# BANDON RECORDER.

DEEP SEA CURRENTS

THE GULF STREAM AND ITS COURSE THROUGH THE OCEAN.

Many Irregularities Are Known to the Velocity of This Peculiar Liver of the Atlantic.

Seamen sometimes seem to forget that even the most permanent of ocean currents are occasionally driven out of their usual track by a succession of strong winds from one direction, and the fairy tales with respect to the alleged vagaries of the gulf stream told so frequently only tend to show that navigators rather too frequently regard that river in the ocean as not less firmly fixed in velocity and direction than if it were flowing to the sea be tween banks formed by the solid earth ever since the gulf stream was first discovered about four centuries ago it was recognized by thoughtful navigators that fixity of tenure did not and could not hold for that vast body of relatively warm water cushioned off from the Atlantic coast of America by the colder waters of the Labrador current even as far toward the equator as Florida. Were it not for the gulf stream, or, more accurately, the eastern extension thereof, the average air temperature in the winter would be not less than 29 degrees below the freezing point of water on a Fahrenhelt thermometer registered at the Shetland Islands. As matters stand the presence of the relatively cold current from the Arctic washing our shores, inside of the warmer gulf stream, closes up the harbors of Newfoundland at the same time as the gulf stream extension is keeping the Norwegian coast clear of ice even as far to the northward as the North cape. To put it another way, St. John's, N. F., is sometimes closed with ice even as late in the year as June, while Liverpool, which is 2 degrees farther to the north, has never been in that condition since the glacial epoch.

gested that by diverting the course of the gulf stream into the Pacific through the narrow neck of land join ing the two Americas, it would be quite possible to freeze out a considerable portion of Europe. The cool Labrador current setting southward from the lcy regions adjacent to the north pole impinges with greater veloc ity than usual upon the northern margin of the gulf stream in certain years. Cyclonic storms traveling up from the southward deflect it also, and consequently the gulf stream, although probably the most permanent of all the great ocean currents, is not invariable either in velocity or in direction. Generally speaking, this ocean river in the lower latitudes of the Atlantic is driven westward by the prevailing easterly winds acting upon the sea surface un til the western side of the gulf of Mexico is attained. Thence it follows the land till an outlet is found through the strait of Florida, which, being both ity of the current to increase. Thence It sweeps northeastward outside of the Labrador cool current hugging the coast until the banks of Newfoundland are reached. About there the gulf stream proper is said to lose its identity as such, but the warm waters thereof are driven by the prevailing westerly winds toward the United Kingdom, Norway and even Spitzber gen. Many irregularities are known to occur in both the direction and the velocity of the gulf stream from time to time, consequent on wind changes and variations in barometric pressure.

Prior to the age of chronometers most

In fact, it has been seriously sug-

extravagant views were put forward by navigators and others in a hurry to the effect that by the aid of an ordinary thermometer the longitude could be ac curately determined if the shipmaster would but trouble to take a series of sea surface temperatures when in the vicinity of the gulf stream. Similarly the sea surface temperature was regarded in about the same geographical position as an infallible guide to the proximity of ice. Neither inference is High temperature indicates tropical origin and low temperature indicates polar origin generally speaking, but beyond this it is dangerous to predmay be in a very abnormal position for the period of the year owing to natural and contented. Other able-bodied men ity of the ideal horseman and must causes, and a fall of 25 degress Fahrenhelt is sometimes experienced in a short ship's length on the mingling places of the warm gulf stream and cold Labrador current on a beautifully clear day without the slightest sign of ice of any kind above the boundary line of sea and sky. Many a sailing ship, after vainly trying to reach New York, they would have been surprised at the has got badly iced up and run to the warmer waters of the gulf stream to thaw out both ber crew and her gear, but neither the longitude nor the presence of ice can be rightly determined solely by the aid of sea surface tem peratures. Nevertheless the use of the sea surface the mometer is not to be few blocks farther on a man boarded despised, because it is undoubtedly of the car who had lost his left limb in the approximate assistance in defining a ship's geographical position. The line of separation of the two currents, the cool Labrador and the warm gulf stream, is often noticeable either by the vivid blue of the salter gulf stream in close proximity to the green color of the fresher Labrador current or by the ripple on the margin. It is said that a blockade runner from Wilmington, N. C., when chased by a Federal cruiser, managed to escape by the observation of this friendly ripple. The blockade runner edged into the current more favorable for her, while the cruiser kept in the adverse current and Shipping

Jest What Education Is. In a composition upon "Education" A boy once wrote, "Education is going to school, which is being marked ev ery day and examined on paper and then promoted, and if you are a girl you graduate and have flowers, but if you are a boy you don't have flowers: you only go to collete." A samewhat unique, deplorable, but comprehensive selinition.

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them to give vent to a hearty laugh

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fested by two crippled men in a street

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sound of their own voices.

with intemperance, and to secure your happiness in this world and in eternity. The drink habit has spread throughout the world and counts its victims by If you want to get through life hundreds of thousands. There are 3000 symmetry and exact proportion of all moothly, serenely and happily, you saloons in San Francisco where men the parts of his diminutive frame nust cultivate a cheerful disposition. and women can make beasts of them-Occur In Both the Direction and In It may be very hard at first for those selves. These places thrive on the who have naturally a despondent vein degradation of the people; therefore, running through their natures; they the church sets itself against drinking. have much to overcome. The most The saloon in the home-the sideboard trifling thing in the every day events where liquor is constantly found-must of life will call forth this despondency, be condemned as an evil. At a birth, which if not put down will eventually from it liquor is dispensed; at a marend in melancholia - a disease that riage, from it liquor is dispensed; at a baffles physicians and frequently brings death, from it liquor is dispensed. On the victim to the walls of the insane all important occasions liquor is disasylum. When the disease reaches pensed, and it is degrading. It is a art treasures in that city and also to this stage, it is the beginning of the end, great evil against which the church nothing will lift the pall of gloom that must make a bold stand. Temperance has settled over them but death. But you is a virtue that must be cherished. It ay, "I have inherited my melancholy brings its blessings in this life, and at disposition, then all the more reason the hour of death it is never regretted that you should shake off the shackles that one has been a sober man or of our planet. As a matter of fact, that bind you, and which if not curbed woman, boy or girl." with a strong will and determination San Francisco is the place to see the to break yourself of the habit will not only wreck your life but make those consequences of intemperance in its around you very unhappy. Every time worst forms. I have seen young girls ou throw off a despondent mood you not over fifteen or sixteen years stagave scored one for victory and you gering on the streets in company with will find it easier to banish it the next repulsive looking men, all under the ef-

ime; furthermore you will find the fects of liquor; boys who ought to be at attacks of melancholy growing farther home and asleep, being dragged along and farther apart. Don't imagine for by their companions who were almost a moment that this merry old world is as bad off as themselves, trying to lead abusing you and lay all your trials and them, and steer them out of the way of tribulations, all your gloomy grave- policemen who would have taken the yard thoughts to it because you are whole bevy in a patrol wagon and fated to live on this sphere. You landed them in the City Prison to sober shouldn't complain; if your thoughts up. Saturday night is a gala time for were half as fair and your disposition those who love the cup that cheers but half as sunny, you would be a marvel who forget that it is also the cup that of happiness; the trouble is we put a brings the racking headaches in the blot on the part of the world we live in morning and a disgust for themselves by living only in its shadows. We owe that they have fallen and given in to an apology to those around us every a weakness that takes their hard earned time we allow ourselves to fall into the week's wages, and robs their families of depths of dispair. Look around and we the necessities of life. 'Tis a pity that can always find somebody worse off these men should be paid off Saturday than ourselves. We have our health, night, for if they had to report for duty others are lingering with every breath the next day they could not afford to ne of torture, and yet in their agony indulge. It is bad enough to see men miling at those who are ministering to staggering along the streets, but heartthem and reassuring them-that it is rendering to see a woman forget herself not so bad; it might be far worse. You to that extent. A woman not thirty can gather roses by reaching out your years old was staggering along the hand, you may have to stand on tip-toe streets at midnight in this city reto reach the sunflowers that turn their cently, and in her arms was a dead wise little faces to the sun with all their baby which had died of neglect. The petals expanded to catch every ray of intoxicated mother thought the child its brightness. You may have to go was sleeping. Her neighbors stated down on your knees to find the shy, that she had been drinking hard for fragrant little violets nestled coyly in several days and they had had to give their green leaves, but they pay you the hungry children left at home somefor the trouble and teach their own thing to eat. little lesson of being satisfied with the

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Cross it is with the desire to preserve you from the manifold sufferings that come

#### BRIEF REVIEW.

Success of Mosquito Campaign.

the heights. Everyone of us have our ambitions, but there is no earthly need A striking example of the efficacy of of falling into the depths of dispair beause we fail to reach the pinacle of our exterminating mosquitoes to prevent hopes and aspirations. It is not always disease is to be found in the case of the easy to make a joke of our misfortunes, but I have seen people do it under the last fall. This city is situated on the most trying circumstances. For in- Rio Grande, with one part in Mexico with a purchase, but her anger disapstance, I saw a man so sadly crippled and the other on the American side of peared when she saw how much the the other day, that you could almost the boundary. The outbreak of yellow shopgirl seemed to take the matter to the princess wrapper is recommended, vonder why he could have the heart fever in September was soon brought to to ever smile again. Yet he had the the attention of the United States Govnerriest face and the happiest voice ernment, and its medical officers immaginable. He had lost both limbs mediately addressed themselves to the ust below the hips and was strapped problem, supervising all medical work on to a little cart just big enough to on the Texas side of the river. The pahold his body securely. With a piece tients afflicted with yellow fever were occurring all the time. When cusof iron in his hand he managed to pro- carefully screened, and a relentless pel the cart up and down the sidewalks search was made for the mosquitoes, and across the streets with the greatest all infected premises being disinfected, ease. With all his misfortune he was so as to kill the insects, and water pools not a beggar, but sold pencils on the and other possible breeding places covstreet for a living. He had a cheery ered with oil. The result was that on word for this one and that one as he the Texas side of the river only 10 per passed. If you bought a pencil it was cent of the inhabitants suffered with all right, but there were no sour looks if the disease, while in the Mexican part you failed to put a nickel into his hands. of the city 50 per cent were afflicted. go up against a pretty, timid girl dissaw this sadly afflicted man approach | So thoroughly was the work done in mother man who had been injured in the American part of the city that in the same way, both of his lower limbs November no traces of the mosquitoes were gone, and he was also strapped on could be seen. As mosquitoes are reto his little cart and sold pencils for a sponsible for the transmission of disliving. The first cripple slipped up cases other than yellow fever, such a quietly behind his friend in trouble, record should be encouraging to those and slapping him on the back, said who have been working to stamp out cheerfully, "Say, old fellow, how's the pest during the present season. "Same as yours, I

# Fat Cadets Barred.

guess," said the man with a smile. At West Point it has been decided Day after day these two friends met The relatively warm water and exchanged greetings. They were that no fat cadet may go into the always cheerful and seemingly happy cavalry, because he must lack the agilpassed them who apparently had every- prove a burden to his steed. "Excesthing to be thankful for, but their faces sive weight," says General Burton (inwere so hard and so devoid of all sym- spector), "is ruinous to a horse, is pathy and kindness that they fairly cumbersome to a rider and weakens the mate. Bismarck is said to have de chilled you; they had forgotten how to endurance of the individual."

Ancient Ceremony at Cork.

An ancient-custom still prevails in Copk, Every three years the Lord-Mayor proceeds in his state barge to the mouth of Cork harbor and throws car. One had lost his right limb just head and a shaft of mahogany. The into the sea'a dart that has a gilded below the thigh, and he had boarded ceremony implies the dominion of h's town over the adjacent sea with all ice inlets and islands.

# ... Indian Rhinoceros.

same way, and took his seat beside the other cripple before he observed him. The Indian rhinoceros is nearly ex-When he did, he laughed heartily and tingt. There are two specimens in the said, "Say, Mr. Conductor, there's only London Zoological Gardens and two one whole man here, you can't ring on the European continent. Very lew two fares in for us." Everybody in the are left in the wild state in India and car laughed, and none more heartily Assam, and unless special measures than the two cripples and the conductional betaken for their preservation tor. It was ludicrous but no one would they will soon disappear. have dared smile at the misfortune of

Slaughter of Rats.

On the docks of London in one year every one in the car felt, but were too 76, 500 rats have been destroyed, but polite and too sympathetic to show. the medical officer of health for the lost the prize.—American Syren and We can cultivate a cheerful, happy d.s- port is doubtful whether that was as position as well as we can a gloomy and much as the natural-increase of births of those we meet, and it is a duty we ores are to be taken.

- Lvience by Phonograph. Archbishop Riordan addressed a The Vienna police are about to exlarge class of boys and girls on the tem- periment with a phonograph in taking perance question the other day and prisoner's answers to questions asked gave them good advice, which it would in the preliminary examination, so that heed. He said, "In slavinistering to say be no dispute as to what was said. dents, etc.

PREYER'S PREDICAMENT.

A Ludicrous Incident In the Life of

the Famous Painter. John W. Preyer, the famous painter of still life, was a remarkably small specimen of the genus homo, differing, however, from ordinary dwarfs in the When between twenty and thirty years of age his fresh, ruddy and beardless face and the shrill and boy ish tone of his voice caused people to take him for a child of about eight at the most. This illusion was still further heightened by his dress, a short black velvet jacket with a large turndown collar, over which his smoothly parted hair hung in thick clusters. When about this age Preyer paid visit to Munich in order to inspect the visit his old patron, Master Cornelius a former president of the Dusseldori academy. When Preyer called at the house of the latter he had gone out. and the servant who had answered the door ran to tell her mistress that a little boy was waiting outside to see the master. The lady went to speak to the visitor.

"What is it you want, my child?" she asked the painter, who at the approach of the lady took off his velvet cap and made a deep bow, saying in

"I wish to speak to Mr. Cornelius." "He is not at home at present, but if you will step inside you can wait for him. He will not be long."

So saying, she took the little fellow into the parlor and offered him a stool to sit on. In a short time the fair hostess became quite charmed with her youthful visitor, and at last she lifted him on her lap and listened with intense delight to the innocent prattle of the clever "child." Suddenly the door opened, and Cornelius himself appeared. Taking in the situation at a glance, he cried:

"Ah, good morning, Mr. Preyer. How on earth did you get here?"

"Mr. Preyer!" And with a shrick Mrs. Cornelius jumped up, tumbled Prever on the floor and fled into the next room, while Cornelius and Preyer, after the latter had picked himself up again, laughed till the tears streamed ed sufficient courage to allow herself strange visitor, who was retained as a guest to dinner, over which the amiable hostess presently regained her former self possession

### A WINNING SCHEME.

arm Wrathful Shoppers.

A woman whose stern visage spelled big store. Back of the desk was a timid and at the sight of the wrathful while luto her wide blue eyes came tomer began a tirade about some mis- the simulation is scarcely regretted. take that had been made in connection heart. Finally, after calmly explaining a great scheme," remarked the observsee, in every large business establish- extend to the shoulder. This not only ment there are bound to be mistakes tomers come back and kick about er rors they are usually in an unreasonable frame of mind. If there was a man back of the complaint desk or a strongminded woman, we'd have all kinds of trouble smoothing out the kinks, because the customers would keep their fighting mood on when they encountered somebody who looked able to take care of himself. But to arms them, and in a minute they are cool and ready to talk over the situation peaceably. The men kickers could not raise a row with a handsome girl, and the women-well, their motherly instincts are touched and they become good humored."

#### CURIOSITIES OF SUICIDE. Trivial Conditions That Have Led Up to Self Destruction.

It is a strange fact that nearly all great men have a tinge of melancholy in their blood and are subject at times to periods of great depression. Napoleon at the beginning of his career was in great financial distress and was prevented from drowning himself only by the timely pecuniary aid of a schoolclared after the battle of Sadowa that he would have killed himself had the Prussians been beaten, and Byron while writing "Childe Harold" declared he would have blown his brains out but for the reflection that it would give

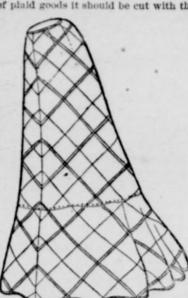
densure to his mother-in-law. The reasons for self destruction are often very curious. Men have frequent ly been known to put an end to their lives to escape toothache or other pains, while the dread of disease has been known to affect the mind to such an extent that the victim has destroyed himself rather than face it. Weariness of money and good things to eat have been the cause of suicide. One man drowned himself in the Seine because of the color of his hair, which was flaxen, and another shot himself because his clothes did not fit him. A girl threw herself into the Danube because her companions laughed at her corpulence, and a Frenchman took poison to spite his mother-in-law because she insisted upon living with him.

A Wonderful Memory.

Some years ago there was a strolling player at Edinburgh of the name of William Lyon, who had a most astor ishing memory. He one evening made sour one that freezes the kindly feeling over deaths, and more vigorous meas- a bet of a bowl of punch that he would at the rehearsal next morning repeat the whole of the Daily Advertiser from beginning to end. Being called on the next day, he handed the newspaper to a gentleman present to see that he repeated every word correctly. This task he accomplished without making the slightest error, through all the varietie be well for all boys and girls to hear and when the setual trial takes place there of advertisements, price of stocks, acci

#### WOMAN AND FASHION

Besign For a Skirt. This is an excellent design for skirt for plaid as well as plain fabrics



ONE OR TWO PIECE SKIRT.

matched bias edges at center of front. Darts arranged in upper part give a and white plaid was selected for the making, but several materials are suitbroadcloth. The medium size requires five and three-quarter yards of fortyfour inch material.

Cloth Costumes In Favor.

A great many navy blue cloth cos tumes are to be seen. Generally the revers and collar are in contrasting colors-red, blue and green velvet being by saying, "Why, Tom, my father the most worn. Beige and gray are much in favor, and there is a distinct return to covert coating in public fa Some smart women are wearing sack back coats in this material with immense pearl buttons; others wear the same material made with the popular "skirt" basques. A remarkably pretty down their cheeks. The former had figure is required to stand this innosome difficulty in getting his wife to vation. Skirts are almost without ex come back again. At last she muster- ception made with two flounces very slightly gored and bordered with rows to be formally introduced to the of stitching or bias folds of the material stitched. White cloth is still much worn. Women seem to cling to the memory of the successful "white" summer, gown and have transferred their fidelity only to a warmer edition of the same charming fashion,

Imitation Fur.

Among these new and most wonder ful false skins, which are also employ trouble, says the Philadelphia Record, ed for dress trimmings, coats and hats, stepped up to the complaint desk in a the crushed velours, with the markings of baby lamb, are perhaps the most miss-one of those Dresden doll girls seen. Many a smart evening coat is who never seem to lose their baby ways | constructed of this pseudo skin. Ermined rabbit skin turns out inexpensive shopper she seemed to shrink a bit, scarfs and flat muffs, which velvet rosettes and applications further en what the poets would style the look of hance, and there are others of a silky a startled fawn. The indignant cus- plush so deliciously like chinchilla that

#### For House Wear.

For real utility and good appearance and by the tasteful selection of ma the fault, she went away smiling. "It's | terials it is rendered quite correct for afternoon or morning wear. The pat ant manager with the air of a man be- tern is tight fitting, with closing at the stowing bouquets on himself. "You side. The front is fitted by darts which



PRINCESS WRAPPER.

gives excellent lines to the garment but is ever so much easier to fit that the old fashioned dart. The model pro vides a pointed collar, and it may be blue cashmere, with trimmings of is quite elaborate enough for any wear, but its charm is not by any means lost when it is developed of polka dot outing flannel.

# The Chiffon Ruche.

Puffed chiffon rufflings are a new idea and a good one. A puff of chiffon a band of lace and a ruffle of chiffonand there's a pretty cuff or top of bodice without labor whatsoever. And when used for cuffs they can be turned with the edge forward or back, as the taste prefers. They're very pretty, and they are sure to sit well and to stay. The price is only \$1 a yard.

#### Two Different Things. Nell-So she's fallen in love with

young Roxley. Belle-You don't say? Nell-Why, surely you heard about it Belle-No. I merely heard she was going to marry him.-Exchange. Helping the Cook.

Boarding Mistress-What are those boarders grumbling about now? Servant-They're roasting the beef .- New

Sin has many tools, but a lie is the handle which fits them all.-Holmes.

York Press.

#### TOM SHERIDAN.

The Handsome, Witty and Spoiled Son of Richard Brinsley.

At the east corner of Bolton street It is circular in shape and may be of (now 81 Piccadilly) there shourished one or two piece construction. If made when the nineteenth century was still of plaid goods it should be cut with the young a club devoted to dandyism; diners de luxe and high play, or, to speak cynically, the ruin of mind, body and estate. It was called Watier's. Its presiding genius, or "perpetual president," was Beau Brummel, famous for his cravats, his quarrel with the prince regent and his phenomenal good luck at the then fashionable game of macao. One evening he found the gaming table so full that there was no room for him, but seated there was a friend of his whom he knew to be too poor to play for the extravagant stakes affected by the habitues and who probably would not have been there at all but for the rosy influence of a good dinner with plenty of wine. After a word or two the friends changed penses of one. places, and before long Brummel rose the richer by £1,500. This sum he faithfully shared with his friend, saying, "There, Tom, go home and give your wife and brats a supper and play no more." The action was kindly and the advice good, and, though the words lacked somewhat respect, the pill was well gilded. Tom was the handsome witty, spoiled son of Richard Brinsley Sheridan. Of Tom it has been said smooth fit over hips. Provision is made that he was endowed with all the wit for inverted box plait or habit back of his father, all the charm of his mothand for round or medium sweep. Black er and the good looks of both. Few men seem to have been more universally liked, and when George Colman able, such as serge, mohair, cheviot and wrote, "I love and esteem Tom Sherldan heartily and wish success to any scheme in which he is interested." h only expressed a general sentiment. A few specimens of Tom's wit have

been preserved. None is better than a reply to his foolishly indulgent father when remonstrating with him for some imprudence. The father ended would never have permitted me to do such a thing," whereupon Tom replied in a tone of assumed indignation, "Sir, would you dream of comparing your father to mine?" - Longman's Maga-

#### THE LAND OF NICOTINE.

Smoking Seems to Be an Essential Part of Japanese Life

I think every man, woman and child in Japan smokes. This may be an exaggeration, especially as regards the children, but it is no exaggeration to say that snoking is as much a part of government to pay the veterans of the the everyday life of the people as is army and other claims growing out of enting or drinking, and it is indulged the war for freedom. in by women with the same innocent, nonchalant enjoyment as is exhibited by the men. It was a bit of a shock to me when I first came to Japan to ploits, has been sold to a company come face to face with this fact before I had an opportunity to form any | hold into a modern hotel. sort of impressions of the little women in whom I was prepared to be so interested. I landed at Nagasaki and tion was very small. There are now, through the interior. It was early morning, and, being in the midst of the rainy season, everything was soggy

The first class carriage into which I was shown was anything but first class; it was unclean and badly ven- Reimers had been stealing regularly. tilated, and its only other occupants were two Japanese ladies and a man. jety, in Lancashire (England) coa The women had evidently just finished breakfasting in the car and were now sitting on their feet upon the seat ab solutely enwrapped in clouds of the most evil smelling smoke, which they puffed from long cigarettes. They were beautifully dressed in silk kimonos and were undoubtedly gentlewomen. knew that even then, when I had seen so few, and I must confess I was rather annoyed, because their daintines seemed to be entirely destroyed. But

after a residence of months I think I would rather see them smoke than not. They do it so daintily, so innocently with such frank enjoyment, and so of their quaint Jappiness.-Eleanor Franklin in Leslie's Weekly.

# HEROISM IN ANIMALS.

Brute Maternal Affection.

line courage in defense of others as a and is carefully bringing them up. ege of death." Another writer tells a common potato. story which illustrates this point, Two entomologists, hunting at night, clam- factories of hairpins is at Painswick, bered over a gate with their swinging a village in the Stroud valley, at the anterns and found themselves in a field foot of the Cotswolds. There are no filled with sheep. The result of their fewer than 300 persons employed in coming was panic and a furious stam- turning out these trifles of the boudoir, pede. The sheep charged helter skelter and hundreds of automatic machines away from the lanterns and huddled to- are in constant operation transforming gether at the far end of the field. But miles of wire into tons of finished pins there was a ram among them, and as the flock scurried away this creature viewed by the Paris Eclair, says that stood firm, covering the retreat. Then, steadily and majestically, the huge ram advanced with lowered head toward made in high or pointed neck. Made of the mysterious lights and pressed them | Everywhere Japanese are to be found back to the gate. This is only one cream wool lace insertion and lace, it graphic story of many that might be told of masculine courage throughout nature. Man has some virtues which animals, so far as we can judge, know nothing about; but heroism-the pride of affording protection to the weak and daring death for the security of the flock-is not a human attribute alone, any more than is maternal af-

# Debits and Credits.

"Yes." said Mrs. Millionaire proudly, "we married our daughter very well, I think. We gave her a dowry of \$2,000,000, and you have no idea how many noblemen there were after her. She's now a countess."

"Yes, I read it all in the papers," re turned Mrs. Cheerful smilingly. "We didn't give our daughter any dowry at all, and she is very happily married to a successful young business man." "No dowry?"

"None. It wasn't necessary. In the matrimonial market, you know, it de pends on the girl whether she is ac cepted as a debit or a credit."

After the full meaning of this had Millionaire a coldness seemed to arise and make itself felt.-New York Press. | Craigie.

#### FACTS IN FEW LINES

There are many signs of a great com

mercial development in the western lands of Alaska. The United States pays nearly \$1,-000,000 a day to foreign ships for car-

rying its products. Rats give trouble in the London underground railway by eating the rub-

ber insulation off the wires. A Kansas man claims to have, a swarm of bees that made twenty

pounds of honey in three days. The army of school children in New York is larger by 100,000 than the armies which fought at Liaoyang. The Birmingham (England) health

for the children of impoverished patients. A man of Halifax, N. S., wanted a vacation so badly that he pawned a

department furnishes feeding bottles

cemetery lot in order to pay the ex-For manufacturing 150,000 bottles of "wine" out of chemicals and exporting

it as Hungarian wine a firm at Budapest has been fined \$57,500. The Russian department of commerce and navigation has decided to allow

women to become employees in it as bookkeepers and typewriters. A Polish girl of Brooklyn went to the cemetery to pray at the grave of a

relative. While she was there a tombstone fell on her and killed her. The longest name in the world is believed to be that of Miss Annie Keohoanaakalainhueakaweloaikanaka, whose

letters were addressed to Honolulu. A girl who has worked in a restaurant at Colorado Springs for a number of years has just come into a tidy little legacy of \$2,000,000 from a distant

English relative. Oak beams 1,000 years old recently vere removed from the Blue Bell inn. Bedlington, England. They have been made into handsome furniture by a local manufacturer.

The skeleton market shows a slump, and prices have fallen sharply owing to the Russo-Japanese war. The Boer war sent first grade skeletons down to \$17.50. They promise to be lower now. A big searchlight has been placed in

the upper geyser basin of the Yellowstone National park and is turned on the geysers when they play at night. The effect is said to be strangely beautiful. The Royal Bank of Canada has been given the contract of disbursing the

\$31,000,000 borrowed by the Cuban Governor Gessler's castle, near Kussnacht, on the Lake of Lucerne, famous

in the history of William Tell's exwhich will convert the ancient strong-The natives of India take more and more to beer. Formerly the consump-

almost immediately took a train for however, many large breweries, and Moji, whence I was to go for a trip last year their combined production aggregated nearly 9,000,000 gallons. Paul Relmers, a German decorator,

was so fond of reading his Bible in working hours that the foreman took it away from him and found between the leaves a large amount of gold leaf. There is activity, combined with anx-

mining circles. Many of the mine are near to the exhaustion point, and explorations in search of new ones are being carried on that will cost a large sum

Rio de Janeiro's health department in an effort to abate a plague of rats offered 10 cents for every dead rat. The consequence was that a syndicate was formed for the importation of the vermin, and it was making money when it was exposed.

On the docks of London in one year 76,800 rats have been destroyed, but the medical officer of health for the constantly, that it seems a very part port is doubtful whether that was as much as the natural increase of births over deaths, and more vigorous measures are to be taken.

There is a big Maltese cat in the rallroad shops at Indianapolis which is the It Is Not More Uncommon Than Is pet of all the railroad men in that city. She is said to have killed 10,000 rats A writer on natural history complains and mice in her time, but now she has that men are prone to regard mascu- adopted a family of four baby mice

virtue purely human. In reality self | The so called "sweet potato" is no sacrifice for the female sex or for the potato at all, but belongs to an entireyoung is part of the scheme of nature, ly different family, being truly an enand every male thing is strong and larged root of a creeping, twining vine, splendid in appearance because he is which has a blossom something like a the descendant of those who have morning glory. Sweet potatoes are proudly held and guarded "the privi- richer in starch and sugar than the

The greatest of the world's manu-

A French consul from China, interthe work of the Japanese in China is immense, and its effects are already striking and disquieting for Europeans. erganizing the sountry and instruction the people. These instructors act as spies and have even pushed down to the French Tonkin frontier.

The Canadian authorities are delighted over the success of their experiment in instructing their fishermen in the Scotch methods of catching and packing herring. A shipment to New York of Canadian herring put up by Professor Cowie and his Scotch fishermen at Canso brought from \$12 to \$15 a barrel, which is equal to the highest price obtained for Scotch or Norwegian berring. The ruling price heretofore received for the Canadian catch has been from \$5 to \$6.

The Voice of the Worldly. "Poverty is no disgrace," said the ro-

mantic young woman. "No." answered Miss Covenne, "and it is no great recommendation either." -Washington Star.

He who gives up the smallest part of a secret has the rest no longer in his

That is the tragedy of every wom-

percolated through the intellect of Mrs. an's life. She is pretty for a few years and old for a great many .- Mrs.