KISSES. " Are kisses spirits, mother ?" Little Walter asks, Raising great dark earnest eyes To others, thue as summer's shies, That brighten for her eager boy, Through her life of hope and joy,

And tender woman tasks, Fearless little questioner, What knows he of kleses ? Save caresses soft and sweet, Each fresh hour of life to greet; Blessing kiss of sire and mother. Clasp of sister, hug of brother; Thanks for baby blisses.

Happy cherished darling, He nor knows nor cares : Of passionate lips that press in vain On those that cannot glow again, Of wild despairing kisses pressed On damp sods where our idols rest;

'Mid sad unanswered prayers. Can true-hearted childhood Guess such things can be, As kiss 'tween secret foe and foe, As hands that clasp o'er gulfs below, As kisses with no loving leaven, Coldiy taken, idly given, In custom courtesy?

Can frank-hearted childhood Dream that kindred lips, Lips that have met a thousand times, Warm and true as 1 oet's rhymes, May for each other learn to frame Scorn or hatred, mock or blame, Love's unwarned eclipse ? Dim not childhood's golden faith With such lore as this is: Let him trust the gladgess round, Trust the love as birthright found : Soon, too soon, the world will teach Stings may lurk in honeyed speech,

Treason hide in kisses.

THE LOVERS' QUARREL.

We had a quarrel, Millicent and I, and it was no slight lovers' quarrel to be easily forgotten. We had each said things that could not be unsaid, and done things that could not be undone, and she had given me back the letters I had sent her, and the ring that she had worn, and all these little presents that every man lavishes on the woman he loves. It was all over and we were free again; and I tried to believe it was better so, but could not.

Poor little Millicent, her face was sad, and her eyes very heavy when I once loved me, and so I tried to look merry and unconcerned as I passed her, and I got up a flirtation with red-haired Lucy Martin, and was seen about with her a good deal.

Her father had made a great deal of money by certain shoddy transactions during the war, and she was an heiress. and very much sought after, and all that sort of thing. If I had been the kind of a man who marries for money, I might have tried to win the prize, perhaps, for, after a real, honest love affair has come to an untimely end, either man or woman is just ripe for all the wrongs that are, though many hour. He obeyed: is really worse than a lovelesss or mercenary marriage.

I wasn't bad enough for that, but I was bad enough to flirt abominably with a decent young woman, who fancied that I meant everything, and was pleasantly frank with me in consequence, and a report even arose that 1 was engaged to her. I liked it; for I knew that Millicent must hear it.

Of course, when I heard that she was engaged to Tom Brown, I was not pleased. You never can be sufficiently off with the old love to hear such good news without a pang. I had not sworn myself to celibacy, but it seemed to me in a measure, Millicent's duty to do so. At least it would be better taste, I thought, remembering how fond she had once seemed to me. Going into a convent, or something of that sort-at least no more love-making-I had supposed would be her course. And here she was at the opera with fan, operaglass, bouquet and attendant adorer as if nothing had happened.

I sat in the next row with Miss Martin, and I looked into her eyes, and whispered compliments in a terrible way, considering that I had no intentions whatever. Ah, well! she was a very practical girl, not romantic. I knew she had a budding fancy for me, but I don't think she would ever let

"Concealment, like a worm I' the bud. Feed on the damask of her cheek "

I am sure that she married the retired grocer, who proved to be her fate, with a light heart; and I knew her appetite did not fail her, for I sat opposite her at the table one day not long since, and she took kindly to roast beef and 160 pounds; but if she had been the little chance with Miss Martin, even if her heart, I doubt if I should have re- your pardon, Miss Millicent; I ought self that night; and all the while I was Brown might object." thinking, just as we remembered snatches of some familiar song while we were from music, of the pleasant hour my engaged to Miss Martin. Put your arm little black-eyed love and I had had together-of the softness of the velvet forgive me." palm that lay unresistingly in mine a river bank, the summer before, when enough to promise to keep me comtwenty of us stopped at the gay hotel pany for a while, and he might go. at -; of the kisses she used to let Brown. He was a harmless young man, had at last risen. with a lisp and an eyeglass, but I longed to assassinate him.

who was fond of sport, so he said, had made up our quarrel.

fish, or shoot anything whatever, No one knew where I was, I knew

why Milly and I had parted. And fancy favorite American game of ball: my astonishment and horror when, one Of the game itself, as seen during the evening, as I took my seat at the table, week in London, little can be said, ex- disease purely of the imagination. Some tournures are to be discarded. The full- lars in question. He does not inherit I saw straight opposite me a little, pale cept in praise. It was generally fan- time since a man in Chicago was bitten ness of skirts will proceed from draped this sum. It does not come to him by shadow, which I recognized as all that cied that the cricketers would be rather by a dog that was known to be perfectly festooned hangings over the under a streak of good luck, as the result of a was left of Millicent Hood. Her portly inclined to deprecate and ignore, but well. The victim, however, brooded widths, and trimmings consist in drawn fortunate venture in the purchase and grandmother was with her, and the way the cricket world has been the first not over the idea that sooner or later he frills, flounces, coquilles, and bouil- sale of a hundred shares of stock. It that old lady didn't look at me was more only to welcome, but to applaud. To would die from the effect of the wound, lonnes. The heavier materials, such as is the fruit of personal industry. He dreadful than the most awful looks cricketers, indeed, base ball presents although there was no manifestation of homespuns, cheviots, and the French gives his time and labor for it. While could have been.

ing train. Unfortunately, I overslept what can be done in accuracy of throw- he brought upon himself fits of an description; also stamped velvet. myself. Wait a minute-was it unfor- ing. Here you rarely find a cricketer alarming type. From all the circumtunate? It seemed so to me for a good who can be relied upon for accuracy in stances it was evident that the man was There was no other way of reaching the I intended to go out on that,

a tree and fell to thinking of Millicent, ble position. With the base ball player Poor little girl! how worn she wasdid she? But no-no-she had de- wise haste in the effort to throw, but a was truth in Moore's song-'There's nothing half so sweet in life as

In a moment more—crack, crack, crack! of course. Perhaps to Englishmen, the A terrible pain through my head. A only drawback at present is, that the that Briggs had hit something at last.

chanced to meet her; but she had told Briggs was: "Why didn't you hit a met with a better reception. As it is to avoid the highway, will never go out new basket portmanteau has appeared purposes they have in view, and the vital part while you were about it?"

sure how time passed. There was no circles. day to me, and I seemed suddenly to have been launched into a dark eter-

fresh air, and as there could be no reasumption, if, indeed, enough was raised son for keeping me indoors, I ordered in the State for that purpose. The immy nurse, an old colored man, to set a mense proportions which that crop has chair for me in some lonely spot where reached in a single decade is one of the strangers would not be apt to spy me most astonishing events of the century. out. He did so. There was a little The Chronicle well remarks that "if nook which I knew well, where no one this immense mass of wheat had come save some rural fisher came. Here I down upon us in a shower from heaven. something wrong in that line; and of bade him leave me, and return in an it could not have been more unlooked

Millicent my wife, I should have one who would love me even now; one on mineral, astonishing and bewildering as whose truthful bosom I could rest my they have been." weary head."

"Millicert!" I whispered softly, " Millicent ! Millicent !"

The name brought back sweet recollections. I rested my head upon my hand and indulged in them until, being still weak, sleep overcame me. Then I dreamed of her.

We were together in some beautiful spot, and my arms were about her and her kisses were on my lips. How vivid the dream was.

another and another. A hand seemed I strove to clasp it in my own. Then, then I knew it was no dream. A hand was there. It did not resist mine-a little trembling woman's hand, soft and warm, and sweet Millicent's own dear hand. I knew it before I drew her "It's my little one," I said. "Speak

to me I cannot see vou.' "I know I ought not to be here," she

sobbed, "but I-I could not help it. I am so sorry, so very, very sorry for von.

"Then you've got over hating me, Millicent," I said.

"I never hated you," she said. "] only said so. But there-I-I didn't mean you should know I was here. I thought you were asleep, and I suppose it was very wrong for me; and Miss Martin would be justly very angry."

" Miss Martin !" said I. "You don't believe that story? The poor blind felgravy, and must have weighed at least low you see before you would have most spirituelle creature, whoever broke he wanted her and he don't. But I beg membered anything but my own selfish not to hold your hand so long. Mr.

"Oh, don't, Harry," said she, can't be proud any longer now. I hate busy with something very different that Brown. I'm so glad you are not around me again, darling, and please

When Black Sam came to me I told we walked in the moonlight by the him that Miss Millicent had been kind She said that the stars were in the me take, and the blushes they brought sky as she led me up the steps of the to her cheeks-and I wanted to kill old hotel, and I told her that my star

The doctor's predictions of some improvement were fulfilled. I could see This sort of thing happened more as well as ever on my wedding day; but than once during the season, and I felt I never shall forget that Millicent came glad when it was gone and summer sent to me in my darkness, not guessing that "society" flying to the woods and glens it would ever be broken again on earth, and waterfalls. I did not seek the and gave me back the love I should not usual resort. I went to a wild out-of- have dared to ask for. Nor can there the-way place and fished persistently, ever be a moment more delicious than I did some shooting, too, and I formed that in which I felt her lips upon my a friendship with a certain Mr. Briggs, brow, and knew that Millicent and I

Considerable interest "in our na-

It is returned somehow, and that some medical attention. Physicians cars, and I went out to spend the whole seems quite enough. Sometimes at the were called, but he soon expired in September day with Briggs and our head, and more often at the feet, it great agony. From beginning to end. guns. There was an evening stage also. comes in at a great pace probably, but this man's ease, so far as the dog was still in a manner calculated to disturb | concerned, was one entirely of imagina-Out in the woods, and having pur- the whole system of a wicket-keeper by tion. Dr. Marx, a celebrated German is intended that elaborate needlecraft value of the sum which he has thus posely lost sight of my companion for the constant lunges, and often vain ata little while, I sat down at the foot of tempts to reach the ball in an impossimatters are different. There is no unclared that she hated me. Ah, there moment to steady before the ball is sent in. Then there is no need for the baseman to move either to the right or to the left, as the ball comes as straight and I had awakened from it. I sighed as an arrow, and the base runner is as and rested my head against the old tree. certain of his doom as if it were a thing of Lyons, who, having assisted in the bow. cry of "Oh, Lord, I thought you were different details of the game are so a squirrel!" and I was dimly conscious poorly understood. The score is kept, drink he was seized with spasms of the added to increase the effect of the mixit is true, and the telegraph-board pharynx, and in this condition roamed ture. Transparent enamel was mostly poses, at the opening period, just when shows three lines of figures that repre-I came to myself after a week's fever sent nothing except to the initiated. It length his friends succeeded in con-shades, and when used for the mountand delirium, quite blind. My eyes has been amusing throughout the week, were untouched, but the nerves had indeed, to hear the stories with regard his apprehensions, and he at once reing background on which their relief is full opportunity for expansion and debeen somehow injured. There was to the exact interpretation of these something horrible in the surgeon's signals on the board. With a better vague premises of improvement in time; comprehension of the rules, base ball and all I could say to the penitent would have become more popular, and his master's property. A mad dog seeks for walking and traveling dresses. A And the manner in which they start, the the Americans can have no ground for of his course to bite, but will finally, if for lady tourists abroad. It entirely habits they form, will ordinarily deter-It was a horrible time. I don't like dissatisfaction at the enthusiasm that let alone, drop dead without doing the does away with trunks and other im- mine the entire sequel of their career on to think about it even now. I was not their visit has created in metropolitan least injury to any one.

THE CALIFORNIA WHEAT CROP.

Ten years ago California produced One day I had a terrible longing for only wheat enough for her own confor than it was a few years ago. The have worse names, there isn't one that hour. He obeyen:
"Ah," I thought to myself, "were surprises in California in an agricultural way have been greater than those of the

> The amount of the surplus is stated in figures at 20,000,000 bushels, or about 600,000 tons. To form a definite idea of what these figures mean is a very different matter. The New York Herald, in order to assist the understanding, says that, if loaded in carts, each containing a ton, to be hauled to New York. the first would be at its destination when the last was leaving San Francisco. This, at first thought, seems extravagant; but, in order to travel com-I was awake but I felt the kiss; still fortably, not much more than 200 could be ranged upon a mile, and hence the to rest on my shoulder. Involuntarily statement is not very wide of the mark. The Bulletin suggests that, if loaded into vessels of 1,000 tons burden, and the 600 ships were to sail in sight of each other, say twenty miles apart, the line would extend 12,000 miles, or half way round the globe. The last one might just be leaving the Golden Gate when the first one was entering the harbor of Liverpool. Such illustrations, though not very original, may serve to show how great an element in the economy of the civilized world the wheat crop of California has become.

A HOMEOPATHIC JOKE. To arouse the temper of a homeopa thist, just hint to him that he cannot make you sick or kill you with his infinitesimal sugar pills, as a regular allopathist can do so neatly with his drugs. An apothecary in Stuttgart, Germany, having a natural contempt for the sugar pills of Dr. Hahnemann, was, therefore, quite surprised recently when the 'Hahnemannia," a society for the advancement of homeopathic treatment, offered a prize of \$20 to any one who, upon taking a certain homeopathic medicine, should not experience the results predicted by the Hahnemannic doctors. Desirous of maintaining the supremacy of his own drugs as the destructive agencies of the world, he offered himself to the society as a victim to science. The homeopathists smiled and gave him a drop of a glassful of water, in which they had dissolved a tiny globule upon a large piece of sugar. The tiny globule had, however, it seems, about a millionth part of a grain of some substance in it that is given to raise blisters, and the unlucky apothecary, a few hours after swallowing the drop, had a mouth that looked as if a whole swarm of bees had been trying to suck honey out of it. He could not even whistle for his \$20. And now the Stuttgart homeopathists triumph, and the allopathists hang their heads in shame; but the common people look very sober, and wonder whether there is any school of medicine that is

Alice, 14; Carrol, 11; Frank 5.

though I never knew him to catch a OUR NATIONAL GAME IN ENGLAND. HYDROPHOBIA INDUCED BY FEAR. It is a well known fact that several

tional game" has been excied in persons may be bitten by a mad dog, nothing of the whereabouts of any of England by the recent visit of the Bos- and only one, or none of them, die from my acquaintances. There were a few ton and Athletic clubs. The game the disease. Such was the case when Vichy costumes, now so much worn. ladies at the hotels, principally invalids, comes in competition with the British Mrs. Noyes, of New York, was attacked for there were springs thereabout that game of cricket, and it was thought by a few weeks since. Two or three per- sue, is employed in the making up of that a young man, after going out into had a great medicinal reputation; but many that the prejudice in favor of the sons were bitten at the same time by rich dust-gray and cigar-brown silks. the world to act for himself, earns and it was not the sort of place to tempt latter sport would prevent the former the same dog, who are alive now, and The cachemire must match exactly, so saves will generally settle the question from being patronized. Such, howev- likely to be for many years, and who, in that the introduction of two different of business life with him. There may I anticipated no unpleasant meeting er, has not proved to be the ease. An all probability, will never suffer the materials be more perceptible to the be exceptions to this statement; yet, with people who would want to know English paper speaks as follows of our slightest inconvenience from the bites touch than to the eye. they received.

> dissection of several victims of the disorder, imagined that he himself had be-

No dog will bite unless he is pro-

Lastly, the disease is not, as is generally supposed, incurable. There are many persons who have had hydrophobia and have recovered from it. Dr. Buisson, a distinguished French physician, says he never knew a case to fail in heat from 57 to 63 degrees centigrade.

out of a person much more effectually relieve this somber attire. than can be done by any amount of It is quite true that "the mind kills to be understood by medical men, there wear frocks and not sacques. The foldrugs and more on common sense.

A MICROSCOPIC CIRCUS.

tion takes place on a large sheet of table, to which all the spectators apmaneuvers of these little but marvelousyou see one of the muscular fleas rolling a small barrel along with its feet, with fancy braid. as the mendo in a circus; there you see a slim, voluptuously built madam of the a well trained fellow performs on the flying trapeze, without any danger of his neck, however, since the biggest fall would not break that; while below the trapeze, on the paper, a host of little ones are turning somersaults at a fearful rate. The largest specimens of the collection have been trained to draw wagons, drays carriages, etc. To flea-tamer places his pupils on a piece of paper covered with mucilage, where they have to stick. He then, by the aid of a watchmaker's loop, arranges a strong gold thread around their bodies and attaches it to the wagon or carriage. The ladies of Berlin attend the exhibition in large numbers, and seem to take an extraordinary delight in the performance of the little creatures, who are fed regularly every morning from and Home.

the arm of the great flea-tamer .-- Hearth THE NOSE, -We have no fewer than fourteen English proverbs relating to this important feature of the human face divine. They are: 1. Follow your nose. 2. He cannot see beyond his nose. 3. An inch is a good deal on a man's nose, 4. He would bite his own nose off to spite his face. 5. He has a nose of noses. 6. As plain as the nose on your face. 7. To hold one's nose to the grindstone. 8. To lead one by the nose. 9. To put one's nose out of joint. 10. To pay through the nose, 11. To have a good nose for a poor man's sow. 12. To thrust one's nose in other people's business, 13. A nose that can smell a rat. 14. Every man's nose will return it to her at the corner of Dear. ness speaks forcibly, of a mingled ternot make a shoeing horn.

(Friend from the country)-Howdy, Frank. What ye at since you quit

college? (Pedantic Frank)-I am a merchant in that desiccated and convoluted exotic beverage.

FASHION NOVELTIES.

The novelties of the period are mostly in Vichy fabrics, of which fans and parasols are made to correspond with the mend it to the careful consideration of

Cachemire de l'Inde, a soft woolen tis-

The bodies of full-dress toilets will be The first condition is that the young Hydrophobia is not unfrequently a made longer as the season advances, and man actually carns the thousand dolmany lessons that might judiciously be a serious character. But his apprehen- limousines, will be ornamented with he is thus earning and saving it, he I made a short meal that day, and I accepted. In one respect alone the sions made him anxious and restless galoon made of chenille mixed with must earn two or three, or perhaps four resolved to leave the place by the morn- Americans have shown the Englishmen and almost frenzied, and in a few days silk and with gimp fringe of the richest times as much to pay his current ex-

useful than formerly.

the backs of mules.

Little girls are not very tastefully of God that we should be workers on hand saying: "How d'ye do, Kemp? physicking or dosing. In the bite of a dressed between the ages of 7 and 12. earth; and no one so well consults the I am humble enough to shake hands mad dog there is a poison virus, which There appears to be no distinction be- best development of his being as when with a dog." may or may not kill, depending on tween a grown-up daughter and that of he conforms his practice to this law. temperamental conditions in the man, her youngest sister. Lengths and sizes The workers in some suitable sphere alone vary, but the trimmings are are the only really strong men in this and it cures." When this thing comes | equally overdone. Young girls should | world. will be less dependence on poisonous lowing are very desirable in this season: Striped blue and white material, the skirt bordered with a deep frill cut on the cross and sewed on with a head-The latest excitement in Berlin is the ing. Bodice with a fan-shaped plaited exhibition of drilled fleas. The exhibi- basque attached to the waistband; a large collar either separate or simuwhite paper fastened upon an ordinary lated with the material sewed on with embroidery. An afternoon frock should proach in turn, so as to be able to wit- be a little brighter, but almost as plain; ness in all details the extraordinary a gray bege in the light shades trimmed with pink silk; three frills round the ly powerful and gifted rascals. Here skirt, two gray and one silk pink between; a black cashmere jacket trimmed

An evening frock for the dinner table, white pique over which a blue species walking along in crinoline and sateen redingote. The skirt is trimmed carrying her parasol with all the affect with blue braid, the blue overdress tation of a city miss; at another place with white. It is open in front; no earrings, no bracelets, no necklaces, but a blue velvet ribbon round the throat with a medallion or locket.

WOMAN'S FAME.

The great deeds that make the fame of men are often of questionable morality; woman's fame must be founded on goodness to become glorious for her fix the harness properly on them the and endurable as an example of greatness for women.

When the wife of Lord William Russell stood by her husband's side, cheering and assisting him in his dark hour of trial, before his unjust and cruel judges, were not her devoted love, her firm faithfulness and pious fortitude, a beautiful realization of the purest and noblest feminine character which poetry in its most divine strains has imaged forth? Is the actor of such a lofty part less inspired than one who could describe it?

men, more particularly on the young, that there is a field, and a wide one, too, refinement of taste are true sources of -prayer. But how? And what? There happiness in the domestic circle, and was no time to deliberate, the monster not merely requisites to shine in the was near, and delay would be fatal to world.

Detroit Tribune.

THE FIRST THOUSAND DOLLARS. The following extract we take from the New York Independent, and comthe boys and young men who are among our readers : The first thousand dollars for a rule, we think it will hold true. penses. He is consequently held stern-

The new satchels are made of cut blue | ly to the task of industry-impatient, steel-beads and hang from a waistband persistent, fore-casting and self-denying while. I missed the stage at all events. returning the ball to the wicket-keeper. in a dangerous condition, and needed of the same. They are larger and more cffort, breaking up all the tendencies to indolence and frivolity, and making It is already certain that the art of him an carnest and watchful economist dressmaking will become extremely com- of time. He not only learns how to plicated, and the charges made by first- work, but he also acquires the love of faisuses will by no means diminish. It work; and, moreover, he learns the physician, writing to the Clinic, says shall set sewing-machines at defiance. saved out of his earnings. He has that he regards hydrophobia as a mor- A certain pride is already taken in in- toiled for it; he has observed its slow bid affection, induced by fear, and in crustations of thread guipure and in increase from time to time; and in his support of his opinion, cites many inter- leaf patterns raised down the center of estimate it represents so many months esting cases. Dr. Luke, is his work on flat silk quillings. It is a revival of the or years of practical labor. His ideas the Influence of the Mind on the Body, old Flemish art. Sleeves are to be of life are shaped by his own experi- in its ear. supports the hypothesis that hydro- tight to the wrist, but much puffed. A ence. These natural effects of earning phobic symptoms are often developed loose oversleeve will be introduced the first thousand dollars we hold to be without previous inoculation and he re- toward the end of autumn, sewed in very large benefits. They are just the lates a notable instance of a physician the armhole, and only reaching the el- qualities of mind and body which are most likely to secure business success The most fashionable jewelry is of in after years. They constitute the gold in three different shades, red, yel- practical education which a man can come inoculated. On attempting to low and green. A little platina is often have as a worker in this working world. about the streets for three days. At blue; it is now made in the Byzantine they are wanted, when foolish notions vincing him of the groundlessness of ing of precious stones furnishes a glow- enced brain, and when, too, there is a very prominent. The lichen, heather, velopment in later years. Men have and moss shades will be preferred to but one life to live; and hence, they voked, or is disturbed in his guard over any other for the shooting season, also start from opening manhood but once. pediments in the mountain passes. All earth. To succeed, men must have the the requirements for a foreign tour can elements of success in themselves. One be neatly packed inside, and this con- great reason why there are so many venient contrivance can be strapped on useless, inefficient, and poverty-stricken men on earth-or, rather, boys seem-A material called bege is worn over ing to be men-consists in the simple black silk for half mourning. It is fact that they did not start right. A of recovery where the patient was re- looped with black bows, and made in prominent reason why the children of peatedly placed in steam baths varying all the new gray tints. A white crepe the rich so frequently amount to chemisette under a bodice that is open nothing may be found in luxury, ease Wet-sheet packs will take the poison en chair, and white ruffs for the wrists, and indolence which marked the com-

mencement of their lives. It is the law seeing his former enemy, held out his

THE VEGETABLE BITTERS MAN. Whenever a man gits ded broke, and kant think ov nothin to raze the wind with, and hiz unkle won't hav him boarding at hiz house enny longer, and his boots want tapping the wust way. he takes sum rubarb root, a fu katnip blossoms, and some black cherry tree renovating tonik bizzness.

He plasters every fence, saw-mill log, stun wall and cow's back, from Port- ever had a baby?" "No, ma'am, but land, Maine, to San Francisco, with red. I am very fond of them." "Then I'm yello plakards, offering to heal the halt, afraid, Bridget, you will not do for me. make the blind talk, and the deaf see, It is a wet nurse I want." "Oh, plase, and renew the livers of all kreashun, for ma'am, I know I'll do ; I'm very aisy to one dollar and a quarter a bottle.

He takes rooms at sum fust-klass hotel, drives four in hand, and never iz seen only on the jump.

week after next.

are too simple to do enny hurt or good, have always been lightly punished on and the worst perhaps that kan be sed of them iz, that they knowingly prak- father is one of the proprietors of the tiss upon the kredulity ov poor human Veinna Circus, now on exhibition at Cinnatur.

kritter, full ov pomposity, frequently which justified the popular expectation ackumulates a fortune, but never kan entirely outlive a certain kind ov rubarb up the monkeys in a cage, when his and katnip smell that scents his reputa- father ordered him to desist. "Dumshun .- Josh Billings.

FAIR PLAY.

our intelligent and gifted countrywo- in, in the Arctic regions, and, like my coolly joining the audience in the young Nelson, had strayed on the ice main amphitheater where he was arheedless of danger. He was far from rested. It is a curious fact, which open for their genius, besides that the vessel when he saw, coming round meets the charge against Dickens of which is afforded by the present facility a block of ice, a huge polar bear mak- exaggeration in the character of Quilp, of feminine authorship; it is that of ing directly towards him. Totally un- that Davis, with all his hideous moral carrying out, in actual life, the beauti- provided with any defensive weapon deformity, was married to a very deful ideas they would depict, and thus but his knife, he bethought himself of ent young woman. showing that cultivation of mind and an Old World weapon for extreme cases the poor fellow. So he opened his A CHICAGO lady was robbed of her knife and grasped it firmly-hurriedly watch in a street car, and advertised its uttered a few words-how earnestly can loss, offering \$30 to any one who would hardly be imagined, but their ruggedborn and Randolph streets at a certain ror, desperate courage, and dim-twinktime, and no questions asked. The ling faith: "O Lord, I dinna trouble sneak-thieves put in an appearance, de- ye often; but ye see me an' ye see this livered the watch, took the reward, bear. O Lord, an' ye winna help me, and in three minutes thereafter had dinns help the bear. An' if ye'll help three. stolen it from her sgain. If there is neither the ane nor the ither, stan' by anything meaner than a Chicago Alder- an' see fair play : for this'll be a maist TILTON'S children are : Florence, 16: foliage which yields your crepuscular man, perhaps it is a Chicago thief .- awfu' fecht. Amen." His prayer was answered, for he lived to tell it.

The seeds break out in radiant bloom Rich harvests smile behind the plow, And cities cluster round the loom Where towering domes and tapering spires Adorn the vale and crown the hill, Stont Isher lights its beacon fires, - And plumes with smoke the forge and The monarch oak, the woodland's pride, Whose trunk is seamed with lightning scare, Toil launches on the restless tide, And there unrolls the flag of stars; The engine with its lungs of flame, and ribs of brass and joints of steel, From Labor's plastic fingers came, With sobbing valve and whirling wheel. "Tis Labor works the magic press, And turns the crank in hives of toll. And beckons angels down to bless Industrious hands on sea and soil. Here sun-browned soil, with shining spade Links lake to lake with silver ties, Strung thick with palace of trade, And temples towering to the skies. VARIETIES.

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fortunes-Our creditors. A FIRST-RATE axiom-A man should always grind his own axes.

A Brooklyn man has named his rooster Robinson, because he cru-soe.

What portions of the body are the best travelers? The two wrists (tour-How to tell fresh shad. First decide

what you want to tell it, then whisper In pocket-picking, as in everything

else, a man never succeeds until he gets his hand in.

An editor who speaks with the air of man who has discovered a new fact by experience, says the new way to prevent bleeding at the nose, is to keep your nose out of other people's busi-

"Docron," said a man to Abernethy, my daughter had a fit, and continued half an hour without sense or knowledge." "Oh," replied the doctor, " never mind that; many people continue so all their lives." A DOCTOR and a military officer be-

came enamored of the same lady. A friend asked her which of the two suitors she intended to favor. She replied that "it was difficult to tell, they were both such killing creatures." RETRIBUTIVE justice sometimes fol-

lows faster than we could expect. An evil-minded Brooklyn boy propelled a snow-ball at his aunt the other day, and dodging into a neighboring area, sat down on a scuttle full of hot ashes. A COUPLE of neighbors became so in-

imical that they would not speak to each other: but one of them, having

In a little town in Missouri a lady teacher was exercising a class of juveniles in mental arithmetic. She commenced the question : "If you buy a cow for ten dollars-" when up came a little hand. "What is it, Johnny?" "Why, you can't buy no kind of a cow for ten dollars. Father sold one for sixty dollars the other day, and she was a regular old scrub at that."

A METROPOLITAN housekeeper adverbark, and sokes them 14 hours in cheap | tised recently for a wet nurse. A young whisky, and goes hedlong into the life- Irish girl offered herself. "How old are you, Bridget?" said the dame. "Sixteen, pleas, ma'am." "Have you tache."

CINCINNATI has a curiosity of the Quilp variety in the person of a deaf mute printer known as "Dummy Davis." He iz az phull ov bizzness az the su- The lack of other senses was made up perintendent ov a Sunday skool on a in him by a temper of rare brutality, piknik day; and call on him when yu and a disposition violent, vindictive, will to collect yure little bill ov eight and irresponsible. He has broken dollars, he haz just left for Baltimore, women's legs, mutilated children, or won't be home from Nu Orleans until | maimed men, and established a reputation for "ugliness" which found ex-Theze men are not all ov them un pression in the general belief that he skrupulous; sum ov their kompounds would yet kill a man. His offenses account of his natural : filiction. His cinnati. Davis was allowed the free The vegitabel bitters man iz a kuning run of the place, and on the occasion was in a bad humor. He was stirring my Davis," refusing to obey, a policeman was ordered to eject him. The The f-llowing anecdote is related of officer endeavored to do so, when Davis a tar who once had a narrow escape from shot him dead. The corpse lay in the We would, therefore, impress on all imminent peril. He was in a ship frozen tent during the performance, the Dum-

RAPID RAILWAY TRAVELING .- The Railroad Gazette says : "Fast time in Germany, as the English railroads count fast time, has been almost unknown heretofore, but by the first of next month it is reported that a train is to run between Berlin and Hamburg, 150 miles, in 31 hours, or at the astounding rate of 524 miles per hour, including three stops for water. Heretofore the trains have taken six hours to make this trip, but they had to stop at twentythree intermediate stations instead of

"I was not reared mid sylvan solitudes to be terrified by strigine ululations," is the very latest.