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The brightest ray that gleams from heaven's dome-

The loveliest flower that e'er from Earth's breast rose-

The purest flame that, quivering, gleams and glows-Are found alone, where kneels a mother

mild. With heart uplifted, praying for her child.

The stream of tears can never cease to flow Long as Life's sun shall shine on us below; And many angels have been sent by God

But of all tears that flow, the least defiled Are when a mother prays beside her child.

Because it is to mortal's eves unseen, Ye call it foolishness, a childish dream, In vain; ye cannot rob me of that thought.

That legend, with such heavenly sweetness fraught, That blessed angels have for ages smiled To see a mother praying for her child.

My Convict Acquaintance.

-Chamber's Journal.

He was rather a slight built man, of about five and thirty, tolerably dressed, and having a foreign, tanned look about the face that told of residence abroad. He was my right hand neighbor in the front row of the pit of the Olympic Theatre, during the performance of "The Ticket-of-Leave Man," and he had drawn my attention to himself by the intense eagerness with which he had been listening to the dialogue, as his eyes seemed to devour every situation in the clever he went on-

More than once I had heard him utter I was tried," he said at last. I was one off for the north. a faint sigh, evidently unconscious that of the clerks in a large Lancashire is hemmed in by difficulties, and persecuted by the black shadow of his own character which follows him wherever he goes, my neighbor rested his hands upon stalls, bowed his head, and remained unmoved for quite half an hour.

And this during one of the most interesting phases in the drama. I saw at a glance that this was no ordinary play goer, but one who for some reason was evidently moved by the ficevery now and then by a convulsive heaving of the shoulders.

At last he turned a sallow, haggard face toward me and rose from his seat. "Will you let me go by?" he said. "I must get out of this.

hesitation, followed him into the fresh guilt. I faltered and grew confused, too, the world," I said, quietly. air; and it was well I did so, for the poor side, and would have fallen if I had not an hour I was being taken to the police

A few minutes afterwards, I had led him down into the Strand, where in the retired box of a well-known coffee room, he revived under the influence of a little cold spirit and water, and gave me a feeble smile.

"I am very thankful to you," he said, rising. "Good-night. I am spoiling your evening's entertainment.

"If you will take my advice," I said, "you will sit quite still for another hour. refresh my memory. It seemed to move

He looked at me sharply. "Yes," he said, after a pause, and speaking with intense bitterness-"It is so

"I suppose it is," I said, vaguely. "I "Suppose-heard!" he said, excitedly.

"Man, it is a fact dressed up in the form of fiction. I know it, to my sorrow." "Yes," he said, in an undertone, as he

rose once more-for his excited manner had made a shabby looking old pressman look up from his paper. "Yes, I know, and I could prove it all. Good night, sir, and thank you. Yours was the first act of kindness I have encountered for many received it if you had known that I was a ticket-of-leave man myself."

I must confess to giving a start; and he saw it and smiled. "I don't see why the fact of your having been in trouble should have precluded creditable to him.

my affording you help," I said. "But it is the custom," he said bitterly

"You can't touch pitch without being de-

"I object to being ruled by your old proverbs, on principle," I said. "Half of most contemptibly selfish tendency. If me trembling in the prison; but I turned whole manner was admirably calculated them are bosh, and a lot more are of the the pitch touching theory held good, my back upon him, and would not speak to inspire his soldiers with courage and there would be no Christianity. I say unless he came to me as a suppliant. you can touch pitch without being defiled. You may make yourself look black, but to hear him. pitch is a good, honest, wholesome vegetable gum and does not want blackguard-

sneeringly.
"Not I," said I. "We profess here in bling!" London to be a Christian people, and I "And weakness,' I said, bitterly, as I blood-letting has caused him to faint."

"Christians!" he exclaimed, bitterly. "Well, yes-that's what we make a you. Tell Marygreat parade of being; but I'm afraid we are very hard on any one who has my bench, blind, choking, and half climbed over the palings—very hard indeed on a man; and as to a woman, poor wretch! it would have been better for her if she had not been born."

He stood staring at me, hesitated, then was passing me to go; but I caught his "Sit down, man," I said; "you look

faint. Come join me in a chop and a glass of stout. You see, I want to act like a young wife. Christian, but you won't let me."

He hesitated still; then he glanced down in my smiling face, and once more took his seat, to half cover his face with his hand, remaining silent; while I ordered some supper, took out a cigar-offered him one, which was refused—and then began to smoke.

The began to smoke the began to smoke the began to smoke.

then began to smoke. "And so you are a ticket-of-leave man, are you?" I said, in a low tone; but he undeceived. Why should I shatter the sale as waste paper.

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A Mother's Prayers. frightened, half haunted look.

The sweetest sound heard through our earthly There was no one heeding us, though; and his eyes sought mine once more.

years' penal servitude, and I served five, guilty, and would wait. when they let me free, and I came back. I had better have stayed."

recommendations?" I said. you have led me on to speak, or God Land-a convict. knows I would not have said a word. You "I thought my heart would break, as I To count the tear-drops wept upon Life's signed at intervals, and if I did not I trait. should be taken before a magistrate.

from the murderer down to the boy who open sea. pilfers from a till. You will tell me I was innocent all the same. Do you wish life." to hear more? Shall I go?"

"More? Yes, Go? Why?" "You are sitting face to face with a returned convict."

the chops here soon."

knew; but one morning I was called into | Had Mary kept her word?

three hundred were missing. "Fancy being suddenty called from your desk to go smiling into a room, exrespect his emotion, which showed itself pecting words of encouragement—the ancian cannot get employment, and if I do I candenly charged with embezzlement.

flushed and then looked pale-signs I worry you?" which those present interpreted to mean in answering questions-in short, I was completely overcome; and at the end of

"Before we reached the police station, his supper. though, the light had come; for on passing a newspaper office, there in large let- with a card in his pocket, I ruminating they were neither of them the runners for getting into bad company. that John had backed.

the piece before, and only dropped in to gay, and had sporting tastes. That was his story, and is getting on.

she heard of it, as she must before many his innocence?" hours were over. She worshipped John, who was a fine handsome young fellow,

doubt now. I knew him to be the cul- part, I will." prit, and in my misery I forgot my own sorrow, longing the while for an opportunity to warn him of his danger.

"I shall weary you with my long story. Let it suffice there was examination after a long day. Perhaps I should not have examination, and to my horror my brother was placed in the witness box to confront me; and he did so quietly, and without a shade of emotion, save at the last, when

horror, I was committed for trial, bail be-

"He came again, this time begging me

"You are a philosopher," he said, half will break our mother's heart, and Ellen tress; he could never witness suffering in

to them, John, I said, 'I will never betray vorite officer, Capt. Whiting, "he fainted,

"I could say no more, but sat down on

of my love. I bore it all, and never un-

"I parted from my mother leaving her realizes about \$4,000 annually from their down; put in as much sugar as you

started, and glanced around, with a half idol she worshipped? And in bitter mockery her words, urging repentance for my crime fell upon my ears. Mary, the woman I loved, I did not see; but she "Yes," he said, "I was sentenced to ten | wrote and told me she did not believe me

"It was her promise that enabled me to bear up during the time I was at one and "I suppose it is hard to get on without another of the convict prisons, till the day I stood leaning over the bulwark of "Hard? Man, it's next to impossible. the transport ship that was bearing me Look here, sir, you have sought this out; down Channel away to Van Dieman's

see here a man driven to desperation- leaned there in the tight, haif grotesque broken-hearted, despairing - without a convict garb, my close cap drawn down friend to turn to; set free to get an hon- to my eyes, my face cleanly shaven, and est living, but distrusted by everybody, my hair cut short. It was so hard to beand dogged by the police. Why, sup-posing I got a decent post, I am bound to associate with a set who were nineto go to the police office to have my ticket | tenths ruffians, with scarcely a redeeming |

"And there was the soft, blue sea, and "I will not ask you to believe me—how can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-can I expect you to, when I say I was in-less of the I iz was about to abandon his theory, when I say I was about to abandon his theory, when I say I was about to abandon his theory, when I say I was about to abandon his theory, when I say I was about to abandon his theory, when I say I was about to abandon his theory. nocent of the crime for which I have suf- be in sight, for we were close to the Lizfered? It is the cry of every criminal, and, and soon we should be out upon the

""Good-bye,' I muttered, with my was tried by a jury of my own country- hands firmly clasped-good-bye, homemen, before a judge, and had impartial mother-Mary. Brother, you have been treatment. Yes, I grant all that; but I to me as Cain, for you have taken my

"I did not move, but stood watching there until we were ordered below, and the next morning home was far astern. "At the end of five years, after the hard "I'm afraid that I've sat face to face labor of a convict in the colonies, I was with a good many respectable members back here in England, a broken man. of society who ought to be convicts un. The hope seemed crushed out of me, and returned. Go on, man. We shall have I expected nothing now. Still, my heart beat high, as with a little money, my own His face worked as he looked at me, earnings, I was, after the usual prelimiand his voice had a good deal altered, as naries, set free, with plenty of advice as to avoiding my former evil courses, all of "It was an embezzlement case for which which I heard patiently before setting

cotton house, and there were defalcations dead; my brother had sailed for America two years before. "Why they pitched upon me, I never "I had one more hope-my greatest.

the private room of the firm, and ques- "God bless her! she had; and was toilthe partition which separated us from the tioned respecting certain amounts, and ing on and waiting patiently for my recould give no explanation. There had turn. Sir, can you wonder at my emobeen a certain amount of cooking in the tion as I sat and saw that realistic piece books, and in a couple of years by the to-night? It was as if the writer had professional accountant's showing, about known my life. I could not bear it, and, as you know, I came away."

> "Well! I am a ticket-of-leave man. nouncement that you are promoted, or not keep it. God help me, I have a hunyour salary raised-and then to be sud- dred times been nearly driven into crime; and but for the thought that she who "I was completely stunned. I know waited five years through evil report is I felt cold and damp, and I suppose I waiting still, I should—pish! why should

> > "There's such a thing as patience in "Patience

"Yes; ah, yes-chops. You are faint." The hot plates were thrust down before us at this moment, and my newly acquired friend, after a little forcing, partook of We parted that night an hour later, he

I had an idea that night that my new "I saw it all in a flash; he had been acquaintance would find that the tide

"But, my dear sir," I said to his em-"I shivered as I thought of it all, and ployer, one day, "you surely are not such

and idolized his young wife. John was I know is that I never had my books kept it need not be worked more than from two years older than I, but my junior in so well before; that his sweet, pale-faced the counting-house; and I groaned in the little wife is an angel; and that I kicked bitterness of my heart as I thought of the a warehouseman out of my office for tel- roll as large as the wrist, then cut into agony it would bring upon these two wo-men when they heard of his disgrace. ling me I had a ticket-of-leave man in my employ. If your acquaintance robs me "I say his disgrace, for I had not a after this, may God forgive him, for my or longer, if you like. Then bake into a

"You feel comfortable in your own mind, then, about what you are doing?" "Perfectly, my dear boy, and so do

And, do you know, I think my old commercial friend is quite right.

"OLD PUT."-General Israel Putnam, he broke down, and the magistrate told the hero of Bunker Hill, is described by him that his display of feeling was most his grandson, Dana: "The old fighter was of middle height, erect, thickset, muscu-"I was astonished to see how a net was lar, and firm in every part; his counter closing in around me-innocent words nance was open, strong and animated; and deeds now seem to have suddenly his teeth fair and sound till death. He taken a guilty color; and at last, to my heard quickly, saw to an immense distance. When animated in the heat of battle his countenance was fierce and ter-"John came to see me then, and faced rible, and his voice like thunder. His his enemy with terror. His penetration was acute, his decision rapid, yet remarkably correct, and the more desperate his "'Ned, Ned, old fellow,' he cried, sob- situation the more collected and undauntbing like a child, 'I did it-I own I did ed. With the courage of a lion he had it, but I can't acknowledge it. Ned, it a heart that melted at the sight of diswill despise me. Oh, this cursed gam- any human being without becoming a sufferer himself; even the operation of realized it all-everything that he had Once after a battle, on examining a fatal said, and knew it to be true. 'Go back bullet-wound through the head of a fa-

and was taken up for dead." PROF. PROCTOR rejects the cosmogony "But, there, I need not go into the story Tyndall. He doesn't believe the world was created in six days nor "nuthin' like closed my lips. I took the credit to my- it," and as to Adam and Eve-why the young wife.

"It will be a lesson to him,' I said.
'I'm of little consequence in the world; and as to Mary—she will forget me.'

"My trial came on, and I was sentenced, as I told you; the bitterest trial of all being to see John stand there, calm and unmoved one of the witness.

"In packing away summer clothing, it is advisable to lay bits of charcoal here two such antagonists as Proctor and Tyndall, who have gone through the universe with a rake in one hand and a spy glass in the other, multiplying knowledge enough to drive the Hebrew law-giver often perceived in clothing from which is often perceived in clothing from which the air has been excluded.

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Nor Worthless.—Even dead letters have some value, as the Government till tender, pour off the water and boil it be wrecked.

Common Sense Ventilation. Col. G. E. Waring, Jr., writes in the

air through openings near the ceiling, that is, to carry off the warmer and therefore lighter portions, leaving the colder strata at the bottom of the room, with their gradual accumulation of cooled their gradual accumulation of cooled their gradual accumulation of cooled the college and shook his head, and then Moody said: "Because it's a slomoney which the stamp represented. The early stamp represented. The early stamp represented a courier on their gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and outled the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and outled the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and outled the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and outled the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and outled the forestance of the condition of our fellowtheir gradual accumulation of cooled ously, but the noble-savage scowled and outled the forestance of the condition of our fellowthe forestance of the condition of our fell carbonic acid undisturbed. Much the went back to his supper of baked dog. better plan would be to draw this lower air out from a point near the floor, allow- four braves, seventy squaws and a pa

throat, is the best ventilator for any room; have not yet learned the English lanthe one-half or two-thirds of the heat guage for immunity from disease; and large the nature of a practical joke would be though this seems from its daily draft on more likely to develop the aboriginal the wood-pile or the coal-bin, it is trifling sense of fun; and he got two candleventilated apartments."

CARE FOR THE BOOTS .- One of the

DANGER FROM IMPURE WATER .- The Journal of Chemistry warns the drinkers of water of wells near dwellings to beware of the typhoid poison, sure to be sooner or later in those reservoirs if any of the house drainage can percolate them. The gelatinous matter often found upon the stones of a well is a poison to the human system, probably causing by its spores a fermentation of the blood, with bnormal heat or fever. Wholesome, untainted water is always free from all color ters upon a bill were the three successful on the words of certain people who gave horses of the Doncaster St. Leger, and me birth—that I had a natural tendency half a pint in a clear bottle with a few grains of lump sugar, and expose it, stoppered, to sunlight, in a window. If, even after an exposure of eight or ten days, losing again. The race was three days had turned in the morning; and I believe the water becomes turbid, be sure that it before, but I took no notice of such mat- he did find that to be the case, for he is has been contaminated by sewage of ters, being a bookworm, while John was now in the employment of one who knows some kind. If it remains perfectly clear

it is pure and safe. FINGER ROLLS .- To three half pints seemed to see my mother's agony when a flat as to believe that story of his about of the best white wheat Graham flour add one-half pint cold soft water, and "Friend Gray," he said, buttonholeing when well mixed knead on a board until me, "I never trouble myself about it. All quite homogeneous. If properly managed seven to ten minutes. Have little or no flour on the board at last. Make into an oven so hot that they will scorch in twenty minutes, before which time they should be done. They should be light, spongy, and tender. Insufficient wetting and long baking in an oven not hot enough nakes them very hard.

It is well known that nobody makes more delicious corn bread than the negro women down South. One of them told an inquiring young lady how she does it, and for the benefit of our housekeeping readers we give the receipt. Says Dinah:

treat in all respects as for pumpkin pies; cut, stew, mash-add milk, eggs, sugar and spice to taste. Bake nicely. They are much superior to pumpkin pies. Inese pies can be made very wholesome to dyspeptics by the crust being made of Indian meal, thus: Butter the pie dish nicely, and sprinkle over it evenly the meal, say one-quarter of an inch thick. Will cut out nicely if just right.

A story is told by Horace Smith of a town lady who had read much of pastorous parts to the note of a German saloon-keeper. The note becoming due, he took it to the man and presented it for payment. The man was not prepared to liquidate the obligation, and asked for an extension of time.

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A CLEVER FRENCH THIEF.—The Paris These pies can be made very wholesome

piece of charcoal boiled in the water shepherds, the pastoral reed. with meat or fowl, will render them nice

pie-crust when making squash, custard, lemon or other moist pies. To prevent this, beat an egg well, and with a brush

Is the Red-Man a Humorist?

They had a dispute in at Barham's one October as Atlantic follows:-"The best day, over the assertion that the North practical statement I have met about American Indian has no humor. Moody the globe, has been credited to England, ventilation was contained in the remark said that every human being was fond of when, in 1830, covers and envelopes were In 1870 it was estimated that 7642 were of a mining engineer in Pennsylvania: fun, and, after a good deal of talk, Moody 'Air is like a rope; you can pull it better than you can push it.' All mechanical his approaching trip to Colorado, and was adopted through the exertions of Sir appliances for pushing air into a room or would send home an account of the re- Rowland Hill, who has been aptly termed posed, nearly to an equality with those of house are disappointing. What we need sult. On his way out there the party the "father of postage-stamps." It now all the world besides, and our forty milto do is to pull out the vitiated air already in the room; the fresh supply will take Moody thought he would undertake his aspirant for the introduction of the stamp rest of the hundreds of millions upon the care of itself if means for its admission experiment. He led one of the chiefs system. In Italy, as far back as 1818, same globe who can read at all. To our aside, and said to him confidentially: "It has been usual to withdraw the "Why is a lame dog like an inclined

Moody tried that conundrum on sixty-"An open fire, with a large chimney he happened to remember that the Sioux move very promptly in the matter.

sat on one box and the driver of the mulethe country, results from the muddy the middle in the soft place. Just as the boots of those members of the family who Indian sat down Moody and the other have to work in the fields, the stables, man got up, and Kicking Horse went and colonial postage-stamps.

The next country to follow. placed behind the stove, in which the thought maybe he was coming to ask how

one end of the rack and secured by a started them across the country.

Dutton. There is also a stand for cleaning boots at the front, which also folds up when not in use, and the blacking-brushes are placed on the shelves behind brushes are placed on the shelves behind brushes are placed on the shelves behind skull cap, held on by a skate strap which sember. St. Nicholas for Nothe stand, and are out of sight. Such a buckled under his chin, and he looked rember. rack should be made of dressed pine gloomy. He admitted in his report that boards, and stained some dark, durable the North American Indian, so far from being a humorist was serious enough for an entire funeral procession, and then he devoted the rest of the document to an appeal to Congress to declare a war of extermination against the Sioux Indians.

The Worth of Fine Manners.

It would be vain as it would be ungracious to combat against the favorable inour way to put ourselves under their intues it needs to make a man generally beloved-sweetness of temper, good nature, bearance under small slights and hinderances; sympathy with others' mode of feeling, and delicacy of adaptation. cause to suffer from their absence. The up with some hot water, an' I puts in eggs each day also brings in its train—though enuff an' a little salt, an' then I bakes it it may be only through the impulses of jist 'bout enuff. An' you do so, jess so, his genial nature—his reward, in his in-honey, an' you'll make it as good as I do " dulgent hosts of friends, with their warm SQUASH PIR.—Take Hubbard squash; welcomes, hearty praises, affectionate extenuations, tender regrets.

PASTORAL BUT NOT POETIC .- The "shepherd's pipe" is not always a musical one now-a-days:

A story is told by Horace Smith of a Powdered charcoal will keep meat over which it is sprinkled, good, and will remove the taint from flesh decayed. A piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the second accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic piece of charcoal boiled is the musical accompaniment of all poetic pieces of charcoal boiled in the musical accompaniment of all poetic pieces of charcoal boiled in the musical accompaniment of all poetic pieces of charcoal boiled in the musical accompaniment of all poetic pieces of charcoal boiled in the musical accompaniment of all poetic pieces of charcoal boiled in the musical pieces pieces

"Ah, gentle shepherd," softly inquired and sweet. Hams, after being smoked, can be kept any length of time by packing in powdered charcoal.

Many housekeepers complain of soggy

All, gentle stephetd, sortly inquired the she, "tell me, where's your pipe?"

The bumpkin scratched his head and murmured, brokenly,—

"I left it at home, miss, 'cause I hain't got no baccy."

A CANE said to be 900 years old has who had robbed his employers; for I knew that if I opened my lips I should be in effect my mother's murderer, and the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the blight upon the happiness of John's very uncomfortable for him to encounter when the blight upon the blight u

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The History of Postage-Stamps.

The introduction of the postal system. as it at present exists in all countries on letter sheets were prepared, duly stamped in the left hand lower corner, while let-spirit is due; but to the common-school was discontinued in 1836. Whether Italy printed in Great Britain in 1870 was 350, or Great Britain first introduced postage-stamps, other countries afterward availed The census returns show that in the same

Great Britain enjoyed the monopoly of stamps for three years, and, though the carried up the chimney is the price paid He felt then that perhaps something in first stamps were issued in 1840, she had made fewer changes in her stamps than any other country, and has suffered ho change at all in the main design—the porwhen compared with doctors' bills and boxes out of the wagons and placed them trait of Queen Victoria. In other counwith the loss of strength and efficiency on the ground about two feet apart. Then tries, notably in our own, the Sandwich that invariably result from living in un- he spread a blanket over them and put a Islands, and the Argentine Republic, the bucket of water between them. Then he honor of portraiture on the stamps is usually distributed among various high pubteam on the other, and he invited Kicking lic officers; but in Great Britain the Queen greatest troubles of the neat housewife in Horse, the head chief, to take a seat in alone figures on her stamps, and not even the changes that thirty-five years have made in her face are shown on the national

and the barn-yard. The wet boots must be dried, and are generally left under the kitchen stove, where their presence is very disagreeable. Now, to have a neat kitchen, there should be a boot-rack kitchen, the should be a boot-rack kitchen, the should be a boot-rack kitc damp boots may be placed to dry. Such the thing was done so that he could play came the cantons in Switzerland, and damp boots may be placed to dry. Such a contrivance as the following, which has long been in use in some families, is found to be a great convenience: It has three shelves about four feet long, ten inches wide, and placed a foot apart. At one end a boot-jack is fixed by hinges, so that, when not in use, it may be folded against one end of the rack and secured by a state of them on the backs of their mules and of the rack and secured by a state of them on the backs of their mules and other countries followed in the train of them on the backs of their mules and other countries followed in the train of them on the backs of their mules and other countries followed in the train of them on the backs of their mules and other countries followed in the train of the cantons in Switzerland, and Finland, with envelopes which to-day are in the cantons in Switzerland, and Finland, with envelopes which to-day are very rare, and soon after them, Bavaria, Belgium, France, Hanover, New South Wales, Tuscany, Austria, British Guiana, Prussia, Saxony, Schleswig Holstein, Spain, Denmark, Italy, Oldenburg, Trinidad, with envelopes which to-day are very rare, and soon after them, Bavaria, Belgium, France, Hanover, New South Wales, Tuscany, Austria, British Guiana, Prussia, Saxony, Schleswig Holstein, Spain, Denmark, Italy, Oldenburg, Trinidad, with envelopes which to-day are very rare, and soon after them, Bavaria, Belgium, France, Hanover, New South Wales, Tuscany, Austria, British Guiana, Prussia, Saxony, Schleswig Holstein, Spain, Denmark, Italy, Oldenburg, Trinidad, with envelopes which to-day are very rare, and soon after them, Bavaria, British Guiana, Prussia, Saxony, Schleswig Holstein, Spain, Denmark, Italy, Oldenburg, Trinidad, with envelopes which to-day are very rare, and soon after them, Bavaria, British Guiana, Prussia, Saxony, Schleswig Holstein, Spain, Denmark, Italy, Oldenburg, Trinidad, Wurtemburg and the United States. Other countries followed in the train, until at the present moment there is scarcely

Largest Hotel in the World.

In the face of the Ecening Mail's argument against large hotels, which we proved weak and incorrect a couple of weeks since, a hotel is now to be erected still larger than the immense Palace Hetchis particular. We may reasonably trust tel of San Francisco. St. Louis is the fa- that the common schools will win at last vored spot this time, the following state- an equal victory and control in every ment from the Republican, of that city: section of the Union .- EUGENE LAWfluence of charm of manner. Engaging manners and bright conversation must and will always sway those brought under erection in this city of a hotel to be the their attraction, and it is right that they should do so, for they are good qualities, largest in the world, and that some Boston capitalists were at the bottom of the though they may be only natural ones; enterprise. We are now able to state that person than yourself, if proper attention and the enjoyment of them in others may the negotiation has been concluded for be paid to the individual. Yourself will be accepted as one of the amenities of the grounds, the agent of the parties hav- go with you whenever you like, and come our lot, if we meet with them in the order of Providence, and do not go out of our way to put ourselves under their influence. What a catalogue of social vir-tues it needs to make a man generally be-east corner of Grand and Page Avenues, being on good terms with yourself. This, and will cover four and a half arpents— however, is not so easy as some imagine, about four acres of ground. The mam- who do not often try the experiment. a yielding will, and ready compliance, a about four acres of ground. The mam-toleration of others' infirmities, and for-moth structure to be erected will be called Yourself, when it catches you in comthe "Hotel Grande." It will have a front- pany with no other person, is apt to be a age on Page Avenue of four hundred feet, severe critic on your faults and foibles, Many a hero—we may add, many a saint—feet, the space occupied covering 120,000 it is generally the severest and most intolis without them, and makes his great square feet, being of much greater extent erable species of reproof. It is on this cause to suffer from their absence. The reward of his labors is sought in a higher sphere, not in the praise of men; and his greatest admirers have often to become his apologists in the minor details of deportment and manner, conscious that he who would sacrifice his life for the sake who would sacrifice his life for the sake than the San Francisco hotel—considered the world—which the largest one in the world—which covers only 96,000 square feet. The St. Louis structure will contain two thousand rooms. There will be elegant facades on likewise a jealous friend. If neglected and slighted it becomes a bore, and to trance will be on Page Avenue. The interior, whose bold chat may keep yourself is likewise a jealous friend. If neglected and slighted it becomes a bore, and to trance will be on Page Avenue. The interior whose his life for the sake of religion, or for the good of his fellow- terior court will have a dimension of 150 is then regarded as a cruel pennance, as men, yet failed to make himself agree-able to his personal acquaintances. But because from the infirmity of our nature smaller fountains in the corners, and the great interests and high aims often make men regardless of lesser proprieties, let us not esteem the want of them as other smaller foundations in the conters, and the conters, and the respect thyself, to love thyself warmly but rationally. A sensible self is the tions are in the hands of the architect. The than a fault, nor grudge the domestic parties having control of the matter pro- in broad disregard of its admonitions. It philanthropist who cheers his neighbors' pose to begin the erection of this mam- tugs continually at the skirt of men to firesides, who raises their dulled spirits, moth hotel in the spring, and to have it draw them from their cherished vices. "Why, darlin', sometime gen'ally I takes whose presence brings refreshments with a little meal, and sometimes gen'ally I it, who enhances their every-day joys, takes a little flour, an' I kine o' mixes' em and sympathizes in the little trials that will be nearly two million dollars.—New izes sharply on your sins after they have

"Vot You Lives On?"-So accustomed Blade tells the following story:

goot peers."
"No, I thank you, I don't drink beer," was the reply.
"Vell, den, I gifts you veeskees that is petter as so mooch

with a flourish. Again the quiet, "No, thank you, I don't

MEN may give their money, which comes from the purse, and withhold their kindness, which comes from the heart.

toes, eh?"

The Schools and the Press.

The periodicals and newspapers printed in the United States very nearly equal those of all the rest of the educated world. year 1,500,000,000 copies were printed in the United States. Our readers consume and pay for a periodical literature twice as great as that of the two populous centres of European civilization; and the census reports show how closely the pro-gress of a demand for newspapers is connected with the advance of the common schools. Where there are no public schools, there are no newspapers; where the teacher leads the way, the press follows. In uneducated Georgia, for example, with a population of nearly 1,200,-000, there are only 123 newspapers and periodicals; in Massachusetts, with a population of nearly 1,500,000, there are 280. The circulation of the newspapers of Georgia is 14,447,388; of Massachusetts, 107,691,952. In educated Ohio the annual circulation was, in 1870, 93,000,copies of a newspaper are printed yearly n Texas for each inhabitant; in Ohio,35;

its people.

Cattornia stands next in this proportion, and allows eighty-three copies a year to each inhabitant. Its people probably consume at home more newspapers in proportion to their numbers than any part of the world—a proof that the emi-grants to the Golden State have been well educated, and their common schools effective. It would, indeed, be ungenerous to pursue further this contrast between the literature and intelligence of

You cannot find a more companionable and on Grand Avenue of three hundred and when you are censured by yourself, than the San Francisco hotel-considered account that you are afraid of yourself, izes sharply on your sins after they have been committed. Our nature is two-fold, and its noblest part is the self to which we refer. It stands on the alert to check are our German fellow-citizens to beer and the excess of the animal impulses, and tobacco that some of them cannot conthough it becomes weaker in the fulfillceive how a man can live without using ment of its task by repeated disappointthose injurious articles. The Toledo ments, it is rarely so enfeebled as to be A citizen of Toledo, in the ordinary and pale, like Richard's victims, to overcurrent of business, became possessor of whelm the offender with bitter reproaches.

them work to do. This fellow hung around the Lyons Railway station about evening time. On catching sight of a traveler who looked simple he made acpetter as so mooch."

"No, thank you, I don't drink whisky."

"Shoo! den I know how I fix you; I haf goot vines,"—jerking down a bottle with a flourish.

"Try it,' said he; 'you're a fine with a flourish." man, but even you can't break my chain. So the chain was twisted around the fine Again the quiet, "No, thank you, I don't drink wine."

"Yot! you don't trinks noddings; vell, I gifts you ein goot shegar."

Once more, "No, I thank you, I don't smoke."

"How strange!" exclaimed the Dutchman, throwing up both hands; "no peers, no veeskies, no vines, no dobacco, no noddings—vot you live on, anyways—botatoes, eh?"

So the chain was twisted around the fine man's wrists, and snapped to. While he struggled with it the vender would calmly lay him flat, take all valuables and make off. For years this ruffian has been playing his ingenious game, going sometimes into the country. One night lately, at the Lyons Railway, he found a victim, chained him up, plundered him and ran away. But the countryman chanced to be nexticularly strung and anion to the playing his ingenious game, going sometimes into the country. One night lately, at the Lyons Railway, he found a victim, chained him up, plundered him and ran away. But the countryman chanced to be particularly strong and swift. He broke the handcuffs and caught the thief.

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