BANDON RECORDER.

Polly Larkin

pathy for all those who called upon

him for aid. He was one of the histor

ical men of the Coast, having figured in

the early history of California in a way

the Ladies' Improvement Club of

this "well done."

Why He Didn't Jamp.

Here is one that a young man who knows a good story when he hears it heard one railroad man tell another in a depot up the line the other day:

"We picked up a new Irishman somewhere up country an' set him to G. Vallejo by the Ladies' Improvement work brakin' on a construction train Club of Sonoma when they planted a at 3 cents a mile for wages. One day when him an' me was on the train she got away on one of them mountain grades, an' the first thing we knowed she was flyin' down the track at about ninety miles an hour, with nothin' in sight but the ditch an' the happy huntin' grounds, when we come to the end. I twisted 'em down as hard as I could all along the tops, an' then of a sudden them. General Vallejo was as true as I see Mike crawlin' along toward the end of one of the car, on all fours, with his face the color of milk. thought he was gettin' ready to jump, an' I see his finish if he did.

'Mike,' I says, 'for heaven's sake don't jump!'

"He clamps his fingers on the run nin' board to give him a chance to turn round an' lookin' at me contemptuous, answers:

'Jump, is it?' Do yez think I'd be afther jumpin' an' me makin' money as fast as I am?"-Portland Oregonian.

A Boston Translation.

Little Emerson-Mamma, I find no marginal note in elucidation of this expression, which I observe frequently to occur in my volume of "Fairy Tale Classics," "With bated breath." What is the proper interpretation of the phrase?

Mamma-"With bated breath." my son, commonly occurs in fairy tales. Your father often returns from pisca torial excursions with bated breath. The phrase in such instances, however, has no significance as applying to the bait employed to allure the fish, but is merely an elastic term of dubious meaning and suspicious origin, utilized, as I have already intimated, simply because of the sanction which it has gained by customary usage in fairy tales generally. . Do you comprehend, Emerson?

Little Emerson-Perfectly, mamma. Judge.

Coincidences of Dates.

Attention has often been called to the curious fact of the date Sept. 3 figuring so largely in the history of Oliver Cromwell. That very dominating man was born on Sept. 3, 1599; he won the battle of Dunbar Sept. 3, 1650; that of Worcester Sept. 3, 1651, and he died Sept. 3, 1658. But we have lately come across some coincidences of dates which, so far as we know, have not been noticed before. The number 88 seems to have had fatal influence on the Stuarts. Robert II., the first Stuart king, died in 1388; James II. was Polly," he said pointing to a good killed at the siege of Roxburghe Castle, 1488; Mary, queen of Scots, was beheaded in Fotheringay, 1588 (new style); James VII. (II. of England) was dethroned in 1688; Bonny Prince Charlie died in Rome, 1788, and with him died the last hopes of the Jacob-Ites.

Feline Depravity.

"Oh, Horace," wailed his young wife, have been on this article all morning "I have just found out that Ajax, our and have not been able to compose mybeautiful Angora cat, has been leading

***************************** You will be happier for it and your friends will be the better for your thoughtfulness.

**** *************** Miriam C---- wants to know how she can arrange her plants most effec- the removal of the bedding, clothing tively in a bay window and what are and cushions and other cloth fabrics to A pretty and loving tritute was paid the most desirable plants? This ques- the quarantine shed. Here they are to the memory of the late General M. tion is easily answered. Have a shelf hung on a framework consisting of a made around the window, stain it to series of racks suspended from a long orrespond with the woodwork in the car running on a track and so arranged memorial tree in the historic plaza oom and then cover it with your where the Bear Flag was first raised. It was a fitting testimonial to a noble, egonias and they are all beautiful, with which the station is equipped. upright man whose principles were cast asily raised and give you no end of in a better mold than many he threw easure. Umbrella plants and smilax, boilers fifty feet in length by eight feet the mantle of charity and good-will the feather asparagus, maiden-hair and in diameter and fitted inside with conover and who forgot his kindness and ferns. The coleas family lend a rich tinuous coils of steam pipe. The cylingenerosity when fortune smiled upon bright color to your window garden as well, and a pot of the dainty lobelia, as steel, and his great heart beat in sym-

blue as the summer skies, is a perfect delight. BRIEF REVIEW. No Beaux For Central Girls.

that reads like a story-book to the children of to-day. He was also the first With the advent of the telephone Governor in California. A more suit girl trouble has come to the Dresden able memorial could not have been chosen for him than the live oak which Western Mail. About 300 young women was selected from his old home in are employed in the telephone depart-Sonoma, the roots of which were ment, and their comings out and goings planted in soil taken from several in attract to an inconvenient degree the places, among them General Vallejo's young man population of the city. The birthplace at Monterey; Benicia, named male admirers and sweethearts collect

in honor of his wife; Vallejo, once his in groups, and when the fair 300 troop residence; Jaurez's tomb in the City of out the mutual salutations are demon Mexico, and Lafayette's tomb in Paris. strative to a degree usually reserved for A touching incident of the event was a tete-a-tete. Not infrequently a score his daughter, Mrs. L. Emporan, being or so of young fellows, whose admirachosen to place the first spadeful of earth tion is general rather than particular, around the roots of the oak. The admake their way into the doorway and dress of the day was delivered by Major there pass critical review on the whole A. E. Sherman, a warm personal friend 300 as they pass out. "Kiss in the of General Vallejo. The whole event

Street." as practiced in front of the touches a warm and responsive chord Dresden postoffice, has at last reached in Polly's heart. It shows the loyalty proportions which austere authority of the ladies in this pretty little "valley cannot longer permit, and the Director of the moon" to the memory of this of Posts and Telegraphs has issued an

man among men whose memory will order declaring that male escort to or ever remain as green as the live oak from business, is no longer allowed by that stands as a silent and growing the regulations. The subject is keenly witness to the sterling character and debated in the Dresden press. worth of General Vallejo. All hail to

Pigeons Interrupt Service.

Sonoma. If they have accomplished The pigeons at St. Paul's Cathedral nothing else all can join in saying in are considered to be one of the sights of London. In Paris the birds are apparently not looked upon with much favor and would seem to be regarded as a

I went into an office the other day nuisance. The authorities of the Church and there I found the owner poring over of Sulpice waited upon the local police some musty pages of literary lore. He commissary recently and asked whethwas patching an article together and er nothing could be done to prevent the 'trying to make something out of increase of pigeons in the church. He nothing," he said. It was a puzzle and declared that the birds were at first he was ready to quit and turn it over to made welcome, but they increased at somebody who had not been hearing such an alarming rate that the place tales of woe all morning. "See that, was infested with them. During divine service they made such a noise that they sized placard pinned on the wall behind interrupted the proceedings, and there him. "You will think I am a bear, were daily complaints concerning them. but I am so tired of listening to cases of The police commissary pointed out that distress that unfortunately I cannot help, and besides it rattles me so that I he could hardly send his constables to cannot attend to my work properly." arrest the birds. The only course he ad-' Tell your troubles to someone else, for I have troubles of my own," read the do to have a pigeon shooting-match in

placard. "It is this way, Polly. Now I the sacred edifice. Blindness an Inheritance.

DISINFECTING A SHIP. Moist Heat, a Thorough Germicidal

Agent, Is Used. When the vessel has tied up to the wharf in New Orleans, the first step is

that when the racks are filled the whole thing may be run inside one of plants. There are so many varieties of the three great disinfecting cylinders for the desired rain. If his answer is These cylinders are enormous steel ders are covered with asbestus and hand, as willow is sensitive to mdsswathed in felt, and when the cylinder ture. caps are on they are airtight. When

the clothing has been placed inside and the cylinders closed, dry heat is forced through the pipes at a temperature of 180 degrees, and this is followed by moist heat raised to a temperature of 230 degrees. The pressure of from six

heat is sufficient to force it through postoffice, says a correspondent of the heavy mattresses or bundles of cloth-After a period which varies from

hirty minutes to an hour the cylinders the rapid evaporation which follows causes the clothing to dry almost immediately. The clothing is unharmed by this process, and the moist heat is a horough germicidal agent. It is an interesting fact that if a freshly launderd linen shirt or collar is put into the ylinder it will emerge thoroughly noist and apparently in need of anothr starching. The evaporation is so rapid, however, that it is immediately re-

YOKOHAMA BY NIGHT.

Lantern Illumination Makes the City Akin to Fairyland. A row of paper lanterns in the black

shadow of a wall is the first impression the newly arrived traveler has of Yokohama as he steps from his "sampan" on to the wharf at night.

The lanterns hang low and almost motionless, but at the word "rickshaw" they begin to sway, and with a silent, almost rhythmical movement they come rushing toward him. A moment later he discovers that each lantern is attached to a rickshaw, which offers for less than half a yen an hour to convey him anywhere his fancy may lead him. But go where he will the lantern is always there, dangling and swaying

and dimly flashing. The lantern on the rickshaw is a haracteristic detail of the night picture of Yokohama. It is a series of brilliant dashes of color under a cloud less, starlit sky, fanned by a soft breeze which seems half of the sea and half of the tropics, with smiling, dolllike people gliding about everywhere It hardly seems real. It isn't fairyland exactly, because fairles are not supposed to be always as picturesque as are these Japanese. Certain it is that vised was to set traps, as it would not few things anywhere in the round world can be more beautiful than lantern lighted Yokohama.

As the occidental crosses the bridge ter and enters the native city he sees ends the agony. This torture lasts a bewildering maze of lights. Through and far between, a fact which makes the lantern illumination all the more conspicuous. They are not hung at regular heights or intervals, but make a sort of tangle of soft colored lights over the front of the buildings and even across the street .- New York Mail and Express.

HOW THE CHINESE GET RAIN

Peculiar Practices In Vogue In the Celestial Kingdom. It is one of the peculiarities of the

Chinese that, while they have developed elaborate philosophies, none of them has led to any confidence in the uniformity of nature. Neither the people nor their rulers have any fixed opialon as to the causes of rainfall. The plan in some provinces when the need of rain is felt is to borrow a god from a peighboring district and petition him satisfactory, he is returned to his home with every mark of honor; otherwise he may be put out in the sun as a hint to wake up and do his duty. A bunch of willow is usually thrust into his

Another plan in extensive use is the building of special temples in which are wells containing several fron tablets. When there is a scarcity of rain, a messenger starts out with a tablet marked with the date of the journey and the name of the district making to eight pounds put upon this steam the petition. Arriving at another city, he pays a sum of money and is allowed to draw a new tablet from the well, throwing in his own by way of ex-

change. On the return journey he is supposed to eat only bran and travel are opened, the racks are run out, and at top speed day and night. Sometimes he passes through districts as greatly in need of rain as his own. Then the people in these places waylay him and, temporarily borrowing his tablet, get the rain intended for anoth-

er place. Prayers are usually made in the fifth and sixth months when the rainfall 's always due, and a limit of ten days is set for their effective operation. Under such conditions rain usually falls stored to its original condition, not during the prescribed time. When the even the gloss being removed.-Leslie's prayers are in progress, the umbrella, among other objects, comes under the ban. In some provinces foreigners have been mobbed for carrying this harmless article at that time.

DEATH BY ARSENIC.

The Way This Polson Acts Upon the Human System.

When a single dose of arsenic in sufficient quantity to be felt has been taken, colicky pains, bowel disorder and perhaps nausea result. In the course of an hour after a polsonous dose has been taken an intense burning pain is

felt in the esophagus and stomach. This spreads to the entire anterior por tion of the lower part of the trunk. A sense of constriction at the throat and an acrid, metallic taste accompany the pain. Then vomiting and relaxation of the boysels begin. As the case progresses the symptoms increase in intensity. Then comes a thirst that water will not allay, although it apparently increases the stomach disturbance. The victim groans and writhes. Now he implores the doctor to save him. Then he begs to be killed and put out of pain. The extremities become lcy. The pulse is small, feeble and frequent, and the breathing is labored, embarrassed and painful because of abdominal tenderness. The surface of the body becomes dark and of that bluish color that medical men call cy-

ture, exhaustion becomes collapse, convulsions or coma ensues, and death

Sarcasm That Failed.

is an American by force of circumstances has been in this country long enough to absorb the American idea of humor. Last summer he was in London on a visit and happening to have business with a man on an upper floor of a tall building took the 'lift" to reach his office. The elevator was one of those excessively deliberate British affairs, and its snail-like progress annoyed the Americanized Briton. The only other occupant of the car was a middle aged Englishman, with a manner of peculiarly

provement in this lift," he said.

"Why," the other man went on, "I'd down."

more interested. "How?" he asked.

Sponges grow in odd, fantastic shapes. Some of them have an overgrowth resembling huge warts. There are some suggesting hands, hats and figures of idols. These are curiosities and not marketable for practical use. In trimming them into shape many small sponges are made which are used for children's slates, for blacking shoes and in making paper. The uses vary according to size.

One of the largest sponges known is in New York city. It is fan shape and some three feet in diameter. For practical use it is worthless, but as an exhibit it is valued at \$100. The best sponges are imported from the Mediterranean, although Florida produces very fine varieties. These vary in price from a cent to \$20 fine

best of these are used in surgical op-Other sponges are the mandruka

n washing carriages and by painters

In the original settlements in British

The

Columbia a peculiar institution occasioned gala times for the red men now and then. This was the "potlatch," a thing to us so foreign, even in the impulse of which it is begotten, that we have no word or phrase to give its meaning. It is a feast and merrymak ng at the expense of some man who has earned or saved what he deems considerable wealth, and who desires to distribute every lota of it at once in edibles and drinkables among the people of his tribe or village. He does this because he aspires to a chieftainship or merely for the credit of a "potlatch," a high distinction. Indians have been known to throw away such a sum of money that their "potlatch"

has been given in a huge shed built for the feast, and blankets and orna anosed. Violent cramps add their torments have been distributed in addition to the feast.

Celt and Saxon.

with £9,690,000,000, and Germany fourth, with £8,052,000,000. Russia is last of the principal nations, having to her credit only £6,425,000,000. It is also satisfactory to see that of these five nations the United States has the smallest national debt, £221,-000,000. Germany's debt is £651,000.-000, that of the United Kingdom £706. 000,000, that of Russia £711,000.000 and that of France £1,239,000,000. The same list also shows the United States to be the largest wheat producer, her crop for 1901 being 480,000. 000 bushels, over double that of Russia, next on the list. Housecleaning by Air. The first stationary compressed air cleaning apparatus to be placed in a hotel in the United States, if not in the world, was put in operation in Milwaukee recently. The compressor is located in the basement, and from it pipes lead to every floor of the building, with places thereon for attaching

Russia's Bad Showing.

M. de Witte is perhaps the greatest

and the only parts of the empire which

show any signs of prosperity are those

inhabited by non-Russian populations-

Finland, Poland and the Caucasus. It

is not a favorable showing for Russia's

aggressive purposes, though she is lit-

tle accustomed to abate them on ac-

count of hard times or the penury and

Uncle Sam at the Head.

dollars Uncle Sam comes in far ahead.

The treasury bureau of statistics has

just received the yearbook of the

London Daily Mail for 1902, in which

the United States heads the list of

wealthy nations, with £16,350,000,000

to her credit. Great Britain comes sec-

ond, with £11.806,000,000; France third.

In the world's race after the rolling

sufferings of her people.

the hose, and hereafter the carpets and furniture and draperies of the hotel will be kept clean and sweet by means of this new device. It is an automatic piece of mechanism, and when in use the air pressure is kept at eighty pounds to the square inch. It is operated by electricity, and when the limit of pressure is reached the electrical current is cut off, but as soon as started up the connection is renewed and the pressure maintained. By this means the air current is sent through the carpets, furniture and bedding, cleaning out all dirt and rendering them sweet and clean.-Milwaukee Sentinel.

Easy Way to Make Money.

About the easiest money making scheme ever seen is at Jerome, Ariz., in the opinion of I. T. Stoddard, secretary Arizona, "There is a brook t

people dump scrap iron of all kinds

into the pool, and the presence of the

iron in the water precipitates the cop-

per in solid form to the bottom of the

CHOICE MISCELLANY A certain Englishman by birth who

finance minister Russia has ever had and in his last report has painted as gloomy a view of the industrial and economic situation of the empire as any of his predecessors have done in its darkest days of war, bankruptcy and famine. The metal industries, he says, are on the verge of ruin; the textile nearly as bad. In twenty years the productivity of the land has diminished over one-quarter. An acre produces less than one-fifth of the same area in English seriousness. The man from America. The number of houses has America ventured to address him. diminished nearly one-half in thirty "I think I could make a great imyears. Nearly half the population are hopelessly in arrears with their taxes,

The Englishman looked seriously inerested.

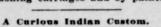
"How?" he asked

nake it go faster by a simple little arrangement. I'd stop the lift altogether and move the building up and The Englishman looked slightly

Sponges.

apiece, although occasionally specimens bring \$60 a pound. erations.

batt, the elephant ear, velvet, grass and sheep's wool, which is best for washing. The cheap sponges are used



a double life!" "That makes eighteen, I suppose," said Horace. "What has he been doing?"

"You know I let him out every morn ing, because he seems to want to go and play out of doors. Well, I have discovered that he goes over to the pet him."-Chicago Tribune.

The Betel Nut.

Betel nuts, the produce of the areca palm, are chiefly used as a masticatory by the natives of the east. They are too small to be applied to many ornamental uses, but are occasionally employed by the turner and wrought into beads for bracelets, small rosary cases and other little fancy articles. In the Museum of Economic Botany at Kew out discouraged and feeling like the there is a walking stick made of these world and everybody else is against nuts, sliced, mounted or supported on an iron center.

A Zoo Discussion.

"You know," said the orang outang, "that man is descended from a monkey."

"Yes," answered the chimpanzee, "and his descent has been very great. But let us set it down to his credit that he tries to rise again. Every now and then you hear of some man who is do ing his best to make a monkey of himself."-Washington Star.

Quick Work.

"That editor is terribly slow at reading manuscript." "Think so? Why, I know the time

he went through twelve stories in less than a minute.' "Gracious! When was that?"

"When the elevator broke.".

Terrifle Thander.

The largest rainfall on earth has been recorded at Chera Punji, on the bay of Bengal, but the most violent thunder storms ever observed are probably those of French Guiana. At Cape Or ange, some forty miles south of Cay enne, a French naval officer saw the rills of the coast hills turned into waterfalls by a cloudburstlike storm, while the crashing thunder peals were Incessant and often almost deafening. so much so, indeed, that some of the sailors began to mutter long forgotten prayers, probably thinking the day of judgment near at hand.

Eskimo Mourning Customs.

All Eskimos are superstitious about death, and, although they hold festi vals in memory of departed friends. they will usually carry a dying person to some abandoned hut, there to drag out his remaining days without food, medicine, water or attendance. After the death of a husband or a wife the survivor cuts the front hair short and fasts for twenty-five days.

A Contractor.

"What does your father do?" asked the teacher of the new boy. "He's a contractor," was the reply. "A railway contractor?" "No, ma'am; a sausage contractor. He ties up the ends after another man bas filled them."

There are eleven of the present Herself enough to write one sensible line. First, in comes a little woman who reshoffs and five of them are blind, but out Yokohama gas lamp posts are few wants me to use my influence in getting they know how to build boats. Blindness is an inheritance of the Herreher husband out of the penitentiary.

shoffs, though all the afflicted were not He is in for a long term and he has only served one year and it is folly to born so. One of them walked to a winthink of asking pardon for him yet, but dow one day to read a letter, and, turn-Robinsons and lets them feed him and poor little woman, she thinks I can ing around said: "My, I am blind!" unlock the prison cell if I try and she Another bumped his head against a

comes every little while to know if door and his sight was gone. Some of something cannot be done; tells me of them were born blind and all of them

his virtues and how good he was to her with the tendency, so that shocks and and how hard it is for her to get along slight accidents induce loss of sight. even though she has placed two of her They are rich, and all have beautiful little children in an orphan asylum. homes in Bristol. All of them are ar-This was his first offense in breaking tistic. One brother teaches music for the law, couldn't I place his past record the love of it. Not one of the children before the Governor. After she goes of the present generation is blind yet.

Won a Case With a Poem. "I once won a case with one of James

her, in comes a "Weary Willie" with his troubles, and so on, until I am Whitcomb Riley's poems," said Conthoroughly exasperated." "Do you gressman Brick of Indiana, who is a think your placard will do any good ?" lawyer, "and so I stand for him. I was I asked him. "Not a bit of it, for they defending a man charged with stealing won't stop to read it, and if they did it silk, and it looked so bad for him that I

wouldn't make any difference, they decided on an appeal to the jury. I did wouldn't think it was meant for them, the best I could with the evidence, but but it was some satisfaction to me to I banked most on the fact that the defendant was a young man with a wife

write it and tack it up. and child and it would go hard with all of them to have him go to the peniten-In another office a man has tacked tiary for a term of years. My whole ardirectly in front of his desk so that all gument led up to the point where I who enter may read, "Tell your closed with Riley's little poem, 'Back

troubles to a detective, for I have From a Two Years' Sentence.' When troubles of my own." It is a great I finished the jury was in tears, and mistake we make in this life, in even the Judge and the attorney for the burdening other people with our prosecution were affected. The jury

troubles. It is nothing to them, and in took just one ballot and returned a verfact they are only bored, and while dict of not guilty." they may listen respectfully to your

The gift of Emperor William to Hartale of woe, common politeness requiring that much of them, their minds vard University will be much larger may be afar off or dwelling on their than was at first supposed. The casts own trials and tribulations which are of number several thousand. The entire more importance to them than a whole cost of the collection will be defrayed volume of others' woes. There are from the Emperor's private purse, and so many interesting and improving is estimated at about half a million

topics to discuss that will make you marks (\$125,000). forget the little petty annoyances of the The fellow who sits in the shade at day. You can talk all day about your the bottom of the ladder and nevertries troubles and be none the better for it. to climb will be the first to pull down You can enjoy an hour or so with a someone who is climbing. friend who makes it a point of keeping

It has been found that perhaps the her troubles to herself, not even revealmain reason why tuberculosis advances ing them to the family when they are so rapidly in Hongkong is that in most gathered together for a happy hour, and who delight in saying bright ases it is complicated with malaria. things and of gleaning information and

Only one man in 100 in the labor bits of wisdom whenever opportunity unions of the country is reported unemoffers and your wits are brightened. It loyed by union officials. is like a good tonic to spend your spare

time with such friends. It adds a new Better wear old pantaloons that are sparkle to life and the miserable, yours than new ones that belong to murky dark glasses you have been lookyour merchant. ing through must give way to a clearer

Very few of us ever make money fast vision. This old world that wags merenough to suit us. Wonder why that rily on despite the trials and vexations

takes on a brighter phase and life is is? worth the living. In place of telling Wonder how we would have things if your troubles to some one else keep we could have them our own way? them to yourself, remembering that

others have trials of their own. Make The best collectors in the world are this a rule of your life and practice it. the poorest payers.

A Case of "Quits."

Clerical Customer (arousing himsel from a nap in a barber's chair)-Al through, eh? Barber-Yes, sir; quite some time

Clerical Customer-Indeed! Then

must have been indulging in a quiet na p. Barber-You surely have, sir.

Clerical Customer-It was certainly very kind of you not to awaken me The rest has done me good, and I am very thankful to you for what was really a very refreshing sleep.

Barber-Don't mention it, sir. It's only a fair return. I attended service at your church last Sunday.-Boston Courier.

A Story of a Father's Love.

Old Mr. --- has an only daughter. They are of lowly rank, but he is honest and industrious. By trade he is a puddler in a foundry, and he earns \$4.50 a day. Twenty years ago the wife and mother died, and the child of five became the old man's pet. Twelve years ago he sold his property and spent all his money in sending her abroad to study music. She came back two years ago a famous singer and a matchless beauty and refused to own her father. He has moved to the east

side in order that by living on a pittance he may have \$20 every week to give her to buy clothes. Every week he sends it, and every week she spends it, though she neither sees nor writes to him. Week after week he grows a little prouder and also a little sadder .-

City Missionary in Ladles' Home Jour nal.

December's Names.

December, so called from being the tenth month when the year began in March, has probably had more names conferred upon it than any other of the twelve into which our year is now divided. Among the early Saxons it was called Winter Monat, or winter month. After their conversion to Christianity they called it Heligh Monat, or holy month, in honor of the birth of Christ. In later days in Germany it was called Christ Monat for the same reason Fires used to be lighted for warmth in this month, and the want of chimney used to cause a too obvious inconver ience, which led to its being called Fa mosus, or smoky. It was also dubbe Canus, or hoary, from the snows hoarfrosts which then generally whit-

Of prominent persons mentioned in the new issue of "Who's Who In America," those born in New York number 2,066, in Massachusetts 1,130, in Pennsylvania 1,020, in Ohio 866. These are 5,022 of the 11,551 subjects whose records are giver

ened the higher grounds.

In some cases these symptoms occur, but in a modified form, and the doctor will apparently get the better of the ed arms in a contemplative mood, apdisease. The remission will be but for a day or two Then the abdomen will swell, and icy coldness will pervade the frame. Shivering will become pronounced trembling, then cramps, convulsions and death.

Birds Are Like Human Beings.

Canaries, like human beings, vary very much in character, some cocks being so indifferent and idle that they will let the hen do all the work of building and rearing, while they themsolves sit and plume their feathers. Others, again, are perfect gentlemen in

their manners, waiting on the hen with a quiet courtesy and seeing that all she requires is at once brought to her. It is said that stammerers rarely if ever show any impediment of speech Again, the hens vary in disposition, when speaking in whispers. On this some her behaving in a quiet, modest way, attending to their young ones fact a method of treatment has been advocated, which is as follows: For the with regularity, while others are in a constant state of chatter with their first ten days speaking is prohibited. husbands, pecking and arguing with This will allow rest to the voice and constitutes the preliminary stage of them every time they go near. Thus we see that these little birds have their treatment. During the next ten days tiffs and domestic quarrels, not unlike speaking is permissible in the whispering voice, and in the course of the next ourselves.-Chambers' Journal. fifteen days the ordinary conversation-

The Force of Cyclones.

Careful estimates of the force of a cyclone and the energy required to keep a full fledged hurricane in active operation reveal the presence of a power that makes the mightlest efforts of men appear as nothing in comparison. A force fully equal to over 400,000,000 horsepower was estimated as developed in a West Indian cyclone. This is about fifteen times the power that can be developed by all the means within the range of man's capabilities during the same time. Were steam, water, windmills and the strength of all men couplet. and all animals combined they could

not at all approach the tremendous force exerted.

A Test of Friendship. A gentleman has tried the following

man. peculiar way of probing the ties of "Of course I have," answered the friendship. He sent letters to twenty person with the cold gray eye. "Am intimate friends asking for a loan of a not a part of the human race?"-Expound. Thirteen of the two dozen change. friends did not reply at all, five declined to lend the money, two promised to send it on the next day and did not do it, one sent his "last 10 shillings." and only three sent the full sum asked for. The supplicant and all the "friends" he had written to are well like wives. When they're bad, they're

Not to Blame.

She-Saturday is our silver wedding Don't you think we ought to kill the pig and have a feast? He-Kill the pig? I don't see why the poor animal is to blame for what happened twenty-five years ago."-London Tit-Bits.

A Way to Kill.

Fashionable Doctor (out for a day's shooting) - Never saw such luck. What's the matter with the birds? ! can't kill one of them! Host-Write 'em a prescription, doc

One of Sheridan's tales w out of the lower workings of Senator Irishman who met a Briton, of the true William A. Clark's United Verde cop-John Bull pattern, standing with foldper mine," he said. "This water percolates all through certain sulphuretic parently meditating on the greatness copper and gold deposits in the bowels of his little island. of the earth, and as a result when it "Allow me to differ with ye!" ex-

runs out of the mine into a pool arclaimed the Celt. ranged for its reception it is heavily "But I have said nothing, sir," re oaded with liquid copper. The mining plied John Bull.

"And a man may think a lie as well as publish it," persisted the pugnaclous Hibernian. "Perhaps you are looking for fight?"

al tone may be gradually employed.

A Table Decoration.

At a banquet given recently in Paris

the center of the table was what ap-

Had Looked Out For Number One.

A Cynie on Marriage.

pool, where it is picked up in irregular uverled the Briton. shapes. I was told the last time I was "Allow me to compliment ye on the in Jerome that Clark's people pick out quickness of yer perception," said of that scrap iron pool about \$600 or Patrick, throwing down his coat, and

\$700 worth of practically pure copper then they pltched in. every twenty-four hours. That's what I call an easy way of making money." To Cure the Stammerer.

Youngsters In a Postoffice.

The postmaster at Jasper, Mo., announced some weeks ago that he would no longer deliver mail between 4 and 4:30 p. m. to children going home from school because of the disturbance and disorder resulting from a concerted descent of the "kids" upon the postoffice. One parent took exception to this ruling and complained to the department at Washington in the hope of compelling the postmaster to set it aside. The postmaster general, however, upheld his local representative. The ruling having been officially sanctioned at headquarters, it will be perby a French countess the guests remanently enforced. ceived a most astounding surprise. In

The Peanut In London.

peared to be a huge pile of roses, and Noting the introduction of the baked just before soup was served the roses peanut in London, the Pall Mall Gaparted, disclosing a large birdcage. This suddenly opened, revealing a zette observes: "We do not know whether that excellent feature of Britbeautiful young lady adorned with wings. She remained in her strange ish civilization, the hot potato, flourposition during the dinner and introishes on winter nights at the street corners of New York. Probably it does, duced each new dish by singing a but if it does not there should be an opening for some good Samaritan with an eve to business to show our cousins "Have you ever done anything to that they have not got a monopoly of better the condition of any part of the good things. However, we welcome human race?" said the very serious the peanut, more familiar to us as the monkey nut, as a highly desirable immigrant and have no doubt that he has come to stay."

Literary Underwriting.

One well known firm of publishers runs a good deal of its business on the following lines: It secures a popular novelist, offers him so much for his next book and then forms a little syndicate in the city to share the expense. A new book by a popular author is a considerably safer investment than many newly discovered gold mines. -Literature.

His Gray Hairs.

Sunday School Teacher Remember, children, always respect gray hair Tommy Traddles - Well, my pa does

Sunday School Teacher (in astonishment)-What makes you think that? Tommy Traddles-He dyes his whiskers.-Exchange.

Since the commencement of the war In South Africa Scotland has cent to the front 15,500 noncommissioned officers and men and 330 officers; total, 15.830.

servant for a whole week with no ie-

Lady Help A-plenty.

nults

good looking lady help and had thirtyfour to select from the first day.-

epicure, but the other fish was thus summed up by an epigrammatic Cor-

Sardines are a delicacy fit for any

nishman: "Pilchards," he said "are off.-St. Petersburg Novoe Vremya. awful, and when they're good they're

only middling."-Pall Mall Gazette.

Admirable Caution. Book Agent-Is the head of the house Servant-Yes: he's in the library try

ing to write a letter on a new type writer he has just bought.

Mrs. Rangle-I've advertised for

Mrs. Cumso-Well, I advertised for :

Book Agent (hastily)-I'll call again.