THE CONVERSION OF SWEET-GRASS.

BY W. A. FRASER.

wand of the red willow and change

Was not Sweet-Grass also like a

that time at the time of the great

"Surely," thought the priest, "the

Then be spoke aloud to the Crees and

prayed silently in his heart the while

sentences of the Indian, the manite power and mercy of the Lord; that if

they would only fisten it would heal

arrow wounds in their hearts.

"Will your God, who is so powerful

give me back Two Winds?" cried Many

"Have patience, my brothers," said

the priest. "You have forgotten on

thing-you have forgotten the power

of this." And he held aloft the black

cross which was tucked in his girdle.

flickered against the brass image of

the Saviour drooping from the ernol.

Surely the light of his mission was

in the gray eyes of the black cassocked

It was Sweet-Grass who said: "Call

on your medicine to give us Two Winds.

If it can do that, I will believe-I and

my tribe. The little father shall have

The chief and the priest were old

"And I have heard," he said as the

and as the priest spoke he started for-

"Two Winds!" he whispered huskily.

five horses if he can do this thing.

man as he drew himself up to his full beight and held the figure toward the

bolding nalls.

have spoken."

expectantly

of the curt.

the sparkling eyes.

of the cross had come to pass.

The Antithetical Chinaman.

To attempt to get a Chinaman to as-

sign a reason for anything is futile.

One day while riding a donkey through

the country west of Peking I noticed

that the women of the country villages,

mostly farmers' wives and daughters.

did not bind their feet. I said to the

donkey driver who was running along

beside me, "The country women do not

"Why is it that the Chinese women

"There is no why-no reason what

Ask a child, "Why did your brothe

"My brother did not come to school

Or inquire of a man, "Why is it this

the Chinese build a pagoda 13 stories

high?" and he will most probably

pagoda."-Isaac Taylor Hendland of

University of Peking in Washington

Effect of Her Prayers.

A Philadelphia woman relates the

lost all control over the animal, and as

the wagon was swaying from side to

side the driver seemed in great danger

of being thrown out and severely in-

jured, if not killed. I stepped into the

street and prayed for the horse with

all my might. It gave one look at me.

"But that isn't all. The driver, see

ing the horse was submissive, was

about to seize the whip, with the in-

tention of lashing the beast, when I

directed my prayers toward him. He

at once gave up his ernel design, Jump

ed from his sent and began patting the

horse's head. Then I went on my way

"Oh, yes." said the brunette. "it was

very sweet of Marie to give me that

blue gauze scarf. She knows I look a

fright in blue, but the scarf is lovely

and just the thing she wants to wear over her yellow hair. I'm not going

row it, though I'll keep it safely un

rejoicing."-New York Tribume

stopped and hung its head abashed.

"They do not bind their feet "

bind their feet, do they?"

"They bind their feet."

"That is their custom."

not come to school today?"

"But why do they do it?"

"But why is it their custom?"

"Why?"

ever.

today."

Star.

bind their feet?"

The light from the aspen campfire

Herbs, "Or bring her back to my

lodge?" asked the little Sweet Grass.

CHAPTER HI

The BLLING OF SWEET-GRASS. Sweet into the form of Two Wimis and alive Grass bad been graduated from bit log's life The braves that had been stricken buffalo? Two Winds was to before were as nothing to what Sweet | have gone to the chief's lodge even at Jenss became

Black Wolf, who had been his model | hunts. WAS soon outclassed by the pupil Brains and plack and muscles of steel Pather has given these people into my unde the little man the greatest among hands" If Sweet Grass also loved the maid, much good must come of the Ill Crees

He was an ideal pagan. No glinting of a light that illuminated the wrong loing side of horse stenling and killing that athwart the narrow pathway of Elequently he told, in the short, terse ils imgao mind If there were any commandments in

cribed in the Cree pantheon, they were nimed at the extinction of the en mies of the tribe, the Blackfeet. So Sweet Grass served the Great

pirit with an eager vigor that left any senips hanging in his lodge. He stole horses until the medicine an classed him as the greatest pagan them all

eighbors his own tribe waxed popuus and rich through his wisdom. Then came the day when he was chou chief and even as he had been the rentest warrior, so he became the

And the basks had all passed away on the nogum, for Sweet Grass honred her in his prosperity even as she | Indians with a commanding supplier ad tolled and slaved for him when ey fought with the dogs for the

represt chief the tribe had ever

CHAPTER IV.

THE CONVERSION OF SWEET-GRASS. Father Lacombe was as great a war-or as Sweet Grass. He, too, was a uriess brave. His bow was the bristian religion and his arrows God's Ve. feathered by his own simple, hon-I WAYS.

ered at will, and with the Blackfoot slept back to back on the sky Lissed alrie.

digion with open arms. He is not oking for it; he has other things to

r his own sake, his Master's comands they enred not much about. Father Lacombe was working his

ay southward through the Blackfoot untry one marning in May. He came them a small party of Black-et. With them they had a captive—a

Practically Christianity was part of



rescue the girl if he had to pawn his

d river parts to the Indians. rgalo with Indians is like a Chinese i. If will end only when there is in the thore to be said on either side. they encamped where they were, ong the spring flowers, and smoked s pipe of peace and bargained for

The priest meant to have her free at y cost, but it was also legitimate to t ber cheaply. In the end he gave order on the Hudson's Bay comny for a sum sufficient to bankrupt small means

ie took the girl with him on his athern trip, for there was no way of oding her to her people till he should urn to the autumn.
t had been the usual order of Black-

oped down upon the few Crees she
d been with at the time and killed
m all but herself. Her parents had

t been of the party.

n October Father Lacombe went
rth again, back among the Crees. ne evening, after he had camped, saw a large outfit of Indians trail-toward him. He hid the girl under art, the sides of which were draped

a large canvas: t was Sweet-Grass' party. They en-uped beside the father for the night. ther Lacombe the Indians were calldren; to him their lives were an book, and the misery that was in

the loss of a child; even horses are to be lamented.

Many Herbs had lost a daugh be Blackfeet had attacked the be was with in the spring, and Vather Lacombe had open

been murdered, even the gold mine, and he knew it. The ad several gifts besides his perosity and his wide humannakes the most of an opportuvidently God had delivered the into his hands that good might the evil which had been done was the priest's way-profit for

the father spoke of hope. Many scoffed. Alive, there might be

Bent Him Out of the Hide.

As we looked at each other he cocked

around to see yo'. I won't be wuth killin fur two mouths yit, and meanwhile, if yo' don't mind, we'll hev some

old woman took it that way, too, and ed around fur a spell and then disappeared, but I knowed what he was up



"WE LOOKED AT EACH OTHER." friends, aimost old antagonists, on the bad marked 'em down and would be question. Pere Lacombe knew that Sweet-Grass' words were like the flow an hour Lefe' I moved them hives out of the Saskatchewan-a thing to be de of his reach and replaced 'em with two hives filled with straw. I shet the old dog up in the house that night, and Cree chief ceased speaking and placed long bout midnight he begun to whine the long stem of his pipe between his and growl. I jest got to the winder lips: "I have heard, and my Master has when the b'ar showed up. He was heard, and the power of the cross is for arter that honey, and he hadn't no Among the whites Pere Lucombe fur him, and he knocked both over as

It was as though God had looked "I had jest penned up a likely pig. side, with howed head, his hands crossed lovingly over the braiss Saviour as he held it against his breast. The power and had got hungry over it, and arter Mexican Herald. one lock around he climbed upon the Thus was the conversion of Sweet- roof of the pen. It had a steep pitch to it, and it dropped off into a cully, and that b'ar had skassly got up before he was slidin down like a log of wood. He shot off the roof into the gully like a big ball, and me and the old woman laughed till the tears came. Three times the b'ar tried it, and three times he was dumped. I yelled at him and called him names, and his feelin's was hurt ag'in. He was so 'shamed 'bout things that he wouldn't even fight the

"I knowed the varmint wouldn't gin up that way, but would keep comin back till be got sunthin. It struck me that he'd go fur the chickens next, and so I had a trap all ready fur him. He was too cute to step luto it, and arter roamin around for awhile he went off. I laughed at him and called him a mighty pore b'ar, and he appeared so ne over it that I almost pitied him. He didn't come back the next night or the next, but on the third night he showed up ag'in, and I had another joke ready for him. I had headed the old dawg up in a stout bar'l and then wrapped the bar'l around with barbed wire. I used up 200 feet of wire around that bar'l, and the barbs stuck out like quills of a porcuanswer, "That is the way to build a pine. As soon as the b'ar appeared the old dawg begun to bark and raise a fuss. I don't reckon that varmint had ever heard of a dawg in a bar'l befo'. and I'm such he hadn't never met with no burbed wire. He jest walked around to make sartin of things and then

following instance of an answer to jumped in. "Lemme tell yo' that thar was mo y'ar. Bruin started in to bust that bar'l by huggin, but he soon gin it up. Then he rolled it 'bout, but every time be struck it be got a prick. Sometimes he'd chase it, and sometimes he'd run away from it, and he did hate to gin up beat. It wasn't no use in him fightin that bar'l, though, and he finally let it go and sorter cried over it. He went off with his head down and a homesick shamble, and the old woman turns to

> when snow flies? 'Bout \$10,' says I.

"Then yo' air \$10 out of pocket That b'ar ain't gwine to furgive yo'

But what kin he do? 'Dunno, bu' yo' jest remember what

"The old woman was right," continued Zeb. "That b'ar never showed up | which has heret fore been tried in vain. no mo' around my place. 'Long bout It has long been the aim of telephone the fust of November I started out companies in adjust rates according to with my gun and dawg to gather him | the number of calls, but the labor in, and I was reckonin on the value of keeping account of the same rendered bis hide to git boots and shoes fur the | it impracticable until the Chicago arti-

JOKED WITH A BEAR. Sam Harper's place, three miles away, and he actually went right up to the Sam Harper's place, three miles away, doah and laid down and seemed to beg ZES WHITE HAD A HEAP OF FUN Sam to come out and shoot him. He with the varmint was dead and bein skinned when I got thar, and all I got was a plece of the

THE OLDEST ORNAMENTS.

still in Vogue,

of grass. Anything and everything from that direction. with a hole in it served at the beginspotted seeds and the like. But the

It would astonish many new wearers production and how wide their distribution. Venice alone has long been ceeding to supply the insatiable demands of Zanzibar. The dusky belle must have her ornaments substantial. since they will pass through many a rude proof in cave and krant. And your well made venetian bead will practically last forever, unchanged in beauty. There must be plenty of beads worn at this day in Africa which were of Punt and perhaps even to the Zambezi river.-London Mail.

A Har Showed Him a Mine The action of a rat led N. R. Ingolds by to the discovery of a rich gold mine in Arizona. He named the property

the Rat Hole mins Mr. Ingoldsby had been spending sev eral months near Mammoth, on the San Pedro river, in Arizona. His pur pose was to enjoy the hunting and make a collection of the animals and minerals of the southwest. He pitched his tent in the canyon of the San Pedro

in the Santa Catarina mountains. He had no neighbors and was for a time to waste. One hive wasn't 'nuff long time unable to account for the disappearance of small articles that was the one man Sweet-Grass trusted. soon as he got within reach and then he left lying about his camp. At last made ready fur a feast. When he he noticed that when anything was and eagerly in a half famished way, found them hives hard packed with taken something was left in its place. gaunt wolf eyes a life that is just straw, he knowed it was a joke, and This was usually a bit of stone or he sot up and looked so sheepish and wood. The culprit he found to be a mean over it that I laughed fur half large rodent of the species known as an hour. That b'ar went away feelin the trading rat. The habits of the Yes," answered the priest in his burt in his feelin's, but I was sunh animal made an interesting study for deep voice as he drew aside the cauvas he'd come back ag'in some other night Mr. Ingoldsby, and he often by awake

at night to watch for his visitor. Nailver spoon was missing one morn down and smiled upon the camp as and that b'ar was bound to hev pig ing and in its place was a piece of I was want in the light in that first and showed the great love light in the same light that showed the great love light in the same light that showed the great love light in the same light that showed the great love light in the same light that showed the great love light in the same light that showed the great love light in the same light that same light in the same l he spackling eyes.

Even claws wouldn't take hold. On gold bearing quarts had been taken the second night, bout 11 o'clock, the Mr lagorishy made an examination

THE Oldest Copper Mines.

northwest of Arabia, were worked the countries of grave before the Chris than era It is stated in Comptelearning that those engage prines are the shoot amelent of nerves mention. According to author ic documents they were worked from 1230 B. C. Their preserving had ever the object of several wars, but bey: used Deen abaseloned for 3,000 cars on account of the poverty of the

allow the proper of Pepi L a king of in some dynasty. This scepter, made possesoppers is preserved in the Birtth museum. The adms sull exist as erneithes the buts of the anners and many Dingmonth of their te-

In some all the specimens obtained there occur three area turquoise, coput assemblear bug engineerigg on regnated with copper Among the chris to er been found stays and ciners, but there is no evidence of the se of finites. Some of the fragments of tool continue arounds. med by the Greek and Egyptian ab chemists for turnlening copper

A cold spell in Montana killed a sheep herder in the Great Pails district. Two feet of snow covered the range in places, and the thermometer

indicated to degrees below zero. The herder was frozen to death on the street when I saw a runaway horse galloping toward me. The driver had bars and dawgs and folks hev in a hull and it was three days before his fate was known to his employers. Two shepherd dogs were with him when he died, and one of these staid with his body while the other attended to the sheep, just as though the herder had been with him. The dog drove them out on the range in the morning and back again at night, guarding them from wolves and preventing them from straying off. Neither dog had anything to eat during the three days' vigil, so far as could be ascertained. but the 2,500 sheep thrived as well apparently as though directed by human agency. The singular fact about the matter is that these faithful creatures would have starved to death rather than harm one of the sheep left in their charge.- Portland Oregonian.

A Chicago inventor has perfected and patented a device for registering the number of calls on the telephone,

banks of the Smoky Hill river a few miles east of Kanopolis, Ellsworth The Possum Hunter's Story of the but that b'ar had beat me out of my of the cliff dwellers and richly deserves the name. It is a huge cliff 60 feet high, rising sheer from the bottom lands along the river and a few hundred feet from the banks of the stream Bends. First Used by Savages, Are It was the headquarters of an old band of Indians, and the records of the tribe Beads are certainly the most ancient are cut deep in the face of the wall, of all forms of the bedecking of the still clear and sharp after long centuries of western wind and storm.

At the base of the cliff are limestone Nobody knows who first invented caves washed out by the waters of othbeads. Perhaps it was some primitive er days and enlarged by the people of savage who found duts or onk balls this generation. Doors have been fixed in the forest, drilled by the wood worm, in the openings that lead to the outer and threaded them logether on a stalk air, and of course all the light comes

ning for beads-cowrie shells, fish various purposes, but the most intereeth, claws of beasts, striped and esting is that of holding the district school. For this purpose has been se great age of bends began with the in- lected a room 12 by 14 feet square and vention of glass, and the Egyptians, with high ceilings. In one corner has Carthaginians and Phonicians gener been fitted up the teacher's desk, and ally were skilled craftsmen at bead- the maps and charts are fastened to making. Their methods were much the wall. The rough rocks arch over the same as may be seen today in the whole, and the pupils are surroundso I didn't skeer him off. He saunter | Venice or any other chief seat of the | ed by walls that are cool and solid, to. I had two hives of bees, and he of beads to learn how immense is their from the door, though there is at times a necessity of a lamp when the skies accustomed to send forth every ten study and recite in the little school, seyears 320,000 quintals of beads, worth cure from the dangers of storm or Buena Vista ave., Alameda, Cal. Rea steady manufacture is always pro | not to be feared in this secure retreat. - Chicago Times Herald.

tend, Belgium, and Dover, England, The Leopold II is one of about a dozen vessels in the same service, but those intending to end their lives between Ostend and Dover invariably select temperature normal, cough disappearthat particular steamer whereon to ing, gaining flesh. At end forty days ommit the deed.

The fourteenth suicide on the Leo- parted cured.

But when the passengers had left were decidedly benefited and three were the steamer a new hat, a new coat and complete recoveries. a discharged revolver were found on deck. Some unknown unfortunate had Pittsburg, Penn. Young man 21 years. shot himself and caused himself to fall Bacilli abundant weak from hemoroverboard

"No. 14," said the sailors.

Object Lessons in Finance.

Rico, hired a man to wash the windows dollars, man, for one day's work? You must be crazy!"

"Take back your bills," was the em

pride of the United States the honest writings in Steinway hall. New York reader cannot ignore the current out city, shortly after the close of our cityl own banking houses nor certain less hall was densely packed with an andi-Important incidents of the past weeks.

employees ought to be."-Chicago Trib

Twenty-five years ago, while working in the blacksmith shop of J. W. Shet ter at Stoughton, Wis., Harvey Haw man, ex-chief of police of Sioux City. stamped the letters "J. W. 8.," his em ployer's initials, on a half dollar. This week that same coin, without any doubt, was banded to him over the counter of his fish market in Sious City. In that period of time it had jin gled in the pockets of perhaps thou sands of persons and traveled miles and miles across the country and back only to land finally in the hands of the man who had marked it with letters of an unmistakuble character. Never was a man more completely surprised than was Mr. Hawman. In spite of the fact that he had not thought of it in the quarter of a century since he last saw It he recognized it at once. He proposes to keep it now.-Iowa State Register.

Look Out. Within six weeks past the market value of the stocks of 17 of the leading railroads of the country, including the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, have thereased in value more than \$267,000,-000. Prices will finally soar so high that a decline will be inevitable. Then will come a panic. The people themselves are responsible when there is a panic. It is always the same old boom story .- Atchison (2) be.

"The ways of the female shopper are beyond the ordinary salesman's ken," said a disgusted optician who is the city. "A woman came in here the kinds and styles of speciacies and eyeglasses known to those in the trade. Finally, after a half hour's quizzing, she rustled out with the remark:



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HOPE FOR CONSUMPTIVES

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Hand to Say that It Is Really Specific Except in Extreme Cases. The new goat lymph already explained in these columns is really a cure for

consumption except in very advanced cases. The testimony is profoundly impressing. The following are samples of physicians' daily experiences all over the country. Reported by Dr. Stablein 206 Kearney St. San Francisco. Case of Mrs. George Montell 29 years of age, residence 2721

65,000 lire, and in many other spots | flood, for the cyclone and lightning are | ported by three specialists to be suffering from consumption. All three found tubercular bacilli swarming in the sputum. Night sweats, quick rise and There are "suicide ponds," "suicide fall of temperature, heetic flush, losing rooms," and there are "suicide eraft" weight and strength rapidly. In June physicians advised the case as hopeless One of the ferryboats plying between and change of climate as only chance. New York and Jersey City is called the Commenced with the lymph. Sixth "suicide boat," or was a few years ago. day fever and night sweats disappeared left there by the traders of King Solomon, who trafficked to Ophir, or those more during mariners of Tyre and Sidon who sailed for trade to the land Reported by Dr. J. W. Hagadoro,

This certainly holds good of the Lancing Mich. Mrs. S. age 42. Diagsteamer Leopold II, plying between Os-nosis pulmonary tuberculosis. Sputum revealed bacilli in abundance. Two Snaps. years standing, both lungs involved. Thin and emaciated. Fifteenth day, no cough, expectoration or bacilli. De-

Dr. Hagadorn adds: "I have treated vanced. All the incipent cases have cases only two were beyond help. Two

Reported by Dr. G. B. Sweeney,

Bacilli abundant weak from hemor-rhages within five days of treatment. PAGIFIG STATES TYPE FOUNDRY At the end of eight weeks' treatment hemorrhages, cough and bacilli had dis-Some months ago a United States appeared and the patient had regained commissioner, taking a house in Porto strength and returned to his trade cured. The above are everyday samples of and another to scrub the floors. The hundreds. L. R. Stablein M. D., a a man unconsciously travels in his life-

bills submitted were for \$12 and \$7 respectively. "What does this mean?" been making a study of the new lymph walks about each day, are court to was the astonished query. "Twelve dollars, man, for one day's work?" and has administered it successfully to make him sit down to rest for the rehundreds of cases, has opened a lymph mainder of his life. "Oh," came the courteous reply, "of institute at 206 Kearney St., San Fran- But now a German scientist has course I only expect a dollar and a half cisco. Full information containing tab- come forward with some still more for myself, but that is the way we at ulations and other records of cases by startling facts concerning the journeys ways made out bills for Spanish offi mail to physicians and others enquire which our cyclid undertakes every

Surprised by Dickens.

While such an incident warms the Dickens rend selections from his own "I vividly recall hearing Charles war." said a well known judge. "The Three clerks were recently dismissed for part of whom were intense admiroughly out of keeping was his costume with the conventional evening attire of a gentleman. He was clad in a short velvet coat the blooked exactly like a smoking jacket, velvet vest to match and a flaming red necktle. Such a garb was in restity an affront and an Impertinence to that fashionably clad assemblage. But it was overlooked as an eccentricity of genius, and much

applause attended the rendition. "Nowadays the newspapers would roast any man, however famous, for daring to come before the public in such grotesque attire, but I do not recall that any of the New York papers criticised the distinguished visitor for his sartorial laxity." - Washington is made expressly to kill human be

He Forgave Twain.

Many years ago the Montana club in Helena entertained Mark Twain after a lecture. He met many old friends there and one old enemy. The latter had come all the way from Virginia City, Nev., on purpose to settle an old score. When the glasses were filled and Mark's health proposed, this man interrupted the proceedings by saying: "Hold on a minute. Before we go fur ther I want to say to you, Sam Clemens, that you did me a dirty trick over there in Silver City, and I've come here to have a settlement with you." There was a deathly silence for a

moment, when Mark said in his deliberate drawl: "Let's see. That-wasbefore-I-reformed, wasn't-it?" Senator Sanders suggested that luas

much as the other fellow had never reformed Clemens and all the others present forgive him and drink together.

The German Protectorate in east Af rica has a coast line of 620 miles, an area of 384,000 square miles and includes a portion of Zanzibar. The population is estimated at 8,000,000 natives and about 1,000 foreigners, mostly Ger mans. The country is being rapidly developed, for the German government is encouraging commercial enterprise

Book, News. PAPERS Wrapping ..

55-57-70-6 First St.

"It was the worst case of grist lever had. A half dozen friends had sure cures. Still it hung on. Heard of the Dynamic Tantinss. To my amazement they stopped both esid and cough the first hight. I enderse and recommend them to the people." Handley Handley Ex. Member Congress and Altorney. 101 Sansons Street, San Francisco, July 7, 1800.
"White rolls have a

"Winter colds have always been seriou things to me. They are hard and stay to months. But the last was stopped suddenly y Mexour. S DYNAMIC TARTLES. Both cough and cold disappeared in a couple of days. Nothing else does this for me." MRE. EMMA L. HOLLIN, 14 Moss St., San Francisco. Aug. 6, 36 Hive across the street from where Mentiel,'s Dynamic Tauriles are made. That is low I first look them. They stop ends without notice I took a dozen boxes with me for soft and friends when I went to Nome. 'H. I. Van Winkis. Capitalist, 3017 Weshington Street, San Francisco. August 10, 180.

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The many thousands of miles which

The distance that the cyclid travels in its great speed is measured from a sin-

This, the scientist says, is a quarter of an inch both ways, the eyelld moving equally up and down, so that, takconsideration, they cover some 50,000 inches in a day. The cyclids of a man who has lived for 50 years will have unconsciously traveled a third of the way around the earth, or about 7,200 miles, a calculation sufficient in itself to cause the victim of insomnia to fall Into a dreamless sleep as he reads it.-

Moral Effect of Platel Tollag. When a man carries a pistol con-

stantly, slipping it into his pocket every morning and taking it out at night, feeling its constant pressure against his person, these things tend to famillarize his mind with the idea of killing and lowers his conception of the sacredness of human life. What does a man carry a pistol for? To shoot some other man with. The miserable thing ings. It has no other earthly purpose. What a hardening effect it must have, then, upon the conscience and heart of a man who carries it constantly in his pocket and lives in daily contact with it and with the idea it constantly suggests to his mind! Let us warn young men and old ones not to carry pistols, and then you will avoid doing a rash act.-Marietta (Ga.) Journal

Snakes have the greatest number of

the conger cel 60.

The cholopus, or two toed sloth, has 46 ribs, 23 on each side, as against the 24 ribs of man.-St. Louis Globe-Dem-

Fair Shopper (to assistant, who has shown her every piece of goods in

kindly get him to walt on you? Fair Shopper (pleasantly) - Ah, a

friend of yours, I suppose? Salesman-No, my greatest enemy .-London Fur

er. Another would have cal-

to leave it around where she can borhow many furs the girl would

WITH THE VARMINT.

Tricks He Played on Poor Bruin winter boots to pay for it." and the Way the Unforgiving Beast

[Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis] "One September day," said the old possum hunter of Tennessee as I asked him for a story, "I was sittin on these pere steps smokin my pipe when a b'ar suddenly appeared out that by the co'- body unless we except the field and ner of the pigpen. I didn't git flustrat- forest blossoms. ed. I seen the b'ar was pore in flesh, and I knowed his fur wasn't prime. It tin't no use to kill a b'ar dest fur the sake of killin. Besides, thar was somethin sort of cute lookin in his face,

his cars and seemed to say: "'Hello, Zeb White! I've called

"I took it that he said that, and the



and try to pay me off.

me and asks: "'Zeb, what'll that b'arskin be wuth

fur hurtin his feelin's as yo' hev."

THE SCHOOL IN A CAVE

A most novel building is that on the

Sufficient Records Are Now at The caves are used by the people for while their seats and desks are placed on the earthen floor. The light comes are lowering. Day after day they

A Suicide Steamer.

the scene of a whole series of terrible cured.

pold II occurred a few weeks ago. Shortly before arriving at Ostend the ten cases of consumption with the new sailors heard a faint detonation, but lymph, three incipient and seven adnaid no attention to it, believing it to have been the report of a cannon fired at Ostend to warn the vessels of the been cured. Of the seven advanced heavy fog along shore.

phatic reply, "and make them out hon

from a prominent savings bank. They ers of the man who was to entertain were neat, accurate, prompt and in no them that evening. I was a youngster case had tampered with accounts. The then, but was giad to part with \$2 to directors discovered, however, that one hear the author of 'Nicholas Nickleby' had speculated to the extent of \$10 in read his own lines. But his appear-Wall street and the other two had ance on the stage, though greeted by made small bets at a society race applicuse, was a distinct shock, so there course. "They were men of good character," said one of the bank officers, "Lut they were seen where none of our

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gle involuntary wink. ing the movement of both eyelids into

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stock)-Well, I don't see anything here that suits me. I'll go down to Yard & Stuff's and see what they have. Salesman (engerly)-Here's the card one of their assistants. Will you

til her birthday next mouth, when I winter. I routed him out after a long san supplied the long needed invention. Just wanted to know about the prices and immigration by bounties and sub-of there." -- Philadelphia Record. glasses for a birthday present, and I will have it dyed scarlet for her."tramp, and what d'ye think he did? which is reported to be exceedingly New York Mail and Express. I Findin that he must die, he headed fur | simple. es. But was not Two Winds