FACTS IN FEW LINES Cotton is the principal line of manu-

facture in Mexico. It is said that 1,500 Greeks arrive at New York each month. This year Tasmania will export day, as we seated ourselves in one of

tralia,

viously.

Professor John C. Olsen of the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute reports 4,000, 000 bacteria in one sample of milk bought in Brooklyn.

Japan has one of the largest steamship companies in the world, with serv ice to the United States and to England by way of Suez.

The house of the Capulets, where Ju liet lived in Verona, has been offered for sale and the municipality intends t buy it and convert it into a museum.

The London Academy tells of an old woman who walked into a shop and asked to buy a "circulating library. Inquiry revealed that she wanted a revolving bookcase.

The first bullfight in Madrid after th repeal of the Sunday law was wit nessed by 20,000 persons, and \$0,000 more waited outside the ring to get prompt news of the result.

photograph in a magazine."

An institute for the treatment of suf ferers from chest complaints, neural gia, catarrh and other maladies by means of opium smoking has been opened by London physicians.

The Hawaiian legislature has passed over the governor's veto a law allow that day.

especially milk dealers, that the use of preservatives in food is prohibited and punishable by the board as food adul-

A recently discovered manuscript French language when he was sent to the military school at Brienne that a private teacher was engaged for him.

A psalter which belonged to Boswel was sold at Sotheby's, in London, recently for £15. It contained the In scription: "James Boswell, 1763. bought this for 2d at Greenwich, when I was working there with Mr. Samuel

The value of shells, tortoise and others, gathered in Cuba last year amount-Europe the remainder, France being the principal buyer.

Dr. A. D. Nash of Townshend, Vt. has a pair of shears which were handed down from his great-grandfather. They were made by a blacksmith and of soldiers. They are much larger and heavier than those in use nowadays.

Captain Freeman H. Murray of Lynn has an old cent which he found some years ago while digging in his garden. It is an Irish coin, dated 1723. On its face it bears the likeness of King George I., while on the reverse side Hibernia is seen with her harp and dis-

Sam White of Riverside, Cal., has a boy born on Feb. 20, and in addition has one who was born on Washington's birthday, one on inauguration day and two on Ali Fools day, April 1; one on Thanksgiving day and one on Feb. 2, ground hog day; also three more boys yet swinging wide open to receive the

born on other dates. naval officers and European residents coming here without a dollar to bless in China. In consequence the Chinese themselves and scores of them illiterboys have grasped some idea of the game, and they are frequently seen amusing themselves with an old stick converted lato a club and a real golf ball which some golfer has lost.

A hotel which cost the builder \$13. 000 six years ago at Kettle Falls, Wash., has been sold for \$200, and a number of town lots were sold at from made by the county commissioners on foreclosure for delinquent taxes and marked the end of a boom town,

Thomaston, Me., is probably one of the towns that will not be asking for a new depot. The one there is the old General Knox mansion, 112 years old, and is the only building left of the once great Knox estate. For that reason it is a memorial that the town will

probably be glad to have preserved. a motor street cleaning machine that will do the work of 500 men. It operates rakes for caked mud, "squeegees" for wet weather, a revolving brush and a set of overlapping scrapers to complete the cleaning operation. All the refuse goes into a box. It works at the rate of eight miles an hour.

The most voluminous report ever filed with the United States supreme court is that of Frank S. Bright, commissioner appointed to take testimony | Ellis Island, with a goodly number of in the sult instituted by Missouri to enjoin Illinois from emptying the Chicago drainage canal into the Mississippl river. The report contains 4,480,000

words and covers 7,975 pages. A bell has been imported by the Swedish Lutheran church at New Britain, Conn. The bell is inscribed as Lutheran church, New Britain, Conn., from the congregation's Sunday school. The first Swedish church bell in Amer ica, cast in the year 1905 at Gothenburg, mechanical factory in Sweden Bell weight 1.120 kilograms."

"Smart" London Manners.

A fashionable crowd is almost in variably bad tempered. People jostle each other vindictively and preserve a stony, icy glare the whole time. A man at a dance seeking his partner in the crush will not hesitate to push ast women in a way that would prob the color scheme in gowns, gloves, ably shock his barbarian ancestors.-London Lady.

1,500,000 bushel cases of apples. Most the comfortable coaches on the line of with a design of violets tied with a of them will go to England and Aus | the California Northwestern Railway. | true lover's knot in shades of violet, The exports of Australia in 1904 were cisco was going out of town on this gold. The old-fashioned bouquet was \$280,042,056, an increase of \$38,195,630 road to escape the Fourth of July noise surrounded by lace paper frills. Games over those of 1901, the banner year pre and confusion. I expected a crowd, were counted with violets tied to the relentless advance into our lives. The So fashionable is appendicitis in people have at last found out that the bunches of violets for the second prizes. British society circles that, says Lon part of the country which is traversed The hostess, herself, Iwas attired in don Opinion, many women would rath by this road is the mecca for sight- a beautiful violet crepe dress, with er have it "than a three-quarter length seers, for those in search of health, a corsage bouquet of violets and maidwhere they can drink health in the en-hair. crystal water that bubbles and splashes as it pours from the rocks, or from crevice and fissure where the ferns love to dwell. Here is where the angler loves to cast his silken fly that woos the shy trout from the Russian river ing baseball and similar amusements and the many tributaries and brooks on Sunday and permitting cigar and that are teeming with the shy little many other stores to remain open on fish. They are game, and give no end by Major W. B. Leishman, M. B., pro-The superior board of health of Mex- of the pleasures both in anticipation Medical College, in an address delivered leo Informs dealers in food products, and realization in enticing the finny at the Royal Institute of Public Health written by a schoolmate indicates that of people went over this line during azar," signifies black sickness, and was Napoleon I, knew so little of the their vacation, and as train after train given to it by the natives because of a ed to about \$75,000 and of sponges in this direction where the Bohemians puscles in the blood, and dysentery of \$500,000. Of the latter the United gather annually to bury business cares an intractable kind. Women are as li-States received about 35 per cent and and revel in their own unique way, able to attack as men, and the parasite

"Listen at this, Polly," said the grumpy old bachelor who manages to get himself in this column occasionally by some of his timely, and many times oftener, his untimely remarks., "Sixteen thousand people-immigrants, mind you-have landed in New York in three days, and reports say that still there's more to follow. There is a mad rush for our open door while it is foreigners. The majority of these im-Golf is greatly indulged in by the migrants are steerage passengers, too, ate, even in their own languages; who have been glad in their mother countries to work for what we would consider a trifle, but which was all they ould expect to receive, but let them emain here a few weeks or months. or, at the very outside, long enough for the men to become naturalized, 5 cents to \$25 each. The sale was then they are dictating to you, telling you you can't do this and you can't do that in your own business. Where they were satisfied with a few pence in their own country, and were compelled to work early and late for this meager pittance, here they demand insolently that you pay them the highest wages, whether they are competent or not. They crowd out our American boys and girls-this raft of foreign im-London will soon put on its streets | migrants. They demand certain and umerous privileges which they never freamed of in their own country. Just think of it! Seven thousand Russian Hebrews reaching New York in about two weeks! They doubtless were a better class, but it is quite likely they are penniless and haven't twenty dollars to their names. In twenty two days over eighteen thousand Italians from sunny Italy poured into Hungarians, beside a liberal sprinkling from other European sections. Don't you think it is about time to tack up a olacard over New York harbor saying, No Admission,' 'Hands Off,' or somefollows: "Maria Swedish Evangelical aside, we know that it is the criminal are gay the bump of mirth will grow has displeased his or her master the

every one of the pleasure seekers.

A New York hostess recently gave a eard party in honor of a bride-elect, and knowing her fondness for violets, made it a violet party, carrying out a world without heroes. hats, wraps, shoes, laces, and in her sitting room, bedroom and bathroom, peddles gossip like a woman.

this class of desperate criminals."

The parlors for the card party were decorated in lavender and green; draperies of lavender illusion, held by auge bougets of violets were used wherever available. Long festoons of smilax and lavender ribbons decorated the lace curtains and swung in the doorway, while loops of smilax caught | The Popular Dance Had Its Or-"Where are all the people going, by rosettes of violets made a garland Polly ? " asked a little friend the other | round the walls. The score cards were works of art, being painted by a friend It looked like everybody in San Fran- touched up with a delicate tracery of out nothing like this, for I naturally card with green ribbons, and lone supposed a large number of people hands were green hearts tied with lavwould go south, as is their custom year ender ribbon. On each card table in and year out. But it looks as if were dainty lavender crepe paper basthey had at last discovered the fact kets filled with crystallized violets and that they get all the comforts in trav- tiny pistache gum-drops. A quaint eling, all the beautiful and picturesque idea was given for finding the partners scenery on this line, as well as the for the evening. The ladies went to glory of a perfect and healthful cli- the stair landing and found a mass of mate, where you can lie in a hammock | wide violet satin ribbons, which exenjoying your ever pleasant companion tended through the bannisters to the -a good book-or weave air-castles as hall below. Each lady took an end of light and flimsy as a child's card ribbon. At a given signal the gentlehouse, or lose yourself in your own men each took an end of the ribbon happy thoughts and cheerful memo- which hung in the hall below and folries of the days gone by; days that lowed it to the lady at the upper end; can never come again, but that still she would then be his partner for the leave a glow in the heart that can evening. For the first prizes of the never become dimmed with the hoar- evening she had selected a necklace of frost of old Father Time's reckless and Amethysts and an exquisite white silk tie embroidered in voilets and beautiful

BRIEF REVIEW.

"Black Sickness" is Deadly. Interesting particulars of the mys terious and deadly disease of kala azar and its newly discovered but at present nameless parasite were given recently of sport to the anglers, who find it one fessor of pathology at the Royal Army tribe from their own element. One of Russell square, W. C. When epidemic the great advantages, however, for the and at its height the disease is more pleasure-seeker is its convenience and fatal than plague, the mortality reachnearness to San Francisco. Thousands ing 96 to 98 per cent. The name, "kala thundered by, every car loaded to its darkening of the skin which it induces. fullest capacity with happy people, it The disease, said Major Leishman, has was natural for the thought or query been known in India since 1869, but it to come into one's mind-where are was first met with in the epidemic they all going? But from Sherwood form in 1882. The parsite has also been valley and Willetts down the line, and met with in Northern Africa, Tunis branching off on the various side lines | Algiers and Arabia. The symtoms into Greeneville, Camp vacation, etc., clude an enlargement of the liver and ght in the heart of nature, ideal spleen, a shriveling of the legs, a corpsespots are found for summer sojourners, like appearance of the skin, fever, an be it for day, week or month. It is up enormous reduction of the white corthrowing dull care to the winds. If has been found in a baby a year old. that is too far branch off from the For sometime white men were thought main road at Ignacio, farther down to be immune, but recently the parasite the line, and pitch your tents or stop was discovered in a soldier at Netley. at the resorts at pretty Glenn Ellen, or As to the treatment, Major Leishman used in the war of 1812 to cut the hair go on to Napa and stage it to some declared that every drug in the pharsummer resort. Crowds upon crowds mocopeia had been tried without rewent out, but there was a place for sult, although it was still believed that the use of quinine was indicated. He said: "We do not know how the parasite gets out of the body or into the body, but we do know that infection runs along the trade routes and clings to a house in which patients have had the disease. It will probably be found that the parasite lives in the soil through the aid of an intermediate host of cold-blooded habit such as a reptile.'

Drank Toast as He Died. General De Sonnaz, a leading member of the Italian Senate, who died in Rome the other day, was at his desire. dressed in his General's uniform, with all his medals and decorations, just before he expired. He then called for a glass of champagne, and with his relatives gathered around his bed drank a loast, "To the King's health and the prosperity of Italy. ' At the sitting of the Senate the General's last patriotic toast formed the subject of a eulogistic speech made by the president. The Senate has decided to have this asidress printed and to send copies of it to the various barracks to strengthen the spirit of patriotism among the soldiers.

Retired as Rear-Admirals.

The following Captains of the United States Navy have been retired with rank of Rear Admiral by President Roosevelt, upon their own application, after serving in the Navy forty years: and C. T. Hutchins. Admiral Bleecker nas until recently been Captain of the Bremerton, Puget Sound Navy Yard.

Nature-Study Authority.

Mrs. Anna Botsford Comstock, the authoress, is one of the best known nature-study authorities in this country. She is assistant professor of extension work in nature study at Cornell university, and lectures each year at Leland Stanford university.

Study this deeply for ten minutes: Our brains are composed of little bumps which feed and control our different thing like that? Looking at this mat- faculties and emotions. Thinking ter seriously and laying all joking draws blood to these bumps. If you class and the lowest scum of Europe and you can't help but be gay all the offender takes his boots in his hands that is pouring into this country. Men time. If you are sad long the bump of who are such born criminals and who sadness will grow. If you study wise are terrors in the place where they re- books you will want to keep studying; side, have their passage paid to this and if you are mentally lazy the bumps country rather than fill their jails with | will shrink up. Is this clear? Try to

No life is sweet that lives only for

A world without struggles would be

Never confide anything to a man who

DREAMY WALTZ

igin Either in France or Germany.

Its Introduction Into England Caused Scandal and Put Society in a Great Uproar.

No exact date can be ascribed to the Introduction of the wallz into England from France. In 1800 Gilray published caricalture of a couple waltzing. the most that this was intended or a quiz upon the then foreign dance, valtzing." Again in 1810 the same artist published another sketch, entitled La Walse, Le Bon Genre," with the note, "The walse was at this time new n England and just coming into fash-

The fame, or, rather, notoriety, of the ew dance had, however, reached England some years previously, Dr. Eurney had seen it danced in Paris in 1780 and was moved to write, "How measy on English mother would feel to see her daughter so unfamiliarly treated and still more to note the obliging manner in which the freedom is returned by the females."

Raikes in his journal declares that no event ever produced so great a sensation in English society as the incoduction of the German waltz," which he atttributes to Baron Neumann and others about the year 1811 He relates how the mornings, which had hitherto been dedicated to lounging in the park, were now absorbed at home in practicing the figures of a French quadrille or whirling a chair round the room to learn the step and neasure of the German waltz.

It was danced at Almack's by a few very bold spirits, notably Lord Palmerston, Mmc, de Lieven, Princess Esterhazy and Baron Neumann, and thus became a matter of exhibition, the whole company standing on benches to

However, the antiwaltzing party took | zette. he alarm and cried it down. Mothers forbade it, and every ballroom became scene of feud and contention. How tain quarters is proved by the pasquinades leveled against it. The famous seven lines commencing What! The girl i adore by another em-

are commonly attributed to Byron though they were published anony mously in 1812, and some authorities give Thomas Moore as the author. An impromptu purporting to be addressed by an indignant lover to his betrothed

and her partner echoes Byron's feel You've brushed the bloom from the

From the rose its soft hue; What you've touched you may take Pretty waitzer, adleu.

Another poet delivered himself of the following diatribe: How arts improve in this inspiring age!

While waltzing females, with unblushing disdain to dance but in a man's em-

eers mount the box, and horses tread the

"The waltz, however," continues Halkes, "struggled successfully through all its difficulties. Flaurhault, who was la fleur du pois' in Paris, came over and with a host of others drove the prudes into their intrenchments. And when the Emperor Alexander was seen waltzing around the roof at Almack's, with his tight uniform and numerous decorations, they surrendered at discre-

It is a moot point whether the waltz originated in France or Germany, whether it came from the French "La Volta" or the German national dance, the "Landler." According to French authorities, La Volta was simply the waltz a trois temps. Provence was its birthplace, and it was first introduced at the court of Henry II. at Fontainebleau in 1555 by the Comte de Saulte, who is said to have invented it, for many called it La Volta de Saulte, and the name is suitable both because of the etymology of the word and the character of the dance.

it enjoyed a great run throughout France and even penetrated to Scotand, where it met with furious opposition, one writer averring that its importation into France had been effected by the power of witches. Mary Stuart once exhibited her agility in this lance, but she was careful not to repeat the experiment, and this was about the last heard of it.

The case for Germany is that the first waltz tune appeared in 1670 in a popular song called "O du lieber Augustin." From Germany the dance made its way to Vienna and was introcame to England-"the insidious waitz, this imp of Germany, brought up in France.'

The waltz when first danced in London was a slow movement a trois compositions were very poor. Strauss came to London in 1837 to play at At. mack's, and his waltz music created a perfect furore. It killed the old trois temps waltz, and the deux temps usurped its place. Now that the fascination of the waltz is all powerful, it is difficult to realize the commotion its introduction caused,-London Globe,

A Roumanian Custom.

A strange custom is still observed in | conquered the country about 320 B. C. Roumania which reminds one strongly of Robinson Crusoe. When a servant and places them before the bedroom door of his master. It is a sign of great submission, and the boots are either kicked away as an intimation that the fault will not be forgiven or else the servant is told to place them as it flowed down from the icy north, on his feet, which shows that he is for-Inherited.

Settlement Worker-What a well behaved little boy he is! The Burglar's Wife-And he comes by it natural, good behavior. Puck.

ELEPHANTS LUMBERING.

They Were Not Only Doing Man's Work, but Doing It Man's Way.

The elephants round us were dragging the logs to the mill to be sawed. They were harnessed for this with a broad breast band and heavy chains. A native looped the chains round the logs, and the elephant started off with them and deposited them on the trolley. Others were picking up the sawed planks with their trunks and carrying them across the yard to be piled.

A mahout sat on the neck of every elephant, and if the animal picked up too small a plank the mahout would once heard Von Menzel say: hint, with his iron spike, that two might go to that load. Then, grunting, the elephant would pick up the second with infinite delicacy of balance, turn, march over and deposit them beside the pile, always returning for another load so long as there were any planks ready. When there were none he would take his ease in the sun and wait, or perhaps there were heavy logs to be pushed from one place to another, and if pushing would do, with his trunk curled against the log, no elephant would give himself the trouble of picking it up any more than a housemaid will pick up a chair on

More fascinating it was than I can tell to see the jungle patriarch kneel down to a heavy log, twist his trunk round it, place it on the top of the pile and then calculate its position and push and pull until it was square in its place. The oddest because the most reasonable thing was to see the elephant, pushing against the end of a very heavy log, stretch out one hind leg to give himself balance and purchase. That seemed to bring him somehow very near to us. He was not only doing our work, but he was doing it in our way.

Presently, with one accord, all the elephants dropped work and moved in the direction of the sheds

"That means it's 11 o'clock," said the foreman; "dinner hour. Not for himself could we get them to do a stroke of work from now till 3. It's their off time. At 3 they begin again and work till dusk, and they start about 6 in the morning, but they don't understand overtime."—Pall Mall Ga-

JAPANESE WHALERS.

profound was its unpopularity in cer- The Curious Way They Do Their

Work With Nets and Knives. Whales are captured in nets by the Japanese. The whalers put off from the shore as quietly as possible, and when they come within the proper disdrive him gently toward the nets. Moving along lazily at first, the whale soon realizes that something untoward is happening and, hurrying forward, dashes on to one of the nets. This is the critical moment, and when the fishermen see that the whale is well in the center of one of the squares they raise great shout and charge in upon him.

When the whale is about spent a man chosen for his strength, activity, pluck, coolness and general fitness for his work then leaps upon his back and with a great triangular shaped knife proceeds to cut two great gashes in his body just back of his head. Through the underlying blubber and these two gashes he passes a rope and, knotting it, makes a loop of it. He then repeats the same operation as far back on his body as he can. When the fight has been completely knocked out of the whale, boats range alongside of him, and by the help of the loops already mentioned the hapless cetacean is slung between them in such a manner as to minimize the danger of his car-

cass sinking. Then the boats form in procession, and, making for the shore, there comheld in the village temple, and prayers building material. are offered for the repose of the dead whale's soul. Chicago News,

The Baby Beetle's Cradle. If at almost any time of the year we scarlet, black or pin oaks are growingor even larger. These at the broken end appear as if cut away within the wood, so that only a thin portion is left under the bark. Within the rather uneven cut, generally near the center plugged by the "powder post" of a beetle larva. Split open the branch or

Why Prussia Is So Called.

haps the inactive pupa.

twig, when a burrow will be seen, and

the little, white, soft, hard jawed lar-

va that made it will be found or per-

The modern name of Prussia is delanguages to the Lithuanians. They per's Weekly. came in occasional collision with wave after wave of the great Teutonic race receiving their first knowledge of Christianity from Bishop Adalbert of Prague, whom they martyred in 997. In the middle of the thirteenth century the Teutonic knights, on their return from the crusades, undertook the conquest and conversion of Prussia. The Borusmum. His poor father never failed to sia element mingled with the followers have a sestence reduced owing to of the Teutonic knights, and consequently with the Poles.

ALTERING A PICTURE.

Why the Change Did Not Please the Original Artist.

An artist was talking about the noted German painter Adolf von Menzel, "Von Menzel," he said, "painted the clearest and most distinct of pictures. pathy. He was called the Meissonier of Germany.

"In a discussion of a certain impressionist's vague, unintelligible work I

"This man Markheim sold to the Countess X, two years ago one of his landscapes. The countess after she had had the landscape a few weeks tired of it, and to another artist who dined with her one night she said:

" "I think the new picture that Herr Markheim sold me lacks animation. It needs life in it. Would you be willing to paint for me a man or woman on that road that runs through the mid-

""Why, surely, madam," said the second painter. And he took the picture home with him, made the addition and returned it the next morning.

"Later, meeting Markhelm, he said "" I had the audacity to alter a landscape of yours the other day. It was the landscape you sold the Countto oblige her I painted an old peasant walking down the road."

" Markheim frowned, "'"The road?" he said. "The road? I don't remember any road in that pic-

ture.

the other. "'"I can't recall it," said Markheim. "'Finally, to settle the matter, they went to the house of the countess and

stood before the picture. ""There," said Markheim's brother artist-"there is your road, and there is my old peasant walking down it."

"Fool," Markheim cried, "what have you done? That is not a road in the center of my work. It is a river." -San Francisco News-Letter.

THE GROUND CUCKOO.

Remarkable Cunning It Displays In

oddities is the California ground cuckoo. He usually is from twenty to wenty-five inches long, including his tail, which measures one-half of his whole length. On account of his small | these birds because the Holy Ghost aswings he is a poor flier, but what he sumed the form of a dove." Commentlacks in aerial dexterity be makes up tance of their objective the boats, a pedestrian velocity. With his four which have hitherto worked in couples, yard jumps he can outrun the swiftest separate and, dropping their nets as race horse. His geographical range they go, work around to the rear and is confined to southern California. flanks of their expected kill. The nets Mexico and some parts of Texas. As are made in large squares, each side a bird of prey the ground cuckoo outbeing about forty feet long. One net | wits his most avidious fellow creais composed of six squares in line, and | tures. Snalls and large worms constithe squares are fastened to each other tute his principal food, which he is lightly. When all is ready the boats lousy all day in digging out of the which have been worked around to the ground. But he does not hesitate to mosque swarms with pigeons, and the rear of the whale then commence to attack larger animals. It is no trouble for him to get the better of small places. The Hindoo pundits and the snakes, and when domesticated he beats any cat or dog in the extermination of mice and small house pests.

Most curiously interesting is the strategic sagacity he displays in the capture of large rattlesnakes. These he dare not meet in fair and open combat. As soon as he espies a rattlesnake sleeping in the sun near a cac tus hedge he surrounds his victim with department store, a heap of the prickly leaves until he sharp bill, which causes a sudden commotion in the cactus heap. In his at tempt to disentangle himself from the leaves he wounds his tender flesh, and it takes but an hour or two for the average rattler to die of sheer extidbit for the sly cuckoo. His method with his prey resembles that of the cat with the mouse.

THE OLD SAILING SHIPS.

Why the Wooden Ones Were Better

Than Those Built of Iron. The sailing ship when I knew her in mences the most curious part of the the days of her perfection was a sensiwhole affair. The whalers, with real ble creature. When I say her days of fervor and in the most solemn manner perfection I mean perfection of build. possible, begin a chanting prayer for gear, seaworthy qualities and ease of the ease of the departing spirit by call- handling, not the perfection of speed. ing out "Joraku! Joraku! Joraku!" in That quality reached its highest ex low, deep tones. Upon the third day cellence in the discovery of hollow after the kill a memorial service is lines and departed with the change of

None of the iron ships of yesterday ever attained the marvels of speed which the seamanship of men famous in their time had obtained from their wooden, copper sheeted predecessors. walk through the woods where the red, Everything had been done to make the iron ship perfect, but no wit of that is, where we find those that ripen | man had managed to devise an efficient their acorns in two seasons and there- coating composition to keep her botfore belong to the pln oak group-we tom clean with the smooth cleanness shall probably and on the ground fall of yellow metal sheeting. After a Rear-Admirals J. V. B. Bleecker, Adam duced into the opera, while by and by an branches that vary in size from that spell of a few weeks at sea an iron A. Dunlap, F. H. Delano, J. G. Eaton it found its way to France, whence it of a lead pencil to that of one's thumb ship begins to lag as if she had grown tired too soon. It is only her bottom | revolutionary movement without a red that is getting foul.

> ship that is not driven on by an untir- | all the great reformers or founders of ing propeller. Often it is impossible to religions had red hair. History mentemps, and the early English waltz of the growth, is a small hole tightly tell what inconsiderate trifle puts her tions that Mohammed was a red haired off her stride. A certain mysterious | man. King David was ruddy. Louis ness hangs around the quality of speed | XIV, was a sandy haired man, with as it was displayed by the old sailing many of the characteristic peculiarities ships commanded by competent seal of the type. Cleopatra is called 'the men. In those days the speed was red haired Greek.' Mary, queen of still a matter for the seaman's care. Scots, had red hair, and Prince Charles Therefore, apart from the laws, rules resembled her in coloring. Lucrezia and regulations for the good preserva | Borgia looks in her portraits somewhat tion of his cargo, he was careful of his auburn. Queen Elizabeth was of derived from Borussi, or Porussi, who loading, of what is technically called cidedly red coloring, which will suit the trim of his ship. Some ships sailed both her admirers and her detractors." Little is known concerning Prussia and best on an even keel, others had to be its people till the tenth century except trimmed quite one foot by the stern, that that portion of the Baltic shore and I have heard of a ship that gave which is now included in the kingdom her best speed on a wind when so of Prussia was formerly inhabited by loaded as to float a couple of inches Slavonic tribes akin in customs and by the head.-Joseph Conrad in Har-

Hawk and Weasel.

A New Zealand paper relates that a settler noticed a hawk flying about in a peculiar manner and crying out as if in pain. The settler obtained a gun and shot the bird, and investigation showed the cause of its distress was a weasel which was perched on the hawk's back, with its teeth buried in the bird's neck, Apparently the animal had pounced upon the hawk when it was on the ground and was carried skyward with the flight of its prey.

A SYMBOL OF PEACE.

The Dove Has Had This Distinction

In All Ages Since the Flood. The dove has been pictured as the bird of peace by writers and artists in all the ages since the time of the flood, for the dove has figured in the sym-Everything with him was worked out bolism of many races and of countto the last hair. Nothing was ever sug- less generations. According to the gested. With suggested, sketchy, im- | Century Dictionary, the dove is the pressionistic pictures he had no sym- bird of peace because of the incident recorded in the eighth chapter of Genesis: "And it came to pass at the end of forty days that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made, and he sent forth a raven which went to and fro until the waters were dried up from off the earth. And he sent forth a dove from him to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground, but the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him in the ark. And he stayed yet another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark, and the dove came to him in the evening, and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf plucked off; so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off

Froper names derived from the dove have always been used in the orient as descriptive of loveliness and were especially applied to beautiful women. The dove was woven into the ess X. She wanted a figure in it, and pagan worship of ancient northern Europe, and it has a great place in early Christian life and symbolism. From immemorial time the dove has always been a type of innocence to the Jews. Elsewhere it has been associated since the Olympian age with the higher idea of Venus as the symbol of natural human affection-the love that goes with purity and simplicity of heart. It had a part in marriage scenes and was naturally introduced by early Christian painters into pictures of the Madonna and child and of female saints. These qualities of gentleness and affection combined with their mournful notes made doves equally appropriate to moods of sorrow, and they were a part of the furniture of most pagan funerals. This passed on into Christian usage and their likenesses, generally combined with the olive branch, were carved on the tombs in the catacombs neath Rome and elsewhere, emblematic

One of the most interesting zoological of eternal peace. In the Sporting Magazine for 1825 this appeared: "Pigeons are rarely seen at the table of the Russians, who entertain a superstitious veneration for ing on this, a writer says, "This custom of the abstinence from the flesh of the dove is far older than Christianity, being indeed in all probability con-. nected with the same class of feelings as those which marked it out as the

Aryan death bird." Sir Richard F. Burton remarks: "Ever since Noah's dove every religion seems to consider the pigeon as the sacred bird. For example, every same exist in most Italian market old Assyrian empire also have them."

One Mystery Solved.

Boarding house habitues who have repeatedly complained of the dark, cheerless coloring of the wall paper in their rooms may find something to interest them in the information recently elicited by a curious clerk in a

"I should like to know," said the is well becamed in. He then pricks clerk-"in fact, I have long wanted to at the reptile a sew times with his know-why it is that you ladies who manage boarding houses always choose

such dark paper." "Well," said the prospective purchaser, "if that is the only thing you want to know you might just as well have got wise long ago. We like dark pahaustion and furnish a much coveted per because with that on the walls the nails the boarders use to tack up their pictures don't leave such ghastly

sears,"-New York Press. POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

How many men work too hard? How

many do you know? Every good husband is henpecked. That's all there is to it. Classical music is like some people-

very hard to understand,

It is said that a farmer gets the best work out of a farm hand who is aspiring to be his son-in-law. Perhaps one reason why a poor man lives longer than a rich one is that the

doctors don't take so much interest in When an economical man suffers a ten dollar loss he cuts off expenditures reaching to \$50 before he feels right

If you have faults the idea is not to humiliate yourself by acknowledging them to your enemies, but to get over them if possible for your own good .-

Influence of Red Hair.

Atchison Globe.

haired person intimately concerned, if A very little affects the speed of a not the leader," says a writer, "Nearly

Leaping Treason. King William III. of England was

passionately fond of the chase and made it a point never to be outdone in any leap, however perilous. A Mr. Cherry, who was devoted to the exiled family, took advantage of this to plan the most pardonable design which was ever formed against a king's life. He regularly joined the royal hounds, put himself foremost and took the most desperate leaps in the hope that William might break his neck in following him. One day, however, he accomplished one so imminently dangerous that the king when he came to the spot shook his head and drew back. It is said that Mr. Cherry at length broke his own neck and thereby relieved the king from further hazard.