Men who plot in France would, in other lands, be known as natural comedians.

The fight between Mrs. Keely and the Keely Motor Company suggests a sort of locomotor ataxia.

Experience is about all Spain has ac cumulated during the year, and she was not seeding much of that.

Talking of this Nicaragua Canal in connection with the Isthmus of Panams, the question is, Will it go through? In an Eastern female college a swim-

ming tank has just been completed with a capacity of 50,000 gais. Big college, that!

It is intimated that Mrs. Dominis can be induced to compromise. Utterly unnecessary! She has compromised her case already.

There's nothing in using poisoned

candy that's going to make transference to the sweet bye and bye by that route especially desirable. The Chinese have killed several

lent to saying that France will soon own another slice of Chinese territory. Marie Corelli says that she does not regard suicide as justifiable under any consideration whatever. That's a spe-

Those new automobile trucks in New York are going to be propelled by compressed air. Horses will have a rest. It's an ill wind that blows nobody any

cial plea for her style of literature.

Prof. Garner has gone back to Africa to study the monkey speech. As Polly can talk, we may yet know the precise language used at that monkey and parrot time.

Col. Ingersoll is said to have had his watch stolen lately. He's probably not pleased over it, as his idea of a happy existence being confined to this world he doesn't like to lose any time.

North Dakota is right in enumerating among her needs a better divorce law. The business that the present one may bring to the State can never offset the damage it is doing to her reputa-

Experts say that the war taught little of any value to military science. This is to be regretted, although it should be borne in mind that the war was not undertaken for that precise

the people of Johannesburg shall have at least two days' rest in each week. tions is through his stomach, and this than 40,000 pounds. He has isned a decree, and it is being enforced, that no piano-playing shall since it is so widely known it does seem the department of geology in Wyooccur on Friday or Saturday.

The Botkin case has had the effect of making people a little skittish about eating anything sent through the mail. and happiness. We have been much It is to be hoped that the Cornish case surprised that the women's clubs, and will have a similar effect in checking especially the household departments, the willingness of people to take any have not given more time to this kind of medicine from the hand of branch of domestic felicity, pointing anybody that offers it.

In a number of avenues of industry which for years Great Britain has regarded herself as supreme, the United | per, chill sauce and tobasco, assuming States has taken the lead. The lead, once taken, can never be regained by gentleman will break a plate over his Great Britain. There was a time when Its large resources of Iron ore and coal give him provocation for the deed, and gave it an advantage. Its resources in it appears to us the duty of the womthese materials, however, are nothing compared to those of the United States.

Just how gambling and speculation pay was very clearly brought out in the testimony of the defaulting teller, Boggs, in the Dover bank case. He accounted for \$50,000 of the shortage as follows: Lost on race tracks, \$20, 000; in marginal stock operations, \$8,-000; in poker, \$15,000; in faro, \$2,000; In pools and bucket shops, \$3,500; and \$2,000 in politics. Here is a choice collection of sermons for gamblers and

When Julia Ward Howe was a young girl, her first literary venture was favorably noticed in a local newspaper. "This is my little girl who knows about books," said a favorite uncle, "and writes an article and has it printed; but I wish she knew more about house keeping;" a sentiment which in after years Mrs. Howe had occasion to echo with fervor. Few women reach adult life without finding themselves so circumstanced that a domestic training is invaluable to them.

To horseless carriages and smokeless powder add chimneyless factories as the newest in nomenclature. Heretofore it has been necessary in order to secure plenty of draft for a furnace to build an immensely tall chimney. Now It is found that instead of pulling the draft by a chimney you can push it from below with a fan. A plant running three boilers of 200 horse power tried this experiment with a fan whose wheel had a diameter of fifty-four inches. The draft was so much bettered that the firm saved nearly \$1,000 a year by using a cheaper grade of coal.

For defensive purposes the lesson of American martial arslor and skill taught to Europe within the year that is past is of incalculable value, and for long years to come it must temper the aggressiveness of nations that might otherwise have sought to check the progress of a republic whose unexampled prosperity is a standing menace to monarchical institutions. Notwithstanding the republic has joined the ranks of the modern militant powers in such a dramatic way and in such a short time, we may confidently trust that the country will remain a slumbering giant amid the unworthy conflicts into which some of the militant nations have been prone to enter.

Now that Mrs. Botkin has been adjudged guilty of the charge of using the mails as a medium for the distribution of poisoned candy we are glad to learn that she will be locked up for the

rest of her unnatural life. The Borgia industry should not be allowed to flour ish in this enlightened country, and there are certainly more humane ways of separating a man from his wife than by the use of quick poisons. It is very pleasant to be loved by the ladies. but the average man is not anxious that the divine passion shall be carried to such an extent as that, and the various essays on love, from Schopen hauer, Mrs. Corbin and other able authorities, have never led us to believe that the right feminine emotion of tender passion is responsible for these harsh extremes. We are solicitous that during her incarceration Mrs. Botkin shall be closely watched and shall be kept as far as possible from the prison dispensary, for a woman of her impulses is likely at any moment to attempt to exercise her talent for flavon ing confections.

One of the most valuable of recent naval criticisms called out by the Spanish-American war is made in an article in a German technical magazine by Rear Admiral Pluddeman, of the Ger man navy. The German admiral says the war will lead to no radical revolution of present naval ideas, but that it will enrich former experience by way of illustration. The naval operations of the war he discusses under five hends-the personnel, the construction and equipment of ships, the artillery, the torpedo, the ram and speed. As to both the torpedo and the ram, he says the war has left us practically French missionaries, which is equivawhere we were when it began, as their efficiency cannot be said to have been fairly tested. The superiority of American guns and gunners is willingly recognized, but the German admiral says but few of the shots were exploded, and that the making of the fuse has evidently not yet reached perfection in America. In the naval shattle of Santiago he says the American vessels made but 163 hits for 170 guns, and that of these the 13-inch and the 12 inch guns did not score a single hit. Explosion of a shell killed the entire crew of the Oquendo, but in the opinion of this naval expert this would not have happened if the turret had had no roof. The German critic agrees with most others that the greatest execution was wrought by the 6-pounders, and the fact that only four American guns were in need of repairs at the end of the war speaks well for the durability of the artillery.

Notwithstanding the notable example of the gentleman of Oregon who gave Discovery in Wyoming of Dinosaur away his wife and threw in four acres of onions for good measure, it does not is measurably and grandly true. But Assistant Professor W. H. Reed, of a little strange that women will persistently take chances where there are no chances, ignoring the delicate and subtle means of continued good cheer out in special meetings the advantages which accrue from diplomatic avoidance of instruments of wrath, such as highly flavored onions, garlic, red pepthe conjugal aversion. While no true wife's head it is unnecessary even to en's clubs to urge a little more feminine care and thoughtfulness.

JOURNALISM IN AUSTRIA.

Ludicrous Revelations of an Editor Brought to Trial for Libel.

Some curious facts have been brought to light in the course of an action for northwest of Laramie last August; and libel brought against the editor of the since that time the geological depart Neunkirchener Zeitung, a provincial ment of the university has been secret weekly paper with a large circulation by at work in its restoration. So vast kirchen is a flourishing town about sixty mlles from Vienna.

The editor, Carl Kulf, preed in tenuation of his misdemeanor that he many months may be required before was so occupied with his duties as a the monster can be placed on the camshoemaker that he had no time to properly discharge his editorial work, which he only undertook as a supplementary occupation. His salary as Reed says: editor was 45 per annum.

Judge-You do not seem to possess the training and education necessary to an editor.

Herr Kulf-That is not necessary at Judge-But an editor must at least be able to write an article.

Herr Kulf-Oh. no. I cut all my artiles out of other papers. Judge-Who acted as editor in your

nbsence? Herr Kulf-A hatter lived next door to the office, and he used to receive the correspondence and hand it over to the printers. The printers published what

interested them. Judge-These are extraordinary conditions for a town so near the capital es, with no hollow for marrow. A set

that proper ideals of the mission of the hind legs, provided he had not objectpress are in vogue. I always praise ed. Every time he put his foot down the townspeople who deal with me and it covered more than a square yard of pay their bills regularly, and "pitch ground, and must have fairly shaken into" those who buy their shoes elsewhere and do not settle their debts, of this animal is a peculiar thing. I The Neunkirchener Zeitung is a paper should say that the head of this mighty with principles. It receives a subven-dinosaur was probably not larger than tion from the local authorities.

Judge-How do you obtain the sub-Herr Kulf-I undertook to fully report all the Mayor's speeches, chronicle his small doings and shower praise on

his administration. Herr Kulf was finally sentenced to a over his paper which an editor is in Austria legally compelled to do.-London Mail.

Pigs in China.

It is said that in some of the farming districts of China pigs are harnessed to small wagons and made to draw them. Some men can't understand why the fool-killer doesn't call next door.



MINDORO SEA

TRIBAL CHART OF THE PHILIPPINES.

TAGALES

PALAWA

BORNEO

VICOLS

The area of the Philippines, 114,360 square miles, is equal to New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, with a total population less than that of New York-9,500,000. The survey of the islands, made in 1882, shows fifty-one different native tribes, speaking over thirty languages. These are divided into the aboriginal population, mixed with Malays; the pure agricultural Malays, and the piratical Malays. The blank spaces in the map are the regions still occupied by the various aboriginal and semi-aboriginal tribes. In Central Mindanao these tribes are still naked heathen. In North Luzon, with the Aroyous and Igorroles, these tribes have passed out of the savage state. The various tribes occupying the bare places, from thirty to forty in number, are all individually small. South Luzon, the Vicols on the east, and the Visayas in the central and southern islands are made up of peaceful and partially Christianized Malays. The piratical Malays in the Sooloo archipelago and the edges of the adjacent islands, are a savage and bloodthirsty race, carrying fire, sword and rapine to all the surround-

SOOLOO # ARCHIPELAGO

A MONSTER FOSSIL,

that Was 130 Feet Long.

Wyoming is writing a strange chapfollow that wives and onlons neces- ter in the world's geological history. sarily go together. A later instance is The big sagebrush Commonwealth is reported from New York, where a wife scoring a record-breaker in fossil for put onlons in the soup, and is now in mations by uneasthing the petrified the hospital suffering from a severe bones of the most colossal animal ever contusion made by a heavy plate taken from the earth's strata. This hurled by the indignant partner of her stone monster was a dweller in the joys and sorrows. And this suggests Jurassic age-a dinosaur, measuring the reflection that many domestic trag- nearly 130 feet in length and being peredies are inspired by the thoughtless- haps 35 feet in height at the hips and ness of women in their culinary nf- 25 feet at the shoulders-an animal so Oom Paul Kruger is determined that fairs. The ladies never weary of ast terrible in size that its petrified skeleserting that the way to a man's affection alone is believed to weigh more



A DINOSAUR OF ANCIENT TIMES.

ming State University, is its discov erer. He made the great find while prospecting for fossils ninety mile smallest bone yet found is more than a man can lift, and, with men in the field pus at Laramie.

Conjecturing as to the probable ap pearance in life of the creature, Prof.

"An accurate idea of a living dino saur is practically dut of the question According to my opinion, I should say that the animal now being brought to light would weigh in life about 60 tons, that he had a neck 30 feet in length, and a tail perhaps 60 feet in length. His ribs are about 9 feet in length, and the cavity of his body with lungs and entrails out, would make a hall 34 feet in length, 16 feet in width, and, arched over, probably 12 feet in height. Such a space, if properly arranged, would seat at least 40 people. A round steak taken from a ham of the animal would have been at least 12 feet in diameter, or more than 35 feet in circumference, and would have a solid bone in the middle, 12x14 inchof fours in cavalry could easily have Herr Kulf-It is not only in Vienna ridden abreast between his front and the earth. The smallness of the head a ten-gallon keg. He must have been a very sluggish creature, as the brain would certainly not warrant the belief that his brain weighed to exceed four or five pounds."

Knew His Nickname

It was said of the late Prof. Lincoln fine for not exercising that supervision of Brown University, that nothing made a greater impression on those who knew him than his tremendous earnestness. One of his former pupils says that no other professor of his day talked so little in the class room, and

> In his presence the most volatile became temporarily sedate. Work began at the 2rst moment of the recitation tor.

hour, and lasted to the closing one. But nobody funcied that Prof. Lincoln, with ness of anybody I ever saw. I asked all his gravity, was devoid of a sense of him if they had much rain down on the

MINDANAO

"M. Tull Cleero," began a student to translate one day.

professor. "Why not give the gentlecalled Line ??

the hushed atmosphere of the Latin have damaged it considerable. There room, and brought down the house. Nine out of ten of the boys never called day, and I thought I would plant my him anything else but Line., and he potatoes, so I loaded them on a scow knew it, too, and no doubt did not dis- and anchored the scow in three feet of like it, for it was a term of positive endearment. But for the student who habitually

neglected his work Prof. Lincoln had no mercy; such a student might expect Companion.

Personality of the Wife of the New Governor of New York.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt will not welt is very much like her husband in script. one respect-firm when her mind is made up. However, the snap shot fiend has caught ber unawares, and the newspapers are publishing the result. It does not do her justice, though the likeness is almost perfect. It is just how Mrs. Rosevelt looks on the street in winter dress

The mistress of the executive mansion at Albany was a Miss Carow when she married Roosevelt ten years ago, of me. They located it at last with the She was an intimate friend of the first X rays. Here it is. See! It's my opin-Mrs. Roosevelt. She is in the early 30s, ion that bullet came from one of our of medium height, with fair complex-In Neunkirchen and district. Neun- is the skeleton of the animal that its | ion, dark eyes and hair, and possesses | ness, the reckles way the boys shot off a remarkable charm of manner. The their revolvers in the charge, Governor has no more fervent chamconstantly at work, it is believed that pion than his accomplished wife, who



is a firm believer in her husband's talents and unlimited ability. In no sense woman of fashion, Mrs. Roosevelt dresses simply, always in perfect taste She wears a few jewels, and these remarkably handsome ones. There are six little Roosevelts-the eldest n daughter by Mr. Roosevelt's first wife, who was fermerly Miss Alice Lee, of Roston. Mrs. Roosevelt's existence is devoted to husband and children. Whatever she believes is required of a Governor's wife she will do and do well.

Music Everywhere.

One of the most original music rooms in the country is in Yonkers, New York, The square hall is open to the roof; behind the staircase is the keyboard of an organ, the pipes of which are concealed in noots all over the house, so that when the organ is played there is indeed music in the air.

Electricity the Chespest. It is estimated that to run street cars no other secured such perfect order and by horse power costs 19 cents a mile; but 10 cents. Sixty per cent of the widely. whole is the cost of driver and conduc-

ERRONEOUS IMPRESSIONS

The Average Man Knows Very Little About the True Indian.

We cannot deal with the Indian of today unless we know the Indian of yesterday. The average man seldom thinks about Indians, and when he does he thinks of them either with entire indifference or with contemptuous dislike. He is moved in part by that narrowness which leads us to despise those who in appearance or by birth or tradition are different from ourselves the feeling which leads many a white man to speak with contempt of negroes that the Indian is an enemy, who from of values. the time he was first known has been hostile to us. Even nowadays most people seem to think of the Indian only as a warrior, who is chiefly occupied in killing women and children, burning homes and torturing captives. From proposition. the days when they fought the Pilgrim Fathers, and then the settlers of the Ohio Valley, and later still the emigrants crossing the plains, nine-tenths of all that has appeared in print about Indians has treated them from this point of view; and the newspapers which now constitute so great a portion of the reading matter of the American public, seldom print anything about the Indians except in connection with massacres and uprisings. The effect of all this literature on the popular estimation in which the Indian is held has been very great. The popular impressions are entirely erroneous. The Indian was a fighter,

yet war was only an incident of his life. Like any other human being he is many sided, and he did not always wear his war paint. If he has a repulsive aspect, there are other sides of his character, and some of them pleasing. If from one point of view he may appear to the civilized man feroclous and hateful, from another he seems kindly and belpful. The soldier sees the Indian from one point of view only, the missionary from another, the traveler from a third, the agent from a fourth. Each of these is impressed by some salient feature of his character, yet each sees that one only or chiefly and the image shown is imperfect, ill-proportioned and misleading.-Atlantic.

Humidity on the Wabash. "Talking about rainy weather," said the Westerner, "I remember once out in Indianapolis meeting a farmer who took the most cheerful view of damp-

Wabash that spring. " 'Well, it has been a little damp,' he answered. 'The day before I left home "M. Tull.! M. Tull.?" exclaimed the I had to hang up twenty-four of my ducks. They had got so water soaked man the whole of his name?" And that they couldn't swim any longer. 1 without moving a muscle of his face, planted my corn in two feet of water, he demanded, "How should I like to be and I don't expect over thirty bushels to the acre. My wheat is looking pret-This was a little too much for even ty well, but the sturgeon and catfish was about fifteen minutes' sunshine one

water, when it began to rain again. "I wanted to go down on the bottom it is." lands next to the Wabash to see if the grass was growing for my hay crop, but my wife said that as we didn't have to be metaphorically annihilated by a any diving bell she'd rather I wouldn't. few clearly cut sentences.-Youth's I should feel kind of discouraged with all rain, but I've spent my odd hours of MRS. THEODORE ROOSEVELT. leisure time-and the even ones, too, on account of staving in out of the wetbuilding us an ark. If it will only rain another week or two until I get her ready to sall I'm going to take my famreasent to be interviewed, neither will lily out to Missourf by water for a trip she give her photograph to the newspa- to visit our folks that moved off out persfor publication. She is not haughty, there because they didn't know enough nor excessively modest, but she dislikes to stay in a place where they were comthis form of publicity, and Mrs. Roose fortable," "-Boston Evening Tran-

What Two Bullets Did.

On the cot beside that of Edwards lay a rough rider, Walter S. Beehe, another fever victim and twice wounded, a cut through the arm on July 1, and a revolver bullet in the left leg on Puck.

"It's only a couple of weeks," said Beebe, "since they got that bullet out own six-shooters. It was all foolish-

"To show you the queer things some of those bullets did I'll tell you a thing I saw in the Las Guasimas fight. There was a man near me as we went along who stopped to break off a stick in the shrub. I guess he wanted to make a ramred of it. If he hadn't stopped he might never have been killed, but just as he had broken the stick and was twisting the last fibers apart a Mauser bullet went straight through his head and he dropped to his knees. His hands still clutched the branch he was breaking, and, as he knelt there, another bullet came and cut through the broken wood, so that he held his ramrod free. He had got what he stopped for," Leslie's Weekly. The African's Endurance.

Two cases notably illustrative of the

African native's power of endurance

are reported from the British Central Africa Protectorate. In each instance a man was dragged from his canoe by a crocodile, and had an arm bitten almost to a pulp. The men had to be taken long distances overland. On reaching Zomba each had the injured limb amputated and quickly recovered. Dr. Douglas Gray, acting chief medical officer there, remarks further in his report upon the growing confidence of the native in the European medicos. Reports of cures-more especially in relation to surgery-spread rapidly among the natives, and the one old cure-a fiber band tied round a limb above the seat of disease-is, he says, fast losing its reputation.-London News.

Widows in the Treasury Department Lots of the treasury girls at Washington are widows. Hundreds of them are old maids, and several thousand are sweet marriageable girls, with pretty faces, good hearts and a high grade of culture and education. Many of them had governors and generals for fathers, not a few are the widows of noted soldiers and statesmen and all are far "that you gave a great deal of thought by cable, 16 cents, and by electricity ted States over. Many have traveled

A black eye indicates a revengeful added, reflectively, "I sold a lot." nature on the part of the other fellow.

LET US ALL LAUGH.

JOKES FROM THE PENS OF

VARIOUS HUMORISTS. Pleasant Incidents Occurring the

World Over-Sayings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young - Funny Selections that You Will Enjoy.

Questions of Value.

He knew that she was a clever business woman, and therefore he thought or Chinamen. More weighty than this his scheme a good one. But he did not feeling, however, is the inherited one realize that she was such a good judge

"I have made a bet that I will marry you," he said.

"Money up?" she asked. "Yes," he answered, pleased at the businesslike way she took hold of the

How much?" "Five hundred dollars." She looked him over critically, "Too low," she said at last. "You'll

have to get it raised to \$5,000 or you'll

And at that, as she afterward explained, she was giving him a bargainday price.-Chicago Post.

Excessive Politeness. Customer-I haven't any change with me this morning; will you trust me for postage stamp until to-morrow? Drug Clerk-Certainly, Mr. Jones,

Customer-But suppose I should get killed, or-

Drug Clerk-Pray don't speak of it. Mr. Jones. The loss would be but a triffe.



A Detrimental Craze. "The doctor says that Aunt Josephine has a thermometer-cough." "Thermometer-cough? What's that?" "Why, the kind of cough women get

hour or so, to see how the thermometer stands,"-Puck.

by chasing out on a cold plazza, every

The Ailment. "What appears to be the matter with your father?" inquired the doctor, as he hastily put his clothes on. "He's got the plumbago," replied the

boy. "I think that's what maw says "Pain in the small of the back, I pre-

sume," said the doctor. "No, sir, he hain't got no small of the back. My paw weighs 284 pounds,"-

Chicago Post The Result. "He thought his plays would elevate

the stage "And they merely depress the publie."-Syracuse Star.

"The tea kettle seems to be quite a singer," said the nutmeg grater. "It

beats me, my voice is so rough." "Me, too," replied the rolling pin: "I can't get beyond dough."-New York Evening Sun.

Poetical Suit. "Charlie's girl seems to be somewhat

"Well, you know, he always was a great fellow for courting the mews."

A Shaft that Missed the Mark. Mrs. Merchant (slyly)-Mr. Smart, of Smart & Howell, has bought his wife a diamond necklace.

Mr. Merchant-What do you suppose his customers will think of his pretensions to low prices now?-Jeweler's Weekly.

His Enormous Circumference. "It appears that the nearest Gen. Shafter could get to the front was a point three miles away."

"Jericho! I didn't think he was as fat as that "-Cleveland Plain Dealer. Unsophisticated.



"Say, mammy! Buy me dat?" "Come on, chile! Come on home an' play wif yo' little brother."

Deadly Weapon.

Reporter-How did the prisoner pro cure the means of committing suicide? Warder-A bride gave him one of her first mince pies and he cut his throat with the crust.-New York World.

Too Much. "Did your girl give you the glad "Yes, and a mitten with it."-Life.

It Does. Mabel-Do you think the use of slang by a young woman could ever lead to

profaulty? Abel-It might on the part of the man who heard her.-Indianapolis Journal. Stated with Precision.

to that big case you just won?" "No," answered the lawyer; "I never gave a bit of thought to it. But," he

Washington Star.

Fickle Man.

Cholly-See that Miss Dashington over there? Young Filkins used to be

clean out of his mind about her. Dolly-And now? Cholly-And now she's clean out of

his mind.-San Francisco Examnier. Romance vs. Reality. "It is my intention," said a newly

married man, "to have our pictures taken with my wife's hand on my shoulder "And I," responded another man of

more experience, "am thinking of hav.
ing ours taken with my wife's hand on my pocketbook."

Those Horrid Cabmen.



"What are you putting that bag over the horse's head for?" "I don't want him to see what he's pulling for \$1."-New York World.

About the . ize of It. Bachelor-I wonder what induces men to marry? Benedict-Why, the women, of

Those Loving Girls. Miss Antiquate-This is a portrait of my great-grandmother by one of the

old masters. Miss Caustic-Indeed. And the next Miss Antiquate-The next one is a portrait of myself at the age of 7.

Miss Caustic-Also by one of the old masters, 1 presume. Fomething Unusual. She-Have you noticed that Mr. Shortleigh is paying a good deal of at-

tention to Miss Cleverton? He-Yes, and it's the first time I ever knew him to pay anything.

Positively Insulting. "I know the pumpkin ple was rather thin as to filling," said the landlady, almost crying, "but I don't think he had any right to say what he did." "What did he say?" asked the second

"He asked me if I didn't think that the pie crust would be improved if it had another coat of paint."-Washington Star. Speaking of Done.

table boarder.

The Doer-Yes, death stared me in the face, and I thought of all I'd done. The Done-Noble fellow, to think of

your friends at such a critical moment! -Chicago Post. Was Ready for It. Pastor-Have you seriously considered the great question of life, Mary? Girl Parishioner-None of the young

men has asked me yet, sir.-New Or leans Times-Democrat.



Miss Dinah-Mrs. Parlor, the great cooking expert, says one can get a splendid dinner for 39 cents. Jack (who has just blown in a week's

salary)-There are others! Newly Engaged Flo (to bosom friend)

-You don't seem a bit curious about

my engagement to Frank. Don't you want to know how he proposed? Bosom Friend-No; I know how he proposes.-World's Comic.

Scorn. "The Smithy bicycle is unquestionably the best." "Faugh! Why, I keep a Smithy expressly to lend to my friends."-Detreit

Fussy. "Mrs. Binks seems like a very fussy voman."

she'd insist upon having all the nails manicured."-Cleveland Plain Dealer. An Unhappy Ill istration. Tommy-What's an helrloom, auntie? His Old Mald Aunt-Oh, that's a jew-

"Fussy? Say, if she built a house

d or something that's been in the family years and years. Tommy-Auntie, is your engagement ring an heirloom?-Jeweler's Weekly.

Overwhelming Dance Favor. A Connecticut young man had a favor

conferred upon him at a cotillon the other night that nearly paralyzed him When the moment came for a favor is be given him his hostess stepped for ward and presented him with the only girl of his choice. "Take and keep her. she said, "she is yours!" "Heavens alivel" gasped the happy lover. "Is this true?" And then this "only girl," whose answer to a certain question he had asked a month ago, straightway res on the tip of her toes, and, in view of the assembled company, pressed a

dainty kiss on his mouth, declaring-"Yes, it is true." Then everybody congratulated the pair, and the dance went on with a rush.-Boston Herald.

Living on Chocolate.

An interesting test has just been made by a Frenchwoman. With a view to testing the sustaining powers of chocolate, she lived on that alone for sixty days, and lost but fifteen pounds in the interval.

Her Idea He-Oh, yes, I can quit smoking cis arettes whenever I want to. She-Why don't you consult a pl ssiclan and see if he can't give you some thing to make you want to?