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The German Stock of Silver-

One of the unsolved problems of the silver question is the amount of that metal Germany has on hand to throw apon the market when the price of silver rises to the point she has decided to sell at. It appears from an analysis of the London tables of exports and imports of silver, that the tide has turned, and that Germany is now buying silver of England. In \$877 the net imports of silver from Germany were \$68,414,690. The next year the net imports were only \$12,-627,630, and in the first quarter of the present year Germany drew from England a net amount of \$2,664,203. A comparison of corresponding periods shows that the change is not due to the season. The German government sold silver when there was a temporary recovery in prices, but did not even supply the contiguous empire of Austria, which drew largely from London. As a stock of idle silver is non-productive while interest is paid in the money with which it was purchased, the German stock must be reduced pretty low or a material appreciation of price be anticipated. There

Ship Building for the British Royal Navy.

exhausted.

is very little doubt that silver bullion

will appreciate when it is known that

the German stock is nearly or quite

It is officially announced that the following ships are being built in private and government yards: Agamemnon, 4, double screw, iron, armorplated turret ship; Constance, 14, acrew covette, steel and iron cased with wood; Doterel, 6, composite screw sloop, and the Polyphemus, double screw, steel, armor-plated torpedo ram, all at Chatham. The Ajax, 4, double screw, iron, armor-plated turret ship; Bouncer, 1, double screw, steel gunboat; Bullfrog, 4, Cockchafer, 4, Espoir, 4, screw composite gunboats; Gadfly, 1 and Gripper 1, double screw iron gunboats; Insolent, 1, double screw steel gunboat; Nantilus, Meals served in French, Italian and Ameri-8, and Pilot, 8, sailing brigs; Tickler, 1, double screw iron gunboat, all at Pembroke. The Kingfisher, 6, composite screw sloop, at Sheerness, the Linnet, composite gun vessel, and the Swift, double screw gun vessel, at the Thames Ship-building company. The Miranda, 6, and the Phoenix, 6, composite screw sloops, at Davenport. Another ship the Pincher, 1, double screw iron gunboat, is to be built at Pembroke.

Hew to Walk.

The custom is now everywhere prevalent for pedestrians to take the right side of the walk. The practice avoids much confusion, particularly on frequented walks. The rule has been so thoroughly established that any person found violating it, is set down as an ignoranus. People now take the right side as regular as they do when driving on a road. This being so, common sense suggests that ladies should always walk at the right side of gentlemen when going in couples. If they do that, ladies will never be jostled wh n meeting other personsthe gentlemen thus being always on the side of contact with people coming from of site directions. Gentlemen should andon the habit of walking half around them at every corner. The old soom of giving the lady the raside walk, when walking with her, he decuning feature. The lady's and protection is best insure king at the gentleman's right s times.

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-Dr. Potter made a good suggestion at the tenement house meeting in New York, recently. It was that tenement houses should be built, not on lots of twenty-five feet by one hundred, but on lots one hundred feet, or, better still, two hundred feet square. These large structures, he thought, could be built by joint stock companies, in which some of the tenants might themselves become investors, and thus have an interest in the protection and care of the buildings. The great demoralizing agency in the present system is the want of air and light. The foulness of the atmosphere caused by the crowding together of a large number of human beings in a small space, the lack of ventilation, bad sewerage and absence of cleanliness imperils public health, risks a pestilence, degrades those who live within its influence and kills off children with frightful rapidity. No sufficient light or ventilation can be secured in a large building with twety-five feet frontage and its sides enclosed by other structures.

-Miss Henrietta Spencer, aged 38, bern in Garland, Me., died in south Boston April 14th, after a short illness, of pneumonia and typhoid fever. She had been blind 28 years. She was educated at the institution for the blind at south Boston, where for the past ten years she has supported herself by running a sewing machine in the workshop connected with the institution. Working by the piece, as she did, it eften became difficult to obtain more than the bare necessities of life. She was an expert in bead and worsted work, which she did when her hands were not otherwise employed. She had remarkable courage, a very pleasant disposition, and had many friends, who look upon their loss as her ga n. She leaves no relatives, her parents having been dead twenty years. The cause of her blindness was the bursting of a percussion cap by a playmate, pieces of the cap entering her eyes,

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