car porter gave a yelp of delight: the train!

"In the careless porter's vest pocket he had discovered a rell of bills as big as the pocket would hold. It looked as if there must have been several hundred dollars. We all knew of the profitable rapaciousness of the Pullman and sympathy was in our hearts for the poor fellow losing so much at one sweep. We were gathered in the smoking compartment and had a consolation purse under advisement for the darky, when he came along him-

"Mah Lawd, dat was the lucklest sperience I done ever had,' he said. chuckling all over.

" "Lucky!" "We were astonished. A poor serv ant robbed of hundreds chuckling with

"Deed, yes, gem'men! Dey never look but Ils' in only one of my pockets!" "- New York Times.

A Caroline Islands Legend.

The Caroline Islands group includes besides coral islands five mountainens islands of basaltic formation, beautiful and fertile with rivers and springs.

Among the many queer legends of their theory as to the origin of these is lands and their inhabitants. They In the water- in fact, they lived in it.

The story goes that a woman and her children were floating around on the reef when a man appeared from the a little soil to make a place for our mother to rest, for she is very weak and cannot swim." He took out a handful of the earth and threw the son slyly made a hole in the bus ket, so as he proceeded on his way he left a trail of hand behind. Suchtenly he became conscious that the basicet seemed light, and, booking around, is saw the land. In his anger he turned about and tred upon it, and thus the lalands were formed:

The London flux.

A bus weighs 3,200 pounds and costs £145. It is made of ash and oak except the paneling, which is mahogany, and the windows are of plate glass. Before a bus is allowed to earn its £2 10s. a day it has to be licensed, or, as they say, "you have to get a number plate for it." This number plate is the white plate with black figures surmounted by a crown seen at the tall of the bus. is provided by the police and costs 12 Then there is a wheel duty of 15s, per annum to be paid to the inland reve-

After making these payments any one can run a bus in London wherever eral rules and regulations bearing open all vehicular traffic. Attached to each ly ten, or five pairs, are worked in any one day, thus securing a complete day's rest for each pair every sixth day. As n bus horse's day's work is 13 miles. and six miles an fisur.

This does not seem a great deal to exact from a horse, still the work is hard, often involving a prolonged dead pull at the trot and the crowded condition of the London streets makes barder by necessitating continual devi ations out of the way of obstacles and abrupt stopponers to avoid colfisions. Cassell's Magazine.

How a Woman Laves,

Whenever I hear his name, I could mint. When I see him, I could sink into the ground. At the sight of his handwriting I grow cold from head to foot, I tremble, my beart aches so that It seems breaking in two. I long to be with him yet when I am with him I have nothing to say. I have to escape and be interable all alone. He is my thought all day; the last before I sleep, the first when I awake. I rould cry and cry. I try to read, and I remember not a word I like playing best, for then I can almost imagine that he b listening that when I stop playing and look around I find myself in an empty room. It is awful, I call his name, no one answers. I whisper it; still no an swer. I throw myself on the ground, and I say. "Think of me, think of me; you shall; you must, you do think of me?" It is great torture and a great despute. Perhaps it is a madness too. But it is my way of loving. I want to love while I live. If I know for certain that he loved me me only the joy, I think, would kill me. Love! Do you know, poor little angel, what it means? Sometimes it is a curse. From "Robert Orange," by Mrs. Craigle.

Blamed the Planets. in the middle of the fourteenth century in Paris a new ordinance enjoin ing the cleansing of the streets and the shutting up of swine was carefully us usual, and a terrible plague was the consequence. The facalty of medicine, called upon for a rem by the king, sent to inform him after long discussion that the plague was the result of a hostile conjunctions of the planers Mars and Jupiter.

A Washington man complained biterly to the Instrict commissioners of he pasting of advertising inbels on paves of brend and wanted them to top the practice, but the commission rs assured him that the official chemst's opinion was that the use of these abels on bread is in no way detrimenal to health.

POLLY LARKIN.

'See giving a thought to the less fortunate, hot roast turkey, roast beef granberries what I've found! Put 'em back! Start | I nele Sam was thinking of the soldier and vegetables, pumpkin and mince boys whose absence in a foreign land pies, oranges and apples, nuts, raisins boys in blue who had no home to claim eat; none were limited, but just as long as their own. Last year Uncle Sam as there was space for the good things forgot the boys in blue and they had their plates were replenished. Little car porter, but never dreamed that his only the happy memories of by-gone children who came alone also were accumulations were so large. Yet the days to remind them that the 25th of treated royally. This was not all the friendly human spark of forgiveness December had rolled round again. Salvation Army did for humanity this Ashamed of the neglect Uncle Sam Christmas-tide, for they sent out has determined to atone for the past and kets galore filled with Christmas cheer holiday season to send Chrismas ships Their reward came in the knowledge of to Manifa, and they were freighted the happiness they had brought to

of cranberries. One vessel carried a earth good will to man. single order of \$6000 worth of plum pudding made in Chicago, All the boys in blue, from Luzon to Peking, had their Christmas dinner this year and it atoned in a measure for their absence from home.

M M

Miss Helen Gould, the guardian angel for many needy children and destitute ored illumination, beautiful to see it families as well, did not forget the sol dier boys, but spent several thousand dollars in purchasing suitable clothing these children of the Pacific there is and various other articles for Xmas mere highly improbable than gifts. She personally looked after the purchases, and not one inferior articl found its way into the Xmas boxes. think they themselves were very strong Miss Gould has done much for the sol diers, and doubtless if a vote were to be taken in their maks for a perfect we man, leaving out the mothers, wivewest with a basket of soil on his shoul. and sweethearts, every vote would be ders. He had started out to make an east in great big letters bearing the and disappear without smoke or odor Island with a mountain on it. One of name of Miss Helen Gould. Polly-has the children cried out to him, "Give us the greatest admiration for this little strike a piece of furniture they go out woman, whose aim in life seems to be to lift others burdens and make tip bright for young and old. Many : down, making an island. As the man sickly little child owes its return to was going on his way over the water health to Miss Gould's tender thought fulness. We have beliesses galore in the United States, but out of the entire number Miss Gould is the only one who uses her money for the good o others

The Salvation Army came to the

front as well in distributing Christma dinners and making glad the hearts of many homeless and destitute people For days before Christmas Salvation Army lads and lassies stood in the cold holding a tin box with an inscription that mutely appealed to the hurried passers-by, for it asked for your mite or a Christmas dinner for the poor, Many responded with nickels and dimes and an occasional quarter rattled into the boxes, but they were few and far between. Not a word was uttered by these faithful soldiers of the Saivation Army in behalf of the worthy cause on less if was "thank you," in acknowlhe likes, subject of course to the gen-edgment of the mite you had given. Some of them were dressed as Santi laus and they were besieged by th children, who willingly gave up their nichels to prove to the merry old com amorder of the Christmas festivitie a bus runs 61 miles a day and five what good and self-sacrifteing little pairs of horses are used it follows that boy- and girls they were with the firm belief that their reward was coming which he does in less, considerably fortheir act of mercy. One tiny goldenless, than three hours, the rate at haired sprite left her mother's side and fairly flow to good Kris Kringle's side. and, grasping his hand, said, "I love you. Santa Claus, and I want to kiss You. Down went Santa Claus' box and he took the little tot in his arms, promising her all manner of good things that usually come in That famous pack that he is supposed to carry. There was a misty look to his eyes and the little event that pleased the thoughtless passer-by doubtless brought back memties in his own life of the days of long ago. I shood by looking at the pretty cene, and weaved stories of what might have been in connection with this little side-play. I saw a little golden-haired girl of his own who lisped, I love you, Santa Claus," and the baby tend probably grown up and gone into a home of her own; possibly she had never seen the upseand downs of life sur had quietly folded for little hand and passed into the long rest that know to awakening; and sadder still, possi bly she had wandered from the right path. All reveries, perhaps wide of the truth, for perchance there had never been a little golden-haired child to lisp "I love you Santa Claus;" but what brought tears to his eyes unless it was

> Polly watched with a good deal of in terest to see what class would respond most willingly and liberally to the mute appeal of the Salvation Army for the assistance to furnish the poor with a Christmas dinner, and it was not the wealthy people who had money to spare, but mostly people who depended on modest salaries for a living and who had to count every dime over twice to mable them to make the purse hold out for the many purchases that Christ nas makes necessary. Many of them passed by the little tor box trying to look the other way, but ended in turning back and depositing a small sum and went on their way with a clear onscience, and a lighter heart as well as a lighter purse. Some holiday buyers stopped and dropped a nickel, and Polly could not see how they could spare even a copper, but there was a smile on their faces as they turned away and they invariably carried a benediction that the more presperous did not always receive, for the Salvation Army sixty-nine births.

the awakening of by-some memories?

bless you."

But the reward came to the faithful Salvation Army lads and lassles when the Christmas feast was ready with its decorations of holly berries and flowers. While we were twining our hollyber- and whole families and gray-haired ries and Christmas evergreens into men and women wandering through wreaths and garlands to decorate our the world alone and none to wish them rest of his kind, came through the car iomes and churches, and bastening a merry Christmas or bestow a single calling for fares. The old woman held from store to store for our Xmas re- thought for their welfare, came in by nembrances for the loved ones, hardly the score and were served the steaming would cause many a vacant chair in and piping hot coffee that cheered but their family circles, as well as for the did not intoxicate. And how they did summenced two months before the for the needy who could not attend. with thousands of turkeys, tons of others, and in their hearts rang the plann pudding and hundreds of barrels | melody of the true spirit, "Peace on

BRIEF REVIEW.

Indoor Fireworks from China.

The ingenious Chinese are putting or the market indoor fireworks. Alson these there is neither smoke nor odo nor danger, but only a soft many-col darkened rooms. One of the firework (there are many kinds) looks like an ordinary stick of punk. It is brown in hue, a foot long and in circumference about the size of a eigarette. It is lighted and held point downward. An opal-colored globule forms on the point, and remains there until the stick burn out. Little stars fly out from the globule and rise in showers in the sir They are red, green, blue, white, yel low-a hundred bues-and they die and without leaving any ash. If they without doing harm. Indoordreworks it is said, are absolutely safe. In : room. lighted only by a wood fire in a grate it is pleasant to see them in the

A Peculiar Will.

A New York Italian died not long ago, leaving considerable property and a will. By the provisions of this docu neut his three dusky-checked daugh ters are left \$500 a year as long as they remain single. And now mark th next paragraph: "If they marry they are to receive \$2500 per year." Of sourse most of us haven't seen the girls and consequently can't explain the willmaker's peculiar action on the theory that the girls need a heavy dowry in order to offset their lack of attractions But even if they are plain in appearance, they will not lack for eager wooers. And they'll be pretty hard to suit of they don't find husbands who are prefer able to old maidism on \$500 a year. There are few young men of the present day who couldn't contrive to get along with even the plainest of wive on \$2500 real money, every year, cash down and no discount.

Badges of Mandarins, Mandarins in China may be distin guished by the birds which decorate their uniforms, as well as by their but tons. Mandarins of the first rank have a bird known as the fung embroidered on their clothes. Mandaruse of the second rank have their clothes adorned. by the figure of a cock. Mandarins of the third cash have a peacock. Mandarins of the fourth rank are adorned with a pelican. Those of the fifth rank are easily distinguished by the silvepheasant. Those of the sixth rank are favored by a stork; mandarins of th eventh rank have a partridge; man durins of the eighth rank quail, and mandarins of the ninth rank the hum ste separation

An Ideal Punishment. Any infraction of the rules of Girard College is panished with twenty min utes on the steel of repentance. When the institution first adopted this scheme of punishment one shed was enough As the college expanded the stools multiplied, and today no less than sixty four painless instruments of discipline are in more or less constant use in a room devoted exclusively to the pain ishment of those who have transgressed the rules. There is alsolutely nothing to the disciplining except the order four an a comfortable stool for twenty min ates and "think it over." Any of the lads would sooner take a sound thrashby and have done with it, but the stool of repentance has proved itself an ideal punishment, and it has come to stay at Girard College.

Hubbes, when fine are from five to en times more valuable than diamonds of the same weight. A four-carrat ruly uny be worth from \$1 60 to \$15,000. A lenscarrat ruby recently sold for \$50,000.

If the average man were to attempt e read everything the Government sublishes in one year he would have b devote about half a century to the task, taking eight hours a day.

The quantity of fresh beer carried on tic trip by an Atlantic liner of 8000 tons would keep a family of five for eighteen

It takes as much heat to turn one seuted of water into vapor as to melt five pounds of fron. A pound of phosphorus is sufficient to

lead 1,000,000 matches.

WANTED A RECEIPT.

The Old Lady Instated Upon Following Instructions.

The old lady was not used to traveling on the Broadway cars. She bad evidently spent her youth and middle age in the rural regions, but doubtless she called old freland home. The conductor, who differed little from the out her hand, in which a nicket was tightly clutched, then drew it suddenly back as if she had made some mistake "I want my 'resute' first," she said in a rich Dooban dialect.

The conductor paid no heed; but, holding out his hand demanded, "Fare,

But I want my 'resite,' " she repeat "No receipts, Indy," said the stolid

conductor. "I'll have to have your "My son told me not to give up any noney without getting a 'resate,' " in-deted the old woman stoutly.

The kind Indy with the sweet face and Paris clothes proffered the assuronce that it was "all right," that no

body got receipts. e, I pay my fare without one." she said, giving the conductor a dime and the woman a reasoning smile. But the woman was stubbern.

want my 'resate,' " she relierated. The conductor mechanically held out a nickel to the kind indy of the Paris gown, but she shook her head, nodded oward the old woman and smiled The conductor without a word passed on through the car, which has hed and swayed through Union square. She of the "resate" shook her head grindy settled herself back in her sent and held on to the nickel, determined not b relinquish it without the necessary as knowledgment New York Mail and

BEAUTIES OF A GLACIER.

Scenes That Are Likened to Vision

of a tilerified tity. The fuscinations of a glacier are a ritching as they are dangerous. Apolie vision of a crystal city glorified or light "that never was on land or ea" was not more beautiful fliat course is chronicled, not by yours and contucies, but by geological ages, say a British Columbia correspondent of e New York Post. With white done ed show cornices wreathed fantastias arabesque and with the giass; walls of enerald grotto reflecting cillion sparking lewels, one might be envertions already world of among the fortering grandeur of an ap clent city. The ice pillars and silvered plinnacles, which scientists call wereco stand like the sculptured marble of temples crambling to rain. Glitterin pendants lang from the rine of bluls thasm. That too brilliant for artists brash gleam from the turquoise o crystal walls. Rivers that flow through valleys of ice and lakes, beauted in by fills of fee, shine with re-usure depti

that is very infinity's wif-In the morning, when all thaw has been stopped by the night's cold, there Is deathly allence over the glacini fields even the mountain cataracts fall noise essly from the precipice to ledge in endows, wind blown throngs. But will the rising of the sun the whole glacia world bursts to life in noisy tunnelt Surface rivulets brawl over the lewith a give that is yount and almost The gurgle of rivers flowing brough subferraneau tunnels becomes a roor, as of a rushing, angry sea, fee grip no longer holds back rock scree loosened by the highl's frost, and there is the reverterating thunder of be falling avalance

Made Up For Lost Time.

When President Kruger sailed for England some years ago, he was the delect of nanch concern to his fellow passengers on board the liner from laps Town, miny of whom were consumed with curiosity when they no theed his absence from the dinner table for the first four days out.

On inquiry they found that the care ful Transvauler spent the dinner hour on dock, where he are bitteng and bis ruffs. When asked his reason, he tes tilly replied. "I have no money to fool away on expensive cating, like you Englishmen.

The correspondent who tells the story and who was on board at the tim adds, "You should have seen the old man trying to make up for lost time when it was explained to him that his passage money included his meals on board.

A Skeleton In Every Closet. The expression "There is a skele" a in every closet" is said to have its origin in the fact that a soldier once wrote to his mother who complained of her unhappiness, to have some sewing done for him . one who had no cares or troubles. At last the other found a woman who seem to have no troubles, but when she told her business the woman took her to a closet containing a skelleton and said 'Madam, I fry to keep my troubles to myself, but every night I am com-pelled by my husband to kiss this skeleton, who was once his rival: Think you, then, I can be happy?

His Diagnosis

Teacher Suppose you had one pound of candy and gave two thirds to your little sister and one-fourth to your illi tle brother, what would you have your

Scholar-Well I guess I'd have the measles or something sets I wouldn't feel much like cating. Puck.

Boarding House Humor Landlady (threateningly) - I'll give you a piece of my mind one of these

days if you're not careful. Boarder I guess I can stand it if it you gave me. - Detroit Free Press.

There is a photographer in New York who has adopted as a specialty that shase of his business which most pieore makers detest-the making of tables' pictures. He takes no pictures of grown people.

The infancy of British manufactur ng was nursed by engineers from the land, who superintended the erection of wind and water mills.

It is one of the privileges of man to Cases of twins occur once in every live and learn, but some men seem to trees, using only their shepherds. live a great deal more than they learn | crooks

PROFITS OF NOVELISTS.

Twenty years ago Mr. Howells pubcly said that it would be possible to sent at a small table every man in this country was was clearing \$5,000 a year net from literary work-

Since then I have heard the returns from a single successful novel placed at \$50,000. Knowing the circulation which it had had and the usual royalties, the statement seems not imprufent. To the sales, which make a return of from \$20,000 to \$25,000 off a single novel, there is now not unusually added the still large wage paid to he novelist whose netion becomes the insis of a successful play.

Not long since Mr. Charles Frohman said in substance that it was nonsense o turn anywhere except to a novel for play, since it cost from \$15,000 to \$20,000 to make a play known, and the lovel had already accomplished this vithout effort and without expense. No wage in literary life is comparable to that of the play wright. Not all novis dramatized succeed, but when a framatized novel runs through the ear, as nearly a dozen have done in the past five years, the return to the other will average about \$500 a week white the play is upon the boards. After making from \$25,000 to \$30,000 from a single novel the author may then obain as much more during each of the ears in which the play based upon it holds the stage.

It would be invidious to gossip over mmes, but there are two recent plays valch must have yielded to the nove st play wright from \$75,000 to \$100, (s), or fulf the sum earned by Trolope in a lifetime of laborious romance

Talcott Williams in American Redew of Reviews.

William Penn's Rock The low land succounding the fame

Rock House, on East Penn street, Ger mantown, is being filled in with arth. The rock on which this build ng stands is the one from which Wil m Penn preached of old, the people # Philadelphia assembling in great carries every Sunday morning to hear The rock was then very high cenn spoke from a towering enthen ent it is now almost completely of red, new earth having been day a all that meadow land where, during he Revolution, the Beltish cavalry were encumped. The em Rock House one built, some say, in 1682 by Ger and Hendricks, but there is another ctory to the effect that Isaac Shoe naker erected it with his own hamn 1630, and over this matter a enred archeeological arguments st to on he Gormantown. The house known variously as the Rock House Rock Hall. Shoemaker's House and Hendricks' House. There was some talk years ago of tearing it down, but each a storm of protest thereupo that the idea was abandoned-Philadelphia Record.

Senatorial Luxury.

Talk about oriental faxury! It wool nake the late Representative Holman of Indiana turn over in his grave to ead the account which the senate has net paid for decounting and furnishing he room of the senate committee on mance. For genuine richness observe

arring walls and cellings One maturagent disk These are only a few of the principal

tems. In short, it cost \$4,709 to decoate and furnish the room in which the emate committee on finance meets.

Nearly \$5,000 to decorate one room. This ought to give the economical statesman a cold chill.-Washington

Likely to Cause Trouble.

It is nid that France is trying to buy 100,000 square nailes of land from Brazil. The Monroe doctrine declares that the western hemisphere is no lon ger open to colonization by European powers. The colonies which they already held they could retain withou infringing the Mettroe doctrine, those they have since lost most of then But they cannot consistently with the established policy of this country, as quire new colonies or add to those they had before. The traditional policy of this country, therefore, would not per mit. France the nequire from B a volony twice as large as England and half as hone as Prance If this were once permitted the Mouros doctrine would no longer be respected by other European powers.-Louisville Courter

A Look Into the Future. When all freight truthe has been tunshed to underground railways and the automobile has displaced the logs. for surface travel, nearly the entire devoted to green that. Cities of the twemleth and following contunes may be free from dust and the vile offers arising from unimal tradic. The automobile mowing machine may be substituted for the sweeping muchines. to the great improvement of health and increase of enjoyment of citizens or still

sted Hair Looking Up.

The reducaded girl continues t come to the front. It was a redbender American stemographer who receive 117 proposals of marriage at the Pavis exposition and now a New York bus tess man, who advertised for a strong rapher and some gut clerks, all wred bair, says he prefers that kind scause they are brighter than other girls. And there doesn't seem to tisn't any bigger than the piece of ple any intention of a joke in his remark either.—Boffule Express.

A Mean Slap.

"What are you going to do," retorned current of crime that he find not Philadelphia Press.

"By book and by grook" is an alto, select slor to an advicut mallorlal custom thich permitted the neighboring poor to take all the wood that they could reach and pull dove from the forest

JACK TAR'S GROWL

A Story Hilastrating the Sailor's Habit of Grumbling.

The author of "From Edinburgh to the Antarotic," writing of the sallor's habit of grambling, says: "The dinners are all the same that is to say, Mon day's dinners are all alike, and what we have today we shall have this day dx months hence. Jack's forefather this day too years ago had the same menu and made the same uncompil mentary remarks about the dishes, and 100 years hence on this day Jack's chil dren will growl over their salt horse and plumless duff." The author also tells this "yarn" to illustrate that Jack's habit of grumbling can't be cured and must be endured:

Once upon a time there lived a skipor whose wife raid to him that if she went to sen the poor men would never and fault with their food. Her husband took her with him on a voyage, and the good woman attended to the oching in the gailey herself.

The scouse was thick with fresh vegetables, the bread was white and with mit weevile, the ment was good, and the shiff was almost half plums, but still the men growled.

Then the skipper's wife thought of the hers she had brought on board to lay eggs for her husband's breakfast. She took them out of the coop, wrung heir necks with her own fair hands, incked them, roasted them and sent hem to the forceastle on the cubin "Now the men." she said to herself.

will know how much we think of their omfort."

At eight bells she stole forward to the forecastle to listen to the praise of her skill as a co. She looked down the hatch and say a ldg black fist plunge a fork this the hen and heard a carse voice growt, "I say, Bill, what the think this 'ere bloody fowl died

Cured by Forgetting,

This is an English story, and, strange as it may seem, it made a hit when it was told at the Lambs club, says the New York Telegraph. It was perpe truted by Lawrence d'Orsay, the English actor. Several members of the club spun yaco of dablous merit when Mr. d'Orsay in his pocullar way begun

"Now, genflemen I'll ceinte a story One man present pulled out his vatch, and they all thought it was go ng to be a sorbit. One or two started to go, but the actor stopped them by is assurance that the story wouldn't m very long.

"There was a friend of mine in Lonon," he said. "who was an incessant igarette smoker. Finally he lost his nemory. Then he forgot to smoke elgarettes, and he got well again."

Mr. d'Orsay effected his escape brough the assistance of a friend who knew him when he didn't tell such sto-

The "Camel's Hair" Brush.

"Contrary to the belief of most per ole, the camel's hair brush used by artets has nothing of the camel in it," sold a manufacturer of soft brushes to sold a manufacturer of soft brushes to town district, while its telephone neutron writer the other day. "There was a ber remains so and so Cortland Colline when real cannel's hair was used. Brond. The firm's line to the exclusion lime when real camel's hair was used Brond. The firm's line to the exchi or the purpose. The ship of the desert, however, has long been superseded | Mall and Express. is the homely little squirrel. Not only s squirrel's hair very much less costly ut it is better, softer, more pliable and ar more durable. At the present day a is doubtful if you could find a pound of causel's bair in all the brusa factoties in this country. However, there is style," to cause for for that the graceful lit- ferring to the sailing of a fishin the squirred will be exterminated. It is smack: he European squirrel that furnishes So to the jetty quadral she was hauled; air for the brushes, th of the American squired being too fury and soft for the purpose."-Wash-

ington Star.

Man (to lawyer)-Pve been budly bit ten by a dog. Can I get damages from

Lawser-Did you do anything to see nite the dog?

Lawyer-Were you on its owner's Man-Er yes. Lawyer-In what capacity? As a

Man. Of course this is strictly conti ential. Lawyer Certainty.

Man Well, I was trying to break in . o his house. - Pick Me Up.

The London Bux.

English travelers," says a London errespondent of the Boston Tranript. "bave so feered our advertising truges then are lifteeture and scenery. but I familed us were of all nations. est culpuble. But after a season's esidence in England I hold America excused. Our advertising efforts are adest, even teeble, beside these of or Retrish consins. "A London tens is a mere advertis-

ng van with accommodations for pasengers it takes almost as long to street between the pavements can be read one through as to read a daily paper. The destination of the bus is arios) in inconspicuous letters, the anallest on the canvas decorated rehick, and the chances of disentangling those letters from the muze of adverfixing announcements about them in to hall the bus you want are small

Bright Little Sammy.

Sammy (who is nover allowed to stay of of school). Howelle Hurlburt didn't the to school all day. Mamma-Why not Sammy?

Sammy-Cause his mather died. aben you die may I stay home all

mil a while work. Summy (susplementy) - Oh. f. knowl You mean to die in varation.-Hartem

Bis idea of an tlibt,

A tulesman who was called in a mur-"Very well," excinined Dr. Quick der trial in a certain state was asked in skill is required in finding the seather his quarred with the undertaker, whether he had any prejudice against of a vessel. It is regulated by the der trial in a certain state was asked no skill is required in finding the spean alife plea on the part of a man accurrent of crime. The talesman reputed sel sails per hour is recorded on "Do you fully understand what is

meant by the term albiy be was

"I tidha i do: res. sir." What do you understand by it?" The talesman redected a moment and then with a hestratory indicative of graveness, replied, "An alloi is when the fellow who did it wasn't there."

A DOMESTIC JAR.

The Little Dialogue With Which Proceedings Were Enlivened Here's a little dolly dialogus vas overheard in a \$24 a month of tol hill mansion one evening last m

She-Why, oh, why, did I ever me He-Because I was a good thing Co She-You are becoming positi Ro

MITSE He-Association. She-You pay no attention whanke

my little wishes. He What's the use of chasing at a after you've caught ft? She-I believe you have been delte

ing again He-No such luck. She-I'm in rags.

He-Well, we'll do a sketch. Somin She-I haven't been to the theater on wa weeks.

He-Yours is a sad story She-Brute!

He-Hetty Green!

He-Ours is a peaceful home.

She-Are you going down town C He-Ours is a peaceful home. She Are , ight?
He—If I can swing you for car ft in the left is the purse in in in it is in i

She-I saw a pair of high heeled on teathers today, reduced to se I must and shall have.

He—D'je see any men's brogans irl. \$1,3007

she—Why don't you.
He—Whiting for pay day.
She—Don't you know the rent ise,
will be due this pay day?
our out the share,
will

She-I wish I had never left man so I do.

foll time.

He-Others, others! She-I have a good notion to go ratio mek to her this minute. He-Have you got an umbrella! She-Oh, you-you-g-g-governawis se elerk' (Tears, Curtain.)-Was nig

Value of Telephone Number 786 "Telephone numbers have an aclor oney value," said an officer of wor American Bell Telephone compa The assertion has a strange sordek out if you think for a moment of dimdvantage a business house denett em laying its location well known the thing seems only natural. "In the course of time people's miwhi gin to associate a firm with its talk ne number, and if when they cand call up an old friend they find consquerading under a new numbeths

much of a shock as if they Was

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the habit of doing business

found it but moved away it out comes under the legal head of which will, a very clusive commodity, bod one which has its market value. So much is this fact appreciated awa one of our old patrons that they spo to away from the neighborhoodare their exchange in order to retain martered telephone address. Many im Mis tant houses have followed the news. ward frend of business in the last die years, and there are several cases for um's office address being in the

may be several miles long."—New I hor Mail and Express.

A Poer With Vigor. his The McMillans of London publish book of poems by T. E. Brown, whree the English critics incided because sly "vigor of the poet's descriptyon Here is a little sample of it

And showed and such upon his hand and hashewe
And one the ranges shock
Forth like a reality but, and one, with sold lot
And subset has one to have and one, with sold pri
And subset has on the howapit and and called pri
And subset the number master by his gods etc.

And, rotten from the gunwale to the keel. Day first riddled, bilge by tank,

Sime sight-rod, harribes, I saw her red

And drag her near flank

And struct among the deft young wave to

And legt and turned in many a sportise whet Le As she thomped enward with her lune po We believe this is a poet who es wi dimost do justice to the Chicago ste cicher's knife and the turilling sph pol eds. The rhythmic swish of the da

thrill such a bard to the very core the Brown - Chicago Times Herald

of the bog in the scalding vat ough

The Specie Wood Tree. The remarkable sneeze wood tree's native of Satal and other parts in South Africa. It's funny mame w given to it because one cannot saw to

without sneezing violently. The dust of its wood has just the same effect as the strongest snuff & w is so irritating to the pose that we te they are planting it. If a piece of the wood of this tree

put in the mouth, it is found to have very bitter taste, and no doubt it is to bitterness which prevents insects de May kind from attacking the timber an the "sneeze wood" tree. The fact that insects find it so de greeable makes its wood very value

for work that is required to inst a lo time. The Log of a Ship.

A ship's log is an instrument ! measuring the rate at which the ves is going and consists of three parts viz the log chip, the log line and f

log giass. The principle is simply the A light substance thrown from 0 vessel ceases to partake of the me of the vessel as soon as it strikes ! water and will be left behind on surface after a certain interval. If I distance of the ship from this statis Mamma-Yes, during; you may stay any object be measured, the appre

mate rate of sailing will be given. The log chip is the float, the log li 16 the measure of the distance, and 2 log glass defines the interval of time In the old days the heaving of the required skill and watchfulness, work, and the number of knots the

Too High For Inspection. Count de Koronet (who is an admirer of Willio's sister)-What F you after, my little fellow? O round here where I can see you. Willie (who is climbing on the beof the count's chairs-Tom said you be a skating rink on top of your head.

I want to see it :- Brooklyn Life.

dial without any hand toughing it