On the stage of life the leading lady is usually the cook.

A woman never tires of shopping as long as her hair stays in curl.

In a successful matrimonial firm the husband isn't a "full" partner.

Sermons would be shorter if they had to be practiced before they were preached:

War would probably be the most borrible thing in the world if it were not for the comic valentine.

Enjoy the pleasures of life when you have a chance, or when you get ready to enjoy them you may find them missing.

"Localization of hostilities" and 'administrative entity" are two more delightfully vague verbal morsels to roll under the diplomatic tongue.

the Missouri mule in war is that no disguised Jap would dare to get near

One advantage of depending upon

The "limousine" is described as a cross between an automobile and a

germ, kunsite, is not a mysterious affair at all, but just a spodumene, someharmless when not hungry

doing when a limousine goes into a

President Roosevelt says the editor is necessary and useful. Now let him prepare to lose the votes of "Veritas," Bono Publico." "One Who Knows" and old man "Vox Populi," not to mention space writers and all egotiatic correspondents to whom the editor is always an idiotor,

M. Roche, French ex-minister of commerce, estimates that in the event of a general European war France must expend \$6,000,000 per day during its continuance. In 1871 she had to pay not only the cost of her own armies in the field but to contribute a tard" of france, or \$200,000,000 as an indemnity to Germany. For crushing the freedom of the Boer republics, for the dublous profits of turning uneasy neighbors into sullen and impoverished subjects. Great Britain spent upon the South African war \$20 for every acre of the two republics. The Civil War cost the United States the additional of \$2,700,000,000 to her public debt.

It is announced that the United States recruiting stationss will continue to accept young men 5 feet 4 inches bigh as recruits and will not for the present require them to touch the mark at 5 feet T inches. It is pleasant to know that three inches makes not the slightest difference in a man's ability to discharge a Krag-Jorgensen, and from time immemoria basn't it been maintained that a little man is more pugnacious than a big one? Little men are more high-tempered; they will fight quicker and longer. It is easy to comprehend why they do it. It is because they won't "put on." They fear that you labor under the impression that because they are small they are not as likely to maintain their rights with the same firmness as a bulkler man, and they mean to undeceive you.

When in doubt consult your mother, by simply drawing it Your mother, young woman, has had She knows the ways of the measured. world, which you do not know. You Your mother knows. She has gone by Happy she who can go to her mother with her little secrets and misglyings. her girlish hopes and fears, and talk of these, freely assured that mother will understand and advise tenderly and sensibly and rightly. Happy that mother who has won and kept her daughter's confidence, who knows how important it is to listen sympatheticalto her daughter's doings and plans. Happy the mother who has not driven ber daughter away by speaking of the stellah notions as "silly," and "orenosterous," or by scolding the girl's petty delinquencies. The bond between mother and daughter should never be broken. The bond of comraderie be tween the two is a natural one. If it binds them together the daughter' problems become the mother's prob tems and the solution will be a wise one. "A son is a son 'till he gets a wife; a daughter's a daughter all the days of her life"-if the bond holds The old song says: heat felend is his mother." That's true But a mother is in a peculiar sense the best friend of a daughter. And the girl who forgets this is likely to make a mistake in life. Ask your mother.

It begins to look as if consumption had had its day. Without walting to note what effect X-rays or any of the new forms of light may have upon destroying it, it is evident that the most serious scourge of our northern lati tude is already more or less under the control of physicians. In New England, where the registration has been fairly accurate, the decrease of the death rate from this disease has been 50 per cent in the last half century, the rate of decrease being far more rapid in curling. He said nothing, but before recent years. The reports from New blocks of houses were formerly infectchanged that the city has been able to had cut trying to get the bricks to reduce its death rate from this dis-ease nearly one-half in the last twenty told the yard man they were "no years. Strange to say, cold outside good."

OBERTAR DESCRIPTION OF STREET consumptives, is now regarded as one of the best remedies. The treatment is herote, but it works for an appetite, and this, coupled with nourish ing food, is sure to make good blood. ************ which is exactly what the patient wants. In fact, cold air seems to be a opular remedy just now for many tile. Not far from Wellesley College is a hespital for crippled and otherwise de-formed children. These children are living in a barnlike shack, and while protected from drafts they are allowed free exposure, especially at night, to pleuty of pure, cold air. The experiient is novel, but so far the improve nent in the anaemic children has been marked. It may be that civilization will have to take a step or two back-ward in order to advance in the right direction; that some of the luxuries now enjoyed by the rich are not so desirable after all, and that health and the happiness which comes from health are to be bought more easily than most of us dream.

It is no longer the fashion to blame the dime novel for the exploits of run-We are glad to learn that this new they? Not having an iron works to ennut. of soiled clothes with a stick when on, but then 'tis itself it wears away."—Philadelphia the police found them for me." Run- Ledger. ning away from home to work in an honest employment is a good many shades better than running off to night Indians or hold up stage coaches, Carnegle and Schwab are not perfect models. There is plenty in the careers of each to be criticised. If the lives of

these two men have any practical lesrunaway boys whom the police found 'agitating a vat of soiled clothes with knew what to do with it. If the police never found boys doing worse than

HANDY POCKET MEASURE.

measure can be put by those in certain lines of business are almost num-

lats, carpenters and while at work. There are limitations to the of both the rule and tape measure,

however, in the dis-POCKET MEASURE tance they will cover, and as it is not always convenient to carry a big line, a nest little pocket instrument has been designed to fit the need. This device is so constructed need. This device is so constructed that it will measure all flat surfaces by simply drawing it over them, indicating distances from one-eighth or That advice applies to children, gen- cating distances from one-eighth of erally, but it applies especially to girls. an inch to twenty-five feet, or by increasing the size of the instrument the advantage of experience which you slightly even greater distances can be

It will be seen from the lilustration see things from your point of view. It that the hand traversing the outer dial necessarily a narrow point of view. rends up to twelve inches, while that on the inner dial runs up to twenty the way you are coming. Happy that five feet. One particularly convenient daughter who confides in her mother. put by machinists is in measuring the surface speed of the work to a lathe In this connection it is only necessary to put the measuring wheel in conta with the revolving surface for a frac tion of a minute, when the length of surface covered will be found indicat ed on the dist. This device is small enough to enery in the pocket without inconvenience and is much more easily operated than a foot rule or small tupe measure, with the added advantage that there is nothing to fold up when the measure has been taken. The record can also be indicated in metric measure, if desired, and when the full twenty-five feet have been measured it will automatically repeat.

Golfer Surprised.

A golfer, with a bundle of golf clubs nder his arm, was hurrying along a side street to the links when a hou wife standing at her door accosted

"Man, but ye're late," she said. "Yes," said the golfer, a little sur "but I'll have time for one and vet.

said the woman, "but ye maun nind there's twa. "Two what?" asked the golfer, in

satonishment "Twa chimneys. Are ye no' the

sweep?" Too Much for Poor Lo An Indian caught his first glimpse of a natural gas fire a few days ago near the territory line. He looked into the stove and all he could see was a pile of red-hot bricks, through crevices of which the blue flames were starting home he went to a yard and York are to the same effect. Where bought a lot of brick and hauled them He burned up six boxes of ed with tuberculosis conditions are so matches and all the dry wood his wife



E live rapidly in the telephonic age. It has been truthfully said that we can crowd much more work into the day than our most industrious

forbears did. Invention has given us many Time and space have been conquered, so that the modern man of 60 has accomplished infinitely more than the man who lived to the patriarchal age, and, from this point of view, has earned the rest which his grandfather would not have dreamed of enjoying at threescore Whether this be so or not, many of the finest achievements in business, statesmanship, literature, in all acstrong man will accept to as the arbitrary limit of his ambi-

Age of Retirement.

the dime novel for the exploits of the away boys. Indian fighting and gold thou and working ability.

Writers who have discoursed most knowingly on the Writers who have discoursed most knowingly on the digging are no longer the gilded paths to glory. The up-to-date way is different. A New York letter tells that a fond Gotham mother had her two is anxious to push his way into the working world thinks boys restored to her after they had that a man is old at 40 and should be preparing to go on been away for two whole days. The the retired list. In the flerce competitions of modern life the retired list. In the flerce competitions of modern life disguised Jap would dare to get near closes away for two whole days. The boys are 14 and 16 years old respective boys are 14 and 16 years old respective. In the ferce competitions of modern life to boys are 14 and 16 years old respective. In the retired list. In the fierce competitions of modern life is probable that the age of retirement is gradually falling. The theory is worth the lavestigation of the curious statistic that injures health. But the average of human life remains about the same.

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terward he made a million a minute. yearn for the march and the battle. The habit of work carnegle and Gates yellow literature holds us to the accustomed cares and tasks. This exsleeping car. There must be something was also attractive to them. If Mr. plains why the great lawyer or the multi-millionaire merwas also attracted and the country of the powers of men whose lives have been very settly are likely to deng on a 30-cent capital, why not cline rapidly in retirement, the result of idleness and

sell to a shipbuilding company, the "Nothing is so injurious as unoccupied time. The huboys started to work in a laundry at man heart is like a milistone; if you put wheat under it, it times known as triphane, and perfectly \$3 a week. They were agitating a vat grinds the wheat into flour, if you put no wheat it grinds

Mistakes in Life.

NE of the most unprofitable ways of spending time is the practice, to which many persons are addicted, of brooding over the mistakes one has made in life, and thinking what he might have been or neved if he had not done, at certain times, just what he commercial age, it is that the boy and the business must grow up together, hasty, ill-considered acts into which he was betrayed at each a part of the other. This pair of most unconsciously and without a suspicion of their conse quences

As he thinks of all the good things of this world -honor stick" had found an opportunity and position, power and influence-of which he has been de prived in some mysterious, inexplicable way, he has no patience with himself; and, as it is painful and humiliating this, there might be roster hopes for the world's future. Nobody in the world has as good a chance to become disappointments. Ferhaps, as education has never been disappointments. Ferhaps, as education has never been disappointments. n master of the laundry of business free from mistakes-mistakes, indeed, of every kind-he as the boy who is not afraid to begin Imputes the blame to his early training, th which habits by "agitating a vat of solied clothes of thoroughness and accuracy, or, again, of self-reliance with a stick." Here's luck to this pair and independence of thought, may not have been implanted of boys and the hope that the police Perhaps a calling was chosen for him by his parents, with may never find them in a worse busi- out regard to his peculiar talents or tastes and preferences; or, if he was allowed to choose for himself, it was when his judgment was immature and unfit for the responsibility. The result was that the square man got into the round The uses to which a rule or tape, hole, or the triangular man into the square hole, or the

Now, the fact is that, in all these mishaps, there is beriess, and it is the habit with maching exceptional. They are just what befall—all, or in part—every man who is born in a civilized country. No circumstances under which any man has been born and fitted for a career have been entirely happy. . . In others always to ditted for a career have been entirely happy to view of these considerations, it has been justly said that to carry a measure of see a man, poker in hand, on a wet day, dashing at the this kind with them see a man, poker in hand, on a wet day, dashing at the coals, and moodily counting the world's mistakes against any other European tongue. Of the increase of about 91, h m. is neither a dignified nor engaging speciacle; and our sympathy flags with the growing conviction that people are the United States-Indianapolis News

constantly apt to attribute a state of things to one paricular condition or mischance, which, scener or later, must have happened from some inherent weakness and openness It may be noted that, where men themselves attribute ill success or mischauce to separate distinct mistakes as, for instance, to the choice of a certain adviser, or the engaging in some special speculation those who have to observe them trace all to character. They see that, if fullure had not come at such a juncture, it must have same at some other from certain flaws in the man's naure—that mistakes simply mark occasions when he was tested. We see in a career a hundred chances thrown to think away and wasted, not all from accident, though the actor, ooking back, does not know why he chose the wrong he seling the last to remember that a crisis is the occasion for hidden faults and predominating influences to declare themselves, so that his mistakes were, in a manner, inevtable.-William Mathews, in Success.

On the Use of the Imagination.

S a practical age the imagination is apt to get less than its due. We want naked facts, or we think we do, and im aginative people lusist upon clothing them in gay apparel; consequently whenever we lose sight of a fact ve suspect the imagination of having run off with it, and raise the hus and cry with a fine indignation against the deceiver. Yet to the art of living, as to every subordinate art, imagination is the one indispensable quality. For lack of it we fail not merely in sympathy and courtesy n toleration, in all the miner graces, but even in actual ruthfulness of thought and demeaner. So far is it from eality to consider imagination as the enemy of fact, that without it no fact can be properly apprehended, much less shared with our neighbors. The greatest fact of social life s the fact that we are all different, and it follows from this that without the power to picture a different mind rom our own we are incapable of communicating the implest feeling. . . If you define imagination as the simplest feeling simpose recting faculty of seeing what is not there, you may take away its character without contradiction, but this is the perverse description of statisticians; the poet that lives in each of us knows better . . . And if we come down to the amenities, the small change of life, the imagination calls to us ceaselessly for employment. Formal courtesies are base money, passed about among stupid people only until they are found out: the courtesies that will stand every test, and pass current in all emergencies, must be fruits of a genuine traffic between mind and mind, in did do. A'most every unsuccessful man, in looking over his which every interest is active and every want is taken into account. And this can only be got by sending the imagination on its travels for us. - London Guardian.

The Chief Language.

ITH the increasing intercourse of the nations the old question of a universal language comes up-at least in the German mind-affording topic of discussion. The tendency toward a on tongue is and has been for years most marked by the spread of the English language. Mulhall's statistics of a dozen years old (being the latest available) show the spread of languages for the first bluety years of the last century. At the beginning of the century the languages of Europe were spoken by 161,000,000 people In 1890 they were spoken by 401,000,000, an increase of nearly 160 per cent. The four principal languages in 1801 were French, Russian, German and Spanish. The French amounted to 19.4 per cent and the Spanish to 16.2. ish speaking peoples amounted to only 12.7. But in 1850 he standing was:

English, 27.7 per cent; Russian and German, each 18.7 er cent: French, 12.7 per cent; Spanish, 10.7 per cent, and the remainder divided between Italian and Portuguese The number of English-speaking people had grown from 20,520,000 to 111,100,000, German and Russian speaking people from about 30,000,000 to 75,000,000 each, and French speaking people from B1,450,000 to 51,200,000

The English language had risen from fifth to first place, and was spoken by at least 50 per cent more people than non-non English-speaking prople, about 70,000,000 were in

That night the huge trap was fixed

in the clearing, and the woman with

more fear in her voice than if she nad

From a treetop we watched, and a

nat the Striped Death appeared. At

sight of the trap and its human balt

which he had doubtless tracked for

miles by scent and sound, he gathered

he passed. His only thought was of

Cunningly and deftly Remachunda

began to pass a rawhide rope through

body, and in half an hour the Stripes

Death was bound, enmeshed and help

There Was a Lapse.

ed, and was in the hospital at Key West. He was asked what he knew

'Sit up an' take this.' "-New

Made No Difference.

s leap year," said the soft-spoken

"I don't suppose it makes much dif-

ference to her," replied the mellow-toned Irene. "She has been jumping

at every chance she saw for fifteen

Product of Meat and Grain

"Wen, sir," replied

Commander Wainwright, who was

woman and child, as he leaped

bars about the tiger's struggling

inunched himself full at the cage.

madly against the barrier.

of the explosion.

York Tribune.

venra."-Judge.

Invited.

been safe at home.

EXPLORING THE NIGER.

in the region south of the Sahara by off the fever and accomplished his tition fastened midway across it. On means of the Niger. Theorists disa-Lieutenant Hourst, who had come down the river, said it could not the upper river he collected a mass of the widow was to sit with her child in be done. Captain Toutee, who had valuable information, charting the her arms. The idea seemed too horrigone up, said it could. There was but floods and examining soils and crops the She was determined, however, Niame, whence it would be borne overland to Colonel Peroz at Lake Tchad, and with the remainder to revictual all posts along the river from Say to Asongo, the latter about two thousand miles up and above the last important

For this tremendous task Captain Lefant was assigned two lieutenants and about forty negroes, but was able to hire natives at necessary points en He was required to fortify a

base of operations at Arenberg. What the intropid soldier undertook when with twenty bateaux, he began the ascent of the river, can best be un derstood when one realizes that the Niger for a thousand miles falls over rapid after rapid. Its waters are toru to seas of foam by innumerable rocks. and the channel is often lost among dividing islands. Many of these rap lds are in deep gorges, and in some

Starting up stream at low water, when the rapids are at their worst. Captain Lenfant urged his boats forward with oars and sails and setting on long tow lines, he conquered the ob- draw the Striped Death to the spot. stacles without an accident, All the

army to follow where he had gone. and having assigned his white aids me. Then came the tragedy, their tasks, went on against the rising flood to Niame, put the seventy tons the side of the yungle farthest from us. ashere, and then, with his chart to Before either Remachunda or I could guide him, shot the rapids down stream spring to our feet the Striped Death to his base. At the falls of Patassi, had sprung through the propped-open where his colored guide, Lancine, took door upon Ghunga Dhass.

*********************************** carried seventy-three hundred feet in All except his wife. "It is time to three minutes and twenty seconds, and weep when the slaver is captured," she accomplished in a few hours what had said. "The Striped Death must be cap taken a month in ascending.

On the second trip Captain Lenfant live and grinned at in a cage. tured, not slain. Let him be made cap

the side nearest the open door a lamb mission. On his route and in a canoe trip on was to be hung. On the opposite side

to settle the dispute. Cap- He visited cities that were populous and at last we yielded, tain Lenfant was ordered to take ten three centuries ago, and are just recovthousand boxes of provisions and ering from the prostration which foltwo thousand of equipment to lowed when the slave trade swept freeful child in arms cronched within the mouth of the Niger, load away their people. He found them— it, southing her haby's cries with no the material into bateaux, deliver sev- Say, GaoGao, and many others-eager enty tons of supplies on the bank at for commerce with the outside world.

WITH HUMAN BAIT.

Capture of a Man-Enting Tiger in an East Indian langte.

Major L. J. Beck, during a visit to Calcutta a few years ago, was informed by the natives that a feroclous maneating tiger had terrorized the Calcutta The villagers had named it district. the "Striped Death," and Major Beck came auxious to see the remarkable beast, especially as he had recently reletter from a famous Euro pean animal dealer who wanted a large male tiger, and who commissioned him o procure one for him if possible. In the Boston Herald Major Beck tells the startling story of securing the beast, He employed Remachunda Dhass and his brother Ghungs, noted huntamen to help him.

For two weeks we worked in vain of them the river falls one hundred says Mr. Beck. At last we set up a times as rapidly as the Mississippi in great trap in the jungle. It was on the same plan as a mouse trap wherein hangs bait to tempt the mouse to enter When the weight of the mouse presses on the floor of the trap the door springs shut and makes him a prisoner. poles. Gulded by negroes who proved The tiger trap was a huge wooden themselves trustworthy, competent, cage. The butt was to be a goat, bung and at times even heroic, and sided up in the cage by the hind leg. The by numbers of friendly blacks pulling sound of its bleating was expected to

I doubted the strength of the trap. s way up he sounded, charted and photo- Ghungs, after fastening the door open, graphed the dangerous places, and stepped inside and began to strengthen made a report which would enable an the bars in their sockets. I withdraw several yards distant and sat down At Arenberg he divided his stores, in the shade. Remachunda rested near

A gleam of tawny fur shot out from

the boats through in turn, they were The village wept over the dead man. grain 420 per cent.

HUMOROUS PARAGRAPHS FROM THE COMIC PAPERS.

Pleasant Incidents Occurring the World Over-Sarings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young Funny Selections that Everybody Will Enjoy.

A mainful interview had just been ulled off in the woodshed. 'Now, sir," said the stern parent as e hung the old trunk strap on a natl,

you stand corrected. "I d do," sobbed the youthful victim a and I w won't be a able to sit e corected for a w wrek."

the Way a Bustler. "George," said the leap year girl who eant business, "I love you dearly. Will you be my husband?"

Why-er-this is so samiden, cammered George, "G give me time

"Well," who rejoined as she looked at her watch, "think quick. The last ar is due in fifteen minutes."



fellows, come and have a

No Fault of Hera-Mrs. Flatleigh-I was surprised to ear that you didn't keep a girl. Why

Mrs. Suburbs I don't know, I'm sure. I hire enough of them, but they sluply refuse to stay." By Leaps and Bounds.

laster this year than it did last, Myer-Because why? tiper-Because this is lesp year

A Sudden Change. Higgins—Do you believe that any erson's halr ever turned gray in a ingle ulght?

Wister-Oh, I don't know. think it might happen. Once I knew a young woman's hair which turned rom red to golden in a single day. It was the day she came into a fortune. Boston Transcript.

A Mean Men. Three women stood before him and Three women atsed before him and about that. All I want is to marry placed at the paper he held in front your daughter. f his somewhat sanguine face

At length he half areas and said: Take this seat, madam. The three women looked at one an

"I mean the elderly lady," be added. All the women turned their eyes "Have upon the advertising cards and became a Year?" ntently interested in their contents. Then the man slipped back into his med his reading.-Cleveand Plain Dealer.

Not at All Persones.



"Why, William, I'm surprised!" 'It's mutual, ma; It's mutual!'

Bis Own Little, Panic. Hi Tragerdy-You don't look very well this morning, old man. Lowe Comerdy-No. I was the vic-tim of a fire panic last night.

himself together for a spring, and Lowe Comerdy-Oh, no. You see, experienced the paule when I heard I was going to be fired, but I learned He did not note the closing of the behind him, nor the struggling this morning that it was a mistake,lamb that almost brushed his nose as

Hi Tragerdy-What! I hadn't heard

Philadelphia Press. Accounting for It. "I can't understand love at first

"Why, it is due to the fact that love ta blind."-Judge. A Natural Mistake.

The passenger has been lying back or his seat, half dozing, for an hour or so, when the train slowly pulls into the yards at the outskirts of the great

on the Maine when it was blown up city. Still in the borderland between off Havans, tells of a vivid account of sleep and waking, the passenger looks the disaster given by one of the juckles." The sallor had been woundfrom the window. His glance fulls upon a huge freight car on a siding. One look at the display of foot-high letters on the freight car is enough. passenger fumbles in his pocket and fall into a kind of curve, each end The the sallor, "I can't say that I knows yelle: much of it. I was a corkin' it off in

"Here, boy! Bring me one o' those me hammock, sir, when I hears a extras."—Judge.

Very Nervy. Star Boarder-The landlady objects to you complaining about the fare. She says all the food she serves is "I suppose Lizzie Oletimer is glad it nerve food.

Mr. Kicker-I don't doubt her assertion. It takes a great deal of nerve to serve such food as this

Belf-Protection. Tom-Whatl Eating onlong? ought you detested them? Jack-Bo I do.

Tom-Then why are you eating Since 1840 the world's production of most has increased 57 per cent and them? Jack-I'm going to a leap year ball to-night. See?-Chicago News.

A Consolution Balance. Pessindst-Then you still have fulth

a homanity? Optimist-Of course; there are 80,-000,000 people in this country, and I still have faith in those who haven't

alayed me any mean tricks.

Triffes.
Miss Inquisitive—What are you Mr. Blunt - Nothing - absolutely

othing.

Milan Inopisitive-Oh! I'm so relieved. I feared you were laughling Mr. Blunt-Never fear, I seldom laugh at triffes.

An Exception. Ewoter-It is always true that if you want a thing well done you must

do it vourself. Knox-How about an operation upon courseft for appendicitie? Philadelphin Press.

To Catch the Ladies. Shoe Dealer-Didn't I tell you to ark those fadies' shoes down one balf?

New Clerk-Yes, sir; I was just lookmir to see what the original prices

Since Dealer - Prices? Who said any thing about prices? Mark down the sizes. Make the "sixes" "threes" and so on .- Philadelphia Press.

Overheard on the Pond. Ermie-Don't you think a man is slow when he takes fifteen minutes to fasten on a girl's skates?

Her Friend-Well, if the girl is pretty I should may be would be slow if he didn't take that long. Uspopuler. Reddick—They say the ladies in that

spartment house are not pleased with those patent spring doors that won't Van Albert I should say not. They

have no way of displaying their tem

Ment Reason. Gunner-1 see some woman's club is going to dispense with men when

Guyer-That's easily explained. Here's a horse that can't flick They can't find any who care to dance eny more.

Commuted. "But," said the merchant to the applicant, "you don't furnish any refer ce from your last place."

"You needn't worry about that," repited the man with the close-cropped head and prison faller. "I wouldn't be here now if it hadn't been for my good behavior in my last place."-Philadelphla Prons.



Mr. Kousty-So you want to be my son-in-law, eh? Charley-Well, I'm not my particular

Too Many. "Do you read many nevels?" asked

ur tady correspondent of her visitor

from the country. 'Oh, yes, a good many," was the reply "Have you ever read 'Ten Thousand

"Lord bless us, ma'am, no," anwered the astonished visitor. "I never read as many as that in my whole

life."-Boston Traveler.

nati Times Star.

thing on a milroad train?

Not Safe Even Then. "Did old Gotrox kick you out of the source when you asked for his daugh-

"No, but he broke my ear drum. "Ear drum? Why, he surely didn't kick you in the head?" 'No: I asked him over the tele-

nuari Times Star These Busy Days. "Smithers says he hasn't got up to give his sent to a lady in a street car

for a mouth." "And I siways thought Smithers the most polity man alive" "Oh, he's polite enough. He just hadn't had the sent to give."-Cincin-

Grave Filters. "Sir," said the man whose knees shook when the train entered a tunnel, "do you know the most dangerous

"Yes," responded the gay drummer, "It is the cigars the train boy sells. Vivid Imagination.

Ehe-So you are a professional hu-norist? How delightful it must be to earn a living writing jokes! He-Yes, er-1 always imagined it would be.

Future Ability. "We've got a fine new talking machine up at our bouse." "That so? Run by a spring?" "No; by air. It's a girl baby,"-Cindanati Times-Star.

Einstie Macble.

In one account of Rome the author mentions five or six slabs of clastic marble as being in the possession of the Prince Borghese. Being set on end they bend backward and forward, When laid horizontally and raised at end they form a curve. If placed on a table and a piece of wood or any other substance is laid under them they touching the table. The Abbe Fortis was told that they were dug up near the town of Mondragon, in the dom of Napies. The grain is like that of fine Carrara marble or perhaps of the finest Greek. They seem to have suffered some attack of fire. A slab of marble similar in every respect to those described and highly pollshed has been exhibited for years at British Museum. M. Fleuvian de Belvae succeded in making common granular quartz completely flexible by exposing it to a certain degree of heat. In Lincoln cathedral, England, there ta an arch built of white marble which is quite clastic, yielding to a trend and returning or rebounding to its original position on true clastic principles.