BREAKFAST IN ENGLAND.

Euplighten From Ale med

According to the Oxford Dictionary, less is the date of the earliest men tion of breakfast, but until a century ago it consisted only of a draft of ale or tea or chocolate. There were only are supposed to only bloom in the spring on no other breakfast than half a passed midday breakfast to the morning draft.

But when, a hundred years ago, cold meats and fish began to be served at breakfast the utmost surprise was expressed. Its novelty made it fashionable and led to the giving of breakfast line of the California Northwestern present. There are some people fast parties. Eleven or 12 o'clock was the Railway there is the strangest kind of approaching the one hundred milecellence the meal for poets. Moore was an inveterate breakfaster and fell off. On the other side are the the affairs of the day, that they never and after the trencher work sung for the company's entertainment.

Breakfast finally became an institution, as a necessary oasis in the long stretch between supper overnight and dinner the next afternoon. This acceptance of breakfast a century ago fies a total failure of the fruit crop for seem, Polly," said an eighty-year-old thus made England for the first time the coming year or not. Some of the friend when some one was commenting a three meals a day nation.

FOOD FOR THE CAT.

Puss Should Get Green Stuff Both In

Winter and Summer. It is a common thing to hear women say that they cannot keep growing and dismal forebodings. plants of any kind in their rooms on account of the cat, who persists in nibbling and biting the leaves and new buds as they make their appearance, sometimes destroying in the course of day, in regard as to how she should a few weeks some favorite or rare decorate her home for some little social keeping, not only your looks, but your fern or flower.

The reason for this seeming vandalism is perfectly plain or ought to be. The cat requires green food if it is to be kept healthy and happy and takes the shortest road to getting it.

In summer, following this need of its system, a cat will eat grass freely. supply of green fodder is cut off, comsense suggests that the cat be artificially provided with it.

For its own sake as well as for the safety of the Boston fern and the rubber plant, why not plant a cigar box of soil with some quick growing thing like oats on sorrel and let the cat help

It will soon realize the glad fact that by the fact that indulgence brings no aftermath of slaps or scoldings.

As one crop fails sow another and keep it up till Mother Earth provides a more liberal supply of her own, and your cat will bless you.-New York

Saving His Negatives,

barn door for the old cat to come through and a smaller hole for the kit ten must have had a kinsman in the Englishman who went fishing with St. John country and whose adventure is related in "Sporting Yarns."

The two men, with Indian guides, were about to shoot a terrific rapid in two canoes. Captain Haggard, who could swim, had little fear. Chambers, his companion, who could not, expected certain death.

"What shall I do if we upset?" he called.

"Tie the camera under your chin," called back his companion. "It's hollow and will make a good life preserver." He was vastly amused to see Cham-

bers adopt the suggestion and hang the camera under his chin. A moment later, however, as they came into the most dangerous place, Chambers snatched it from his neck again and placed it carefully right side up in the bottom of the canoe. "What was the matter with the life

when they had safely descended

"Why, I just happened to think," said Chambers, in all innocence, "that if we upset I should get the pictures wet, so I put it back in the boat.'

Saved His Books.

Farmer Dockridge was hastily awakened in the dead of night by Alf, the hired man, who told him the barn was the back door, if there was time was brought into play. It brought out year. enough, he hurriedly donned his trou- the sandwiches in the desired effect sers, rushed into the summer kitchen, without breaking them in the least. grabbed up a screwdriver and ran out They were sewed on platters decorated

The roof was burning fiercely, but he dashed into the building and began with frantic haste to unscrew the -kinges of the smooth pine door that opened into the corn bin.

horses out safely, and the sparks were through their covering of whipped falling round the old man; but he stuck to his task until he finished it, and emerged from the burning barn, carry ing the door, just as the roof fell in.

for the sake of saving a bit of kindling forgot to say that a young lady with a wood," commented a neighbor who had voice as sweet and clear as the carol of look may be, a man knows that he will been awakened by the flames and had a bird, sang "Coming Through the never be so poor that he can't afford to run over to see if he could be of any Rye" as a wind-up to the pleasant little

Dockridge, pointing to the pencil marks that covered the door. "See them figgers? There's all my business door's wuth more than the hull barn!"

There are many of these monuments some relics were taken home by the seeing the beauty and the real worth of man should be built from the ground conquering army.

two meals a day-dinner, ranging from have taken on buds and blossess that quired of us from a religious point of o'clock in the morning in the fifteenth look strangely out of place. Lilac century to noon in the seventeenth, bushes are tipped all over with little and supper, which similarly advanced bunches of levender flowers. They are has brought them so precious .little from 5 in the afternoon to 7 o'clock. not the great levely bunches that de-Pepys, for instance, went down to the light all flower lovers, but every branch constantly of walking tombstones. It admiralty at 4 and 5 in the morning is ornamented with a cluster of flowers seems as if there was even only one lit-But in the eighteenth century dinner sweet. The magnolias are covered with of their lives that it would radiate, was gradually postponed until 5 or 6 creamy buds and blossoms, and this is throwing out its beams and lighting up was gradually postponed until 5 of a November. The Bankslia roses, both passed midday breakfast became a cream and white, are in full blossom; the thoughts of the soul to others. meal. Before this so is the fragrant white jassamine. | Beautiful are the people who have hunger had demanded the addition of Fruit trees have forgotten that their passed their three-score and ten years bread and some such relish as radishes their crop has just been harvested and and yet retain the autumn of their hour, and it was declared to be par ex- a freak. Fire had scorched one side of stone, but they are so lovable, interest-Tom an apple tree until the leaves withered ing and take such a keen interest in

function. "It must not be too elaborate, or expensive, Polly, and yet I want it to be unique and out of the ordinary." After much discussion, it was decided to give it an autumn effect. Everything in decoration would pertain to autumn in coloring, etc. The In winter or in the city, when this hallway was decorated in wild grape vines that were a mass of brilliant foliage. The gas jets shown through shades of yellow and red tissue paper, giving a very pleasing effect. Autumn eaves and branches banked the firetwined themselves over pictures, chandeliers and doors. Bouquets of im-

place and their long, graceful tendrils the plants are meant for it, as proved here and there. But the dining room called forth the greatest admiration of Captain Andrew Haggard in the Lake a sparkling cut glass dish filled with was unacquainted. "I tell you how and in the pocket thus made were gers ter me." - Washington Post. aced autumn leaves and vines ar ranged with careless grace. The name cards were exquisitely painted autumn leaves in water colors, with the name were three leaves in all, the inside eaves bearing on the first the following quotation from Longfellow's "Au-

> "L''ve flames upon an altar shine the sheav And following thee, in thine ovation splendid Thine almoner, the wind, scatters the golden

tumn":

On the second leaf came the menu, quotation: "Flowers are the sweetest gether with red and yellow baby rib a lovely little souvenir representing an with small autumn leaves. The salted | had been employed to construct a pulpit almonds were in autumn leaves made of stiff paper and fashioned and colored bill for the work in the following form: by the young hostess with the belp of two friends. Strawberry and lemon Alf had succeeded in getting the on jello sparkled in their autumn shades cream. Everything was in keeping with the autumn idea, and was about as pretty and unique a little social "That's a good deal of a risk to take gathering as I have ever attended. I

gathering. How many of us will reach the au tumn of life and come through it bright and cheerful instead of brown accounts fer the last six years. That and sere? It depends wholly upon ourselves what kind of autumn leaves we will represent. An unselfish life, filled with good deeds, a disposition to look uments are still standing which date on the bright side in the face of all diffrom the war of 1592, when Japan in- ficulties and making the best of disarvaded Korea with 30,000 men. These pointments, trials and tribulations, is "monuments of ears," as they are very apt to leave an autumn of cheercalled, mark the burial places of 10,000 fulness depicted on our faces, while the ears which were cut from the heads of reverse leaves us soured upon the world, before she will reveal them unhappy ourselves as well as those around us, borrowing trouble, never anything, but rather hunting for flaws, up.

and if we cannot find them, manufacture them through distorted visions The latter reminds Polly of the seared rown autumn leaves that fall tattered and torn to the ground, trampled upon, for there is nothing in them to attract people who are hunting for the bright and beautiful. A bright, happy face Noture has played a queer prank this can do more missionary work in a fall and plants, shrubs and trees that minute than a sour-visaged person, who is continually harping on what is review, and yet their doleful and woebegone looks speak ill for the creed that about as big as a walnut, dainty and the ray of light to pierce the darkness

they are entitled to a rest until next lives serene, sweet and unruffed, in-February, and are putting forth their stead of bowing their heads over the fruit blossoms. In some places the memories of other years and shutting trees are covered with flowers. On the out the joys that might be theirs in the green leaves and ripe fruit and the side appear old, and they almost lead you void of all foilage is covered with apple to believe that they have found the blossoms. Fruit growers all over the elixir of youth when they have only country are wondering what this cap- learned the art of keeping their hearts old-timers shake their heads dismally on her youthful appearance. As long over the coming hard times for the you keep your heart young you will fruit raiser and prophecy no fruit or at find that your personal appearance least very little for the year 1905. It responds and the lines of old age will remains to be seen whether the pro- not have a chance to settle in your face. phecy amounts to anything but talk Keeping the heart young is the key to F. Rixey, has submitted the following the whole thing. I never intend to estimates: grow old, and I don't let trifling things annoy me; neither do I allow myself to Speaking of plants reminds me of a lose my temper for that is one of the query from a little friend, the other worst things you can do to destroy that quiet composure that is so essential in heart youthful."

BRIEF REVIEW.

Not Acquainted. "Away back in 1860," said George W. Harvey, the popular restaurant pro prietor, "the presiding genius at our raw-box counter was a very good-natured but intensely ignorant black man who had but lately landed in Washington, and who, prior to coming here, mense chrysanthemums were scattered of friends, and some of the famous men of that day used to engage him in conthe guests and they were not slow to odd replies. I recollect that on one express their appreciation. Here bolts cocasion one of our patrons was asking front of the capitol will be brought out of ribbon in three mahogany shades old Tom as to his acquaintance with just far enough to give the dome a were used with telling effect and inter-celebrities of the period. Asked if he solld base instead of having it rest on mingled with autumn leaves. The rib- knew Sam Houston, Stephen A. Dou- a portico on its east front, as now. bon, with yards of red and yellow glas, Alexander H. Stephens and Chas. maline, were carried from the chande- Sumner, the old fellow shook his head lier to the center of the table, care being and denied all knowledge of these illus taken to make it as airy looking as pos- trious Americans. Half a dozen more sible and arranged in fluffy lover's were mentioned in quick succession knots around a mirror on which stood and again Tom had to admi, that he the autumn fruits and nuts. The table- it is, boss,' said he; 'I isn't bin up in cloth was caught up at each end with dis part of de country bery long, an' a bow of the three mahogany shades, dem niggers you called off is all stran-

New Disease For Autoists.

"Auto legs" is the latest and most fashionable affliction which human prowritten in gold across the face. There gress has developed. Medical science would call it atrophy of the muscles of the leg, superinduced by lack of exercise and nerve-deadening vibrations caused by the rapid movement of the horseless vehicle over rough ground. Overzealous devotees of the "devil wagon" are warned that if they do not walk more their legs will shrink and dwindle from disuse, and will eventuand on the third and last leaf was the ally become too weak to bear their weight. In the gymnasium at Hartpreserver?" asked Captain Haggard thing God ever made and forgot to put ford, Conn., was a rich young man a soul into." The leaves were tied to- with fine, muscular arms and body, but very wobbly legs. He had entered the bon. Lying upon each name card was gymnasium to get his legs strong enough to carry him when necessary. autumn leaf in enamel. The sand- He had ridden in an automobile almost wiches made of deviled ham and tongue continually for four years, and now were also in the shape of leaves. The when he tries to walk his legs pain him bread was cut very thin, buttered and greatly. A muscle sling has been spread with the meat, the two slices lashed to his knee joint, which keeps was made at the last general conferon fire. Instructing Alf to blindfold pressed firmly together, and then a dipping and bending involuntarily. the horses and lead them out through sharp tin cake cutter the shape of a leaf He has entered the gymnasium for a

His Name For Pulpit.

A Chinese carpenter at Rangoon, who for a new Anglican church, sent in the "To one preaching tub, fifty rupees." -New York Evening Sun.

It is a good thing to look on the bright elbow grease and polish it up till the reflection cheers you.

No matter how discouraging the outkeep a dog.

no matter who is elected the politicians save their own bacon every time. Somehow philosophy solves problems much more satisfactorily if a man has a

meal ticket in his pocket. It is hard to tolerate the self righteous attitude of the man who has never been found out.

If you have to tell your secrets to some one tell them to the cat. She'll die

A shoemaker is of the opinion that a

WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.] The fact that the Russian ambassa dor, Count Cassini, and his daughter, Countess Cassini, have been guarded for several months by secret service men developed upon their recent visit to New York city. The Russian ambassador went to their hotel in a carriage. The secret service men followed them in another carriage and remained all day about the hotel. Count and Countess Cassini attended a performance at a Broadway theater, where the secret service agents were just as much in evidence as they had been about the

hotel earlier in the day. The explanation is given at the state department that information was received four months ago that Japanese in this country harbored designs to kill or harm the count and countess and at the request of the Russian government, but against the wishes of Count Cassini, secret service men were detailed to guard the ambassador and his daughter against attack.

A Remarkable Book. The second smallest book in Wash ngton is in the library of the navy department, and it is a volume of considerable interest and value. The book is about two inches long, one and a half inches broad and one-third of an inch thick. It was published in London in 1783 and contains an exhaustive account of the sinking of a British man-of-war, the Royal George, off Spithead in August, 1782. The binding of this remarkable book consists of two oaken boards, sections of the cabin's vainscoting of the ill fated ship. It rice of nature means-whether it signi- young. "You are just as old as you is understood that the original binding was torn off and the oaken binding put on by an officer who secured the board from a section of the Royal George at the time it was raised and removed from Spithead harbor.

> Naval Hospital Estimates. In his annual report the surgeon general of the navy, Rear Admiral P.

For improvements of the hospital at the navy yard, Washington, \$60,000; naval hospital, Sitka, Alaska, \$10,000; renovation of present hospital at Norfolk and additions, \$200,000; renewal of present hospital buildings and erection of quarters for medical staff, na val hospital. Pensacola, \$50,000; acquisition of additional land adjacent to naval hospital, Yokohama, Japan, \$3,000. Recommendation also is made for a naval hospital at the naval station, Charleston, and one at the naval station, Olongapo.

Capitol Enlargement. Few questions to come before con gress at the December session are of greater importance than that involved in the proposed enlargement of the capitol. It will be recalled that the senate last spring, instead of authorhad lived all his life in Charleston, S. C. Izing the enlargement of the capitol. This negro was so deft in his work and for which the house had a second time so obliging that he soon had a big circle voted, established a joint commission to investigate the subject. Its report is nearly ready. Of the two plans chiefversation for the fun of listening to his ly under consideration that involving the smaller extension will probably be recommended, which means that the

> New Swiss Minister. Dr. Leo Vogel, a lawyer and secrewho has been appointed minister to the United States, was, it is said, sec retary of the Swiss legation at Washingtow about ten years ago, and, ac cording to the practice of the Swiss government, is now eligible for promotion to the higher grade of minister.

> Mr. Fernand du Martheray, the present Swiss minister to the United States, was appointed in February, 1903, but is now away on leave of absence, and the affairs of the legation are in charge of Mr. Ernst Probst. sec-

retary of legation. Emperor William's Gift. Emperor William's gift to the American people of a bronze statue of Frederick the Great will be unveiled by the Baroness Speck von Sternburg, the German ambassadress, on the esplanade of the army war college, Nov. 19, in the presence of the president, the cabinet, the diplomatic corps, the supreme court, the admiral of the navy the chief of staff of the army and of ficers of the army and navy in Washington. The principal address of the occasion will be made by President

Roosevelt. Bishop of Washington.

After having been without a resident bishop for two years, the Methodist Episcopal church in Washington now has Bishop Earl Cranston, until recently stationed at Portland, Ore. The appointment of Bishop Cranston as resi dent bishop of the District of Columbia ence of the Methodist church, held at Los Angeles in May.

His term of appointment is for years, and he will be the head of Methodism at the capital for that length of time. Bishop Cranston is one of the most distinguished proletes in the United States. While not so well known in Washington, except to the clergy, he

has a reputation on the Pacific coast. Continental Hall. Continental half, the building to be erected by the Daughters of the American Revolution south of the Corcoran side, and if you can't find a bright side Gallery of Art on Seventeenth street, go at the side next to you with a lot of is expected, when finished, to be one of the handsomest structures of its kind in the national capital. The cornerstone was laid with appropriate ceremonies last April. The building is to cost not more than \$300,000. Mar ble is to be the material used. The frontage on Seventeenth street is to be 210 feet and the structure is to occupy 35,000 square feet of ground. The first It is dollars to campaign buttons that floor will be devoted mainly to an auditorium, which will have a seating capacity of 2,000.

CARL SCHOFIELD.

To be born within the sound of Bow Bells has been a distinction for centuries. The famous old bells which have rung so long over London, it may not be generally known, are situated in Cheapside, where they may still be seen and heard. The street which passes beneath them is today the busiest in all London and is wholly given over to business, so that few people today are actually born within the sound of the famous bells.

CAVALRY HORSES.

English Military Method of Training Them to Swim.

The most interesting and amusing of all the sights of Aldershot, England, is the big reservoir, or lake, where cavalry horses from all parts of the world are trained to swim with a thoroughness that rivals even the Italian system of horse training. It is well known, by the way, that through almost as much training as though they were intended for a circus,

to encompass the destruction of both horse and rider. Again, the writer witnessed the asence and also at Spezzia, the great "out to sea," the prince often dismounting and himself swimming with

one arm about his charger's neck. The newly received horses at Alder shot, however, coming as there do mostly from inland regions, have a deep seated objection to the water, and as their riders are for the most part scant ily clad indeed the struggles between water deeper than their knees or girths per's Weekly.

FEATHERED MIMICS.

Ostriches Roar Like Lions and Jay Are Great Imitators.

"The roar of the ostrich resemble the roar of the lion because the ostrich stole from the lion this sound, even as one playwright steals from another a plot An ornithologist made that odd as sertion in a taxidermist's shop. He went on to elaborate it as follows:

"Birds from the ostrich down are im itative. The ostrich where he lives alone is silent, but in a country where lions abound he roars. Why? Because for centuries, admiring the majesty and grandeur of the lion's roar, he gradually learned to roar himself. Be lieve me, it is fine to see an ostrich throw back his little head and emit a roar like thunder.

"Buntings imitate pipits, and green finches imitate yellowhammers. They seek their food in the winter together and they gradually steal each other's

"The jay is an insatiable imitator ome jays will include in their repertory not only the whoo-oo of the kite, the scream of the buzzard and the hoot of the owl, but also the bleat of the lamb and the neigh of a horse.

"Even the nightingale imitates. In a nightingale's perfect song I have often heard the tip-sip-sisisis of the wood warbler and the bub-ub-ubble of the nuthatch."-Washington Post.

PROPER BREATHING.

Take Deep Inhalations. Did you ever observe whether you

breathe through the mouth or nostrils? It makes a wonderful difference. When we talk we are forced to breathe through the mouth, says the Philadel phia Inquirer. When not speaking the lips should be well closed, and the breathing should be entirely by the nostrils, but this is not all. The habit of slow, measured, deep breathing that covers the entire lung surface is of more value and importance than you will ever believe until you have tried it, and when you have established the habit of breathing in this manner you will say some remarkable things in its favor. It will reach all points of your physical system. All the benefits that occur from a healthy condition of the blood will in a greater or less degree be yours, for the manner and complete ness with which the inhaled air comes in contact with the blood in the lungs are of the utmost importance to every vital process. The lungs are a kind of furnace, in which the oxygen of the air is consumed and combined with other elements, a process necessary to upon the purity of the air and the manner of inhaling it,

The Throne of England.

Some authorities hold that the coronation chair in Westminster abbey is entitled to be called the throne, as being the one occupied by the sovereign at his or her coronation. Others maintain that the throne in the house of lords is really the official throne, as it is occupied by the sovereign for state purposes at the opening of parliament. Others again say that there is no real throne in the strictest acceptation of the word and that all the thrones or chairs of state in the various palaces throughout the kingdom are equally entitled to be called "the throne," inasmuch as they are used as such when the sovereign happens to be in residence at that particular palace and holds any levee or other strictly official reception. The most general opinion, however, seems to be that the throne in the house of lords is really entitled to be called "the throne of England."

Bill Nye, the humorist, once had a cow to sell and advertised her as fol-

"Owing to my ill health I will sell at 18, according to the government's survey, one plush raspberry cow, aged eight years. She is of undoubted courage and gives milk frequently. To a man who does not fear death in any form she would be a great boon. She is very much attached to her present home with a stay chain, but she will be her right. She is one-fourth Shorthorn throw in a double barrel shotgun, which goes with her. In May she to carry away. usually goes away for a week or two and returns with a tall red calf with wabbly legs. Her name is Rose. I would rather sell her to a nonresident."

CHOICE MISCELLANY

Prince Hen: y's Idea of Royalty.

The French professor of Prince Hen ry of Prussia one day read to him the following exercise for translation: "Sovereign ladies have not merely an air of majesty, but a gracious deportment peculiar to them." The prince laid down his pen and raised his hand. "Have you any remark to make?" asked the teacher. "Only this: Do you or do you not wish to teach me to be cavalry horses in the Italian army go truthful?" "Certainly, I wish to teach you truthfulness." "Let me tell you then, that I have known sovereign laand the writer has often been amazed dies all my life and never noticed in to see patrician Roman officers riding them any majesty or peculiar grace of their fine chargers down steep flights portment, Quite the contrary, Ought £300 a thousand for all the Chinese we not, therefore, to omit the phrase coolies shipped to the South African of stone stairs and down especially constructed precipices which look as you have just read?" The professor said that he respected the scruples of though they were especially invented his pupil. He could not, however, correct an exercise book which had been carefully inspected before being set are unreliable and expensive. down on the list for study. Besides, The sardine famine which has existtonishing army maneuvers of the Ital- the taste of a boy of twelve differed ed on the coast of Brittany for several ian troops in the river Arno at Flor from that of an adult. He might here- years promises to be relieved this fall, after see majesty and grace where he as the catches are now running heavy. naval arsenal of Italy. The Count of now sees none. Henry took up his Two hundred school children at Chi-Turin was seen leading his regiment pen and wrote out the phrase in cago struck because the principal of French. He then uttered a groan and the school was removed. Their mothsuch books upon us."-London Truth.

A Philadelphia Beggar's Method. Chestnut to South has evolved a new style of approach which is bringing tutor and "pupils" are ludicrous in the him in large returns. He studies the this valuable advice: "For cricket. extreme. If it is found absolutely feet of passersby, and when he sees boating, tennis and football jewelry impossible to coax the animals into a man coming along in new shoes or must be eschewed, but for motoring, in shoes that have been recently fishing and golf it is indispensable." collapsible boats are used and the re- shined he takes a stand directly in the fractory animal dragged by main force way of his intended victim and stares fifth of the world's wheat, four-fifths beyond his depth, when he has to swim hard at those same shoes. Of course for dear life.-H. G. Roberts in Har the pedestrian stops short and looks four-fifths of its cotton. This harvest down at his feet to see what is the is the foundation of our prosperity. matter with them. Then the beggar remarks as if to himself, but in a tone which you may wager the victim hears well enough:

"My, I wisht I had a pair of shoes as good as them is!"

Thus the beggar has accomplished two things. He has forced the pedestrian to stop and pay attention, which is half of the professional beggar's game in every case, and he has secured a fine introduction for a "touch." There is usually a nickel in it, at any rate, and sometimes there is a pair of shoes, which can be conveniently pawned.-Philadelphia Press.

Testing Eggs For Age.

A new and simple method for testing eggs is published in German papers. It is based upon the fact that the air chamber in the flat end of the egg increases with age. If the egg is placed in a saturated solution of common salt it will show an increasing inclination to float with the long axis vertical. A scale is attached to the vessel containing the salt solution, so that the inclination of the floating egg toward the horizontal can be measured. In this way the age of the egg can be determined almost to a day. A fresh egg lies in a horizontal position at the bottom of the vessel. An egg from three to five days old shows an elevation of the flat end, so that its long axis forms an angle of twenty degrees. With an egg eight days old the angle increases to forty-five degrees, with an egg fourteen days old to sixty degrees and five degrees, while an egg a month old floats vertically upon the pointed end.

Demand For Human Hair. The largest dealers in human hair in New York, who practically supply the hair crop for the entire country, are authority for the statement that the demand for this commodity was never as great as it is at present. The result is that the price of all shades and styles of human hair is rapidly soaring upward. There has been an advance in the price of first class hair of from 30 to 50 per cent within the last three months. The present indications are, judging from the size of the crop now being imported, that there will be a still further advance in prices during the winter months. One dealer said that it is almost impossible to supply the demand for first class gray hair. A wig of gray human hair of fine quality is worth its weight in silver or perhaps even in gold.-Boston Transcript.

Swimming For Soldiers.

Many valuable lives would certainly be saved annually if swimming formed a portion of the national curriculum for soldiers. During the bathing season life, the perfection of which depends there were several fatal accidents holds, to begin with, that the resident to soldiers whose lives would have of a city does not require a watch. He been saved could they have swum a goes so far as to say that an umbrella few yards. During the South African is not indispensable. Then he points war there was a case of a retreating to superfluous buttons on wearing apdetachment which could not fetch a boat from the other side on an unfordable stream, although no enemy but the water offered opposition. A couple of fair swimmers could have per- or since there have been any record of formed the service with ease, and, the river being narrow, the little command \$10,693,236,302. The total production would have been ferried over before of gold from the mines of the United the pursuing Boers arrived on the scene.-London Giobe.

The World's Mail Service. The aggregate annual letter and ewspaper mail of the world amounts | country west of the meridian of Dento 32,500,000,000 pieces, of which 8,500,-1 000,000 go through the United States mails. We have 75,000 postoffices and nology and Psychology in Paris th 500,000 miles of postal routes, with a other day a report was read from Dr. yearly travel over them amounting to Korovine of the Moscow Asylum For 500,000,000 miles. The service costs Inebriates, where experiments for the over \$150,000,000 a year. The receipts cure of drunkenness by hypnotic sugnow almost equal the expenditures and have doubled in the last ten years. In years. Dr. Korovine claims 22 per 1860 the total receipts were \$8,000,000. which was considered an extraordinary patients. He says that out of 323 pasum. But for \$22,000,000 spent in establishing the rural free delivery, which now serves one-seventh of the my residence, in township 19, range population of the United States, the than a month, but only 3.1 per cent for postoffice would be self sustaining.-

Ancient Trees.

In the sequola groves of California there stand trees so old that they may well have cast their leaves and shed their seed on the night of the Nativity. On Mount Lebanon the survivors of sold to any one who will agree to treat the groves which escaped King Solo mon's fourscore thousand hewers still and three-quarters hyena. I will also stretch their gigantic arms and scatter their cones for the children of the west

> The great struggle of life is first for bread, then the butter on the bread and last sugar on the butter. old-Herald.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

Christianity is growing in India fast er than the population.

American railways handle about \$12,000,000 worth of grain a year. More than one-third of all our export trade has been in the two great crops, wheat and cotton.

One hundred million bushels of grain are sent every year to the mills of

A water reservoir at Manchester. England, is sinking, and the cause is believed to be coal mining nearly un-

The Chinese government is to receive mines.

The druggists of Rome have formed a corporation to bring suit against Baedeker for saying that their shops

observed, "It's an awful shame to foist ers also struck-with slippers-and the children are now in school

In London the unusual heat of las summer gave a further vogue to the One of the professional beggars straw hat and made silk hats so unwhose "lay" is along Broad street from popular that the factories dismissed many of their workmen.

The London Tailor and Cutter gives

Between the two oceans we raise oneof its corn, one-fourth of its oats and

The practice of oiling the roads has been introduced in India, at Bombay. It is found that if the oil is allowed to soak in slowly no obnoxious mud is produced, and the result is a success. The Agricultural bank of Sofia has decided to buy 5,000 iron plows, 200 grain sorting machines and 500 har-

trons to increase the revenues of the farmers. It is reported from Tokyo that the Russian prisoners of war of Jewish and Polish origin now held in Japan have expressed to the officers in charge of them their desire to become natural-

rows, to be distributed among its pa-

ized Japanese after the war. A violin player witnessed a lively street fight at Paris not long ago and began to play in order to soothe the two combatants. It had the opposite effect, however, for one of the fighters drew a knife and stabbed the violinist. All the five planetary satellites disovered since 1846 have been found by Americans. They include Hyperion, the seventh satellite of Saturn; Diemos and Phoebus, the little moons of Mars, and Phoebe, the ninth moon of

Saturn A mail bag captured by the Boers in 1899 has just been recovered. It contained forty-seven registered letters, in which were about \$350 in cash, a number of postal orders, a draft for \$1,000, documents involving a sum of \$25,000, checks, official papers and two wills.

Every one nowadays, owing to the disclosures of scientific investigation, believes that sugar plays a more in portant part in the dietary than a mere condiment. It is a food and when used judiciously in combination with other foods adds markedly to the value of a

Ireland is making a bold bid for a leading position in the British fruit markets. Orchard cultivation is being encouraged by the authorities and arrangements are being actively prosecuted for the drying and packing of fruit, in "American fashion," for exportation. The Irish fruit is among the finest in the world.

A Danish electrician named Paulse is credited with having successfully attempted a curious feat. It is said that he has been able to operate the keyboard of a typewriter at a distance without any visible connection between it and the instrument at hand. It is added that he has also discovered a new kind of "electric wave" whose existence has been suspected, but which has never until now been re-

vealed. An English writer has been devoting his attention to the elimination of unnecessary things and has succeeded is presenting a tentative list of articles which mankind does not need. He parel, such as those on the back and on the sleeves of frock coats.

The total production of gold from the mines of the world for 410 years. the same kept, is officially given at States since its discovery is given at \$2,539,503,140. Of this the eastern and southern states produced \$32,492,648, leaving \$2,507,010,492 as the amount of gold produced by the mountainous

ver. At a meeting of the Society of Hypgestion have been carried out for three cent of radical cures out of some 300 tients hypnotized 84.4 per cent did not drink alcohol for a week, 33.8 per cent for three weeks, 27.7 per cent for more the whole time of the treatment-that is to say, for six months.

Money In Some Clothes.

Hoax-Joblots has gone into the clothing business. Joax-He ought to do well. There's money in clothes. Hoax-There's never any in mine. Philadelphia Record.

His Whistful Look. "My husband is getting to be a sci

entific whist player." "Is he? I've been wondering lately what made him look as if there was not much more left in the world that was worth trying for."-Chicago Rec-