FACTS IN FEW LINES

Sewing on buttons is not a wifely duty in Japan. There are no buttons. The present population of Great Britain and Ireland is about 42,750,000 London's new motor fire engine wil be able to travel about thirty-five miles an hour at top speed.

The cost of building electric street raflways in England a mile, single line ranges from \$19,467 to \$29,209.

The 3,032 carat diamond recently found in the Premier mine, South Af

rica, has been named the Cullinan. By order of the Siamese government gambling, which is a government monopoly, has been abolished in the provinces of that kingdom.

Immigration into Canada is increasing rapidly. In 1896 the number of settlers from all parts was 10,835, Last year the number was 140,000.

Owing to the continued dry seasons in South Africa, which have caused the destruction of large droves of cat tle, the sinking of wells has become

In a debate in the German reichstag General von Einen, minister of war, admitted that brutality in the army was "the most repulsive canker" in that organization.

thelot, who has died at the age of sixty-one. He had been leading lover there for nearly forty years.

A London motor periodical finds moral in the Sergius assassination. It says that if the grand duke had been in a high speed auto the chances are the bomb would have missed him.

There are now some 10,000 modern plows in use in Greece against 14,000 antiquated ones. Greece is said to offer a very good market at present for foreign missions, the more I believe years, and her strange pets are never the sale of agricultural implements.

in the northern part of Roumania, and petroleum is now being experted to many parts of Europe, where it takes the place of American and Russian pe troleum.

There are more suicides in Berlin ery year than in any other European city, and the figures show steady in crease, growing from 434 in 1900 to 620. in 1904. This is about 32 for every 1001(00) inhabitants.

The keeper of the only saloon at Bellof the business. He was defeated by an overwhelming majority.

Air getting into a vela while he was undergoing an operation in St. Thomas' hospital, London, was the cause of the death of Frederick Thomas Kon nedy the other day. A verdict of "ac cidental death" was returned.

A lawsuit between two of the oblest families in Spain has been in the courts the case will be finally settled in the highest court in Spain in 1997.

In splite of the many jokenia. made at the expense of the Georgia peach crop that state produced nure peaches than any of the eastern states It is said that there are over 7 concoutrees that bear perches in the state.

has at last been located in the hands may see Mr. Rockerfeller's mistake of a farmer living in It-kinson county. Kan., who refuses to give up the rich man's method of getting it. Meanobligation to the treasury department while this little side play is going or for redemption.

for war material in Europe. Only redered sixty gans from the Krupp works at Essen. Large orders have also been placed in Germany and England for rifles and amountaine.

To the sum of \$2000,000 left by Mr. poor were erected in London, there has Gladden and his followers versus since been added \$4.750,255, received Rockefeller. It is a great side-play to for rent and interest, nothing the total fund, according to a report just issued \$7,293,255. As more money comes more buildings are created.

We hear often of eggs of large size but W. H. Going of Holden claims that he has a blooded Plymouth Rock ben that has laid the smallest egg that has been reported in any of the tales that are constantly going the rounds among the hen fanciers. The east le perfect in shape, brown in color and measures but two inches by one inch

Now that Kansas has appropriated money to mark the old Santa Fe trail, an enterprising citizen of New Mexico suggests that a hotel be built at La Vegas to be called the Santa Fe Trail hotel. He would portray on the walls of its big dining room the scenery of the trail. In other rooms would be many and made it a fund to keep hung paintings of old time stagecoach- women at home, who are left widows es, cavalry squads, buffaloes, Indians with tittle children to support, and and scouts. The sleeping rooms are to

In the last nine years 51,000 to ... have been registered in England. (c) these 3,500 have been used for conmercial purposes. The motor ways users have formed an association, and it has issued a circular in which it is urged that commercial automobilism if general would reduce the cost of her in time to bring herdarlings home. keeping up the roads and streets, less. There are thousands of such cases, and en the blocking of the streets by congested traffic and make them less dan gerous to pedestrians.

To pay a debt of 25 cents owed for ten years George Duna, an old sailor walked from Black River Palls, Wis to Lacrosse, fifty miles. Duan hunte up Coroner Cronon, of whom he box rowed the money in 1855, and result blim. Durin said the quarter was the only bill be oved to the world and that his conscience troubed him up could be an assistance to their mother, til he had part it.

Bass-And of which variety is your wife, the clinging vine or the self as sertive? Cass-A little of both. When she wants a new dress or a new hat she generally begins in the clinging vine role. If that doesn't bring the money, then she changes to the self asthe dress or the hat.

"I read your article about Rockerfeller and his objectionable coin last week, Polly," said a tired little woman with a careworn face and hands that were crippled and deformed with rheumatism. "I read it over twice," she continued, "and then I did sight of thinking. My husband is a profound believer in foreign missions, while I cling to the idea that there i enough home mission work to do, not only in your own houses, but all around you, and you don't have to open your eyes very wide to see it Well, the minister knows John's failing, and he comes to him for donations in season and out of season, and the family has to suffer for it, for John never refuses to contribute to foreign missions. I'm not complaining about my husband, for he means well enough and he believes that every dollar given to foreign missions means a good, big dollar's worth to his credit in the new Jerusalem. Our own little folks go shabby, and there's many an article needed in the home that we could have f John didn't go to extremes when he The Theater Montmartre, Paris, has is called on to contribute to foreign just lost its "jeune premier" in M. Ber | missions. He only receives a moderate salary, and yet he donates more than some of the wealthy members of the congregation whose bank account contains many figures. We are not the and scheme and economize to make both ends meet, and yet manage to give their mite to the foreign mission cause. The more I think about Mr. Rockerfeller's princely gift to be used every year. She has had them for a mistake was made in not accepting disturbed but continue to come and go Large oil wells have been discovered the gift with thanks and using it as buzzing contentedly in their handsome the donor requested, instead of calling quarters. apon the people in humble circumstances, who need every dollar, to contribute and help swell the fund. Another thing, even if they do not like the way that Mr. Rockerfeller made his money, why should they put stumbling blocks in his way when he is attempting to do good? It is a good thing that the Rev. Gladden does not stand at the portals of heaven to pass port, N. Y., was a candidate for justice judgment on saints and sinners with of the peace. He pledged blasself if kneck for admission, for bosts of elected to close his salom and go out would-be angels would be denied admission and doomed to eternal punishment. There are more ways than one to look at this matter and weigh the

different points, pro and con. I have been wondering whether Rev Gladden and others who believed as he does on this Rockerfeller question wouldn't have to answer, when the for 338 years. An announcement has last trump sounds, for the heathen just been made by both parties that who might have been saved body and soul by the judicious use of the money that Rev. Gladden advocated refusing. Pestilence and famine go hand in hand in many of these districts and not only the soul, but the body is perishing, and the wherewithal that would bring them new life, new hope and happiness to thousands of people, old and young, is declined with thanks that the world and the Church's disapproval of the with its great moral attached, there Bulgaria is placing immense orders are thousands of spectators in these and suffering the pangs of hunger and gag, redder, level, noon, Otto, sexes."disease-people who are waiting patiently for death to relieve them and still the great unrest and craving for the little that would mean new life and Peabody between 1862 and 1873, out of joy are allowed to be a secondary conwhich the Peabody buildings for the dition in settling the matter-Rev. me, Polly, a spectacular production in which I see skeletons of men, women and little children moving in a solid mass, with their bony arms and hands waving frantically as they beckon for assistance and plead for bread to save themselves and their little ones. The soul is as starved as their bodies. Turn on the searchlight for a minute, let i

"This money will doubtless be acepted and disposed of as the donor repuested, but had I been Mr. Rockefelthat was spurned and denounced by so and longed as we do now. who can see no way of providing for be named after the states in the Un- them, the only thing, in many cases for them to do being to put them in some charitable institution, where they are deprived of their mother's watchful care and training. She with a heavy heart going out to work from day to day, striving to save a little of her scanty earnings that will enable had I the money, I would not donate it to foreign missions but for a widows' fund at home. I would take the pastors of the different churches into my confidence and by their assistance, would have sufficient co-workers who would aid in a conscientious way, deserving women who were left alone with wee babies to care for, until the time was reached that the little ones and she herself could then find something to do, when there were no longer

disclose the scene in all of the heart

rending phases, then ring down the

expression.

curtain, for the play is sad; sad beyond

Many a frail little woman, left a widow, carries the babies that need a mother's tender care, to a charitable institution and leaves them there with sertive, and-well, she invariably gets breaking heart while she goes out into the world to earn the meager wages of his discourse.-Locke.

that will barely keep herself clothed and fed. A delicate-looking little lady who recently lost her husband, passes my home every day. She had to place her three children in an asylum, and can see them only once a week. She has never had to earn her own living before; and that in itself was hard for her, still she would not complain if she could only have her children with her. She is making a brave struggle and denying herself the bare necessities of life that she may save a little each week so that in time she can bring her darlings home. How slowly it counts up. I doubt very much whether she villever live to enjoy that pleasure, for she has a terrible cough, contracted in the place where she is working, and now there are bright hectic spots glowing in her cheeks. She let one cold after another go on because she did not feel that she ought to take the price of the medicine out of the fund she is saving for her children. She lives only in the pleasant anticipation of bringing them home again, and her only joy is her weekly visits to them. Now there is where my mission work would begin it I had the money. Home missions every time, Polly, and there are lots of just such cases in every town and city.'

What do you think of thirty-four thousand bees in a London parlor? They are not there by chance either. but it is their home and they go in and out in their own busy way. Miss Baden-Powell is the owner of the two hives of bees that grace the drawingroom of her house at Prince's Gate, only ones who have to deny themselves Hyde Park. In and out this busy little army of workers go through a small hole near one of the windows, through winter and summer. They produce about 120 pounds of delicious honey

BRIEF REVIEW.

The Skin of My Teeth.

Speaking of the somewhat popular lack of familiarity with the Bible, it deserves to be said, remarks the Boston Herald, that this deficiency is not confined to unlettered people. In a recent article on the political crisis in England Justin McCarthy quotes the expression, "by the skin of his teeth," and parenthetically apologizes for us ing what he calls a vulgar phrase. The expression is quite commonly rated as slang by very intelligent people. A cynical commentator on this expression calls it an Uzism, for the reason that Job originally made use of it in his wailings. Saith Job, in his 19th chapter, 20th verse; "I am escaped with the skin of my teeth."

A Few Palindromes.

strange words are tabulated, and new send it to the Palindrome society of as if they could resist a siege. "I can rattle off extempore a dozen or

two palludromes. Thus: "Bab, refer, bib, Anna, tot, bob, peep, fied, sees, dewed, tat, did, shahs, eve,

Philadelphia Bulletin. Rules for Writers.

Frederick W. Seward said that when he first started in at newspaper work Thurlow Weed said to him: "I will give you two rules to begin with. First, never write anything without some defi nite point and purpose; second, when you have written it, take your pen and go over it to see how many words and sentences you can strike out and how much you will thereby improve the ar-

ONCE WE stood before an Egyptian nummy that in life had walked the streets of Thebes long before the time of Moses and we thought, "How fleeting are all the ambitions and vanities of this life," This silent form hoped, strove and lamented over defeats, but who recalls them now, and where is a record of their sincereity. Had not the vandal descrated the grave none now on earth would know that this ler I would have withdrawn the gift embalmed clay had ever lived, hoped

> WHAT EVER happens don't allow anything to sour your nature. God needs cheerful, hopeful people to carry sign responsibilities the second time to any one who allow antagonisms to embitter. Washington and Lincoln died with fresh hopeful hearts and no men | Colton. were ever more bitterly opposed.

it read the proch aution of the third French republic, the crowd which folowed the two deputies caught sight of and were about to smash it to pieces ual for twenty years. Let us be con-

EVEN THE great make mistakes, Nacause they did not know the value of wee babies to demand constant atten- five minutes; yet Napoleon lingered at Ligny after his defeat of Blueher long enough to have fallen upon Wellington and crushed him before the rain or Blucher had time to arrive.

It is all he deserves."

SHRINES IN MOROCCO.

Why Some People Look Upon Them

With Suspicion. A traveler says that Christians in Mo rocco look with suspicion on the shrines of Mohammedan saints in that | waste away, demanding less blood and of a powerful electric current between country. He tells the following story Once upon a time a boy was traveling nutration, if not heeded, will result in carbon rods, or carbons, about twelve dwelt near the banks of the great through the country, and as night came on he found himself near a whitewashed tomb. Knocking at the door of | build up tissue or for the generation of | tically end to end in the lamp. The the shrine, he asked for a meal and a heat and energy. The result is kid- lamp mechanism is so constructed that habitants of the earth and made endbed. When the next day dawned he neys, liver and other excretory organs when no current is passing the upper was about to continue his journer, but the keeper of the shrine besought him the body wastes and become diseased, tive one, rests upon the lower by the to remain in order to help him keep the shrine and collect the offerings of the faithful. The youth said that he must first consult his parents, and the elder man bade him take his ass and seek advice of his parents and return The boy took the ass and rode away but he had not accomplished half the journey before the ass fell sick and died. Then the boy knew not what to do nor where to turn. But when he had considered the circumstances of his case a brilliant idea tlashed into his failure, apoplexy, diabetes or kidney away, the lamp mechanism feeds the

"Having dug a pit and cast the ass therein, he piled great stones over It. whitening them with lime, and set a and so.' Then worshipers came from offerings showered upon him. The keeper of the former shrine lost his customers and came to visit the new saint. He when the crowd had gone approached the young shrine keeper 'I ask thee by Allah,' said the old man, manner of thing is buried here?

" 'I will not deceive thee, but will tell thee the truth,' returned the youth other than thy beast, even the careas. of thine own ass. And now, pray, who deceive thee, but will tell thee the is the father of thy saint."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

We all make too much of our diffi culties. Few mysteries are as inexplicable as

the one of how some people live. When a man brags about himself it is sign other people don't brag about

A mistake many men make is being ther and brothers, a cat and imagining themselves popu

A man discovers that his wife is get ting old looking ten years before he makes the discovery about himself.

earn \$10,000 some one would walk up and, taking it away from them, tell that a man can become distinguished perjurer, them they had no business with that by arriving in heaven all in one piece. much money. The trouble is that, when a man I

he is, even that leaves him ten or twee ty years older than he wants to be-Atchison Globe. agreeable, Kitchens In the Tropics.

id he looks ten years younger than

The kitchens of tropical countries, "It is a fascinating occupation," said such as are to be found in our Spanishphilologist, "to search the language / American lands, are like cells from the drags and how loud the clock ticks.or palindromes. A palindrome is a thickness of the stone walls often two Atchison Globe. word that reads the same backward as or three feet deep and the projecting. forward. Rotator, for instance, is a omnipresent veranda, which gives a palindrome. Several hundreds of these grateful shade and which looks out on ones are continually turning up in the hanced by the iron bars at the windows English tongue. If you can find one and the heavy double doors, which book civie, toot, dad, madam, deed, pup, dei- court will stand table and closets to be applied to all foods. The real explaheathen lands guant and emaciated reviver, ewe, rotator, gog, pop, gig, smail, hot apartment with a furnace-freshly gathered is fitted for eating and

other," said the bookkeeper, The machinest happened to be in the office, and he took the pen and held it over the gas jet for thirty seconds. You can make an old pen as good as new," he said, "by holding it over a flame like this for half a minute and afterward dipping it in cold water." He dipped the hot pen in cold water as he spoke, and it sizzled slightly 'Now try it," he said.

The bookkeeper tried the pen and ex claimed joyously, "By George, it's as good as new again."

Two Expressive Quotations. Some sentences are like autographs you feel that they must have been written by these people; no one else could

have written them. Such is this, by Talleyrand: "To sucseed in the world it is much more nec essary to possess the penetration to discover who is a fool than to discover

who is a clever man." And Napoleon's character is drawn full length in this sententious remark of his; "I command or I am silent."

Love of Gain.

To cure us of our immoderate love o ris heavy tasks here and he will not as- gain we should seriously consider how many goods there are that money will not purchase, and these the best, and how many evils there are that money living as its reward. It is no wonder will not remedy, and these the worst .-- | that printing seemed more promising to

Andrew Johnson's Writing. The letters of President Taylor are rare, but perhaps those of Andrew Johnson are the rarest, as he did but little of his own writing. His som conducted most of his correspondence and signed his father's name to the the portrait of Napoleon III, hanging letters. It is related that one reason on a wall. They promptly took it down | why President Johnson wrote so little was owing to an accident which hapwhen Gambelta intervened. Turning pened to him when he was working at the portrait to the wall, he said: "My his trade as tailor. One day a tailor's friends, we have put up with the origi- heavy fron goose fell on his arm, so injuring that member that he found it tent today to turn his face to the wall. extremely difficult to indulge in penmanship thereafter. Andrew Johnson was the poorest writer among the presidents as well as the rarest. His poleon said his enemies lost battles be- handwriting was very much of a scrawl and can scarcely be deciphered by the average reader.

He Had.

Woman of the House (handing him a plate of cold scraps)-You look like a man who has seen better days. Fondry Gretts-Yes'm, thankee, I have. this to a dog.-Chicago Tribune.

OBESITY A DISEASE.

Should Be Taken.

At middle age certain organs lose functional activity and shrink and monly used is produced by the passage nerve energy. This decreased need for the slightly separated ends of a pair of says a writer in the Housekeeper. Then action of gravity, but as soon as the nature stores up this foul material in electric current is established the carbetween the fibers of the muscles and an eighth of an inch, thus forming a where it can be stowed away. In time circuit, across which the current is crowds out muscle, gland and other normal tissues and takes their place. are quickly heated to brilliant incaneration and always shortens life, end- the air are maintained in the form of ing often in sudden death from heart | blunt points. As the carbons burn

The prevention of obesity means reg- to maintain the proper separation. ulation of diet, especially in middle life and when changing from an active out passed by, 'This is the tomb of St. So- door life. Often the amount of food tion and too hasty eating. No wine, beer or alcoholic drink or tea or coffee should be used. At meals even the use of water should be restricted. Exer-'who is this saint of thine and what cise should be taken in the open air and deep breathing practiced to increase the intake of oxygen and burn up and oxidize bodily toxic matter.

For those women who are overstout et retain a fair amount of physical vigor, the day should begin with a cold is the saint and who in truth is buried bath, plunge, spray, cold towel rub or sponge bath, after which should be tak en active exercise in the form of work truth,' realied the old man. 'My saint either in the open air or in a well ventilated room, horseback riding, bley- Charles F. Brush in Atlantic. cling or a brisk walk for an hour or more. Exercise in a well ventilated gymnasium may be substituted for the out of door, but is not so effective and invigorating.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

A girl is never going to go very far wrong who is a good chum of her fa-

hood which furnishes amusement for the rest and doesn't know it. Every one has had more happy days

in his life than wretched ones, but how If some people would work hard and be lets the wreiched ones stand out! One great trouble in life is that the paths for going wrong are planted so

prefully with flowers at the beginning. Occasionally a disagreeable person will boast that at least he is sincere, but that is no excuse for being dis-Three things you never discover till

there is death in the house: The goodness of the neighbors, the way time

Fresh Fruit. "Gold in the morning, silver at noon a court. The cell resemblance is en and lead at night" is always used with The dining room is often on. But you will note that the proverb separated from this room by a long refers to fruit alone. If it has to do Outside the kitchen in the with the digestive power only it should supplement the scant furniture of the nation is very different. It is that fruit essens in value as the hours pass. That is true not of fruit only, but of all veg-Making an Old Pen as Good as New. ctables. That which comes direct from "My pen is spoiled, and I have no the garden to the table is the most palstable and in every way best fitted for consumption.

Deepest Haul Ever Made. The despest haul of a net ever made n the world was achieved by Amer cans off the Tonga islands, in the

outh Pacific. The trawl struck bottom 23,000 feet below the surface—that is considerably more than four miles own-but even at that depth animal life was found. Those strange beings lived in water whose temperature was constantly just above the freezing point and under a pressure of 9,000 pounds to the square inch. To sink that net and ging it back again took a whole day of steady labor. St. Nicholas.

Greeley a Lifelong Farmer. "I would have been a farmer had my science of farming been known to those among whom my early boyhood was passed," Horace Greeley wrote it ISGS "Farming as understood and practiced by those among whom me the life of an ox had no charms."

grew up was a work for oxen, and for And in temperament Horace Greeley was a farmer all his life. He was born on a poor little farm in New Hampshire, and his childhood experiences of the vocation were those of terribly hard work and a meager him. Oliver Bronson Capen in Country Life In America.

A Harricane.

The terrors of the deep were perhaps never more thrillingly set forth than in the description by a young lady who last year made her first trip abroad She kept a diary, very much, says the New York Herald, like that of Mark Twain, when for seven days he recorded the fact that he "got up, washed and went to breakfast."

There was one important exception When she crossed the channel the experience was so inving that she felt impelled to describe it. "I firmly resolved to stay on deck," she wrote, "although the tempest in

creased to such a frightful hurricane

that it was only with the greatest diffi-

enity that I could hold up my parasol." A Bad Recollection.

First Barber-Whew! That barnstormer must be a bad actor! Second Ditto-Why? First Barber-When I Dinnis K. K. K. Casey. What's all There cannot be a greater rudeness | There was a time, ma'am, w'en I would | Doo he jumped right out of the chair | Twas the fault of his godfather stutthan to interrupt another in the current | have blushed to hand such a layout as and made for the door!- Detroit Free | terin' whin he tried to say "Dinnis Ca-

IMPORTANCE OF CARBON.

Vigorous Measures For Its Removal Without It or Its Equivalent We

Could Have No Arc Light. The electric arc light as now so comintense heat. The ends of the carbons upper one downward just fast enough The carbons are not heated equally,

the upper or positive one being much white flag above, saving to all who of door occupation to a sedentary in the hotter. A small cup shaped cavity or "crater," ordinarily less than an eighth should be cut down from one-fourth to of an inch in diameter, is formed in its every side, alms were poured in and one balf, especially avoiding fats and end, the glowing concave surface of sweets, also soft foods, which tend to which emits the greater part of the togormandizing from deficient mastica- tal light. In lights of the usual size, something like half a horsepower of energy is concentrated in this little era- dropped from the sky. The variety ter, and its temperature is limited only and extent of the mineral wealth in by the vaporization of the carbon. Carbon being the most refractory sub- est materials are deposited there. And stance known, the temperature of the still as the constellations move across erater is the highest yet produced arti- the heaver and vanish above the ficially and ranks next to that of the sun. It is fortunate that nature has provided us with such a substance as pass to the gate of heaven. The fallcarbon, combining, as it does, the highest resistance to heat with the necessary electrical conductivity. Without carbon or an equivalent-and none is known-we could have no are light .-

CURIOUS OATHS.

Odd Ways of Swearing to the Truth of One's Statements.

When a Chinaman swears to tell the saucer is given to him. The following Black and White There is a family in every neighbor- like the saucer," when he breaks the the general public. Out of the 1,140 of saucer. Other symbolic variations of such communications two only hit the of a candle or cutting off of a cock's at and religious commonplace two meshead, the light of the candle representing the witness' soul and the fate of There are so many operations of late the cock symbolizing the fate of a you in your grief," was one.

lizards' skins take the place of the Bible of Christian countries, and the penalty of breaking the oath is that in one case the witness will become e prey of a liger and in the other hat his body will be covered with scales like a lizard.

In Norwegian courts of law the pre ing it. When the witness is duly lowing colloquy occurred: crushed by the sense of his fearful responsibility the oath is administered while he holds aloft his thumb and ore and middle fingers as an emblem

Bible, declares, "I will swear to tell the kitchen with a copy of a newspaper." truth, the whole truth and nothing but he truth." The Mohammedan takes he outh with his forehead reverently sting on the open Koran. He takes is "Bible" in his hand and, stooping ower, slowly bows his head until it

In certain parts of Spain the witness then taking an oath crosses the thumb f one hand over the foreinger of the swear to tell the truth.

WILLS OF LUNATICS.

The Queer Bequests That Are Made by Insane Persons.

lenced by the insane is a desire to nake a will. Of course these docunents are waste paper as far as their egality is concerned, but the attendants and doctors treat these documents with the greatest respect in order to umor the demented creatures.

Some of these wills would be amus ing if it were not for the sad condition of mind of which they are the outcom One man confined in an asylum left al his money to the mikado of Japan or condition that this dignitary should visit the grave of the testator once each year and plant chrysanthemums upon . The remainder of the estate was to be handed over to an imaginary charity called the Brotherly Love and Bounty

Another lunatic in a Parisian asylum tate to the possessors of Roman nose residing in and near Paris. The reason for this was that he had rather a handsome neve of this shape and was constantly admiring it. A similar bequest was that of a patient who left his property to an attendant because he enough." possessed one of the ugliest nasal organs the testator had ever seen.

One man, who was afflicted with the for me." mania that he was sane, but confined in the asylum unjustly, devised a will leaving his money to the commission ers of lunacy to enable them to engage a large staff of men for the purpose of visiting asylums and ascertaining i any were confined in them without reason.-New York Times.

Fooled Him.

"Why am I like a pin?" asked Mr. Jones triumphantly of his wife. He expected she was going to say, "Because you are so sharp," and he was philosophy, simply paralyzed when she replied: "Because if you should get lost it there are a whole lot more things you wouldn't be worth while to spend time can't do without it."-Washington Star

Stuttered Out the Child's Name. Flannery-It seems his full name is asked him if he wanted an egg sham- thim K's fur? Finnegan - Nothin'. sey."-Philadelphia Ledger.

ORIGIN OF PIKE'S PEAK.

Indian Legend of the Formation of This Famous Mountain.

The quaint Indian legend of the formation of Pike's peak is as follows: "At the beginning of all things the lesser spirits possessed the earth and taking into the body more food than inches long and from three-eighths to river. They had created a race of men can be oxidized and used either to one-half inch in diameter, placed ver- to be their servants, but these men were far superior to the present inless trouble for their creators. Thereare overworked in the effort to remove carbon, which is always made the posi- fore the lesser spirits resolved to destroy mankind and the earth itself, so they caused the great river to rise until it burst its banks and overwhelmed the form of fat in all the lymph spaces, bons are automatically separated about everything. They themselves took each a large portion of the best of the earth in every other odd corner in the body gap of high resistance in the electric that they might create a new world and a quantity of maize, which had this lifeless, useless structure of fat forced, resulting in the production of been their particular food, and returned to heaven. Arriving at the gate of heaven, which is at the end of the This is what is known as fatty degen- descence, and by the burning action of plains, where the sky and mountains meet, they were told that they could not bring such burdens of earth into heaven. Accordingly they dropped them all then and there. These falling masses made a great heap on the top of the world which extended far above the waters, and this is the origin of Pike's peak, which is thus shown to be directly under the gate of heaven. (it was formerly twice as high as now, but lost its summit, as is told in an-

other legend.) "The rock masses upon it and all about show that they have been the region prove that the earth's choicmountain summits we may see the spirits rise from the great river and ing stars are their falling burdens or the dropping grains of maize."

CULTIVATE TACT. if You Do Not Possess It, Strive to

Acquire It. I want it recognized that tact should be taught continuously, seriously, thoroughly; that it should be placed in the forefront of education and take its natural first place side by side with the truth he kneels down, and a china catechism, writes Frank Danby in

eath is then administered: "You shall A friend of mine recently suffering tell the truth and the whole truth. The under a great bereavement was in the saucer is cracked, and if you do not receipt of innumerable letters and teleted the truth your soul will be cracked grams from friends, acquaintances and the Chinese oath are the extinguishing right note. Among pages of sentiment-

sages alone touched the heart. "He was a man I loved. I am with

The other ran: "You have lost your In certain parts of India tigers' and best pal. He was mine too. God help us both."

Both of them epitomized the senders -men with great hearts. But the acmisition of tact by some of the other sympathizers would have supplied its

Again, paying an afternoon visit recently, my hostess, wanting a book to ade to the oath proper is a long which our conversation had referred, comily on the sauctity of the oath and rang the bell. Within two minutes the the terrible consequences of not keep servant appeared with tea, and the fol-

> "Who told you to bring tea?" "Please, ma'am, I thought that was what you rang for."

"Well, please don't think. I hired you to answer the bell. It wasn't the sig-In an Italian court the witness, with nat for a guessing competition. When is right hand resting on an open I want you to do that I'll supply the I was not surprised to hear this lady

changed her cervants frequently.

In Darkest London. In his book, "Child Slaves of Great ow, as if in the presence of a higher Britain," Robert H. Sherard writes: There are thousands of our poor chilouches the book which to him is in- dren in London starving not on account of the poverty of the parents, but by reason of the ignorance and sloth of the mothers. They know nothing of cookery; they wish to know other and, kissing this symbolic, if nothing. They do not care for the primitive, cross, says, "By this cross I trouble. In every London slum you will find a fried fish shop or a cooked meat shop or a grocer who sells cheese and pickies and potted things. It is much easier and 'less worriting-like' to send the children out with coppers for t penn'orth of fish and chips or a bit One of the manias which are evi- of cheese and pickles than to cook any

Vocation and Avocation.

thing for them."

"Avocation" is one of those unfortunate words that are constantly being ised in a wrong sense. Strictly speaking, it refers to something that calls a man away from the ordinary occupation of his daily life. If you earn your living by drafting conveyances and interpreting legal subtleties and also are often seen in leisure hours with a camera in your hand and have a dark room at home, then the law is your vocation and photography your avocation.-Lon don Telegraph:

Good Enough.

"is your name Goodenough?" asked a bill collector of a man on whom he

"It is," answered the man, with a ook of surprise.

"Then I have a bill against you." And he handed him a slip of paper. "That is not my name," said the man. "But you said your name was Good-

"So it is," said the man as he prepared to close the door. "It's good enough

A Desperate Remedy. Agent-I came to deliver your book on "How to Play the Plane." Lady-But I didn't order any such book. Agent (consulting his notebook)-Have you a next door neighbor named Jones? Lady-Yes. Is it for her? Agent No: she ordered it for you.-Cleveland

Londor Both Sides of a Question. "There are many things you can't do

with money," said the man who affects

After the Honeymoon.

He-We must try to keep up appearances. I suppose you don't want our friends to know that our marriage has been a failure? She-Oh, no. I wouldn't care to have them see that their anticipations have been realized.-New York