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GLADSTONE FAILING FAST.

The Grand Old Man Has Aged Many Years

in the Past Three Months Those who feared that his retirement from public life would bring upon Mr. Gladstone just those evils which he designed to avoid are beginning to find publicly rebuked by Bowman seat him their judgment justified. The Grand | a challenge to fight. Old Man has aged many years in the past three months. The picture he made at the Dr. Andrew Clark memorial meeting was a pitiful one. He was a feeble, best octogenarian, who leaned upon a stout stick even when addressing the and spirit are breaking. He is not ill. No specific malady is undermining his marvelous vitality, but a great change, which his grieving friends cannot fail

to recognize, is making rapid progress. He has lost interest in life. That is ominous. For 60 years he found rest in ther objections. Seeing no way out of other forms of activity and peace in new | the scrape, the desperado at last consent struggles. Work has been his only recreation. Fresh responsibilities never failed to renew his vigor. His friends are beginning to understand now what Sir Andrew Clark saw clearly-that for such a man to fold his hands means despair and death.

Every effort will be made now to provide the warrior statesman with tasks and ambitions sufficiently important to keep alive that energy which craves and feeds upon what in most men would revived, he may remain many days a figure of which the nation will be most proud. If not, then nothing can long delay the oud.

The most remarkable effect of Mr. Gladstone's retirement has been clearly emphasized in connection with his first public appearance. His enemies have already become his friends. He has completely ceased to be a partisan figure in English polities. - London Cor. New

SHE FOOLED THE BAILIFF

Dora Donegan Gives an Exhibition of Her Deaterity as a Thief.

Dora Donegan, one of the most skillful thieves known to the police, gave an exhibition of her art Monday morning at the Harrison Street police station, which gave Bailiff Vogel a still greater opinion of her dexterity. She had been arrested in pursuance of a standing order given by Chief Brennan to lock her up on sight and was arraigned before Justice Foster. She was discharged, as there was no evidence against her. Before leaving the courtroom she stopped to chat with the bailiff.

"You are pretty clever, Dora," said Vogel, "but if all men were as hard to rob as I would be you'd have to do something else for a living."

'Oh, some day some one will you, too," said Dora.

The two stood talking for a few minntes, and then the woman left the room. Shortly afterward Bailiff Vogel found that his diamond scarfpin was missing. In an excited manner he called the attention of several officers to his loss, and they began to search the room, as the bailiff thought it had dropped from his scarf to the floor somewhere. While they were engaged in the search the Donegan woman approached Vogel and "Have you found your pin?"

"No," replied Vogel.
"Well, here it is," said the woman. "Be careful next time when you brag about yourself. I just wanted to show you that you would be an easy mark,' and she went away laughing. - Chicago Inter Ocean.

SILVER DOLLARS SCARCE.

A Bet Which Proved an Unexpected State of Affairs In Washington

party of gentlemen were discussing the financial conditions a couple of days ago when one of them remarked upon the numeral scarcity of silver dollars in circulation in Washington. He stated that it was difficult to meet a person who had a silver dollar in his pocket, whereas a few months ago the cart wheels were more plentiful than the paper securities. His assertion was ques tioned by one of his companions, whereupon he remarked that he would be willing to make a wager of the cigars to prove it.

'I will bet," he remarked, "that you cannot within one hour meet a man whom you know who has a silver dollar in his pocket."

The other, who had an extremely large acquaintance, cagerly accepted the gage and took up a position down at the corner of Fifteenth and F streets. Every friend and acquaintance who came along was requested to exchange a silver dol lar for four quarters. Scores of \$1 bills were pulled out of pedestrians' pockets, but the man with the change wanted only the dollar of his daddies. At the end of the hour he paid for the cigars. because he found not a man in his quest who had a hard dollar in his pocket. I don't know the reason for the scarcity of such coin, but its existence is beyond doubt -Washington Star.

Declined Her Services. Since the death of M. Boutquin the dapper old gentleman who invariably wore a silk hat and carried an umbrella when discharging his official duties, Brussels has been deprived of the servires of a public executioner. M. de Liege has kindly acted as a stopgap during the interregnum. Last week his cooperation was requested by the authori-At the appointed hour a stout, raiddle aged lady presented herself and quietly remarked to the assembled fune tionaries:

Two come for the execution. My husband is not well this morning and asked me to take his place. Please let

The general stopefaction was intensi-ed when she added in a reassuring fied when tone, "This is not by any means the first time."

However, the authorities refused to avail themselves of her offer and mean-

ly declined to pay her expenses. -- Brus-A prisoner in the Manchester jail amused himself by writing verses in script. microscopic characters on small pieces of paper, which he pasted on the backs the roaches that infested his cell. had, but because the paste fermented.

A LUDICROUS DUEL

The Preacher Chose the Weapons and Vanquished His Bullying Opponent.

One way of combating an evil practice is to make it ridiculous. It was by this means that dueling was stopped i. a certain district of Kentucky some 40 years ago. At that time a traveling preacher named Bowman, a strong, muscular man, was conducting a series of religious meetings in Kentucky. At one of them a well known desperate charac ter created a disturbance, and being

The preacher's first thought was to trent the matter with silent contempt, Then he reflected that dueling was all too common in that region, and he decided to accept the challenge.

As the challenged party, Bowman audience from his cluir. His words had the choice of weapons. He selected were brave, polished, well chosen and a half bushel of large Irish potatoes and appropriate. Not a shadow has yet cross-stipulated that his opponent must stand ed his shining intellect, but both flesh 15 paces distant, and that only one po tato at a time should be taken from the

> The desperado was furious, but Boy man insisted upon his rights as the chal lenged party and threatened to denounce the fellow as a coward if he made fur

The contest took place on the outskirts of the town, and almost everybody in the place turned out to see the fun. The seconds arranged the two men in position, by the side of each being a half bushel measure filled with good sized potatoes.

his opponent in a central spot and fell from the crowd which flurried the des destroy it. If his enthusiasm can be perado, and his potato flew wide of the mark

Bowman watched his chance, and ev ery time his openent stooped for a potato another one hit him in the side, leaving a wet spot on his clothes and then scattering on all sides. The fellow was hit in this way five times. Then the sixth potato struck him in the short ribs, and he lay on the grass doubled up with pain and groaning, "Enough!"

The bystanders went wild with delight, but Mr. Bowman looked very sober. The desperado was taken home and put to bed, and there he staid for more than a week, and when he again appeared he was greeted with so many jokes that life was almost a burden to

That was the end of dueling in that region. - Family Herald.

The Hahamana

A most curious utensil of a Bahama dwelling is a big cement oven, like a cope, at the back of the house. In this the family bread is baked. Bahamans are physiologically starved, and their thin, attenuated forms show it. An unvarying diet of fish and fruit is not nourishing enough, and the fact speaks for itself in these islanders. The white burned so that complexion is a thing of the past. They rarely—some never— wear shoes; hence feet in these latitudes are feet and not merely the ends our schooner. The owners of the appendages could walk where a shod foot possessed. could not bear to trod. The skin becomes tougher than leather. Black Ba--strapping fellows with magnificent arms and chests, but they are dreadful beggars and dreadful liars.

It is inconceivable how simple the Bahamans are. I saw old men in Spanish Wells who had never seen a horse, or a cow, or a wheeled vehicle. Nassau is their Mecca. "Why, boy," said Joe Pindar to me (everybody down here is either a Pindar or a Johnson), "Nassau his a city. Hit 'as 6,000 people, hand the streets are so wide carriages kin go along hand leave room for persons to walk hon heach side,"-Californian Illustrated Magazine.

The Man of the Moment.

From the modern girl's point of view the man of the moment is not of much account, says Sarah Grand. The instinct of natural selection which inclined her first of all to set him aside for his flabbiness is strengthened now by her knowledge of his character. She knows him better than her parents do, and in proportion as she knows him she finds ess and less reason to respect him. The girls discuss him with each other and with younger married women, and out

"I'm not going to marry a man I I can find a man of honor with no horrid past," and "Don't offer me the mutilated remains of a man," coupled with the names of Tom Jones and Roderick Random, are the commonest expressions of it. And it is in vain for the man of the moment when he marries to hope to conceal the consequences of the past from his wife by assuming a high- boat out into midstream. ly refined objection to "allowing" her to read any book that would open her perfect. She in never aggressive, never art of self defense and reads what she

Of Different Types.

The drummer for a Chicago house handling New England trade, who had not seen his good old mother for a long time, recently spent Sunday with her, and when he started away she laid her

hand tenderly on his head. "Goodby, my boy," she said. "Put your trust in Providence, and you will me out all right."

'Pshaw, mamma," he replied; "you don't know that country. Providence is the hardest town to work in the whole of New England," and the good lady was greatly shocked until they had ome to a mutual understanding as to ing I had squeezed through a mighty what each one was thinking about -Detroit Free Press.

A Possible Condition.

Maud-Frank Plutus has proposed to Carrie, but she says he has more money than brains.

Edith-Carie doesn't seem to consider that if he had more brains than money it is not likely be would ever have proposed to her.-Boston Tran-

A medical man has found out that die mai weather has a bad effect upon the The poetry eventually killed all the in-sects that carried it, not because it was spirits. He says his deductions made on sloudy days often prove to be faulty.

CORREGGIO'S "ST. SEBASTIAN."

Bound by thy hands, but with respect unter thine eyes how from
Pixed on Madonna, seeing all that they were
born to see!
The child thine upward face hath sighted, Still and delighted

As the young aspen leaves rejoice, though to the stem held tight. In the soft visit of the air, the current of the

light, Thou hast the peril of a captive's chances:

Thy spirit dances. Caught in the play of heaven's divine ad-

While cheruts struggle on the clouds of luminous curied fire.
The babe looks through them, far below, on thee with soft desire.
Most clear of bond must they be reckened.

To theirs whose eyes by other eyes are beck-Though arrows rain on breast and throat they

have no power to hart, While thy tenacious face they fall an instant Oh, might mine eyes, so without measure, Feed on their treasure, The world with thong and dart might do its

pleasure!
- Michael Field in London Academy.

YANKEE COAL.

"I know it's a right smart offer, squire, and \$500 is a big sum of money for a pilot to get for taking a pair of boats from Pittsburg to New Orleans, but, don's you see, there's a heap o' risk to run. 1 ain't afeerd o' what the rivers can do, that it can't be seen from one bank to for I've been down the Ohio and Mississip' times enough to make their ac-Bowman threw the first one. It struck quaintance pretty well, but feelin's are hot among the people along the banks o' in pieces. A shout of delight went up the lower waters, and 'twould be as much as a man's neck'd be worth to be caught with a broadborn of Yankee coal anywheres betwist Cairo and the cap'n o' the Sandusky? Well, he's com Old Red Church." (The place where the coalboats used to tie up at New Orleans.)

"I'm well aware, Jack Leathers, that the risk is great," replied Squire Thomas, the owner of the coal. "But we have the boats all loaded and I want them started, even though they don't get farther than the mouth of the Ohio. So I promise you \$500 if you go through to New Orleans all right, with \$200 in advance, which will be yours if your trip does not extend beyond Cairo."

"As I said," returned Jack, who was one of the oldest pilots on the two rivers, "it's a mazin temptin offer. And if i can pick up a crew of square men here in Pittsburg I'll make a start of it."

"That's right, Leathers," answered "Offer them \$150 apiece. the skipper. one-third in advance."

"Very well, squire, and if any of the boys are loafing around that's got the 'bottom' in 'em to go with me, I'll be ready to 'cast off' at daylight tomorrow morning.

Jack Leathers did not meet with so much difficulty in picking up a crew Bahamans are homely and sallow unless as he had anticipated, for, although the war clouds of civil strife had already begun to lower over the country, the ignorant boatman did not realize the bitter feeling with which the people of legs. I used to gaze in admiration at of the south were imbued, and consethe feet that daily and nightly visited quently had not the fears for their safety which the pilot, more enlightened.

"It's no more than right for me to tell hamans are the finest specimens of the may be the nottest trip that any of us filled baskets and dump coal on their there's one among you that feels scary. be can jest chuck his plunder on the we swing out into the Ohio not a man shall leave the boats till we get to New Orleans, unless he's taken by officers of soldiers along the way, or we strike a peared around the bend farther down. snag and have to swim for it."

"Ain't you going down, Jack?" asked one of the crew significantly.

"I should say I was," was the grim answer. "Then I reckon we uns have got as much sand as you uns, so there ain't any afore we pass Island Number Ten, and

need of more talk about it." Though the reply was given in a gruff. almost surly tone, yet the pilot was well mind you, it's Kentucky, for we've just pleased to receive it, as he knew the nature of the material he had to deal with, and accepted the laconic retort of

a pledge of fidelity. As the pair of long, unwieldy coalboats swung out into the stream and felt the current of the river, they were heartily cheered by the crowd of idle many boats were met, some containing spectators who were gathered upon the officers and soldiers in uniform, they

shore. "I wish we'd waited until night afore makin a start," grumbled the pilot to of their discussion is arising a strong his assistant, Billy Brown. "Now the news that Jack Leathers with a broadcan't respect," "I shan't marry unless river will travel a good sight faster'n even afore we git to Cairo."

"Well, my advice is, Jack, not to hug to the catfish." that trouble before it comes abroad," replied the youthful and light hearted "second" as he gave a vigorous sweep with his long steering oar, as much to

see, while we're up here among the assistant and chuckled Manners of the new woman are Union folks, if any one stops and asks us what we've got we can say we've got argumentative, but she understands the Yankee coal and tell the truth. But when we get down into the Mississip' ness and its occupants spring over the and the other chaps bati us we can't rail say we're loaded with a secesh cargo,

hasn't told a lie since he was a boy." "Well," replied his companion, "you wouldn't catch Bill Brown hesitating leader. long between a lie that would burn his tongue and the noose of a rope. If i was in charge of this broadhorn, and any one around here asked me what I'd got, I should say Yankee coal. If I was down about Vicksburg way, and the chaps should ask me the same question. I would tell 'em secesh coal. If they took bank," reforted the pilot. my word for it and let me pass, I'd sleep a heap sight sounder that night, think-

narrow hole." The conscientions chief slowly shook his nead, but made no answer for several minutes; finally he said:

"Perhaps there's some way we can get around it. Now, Kentucky is as much secoslt as she is for the Union, so was thinkin if we could make a trade for a hundred bushels or so of her coal, we'd have both kinds aboard and we'd

Brown smiled at the novel manner in which his pilot proposed to quiet his onscience, though he had to admit it was not a bad scheme. "But," he remarked, "won't the rebs

sapture us if we make a landing to try that kind of a barter?" "Yes, they would be likely to. But it

struck me that before we got out of the though they are armed, to capture thirty Ohio we might meet a steamer that'd be big fellows like us. willin to exchange. I know most o' the cap'ns, and wouldn't mind throwin in a few extra bushels for the sake o' the

accommodation." This idea seemed to greatly please Oh, bliss, when with muts rites two souls are ooth men, although Brown observed that he would not go to so much trouble, and volunteered to do all the lying

in case they were stopped and questioned. To this Leathers would not consent; so the matter was dropped.

Day and night the broadhorn floated tranquilly down the Ohio. One after another the large towns and cities were passed, and our friends could see that everywhere on shore great excitement prevailed.

They were now journeying through what might be termed a neutral country, for the people at this time had not penly espoused the cause of the other

Nearly a week they had been absent from Pittsburg when they arrived at Louisville. Here they were obliged to haul up and await their turn in passing through the canal. You am won't get very far with that

Yankee coal," observed a loafer on the "The boats from down river say that

they uns are just lookin for such chaps as you nus. "Reckon they be," replied Brown, to whom the remark was addressed. "And they won't have to look hard to find us, for a broadhorn ain't so small an object

another." That was the only comment made which would tend to cause the boatmen to fear for their safety farther along. When again well on their way, leaving the city behind them, the pilot said:

soldiers' weapons, ordered them to be "I've fixed it, Billy. I've fixed it all released and invited them to join him at You know Hub Skelton, the right. breakfast. ing out o' Louisville some time tonight, demanded the officer, as soon as he reand'll overhaul us a long way this side covered speech o' Cairo. He's arreed to slow down an make fast, an give us 120 bushels o' when you have finished eating," was secesh coal for 120 o' ourn. What do the cool reply. you think o' that, my boy?"

"It's a right pert scheme," was the lieve me. Leathers," reply, "seein it ain't a goin to delay us any, an will be a heap of relief to your

"That's just it, my lad." Some hours after midnight the heavy puffing of a high pressure boat was heard approaching from up the river. "There's the Sandusky!" exclaimed

Leathers. "Now, light another lantern, Bill, and swing it so Skelton'll know Not to tell a soul on the river to whom it is consigned. So if you have finished As soon as the signal was displayed, your repast you may climb into the skiff

the experienced boatmen could tell by the sounds that reached them that the steamer was slowing down. "It's all right," said the pilot. "Stand by for her lines. And you fellows get

ready to roust 120 bushels aboard of her lively. "Cur'us, a boat jest out o' Louisville wantin ter buy coal," grumbled one of

the men. "P'raps she's secesh an the Yanks wouldn't sell it to her, or p'raps she's a Yank and the secesh wouldn't sell it to er," returned another of the crew. You can't tell how it is in these times."

It did not take long to secure the hawsers, and the big steamer and the hundred dollars for last night's work, if I have to pay it myself." broadhorn floated on down the river side by side. When the boatmen saw the negro you, boys that we're startin on what crew of the Sandusky pass them with

negro race to be seen outside of Africa have ever taken down stream. So if own pile, they came to the conclusion that either Leathers, the pilot, or the capbank an go ashore right here, for after but they continued their labor until ordered to cease.

Then the big boat drew ahead, and soon her red hot smokestacks disap-

Leathers fairly danced with delight when the exchange had been completed and he was again alone with his little band. Calling his crew to him, he said: "Now, boys, if we're hauled up afore

but delivered the coal in safety at New Orleans. we reach the Mississippi, or leastwise any one asks what we've got aboard to their homes, and in just eight weeks tell 'em 'Pittsburg coal,' but after that from the time they left home Jack taken some out o' the Sandusky."

As the cleverness of the pilot's scheme dawned upon the none too brilliant the rough boatman for what it was-viz., minds of the boatmen, they burst into a hearty laugh and congratulated their superior upon his strategy.

On, on they drifted, until the Missis sippi opened before them. Although were interrupted but once before they reached the Father of Waters,

"If you know when you're well off, cou'd better work in and make a landag on the Illinois shore and sell your coal for what it will fetch," advised a man who had come off in a skiff to hail we will, and we may look for trouble them. "If you don't, the secesh will seize it and chuck you fellows overboard

"I hope things ain't quite as bad that," returned Leathers,

"If they're not now they will be be fore you get 200 miles further." emphasize his remark as to guide the By this time the man in the skiff was as far astern that his voice could scarce-"I don't propose to. But, don't you ly be heard, and the pilot winked at his

The third might after passing Caire they were startled by seeing a boat containing six men shoot out of the dark-

The strangers were armed and quickly Toney-about 50 years of age, was bitcause that'd be a lie, and Jack Leathers covered the two pilots with their reten about a week ago by her daughter-

volvers. finger and was not at all dangerous in "Where are you from?" demanded the "We left Louisville two weeks ago, hand began to swell, and the swelling was accompanied by great pain. It soon

promptly replied Brown. "No lies. This is Yankee coal," asserted the newcomer. "Now if that stuff you're standin on

warn't mined in Kentucky you may hang Jack Leathers to any tree on the "Ah, Leathers, is that you?" went on

began to abate, and the old woman is the officer of the guard. "Now I know now considered on a fair road to recovwe've captured a prize." And turning The doctor learned that the daughter to his followers he continued: "Two of you men jump into the skiff and run his in-law was of the blue gum variety and line out to the shore. And you, Leathexamined her mouth to see if it differed ses, order your crew to the oars. You from that of anybody else. He says the gums are of a purplish blue mottled appearance, unlike those of the ordinamust make a landing at Vicksburg. Ah. ha, this lot of Yankee coal is just what ry negro. He is skeptical on the subject the loys are in need of." of the bite of such a person being more

"I tell you," persisted the pilot, "I've got Kentucky coal aboard." "Perhaps you have; but we'll see," As the two secessionists got into the

boat Brown went forward to hand them | see if there is any truth in the belief of the end of the warping line. In passing among his own crew he whispered: "Look here, if those fellows take us to Vicksburg every one of us will hang waiting for developments with some debefore daylight. It seems to me mighty

cowardly to allow half a dozen men, ton News

SCENERY COMPARED.

A low growl was the response, but it

"Pay out! Pay out!" shouted the sol-

"All right," returned the second pilot.

Pull away, you're getting it now

faster'n you can take it." Though in

reality Brown was holding onto the

rope until he could secure a piece of

timber to it, to mislead the would be

In the darkness the four southerners

"Means," replied the intrepid Brown

"It's a bold stroke, but perhaps

As the sun arose the coalboats were

well down in the sparsely settled coun-

try, and Leathers, having secured the

What are you going to do with us?

"Set you adrift in one of my skiffs

"You'll be made to suffer for this, be

"Oh, I reckon not. My instructions

were to take this coal south as quic'i

as possible, and not to "tie up" or alloy

myself to be stopped under any circum

stances. And I judge the officer who

is looking for this cargo is a little bit

"There's another of my instructions

and go back to Vicksburg. It'll be

hard pull, I know, but it is your own

fault. You should have taken my word

and not made the attempt to retard my

In a surly mood the soldiers took their

seats in the boat, and without respond-

ing to the pilot's farewell started on a

good ten mile row against the strong

When they were well out of hearing

"Brown, you did well, and if we reach

New Orleans all right you shall have a

Leathers grasped the hand of his as

current of the Mississippi.

being stopped further down.

'Yes, but those fellows will re

lowed a coalboat to slip by them."

our friends met with no further trouble.

Although seeesh sentiments ran high

round sum of money in their pockets

earned by running a cargo of Yankee

ARE BLUE GUMS VENOMOUS!

Virus From a Negro's Mouth.

It has long been a belief among the

negroes that the bite of one of their

race who has blue gums is about as

deadly as the bite of a mad dog or rat-

tlesnake. Few white people think this

is anything more than mere supersti-

a wound of almost any character equal-

A case is reported from the Lott Store

spread to the entire arm, which puffed

up to twice its normal size. A physi-

such remedies as the case seemed to de-

mand, but lockjaw set in and lasted

about 20 hours. Finally the swelling

ment is a small dog, which he innocu

instances prove a severe injury.

fon is that the death was not caused by ling there, quivering as in a dream-

in Yankee Blade.

sistant and said:

progress.

higher up than you are, my friend."

But where are you taking it?"

log of wood into the water.

placed over their mouths.

ing at Vicksburg, that's all."

cals that went off in the skiff?"

Leathers.

with a chnekle.

meant volumes.

diers in the boat.

THE MAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ENGLISH AND AMERICAN.

The One Is Everywhere Affected by Man and Art-The Other Is Primeval and Virgio-Luxury May Suit English Scenery, but Not So With Us.

Having lately visited England after a

captors and induce them them to think ong absence, my mind since my return they were towing a hawser. Then he has been busy with the subject of the recut the line and noiselessly dropped the latious between our scenery and that of the old world. I visited a dull part of Hampshire. On leaving the house where who were gathered about the indignant I was staying it was necessary to get pilot, could not see what was going on, up to an early breakfast to catch a train. nor did they realize any change in the Two young soldiers, very pleasant and situation until they felt their arms pinfriendly fellows, who went away at the ioned to their sides and heavy hands same time, were in the cab with me. Reference was made to the scenery, and "What does this mean?" questioned one of them, who had been in America. said. "You Americans may not always say you admire England, but in your "that we don't propose to make a landhearts you know there is nothing like the flat and very rolled out landscape, best one," replied Leathers. "Secure them firmly until we get by the city. It cut up into squares and plots by iron fences, which, however, with its sparse won't take half an hour to leave the oaks standing here and there, was not lights behind. Where are the two rasthe fresh and magic outlines of the Vir-"Towing a log of wood ashore to se cure it to the bank," answered Brown, All eyes were now strained to detect old question, that between the scenery tion. the presence of another guardboat of the two worlds. It is simple enough, should one be abroad upon the river however, with an obvious answer. Here but our friends were not molested and it is primeval and virgin nature; there, the broadhorn swept by the city where nature affected by man and art. ere long was to be the scene of carnage

The difference between European and American trees and woodlands is significant of this. Early in September an acquaintance took me to look at a remarkable oak on his place in Essex. which he said had been thought by some persons to be a relic of the ancient British forest. This oak, which was not very high, threw its powerful arms straight out in all directions over a wide space of ground. Certainly such a tree could not have stood in an aboriginal forest. There would not have been sufficient sun to produce so great an amount of leafage, and there would have been no The meaning of the chapatti as a signal room for such a vast lateral extension.

It so happened that only a few months before, in June perhaps, I had seen in Tennessee a good deal of a forest which was almost virgin. The trees went straight upward to a great height, the boles being clean of branches a long distance from the ground, and the leafage scant, except at the top, where it received the sun. I rode into the middle rhododendrons being very thick on each side of me. Halting in the midst of the level floor of the forest, it was an impressive scene which I found. The pale, lofty tranks stood everywhere parallel and with a stately decorum and regularity, except where, half way up the adincent mountain side, some tumbling trees, leaning at angles against their surrounding fellows, which had arrested them in falling, varied the universal propriety with a noble confusion, the gray trunks looking like mighty fallen

pillars of a ruined temple. "Oh, we'll be sure to get there safe It is true that our scenery is not very now. I tell you the way I reason. Vicks rich in its associations of human history. burg is the principal upper guard sta-This source of interest we have here tion, and having run the gantlet there only to a slight degree. But the landsuccessfully there is but little danger of scape has its own history. Is it not well to consider that history? Is not scenery made more impressive by the study of as soon as they get ashore, set the tele graph at work and we'll be caught | those sublime changes which have prepared the world which we see, and may I don't think so. They'll be ashamed not the disclosures of men of science, so to acknowledge that six armed men alfar as the unlearned are capable of comprehending them, be brought to the serv-Brown's reasoning proved correct, and

ce of the sense of natural beauty? Another contrast there may be in the scenery of the two lands. There is this to be said of English scenery-it is suitable to the luxury and comfort of Engin the Crescent City, the boatmen found lish country life. It is appropriate to no difficulty in securing passes to return | the English fleshpots. There are plenty of country houses throughout England in which material comforts are of the Leathers, the pilot, and Bill Brown, his best, and which at certain seasons conassistant, were tack in Pittsburg with a tain much agreeable company of both sexes. I had some experience of such a house in Surrey. The library was excelcoal to New Orleans. - Mariton Downing lent, For a wonder the weather was good, the ephemeral British sanshine remaining all day on the southern walls and really lavish among those flowers of the garden you do not know by name. Easily detained by such an existence, you are not inclined to anything more active than some kind of pleasant reading and are likely to lose your place at that, while your gaze rests upon the hills to the west. To such a life and such a state of mind the vague, soft aspeet of the Surrey hills was most suitable-two impulpable ranges of hills, altion, and while instances are recorded luring to the eyes. Essences they seemin the newspapers every coce in awhile ed rather than substance or matter, of deaths resulting from bites inflicted and unreal, save in their gentle emer-by blue gum negroes the general opin- ald coloring. And they were always by ald coloring. And they were always ly-

the bite, or else that the blood of the mirage which did not go away, If there is an agreement between luxperson bitten was in such condition that ury and English scenery, my sentiment ly severe would have produced death. is that, on the contrary, luxury does not It is not questioned, however, that the suit our scenery. An iron foundry, bite of a buman being-whether the strange to say, does no harm. A forge, blue gum variety or not-may in some a factory by the side of a pond filled with water lilies-I have now in mind the New England landscapenot unsuitable. But a fine house in neighborhood. A negro woman-Ellen some way is, and my sense of incongruity extends as well to those mansion in-law. The wound was on the little which a friend describes as Queen Anne in the front and Mary Ann in the rear. appearance, but in a day or two the Architecture, both private and public, should be such as is suited to the local requirements and history. A white spire, for instance, marking such a church as New England farmers have built for generations, what an eloquent object in cian was called in, and he prescribed a wide and undulating view!-E. S. Nadal in Century.

> Canneing in Scotland. Lord and Lady Mount Stephen, who in Boston Advertiser.

have spent very many years in Canada have introduced canoeing in Scotland. They have taken the beautiful estate of Faskally, Perthshire, belonging to Mrs. ly opened, says a writer, like all other Butler, which comprises a stretch of the great shows, in unreadiness. The show through the Pass of Killiecrankie to feature-infact, its secret raison d'etr Athole and all that district, and, in order is the display which is the result of Belpoisonous than that of any one else, but says he is experimenting with the virus They have already shot some of the my making, and it proudly produces or saliva from this woman's mouth to been investigating the salmon pools African conquests, peaceful and otherthe negroes. The subject of his experiamong the towiders in otherwise unseen wise, is put to shame by comparison spots. Lord Mount Stephen intends to The United States makes a showing iated with the virus, and he says he is use his cause later on for salmon fishing, thus far so poor as to be ridiculous The novelty has created a great deal of Only bankrupt Italy, of all countries of gree of interest. -Benham Cor. Galvesinterest in the neighborhood, extending rank, makes such a beggarly display. to the ducal party at Blair Athol castle.

AN INDIAN MUTINY

Unices the Signs Fail, England Is Likely

con to Have Trouble on Her Hands One does not look to the staid and dignified Spectator for the absurdities of sensational journalism, and therefore its grave assouncement of a belief that another Indian mutiny is close at hazel will much intensify the growing feel ing of alarm over the situation in the Asiatic dominions of the queen. After expressing great apprehensions based on recent disputches and private letters The Spectator says: "It is at all events within the limits of possibility that within the next few days all questions which now interest the country may be swallowed up by the intelligence that we have for the second time in the last half century India to reconquer.

"May is the time for insurrections the people believing that the heat protrates white men, and if a rising has been arranged it is during this month that it would burst out all over north ern India. Just at this time we appear I looked out of the cab window at to be receiving one of those strange warnings which have frequently preceded disturbances, and which in 1857 took the form of the distribution of chapatties-little unleavened cakes. Through without a classic grace, and thought of Behar and a part of the northwest they were distributed by unknown hands, reginia mountains. But the hour was ceived in silence as by men who under much too early and too drowsy to allow stood what they meant and passed on to of any expression of dissent. It is an most everywhere with the same recor-

> "This time it takes the shape of a patch of plaster mixed with hair, with which the trees of the endless mango groves have been secretly bed throughout Behar and the provinces to the east and west. As in 1857, no our knows how this was done, or by whom though the number of persons involved must be great. The police, if they know anything, reveal nothing, and the perple remain lest in that apparently unobservant silence which, throughout Asia, when a dangerous incident occurs, means mischief. That silence implies and proves that if anything serious is intended the Hindoos and Mussulmans, as in 1857, are both in it, for they both understand national ways equally well, escaped the government officials in 1857 as the meaning of the distribution of

plaster escapes them now. The alarmist atterances of The Spectator are not without justification. There has been an uneasy feeling in Anglo-Indian circles for months. Many persons of high authority in India have been writing home that "Lord Elgin will have his hands full before long. of this forest. The trees were often so and "grave occurrences may be expectclose together that it would have been | ed in the near future." It is significant hard for a horse to go between them, that the inquiries of the opium commisand my horse followed the bed of a sion have contributed much to the disstream which was so shallow that it content among the natives, while the scarcely more than wet his fetlocks, the population of the whole north is sulky and rebellious because the government is trying to meet its losses by increasing the assessment of the land tax -Lor don Letter.

> PORTRAITS OF AMERICAN WOMEN. A Novel Loan Exhibition of Paintings to

Benefit New York Charities, Arrangements are now being made for a loan exhibition of old and modern pertraits of American women to be held early in November at the Academy of Design. Such exhibitions of women's portraits are given by the Gallery club in London, but they are new in New York. It is proposed to divide the proceeds from this exhibition between St. John's guild and the Orthopedic dispensary and hospital. The ladies repreoffice those two obseition who as ranging this exhibition are Mrs. Robert B. Potter, Mrs. H. Winthrop Gray, Mrs. John A. Lowery, Mrs. Charles de Rham, Mrs. J. Hobart Warren and Mrs. Adolf Ladenburg. The selection of the pictures will be in the hands of a com-

mittee of well known artists. It is believed that the povelty of such an exhibition, in addition to its artistic merits, will insure its success. There are in New York many valuable per traits of women. Some of them are by American artists and some of them were painted abroad. So long as the subject is an American woman the painting may be hung in this loan collection Already the announcement of such as exhibition has aroused interest, and it is intended to make it a social success. Mrs. Lowery said last night:

"We propose to have the exhibition during the week of the horse show, for then there are many people in town who would be interested in such an exhibition. There are many fine portraits of handsome women here, and I think that such an exhibition will attract attention and benefit our charitles. It is impossible yet to give any details about the paintings that will be exhibited. That rests with the artists who are on the hanging committee, and of course it is too early for them to begin their work."-New York Sun.

Official Dudes Startled.

The chappies in the state department are in despair. They cannot turn up their tronsers any more-that is, they cannot wear them turned up and continue to work in the department. Secretary Gresham happened to see one of the chappies strolling leisurely through the corridor one day last week with his trousers turned up in true London style. The next day this particular young man found a note on his deak directing him to devote himself to an especially uncongenial task, and one at which he would hardly care to have his society familiars see him engaged. At the same time a horrid rumor was sprend abroad with truly feminine emphasis and embellishments to the fact that Kenesaw Landis, the private secretary of Mr. Gresham, and a man who never takes any note of climatic conditions in London, had given the secretary his word that every chappie found with his troupers turned up should be treated to a week in Coventry. - Washington Letter

Our Poor Show at Antwerp. The Antwerp exhibition was formal

picturesque river, Tummel, which runs takes in the whole world, but its great to explore more fully, Lord Mount gium's colonial venture in the Congo Stephen has brought home a Canadian State. The country has achieved one of cance and two real Canadian boatmen. the greatest successes in history in colodangerous capids of the Scotch river, and proof of it. Even England, with all her