EUGENE CITY..... OREGON.

Before the Czar can disarm Europe he must disarm suspicion

As to the use of time there is likely to be something dark in a man making a night of it.

The young man who starts out in life with money to burn sooner or later finds his match. When it comes to wheat this country

refuses to hide its light under hundreds of millions of bushels. "Havana cigars are again from Ha-

vana," remarks a contemporary. Very far from Havana as a rule, There's a resemblance between the two, and the world may drop the sword

altogether when Time drops his scythe. Advertisers are now using the highest peaks of the Alps for their purposes. One way of getting their name

The Cubans are very fond of baked beans, and from now on Boston will agree that the war had a humanizing

effect.

This latest treatment of Li Hung Chang goes to show his wardrobe is about as uncertain as our own Weather Bureau.

Judging merely from his record Count Esterbazy probably pronounces his name with strong emphasis on the last two syllables.

Already some fifteen names have been mentioned in connection with the Presidential nomination. After awhile we may have 1900.

A Texas contemporary suggests that Havana cigars may contain fever germs. Then the safest course is burn the cigars, of course,

A contemporary's headline, "Dealers in Rubber Meet," furnishes a little food for thought, even if the proof reader has done his work well.

If it's true a man can now make a name for himself in the French army it's odd Colonel du Paty de Clam doesn't try to do something with his.

There are probably no more anarchists in Europe to-day than there have been, but anarchists are like mosquitoes; when they become active one is a

General Pando, who insists that the war isn't ended, should not waste his time in New York, but go to Spain, where the people as a rule don't suspect that war has even begun.

The London Figaro must have added an Irishman to its staff. Its Berlin correspondent the other day telegraphed: "I regret to learn that the Emperor William fell from his horse at Wilhelmshohe but was not killed."

The bleycle run from Ponce to San Juan, over eighty miles of macadam ead, through seven towns, and with Green-Mountainlike scenery all the way, will doubtless be one of the favor-Ite amusements of winter tourists to Porto Rico from the continent of the United States.

The late Georg Ebers, the Egyptologist and novel-writer, was a life-long invalid and cripple, who had to be wheeled about in a chair whenever he moved from place to place. Yet he was one of the most productive workers of the age. If one so handlcapped can do so much, ordinary men should not despair of achievement.

"There are, of course, many worthy private citizens in the United States, says the London Quarterly Review. We naturally expect pleasant words from our English friends these days, but we are hardly prepared for such a lavishly generous tribute. The esteem ed Quarterly Review should be careful that it does not become fulsome in its

A peculiar fatality seems to hang over the Emperor Francis Joseph, and he has described himself as "unlucky." The empress is the fifth person of his family to die a violent death, the tragic and mysterious end of Prince Rudolph at Meyerling being yet fresh in the memory of the aged sovereign when this last and most terrible blow of all comes to crush him in the very year when the dual empire was celebrating the glories of his reign.

On the broad canvas needed in ple turing the life of Prince Bismarck, no inconspicuous place must be given to the outlines of the wedded years, nearly fifty in number, wherein this man of Iron showed the finer sensibilities. The death of the devoted wife shortened the days of him who seemed to deal so lightly in the questions of life and death for whole kindoms. We follow him through scenes in court and camp as one might watch the course of a planet, but he comes near to all classes and conditions of men in exhibiting the affection which makes home the chief spot on earth. To many a heart the tears the husband shed when his dear est friend and helper died will be of more service in interpreting the illus trious life now closed than all the triumphs of diplomacy accomplished by his inflexible will and overmastering domination of men.

Paris, always the capital of the kingdom of the new, will strive to outdo herself at the coming exposition of 1900. Various schemes and projects, some visionary and some, perhaps, to be realized, have already been presented to give an air of wonder and enchantment to the exposition universelle. Among these is one for sea bathing. For visitors at the great fair to have the pleasure of bathing on a real sea beach at Paris will not be possible for excellent reasons, but the in ventor will give the best possible substigute for it if his plans are adopted. His scheme is nothing less than to hollow out a great lake on the site of the Champ d'Entrainement at Longchamps in the Bots de Boulogne and then by down the windows when it rains?

means of specially constructed power to draw water from the channel five miles above Dieppe and drive it through pipage 120 miles to Long-champs. The water will be drawn off daily and thus be kept pure and the inventor also claims that he will be able to reproduce the tidal movements and even to lash the miniature sea with petty storms. For all this, of course, there will be some francs to pay, but Paris will have a novelty and for this Parisians are always willing to pay and especially to have others pay.

Porto Rico, the one portion of Spain's late possessions in the new world which is to be promptly possessed by the United States as a portion of its territory, is naturally attracting considerable attention as a promising field for enterprise. One of the most interesting and valuable articles on Uncle Sam's new island is that contributed to the Century by Frederick A. Ober, late commissioner in Porto Rico of the Columbian Exposition. Mr. Ober gives a charming picture of the leveliness of the Porto Rican landscape and the beauties of its tropical climate, in which respect he simply agrees with all other observers, from Ponce de Leon to Gen. Miles and his army. Geographically, Porto Rico is very simple. A central range of cordilleras descending in foothills and valleys to the coast, with numerous short rivers flowing from the central mountain heights to the coast in all directions, and with some excellent ports and harbors, especially in the east, south and west. There are more than 1,000 of these short streams, of which perhaps fifty are of sufficient size to be designated rivers. The island is thus well supplied with water, though droughts in the southern portion are sometimes occasioned by the precipitation of the portheast trades against the porthern side of the central mountain range. Almost every valuable or aromatic tree or shrub common to tropical climes flourishes on the island, and these will be a source of great wealth under the regime of industry and enterprise upon which Porto Rico is about to enter. The lowlands are extremely fertile and produce maize, yucca, sugarcane, etc., abundantly. Tobacco of a fine quality can be grown, and coffee trees yield annually about 17,000 tons. Bananas, plantains and other tropic fruits yield wonderfully, the entire range of deliclous fruit being represented. The island is also rich in minerals, though but little attention has been given to them by the natives or the Spanish, The climate, after acclimatization, is considered the most healthful of the West Indies.

There is no doubt that the rush to the Klondike is over. The weary argonaut the little finger gone from the right is returning to his bome. The river hand-a sallor man, with three stars in beds of Alaska are as rich as ever, but India ink in the palm of his right hand, the stream of discouraged and partly and the letter G below them. Find me successful miners coming back is greater than the counter-current of kindness; that's all I've got to say." stragglers who still believe that fortunes can be washed from the frozen and we had a captain who was a tersands in one season. The unprece- ror. Oh, he was a tough old salt!-with dented craze for Alaskan adventure a face the color of mahogany, and a was brought about, of course, by the voice like the roar of the wind in a natural fascination exerted upon all gale. A stove boat made him happy, men by prospects of sudden wealth. If he only got the whale-that's all he This motive had full rein at a time asked. when industrial depression had placed But we filled early in the season and thousands of strong and generally plac- ran into port to get rid of our cargo, tical men in that frame of mind which | refit a little and get some fresh prois described as "waiting for something visions. While we lay there a man to turn up." The rich strikes of a few came to the captain and wanted to born prospectors who had already spent years in the frozen gold fields inflamed the imaginations of the unemployed, and the vague recital of hardships was belittled, if indeed it did not add to the allurement for men proud of their strength and ashamed of their idleness There is no doubt that few of these eager adventurers expected to spend more than one season in Alaska, believing, as many still believe, that once found, a paying claim can be worked continually until wealth is assured. The climate was supposed to be excessively cold in winter and pleasant in summer, its only menace being the rigors of the closed season. Transportation and trading companies flooded the United States with roseate prospectuses and thousands borrowed money, mortgaged their homes or started badly equipped for the alluring chance to make fortunes which had at last "turned up." A successful miner recently returned from the headwaters of the Yukon partly accounts for his own success by asserting that he was there before the boom began, and is going back "because he likes it." He belongs to that rare cult which is still represented in the mining regions of the Rocky and Sierra Nevada Mountains by prospectors who are natural recluses and continue their lonely combats with the hostile elements because they "like it." The Klondike is the supreme test even for such adepts, and they are a unit in the belief that success in the Alaska placer mines must be the result of years of patient drudgery, and may never be achieved. It has been the experience of all that pay dirt extracted in an Alaska winter by incessant and tedlous processes cannot be washed or panned until the succeeding summer. Nor is the open season much more favorable for the work of hauling and glove on his right hand. He said he had building than the winter. The mud is as impassable as the snow drift; midday in summer is often too hot for either work or sleep and travel is more hazardous than ever. In the depth of winter the thermometer lingers about 50 degrees below zero. In the intermediate season, just before the thaw, the mercury has shown 15 degrees below zero early in the morning and jumped up to 80 above by midday, a change of temperature which in time will destroy the most powerful constitution. Scarcity of food, extremes of heat and cold, utter isolation and, above

their own country, where the chances of success are fully as good. The man who invented advice never intended that any one should take it.

all, the endless tedium of the process

which may or may not bring wealth at

last, are the sharp realities which con-

front the ardent pilgrim who has

dreamed of sudden wealth in the Klon-

dike, and send him back with faith in

"the States" renewed and brightened

by contrast. The gold is in the Klon-

dike still and it will be mined by the

hermits who found it, while the boom-

ers who followed them will return to

the widening avenues of industry in

This was not in the specifications. Whose duty is it at your house to put

f cannot say, and I will not say

And left us dreaming how very fair

With a cheery smile, and a wave of the He has wandered into an unknown land

It needs must be, since he lingers there. And you-O you, who the wildest yearn For the old-time step and the glad return-

Think of him faring on, as dear In the love of There as the love of Here;

And loyal still, as he gave the blows Of his warrior-strength to his country's

Mild and gentle, as he was brave-When the sweetest love of his life he gave

To simple things;-Where the violets gret Blue as the eyes they were likened to,

The touches of his hands have strayed As reverently as his lips have prayed:

When the little brown thrush that harshly chirred Was dear to him as the mocking bird;

And he pitled as much as a man in pain A writhing honey-bee wet with rain

Think of him still as the same, I say; He is not dead—he is just away!

—James Whitcomb Riley.

A SAILOR'S REVENGE

STRANGE man was Tom Dal A ton, first mate of the whater Ironbow-a strong man among the strong ones. In person he was six feet in height and well proportioned, and for muscular power he beat anything I ever saw in my life. Yet, somehow, in looking at his face, one couldn't get over the idea that he had suffered great sorrow, or had some wrong to avenge. He seemed to be always looking for some one, and we never had a new mate and he never met a stranger, but he'd give one single, penetrating look and then drop his eyes, as if it wasn't the man he was looking for.

I told him one day how he seemed to affect me, and he gave me one of his strange looks.

"Yes, Jack, my boy," he said, "I'm looking for a man, and I'll find him yet, please God! You may be thankful for one thing, my lad."

"And what is that?" I said. "That you are not the one I'm looking for," he answered, with a look I didn't understand then, but learned the meaning later. "See here, Jack, I must trust some one, or this thing will drive me mad. I want to find a man with that man and you'll do an old mate

I was a carpenter on the Ironbow

ship as harpooner. He was a fine, tal fellow, just the kind of a man a skipper would hanker after, and he proved to the captain's satisfaction that he was a good harpooner, too.

He sailed under the name of Gus Williams and was every inch a satior, with a handsome face, black curling hair and a devil-may-care look in his eves. Although he was hall fellow well met with the crew, I didn't like the look of the man, and made up my mind that I didn't want him for a chum. If I'd known what he was it seems to me now that I'd have dropped him over the rail some dark night efore we were fairly out of port.

The captain shipped him when Ton Dalton was away on another island looking after a Kanaka or two that used to sail with him, and so it happened that they didn't meet until the night before we sailed, and, as he always did, Tom looked at the new man hard for a moment and then turned

of the mate I thought he gave a little start and turned a trifle pale, though why he did that I didn't understand.

We were well out to sea and bowling along before a ten-knot breeze when Tom came to me as I stood by the rall. "Where does Gus William hall from, Jack? he asked.

"Martha's Vineyard, he says. won't answer for it that he tells the truth," I replied. "Do you like him?"

"No. He's got the devil in him some where, and it's bound to come out, He's as queer a stick as ever I saw in my life, and I don't want to chum with him." There was one thing about Gus that

was rather queer, and I asked him one

day why he wore the finger of an old a bad join there and he had to wear a cover to keep the salt water out. I didn't mind that so much; but one day I was working on a boat and he was helping me and holding the spike and somehow I managed to hit him

on the finger covered by the glove, and he didn't even flinch, and then I was sure of one thing-and that was that he had no finger inside the glove. I didn't say anything, but somehov it struck me as queer that this man should have a finger missing and Tom had asked me to look for such a man. I didn't think any more of it until

one night in the forecastle, when we

were all pretty full of grog, the young men got to bragging about themselves and the girls, and Gus Williams looked up and laughed. "You might brag if you had the luck I've had," he said. "There's only one thing on my conscience after all, and that's about a pretty maid I made love

to in Nantucket years ago, and then left without a word. Poor little thing! wonder what came to her?" "Maybe I can tell you," said a quiet voice, "that is, if her name was Mary

Blake." We all looked up and saw that Tor Dalton had come into the forecastle. "That's her name," replied Gus, nod ding his head with drunken gravity, while he raised his right hand to his mouth, showing the palm plainly.

There, in plain view, were the three stars and the letter G.

"I reckon you've led a wild life, Gus," said the mate, seating himself on a locker. "Seems to me I heard something of that yarn myself. Didn't you promise to marry her and do your best to make her set her heart on you, and then leave her a letter to say you were never coming back?"

"Why, yes. Perhaps I ought not to have done it; but it was jolly fun to make love to her! Marry her; I wouldn't do that; for I had a wife in Bedford. But I didn't tell her thatoh, no, no!" And then he broke into a careless

song, such a one as a sailor loves, and the mate got up and went out, with such a look as I never saw on a man's face before, and never want to see again. He didn't say anything to me, and I noticed he never looked at Gus Williams again.

I knew evil would come of it, and I didn't know how I could stop it, but if Gus Williams had known the danger he'd drawn on himself, I think he'd have jumped overboard.

Things went on all right, until one September day, when we were lying off the Alaskan coast, the captain sent three boats ashere for some timber he wanted, and I went in Tom's boat. Gus Williams, who was harpooner in the second mate's boat, went, too. I saw Tom come up and speak to

William after they landed, and they went away together, and something put it into my head to follow them. There had been a light snow, and it was easy tracking them; and after I had gone a mile I heard their voices in a little gully, and crept up close. "You told a queer story the other can you?"

night when you were drunk, Williams," the mate was saying, "about a girl named Mary Blake, in Nantucket. Was

"Why, yes, as far as this: I made her think I was a single man, and made her love me, and then ran away from her."

"Didn't you know or didn't you hear, that she had a lover—a man that would have died for her if she asked him?" "It seems to me, now I come to think tell you he was lying to you?" of it, that I did hear something about

a tar that had a fancy for her. But what did I care for that? I wanted my fun." "Did you never hear what came

it, then? "No. I never bothered myself about

it much. I've wondered sometimes if the tarry jacket came home and married her.

"I'll tell you the end," hissed Tom When she got your cruel letter she drooped and faded, and when the man who loved her truly came home from a cruise she was very near the grave. Then, one day, when the burden of her life grew too much for her to bear, she told him of your deceit, and described you, and then died, with her head upon his bosom. Then he took a vow that if you and he ever met he'd kill you.'

"I'm glad we never met!" cried Willlams.

"I'm the man that loved her and took that vow," continued Tom, "and now I mean to keep my word. Down upon your knees and pray for you have not ive minutes to live."

Then I saw a spectacle such as I hope fell on his knees, weeping and begging ever Rawlinson was in England he for his life, but that stern face never changed. The self-appointed judge and executioner did not know the name of mercy. The wretch crawled upon the ground and buried his face in the snow at Tom's feet, and I couldn't stand it, and stepped out in view.

"Don't come nearer, Jack Ratlin," eried Tom, "or as there is a God bove, I'll give you shot. This man is doomed and he shall die."

"Tom," I said "before you fire, think moment. You say you loved Mary Blake?"

"You'll never know how much, Jack words cannot tell."

"Then listen to me. They say th good and pure, looking down from their bright homes above, are witnesses of the actions of those they loved on earth. If your dead love beholds you now, do you think it would make her

happy to see you stain your hands with the blood of this base wretch? Can you hope to join her up yonder?" He stared at me a moment and then, raising his hand to heaven, he cried: "Mary, I do what you would have done. See! I forgive your murderer,

and leave his punishment to God. Go back, Williams; from this moment you drew near its master, and at last sat are safe from my vengeance."

The man slunk away, shaking like a leaf, and deserted at the first port we entered. And Tom Dalton, with a new bide." light on his face, the hope of meeting er he loved in a better world than this. did his duty manfully until his death, three years after, in a battle with a ciant whale. He has entered into his his rest. Whether Gus Williams lives or died, I do not know, but his two victims are safe in port.-Spare Moments.

Coal Statistics.

The coal area of the principal countries of the world is enormous. Japan and China have over 200,000 square miles of coal fields. The United States has nearly as much. India, 35,000 square miles; Russia, 27,000 square miles; Great Britain, 9,000 square miles; Germany, 3,600 square miles. with France, Belgium, Spain and other countries about 4,000 square miles It is estimated that the coal districts of five of the largest European nations would yield something more than three and one-half billion tons of coal, Grumblers who sometimes worry lest by the prodigal waste of coal the supply should be exhausted may be reasured by the statement that there is coal enough in the world to last over a thousand years, at which time they probably will have a little interest in mundane affairs. Pennsylvania has the credit of mining fifty million tons of coal during the year 1895. This is the largest production given in the United States Reports of any coal-producing state. North Carolina furnishe 25,000 tons, which is the smallest amount reported for any state. During the year 1895 the value of the coal production was nearly 108 millions of dollars for bituminous coal, and anthracite about 78% millions.

Whenever we see an old women with

whiskers, we wonder if they grew after marriage or before. An eccentric man is one who is his eccentric.

A KENTUCKY SCHOLAR.

He Had an Opinion About What His Teacher Would No. His name wasn't Col. Bourbon, but let

him be called that for the sake of this Kentucky chronicle, says the Washington Star.

That he was a little bit of a chap could not be gainsaid by any one who looked at him; neither could it be denied that he was interested in education and was a school trustee, or visitor, or whatever it is a prominent citizen becomes when he is interested in the public instruction of his county.

country taught by a strapping six-footer, and he was asked by the teacher to make a speech-an invitation the colonel never refuses-and the same be taken." may be said of another, not to be mentioned here. A leading feature of the colonel's address was mutual confidence between

make it plain by example. "Now, children," said the colonel in the course of his lucid exegesis, pointmg through the window toward the railroad, which passed quite near the little log schoolhouse, "what is that we see out there crossing the creek on a

scholar and teacher, and he sought to

bridge?" "A railroad," answered all the school, with veciferous unanimity. "Ah! And how do you know it is a

railroad?" "Because we can see it." "Very good," smiled the colonel.

'Now, what railroad is h?" "The L. & N." "How do you know it is? You can't see 'L. & N.' written on it anywhere,

"No, sir; the teacher told us." There was great unanimity on this point, much to the colonel's delight, but he wasn't through yet. "You believe what the teacher tells

you, do you?" he asked. "Yes, str," yelled the school.

"Now"-and the colonel became very abstruse in his tones-"you don't know me as well as you know your teacher, and what would you think if I were to

This was a poser, and the children staggered at it for a minute or two. Finally a tow-headed youngster, with a scratch on his snub nose and one of his front teeth gone, held up his hand. "Well, my boy?" and the colonel smiled encouragingly. The boy looked critically at the little

colonel lined up alongside of the sixfoot school teacher, and then ran his eye up the teacher from foot to head. "I'd think," he said in the most matter-of-fact tone, "that he'd wallop the waddin' outen yer in about two shakes

Pets of a Learn-d Man.

uv a sheep's tail."

Sir Henry Rawlinson, the great authority on Persian inscriptions, wrote his Memoir in a summer house overhanging the Tigris, where the outside heat of one hundred and twenty degrees was reduced to ninety degrees by the action of a water wheel which poured a continuous stream of water over the roof.

For recreation while w. iting his book, Rawlinson indulged in petting wild animals. He had a tame leopard named Fahad which he brought to England never to see again, as Tom slowly drew and presented to the Zoological Garrevolver and waited. The harpooner dens at Clifton, near Bristol. When- goue." would visit Fahad. As soon as the beast heard his cry, "Fahad! Fahad!" it would rise from the floor of its cage, you go to the drugstore and get some approach the bars, and then, rolling on the floor, extend its head to be scratched.

Once the keeper, who did not know Sir Henry, on seeing him patting the heaven. leopard, exclaimed:

"Take your hand out of the cage! The animal's very savage, and will blio you!"

"Do you think so?" said Sir Henry "I don't think he'll bite me. Will you, Fahad?" and the beast answered by a purr, and would hardly let the hand be

withdrawn. He also had at Bagdad a pet lion which had been found when a kitten on the bank of the Tigris-its mother hav- classes is the human race divided?" ing been shot-and brought to Sir Henry. He alone fed it, and the lion when grown would follow him about like a dog. One hot day the lion moped and civilized, savage and Spanlards,-Chi rejected its food. It paced about the cago News. master's room, and he, being very busy, called two servants to take the

lion away. The lion would not go with them, but down under his chair with its head between his knees.

"Oh," said he, "if he won't go let him

The servants went out, and Sir Hen ry wrote on. The lion sank from a sitting position into that of a "lion couthant." All was quiet for several hours save the scratching of a pen. When his work was over the master put down his hand to pat the pet. The llon was dead.

The Verdict.

The Atlanta Constitution tells of a curious verdict rendered by a Georgia jury in a case where the guilt of the prisoner was clearly established. It was not thought the jury would be ten minutes in recommending him for the penitentiary, but three hours elapsed before the twelve men filed into court again, when a verdict of "Not guilty" was read, to the astonishment of all. "How could you bring in such a ver

dict after the evidence?" asked the "Well, jedge," replied the foreman, "be's a man of large family, and lost

one leg and two sons in the war."

Comfort on Sea and Land. A German has invented an apparatus "increase the comfort" of persons in railway carriages and on board ships, consisting of a back rest supported by a strap, with loops for the arms and a net for the head, the whole being suspended from the ceiling by

Cubans Use Many Gestures.

A private who was with the regulars at Santiago says of the language of the islanders: "You should watch the natives talk, for you can learn to understand their gestures easier than to speak their language. They have a gesture for everything, and with practice you can read them like a book."

If a man wants to think a thing, don't present him evidence to the contrary; prejudice is stronger than evidence.

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

HUMOROUS SAYINGS AND DO-INGS HERE AND THERE.

Jokes and Jokelets that Are Supposed to Have Been Recently Born-Sayings and Doings that Are Odd, Curious and Laughable-The Week's Humor.

Mrs. Benham—I couldn't hear what the minister said this morning that Not long ago he visited a school in the made all of the people smile. What Benham-Instead of giving out his

text he said, "The usual nap will now The Governing Factor, He-You say the widow's grief was

terrible, and yet you think it won't be long until she marries again. She-It can't be long. She looked so lovely.

Just the fame. "Don't you want to grow up to be s

"What's the use? All the other boys will be growed up, too, and it'll be just as hard to lick 'em as 'tis now." Sensible Oirl.

"Yes," said the soldier, "when parted she gave me a token of her re gard. I put it in my pocket, and it was the means of saving my life."

"I see," was the response. "It's the old story. You carried her photograph next your heart and it caused the bullet

"No. It wasn't any photograph. I was a bottle of malaria medicine."

Button for Weary Waggles.



-New York Telegram.

Spanish Flags. "I suppose," remarked Farmer Corn tossel, "that when Christopher Columbus landed in this hemisphere, one of the first things he did was to plant the

Spanish flag." "I should say that 'ud seem the reg' lar thing to do."

"Well," speakin' perfessionally, should say that he managed to raise one of the poorest crops ever known." -Washington Star.

"My illusions," said she, "are all

"Why," he asked, with that brutality only manifested by a man who has promised to love and more?"-Indianapolis Journal.

Illusions.

Thankful for That, First Clubman-As you know, old fellow, there are no marriages in

Second Clubman-Then we won't miss our club so much after all, will we?-New York Evening Journal. Fate.

"The die is cast," he hissed. No wonder he was sore. He had ordered it drop forged."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

As Revised. Teacher-Tommy, into how many Tommy-Five.

Teacher-What are they? Tommy-Enlightened, civilized, half-The l'ence of His Country.

Lady-So you received that wound in defense of your country? Here is dime for you. Tramp-Tanks, lady. De fence I got

burted in wuz a barb-wire one jest below here. Anxious to Please.



Mick ("Boots" at the Ballyragg Hotel, knocking at visitor's door at 4 2, m.) -Fwhat tolme wud ye wish to be called this morrnun', sorr?-Mail and Ex-

Explained. Friend-To be frank with you, I can't see how Mrs. Hardcash happened to consent to your marriage with her

daughter. Mr. Slimpurse-She said I was the only young man who showed any consideration for a mother's feelings. You see, when the other fellows took her daughter out riding they seldom got her back until after dark, but when I took her I always brought her home prompt ly in an hour.

Mr. Slimpurse-The other fellows had their own rigs. I hired mine.-New York Weekly. Missionary Work.

Friend-Humph! How was that?

"We are going to have a harder job than conquering Cuba." "What's that?" "Civilizing it."-Detroit Free F ---

The Bad Boy, "I have noticed that it is the toly who seems to get alore most rapid

"Yes; the teachers promots then a get rid of them."—Indianapolis loss

Mrs. Wallace-What do they water cut all those cables for? Mr. Wallace-Don't you undergo As soon as the cables that hold b As soon as the translation island are cut it can be towed as ngainst the United States and faces on to Florida.—Cincinnati Enquire



Old Mrs. Hankypank-Why, sin't pa the same tramp , gave one of my te ter's cooking-school ples to last year! Lionel Montmorency - Yes'm, bg. Lord bless you! it didn't hurt me-l's an Immune,-New York World.

Very Bald.

"Remember, my dear," said the visiting pastor, "that even the hairs of page head are numbered." "Nunkle Will's are," replied the line one. "I tan tount 'em."—Philadelphi North American.

The Worm's Chance. Mrs. Enpeck—The philosophers tell a that blessings often come to us h & Mr. Enpeck (with a sudden show d

spirit)-Say, Maria, when are per p ing to unmask?-Cleveland Leader. The Secret Out. "Now, what," asked the intercent, "led you to come out of Santiago in-

bor?"

"We were drawn out," said the Spanlard, "by the smell of roast beef on the Brooklyn."-Philadelphia North Ame. lenn. Worth Trying.

Dick Dashington-I wish I her something about law. His Friend-Want to break a will Dick Dashington-Not that; but ! would like to know if I could pe u injunction preventing old Bootels

from interfering with my attention

to his daughter.-Puck.

Long and Short of It. "The war didn't last long." "How could it when Spain was short?"-Philadelphia North Ames

He Was Convinced. Mrs. Hayricks-It says here in the paper, Silns, that this war has send to bring the people of our country dis-er together. Do you think there's ar truth in it?"

Mr. Hayricks-Yes. When I looks! into the parlor last night, Lieutenn Striplings and our Annie was settly's good deal closer together than I have ever seen 'em before he went avu-

Chicago News. A Peculiar Proposal.



She-I am all alone in the werld have neither father nor mother! He-No mother? Oh, will you be mine?-Heltere Welt.

A Warlike Bird. Mr. Schenley Park-I wish Auduba were alive now." Mrs. Schenley Park-Why? Mr. Schenely Park-He could class! and describe the military round rebis-Pittsburg Telegraph.

As a Bracer. Maud-Poor Hankinson! Mame Gas linghorn threw him over the other at but he makes a brave attempt to bell his head up. Irene-Is that why he's wearing this

four-inch collar 7-Chicago News. Watts-I don't believe you ever an amateur performance. Potts-Of course I don't. through amateur performances mis-

me enjoy professional work so most more.-Indianapolis Journal. Bowling Round the World. Probably many readers will be # prised to learn that a cricket ball lears the hand of a fast bowler at a seed

equal to that of an express train. Some time ago a test was made if means of electric screens of the rates bowling of Turner, the famous Australlan bowler. It was found, as the rest of a series of trials, that the ball in versed the distance between the six ets at the rate of over fifty miles hour. As Richardson is a still swifts bowler than Turner, it is safe to all mate his highest speed at a mile a mile

If it were possible, therefore, to last a line of bowlers, placed at suitable tervals, and each one delivering his lal when his predecessor's ball reach him, the distance between London and Leeds could be covered in four bear with ease, and the circuit of the sard at the equator in less than twentyes days.

Victoria's Descendants. There are four sovereigns and also heirs apparent among the fifty seed living descendants of Queen Victoria