# AN ELECTROSTATIC PAIR.

He was the gallant engineer Of a giant dynamo. She satif to the wires all day long With a chorus of "Hellot"

Be loved this felephonic maid

Till his heart's vibrating plate Was magnetized and polarized At unilitamperic rate.

His love he expressed in ohms His fore he expression in online And ampores or even in volts, in voltaic expressions and dynamo fig

Or currents and are lights and bolts

Said he. "By the great broken circuit, Or, more, by the Ruhmkorff coil, Your negative answers will drive me To some subway under the soll.

"Not a spark of inductive affection, Not a positive 'Yes' have I had. I'm afraid the wires have r had. In favor of some other lad."

Then regret, like a galvanometer Or an astatic needle, it smote her, And abs said, "Of love I have ions As atrong as an Edison motor. So he opened the circuit and clasped her

in arm ature and held her there, And she was the bell electric Of this thermo electric pair. -Hardware.

# HER LIEUTENANT.

Young Dr. Westerfield hurried from Padington station, and in a quarter of an hour

ras at home. "My dear Arthur!" exclaimed Mrs. Wes field. She put down her pen and dropped the blotting pad hastily over some writ-"I didn't expect you until tomorrow Westerfield stooped and kissed his wife.

"Fil go back if you like, sweet." called her sweet because her name was Empatrule. Besides he was quite a young

"I had an engagement for tonight," she aid thoughtfully. I had better put it off." Notatall. I shall be out at that lecture. "Good!" with an air of relief. "What's your book there? Let me look at it."

"Better not, dear. I only bought it just to kill time.

unds like a criminal offense." "To read many of these things," said Westerfield, taking away the French novel. "is to get a vague impression that there is pohonesty or sincerity in the world; that every household is a menage a trois."

"I know what you mean. My new book will have nothing of that in it." "If it respects the proprieties," remarked

Westerfield, "people will think that a man has written it "I can't help wishing I had knocked about

re," said Mrs. Westerfield thoughtfully "Knocked who about?" There are such a lot of situations in life

that I have never experienced. Now, a man can run about and go just where he pleases." "I'm afraid it can't be remedied, dear." he said.

"That's just why I'm grumbling. I've been down in the east end while you have been away." "Not alone, I hope?"

"Oh, no, dear. No. Not alone," Mrs. Westerfield laughed. "I had some one to ac-

mpany me. "I'm glad of that. You can't be too care-

"That's what I thought. Did your speech goreally well at the congress? I bought up all the papers that had reports about it. It seems to me, mister, that if I don't hustle

you'll get more talked about than L." "I like to keep as near you as I can, dear "Unhand me, sir, as you value your life!" At which challenge Westerfield of course came from the other side of the table and

kissed her again In his absentminded way, Westerfield ent round to the Royal institution after dinner without asking Ermyntrude about her appointment. The lecturer did not apear, and he came back. On the table of his study was a card.

"I am going to Hammersmith with Lieu tenant Fincham. Back late." Dr Westerfield went on with the novel.

At page 117 he suddenly stopped. "Who the devil is Lieutenant Fincham?" be cried

one in the room

### Westerfield, with some impatience, "I ean anybody. Supposing I wanted to get rid of my partner.

Mr. Carey, "but that is precisely the ques-tion, word for word, that Mrs. Westerfield asked me not long since."

"A very natural inquiry on her part." "But what in the world can you want to know it for? You're not writing a romance. are you?' No. There's no romance on my side of

the game, Carey. It's all dead enroest." Had a row)

"Not yet. Going to have one, though." Nonsensel" cried Mr. Carey joyously. "I'll bet you a half sovereign you don't." "I haven't had a bet since I left school," said Westerfield, "but I'll take that." "With young married people," said Mr. Carey wisely, "it Q so easy for little dis-

putes to create a great deal of trouble Now, if there's anything of that kind, Westerfield, take my advice and give way." "I'll give anything else." said Wester-

field, "but I'll be hanged if I'll give way." "There's no question of hanging," said Mr. Carey. "It's not a capital offense. All you've got to do is to use savoir faire."

"Here she is," cried Westerfield. His young wife, warmly wrapped in furs, was hurrying along. She did not look

aside, she did not even glance at the lighted upshop window. "Let us get out," said Mr. Carey, putting his umbrella up. "And mind, Westerfield, no unnecessary nonsense. I want to win

that half sovereign." It appalled Westerfield to see how calmly his wife accepted their sudden appearance. "I want to get some cigars," said the adroit Mr. Carey. "You two go on. I shall catch you up."

traffic made a serious scene out of the ques-

"I'm glad you have come down, Arthur," she said brightly, "I was going to meet some one, but-but they didn't turn up at the time.

"Anybody I know?" "Oh, no. Oh, dear, no. I shouldn't care

for you two to meet. I'm afraid there the house. uld be a terrible argument." "That is quite likely," he said. "I am afraid there must be some argument as it

is. I strongly object, Ermyntrude-I very strongly object to these excursions of yours They are not seemly, they are not discreet,

they are not"-'But I don't go alone," she urged.

"I am afraid," he answered decidedly, "that that does not improve the aspect, so far as I am concerned."

"My dear Arthur," she said, "you must please allow me some liberty."

"I think," he replied stiffly, "that I had

better give you all that you want." "That's what I mean," said Mrs. Wester field, with eagerness. "For instance, take Lieutenant Fincham."

"I will leave that for you to do." "Don't be absurd, dear. Now, there's a case where by a little assistance I have been able to get capital stuff for my book.

"Really?" Arthur Westerfield laughed wildly. "Of course anything is justified so long as you get 'copy' out of it.' 'Almost anything, dear," she corrected

him sedately. "One has, of course, to draw the line somewhere." 'Is there any necessity for that? It seems

to me"-

"Now, just look here." There was a group round a lamppost. A red bauner with lettering upon it stood behind a semicircle of uniformed men and women. A woman was speaking breathlessly with no stops.

"Ho yes my friends come tonight do not delay. I know you're all black hearted sinners "'Ere," said the crowd remonstratively.

'cheese it. "Ho yes you are!" (Still in the same

high pitched voice. The speaker pulled her black bonnet a little forward and stuck out one large foot determinedly.) "Ho ves you are all black come and be washed come and be made whiter than snow once I was a sinner like yourselves and I went to theaters I did and I used to go to dawnces"

"I want to speak to her," said Mrs. Westerfield, "as soon as she has finished. I told you, didn't I, that she had been very good in giving me information. The poor girl

### AIDED WILKES BOOTH PRESIDENT PALMA OF CUBA.

"It's a very oid thing old chap," said THOMAS JONES, THE MAN WHO SHIELDED LINCOLN'S MURDERER.

Kept Him In Hiding Six Days and Helped Him to Reach Virginia-The fleward of

\$300,000 Offered by the Government Had Not the Power to Move Him. Thre died in Charles county, Md., not long ago Thomas A. Jones, at the

age of 74. Jones held a position in the Washington navy yard, but was dismissed through the influence of Congressman Mudd of Maryland, who had informed the secretary of the navy that Jones had played a prominent part in the escape of John Wilkes Booth, the

assassin of President Lincoln. "It's quite true," admitted Jones at the time of his dismissal. "John Wilkes said Booth, with a broken ankle, sick and suffering de tortures of the damned. was placed in my hands to be spirited been identified with schemes for the liber across the river, and the \$300,000 re- atlos of Cuba. He was born in Bayes

ward, er even \$3,000,000, would not have caused me to turnO traitor to the southern Confederacy, the people 1 loved, and surrender a man whose life was in my keeping, even if I did know he had assassinated President Lincoln."

Jones afterward told how Booth came other, and in 1875, before the great war into his hands. "It was on the morning closed, he was chosen president of the reof the 16th of April," he said, "when public friends of Samuel Cox came to my house on Huckleberry farm, Maryland, The two tall young people walked on side and told me that Cox wanted to see me by side. The bustle of busses and passing at once. I had heard the evening before that Lincoln had been killed. I had a horse saddled and rode over to Cox's. Valley and has about 50 pupils, the ma-who told me that Booth and David jority of whom are Cubans. His wife was Herold had been there and wanted assistance to get across the river. I was told where the men were-in a pine thicket about a mile and a half from

"I was given instructions how to reach them without being shot-certain good for many a hard campaign.

signs by whistling, etc. Upon reaching the dense pines I met Herold, to whom I explained that I was sent by Cox. I was then piloted to where Booth was. He lay on the ground wrapped in a pile of blankets, and his face bore traces of pain. Booth asked many questions as to when it is at an end the people will be what people thought of the assassina-

tion. He appeared to be proud of what he had done. I at the time thought he tion in the mountainous revolutionary dis had done a good act, but, great God, 1 tricts for years without surrendering. If soon saw that it was the worst blow ever struck for the south!

"I did the best I could for the poor fellow. I carried him papers to read and shall follow the example of the United something to cat and tried to keep him States, the model republic of the world,

in good spirits until'I got a chance to for I want for my country a free people send him across the river The country was full of soldiers and detectives, and I did not know how soon I could get him away

"I think it was the following Tuesday I went up to Port Tobacco to see how the land lay, and it was there, in the

barroom of Brawner's hotel, that Captain William Williams, chief of the Livermore, recently celebrated their golden United States secret service, said he wedding at Melross, a suburb of Boston. would give \$300,000 to any man who would tell where Booth was."

"That's true," admitted Captain Williams at the time of the above interview, "and he would have been General Jones instead of a discharged employee from the navy yard if he had given the

information. "I did the best I could for Booth and Herold," continued Jones. "I did not know them, but when Cox put them in my keeping nothing would have tempted me to betray them I could have placed my hands on Booth, but honor and truth were worth more to me than the entire wealth of the government.

"At the expiration of the sixth day 1 plantation and gained a very unfavorable heard the officers give orders for the opinion of slavery. She returned north a

### A DARING RESCUE.

torn Hope.

PRESIDENT PALMA.

Ittle fighting," he says quietly.

seminary for the education of wealthy Cu

Cuba, 60 years ago, and in 1868, at the

courage and his marked ability for

When the war ended, a year later,

A number of years ago he founded

the Institute Estrada Palma at Central

the daughter of a rich Cuban, and the cou-

ple have five bright children. President

Estrada speaks Spanish, French and Eng-

lish fluently, is exceedingly well educated

and has the manners of a courtier. Like

most Cubans he is short in stature, but he

In explaining his election President Pal-

carries his 60 years lightly and seems to be

ma modestly says: "This revolution is considered a continuation of the last war,

and as 1 then had the honor to be president

1 am not surprised that they wish me to

continue in that office. I shall be presi-

dent only so long as the war lasts, and

called upon to choose my successor. Our men will be able to maintain their posi-

we free Cuba and I am chosen president

again, I shall endeavor to establish a un-

the federal system. In all other respects I

LIFE PARTNERS FIFTY YEARS.

more and Her Husband.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, the famou

and a strong government

nist republic, as Cuba is not yet ripe for

ginning of the famous ten years' war, wa

### For the Second Time He Leads the For- Three Men Taken From an Ice Floe Which Was Carrying Them to Certain Death. "If Cuba commands me, I am hers to Captain L. O. Lawson, William P. obey " Thus spoke Tomas Estrada Palma

Kay and W. W. Wilkinson, members of when informed the Evanston life saving crew, had a that the Cuban narrow escape from death the other insurgents who morning while attempting to clear anare battling so chor ice away from the waterworks invaliantly for liber let. The men were in a small rowboat ty had chosen him and were caught between large cakes of president of the floating ice and carried two miles out republic that thus far exists only in into the lake. After a hard fight with name. President the floating ice they were rescued by a Palma is a restvolunteer party consisting of Sam Peedent of Central Valley, N. Y., but ney, chief engineer at the Evanston waterworks; John Mcore, the lighthouse will leave for the keeper, and Bob Skyles and Byron Dawscene of the war son, firemen at the waterworks. ns mon as he is officially notified Early in the morning water was run-

of his election. "I am not too old to do a ning very slowly into the large main, and fearing another water famine Cap-President Palma now conducts a large tain Lawson and his companions started for the intake, which is one mile offbans at Central Valley, but for years has shore. A heavy wind had been blowing the liber inshore all night before, and the shore was lined with great cakes of ice. After working hard the men succeeded in dected to the chamber of deputies of the launching their boat and started provisional government and took the field with a large body of Cuban troops. His through the bobbing cakes for the inlet. When about half the distance had been covered, the men noticed that the wind had changed and was blowing hard ship won for him one high office after an from offshore, and that a large field of ce was forming in a solid mass about In 1877 President Palma was captured their little craft and floating rapidly Spanish troops and placed in prison. out into the lake. Pike poles were used, but it soon became apparent that unless set at liberty and made New York his some aid came soon they would be car-

ried far out. A white handkerchief was tied to an oar, and the men took turns waving it. The signal was seen by John Moore, who was at work at the top of the lighthouse tower. He hurried to the waterworks, a short distance away, and told Engineer Peency, and both men, realizing the danger in which their comrades were, called Skyles and Dawson, and hurriedly manning another boat the four men started to the rescue. The offshore wind by this time had cleared the shore water, and the rescoing party soon reached the ice floe, in the center of which was the boat containing the three men. A life line was thrown across to the prisoners, and one after another they jumped from cake to cake and reached the rescning boat. They were forced to abandon their own boat. which was fast in the ice. The men were all brought to the waterworks of-

fice.-Chicago Record.

menaced.

# CHOLERA IN 1894.

Reason to Believe That We Will Have to Guard Against the Plague This Year. For over two years the Asiatic cholera has been epidemic in western Russia, Recent Golden Wedding of Mary A. Liverbut as we have had reports of the subsidence of its ravages during the winter months there was hope that there temperance reformer and woman sufframight not be a recurrence this spring of gist, and her husband, Rev. Daniel Parker the unhappy experiences of that season in 1892 and 1893. We regret that the dispatches at hand are unfavorable. They were married in Boston May 6, 1845, There have been violent outbreaks of have each devoted half a century to conscientious and fruitful effort toward the bei the disease during the past week at a number of the populous centers of the terment of the world and are still enjoying good health for people of their advanced western provinces, one of the most viocars. Mrs. Livermore was born in Boston lent of them as far west as the city of Dec. 19, 1821, and was the daughter of Warsaw, and from that place both Ger-Timothy Rice, who served in the United many and Austria are again directly States navy during the war of 1812. She was graduated from the Boston public

There is reason, therefore, to fear that New York will have to be on the guard for yet another year, and that there will be need for the utmost vigilance on the part of the officers of our quarantine service. We do not doubt the ability of these officers to maintain the safety of the city.

It is to be hoped that the European then called our eager attention. The sun had just risen. An infinite si-lence had stolen over the trackless, wavy vernments represented in the international sanitary commission which has snow expanse about us. The heavens in held a conference in Paris will provide the west were one great blaze of yellow for the prompt execution of those deglory, warming the glistening crystals of fensive measures which have met with the frozen landscape into orange, opal, scathe approval of the delegates. This aushell tints. The inverted plain hung, lined in dreary, incandescent emerald, far above thoritative commission was organized our heads-another, a spirit world! The for the express purpose of preparing an patches of sage, poplar and aspen of the anticholera programme acceptable to the ountry about us were minutely reflected leading powers of the world, and it will there, though they might be hidden miles be a public shame if the recommendabeyond the horizon attainable by our vision. tions it has made this year shall be neg-Distance was annihilated. The pictures lected, as were those made at its session seemed almost unreal. Every feature came of last year .- New York Sun. out with the photographic minuteness of detail of the scene upon the ground glass of the camera. FILTERING MERRIMAC WATER. We gazed aloft breathlessly and with mewhat of the fear that if we spoke the It Has Been Found That Pollution In This whole weird panorama would fade away, as do the ghost forms when verbally ad-The city of Lawrence, Mass., is exdressed, about which we read. We became motionless, awkwardly capoted statues,

# TRACKLESS PLAINS.

STORY OF A PARTY OF TRAVELERS LOST IN THE GREAT FUR LAND.

### Divided In Opinion as to the Course That Should Be Taken-The Instinct of an Indian Boy-A Marvelously Beautiful Mirage Which Showed the Way.

We were lost. It had come to such a pass that each of us was emphatically pesi-tive that the little Hudson Bay company land-a uniform rate. nost we wished to reach lay in another irection from that in which we were travding-and the three separate opinions were all different. Each of us were certain that his two companions were lost, as we gazed about us over the seemingly limitless snow rule, news stands and stationers' shops, tovered prairie ocean which stretched on all Ovides as far as the eye could reach, yet with at one distinguishing landmark.

We were journeying across one of the great plains of northwestern Canada, the ountry whose main industry is trappingf trapping may be called an industry fur land of the world, and, in truth, the writer felt its immensity more than he had ever been conscious of it before or hopes ever to be again. For four long days we had seen absolutely no sign that even suggested the existence of man. We, our dogs and dog sledge, seemed almost infinitesimal atoms upon this vast expanse of rolling. white robed landscape. It had become difficult for one of us Amer-

cans to feel that a person could ever reach a given point over this trackless wilderness by the successive spans in the compass of a person's step. One of us had a suspicion that we had passed our destination upon one side or the other. No one who has not traversed a trackless waste can realize how hard it is to reckon the distance traveled each day of a long tramp, that a calculation of one's posi-tion at nightfall may be formed with any degree of exactness.

We finally decided that each should go his way when the journey should again be resumed. This plan would most cer result fatally for the two who would be unable to reach shelter before the seanty supply of food which would be their share would become exhausted. There was a possibility of meeting with some plain Indians or of bagging suf-ficient game for food, but only a slight However, one's self concern possibility. is strangely blunted by the biting cold of None of this bleak country. greatly concerned over the fearful chances to be taken.

The ultimatum as to the separation was terest on the money invested. It is claimed, however, that the division of reached at night. In the morning we expenses between the postoffice branch prepared to part company; Each of us was to take a dog along "for a compan-ion," we Americans told ourselves, try and the telegraph branch was of such an artificial character that the two serving to put the thought from our minds that the animal might, in a great extremity, be made use of in a far less pleasant personal capacity. Baptiste, the surplus of from \$13,750,000 to \$15,000. young Cree Indian boy who drove for us public revenues. took this matter with less unpleasant anticipations. He pinched the haunches of Shoatinga, the cur becoming his lot, in an indifferent manner which caused to look the other way.

than a uniform 2 cent letter rate was Baptiste was a wood Indian, not a plainsman. He had had hittle experience when adopted.-Chicago Inter Ocean. even in the woods, having been boy to one of the Hudson Bay company's officers at one of the larger posts ever since he was old enough to be of any use. Our skilled guide with whom we had started out Why This Headline So Often Appears In had been disabled in a quarrel at a stopping place, and no substitute could then that a man who has been ordered by his be had, or we never should have attempt physician to take paregoric will never ed crossing this great prairie ocean with take it if there is any carbolic acid or the boy.

prussic acid in the house that he can We were destined to have more faith absorb in preference. in the instinct of even an unskilled wood Indian had than we had. When we had thing declare that an invalid will search actually parted from one another, each going his separate way, none of us cared the whole house for a poisonous drug to display the wavering cowardice of a and drink it rather than the medicine ordered by the doctor. The death noglance backward. We only turned again in response to a low call from Baptiste. tices in the newspapers in cases of that The Cree had was pointing a mittened kind are generally headed, "Took the hand toward the sky in the direction he had taken. 1 am sure that I shall never gaze on any phenomena of nature with evening, and glancing on the bureau the thrill of wonder and satisfaction that saw a bottle of liquid that he had been I did upon the one to which Baptiste ordered by the doctor to take.

### ENGLISH STATE TELEGRAPHS.

Messages Cost 12 1-2 Cents Each, and All Must Be Prepaid. The telegraph service of Great Britain

is undoubtedly quicker, more reliable

and cheaper than that of the United

States. I make this statement after

proper allowance of the differences in

distances. It costs 1216 cents for 12

words and I cent for every additional

word. This for Great Britain and Ire-

It works admirably, as nearly all the

postoffices are also telegraph offices. As

a rule, the people are civil and obliging,

and the delivery of messages more

These postoffices, which include, as a

are scattered all over the city, especial-

ly in London, and one has no such trou-

ble in getting postoffice orders, postal

notes, stamps, etc., as is too often the

Another great advantage of the Brit-

ish system is that there is no such thing

as sending messages "collect." You can

prepay an answer to a telegram, and the

boy Brings up a blank with the telegram

Again, if you write to any one and

want a telegraphic reply, merely inclose

a blank with sixpenny postage stamps

affixed. This saves the trouble of trans-

mitting money or imposing on a friend

At one of the big city dinners a few

weeks ago I sat opposite W. H. Preece,

C. B., the engineer in chief and elec-

trician of British Telegraphic Wonder-

land. He was greatly interested in the

fact that we counted the population by

the means of electricity, and of course

The increase in 25 years of messages

alone from 6,500,000, when three pri-

to 70,000,000 messages in 1894, tells its

own story. That the number of offices has increased threefold, now numbering

9,000, and the miles of wire have in-

creased from 60,000 to 200,000-surely

this indicates that the public are well

Financially the telegraph department

is today paying expenses, but not the in-

ices should be looked at together finan-

cially. This would show a net annual

000-a very handsome addition to the

25 cents per message, is no more, in this

advanced day of electrical appliances,

"TOOK THE WRONG MEDICINE."

the Daily Newspapers.

It is an odd trait in human nature

Statisticians who have studied the

A man arrived at his home the other

Wrong Medicine.

A uniform telegraph service, say, of

and cheaply served.

vate companies controlled the busine

knew exactly how it was done.

when an answer has been paid for.

prompt than with us.

case in New York.

for reply.

Bepressed the bell. "Maria!" Yes, sir."

"Do you know"-he picked up the carddo you know any one named Lieutenant Maria repressed a broad smile with diffi

"Oh, yes, sir," Maria giggled, and coughe a little to pass it off. "Yes, sir, quite well. Called here two or three times since you've been away

"To see your mistress?"

"Yes, sir. They had dinner together one evening. Seemed very thick with each other, they did. And one night a Captain St. James Budget. Somebody called as well, and you should eard them two carry on."

"Is-is Lieutenant Fincham young?" "Mejum age, sir. Not what I should call etactly good looking, and, on the other and, not bad. Of course some of 'em in he army, as cook says, are perfect bird frighteners. Cook used to have a young man in the grenadiers, and he told cook a tare joke about one of 'em. It appears''-

"You needn't wait, Maria." He spoke with such unexpected decision that the maid quite started. "If your mistress comes a, ask her to wait for me." "Very good, sir,"

"One moment, Maria. Do you happen to know to what address your mistress has gone?"

### "Oh, yes, sir. I know,"

"Give it to me at once," he said sternly. Come, now, let me have no prevaricadon. This is a matter of nearly life and death

"Gaw bless my soul!" said Maria, with a confused, flurried manner. "Fancy it com ng to this!" Give me the address, I say."

Maria gave the address, and Dr. Wester feid took it down. The maid fetched his coat and hat. "I am going out, Carey." Dr. Wester

Seld was stopped at the door by a friend "Iam just off to Hammersmith to make some inquiries."

"Til come with you," said Mr. Carey Tre only just finished work at the Tem ple, and 1 was calling to ask when you were expected home. I know Mrs. Westeffeld sees scarcely anybody while you are

### Scarcely anybody."

"I liked her last book," went on Mr Carey. "What will the next be like?"

"It ought to be very lively," said Wes-rfield as calmly as he could. "She seems a be taking a lot of trouble over it." He caught sight of his reflection in a mir-

tor in the hall. We are not all of a milita-7 appearance, and it occurred swiftly to sterfield that he possessed distinctly a tivilian style of features.

As the hansom went, along Hammermith way Westerfield thought out the arst speech to be addressed to his errapt

"My wife has gone out," said Westerfield,

andg over the splashboard, "on some iess, and"-

"She is a deuce of a one to work," said Mr. Carey. "Last time I met her she cross tamined me on certain points of law, and and at the end that I had told her

nearly all 1 knew." The information is sure to be useful to tion from your wife, how would you set

"As I'm not married," said Mr. Carey. boking at the white ash of his cigar, "there is no immediate necessity for me to get a

"I don't mean you in particular," said

tells me she is going to be made a captain Westerfield put one hand on her shoul

"And her name is-is Finch"-

"You've guessed" it, mister," said Mrs. Westerfield, with her comic affectation of a nasal twang. "You've guessed it in once. Till say good night to you two young people," said Mr. Carey. "I've got a man to

meet at 10." "One moment, Carey,"

Westerfield felt in his pocket and pro duced a coin and hauded it over. "I thought you'd lose," said Mr. Carey.-

A Married Man's Rights. "I say," said a friend the other day you are an old hand at it. I have only just got married and don't understand much about the business. I should like to know whether a married man has any rights left when he takes unto himself a wife. "Rights? Yes, lots. He has a right to

pay all the bills"---

Stop! I mean this. Let me give you an instance. Every box, every chest of drawers and portmanteau, and, in fact, every available receptacle of every descrip tion is stuffed full of my wife's propert and when I want to put away a few cuffs

and collars"-Hold hard. I know what you mean Listen, young man. If your bedroom were 200 yards long, lined from the floor to the

ceiling with shelves, and you wanted a place to stow away a couple of shirts, couldn't find a nook that wasn't full of hairpins, old false fronts, scent bottles, odd gloves, powder puffs, little bits of tape, so just accept the inevitable. Wrap your peronal property in an old newspaper parcel and hide it under the bed."

He grinned ironically, but passed on, sadder and a wiser man .- New York Advertiser.

### Torture In Spills.

A new form of torture has been devised in Spain which is said to quite transcend any of the terrible machines formerly employed by the inquisition. It has, however, had the result of extracting complete confessions from all the anarchists guilty of bomb throwing. As soon as arrested Codina, Cerezuelo

and their companions were put on a diet of salt codfish and bread, without water. After several days of this treatment they were led before the juge d'instruction. On the judge's desk stood a bottle of water and a glass, Each prisoner instinctively threw himself against his guards in a vain attempt to reach the water. The judge

promised two caraffes of water if the prisoner would confess, but threatened him with a continuance of the codfish diet if he remained intractable. Not

# one passed the ordeal.

An African Snake Story.

Sear the ostrich farm of Mr. Mallerby, in Cape Colony, a large black snake was recently killed. As it appeared unusually fat in proportion to its length it was cut Inside it was found a yellow snake her," said the other grimly. "I want to open. Inside it was found a gende where almost as long as itself. Inside the yellow almost as long as itself. Inside the yellow itself was found a good sized black snake, snake was found a good sized black snake, in which were 30 eggs, each of which con-

tained a young snake, apparently not much the worse for its temporary entombment. This makes, therefore, a total of S2) snakes Inside one snake.-New York Trib-

cavalry to go down in SL Mary's coun ty; that the assassins were there. That was my chance, and I made good time to where Booth and Herold were con-

cealed. Booth was glad to know that his time to get into Virginia had come.

"The night was dark, and Herold and I lifted Booth on to my horse. Our progress was slow. We finally reached my house, and I went in to get them something to eat. We then proceeded to the river. Booth was lifted into the boat and was placed in the stern, while Herold took the oars. I then lighted a candle and showed Booth by his compass

how to steer to get into Machodoc creek and gave him directions to Mrs. Quesenberry's, who, I thought, would take care of him. That was the last I saw of Booth.

"When notices were posted up that to furnish bread or water to Booth meant death," went on Jones, "I felt pretty shaky. I knew that Booth had hit the Virginia shore. I was arrested and taken to Washington, where I was

held for seven weeks. Then I was discharged because nobody believed I knew anything "-New York World.

Seat of the Thunder God. "Trembling mountain," a massive pile of peculiarly arranged rocks lying on Rogue river, almost directly north of Montreal, was known to the Indians by a combination of words signifying 'seat of the thunder god. "According

to their traditions, the thunder god formerly used a broad and deep indentation on its summit as a seat, and that therein he would sit for three days in spring, seven in summer, five in antumn and two in winter. They also believed that during the time he was present great chasms would open in the ofe of the mountain, from which fire woold stream

for hours without coasing. Nothing is known concerning the early history of the mountain, but it is thought that the legend refers to old time volcanic action, an opinion strengthened by its geographical name of "Trembling

## mountain. "-St. Louis Republic. An Opening.

"Why don't you quit the stage and start a secondhand book store?"

"I don't see why there is any especial call for me to start a secondhand book store any more than any other business," replied the actor haughtily

"Oh, I thought it would suit you pretty well. It is the very place for back numbers."-Cincinnati Tribune.

## Socialist Soap In Paris.

Soc@ist soap is now offered to the people of Paris by the so called national ex There are two sorts of soap, the Tros Huit, at 40 centimes the cake, and the Chambard, at half that price. The articles sold by the association are guaranteed to be well manufactured and perfumed. The society is formed for the purpose of enatoilers to benefit as well as the con bling mercial classes by the produce of their

### A Three Foot Dwarf.

Hartland, Me., has a dwarf, Merie Bartlett, who is 18 years old, 26 inches high and weighs but 44 pounds. He is intelli-gent and well formed in every way.

portunity for spreading her views. At the age of 24 she became the wife of the Rev. Mr. Livermore, who had begun his minis terial career at the age of 19 The tastes.

schools at the age of 16 and received one

of the six medals distributed for good

scholarship. She next completed a four years' course at Charlestown Female sem-

nary in two years and was elected a mom

In a short time she removed to Virginia.

dical abolitionist and neglected no op

where she officiated as governess on a large

ber of the faculty.



MES LIVERMORE. REV. DE. LIVERMORE. habits of study and aims of the couple were allke, and for 50 years they have been congenial companions and coworkers.

In 1857 they removed to Chicago, then a small town, and Mr. Livermore became proprietor of a Universalist newspaper Mrs. Livermore was his associate editor and often, in his absence, conducted the entire business and editorial management of the paper and at the same time contrib uted stories, sketches and letters to eastern periodicals. She also did considerable re portorial work and was the only woman

reporter present when Lincoln was first nominated for the presidency at the Chl-cago convention. During the war as an associate member of the United States sanitary commission she was untiring in her efforts to relieve the slck and wounde oldiers, and she delivered numerous public addresses, organized sanitary fairs and did a great work that will long be remem

Since the war she has written a number of very successful books and has been very prominent in woman suffrage and temper ance reform work. She is a believer in nationalism and regards socialism, as ex pounded in America, as "applied Christi unity." She has traveled many thousands of miles as a lecturer and is without doubt one of the ablest women in the United States.

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### Metal Railroad Tics.

A protest against the denudation of forests in order to secure material for railroad ties is made in a report issued by the agricultural department at Washington on the use of metal railroad ties and preservative processes and metal tie plates for wooden ties. It shows that about 20 per cent of the railroad mileage of the world, outside of the United States and Canada, is laid on metal. In the United States little practical progress in metal ties is reported. The proportion of track laid with metal ties to the total length of railways throughout the world has increased from 7 per cent in 1890 to 10 per cent in 1894 .- Railway Review.

His Epitaph.

A young Swede was recently scalded to death by the explosion of a boiler in Oregon. As the young fellow had been very popular among his assocrates a committee was appointed to erect a small monument over his grave. After considerable hard work the committee produced a stone with the following in-

scription: "Sacred to the memory of our esteam-Lomberman.

Stream Increased the Death Rate.

perimenting with a "filter bed" with which it hopes to purify the water of the Merrimac river, the source of the water supply of that city. The sum of \$60,000 already has been expended for the purpose. The experiment is being made in pursuance of the discovery made two years ago by the state board of health of Massachusetts that certain cities which had suffered especially from typhoid fever were using water from polluted rivers. The board gave assurance that by the use of filter beds 98 per cent of the bacteria organisms, some of which are harmful, would be removed.

The filtering was begun Sept. 20, since which time daily investigation shows that this proportion of the bacteria is removed from the water, and also that the water is so purified that three-fourths of the remaining 2 per cent die before the water reaches the dwelling houses. The fact that the number of deaths from typhoid fever in that city during the months of October and November of last year was only one each month, while formerly the average for five years was five each month, seems to furnish conclusive evidence that there is a virtue in the plan rec-

ommended by the Massachuset's board. -Troy Press.

### New Year's Cards In France.

The custom in France of sending one's visiting card to acquaintances on New Year's day is rapidly increasing. Even the establishment of a society for the suppression of complimentary visiting cards has been powerless against the progress of fashion. The French postoffice officials have made an interesting calculation on the subject. It is reckmonths remain fresh and fragrant. oned that in the department of the Seine alone, which of course includes Paris, 8,750,000 visiting card were delivered by postmen on the 1st of January, 1881.

following year it had risen to 9,500,000, the year after to 13,000,000 and finally, in 1894, it reached nearly 15,500,000, -- Paris Journal.

"The Blue Bells of Scotland" was the work of Annie McVicar, afterward Mrs. Grant, the daughter of a Scottish officer in the British army. The melody was long believed to be Scottish, but is ed friend, Lars Larson,"-West Coast now known to be of English origin, be ing an old English folk song.

and doubtless parts of a like reflection to be seen far above us. Half a dozen small log buildings and high bark stages, upon which lay game and other provisions safe from the dogs and wolves, were dimly discernible at a point toward which Baptiste pointed. We recognized them quickly as belonging to the little post which we had left some months before, and to which we were wearily returning.

The mirage-ever changing, ever grow ng clear, then faint again-faded away into the clear daylight of the new day. But we knew now that the little Hudson Bay company post itself was to be found directly under the point in which it had been so providentially mirrored in the sky. -Exchange.

### The Kentuckian's Peril.

It is not so very long ago since a successful candidate for congress from Kentucky gave a new turn to the tradition oncerning his native state. He was at ending an afternoon tea. Absentminded ly he took a cup of the innocuous beverage which had the honor of christening occasion. He was about to take another when the voice of his wife staid his hand. "My dear," she said firmly, "you must t drink another drop of that. You will

not drink another drop of that. ruin your constitution."-Kate Field's Washington.

### Smelling Salts.

Good and invigorating smelling salts, serviceable and lasting, any woman can make for herself after this recipe: A few ents' worth of lump animonia cracked into bits as big as green peas should be put into the vinaigrette that ought to be of glass, with a top of any metal. On the ammonia pour good cologne until the bottie is full, cork it up tightly and do not open it for a whole day. After that it may be freely used and will for two or three

### Mount Blanc In Winter

The Mont Blanc observatory is undergoing its presumably worst season, and the most interesting news of the kind during the coming spring will be the account of how its occupants passed the winter and what observations they were enabled to make. But it is not expected that much can be done in find a broken hatchet or a hoop from a winter, except in connection with me- rum barrel, and out of these parts they teorology, and we must look for whatever discoveries are to come through the about everything they need in that line. advantages of high altitudes to the

South American and Californian observstories.-English Mechanic.

"That looks like the stuff," said he, "but I'm not sure As I was locking up the cellar I saw behind an old shelf a blue bottle that looked as if it hadn't been touched for years. It said on it, 'Sulphuric Acid.' Now that bottle on the table looks exactly like the one I drank out of last night, but still I have an idea that the stuff down in the cellar is what the doctor means for me. I don't know how the dickens it got down there when it's meant for me to take, or how this bottle that isn't meant for me to take got on this bureau. But I'm not going to take any chances. I'll just go down into the cellar and make sure, and I'll throw this stuff out of the window."

Then he cantionsly went down stairs and took the sulphuric acid, and he was buried in due form after an ambulance surgeon had done his best and the coroner's physician had made a complete investigation and autopsy.

It isn't only children who make these blunders. Doctors will tell you that they have only to label a bottle "Lotion, For External Application Only," to make sure of its being drunk. If a patient gets a bottle of corrosive sublimate to put on a felon on his great toe and doesn't use it all, he will carefully save it. Ten years afterward a doctor gives some cough mixture to him, and then he goes and hunts up the corrosive sublimate bottle, plays three card monte with it and the cough mixture, gets them thoroughly mixed up so that he can't tell one from the other, and then when he feels that tightness across the chest that the doctor told him about he swallows a part of the corrosive sublimate and eaves his widow to collect the life insurance. By no accident is the cough mixture ever taken-it is always the corrosive sublimate.-New York Herald.

Dr. de Koven's Letter At a recent exhibition of dolls in Chicago a doll was shown which once had

a letter addressed to it by the late Dr.

church leader. It was as follows:

de Koven, the great Episcopal high

My DEAR WAX-I am glad to hear of your

birth, and that you were named for me, and that you are of wax. You could not be of bet

that you are of war. You could not be of be-ter stuff for a minister. You will look sweet. This will please the young. You cannot talk too much. This will please the old. You can wink at things, which you will have to do. You will east little; you will need but small, pay. When you are bruised, you can be put on a shelf without a word, and a doll, new, fresh, and with red checks will take your plays.

and with red cheeks, will take your place. If

South African Bushmen

South Africa, but the bushman yet

makes his own knife and with consider-

able ingenuity. They dig a little iron,

form even axes, adzes, hammers and

These implements are of course very

crude, but the native has much patience.

-Hardware.

Civilization is making rapid strides in

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deal. So goodby, from your affectionate