#### Estimates of Different Authorities and a

Comparison of Dictionaries. An interesting question suggested by an ancient waif of a book is the number of English words now existing. Considerable difference of opinion exists on this point. Mr. George P. Marsh, an American author of repute, in his "Lectures on the English Language," estimates that the number (in 1861) "probably does not fall short of 100,000;" and large additions, especially in art and science, have come into use since that date. Other writers, however, come to a different conclusion, and think that 40,000 and the like-are to be taken into account, it will swell the sum total very considerably.

Taking the first three words that occur at random, we find that from "demonstrate," in one of our modern dictionaries, there are thirteen derivatives; from the word "bright" there are tur forms. In one of Todd's editions of Dr. Johnson there are upward of eighty words with the prefix "all"-all-complying, all-divining, all-drowsy, and so on -a very notable instance of dictionary another the second work. One had the padding. In ways like these the vocabulary may be indefinitely increased. Probably if we take leading words and all their derivatives, the number at the present time will exceed Mr. Marsh's estimate. An approximate verification of this may be found by multiplying the dictionary by the average number of words in a page.

Shakespeare's works, it is believed, include about 15,000 separate words, and Milton's about 8,000; but from these figures we have no criterion of the extent of the actual English vocabulary. It may has only about 7,000 or 8,000 words. there are in Bailey's Dictionary approximately about 35,000, and in Johnson's impatience and listened. not more than that. In some of the larger modern works, again, the figures, as has been said, reach to upward of 100,000.

In Dr. Johnson's vocabulary many technical and scientific terms were omitted, and in his original preface he excuses himself in a very naive and characteristic fashion. "I could not," he says, "visit caverns to learn the miner's language, nor take a voyage to perfect my skill in the dialect of navigation, nor treasurer; children under to half price. visit the warehouses of merchants and the shops of artificers to gain the names of wares, tools and operations of which no mention is found in books. An adverse critic might be inclined to ask: Why not? But, all the same, it will be readily conceded that he did a great work according to his lights. The science of philology has been revolutionized since his day, but his labors largely contributed to the earlier stages of its progress. —Chambers' Journal.

#### Ex-Governors of Pennsylvania.

Ex-Governor Pollock was the oldest ex-governor of the state alike in years and in service. He was elected in 1854. and was succeeded by William F. Packer, of Lycoming, who died years ago. Packer and Pollock each served only one term, and Packer was succeeded by Andrew G. Curtin in 1861, who served two terms, and who is yet living, and now the oldest ex-governor in both years and service. Curtin was succeeded by John W. Gearv in 1867, who served two terms, and died soon after his retirement, Geary was succeeded by John F. Hartranft, who served two terms, and who died in 1889. Henry M. Hoyt succeeded Hartranft in 1879, the first under the provision of the new constitution that made the term four years, and made the governor ineligible for re-election to immediate ly succeed himself. Governor Hoyt is still living, and one of our active members of the bar. Governor Pattison succeeded Hoyt, and is now at the head of an important financial institution in this city. The death of Pollock leaves only three ex-governors of Pennsylvania among the living, Messrs, Curtin, Hoyt and Patti son. Curtin's election goes back to 1860, Hoyt's to 1878, and Pattison's to 1882.-Philadelphia Times.

# Wonderful Surgery.

At the surgical congress at Berlin Professor Gluck, of Berlin, gave an exhibition showing a most valuable advance in surgery-namely, the successful substitution of catgut, ivory and bone freed eats: from chalk for defects in bones, muscles and nerve sinews. The juices of the body are sucked up in the inserted material, thereby establishing the junction of the separated ends, without any shortening of the part. He presented the cases of patients in whom there had been an insertion of from six to ten centimetres of catgut to supply defects in the leaders of the hands, to which complete mobility had been restored. This case had previously been impossible. In the case of another patient Professor Gluck removed a tumor from the thigh, causing a considerable defect in the bone. He inserted ivory, and no shortening ensued. In another case he removed a large piece of nerve in the groin and inserted catgut, and the functions remained completely satisfactory. These are considered wonderful achievements. -Pall Mall Gazette.

A Useful Cement. with the greatest possible success for the cess, financially and socially, so far, and cementing of iron railing tops, iron I can recommend the table. gratings to stoves, etc.; in fact, with such with about one-sixth proportion of borax, five days it will be perfectly dry, all dwelling houses and housekeepers emantraces of the cement having vanished, cipated. and the work having every appearance of welding.—Hall's Journal of Health.

#### NOVELTY IN EARNEST.

A CO-OPERATIVE BOARDING HOUSE IN DECATUR, ILLS.

Members Avoid the Troubles of Cooking and Live Well at a Cost of \$2.75 Each Per Week-Short History of "The Roby." Servant Girl Question Settled.

At Decatur, Ills., public interest is centered on "The Roby." This pretty little city has electric street railways. six newspapers, a dozen fine churches, a metropolitan air, elean streets, good wawould include the whole. It depends a ter-and the servant girl question. But good deal on how calculations are made, all these "ain't nothin'," as a small boy If all the subsidiary words-participles remarked in my presence when these advantages were being enumerated, "We've got something Chicago ain't got. It's a Mme. Van Gobbelschroy, at the age of Bellamy boarding house.

This is the history of the experiment: Miss Fanny Fuller and her mother It was the swell boarding house of Deca-The Misses Witherspoon, two twelve, and from "deplore" there are handsome young ladies, also boarded ten. There is also redundance in other there. Mrs. Guyton never had trouble ried M. Van Gobbelschroy, the once well with her servant girls.

Why Because the work was systematized. One did the cooking and laundry work. table to wait on and the dining room to care for. When their work was done the girls went where they pleased.

This set Miss Fanny Fuller to thinking. One day she read "Looking Backward," and proceeded to look forward. Where others read and marveled and number of pages in any good modern criticised, she read and adapted. One morning she came into Mrs. Guyton's tician.-London World. room with an idea. She read the chapter from Bellamy's book on the public dining room.

"Why can't we do it?" she asked.

"We can," said Mrs. Guyton decidedly. Miss Fuller put on her smart jacket be mentioned here that while Cockeram and hat and called on the ladies of her acquaintance with her idea. Everybody master in Oswego directed that a count was charmed. The gentlemen forgot of the letters designed for the village of

A few weeks later a meeting was held be kept for one week. The number by in Mrs. Guyton's parlors. After a number of whereases it was resolved to establish:

A co-operative association for the beneat of all its members.

2. No debts shall be contracted & A president, secretary and treasurer shall be

elected from among the members.

4. A superin endent shall be appointed to act as the purchasing agent of the club, vouchers to be

delivered to the treasurer. 5 Members shall pay \$2.75 a week board to the 6. The superintendent is to have entire charge

of the dining room, kitchen and servants, under the direction of a board of managers. It was agreed by all present to sign the constitution, these being the charter members. Applicants for membership should have their names posted in the

dining room three days before admission, and no one was to be received if a serious objection were raised by any one member. Mrs. Guyton's basement was rented,

including a large dining room, kitchen and pantries, a manager installed, two cooks and three waiter girls hired, and the co-operative club, after paying a membership fee of \$2 and one week's board in advance, sat down to their first meal at The Roby. Mrs. Guyton gave guests fell into the new order of things. There is no doubt about Mrs. Guyton's enthusiasm. She met me and began another book of her epic.

'We have fifty-four members-men. women and children-all of the upper crust aristocracy who are used to living well, and they wouldn't put up with anything but the best. We get that for \$2.75 a week a head; half price for children.

'What do you have to eat?"

'Everything in season. Stay to supper and find out. Now we get every thing down to minimum cost by having each family bring its own linen and silver and fancy dishes. We have a common stock of decorated china. The club rents my basement, including the

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"The income is from: One child, half pay \$143 40

"This is something like what the club Fruit; cereal food of some kind; two kinds of meat; eggs, potatoes, bescuit, griddle cakes or

rolls, toast, tea and coffee DINNER Soup, relish, or salad; one kind of fish and two kinds of meat; three vegetables; pie or pudding.

fruit, coffee, tea, chocola e, or milk SUPPER.

Cold meat: baked or cream potatoes; salad; bot rolls, cakes, or muffins; fruit or dessert; coffee. tea. chocolate or milk

"That is about as good as anybody lives," remarked Miss Fuller. "It is all dainty and well cooked and nicely

I went down into the dining room, a large, cool apartment in the basement. Eight or nine tables were covered with snowy linen. Napkins in rings, silver and china were on the table.

They all expressed themselves as being charmed with the experiment, and did not fear the pessimistic prophecies concerning its destruction. The books show that the bills are being paid up every The following mixture has been used week out of the allowance. It is a suc-

If you should ever go to Decatur I adeffect as to resist the blows of a sledge vise you to get a room somewhere and hammer. This mixture is composed of take your meals at The Roby, in the coequal parts of sulphur and white lead, operative boarding house. Guests are charged twenty-five cents a meal. By the three being thoroughly incorporated this means you will fare better for less together, so as to form one homogeneous money, meet the cream of Decatur socimass. When the application is to be ety and see the practical working of a made of this composition it is wet with part of Bellamy's dream. You will be strong sulphuric acid, and a thin layer of it converted to the idea of co-operative is placed between the two pieces of iron, cuisines and go home to spread the new these being at once pressed together. In gospel Cooks will be abolished from

> The servant girl question will be solved. -Chicago Tribuna

Hawthorne Time.

High in the tops of blessoming trees I hear the hum of honey bees;
A faint, sweet odor loa is the breeze: Tis hawthorne time.

Woodpeckers drum far up the hill; The robin's song sounds cheery still; But sadly mouns the whippoorwill: 'Its hawthorne time, What though the birds sing day by day? My beart grows sail in sunny May, For one I loved went far away

In hawthorne time, In hawthorne time ugh bees may hum and robins trill, Though faint, sweet scents the breezes fill, I always hear the whippoorwill In hawthorne time,

-Maria B. H. Hazen in Good Housekeeping.

A Great Dancer Dead.

The announcement of the death of 91, has almost entirely escaped notice. Yet seventy years ago, as Marie Lesueur, she was one of the most famous dancers boarded at The Roby with Mrs. Guyton of the generation. The great David took her for his model in "Mars Disarmed by Venus:" and after a most successful career on the stage she captivated and marknown Dutch minister of the interior. A volume might be made up of the odes addressed to Marie Lesueur between her debut as Rosine in 1819 and her marriage some ten years later. She danced at the inauguration of the Monnaie theatre the year before George III died. Her husband was ruined by a financial speculation and committed suicide in her presence. To the last she enjoyed a small pension from the royal bounty, but the ancestral castle of the ex-minister passed into the hands of M. Malon, the poli-

Oswego and Owego.

No one but a person connected with the Oswego postoffice can have the least conception of the extent of the confusion growing out of the similarity of the names Oswego and Owego. The post-Owego sent to the postoffice in this city actual count was 481. Let our Owego friends apply for a city charter and call the place the city of "Auwaga." "Auwaga" was the Indian name of the place. It contains the "Auwaga house," the "Auwaga bank," etc. It seems to be a name they are proud of, and it is a euphonious and pretty name, and is what the village or city should be called. If they object to the change, why let them continue to receive their business letters via Oswego, averaging 500 weekly, from twenty-four to forty-eight hours behind time.—Oswego Times.

#### English Bakeries.

The result of the inquiries recently made as to the sanitary arrangements connected with the trade of baking is anything but reassuring. Bakeries are said to exist in Manchester where the cleanliness which should obtain in the preparation of food is impossible. Some of the bakers complain that the machinery now used takes "the flavor out of the bread." They prefer the old method of "dancing on the dough." The Lancet commissioner naturally expressed a hope that "the men washed up keeping boarders, and she and all her their feet," and was cheerfully assured that they did after the bread was made. as otherwise they could not put their boots on again. It is desirable that the city authorities should deal with this matter immediately, and see that the staff of life is supplied to the people under somewhat better conditions than at present.-London Queen.

Recovery Comes Too Late.

Several years ago the residence of Cora Pearl in Paris was entered by thieves and robbed of \$120,000. One of the robbers was captured and condemned to five years' imprisonment, but the property was not then recovered. On his liberation from prison lately he endeavored to raise a sum from a banker, with which he might go to Germany and redeem the stolen property. That had been deposited in a German bank. The banker's suspicions were excited and the man was arrested, and has revealed the name of his accomplice. The great sum may be recovered. but too late to be of any value to Cora Pearl, who died in destitution, after having vainly endeavored to make a little 1 40 ris Letter.

# Electricity for Amusements.

An electric roundabout has been constructed by a French company and fitted up in a public place of amusement in Nice. Here the electricity which is used for are and incandescent lighting is also employed in the transmission of force to the roundabout or race course. The ponies are of life size, and each contains a motor, current being supplied by the rails. The weight to be drawn, including the rider, is about 500 pounds, and the speed attained is about 600 feet per minute. The track comprises six circular and concentric lines, on each of which runs an electric pony.-Paris Let-

A remarkable trout died recently near Kelso, Scotland. Its dead body was found in a covered well only a few feet in depth. The tradition is that, some thirty-two years ago, this fish was taken from the Tweed, placed in the well and lived there until its death. Its body was eleven inches in length and very much emaciated, weighing only six ounces.

Baron Ferdinand Swift, the proselytizing atheist who died in Venice a short time ago at the age of 60, climbed the Campanile of St. Mark on horseback. paddled from Venice to Trieste in a canoe, jumped over ranks of drilling soldiers on a hunter and rowed down the Grand canal from the bare back of a horse standing on a barrel.

The Rev. John Prince, a Methodist clergyman, aged 80, and Mrs. Cynthia Wood, aged 34, were married recently in Montreal. They were lovers in childhood, and would have been married sixty years ago but their parents prevented the match. Love lingers a long while in the human heart.

DRAGONS.

Some Pretty Big Yarns About Gigantie Monsters That Once Existed.

The dragon is frequently mentioned by ancient naturalists as well as by scriptural writers and dreamers. Aristotle tells us that dragons 70 cubits in length were often met with in the vicinity of the Ganges. Reducing the cubit to feet, according to our mode of reckoning length, we find that these immense serpents were 35 yards in length. Alexander the Great and his army encountered one in a cave that measured 105 feet in length. An ancient work on serpents says:

Three kinds of dragons were formerly recognized in India. First, those of the hills and mountains; second, those of the valleys and caves; third, those of the marshes and tens. The first is numbering thirty-two men. Then Evans the largest and is covered with scales was given up. It was found that the ab as resplendent as burnished gold. They ductors were five sephomores, who had have a kind of beard hanging from run away with Evans in the hope of their lower jaw, their aspect is frightful and their cry terrible, being a loud, hissing wail. They have crests of bright yellow, and protuberances on their heads which are the color of a burning coal. Those of the flat country are of the color of silver; they frequent the rivers, to which the former never come. Those of themarshes are black, slow of motion and have no crests. Strabo says the painting of ser-ductors are all known. pents with wings is contrary to truth. but other naturalists and travelers affirm that some species are winged.

There is much confusion on this of the naja for wings; others have confounded the innocent dragon lizard with flying serpents and report, as Pliny does, that their bite is venomous, which is not true.

At Batavia, Java, a serpent was once killed and the whole body of a negro found in its stomach. Leguat says: feet in length. At Batavia they still swallowed a young woman whole."

St. Jerome says that all immense serpents are called boas, because they can swallow whole boves (beeves), and lay utter waste to whole provinces. Bosman says that three entire negroes were found in the gullet of an immense serpent killed on the gold coast of Africa. But Pliny caps the climax when he tells of Bagrada, Africa. It devoured several of the soldiers: its scales were so hard that they turned spears and darts. At length it was besieged by all the military engines that would be employed in attacking a fortified city. When killed the skin of the monster was sent to Rome as a trophy to be preserved in one of the temples. After drying several days in the hot climate of Africa it was sent to the Imperial City and in length.—St. Louis Republic.

Your Own Price on the Cigars. Stranger (to a Bowery vender of eig-

arettes, tobacco and cigars, whose whole stock in trade of cigars consisted of two partially filled boxes)-Have you Two Mexican fishermen killed an ugly any ten cent chars?

"Er have you any five centers?"

"Oh, I say, have you any two for Vender reaches toward box number

"Never mind: I guess I will go down here to a friend of mine and get some three for fives."

the other, and exclaims, "Here are | -Cor. Kansas City Journal. some."-New York Tribune.

# A New Use for Tripe.

viand, tripe, so little known on the power of speech, has as mysteriously table of the upper ten thousand that gained it again. He was riding on the more than one young lady of fashion cars to Great Barrington, Mass., with has been known to confess that she always supposed it to be a variety of fish eaten chiefly by the poor, has been put to a new use. Some ingenious person, during the period when it was proposed to put a duty on hides, experimented with tripe as raw material, and succeeded in producing a very unique Ledger. article of leather, in which the honeycomb effect is admirably though unobtrusively preserved. Tripe thus tanned is soft and yielding, yet strong and durable, and especially fitted for the manufacture of slippers and other light footwear. - Boston Post.

# Curious Effects of Poisons.

as if it were a machine. The strokes were out for over ten hours in the cold of the central pump, the heart, can be winds of a very bitter day, and next day slowed or quickened; the vital heat the old man was found dead, the cold lowered or increased; the pepil of the and exposure being more than he could eye expanded or contracted; the limbs stand. -Pall Mall Gazette. paralyzed or convulsed; the blood sent to the surface or withdrawn to the interior; even the natural hue and color of the body can be changed by the into the system. - Hall's Journal.

Profit in High Priced Dinners. The Hoffman house chef in a moment

of professional inadvertance admitted plate upon the food of a public dinner; with wine, must be highly profitable to species to the residents. the caterer, while Delmonico's \$5 dinner, without wine, undoubtedly yields a high percentage of profit. - New York

Sun.

They Stole a Freshman.

A dispatch from Ann Arbor, Mich., says: The city is thoroughly excited over an abduction that took place last night. Frank J. Evans is president of the freshman class and toast master at the class banquet which took place tonight. Last night he was missed from his accustomed haunts, and inquiry developed the fact that five men had seized him on the street and bustled him into a hack, driving rapidly away. Meetings were called, and searching parties were organized and sent in every direction. One party traced him to Mooreland, sixteen miles from Ann Arbor, where, with the marshal and police force of Saline they found the party lodged in a hotel.

They formed a cordon about the house and demanded his release. The party refused, and the Saline marshal threatened to charge the hotel with his party, breaking up the freshmen event. When they reached Mooreland with Evans they had put him to bed and hid his clothing. It was 4 o'clock this morning before the party having him in charge returned to the university, and some of the boys did not get in until noon. A crowd of twenty freshmen have acted as his body guard all day, and the banquet came off to-night as advertised. The faculty will take action, as the the ab-

#### Electric Railways in Russia.

We have long been accustomed to as sociate any new development of electric point. Some have mistaken the hood traction with America, but a scheme is on foot in St. Petersburg which, if carried out, will certainly leave America far in the rear. It is proposed to have a railway entirely worked by electricity, connecting St. Petersburg with Archangel, and spanning a wide stretch of country between the Baltic and the White sea. The project is said to be woman and the carcass of a large stag backed by Archangel interests, and the name of Siemens & Co. is connected with There are many serpents on the island the enterprise. The plan is to furnish of Java that measure more than fifty the carrent from a series of generating stations distributed along the line. The keep the skin of one which, though but distance is something over 500 miles, and twenty feet in length, is said to have the estimated cost a little over £3,000 per mile, including rolling stock. The scheme is certainly a daring one, and, while it may never reach accomplishment, its further progress will be awaited with interest by the advocates of electric traction in England. -- London Times.

Kaiser Wilhelm's Mother. The Empress Frederick is touched by suffering and takes much interest in of the serpent which opposed the Ro- charitable enterprises. She was present man army, under Regulus, at the river | recently at the great meeting of the committee of the society for sending the weak and sick children of the poor of Berlin for change of air to the country, the seaside and various health resorts-a society which was called into existence ten years ago at the suggestion of the then crown prince and princess, and which last summer was able to give some weeks of fresh air and healing baths and waters to more than 2,000 poor little city children. Eight boys and eight girls, who have benefited by was even then found to be over 120 feet the society, were allowed to hand bunches of violets to the Empress Frederick, and as she took them she was heard to say: "Ah, if I could only take them to him! He was always so fond of violets."-Exchange.

# A Strange Monster,

and vicious anolis of the lizard species Vender reaches toward box number the other day on Padre Island, but not until a hard battle had been fought. It measured four feet long and thirteen Vender reaches toward box number inches in circumference, with claws equal to a tiger's. It contained twentyfour eggs. This monster is a native of the West India islands and the first ever seen here. During the combat the anolis several times changed its color from green to brown and vice versa, a peculiarity of its tribe. Many theories are advanced as to how it reached the island. The most plausible is that it came in one Vender detains him with one hand, of the huge mahogany logs from foreign reaches toward box number two with lands that are frequently washed ashore.

# His Speech Came Back.

Fred Couch, who suffered an accident That most succulent and refreshing in Ansonia, Conn., whereby he lost all his wife and child, when he felt a peculiar itching in his throat. As the train neared Great Barrington Couch looked out the window, and, turning towards his wife, exclaimed: "Mother used to go by that road!" These were the first words he had spoken since the accident. He continues to improve.—Philadelphia

An Old Man's Heroic Conduct.

Robert Watts, who died at Felixstowe, deserves a word of praise for his heroic conduct, which hastened his end. He was 78 years of age, and had lived at the Felixstowe ferry all his life. On Easter Tuesday signs of distress were shown by a vessel on the Skipwash Sands, twelve miles out at sea. A boat was manned, The animal body can be played upon and Watts went with the crew, but they

A plague of frogs is reported from Northampton. The frogs and their spawn choked up the water pipes, actually cutting off the supply to some subtle action of various poisons taken houses. People had been drinking the water unfiltered, and the reservoirs will have to be emptied to remove the frogs and cleanse the pipes.

A shower of worms, it is reported, fell to an acquaintance that it is well nigh near San Andreas station, in Santa Cruz impossible to expend more than \$4 a county, Cal., last week. The worms resembled the grub, were white in color so that the usual ill served \$10 dinner, and had red eyes. They were a new

> Sig. Campanini has had a tumor removed from his throat, and he has strong hopes that the surgeon's knife has restored his long lost high C.

What a Moslem Believes.

Every Moslem believes devoutly in a personal God, in an overruling Providence, in the mission and miracles of Christ, whom they designate as the Messiah, in the duty of prayer, and the immortality of the soul, in a future state of rewards and punishments, and in the inspiration of the Rible. An educated Moslem, if asked why he does not become a Christian, may not improbably reply that, according to his own interpretation of the New Testament, he is one already. Thus, in a letter recently received from one of my friends, he styles himself on Moslem and a Christian at the same time."

Though a most pious and sincere alohammedan, he claims to be one of those "who profess and call themselves Christians," for whom we pray every Sunday that they may be led into the way of truth. They hold that Islam was the latest revelation, perfecting the Christian revelation, just as Christianity supplemented the revelation given to the Jews. Mohammed may be considered as a reformer of Christianity; like Luther he denounced certain superstitions that had

The Koran says that God gave the Gospel to Jesus to proclaim, and that He put kindness and compassion into the hearts of those that followed Him; but "as for the monastic life, they invented it themselves." "In the time of Mohammed," says one of my friends, "Christianity had become corrupt, as many of your own writers admit, and it was these corruptions that it was Mohammed's mission to reform. We reject the corruptions of Christianity. But we claim to have a final revelation, predicted by your own prophets, just as the coming of the Messiah was foretold to the Jews, who nevertheless blindly rejected him as you reject Mohammed."-Leaves from an Egyptian Note Book.

#### The Feeling Was There.

In attendance at one of the Indianapohis ward schools is a little colored girl 9 years old. She is miserable, indeed, for at home she is ill treated and the shoes she wears, and often the clothes, are supplied by the teachers or some of her classmates. There is a tender poetic vein in her make up and it found vent in a composition. The teacher took a little pansy plant to school one day and told the pupils of the flower. Two days after she asked them to write a poem of it and gave them the privilege of having the pansy talk and tell the story, and this is what the little colored girl wrote, the word pansy in the copy being the only one dignified with a capital:

"I am only a Pansy. My home is in a little brown house. I sleep in my little brown house all winter, and I am now going to open my eyes and look about. Give me some rain, sky, I want to look out of my window and see what is going on,' I asked, so the sky gave me some water and I began to climb to the window. at last I got up there and open my eyes. oh what a wonderful world I seen when birds sang songs to me, and grasshoppers kissed me, and dance with me, and creakets smiled at me, and I had a pretty green dress. there was trees that grow over me and the wind faned me. the sun smiled at me, and little children smelled me one bright morning me and the grasshoppers had a party he wood play with me and a naughty boy pick me up and tore me up and I died and that was the last of Pansy."-Indianapolis Journal.

# A Battlefield Trust.

We are in danger of something worse than the Libby prison speculation. Itis now proposed by a speculative northerner to purchase all the battlefields of the late war, fence them in turn them into parks, and show them to visitors at twenty-five cents a head.

It will strike those who are acquainted with the situation that the great American showman will have a big job on hand when he comes to the cluster or bouquet of battlefields around Atlanta. Our old red hills have good cause to be redder than any other hills that ever trembled through the thunder storm of

Nowhere on American soil can there be found a spot that was ever so pounded and mangled and harried and scorched as this same Gate City of ours. All over the world there are men now living whose proudest boast is to say that they went through our forty days' baptism of fire or were in one of the many battles fought under our city's walls.

We are not yet ready to sell our blood stained fields of glory to the glib strangers whose only interest in them is to coin money out of them. If we can do nothing better, let us level the grim fortresses and the frowning ramparts, and fill up the silent trenches once so full of heroic life. Let us cover these scars of war with the blooming industries of peace!-Atlanta Constitution.

A Model Dog Story.

A remarkable case of animal intelligence and fidelity has developed in this city. Every one knows the late D. Watson's little dog Zolla, that used to follow him everywhere and often ride beside him in his buggy seat. He would come \* every morning to his master's office, and if he did not find him there would run over to the livery stable to see if the doctor's buggy was gone, and if it was he would follow the track until he had found him. When his master was in the coffin little Rolla was held up so he could see his face, and showed signs of intense grief

He was at the funeral at Woodbine cemetery and was the last one to linger at the new made grave. Since that time he has visited the grave night and morning and is seen sitting upon it keeping watch, as though he expected his kind friend and master. He often wandered alone on the streets at night, and a gentleman whose profile and beard somewhat resemble Dr Watson's has told us that little Zolla becoften walked in front of him and gazed into his face and even followed him home and sat for hours in: front of his door waiting for him to come out that he might get one more look at this face so much like the one treasured in his memory.-Jefferson (Ga.) Herald.