you can never make an end a large bottle full of this yeast that had The first weed pulled up in the garden, been sealed and put in the cellar for more the first seed put into the ground, the than a year, and the usual quantity raised

VARIOUS ITEMS.

Photograph of fashionable music, opied from the original :-

Waw-kaw swaw daw aw raw, Waw-kaw taw thaw raw-vaw-yaw braw, Aw thaw raw-jaw-saw aws. Key to the above :-

"Welcome, sweet day of rest, That saw the Lord arise; Welcome to this reviving breast And these rejoicing eyes.'

Why is a husband like a Mississippi steamboat? Because he never knows when he may get a blowing up. When is a lover like a tailor? When

he presses his suit. Why are hot buckwheat cakes like a caterpillar? Because they are the "grub"

that make the butter fly. Why is it that the moment of popping the question is so terrible to young fellows that they frequently cannot utter a word? Because just then they love

the fair one beyond expression. Why is an accepted suitor like a person guilty of crime? Because he ought

Why is a man who beats his wife like

is a perfect brute. Why does a salmon die before it lives? Because its existence is ova before it

comes to life. Why is a man with a curved spine

keg of lager beer? Because they both flow into the Dutch Gap Canal

We should not forget that life is a flower, which is no sooner fully blown than it begins to wither.

A Yankee has just taught ducks to swim in hot water with such success that they lay boiled eggs. What is the difference between a

honeycomb and honeymoon? A honeyalarm him) he stepped up so as to keep comb consists of a number of "small The following question is now before

the Sand Lake Debating Society: "Which do women love the best ?-to be hugged in a polka, or squeezed in a

A young man was fined the other day twenty dollars for kissing a pretty girl when she didn't want him to. It often costs ten times as much when they do want him to.

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What is the difference between a tailor and a siege-gun.? One works the breeches, and the other breaches the

What fruit does a newly-married couple mostly resemble? A green pear. Why is the second wife of a widower with a small family like a Roman king? Because she is a Numa (new ma).

What kind of leather would a naked Moor remind you of? Undressed morocco.

Why was William the Conqueror of no sex? Because he was not a female Nor-man Which is the most wonderful animal

a farm-yard? A pig, because he is cilled first and cured afterwards. Why are all butchers thieves? Be-

cause they steal (steel) their knives. Why are they different from all other thieves? Because they steal (steel) their own knives.

FORMS OF WORSHIP .- The Jews and nakers wear their hats during whorship, Protestants and Catholics remove them. The Mohammedans wear their turbans, but put off their shoes on entering their mosques evidently from their Prophet's adoption of many of the Jewish customs. It is particularly worthy of remark that the Mohammedans invariably remove from their persons all jewelry, and articles of adornment, previous to the commencement of their prayers.

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