FACTS ON PEW LINES

Comons were first used in 1346 A man's heart beats 92,160 times a

It is said that no real Mormon ever plays poker. Greater New York consumes 1,388,-

600 quarts of milk a day, and the people never see a cow. It costs on an average \$200 to put

out a fire in London and \$700 to extinguish one in New York. Classes for the study of German and

Yiddish have been organized by London's commissioner of police. Skeletons are now being sold in Russia for \$1.15. Refore the outbreak of

the war in the east they were worth at least \$7. Sugar refining in Russia gives employment to more than twice as many

people as the grinding of grain-110,000 against 48,000, Of the 720,000,000 acres of land make ing up the total area of Argentina 24.

are corn, wheat and flax. Reports just issued show that the Irish flax crop last year yielded 33.7 stones per acre, which was well above the decennial average of 29.9 stones of Visiting Cousin Dorothy. And me in

fourteen pounds to the stone. Dr. William Henry, an English physician, states as the result of experi- the great dining room was arrested by put it on." ments that in all forms of animal life, the head waiter insects included, exists the taste for al-

"real teetotalers" in creation. A recently discovered manuscript written by a schoolmate indicates that Napoleon I. knew so little of the remain here." French language when he was sent to

Fifty numbers of a newspaper 300 news of January being given only in many vacant tables and the number of and his voice harsh, but he kept stoical

August. for himself. It was twenty-two years one accorded her slightest wish. in course of erection, and on it 20,000

that period. A man arrested in Dinapore, Bengal, died before his case could be heard, but the local magistrate nevertheless tried the left." And the graceful figure and convicted and fined the dead man turned to the outer door. and then ordered the heirs, his nephews, to pay the fine. The high court

has reversed the judgment. Argentina reaches into the equatorial hot belt on the north and through the a favor?" clearly and unsmillingly. temperate zone on the south, having thus wide ranges of temperature. Twothirds of its people nearly are native. Italians to the number of almost half a million lead the foreigners.

Far eastern punctuality was illus-Wuchang, China, who had an appointview ground at 2 p. m. The children had waited for him six hours.

Professor Tuxen, Danish court painter, sold a copy of the painting of King Edward's coronation to the czar for 12,000 rubles. Upon the presentation the bankers said the czar's checks were never paid in full. His Russian majes-

ty afterward made up the difference. The watchman who is maintained by | gravely the railroad at the base of Mount Washington during the winter slipped | vengefully when they were out of hearwhile descending the mountain recent. Ing. "Did you observe his speech and ly and rolled about 300 feet before he that bow? He's one of the fellows set was stopped by a rock. He broke no to watch us!" bones, but was badly shaken by the

1,000 tons disappears, leaving not a on it. Why didn't you tell Miss Wartrace, in a voyage that should have ing who you are?" taken only five days. But that is the case of the Idum, which sailed from Drammen, Norway, on Nov. 15 for Preston, England, with a load of wood

At the Paris Opera Comique recently fire!"), and by repeating the words at before seating the serene young lady the top of his voice he created a tempo- and her strange escort. rary panic among the audience, says

the Paris Eclair. Scotland is becoming alarmed at the increase in the number of "Burns rel- when the waiter had gone-"I hope you ies." Chairs enough are now known to approve my order." have furnished a dozen Burns cottages. Even the well known habits of the poet cups and mugs that are scattered guest.

around the world. In the larger towns and cities of Cuba telephone systems are in operation, and permits are granted from tions, stations of the rural guard, near-

est city hall or adjoining plantations. A lot of land was sold at North Ad ams, Mass., at auction the other day for \$2,200. The bids started low, and are doing penance." all but two bidders dropped out when \$2,000 had been offered. When \$2,199.50 not the term they use." had been bid the opponent raised it 49 cents, which was immediately raised a lous tone in the low voice. cent, and the bidder got the property.

ST. KILDA ISLAND.

The Natives Have Colds Only When Visited by Foreigners. There are many places where it is impossible to catch cold because there is no cold to catch. There is St. Kilda. that lonely rocky island which was visited by Dr. Johnson when he and Boswell were making their famous tour of the Hebrides. There are about a hundred inhabitants on the island. The coasts are so precipitous that for eight months in the year it is practically inaccessible. Several vessels from the mainland call there during the summer. And, strange to say, whenever a ship reaches the island even to the infants, is seized with a more than 200 years and was of great dined with ladies."

tical concerning it. long puzzled men, who never dreamed sympathetically. that it was an infectious disease and There was but little conversation. that without the possibility of infec- Miss Waring was graciously courteous, tion it is impossible to catch it, no mat- as became a hostess, but even a dull ter what the exposure may be. That is man in Lester's place would not have to say, it is due to a micro organism, presumed upon the situation. and without the presence of this micro organism the disease cannot be con- Lester," said the girl dismissingly as tracted.-New York Herald.

Miss OTHO Waring's SENGA Escort

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Six shabbily dressed men lounged in front of the fashionable hotel. Five, evidently comrades, conferred together in low tones; then one approached the tered the drawing room, but the smile sixth man, saying guardedly, "Are you

one of us?" The man smiled half satirically. "Naw; I'm de real ting, see?"

His questioner turned away in The man laughed softly, the low, enjoyable laugh of one who appreciates. A tall young woman whose attire evi- tations, not even an imitation hobo."

denced wealth and refinement entered the hotel vestibule. 000,000 are arable. The principal crops

One of the five groaned softly. "Who is she, Dyke?" eagerly questioned another. "Miss Kate Waring of Denver. Worth half a million and eccentric. clothes are very becoming."

this beastly tramp's rig!" Miss Waring's stately entrance into

cohol. He says that fishes are the only will conduct you to the ladies' dining cation and refinement-books, music room.

Miss Waring glanced about her. "It is not necessary," calmly. "I will

"Pardon me, madam, but ladies withthe military school at Brienne that a out escoris are served in the room at Even a traveler must eat, I suppose." private teacher was engaged for him. | the right I will conduct madam"-Miss Waring's calm glance surveyyears old have been found in the state ed the small crowded room at the right archives at Stettin, Pomerania, con- and then returned to the great, cool drives me on again-the devil of my taining quaint descriptions of the room in which she stood, with palms conscience. I suppose it will yet drive plague, shipping disasters, etc., the and ferns in profusion. She noted the me back to"-his face grew grave

ladies present. Perhaps the finest mausoleum in ex- fer to have dinner served here," mak- Mexican, whom I killed on Starbright istence is that in Agra, India, which ing the statement tranquilly with the ranch." was built by the Emperor Shah Jehan air of one accustomed to have defer-

"The rule is imperative, madam," men were constantly employed during with courteous firmness. "Ladies without escort"-

"Reserve that table by the window with the ferns beside it, the third on

There was no hesitancy in Miss Waring's voice or manner as she addressed the group of shabby men. "Will one of you gentlemen do me

Six shabby head coverings were off cheek." in an instant, and six more or less manly forms bent low before her.

"Thank you all," gravely. "I want trated the other day by the viceroy of lege"-the scarlet lips curled a trifle- abroad that you two made together ment to review 5,000 school children at chosen to have it. I will ask you, name seemed so familiar. Will you go 8 a. m. and appeared smiling on the re please," turning abruptly to the one back to Colorado?" who had designated himself as "de real

> "Oh, but"- began one of the un chosen eagerly. Miss Waring's face and gesture for-

bade further words. "I thank you all for your courtesy. If this gentleman accepts"-

"'De real ting,' is he?" cried Dyke

"Nonsense, Dyke! There isn't a man in the class as old as he. He's seen It is very seldom that a steamship of actual tramping, I'll stake a thousand

close our identity?" demanded Dyke hotly "Besides, look at me!" "I ordered a table reserved,"

Miss Waring to "de real ting." "I see it-third on the left." He led the way with easy grace, the refrain of a song, "Au jeu, au jeu." light of amusement gleaming in his ("To the Game!") was mistaken by a dark eyes at the evident consternation spectator for "Au feu, au feu!" ("A of the waiter, who hesitated slightly

> Miss Waring ordered the dinner precision and discrimination. "I hope," she remarked pleasantly

There was not the slightest embar rassment in her manner or condescenwill not account for the array of Burns sion in her speech-the man was her

"The order is perfect, madam, and, permit me to say, admirably given." Miss Waring smiled.

"Are all of Boston's"-she paused time to time for the construction of for an instant in search of a word that private telephone lines connecting might not embarrass her guest-"subplantations, etc., with railroad sta- merged, such Chesterfields as the six to whom I spoke?"

"The others are Harvard students." "Harvard students!" in momentary bewilderment. "Oh, I know. They

"That is the meaning, madam, though "Are you?" lightly, yet with an anx-

"I am a genuine hobo." She passed her cardcase to him. "You should know who is your host-

ess," graciously, "and I will ask the name of my guest." He took out two cards, writing on the back of one and returning it to her

with the case. She glanced at the writing:

> JOHN LESTER, HOBO. NO ADDRESS.

BORN IN BOSTON.

"Thank you, Mr. Lester. I hope you are as genuinely hungry as-as your

profession would indicate." "I am, Miss Waring. I can do full from the mainland every inhabitant, justice to the dinner you have ordered. You might remind me if-if I forget at rest or be given such advice as will cold. This fact has been known for anything. It's a long time since I have

interest to Dr. Johnson, who was skep- The tone was serious, but there was a dancing light in the fine eyes that The question of this St. Kilda cold Miss Waring caught, and she smiled

"I thank you for your escort, Mr.

Her Future Assured.

would ask when and where I might A sudden impulse prompted her re Tomorrow evening. My present ad-

Waring had never before been so curi-

proval at the card he sent up, a slip of paper with "John Lester" boldly writ-She was still smiling when she en

"You are sorry I came? It was taktrifle nearer to him.

ng an advantage"-"Pardon me, I am somewhat disappointed. It was a pleasure to find ters will you make your home with something genuine. I do not like imius?"-Judge.

"It is now that I am the imitation Miss Waring. The clothes are hired for the occasion." She held out her hand cordially.

'Consider yourself welcomed, Mr. Lester, and allow me to say that the He flushed boyishly.

"I am your debtor, Miss Waring."

In all her twenty-five years Kate

ous or so anticipative. She smiled ap-

He was quick to see the change.

earnestly. "If I were not a hobo

dress is on the card you have."

pay my dinner call."

clothes he wore.

"It's five years since I've worn a rig like this. I hardly knew how to graph is one of those talking machines,

Miss Waring led the conversation "This way, madars," courteously. "I to topics of interest to a man of edu the drama-finding her companion con versant with the best.

"Will you tell me something of your self"-she asked presently-"why you are a-a wanderer and how you live? He hesitated but an instant.

"I have tramped for five years. work awhile in a place till the devi ly on-"to Denver, where I am wanted "I do not wish to go in there. I pre for the murder of Manuel Laredo, a

> She rose excitedly. "I bought Starbright ranch last year Manuel Laredo is among the workmet

He sprang to his feet, his face aglow. is eyes filled with sudden joy. "He did not die, and I am not"-Then his face paled again.

"I forgot," boarsely, "there may be a tiozen Manuel Laredos; those Mexican names"-

"It is the same man," she interrupted positively. "I have heard the story and seen the scar of the bullet on his She talked on, waiting for him to

regain control of himself. "We should be friends, Mr. Lester, one of you to act as my escort and my Royal Thornton is my stepbrother. guest, that I may be accorded the privi- have often heard him speak of the trip "of having my dinner where I have years ago. I know now why your

He took her outstretched hand in both his own. "As your escort, Miss Waring?" She smiled assent, flushing beauti-

A NOTABLE DWARF.

"It is a privilege, madam," bowing The Witty Debut of Borulwaski, the

Famous Little Pole. A very notable dwarf was Borulwaski, the Pole, of whose debut the following story is told: As a boy of fifteen, when he was just one inch higher than a two foot rule, he was presented to the Empress Maria Theresa, who was so charmed by his grace and good looks that she seated him on her lap and ed two stag parties within ten days gave him a hearty kiss. "And what do ou consider the most interesting sight in Vienna?" she asked the boy. "What I now behold," he answered. "And what is that?" "Why," said the tiny courtier, "to see so little a man on the lap of so great a lady." Naturally a youth who exhibited such a ready and courtly wit had a distinguished career before him. From that day Borulraski became the pet of the courts of Europe. He was a special favorite of Stanislaus II., who took him to England and introduced him to George III, and his family, and for more than

half a century be made his home in England. Borulwaski, who at his tallest was a vard and three inches high, had a sister whose head was just level with her big brother's shoulders. He was not aly a handsome and courtly man, but scholar of repute. He lived in five reigns and was laid to rest in Durham in 1837 side by side with the Falstaff-

HEART DISEASE.

ian Stephen Kemble.

Don't Let the Idea That You Have It

Scare You Into Sickness. Comparatively few people know that it is rare to find a perfect heartbeat What is termed "palpitation" is an irregularity in the beat. It is most com only caused by some disturbance of the digestion; by undue indulgence in tea, coffee, tobacco or alcohol; by worry or by excitement. Many persons, detecting such an irregularity. think they have some serious disease of the heart that may end their life at any moment. This is a very grave mistake in a double sense-first, as to the fact itself, and, second, as to the influence on the health of such a morbid

Again, there is a notion that heart disease is a destructive process; that the flesh is affected in much the same manner as when the skin is ulcerated or the lungs are consumptive. That is very seldom true. The most serious disorders of the heart are quite differ-

ent in their nature. When a man or woman is under the inpression that he or she has heart disease there is one obvious duty-to visit a reliable doctor, have the heart examined and either have one's fears set serve to remedy the condition .- Home

Notes. Not Negotiable. "Do you ever look back, Blobbs, on the days of your boyhood, the dear faces in the home, the moon shining on the river, the hills, the valleys.

"No," interrupted Blobbs brusquely, 'it doesn't pay!" "Doesn't pay what?"

"Dividends." - Chicago Record-Her-

She was one of five beautiful sisters, and the young man didn't seem to be able to center his affections on any

particular one of them. thinks it is wonderful the way I have of paper or an orange peel to a dilapi learned to cook. I baked bread and pies today and besides that got the din-

ner, as it was the cook's day off."
"That is fine," said the young man. "Miss Imogene," he continued, while she tried not to look expectant, "there vanished as she noted the fashionable is a question I want to ask of you, and on your reply will depend much of my future happiness."

"And what is it?" she asked, edging "If I should marry one of your sis-

As Ordered. An author who was his own publisher advertised one of his works as fol-

"Send 5 shillings for my new book with autograph." Shortly afterward he received this rder from a country reader: "I inclose 5 shillings. If the auto-

send it on by train. I don't want the book."-Birmingham (England) Post. The Elephantine Blewett. Blewett-What a wonderful thing an slephant's trunk is! It can pick up a

pin or it can uproot a tree. It has

both delicacy of touch and brute pow-

Toppler - Somehow reminds me of you, Blewett. The delicacy of your "touch" is only equaled by the power with which you butt into this cozy corner when you are not wanted .- Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Dumley-I met a fellow today who was simply nutty about a buried treasure. Couldn't talk of anything else. Peckham-That reminds me of my

Dumley-Oh, does she talk about one? Peckham-Yes. Her first husband. I'm her second, you know .- Philadelphia Press



As to Miracles. Mrs. Walsingham-I can't under stand why if there ever were such things as miracles there are none now. Mrs. Wappington-My dear, there are miracles now. My husband has attendand is still on the water wagon.-Chi-

cago Record-Herald. Clerk-This, sir, is the very latest in

neckwear. It is called the matrimonial tie. Customer-No. thanks. I've had two matrimonial ties already, and I could not make either of them work!-De-

troit Free Press. Settlement Work. Grayce-Mr. Bliggins tells me that he

is interested in settlement work. I thought it quite noble of him. Glayds-Well, not so noble as you night think. His particular branch of settlement work is bill collecting .-Pittsburg Post,

Economy. "You say you are economizing?"

"But you bought a twenty-five cent igar. "That's true. But I was tempted to

buy a fifty cent one. I have saved a quarter."-Washington Star.

Taken Literally. Eager Mother-Has he expressed any admiration for you? The Daughter-No, but he said he'

The Mother-Well, that's encourage ing.-Yonkers Herald Sure Cure.

"Doctor, I have terrible night "Well?" "Well, what can I do to cure them? "You might try sleeping days." -

Houston Post.

Ledger.

Discouraged. Dyer-Ferris has sold his automo

Duell-What for? Dyer-He had it six months and only ran over one dog .- Tarrytown (N. Y.

The Rest Was Easy. Sympathizing Friend-Tommy, did the tooth come out hard?

Tommy-N-no, ma'am; not after the dentist got it started .- Chicago Trib-

Well Earned.

Stinjay-See here, when are you go-

ing to pay me back that dollar you bor-Borroughs-Why, man alive, I carned that dollar. I had to work with you for a couple of hours before got it out of you. - Philadelphia

Not Pushing. Chesterfield Chauncey - Could you spare me an old pair of trousers, mum! Mrs. Winrow-Yes; do you want any thing else? Chesterfield Chauncey-Oh, yes: I'd like about fifty millions and a seat in the senate, but dat kin wait .- St. Louis Republic. .

HUMOR OF THE HOUR ODD INDUSTRIES OF PARIS. There Are Night Hawks of Many Pecultar Varieties.

The ramasseur de nuit is the hur lest member of the ragpickers corpo ration. He is generally a laborer out "Yes," she said shyly, "I have been of work and collects whatever he can working in the kitchen all day. Mamma find and judges salable from a scrapdated stove. Take old books, for example: However bad, they have a market value, for they always contain in the indep one sound piece that can serve again and generally two or three more at the heel and the back. Old rovision tins, again, are full of money lead soldering can be removed and elted into cakes, while the tin goes to make children's toys. There are about 6,000 of this class of night birds in Paris. Another quaint night bird is the "guardian angel." The "guardian angel" is a person attached to the establishments of some mastraquetslow barkeepers-and certain public houses for the purpose of looking after the safety of drunken customers. He accompanies them to their homes, de fends them in case of need, as often as not has to put them to bed and leaves them only when they are without the reach of mischief. He earns about 50 cents a day. Cases are also on record where grateful drunkards have remembered the "angel" in their wills. To return the compliment the "angel" has invested some of his funds in the purchase of a barrow, the object

of which is but too obvious. An important night bird is the mem ber of the guild des pattes mouillee He deals in tobacco manufactured from stumps of cigars and cigarettes picked up in the street and holds assizes on the Place Maubert, by the at 3 a. m. On these days the square is

called the "market of wet paws." The industry is quite remunerative on a modest scale, of course, and would be even more so were it not for the government which stepped in with grounds of the monopoly it holds proceeded to tax the tobacco collected with so much painstaking care.

YOUR WORK. Do it cheerfully, even if it is not con-

Do it in the spirit of an artist, not an artisan. Make it a stepping stone to some thing higher.

Keep yourself in condition to do it as well as it can be done. Endeavor to do it better than it has and the hat. ever been done before. Make perfection your aim and be sat-

isfied with nothing less. Do not try to do it with a part of yourself-the weaker part. Recognize that work is the thing that

lignifies and enpobles life. Regard yourself as a coworker with the Creator of the universe. Accept the disagreeable part of it as cheerfully as the agreeable.

Choose, if possible, the vocation for which nature has fitted you. Believe in its worth and dignity, no matter how humble it may be Remember that work well done is the highest testimonial of character you

can receive.-Success Magazine.

It may interest women to know that he first jewelry store was started in the city of Chang On about 3,000 years The Celestial millionaires of that period knew nothing of the fascination of diamonds, because diamonds were not in vogue at that B. C. period. Pearls and jade and coral and other unpolished mineral substances had to ontent them, and, as if to make good he glitter of revieres and tlaras, the princes of Chang On employed artisans to fashion them the most wonderful gold and silver ornaments. which in themselves were far more

ostly than diamonds.-Boston Herald.

The chair lady rapped sharply. "It should not be necessary for the chair to remind members," she said severely, "that under our rules of order, to say nothing of common courtesy, only one member may be silent at a time. Any member who becomes silent at the same time that another

member is silent is distinctly out of The ladies of the club visibly cringed under this merited rebuke. Many of them flushed to the roots of their hair. and several there were who burst into

tears -- Life. Dog's Kisses Caused Tumor. The danger of kissing dogs is illus trated by the experience of a young ady which is told in the London Lancet. She had been in the habit of fondling and kissing a pet dog, and when she developed a tumorous growth it was discovered that her trouble was due to the presence of a number of worms which had been transferred

cheek.

from the dog to the tissues of her

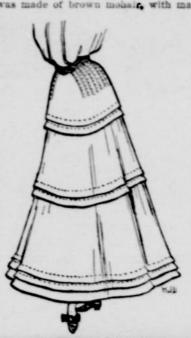
A WONDER OF RANGUN. The Great Shoay Dagon Pagoda Cov ered With Pure Gold.

Rangun, the principal city of Burna, grew up around the sacred spot on which is built the great Shoay Dagon pagoda, one of its principal wonders. "Rising to a beight of 300 feet, its size is greatly enhanced by the fact that it stands on an eminence that is itself 166 feet above the level of the city," says a writer. "It is covered with pure gold from base to summit, and once in every generation this gold is completely renewed by public subscription. Yet throughout the interval the process of regilding goes on erpetually. Plous people who seek in this way to express their veneration and to add to their store of spiritual merit climb up daily with little fluttering packets of gold leaf, which they fasten on some fraction of its great surface. There is no more picturesque takes when he gets up in the morning against its gold in the act of contribrelic chamber."

When the soup has a greasy look pour it, when hot, through a cloth saturated with cold water, and the fat will remain in the cloth.

WOMAN AND FASHION

Smart Skirt For Misse The swart skirt here pictured may be worn with any style of shirt waist or blouse, and the design is adaptable to a variety of materials. As illustrated it



TUCKED CIRCULAR SKIRT.

up in fine tucks, and an inverted box the money on it. plait finishes the back. Cheviot, serge. ty-four inch material.

Summer Frecks.

There is a revival of the partly low neck frock for summer house wear, not characteristic greed and on the merely the collarless blouse which was so trying to all but the few, but a V necked, surplice effect, finished by quillings of lace or ruffles of material. These are usually becoming and certainly give a comfortable feeling of coolness during the hot summers Americans have to endure. These gowns need not have a lining. They are worn over lawn petticoats and corset covers, and as the modern corset is a thing of beauty the effect is very charming. Many of the new ones have vertical strips of beading every two inches, through which is run colored ribbon, and this color is matched by the girdle

Spring Neckwear. The collar-in fact, neckwear of al kinds-is a formidable consideration to begin with. There is quite a fad for the plain linen collar again. The smartest is a high turnover shape fastened with feweled links and made with buttonholes large enough to slip through them tulle or ribbon which is tied in a bow just above the links. Another plain high linen collar has these narrow straps in front fastened to the collar with tiny pearl buttons, and through these straps is pulled a silk necktie which is left without being tied, but which has all the effect of a wide bowknot, as in front the bands make it look narrow, and then the ends flare out

wide.-Harper's Bazar

Smart Collars. Canvas will enter very largely into the construction of smart collars and The teller stared and asked how she'd turnovers this season, and many of have it. Any way would suit her, she them will be elaborately embroidered either in white or in colors. It will further be pressed into the service of the waistcoat, as are linen, pique and white

Stylish Shirt Waist. There is a certain style about the shirt waist that is tucked at the shoulders which renders it eminently de-



EMBROIDERED MADRAS. straight cuffs and is smart in the ex. ably insist on realizing on every cent treme. and all the long list of shirting materials are desirable, but in this in look out. She'll take her account to stance white madras embroidered in some other bank and resume her deterring dots is shown with tie and stock | mination to have her rights.' Oh, the of the same, finished by a little turn. Inexperienced woman is almost as anover collar of embroidery. The waist noying and far more numerous than is made with a wide box plait at the dishonest women, so far as banks are front and back that extends well over | concerned:" - Cincinnati | Commercial the shoulders, while the sleeves are full Tribune. at the upper edges, giving the broad line of the season. For a woman of medium size the waist will require three and seven-eighths yards of material twenty-one or twenty-seven or two yards forty-four inches wide.

sight offered by it than that of a group is a bowl of hot "congee," or, as he of these silken worshipers outlined high calls it, "thin rice." This is simply rice boiled away to a thinnish drink ously aided, that it was impossible for uting their small quota to its splendor. able consistency. If allowed to cool it him to increase her allowance. The The pagoda itself has no interior. It would thicken into paste. Some care is a solid stupa of brick raised over a is required to make it properly. "If as she was leaving said in a taunting the water is visible and not the rice," manner: says Yuan Mel, "that is not congee. If the rice is visible and not the water. that is not congee either. The two must be indistinguishably blended before you can call the result congee."

The "Thin Rice" of the Chinese,

The very first thing that a Chinaman

WOMEN AND BANKING

OUD NOTIONS OF SOME OF THE FAIR SEX ABOUT FINANCE.

was made of brown mohair, with ma- A Veteran Banker Exhibits a Curious Line of Sample Cases That Came Under His Observation In the

Course of Business. "Business women of course," said a veteran banker, "understand the routine of banking from the customer's side of it about as well as men, but the queer ideas the average woman not in business has about a bank would

make a totem pole laugh. "I lost an awful good account once because I couldn't convince a woman that a note put in the bank for collection is not money. She came in one day, made out a deposit slip and tried to deposit a note just due. The teller told her that he would forward it for collection. That seemed to strike her as all right, and she kept on writing

checks against her account. "She overdrew in a day or two and we sent her notice. She came down in a towering rage and asked me what my bank meant by insulting her. Overdrawn? Ridiculous! Why, she had deposited \$5,000 only a few days ago. What had we done with that money?

"I tried to explain to her that the 'deposit' she referred to was only a note sent out for collection; that it had chine stitching for a finish. It is circu- not been paid and might be returned lar in shape, and three groups of inch unpaid. She flew into a passion. What wide tucks are laid in the lower part. did she care about it? She had given The fullness in the upper part is taken | it into the bank, and she meant to have

"What were banks for? I cautioned volle and linen are all suitable for re her against checking against the statue of Etienne Dolet, twice a week | production. The medium size will re- amount of the note until it had been quire three and one-eighth yards of for paid, but she went away in a huff and kept right on making checks until we had to stop her. We refused her checks, marking them 'No funds,' and then she withdrew her account. It turned out to be a dandy afterward, but to this day, I understand, she can't see any difference between notes,

checks, drafts and currency. "Strange as it may seem, the number of women-bonest, absolutely guileless women-who write other persons' signatures to checks is large. Only today, for instance, the daughter of one of our best customers came into the bank with a check for \$500 made payable to herself.

"Her father's name was signed to it, and he had plenty of money in the bank, but his daughter had signed his name herself. We explained to her that we couldn't pay out money on such an order or request. "'But,' said she, 'we haven't a cent

of money in the house. Papa is on the

train somewhere between here and New York, and I-you don't suppose he'd hesitate to give us \$500, do you? "That young woman did not and could not understand why she didn't have as much right to use her father's credit at the bank as she had to use it at the dry goods stores and the butcher shops. I wanted to tell ber that she had really committed forgery, but I didn't. I advanced the money on my personal account, and she went

away a bit miffed and fancying that we were a fussy, unreasonable lot of money gatherers. "Things like that are always coming up in every bank. We had one depositor, an inexperienced young widow She had over \$30,000 in the bank. One day she came in and wrote a check for the full balance, payable to herself.

said, only she wanted the cash. "He sent word to me and began to count out the money in \$100 and \$500 notes. After counting them over she wrapped the whole sum up in a newspaper and went out. We were all purzled, and we were afraid she might be robbed, so I sent two of the clerks after her to see what she did with the money as well as to protect her. She walked through the crowded streets sirable for all to whom it is becoming. about six blocks to another bank and deposited the whole \$30,000 to the credit of a poor young lawyer to whom,

we afterward learned, she was engaged to be married. "I don't think he was then aware of her intention to transfer her money to his account or he would have advised her to get a certified or cashler's check instead of lugging her fortune through the downtown streets of a city like

"The woman depositor who can't un-

this.

derstand why other persons' checks deposited by herself are deducted from her account when they are no good is a familiar character in nearly every bank. "When such a check comes back and they are asked to take it up they will look unutterable scorn at the teller or collector and say: 'I put it back? Well, I guess not. Why should I pay it? I didn't make it out. Mr. So-and-so gave

it to me, and if it isn't good that's his

lookout. Go after him. The idea!

Surely you don't expect me to pay out my own good money for Mr. So-and-"By drawing several diagrams, exerting much patience and diplomacy, you may convince such a woman that she has to cover the bad checks she deposits, but very often she refuses or fails to be convinced. She will prob-Madras, linen, lawn, dimity the teller gives her credit for in her bank book, and if she doesn't get it

> Working the Claim. "That Englishman who is visiting the Nuritches claims to be a lord."

> "Yes. And the Nuritches are working the claim for all it is worth."-Detroit Tribune.

A Story of Napoleon III. Napoleon III., who had no fewer poor relatives to help on than any other sovereign, was trying one day to convince a cousin, whom he had already gener-

"Decidedly you have nothing of the great emperor, our uncle." "You mistake, my dear cousin," repiles Napoleon, with a cheerful smile.

"I have his family."