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The Granger's Conclusion.

A minister who spoke at a grange meeting the other day in Worcester county, soid his audience that it takes more brains to preach to an audience of farmers than to a city church, and the horny-handed agriculturists voted unanimously that the reverend gentleman was admirably fitted for city

preaching. Oliver Goldsmith's tomb in London is

utterly neglected.

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THE GOOD TIME COMING.

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[William Morris.] when men and maids are merry, ere the sunlight leaves the earth, they bless the day beloved, all too short for all their mirth,

Some shall pause awhile and ponder on

bitter days of old, Ere the toil of strife and the curse of gold; Then 'twixt lips of loved and lover solemn

thoughts of us shall rise; who once were fools and dreamers, then shall be the brave and wise

CONCERNING THE NEW CABLES.

How They Are Constructed-Durability and Conductive Power. [Inter-Ocean.]

The broad principles of construction are the same in the new cables as in the old, though to the control of these princip'es new rules are observed. The copper conter of the deep-sea cable is formed of thirteen wires, twelve small ones coiled about one that is one-tenth ductor just the size of an ordinary telegraph wire. All the interstices are filled with a solution of guttapercha This covering process, which is one of the most important incidents of cable construction, is kept a pro-found secret by the manufacturers. I use the Best of Leather and Warran all This core is, after being electrically tested, covered with jute to form a percha from the outer wires of the

the finest quality of steel wire, the Musical Instruments and Violin Strings wires being literally woven about it. The cable is then covered with coatings of a black asphaltic composition, broad tape being worked in to give it solidity, first a coating and then a layer of tape, have been applied. This completes the in his arguments. construction of the deep-sea cable. The shore ends are larger cables, containing the ends of the one de- United States now had its circuit court, scribed made of jute and the black and Chief Justice Jay presided at Richcomposition, with an intermediate size | mond. The treaty of pea eof England as the connecting link. Though a provided that the creditors on either

cable. Next the cable is sheathed in

long piece it seems like a thread of silk in graceful pliableness. Though tracted. The question was whether be called a square or round bottle, as JAS. MAHONEY, - - - Proprietor this cable will be considerably the debts sequestrated by the Virginia for the best, not only in the matter of durability, but as the electric medium, the conductor being both larger and more perfectly protected than any others. It may be said that the breaking strain of the wire shield has been tested at a pressure of ninety tons to the square inch, and the average weight of the cogency of his reasoning. At that by reason of the edges failing to come the cable is five tons per nautical mile. There will be 6,000 miles in this cable. Already 2,000 miles have been completed ready for laying, and the rest is thirty miles a day.

Life Has Its Compensations.

Detroit Free Press "Are you going to help me put down "S'pose so; where's the tack-ham-

"It's in the barrel of dishes - no, it isn't -yes, it is -oh, I know now; I put arm. it in the band-box with your new Sun- when a dude stopped him on the street side, but upon feeling the bottle they

day hat." "Just like a woman; never knows where anything is; hat ruined, like enough; where's the handle of the ham-

"Oh, I packed that up with the the dude was much distressed to find china set; you'll find it, dear, at the bottom of the box.'

"Now, who's going to stretch the carpet, hey?" "Me, de r."

"Well, stand there. Gracious, I can't pull a hundred pounds of dry-goods along with the carpet. Oh, dear, I m going to have a fit, I believe." "I'll make you a cup of tea, dear, You can drink it out of your shavingmug. It'll be just like a picnic."

But when she got back with the tea John was missing. "Poor fellow! It was too much for him! He's gone to get the air. He

looked pa e. John (at a counter covered with eatables, salads, and things)-Two fingers of old crow and a dash of bitters to begin with. I'm nearly starved! A hot beefsteak will help me out. I tell you, boys, moving is tough work.

Life has its compen ations. John's wife sits on a roll of carpet and dr nks her tea. "Poor boy! I wish he could He'll be half starved by supper time! I know he will." Not much, little woman.

The Bishop's Question.

A good story is told of the Roman Catholic bishop of Atlanta, Ga. He recently married to a man much older recently addressed a large assembly of | than herself, much against her wishes. Sunday school children and wound up | She soon after ran away with her by asking in a very paternal and con- former youthful lover. The deserted descending way, "And now, is there husband was irate and about to follow little girl who would like to ask me a

down , acob's ladder, when they had wings?" "Oh, ah, yes-1 see," said the bishop; "and now, is there a-a-n-y little ALL KINDS OF THE BEST QUALITY. boy or a-a-n-y little girl who would to answer little Mary's question?"

Charles Reade on Condensation. Regarding the stipulation of the publishers of 'The Youth's Companion that his story must le short, the late Charles Reade said: "After all, condensation is a fine thing, and a story long enough to excite an interest and paint characters vividly, a story in diffuseness."

rather than an outward expression.

Robert Griffin, of London, says the world will not be large enough to hold | do not push baby carriages, but all men | larize healthy exercise than professional in the most dilapidated condition and the population a thousand years from who push baby carriages are good now.

CHIEF JUSTICE MARSHALL.

Some Personal Recollections-Traits

of Character-Amusement. "Gath's" Letter. 1 The lasis of Marshall a ability at the bar was his understanding. Not highly read, he had one of those clear understandings which was equal to a millpend of book-learning. His first prac-tice was among his old companions in arms, who felt that he was a soldier by nature, and one of those who loved the fellowship of the camp better than mintary or political ambition. Ragged and di sipated, they used to come to him for protection, and at a time when imprisonment for debt and cruel executions were in vogue. He not only defended them, but loaned them money. He lost some good clients by not paying more attention to his clothing, but these outward circumstances could not long keep back recognition of the fact that he was the finest arguer of a case at the Richmond bar, which then contained such men as Edmund Randolph,

Patrick Henry and later William Wirt. He was not an orator, did not cultivate his voice, did not labor hard, but he had the power to penetrate to the very center of the subject, discover the chief point, and rally all his forces there. If he was defending a case he would turn his attention to some other than the main point in order to let the prosecution assemble its powers at the wrong place. With a military eye he saw the strong and the weak positions, and, like Rembrandt painting, he threw all his light on the right spot. The character of his argument was a perspicuous, easy, onward, accumulative reasoning statement. He had but one gesture, to lift up his hand and bring it down on the place before him con-DR. M. W. DAVIS, until three coatings of the composition stantly. He discarded fancy or portry

Among the cases he argued was the British debt case, tried in 1793. The small section of this cable may appear | side should meet with no lawful impedihard and inflexible, when lifted in a ment to the recovery of the full value existence of which is clearly traced most expensive ever laid, there is legislature during the war came under reasonable assurance that it will be this treaty. It is said that the countess lawyers, if in England, would have orners and edges are not squarely and been given a peerage. Patrick Henry smoothly turned, and in the cen-

1782, just before he was married. His personal influence was such in Rich- | tended to be blown square, but instead now being turned out at the rate of | mond that, although he was constantly | of this they awkwardly double in in the minority, he was always elected. His principal amusement was pitching the quoit, which he did to the end of his days, and could ring the meg, it is said, at a distance of sixty feet frequently. low to take home his marketing, Mar- dented on the outside, and must be shall inquired where he lived, and said, either inside or running through the in-"I will take it for you." After he got | terior of the body of the glass. home with the other man's marketing, that Mr. Marshall had been his sup-

> posed servant. Overdoing It.

[Talmage in Home Science.] Some of our young people have read plus of philosophers into shoemakers;

The Indians Condone a Fault.

(Cor. Globe-Democrat.) An Otoe scandal of the first water has just occurred. A s hool-girl was them gave him his finest moccasins and leggins, another a brooch, and others A little hrill voice calle I out, "Please, still other presents, till he said "his sir, w' v did the angels walk up and heart felt better; his heart was not so bad as it had been," and he finally said "his heart was all right now," and they might come back. "She was dead." boy or a-a-n-y little girl who would like This Ctoe custom might be a sensible

one in some white communities. The Vanderbilt Boys.

Midland Monthly. The late Mr. Augustus Schell was a very int mate friend of old Commodore Vanderbilt and used frequently to call for him to go fishing. On one of these occasions he heard two of the Vandergood deal.

Philadelphia Call: All good citizens

How a Cat Rode 117 Miles. The Montreal Star thus tells how a cat rode 117 miles on the fly-wheel of an engine: The engineer of The star

ing, noticed a white patch on the inner surface of the drive-wheel, which he thought was a piece of paper caught by one of the spokes in its flight and whirled round and round by the wheel. The white patch was noticed by several of the hands during the morning, who accounted for it in the same way, but no attention had been specially given the matter until the engine was stopped shortly after noon. As the wheel stopped the engineer was surprised to see the white spot fall to the ground and then get up and crawl away. He then, for the first time, became aware that the white spot which had been whirling on the fly-wheel was a cat which had been clinging to one of the spokes of the wheel and had only relaxed its hold when the wheel had come to a standstill. The cat seemed dazed for a while, and was taken into the street for freer air. Here it remained perfectly still for a considerable time, but on an attempt being made to cover it with a paper it ran off in a zigzag course, but apparently as fully alive as ever. The lower portion of the fly-wheel revolves in a trough, the sides of which fit close to the broad tire of the wheel, and it is presumed that the cat, which was a strange one, being frightened at the entry of the engineer, jumped into the trough to get out of the way, and when the wheel was started found itself whirling around on the inside of the tire. The wheel is ten feet in diameter, and as it revolved from 7 a. m. to 12:50 p.

printing establishment, soon after start-

ing the steam-engine on Tuesday morn-

about 20,000 revolutions of the wheel.

m., and at a rate of sixty revolutions

per minute, by a simple calculation it

will be found that the cat traveled a

distance of more than 117 miles, or

A Bottle 248 Years Old. Washington (Mo.) Observer. Mr. L. Green, of Newport, called at this office last Saturday morning and exhibited to us a four-ounce bottle, the the corners and edges hardly approach either. Evidently the process of blowing glass at the time it was made was of Huntington heard the speeches on in its incipien y. The bottom was this case, and said that every one of the doubtless intended to be flat, but the broke his voice down in this case and ter of the botton a daub of never again could speak with his old molten glass seems to have been time he was thought to be rather lazy. | together and close in the center of the He went into the state legislature in | bottom. The shoulders at the top of the bottle, too, look as if they were intoward the center. The neck of the bottle is short and straight, without the usual rim at the top, and at the bottom of the neck it spreads out, and is apparently molded into the hole left at the He arose early in the morning and went | top of the bottle where the glass laps to market, without a servant, and over from the shoulders. Upand down brought back his chickens in one hand | the body of the bottle, in a sort of twistand his market basket on the other ing shape are large but pretty uniform He never took offense, and once ridges which appear to be on the outand asked him where there was a fel- are discovered to be but slightly in-

Electricity, or Imagination?

[Danbury (Conn.) News.] James Carley, of this town, a jour hatter, recently suffered for a week with severe headache. Every possible remedy was resorted to without relief Finally one of his shopmates informed -till they are crazed-of learned him that D. B. Wilkes, living in the blacksmiths, who at the forge conquered upper end of King street district, could thirty languages; and of shoemakers, cure it without fail. Accordingly who, pounding sole-leather, got to be Carley set out to find the man who philosophers; and of milliners, who, possessed such a panacea that could rewhile their customers were at the glass lieve him from his untold suffering. trying on their spring hats, wrote a Mr. Wilkes, whose occupation is a volume of first-rate poems. The fact | farmer, received him cordially, and at is, no blacksmith ought to be troubled once assured him that he could cure his with more than five languages; and in- healache. He requested Carley to acstead of shoemakers becoming philoso- company him to the old cider-mill, phers, we would like to turn our sur- which they entered, and Mr. Wilkes pulled out from beneath the press a and the supply of poetry is so much | box covered with a coal sieve. From greater than the demand, that we wish | the box he took a live black snake and milliners would stick to their business. | wound it around Carley's neck. Strange Extraordinary e amples of work and as it may seem, almost instantaneously endurance may do as much good. Be- the pain left his head and has not recause Napoleon slept only four hours a turned since. Mr. Carley and his night, hundreds of students have tried | friends vouch for his cure. Mr. Wilkes the experiment; but, instead of Aus- also cures sprains and swellings in the terlitz and Saragossa, there came of it same way. He explains the matter on only a sick heada he and a botch of a the principles of animal lectricity, which he supposes that the snake possesses. If a cure is effected in this way the writer thinks that the pain is frightened out of the patient by the horrid application.

Germany's Great Loss. St. Paul Pioneer Press.] Germany is still face to face with the question asked by the chamber of comleft the l'atherland; and this year it is estimated that the number will be increased by at least 20,000. How long ermany can stand this constant drain of her best and most productive blood is one of the puzzling questions of the century. So long, however, as she maintains her present oppressive taxation and military system, just so long is the exodus bound to continue.

How He Escaped.

[Exchange.] The bore of singing when invited out was nicely bridged over by a tenor at Boston one evening not long ago. Under the pretense of examining some bilt boys in hot dispute, and saw the rare paintings, the celebrated guest which there is no conversation, but only dialogue, which rapidly advances the short, while Mrs. anderbilt though very locked the instrument and abstracted progress of the action, is more likely to am'able herself, was trying with all her the key unobserved. Of course, he was be immortal than those more expanded themes which are apt to betray us into it was better to let them come to an sponded, but lo! and behold, the plane understanding by adjusting their own was locked, and a search failed to re-Louisville Courier-Journal: Culture in the highest and best sense is an individual matter; it is an inward grace of the phrase amused Mr. Schell a difficulties. "Come away, Cornele, don't disturb them," she sa'd. "Let them fuss in peace." The quaintness of the phrase amused Mr. Schell a difficulties. "Come away, Cornele, don't disturb them," she sa'd. "Let was found in the ante-room, and the lady of the house is wondering yet how it ever got there.

Brooklyn Eagle: Professional pedestrianism has done no more to popufor the knife and revolver.

MRS. TOM THUMB.

Her Appearance in Society-Possibly Not Done Growing.

[New York Cor. Inter Oc an.] Speaking of widows, I came across Mrs. Tom Thumb the other day in the this time. Any one who reads Euelevated railroad car. She had to make ropean newspapers can plainly see that, considerable of a jump to seat herself, not only in Great Britain but at all the and I observed her companion made no great centers of Europe, our financial offer of assistance. This was in accord situation is thoroughly studied, anawith the lady's well-understood desire. lyzed and understood. Summed up, You may have happened to find out their views upon our stock and bond plies a decrepitude, which they dislike was the over-construction, over-capitalito acknowledge, even to themselves. zation and over-swindling of the rail-Well, Mrs. Thumb has that sort of feel- roads of the country for the last six or ing with reference to any real or implied great dignity, but with her feet dangling not earned, money) constantly suggested the building of new parallel roads. The

"She ought to carry an adjustable foot-stool," I remarked, "or else something in the way of an automatic length-ening apparatus, like thos fishing rods five times larger than the amount of that slide out of themselve attached to work available for them.

her heels." My companion was short and femiworse off than a good many of the rest of us. Woman's rights are cruelly disregarded by railroad managers, if you'll great demand for the agricultural prodtake the trouble to notice. They give us shorties a choice between practically way traffics therefore were enormous. standing up and not much more than leaning against a seat; or squarely seat ing ourselves and letting our feet dangle unsupported. Look at that row of women across the car. The only one who at once rests her back fully against while India and Australia have begun the support intended for it, and her feet | to compete with the United States in flat on the floor, is nigh as tall as you small for the seats. If sitting away quite impossible. The Americans had back properly, they only touch their persuaded themselves that they could toes to the floor—like a line of ballet girls tiptoeing on the stage. Why shouldn't a happy medium in the height wheat and India corn back from the able of observing this rule. of public seats be struck? Why market in the hope that prices in Eu- Ingoing about the stage don't turn level a little below their knees instead Prices, however, have not risen. The help it. of putting the whole inconvenience of principal result has been to hand over adjustment on our less lengthened sex? the markets of western Europe to the the asthetic side of the character you Really, I think of writing to Susan B.

Anthony about it." The little Widow Thumb is casually a resident of New York, and a welcome visitor in a considerable number of fied, notwithstanding her diminutive tion in this contest? form, that nobody in the way of social intercourse dares, or is much inclined to treat her as a human trifle. To see her in the midst of a round of calls is to get the impression, at first sight, that your eyes have somehow sudden'y become telescopic inversely, so exactly is she a minature of the conventional dames of ceremonious society. She dresses for an afternoon of formal visiting in a toilet of semi-mourning, suitable in style for a quiet woman of 45which age she acknowledges-and orders from a livery stable one of those coupes that, as to liveried driver and general appearance, are scarcely dis tinguishable from private equipages. Provided with a visiting list, and easily commanding an air of well-bred bal-ance, she lacks only in stature to be the ideal of a millionaire's wife. Of course she attracts staring attention wherever she alights, but her manner of silent reproof is usually effective as a cure for impudence, and she is able to go about with far less annoyance than might be supposed. She is now about three feet and a half in height, or a foot more than when she was first put on exhibition by Barnum, and it was only

within a few years that she stopped It would not surprise me," she lately said, "if I should take to growing again at any time. My case is one of retarded development, you know, an I may yet catch up with the rest of you. The majority of the dwarfs exhibited are really and measured nine feet in length. children, phenomenally small, but by no means the adult midgets that the are represented to be; and conse quently, they grow out of the profession. That has been the case with many a 'freak,' as the showmen call

Founding of the Smithsonian Insti- five miles long, starting a few miles out of 1 ondon, and running to Brighton,

[Detroit Free Press.] The Smithsonian institute received its name from James Smithson, an Lnglish physicist. James Smithson be queathed his estate of £120,000 to his nephew, on the condition that if there were no children to inherit it the amount was to go the United States. to found at Washington, an institution for the diffusion of knowledge. The nephew died in 1835, and the claim of the United States was prosecuted at London by Hon. Richard Rush, who went from America for that purpose. Through his efforts there was deposited in the United States mint \$515.169. By an act of congress the interest on this amount up to July, 1846, was appropriated for the erection of buildings and other inciand expenditures should be made from

A genuine trouble of the eye, and one very sensitive retina this is intolerable, and some protection is absolutely necessary. Tor this purpose we use smoked glasses and the demand for is \$95,000,000. them is really surprising. In New York thousands of gross of these are sold every year. The linemen, who ad ust the arcs of the electric lights, and, of course, need very strong glasses, wear oblong pieces of blue glass fastened together, two for each eye, and capable of shielding them from the terrible brilliancy. Even with these their eyes are very often injured.

Madison (Wis.) Democrat: This steal- out a dollar's worth of insurance on the ing the honorable names of trade and commerce to cover gambling operations: this prostitution of holy things to false gods; this stealing the livery of heapugilism to substitute nature's weapons | ven to serve the devil, should be stopped.

NO. 16.

American Speculators' Mistake.

["Rigolo" in New York Sun.]

The supposition still prevailing among

certain class of American financiers

that the Britishers have more money

than brains, ought to be given up by

seven years. The large dividends paid

competitors of America.

The Chicago corner-makers in bread-

in Australia, is now in bitter competi-

Fascinated by a Snake.

[Buffalo Express.]

gentlemen on Sunday visited a famous

snake-hole on the farm of the late W.

T. Galloway, near Montgomery, armed

with horsewhips, for the purpose of

kill ng blacksnakes, which abound in

that neighborhood. After killing as

many as they could find, they separated

for the purpose of botanizing. Later on one of their number could not be

found. Returning to the snake-hole,

the missing one was observed standing

in front of the hole, apparently spell-

bound, nor could any amount of calling

attract his attention. On going closer,

his friends were horrified to see an im-

mense blacksnake, just ready to coil

closer to its almost entrapped victim.

beautiful colors, and experienced a per-fectly peaceful sensation which would

will coil about a person and choke him

London's Cycling Path.

Chicago Times.]

Brighton, under a special act of parlia-

ment. The track will be about forty-

and will be eighteen feet wide, paved

with asphalt, and of easy gradients.

It is estimated to cost an average of

:7,000 per mile, or £315,000 in all.

The Brighton to London road is the

favorite one for south country cyclists,

hundreds of wheelmen going and re-

turning within the day during the sea-

fee would be very readily paid by 300

the year for excursion tickets from

London to Brighton and back, besides

hundreds of smaller fees for interme-

The Cholera Germ Man.

[Chicago Herald.]

Texas is a very large state, and

The Talmud.

and most liberal of English Hebrews.

says that the Talmud is "witty, learned,

far-fetched, practical, poetical, harsh, kindly, long-winded."

Mrs. Brown, in Merchant Traveler:

What is my op nion of intemperance?

It is a fire we kindle in ourselves, with-

he will not.

Claude Montefiore, one of the ablest

diate distances.

English bicyclists and tricyclists

A Port Jervis letter says a party of

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BOUCICAULT ON ACTING.

The Letter R-How to Walk on the Stage-A Few Aphorisms.

[Cor. Chicago Herald.] M. Boucicault, in his lecture on "The Art of Acting," said there are three essential things to be studied by an actor-the management of the voice, gestures above the waist, and position of the body from the waist downward. Actors are apt to turn the letter R into W. The prince of Wales, and the duke that old men don't like to be helped market come to this: The cause of the of Edinburgh, have an unfortunate diffion with their overcoats, because it im- ruinous tumble of American securities culty in pronouncing the letter; so everybody affects the same difficulty. There are three kinds of affectation in speaking—the clergyman's, who intones, the stump orator's, who vocifernotice of her size. She sat there in on certain stocks (often out of borrowed, ates, and the tragedian's, who either whines or growls.

As for elecution on the stage, Mr. consequence is that at the present mo-Boucicault had, he said, a contempt for ment the carrying capacity of all the railroads of the United States is about it. As for gesture, it should slightly precede the words. There is too much gesture on the stage, especially in moments when the actor meditates. Walk-For a series of years, ending with ing, he said, was a lost art. "I'd show 1880, there had been a succession of unyou how to walk," he added, "but I nine. Said she: "Bless your heart, that precedentedly good harvests in the can't. I've got the gout. However, little creature isn't practically any United States, and at the same time study the old Greek friezes, where prothere were exceedingly bad harvests in cessions are pictured. Toget a perfect Europe. In consequence there was a | walk practice carrying heavy weights on your head. Walk as the Spaniards uce of the United States, and the rail- and Arabs walk. Mr. Boucicault walked like an ancient Greek, and then imi-But in 1881 there was a partial failure tated a Broadway pedestrian. He gave a few aphorisms as follows: of all the crops throughout the United

States, and since then the harvests have Remember that the stage is a picture, not been good. Simultaneously the and the proscenium arch is the frame. harvests in Europe have improved, Don't try the stage trick of keeping the center of the stage in order to take to compete with the United States in the house, as we say. In the old prints the wheat markets of western Europe of Shakespeare's plays the principal are. All the rest are a dozen sizes too to an extent that a little while ago was character was on one side of the stage.

The cure for stage fright is to mind your own business. Don't play to the audience. Only American and English actors are cap-

shouldn't a man be made to sit on a rope would thus be compelled to rise. your back to the audience if you can Don't mind your clothing, but study

Avoid burlesque as you would the stuffs will be pleased to learn that Vic- plague. Buffoonery has displaced toria, the largest grain-growing colony comedy. It is blasphemy of art. Irving and Booth can't do what Salvini rather wealthy and fashionable families. tion with India in the English wheat does, because they are afraid of the She is now a lady so mature and d gni- market. What is going to be our posi- dude, who would think they were going too far. Once, when I saw Salvini as Othello p'ck up Iago, shake the life out of him, and trample on him, a dude said to me: "Don't you think that is going too far?" Yes, I thought; too far for one whose horizon is a break-

> Egotism and vanity are natural to an actor, and I wouldn't give a snap of my finger for one who was not egotistical and vain.

Collecting Autographs. The Hour.

We may easily ridicule, if we please to do so, the passion for collecting autographs. It is often developed to a degree that is abnormal; and, like the children's craze to amass the greatest possible variety of buttons or of postage stamps, it admits, it must be conitself around him. The man was rigid. fessed, of vagaries and excess. The desire often leads those who have the while his eyes started from their sockets. The snake was moving itself autograph mania to confound just disin a wavy manner and slowly getting | tinctions, and to seek the assemblage of a vast number of miscellaneous and The situation was at once understood second-rate names. But the feeling on and his snakeship was dispatched, while which autograph-collection is based is, the man was placed in a wagon. He in itself, valid, and by no means unsays he was completely charmed, saw worthy.

There is really good reason why a letter or signature of William Shaksnot permit him to go away or resist. If | peare or John Milton, of Napoleon his friends had not arrived as they did Bonaparte or George Washington, it is probable he would have been should give its possessor a well-defined strangled to death, as these blacksnakes pleasure, a hint—which we could not so well imagine in the absence of such a token-of the great man so represented. We seem to see in this little remnant of him his personal quality, and that it is made some how a little nearer to us. It recalls for us his character and attributes, and, after a manpropo e to have a cycling path of their ner, puts us in a closer communication own all the way from London to

with him. The signature may not be important in itself; it may be connected with no great event; a trivial occasion may have called it out; but it helps to realize for us some part of a visible presence; and, by a subtle law of association brings us nearer to the great actor in the world's history, or in the world of thought. Articles, and even volumes, have been written to show the relation of handwriting to character; and whatever error there may be in their philosophy, son. It is estimated that a 5-shilling | we at least seem to extract through a famous autograph some of the aroma cyclists a day during eight months of that belongs to a great fame.

The Vital Center. [Medical Journal.]

Hitherto it has puzzled eminent surgeons to account for sudden death caused by apparently inadequate wounds in the heart, such as these made Dr. Koch, who has just returned to by the prick, without penetration even, Berlin from India, where he has dis- of a needle. Herr Schmey, a student the interest and not from the principal ing gray, and this, together with his the septum cordis, quite instantanthe interest and not from the principal of the fund. The principal was declared to be lent in perpetuity to the United States treasury at 6 per cent., semi-annual payments.

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About Texas.

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Proof Positive. [Texas Siftings.]

A small boy testified, in an Austin justice's court, that the affray took place on a Sunday. "How do you know it was on Sun-

day?" "Because that day I had to go to the side door of the saloon to get beer for dinner.

R. W. Conant: What can be more pathetic than the money of the poor? More pathetic than even their wants, for the little they have tells still more eloquently of the much they lack.

Fichte: A man can do what he The Current: Incompetent, but rich ought to do; when he says he cannot and titled, amateurs have made the novel-writing business precarious in

Meanness is the one unforgivable sin. | England.