The engineers in charge of a telegraph line at Hongkong were surprised recently by the discovery that about 1 seven miles of their cable, though it wits well protected and laid underground in a concrete trough, had been severely damaged. For the greater part of the length aval holes had been bared quite through the casing down to the capper wire itself.

It was agreed that insects must have been the authors of the mischief, through what kind of insects was not obvious. It might be possible to find one which enjoys perforating lead. But these insects seemed to have drilled the holes not in order to make a passage, but by way of making a meal. They had taken a dinner of six courses, consisting first of tarred rope, then of lead, then of twisted rope, then of tape, then of hemp fiber and lastly of india rubber. The copper strand had been too much for them.

Persons of the damaged cable were sent to the Natural History museum with a hope that some opinion might be given and the oracle replied that there could be very little doubt that experiences were sobering them rapid swim the river. the damage was caused by white ants. Specimens of their peculiar forms of encouragingly, the Oatman family, ed comp by the river, for two wagons appetite and industry are kept in the murdered by the Tontos, were simply had stolen out, laden with provisions, museum, which show not only that they will eat lead, but will also bore through hard sandstone rock.-London Spectafor.

No Secreey In Technical Work.

Time who have been reading the technical journals of the leading indust reply-the treacherous visit of the In ling chair; another ripped open a feathtrial countries during the past winter | dians to the lonely camp, the sudder | er bed and sent the contents flying; a must have been impressed by the un- attack, the murder of the parents and third broke in the top of the stove in usual publicity given to methods of Infants, the braining of Lorenze, the sheer wantonness. Then each eye in production and the detailed design of captivity of Olive, the oldest daughter, the slare and slame might have winkapparatus still in course of develop and little Mary Ann. He impressed ed, for a couple of casks were tapped, ment. It would seem as though the old | upon her the difference in their own and the Indians began to drank the policy of secrecy in such matters had circumstances, yet he felt her shrink, fiery contents. The soul of the Indian largely disappeared. Not only have as it were, into his flesh, and involunt turns to liquor, and here was some so works formerly forbible a even to large | tarily he pressed her closer, customers been thrown open to the inspection of properly credited visitors. but technical processes still incountefer ly developed have been described in of California, where you shall be a hour and passed. In the stillness of cote ain't nothin' but an expense no- dors and porches connecting the wards. papers before scientific societies. The millionaire's daughter some day, I the night there came across the dis- how." spirit of the scientific investigator has possessed the engineering world during the last six months, and progress has been correspondingly rapid

It has been generally recognized for some years that the day of secreey in business was past, but the publicity of late has nevertheless been surprising. Engineering Record.

### Dummy "Horses."

The various departments of the patent office teem with old and about devices, but one of the oddest ideas yet put forward is a dummy horse, for which a patent has recently been granted a Canadian inventor.

The object of this horse is to avoid trouble with nervous animals which are apt to run away at the sight of a motor car or carriage. It is intended to be attached to the motor car for the benefit of the real borse's nerves.

In order that the "horse" may serve its full purpose of utility it is made with a hollow body, in which are to be stored the tools, extra gasoline and

other things required by the motorman. The automobile born is fastened in the mouth of the dummy, and at night the eyes are lighted up, one being green and the other red, and are supposed to serve the same useful purpose as star- hope," he replied almost gayly, for lay down in his yoke to rest his tremboard and port lights on board ship.

# A Hint From Carolina.

will be to organize a class in the pro- over the earth like ants. number of its name. Let the crew. tasteful to South Carolinians to hear their state referred to as "South Ca'llna" and themselves of "South Ca'les date." Such corruptions of the two words are totally inexcusable. Let the crew of the "South Carodina" be trained in the proper pronunciation of the name, and bechaps in time northerners who come in contact with the then of the ship will eaten the habit. Hun, for heaven's sake, do not have a "South Callina" in the United States forcy - Columbia State.

# The Island of Pearls.

A rise in the price of pearls two or three years ago produced great activity among the pearl tishers of the Venezuelan islands of Margarita. whose name is the Latin word for pearl and whose gems were fought over by the early Spanish explorers. About 2000 men find constant emplayment in this business, which has its thrilling moments, since the opening of a shell dredged from the pearl syster banks may disclose a jewel of great price. The Margaritan pearls are of fine quality, usually white or yellow, with an occasional black one, and such a one is greeted with joy, for It bears a high value. About \$600,000 worth of pearls are found near Margarita every year.

# Liked the Prescription.

About a year ago Dr. Gray lost a wallet containing a large sum of money. He offered a liberal reward for its return, but the party who found it thought the whole thing was better than the reward. The other day the doctor entered his coal house, and the protrading from the end was a card clung to them all! bearing the inscription, "Doctor, please fill this prescription again."-Garden City (Kan.) Herald.

Natural Cross of Pearls. Some curious things have been found in the briny deep, but one of the odd est is an ecclesiastical emblem made of pearls which was washed ashore on the coast of West Australia. There are nine good sized gems in this natural curiosity. These have been joined together to form a perfect Latin cross. Seven pearls of equal size comprise the upright and two more form the transverse piece. The joining has been the work of nature. The odd prize, dis- round the wagons, and clouds of arcovered in a pearl syster, is said to be rows filled the sir. They retreated from worth at least \$50,000. It is called the the field by and by, when their chief Great Southern Cross pearl.

CHOICE MISCELLANY | # # # # # # # # # # # # # # WOMAN AND FASHION HUMOR OF THE HOUR By JULIA B. FOSTER Caparight, 1204, by Julia B. Foster

> one day, the oxen having laboriously their visit had been a surprise it had toiled through sand to their fetlocks, received a warm welcome, but the catthese people, with the sun shining in the had faded away like mist, and these of the county, during a recess of con- and heavy and requires considerable their faces, passed a square railed in white people seemed at the mercy of gress Carmack, then a representative, steam power to operate. It is almost closure. Leaning from his horse, the the savages who had chosen to show captain read the inscription printed themselves enemies.

"Sa-c-re-d, sacred," she spelled back? Suffer that alkali and sand "Sacred to the memory of the Oatman again, that mirage by day and comet family." Her father touched her should by night, that burden of dread, once der, and with her foot on his, she more? Must it be? There were a few sprang to his pommel, where he clasped tethered oxen left, his own faithful her tight with one arm. Then the horse, the guide Sevadra's mule, but wagons filed slowly past, and every they were sore footed and worn. Bedriver and all the of er men and wom- fore night a steer and three or four en of the train read the epitaph and cows straggled in. They must have looked with serious eyes ahead. Their been too frightened or too unruly to ly Nevertheless, they told each other. At 10 that night there was a desertunfortunate. Why, look at this Rob and all the people had followed them. inson train-and the Oatman train was Eight wagons were left standing by

"Who was Mr. Oatman?" question their hoods seeming to confain each a ed Boy, her head against her father's single dark eye spying into the night.

one wagon.

He ran lightly over the history in built. A curious Indian tried the rock-

whispered.



"S-a-c-r-e-a, sacred," she spelled.

that purple greed of gold was always billing limbs, and when he tried to rise blooming before his eye even along he fell back dead. His experiences the endless stretches of glastening bad been too much for even a willing It is to be hoped that one of the first | sand. Yet what was his desire more ox to bear. When they hitched an things done abound the new barrieship | than another man's the desire to bet other of their treasured cows old Buck South Carolina when it is completed for hitsself? Inspired by it, men run turned his head and looked at her

One day they discovered the bones of god again at his burden, as if he had from the captain down, be trained to a man-of all paths along this track. now accepted the last insuit that could "South Car-off-na." The word "Caro- less way, that they should have fol- be effered him. lina" is pleasing to the ear and is in lowed in his footsteps, and by his gar. Next morning fast was broken with his American application of historic ments and his pack they knew him, a little flour stirred in boiling water significance. The early colony was It was the man who had shouldered and a bit of "jerked" beef, the size of married from the Latin in honer of his effects, growling, and started on two tingers, to each man, woman and Charles II., who made the original alone months before. How had be en-child, the remains of the last slaughgrant to the eight lords proprietors in dured the solitude and the hardship to tered cow. As the wagons filed away 1993. It is therefore particularly dis. this point? Great heavens! The buz- faithful Tige, the comforting companzards that wheeled and slowly passed fon of their wanderings, made no efthrough the air like floating flakes of fort to follow. In vain was he conxed

And then the Indians appeared by of dying love he watched them depart, twos and threes, stunted, ill favored and so they remembered him to this creatures, who are beans and drank day, his dry jaws between his stretchcoffee by the camp fire such a fire, ed out paws, the dumb farewell of a made of old "buffalo chips" and dried dog in his eloquent eyes. That day of frowns. cactus trunks. Now and again, too, they began to moisten the under part Once in an effort to regain them the drops of hoarded water. men brought home a pony, an un. "I could have drunk every drop of it tamed, pinto thing, with wild eyes and after them," whispered Boy in agonpink nostrils, and then Tige, the dog, Ized shame. came in with an arrow through his "Be paw's own boy, now, and brave

hind leg. hills, and the way was rocky and bad. Wanted." The precious cattle were eager eved "I know, I know," she whispered and growing gaunt by that time. And again, resolving to be brave indeed and then the Colorado river! How majes bear it all with the rest. tic its sweet flood! How full its green Adelaide no longer knitted. She was banks! How rich and suggestive its lank and hollow eyed and walked by promise! To those longing eyes it the side of the other slab sided womseemed like "the swelling of Jordan," an in the ankle deep sand. The young

The Mojave Indians were there, of er child had ceased even to fret and course, for their villages were just on endured uncomplainingly in its seat in the other side, but they were at peace the wagon. How many miles yet to with the government, and there were Zuni oh, how many miles back? no more dangers of any kind to be feared, thank God!

"Paw," said Boy, and the captain Robinson. Somehow she had never for noted how tall she was growing and gotten to burp on that string she seem how rounded out and plump, "paw, od to think they had go her int these are the Mojaves, and they had this deadly trouble. The cantain jerk the Oatman girls in captivity, didn't led his calls forward, and there statue

they?" "Yes, they did, but they bought 'em from the Tonto Apaches," he replied quickly.

"And what was that verse little Mary Ann sang when she was dving over there in the chief's tent?" Boy persistfirst thing he saw was his wallet, and led. Strange how that bloody history

The captain paused a minute, then drew the brim of his hat over his eyes ter how hard we may fight, we lose a as he repeated in a husky voice: "How tellous and testeless the hours

When Jesps no longer I see. sweet prospects, sweet birds and sweet much we are in the public eye, within Have all lost their sweetness to me."

hymn, and now to meet with it here now .- Lawrence (Kan.) World under such circumstances! That afternoon one detachment of fighting Indians drove off the cattle herded a mile below the camp and another appeared suddenly in clouts and war paint in the mesquite bushes

themselves, the open emptiness of

Each eye saw by and by a great fire

serving his purpose now.

them, and so they were spare l.

and woman a century old. Among the

remains of a prince yet in her car-

riage. Pieces of cowhide were lashed

to her feet and legs, and her burnt

eyes listlessly took in the grave feace

and the printed headleard and the

muddy 6th flowing between red banks,

the sun shiring on its sluggish waters.

It was Boy. To look at her one might

know all those "signs" had come true.

the company as in somberness and

gloom they cast a deadened glance at

the lonely mound. How was time

changed for them since that other pass

ing! And yet there was a blessing -no

Their "flery, untained steeds" were

an ox and a cow and an ox and a steer

to one team, and hitched to the other,

Buck and Rarley. One day old Barley

and begged with tears. With the gaze

as a boy should be. You know you

"If it hadn't been for those two

Mexican women?" murroured Mrs.

the Mexican cuide, afect and grins, p.

loting the way. He chewed a build

night and day, and the women "spell

dropped the senorus forever,

ed" each other in riding old Lucy and

I Sur Sur.

After all, where the real No mut-

lives were lost.

and calls him Ned.

What decision should the captain



"What did we come for, paw?" she lowa bottoms for medicine. It was excitable justice was on his feet. "Darn the chancey cote! Let 'em pay | ward have been erected partially.

> train afraid to breathe hard lest he and gravely handed the sheet of paper go from one building to another, in When the orator finished, Carmack's from under roof. They reached the Outman graves heighbor arose and presented the folagain some three months later, their lowing resolution;

two wagons as dilapidated as a man rest in the wheel tracks there followed: busefuely a forfort looking girl, the is hereby abolished,

tion was put to a vote and carried with they will get along very well if they enthusiasm by an overwhelming ma-Jority.-New York Times,

Business Mixed With Religion. The silence of death was on each of

services as follows: mildly and pitylogly, then meekly tug-Hymn-long staple.

staple in which his cash was tied up."

### Lodge's Grim Humor. Senator Lodge's sense of humor is a

brows were wrinkled into the sternest | cruiser Brooklyn and the protected | ward turning tucks give breadth to the | "Who is it," demanded he in a per-

"Oh, it's you," said the senator, with a half smile. "Then I'll thank you to They passed through a fringe of take the place of the boy paw always hand me one. There isn't a single mington, Del., will be ready for duty cigarette in my room." - New York by the end of June. It cost \$50,080.

> Profit and Loss. tor of a paper in the west in the old

lows: "In view of the fact that we cannot pay the road tax of \$10 assessed against us this year we have been sentenced to a certain period of confinement by the judicial authorities of this | den has this novel history; At the fustate. Consequently there will be no neral ceremonies of President Garfield issue of this paper for the next three a small seeding branchiet of acaria weeks, but as the state will, of course, was placed by a member of the Masonhave to board us we figure that we is fraternity on his coffin. After his shall come out some \$20 ahead."-Har- burial this seeding plant was brought per's Weekly.

his made. After that Mrs. Robinson [TO BE CONTINUED.]

the end; a ramitter how touch we may seemingly consucer, in the end we are Herald. wreichedly besters; no matter how Queer Lot of Names. two weeks after our death we are too dead to be talked about. There is It had been his old mother's favorite only one time in the world, and that is

Suspicious. Junior Pariner-The bookkeeper has been married nearly six months now, Senior Partner-Well? Junior Partner -Well, he basn't asked for a raise in salary, Serior Partner-Heavens! We'll have to have his accounts examined .fell, dragging off their slain, for though Philadelphia Press.

Abolished the Chancery Court,

Many tales are told of the high handed action of county courts, but none of the state, war and navy departequals the story of the court of Maury county, Tenn., which abolished the chancery court of the division at the Instance of Senator Carmack. Carmack himself was once a member of the Maury county court, and every farmer, no matter how far in the backwoods he may live, knows Carmack place the big hydraulic elevator in and copter portion of back, which is

While visiting Columbia, the capital outlived its usefulness. It is large where the quarterly court was in ses- quently shuts down for repairs. Owing

court that the chancery court is a useless expense and burden to the county. There-

Representative Brousard of Louisl-Orleans who was a cotton broker dur-Several years ago there had been great | courtesy and consideration. upheavals in the markets, and the bulls and bears had been having a high jinks time. The entire week was one of inmade and lost in a jiffy. When Sunday

"We will sing to the praise of the Lord in opening these services the Four Hundred and Twenty-seventh

"The good man," says the representative, "meant to say 'long meter,' but his mind was evidently on the fleecy

grim one, at least so avers a certain committee clerk in the senate. One afternoon early in the last session there were a number of clerks

engaged in a room just off that of the senior senator from Massachusetts. All at once they were aware of the sudden appearance of the senator. His The squadron consists of the armored grace giving effect. The three back- tract you in this batch."

Whereupon the guilty man immediately began to apologize and threw away his half smoke.

William Allen White tells a story illustrative of the tribulations of an edidays. Away back in the early eightles a notice appeared in a journal pub-

Longworth and Longfellow. Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati while a student at Harvard college was on a certain occasion introduced to the poet Longfellow. Grasping Mr. Longworth by the hand, Mr. Longfellow immediately said, "Here is an instance where 'worth makes the man, the want of it the fellow."-Boston

Miss Death was brought to the German hospital in Philadelphia to be opa daughter, she said, of an undertaker.

Dye-Dr. Frank Hackett Dye. nurses.

and Miss Grone. - Fuel,

[Special Correspondence.] Rear Admiral Baird, superintendent

ments building, has nearly completed plans for a pair of light high speed the illustration, is desirable to have hydraulic elevators to be installed in ready for warm days, the north wing of the building near the Pennsylvania avenue entrance.

stated in 1880, which has practically upon an upright headboard. Boy walk- make: Stay there and starve he could listened to the county orators. A bill is called upon to carry two or three times as many passengers as any other elevator in the building and when closed causes general inconvenience,

It is expected that the two high speed elevators which are to take its place will render much more satisfactory service. Run by improved machinery and requiring less steam power, the change will make a decided saying in the matter of time and expense. The New Almshouse, Officials of the District government

recently visited the site for the Home Industrial School For Colored Children on the municipal farm Just across the Potomac from Alexandria, Va., and at the same time inspected the group of buildings being erected on the site of the new almshouse. It is anticipated that both institutions will be completed and ready for occupancy by July,

"There is rising a building longer than the capitol of the United States,' explained Building Inspector Ashford. The long building of which Mr. Ashford spoke comprises the four wards, or practically four buildings connected by a system of corridors and porches. was presented for window shades for The foundations for this immense good it had been brought a on the the chancery courtroom. Instantly an structure are being laid, and at the southwest corner the walls of one "Come for! Why, Boy, the valleys The two wagons traveled back an for their own window shades. That A feature has been made of the corri-

Facing the southwest the innertes of taffeta, foulard, mehair, fine serge, tance the war whoops of dranken say- During his torrent of invective the almshouse will be admirably acages, and the wagous stole still far- against the offending body Carmack commodated with sun pariors, and the ther away, every human being in the scribbled a few lines in a notebook administrative force will be able to embroidery form a pleasing decoration cago Post, bring the dread that lay belind upon to one of the solons sitting near him. cluding the hospital, without going circular and cut in one, to give a yoke

Polite Car Conductors.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this conductor and passenger are so nearly graceful folds to the foot. The model ideal that visitors from other cities can is well adapted for use as a separate ers be it resolved that it be declared and hardly believe their eyes. The cone shirt also for remodeling a close fitductor here does not jaw the passen | tag shirt, as the cut out panels per-One or two of the justices looked at | gers and is not jawed. Both parties | that the use of different or contrasting Carmack suspiciously, but the resolu- act apparently on the assumption that material. freat each other as human belows.

Awhile ago a conductor found that his pocket had been picked and he had in value. An item to that effect apana tells of a man who lived in New | pearing in the newspapers, the passengers who were in the habit of traveling the week and a full fledged preacher | ing to and from their otilizes on his on Sunday, says the Washington Post. | car made up a purse of \$10 and sent it He mixed business with his religion in to him with a note to the effect that it a manner surprising to the natives, was in recognition of his unfailing

Painting the Capitol Arch. For the first time in forty years the ironwork composing the arch of the tense excitement and strain on the men dome of the capitol is being painted. who dealt in the staple. Fortunes were A small portion of this ironwork was painted twenty years ago. Now the came the broker-preacher went to his entire dome is being painted. The dust church, ascended the pulpit and began of forty years has accumulated on that erch nearly half an inch thick. It is a ery dangerous piece of work that the calaters are doing, and it gives the many sightseers that pass through the rotunda a creepy feeling to see them working up under the roof, seventyfive feet above the stone floor.

Navy to Honor Admiral Jones. Assistant Secretary Loomis has formally asked the mavy department to send a squadron to France to bring some the body of Admiral John Paul Jones. This is in accordance with an understanding already reached between Secretary Morton and Mr. Loo- One of the most charming of the mis. The duty will probably be in- new shirt waist modes is the surplice trusted to Admiral Sigsbee, command: | wallst shown in the accompanying cut. er of the craiser squadron that has It has won its way into the feminine been stationed in the Caribbean sea heart because of its long lines and ernisers Galveston, Tacoma and Chat- shoulders and tapering lines to the an error in spelling. The word 'batch' tanooga. It is necessary to bring the back. The stitched fold edging the should be botch." Philadelphia Ledgseveral of the cattle were missing, of the cattle's tongues with a few emptory tone, "that is smoking that body to this country before the end of surplice front is neat and effective, in er. June, as the laws of France will not permit it to be kept above ground

The New Fire Boat. It is expected that the new fire bout Fire Fighter, recently launched at Wil-The vessel is 101 feet in length and has a beam of twenty two feet, with a nine foot draft. It will be capable of making twelve knots an hour. As to ; its equipment, it will have a displacement of 6,000 gallons a minute and can throw fourteen two and a half inchhose streams, with one and a quarter lished at Dodge City which ran as fol- inch tips. It will also have two deck monitor pipes that will be experble of

respectively. The Garfield Tree. The Carfield tree in the botanic garto Washington and planted in Its present location.

Convention Hall Project. ing with flattering success.

Distances at Sea. That man was laughed at who on

erated upon for appendicitis. She was did not look so large as he supposed eggs boiling? Jane (late of Boston) The name of the surgeon who was perlencing disappointment. The hor- safely say, however, that the water is chosen to perform the operation was izon at sea gives no idea of the lim- in which they are immersed. Philaitless water beyond. A sea captain de delphia Press. When the operation was over Miss clares that the average landsman can-Death was placed in charge of two not see more than ten miles from the ship in any direction, and it would "So you have bought your wife an- ty that I got five of them." Miss Payne is the day nurse; Miss have to be a mountain or some station- other expensive ring. Isn't that a waste Grone is the night nurse. The patient ary object for him to be able to dis of money?" more than five miles.

For Warm Days. The shirt waist suits continue to a pretty linea suit, such as shown it air."

It is an excellent model for separate libac bushes felt their blood curdle." waists; also for remodeling plain The new elevators are destined to re | waisis, as the tucked sections in front tusked to siteulate a graduated double bay plait, may be made of a contrast. they found them the color of marble." ng fishrie.

It is a most effective design for



cashmere, nun's veiling or albatross. Tucked sections of English eyelet aire, "I mean what continent?"-Chland paneled effect that is entirely new and novel. The skirt closes under dou-In Washington the relations between ble box plait that falls in full and

Linen Suits.

The artiority of linen suits this year have long severe coats, relieved perlost a lot of tickets, amounting to \$10 haps by a deep lace or embroidered have collar and cuffs to match. Some lew of the skirts are absolutely plain, though tlaring well about the feet. But tucked and platted skirts are probably more in vogue. This style of fact may clear the ground by as much three inches, but can be lower if so short a skirt is not becoming. The examoratedly long coat is seen, but the mestium three-quarter is without queson smarter. Some coats are tight litting, while others are so loose as aland to come under the heading of box back. The sleeves should be of the leg of matton order-full at the d solder, graduated slowly to a comantively tight cuff.

Summer Slips.

dislike wearing sheer blouses directly write so sensibly and profoundly over corset cover or chemise are made would chew gum and wear high heelof the lawn or china silk. They are ed shoes," Washington Star, on the same lines as the blouse, but cut low and made without sleeves, with an edging of the lace. They are really a sort of corset cover, only kept everely shaple and bloused just a weeoft. Have it button down the back.

Yew Shirt Waist Design.

no way detracting from the pretty chemisette. The latter is removable With more than \$76,000 already sub- and may be made of the pretty washscribed for stock and Mr. Charles C. able materials or embroidered French Glover having consented to act as flannel. The sleeve is unusually fetchtreasurer, the project of the Washing ing, with the tiny tucks extending unton Auditorium association to erect in der the cuff and the larger ones above. this city a big convention hall is meet. For developing the walst in the medium size three and five-eighths yards CARL SCHOFIELD. of thirty-six inch material are re-

Setting Her Right.

his first voyage said that the ocean | Mrs. Housekeeper-Jane, are the it would, but he was not alone in ex Most assuredly not, madam. I may

True Economy.

recovered rapidly, and in a short time tinguish it. The masts of a ship are "On the contrary, it is true economy, head." bade goodby to Dr. Dye, Miss Payne said to be visible to the naked eye not for she wan't require half so many pairs of gloves as formerly."

In the Day's Work. "And then," according to the author hold their own as prime favorites, and of a late book, "a wild shrick rent the

"The two people hiding behind the

"Again came the wild, weird shriek."

And: "Looking into each other's faces,

"That sound again-that terrifying strolled into the county courtroom, constantly out of condition and fre- Pictuc, or white or colored duck, lawn, sound which made the heart stand still and the listeners to gasp for breath."

And: "With a mean of despair, Aspasia slowly sunk on the cold earth, and Harold stood looking at her like one -true k dumb."

And then, after an interval of ten

minutes. "All of a sudden it came to them that the sounds were produced by a mother licking her ten-year-old boy for driving up the molasses on his way home from the grocery, and life went on with them in the same happy strain as of yore. Life is full of such mistakes, though, and one can't be too careful about getting the labels mixed."-Detroit Tribune.

Resented It. "Gerald," said the young wife, noticing how heartily he was cating, "do I cook as well as your mother did?" Call put up his monocle and stared

at her through it. "Once for all, Agatha," he said, "I beg you will remember that, although I may seem to be in reduced circumstances now, I come of an old and distinguished family. My mother was not a cook."-Chicago Tribune.

No Time For Details. An American speeding over the continent of Europe in his automobile asked of his chauffeur, "Where are

"In Paris," shouted the man at the wheel, and the dust flew. "Oh, never mind the details!" irritably screamed the American million-

Giving Him Advice.



Young Masher (to rivai)-I say, old fellow, I hear you are an excellent runner. Is that true?

Rival (eagerly) - Rather! Young Masher-Well, then, run home,

Mysterious. "So you have read your daughter's ommencement essay?" "Yes," answered the matter of fact father. "I am dumfounded. I can't Summer slips for the women who understand how anybody who can

> The Woman's Way. "Many a married man who might

nake a fortune is handleapped because his wife demands too much of his at-

"That's right. Just as soon as fortime begins to flirt with him his wife gets jenlous,"-Philadelphia Press,

All He Found. "I trust," the new Joke contributor wrote, "you may find something to at-

"Huh!" grunted the editor. "I find

Nellie-Ito they have airships in Eu-Willie-I guess so. At least I heard Aunt Molly say she was going to take a flying trip through there this summer.-Detroit Free Press.

Evidence.

A Case of Compulsion. Willie-There's another fellow in the back parlor with sister. Castleton-What is he doing there? She knew I was coming, didn't she? Willie-Oh, yes. But she begged him to stay.-Brooklyn Life.

Bar 'Em Out. Sing a song of Maytime, Pretty flowers and queens; Gnats now have a gay time-Hoist your window screens. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Wants the Chance. "Late again, Mr. Brown! Late again," chirped the manager. "I believe you'd be late at your wedding." "Alt:" murmured the married man. 'And a lot later, too, if I got the chance again,"-Chicago Journal,

Obit 1905. Jimson-Why is Smiley wearing that black band around his leg? Grimson -His mother-in-law was bur-

ied yesterday.-New York Times. Not Inconsistent. "Straight party man, is he?" "Yes, but he's crooked."-Boston

Herald. Why, Then? "Did you finish your shopping today, by dear?" asks the model husband.

"Yes, I think so," answers the trust-

ing wife. "You think so?" "Yes. I don't know, though. You see, I went to get my hat and there were so many and all of them so pret-

"Five? Why did you do that?" "I-really-I must have lost my

"In that case, why get a hat at all?" -Chicago Tribune.