A CHOICE BELECTION OF INTER-ESTING ITEMS.

Comments and Criticisms Based Upon the Happenings of the Day-Histori-cal and News Notes.

The man who hurries is frequently only spurring a rocking horse,

In Russia the question assumes this form: "What shall we do with our exviceroya?"

Speaking of current political repartee, how would you like to be called a cipher with the rim off?

Taxes are to be increased in England, so that the royal family may not have to discharge any of its help.

In the bright and shining lexicon of political candidates, many are beemed and few escape being beomeranged.

If the average man cats three times as much food as he needs what about

Circus elephants, being intelligent and observant animals, probably have found out that there is a shortage in the peanut crop this year.

effect of piecework in the kitchen; yet Bridget has been an expert at this ever since crockery was invented.

A book publisher declares that no

The mother of nine children who, deserted by her husband, declares she can take care of her family, might well be the first beneficiary of Mr. Carnegie's hero fund.

A woman calls herself a good housekeeper when she worries for fear if the house burned down the neighbors would talk about the state in which amendment on any question, so great are the difficulties in the way. Cer-

One of the entertaining professors says every married woman should be wage-earner. This might easily be housework.

One of the Japanese officers who were killed at Port Arthur has been elevated to the rank of war god in for that high honor.

It is worth noting that in the 7th year of Meiji (1874) there broke out the Formosan war; in the 17th the conflict in Kores, in the 27th the China-Japan war, and the present year, the 37th of Meiji, is again disastrous to peace.

Considerable slarm was created a short time ago by the news that some one had said a woman of fashion should have at least ten new hats each season. The alarm subsided when it was discovered that the person who made the statement was the head of the National Milliners' Association.

Berlin was recently connected with Copenhagen by a new international ferry. The boats run between Warneande, on the German coast, and Gjedesby, on one of the Danish isiands, and carry through trains over the 20-mile stretch of water between the two points. The ferry makes it possible for a traveler to go in almost a straight line between the two capitals without change of cars.

When a modern steam threshing machine was introduced into the country about Damascus-It was made in Indiana-the Governor General of the province, a field marshal of the Turkish army and other high officials watched it begin its work of superseding the threshing methods which the country had inherited from the days of Abraham. The machine was heavy that on its way to the fields It broke down several bridges, but was able to pull itself out of the streams, to the surprise of the natives. With American machinery in the harvestfields, there will soon be two Damascus bindes where only one grew be-

The denial of the power of a State Legislature to prohibit the use of the national flag for advertising, on the ground that it is not a proper exercise of the police power, impliedly denies that any question of public polley of the State is involved in such use of the flag, or else denies that the Legislature is the proper authority to determine what such public policy is. determine what such public policy is. graphs on the subject he shows how though two able courts have decided the language of the old Egyptian emthat such a statute is unconstitutional, pire was no more intelligible to an there seems to be, nevertheless, much Egyptian of the nineteenth dynasty, reason in contending that this is a question of public policy, which it is the average Italian of the present day. the business of the Legislature, and Long after old Egyptian, the classical not of the courts, to decide. But if it tongue of the old empire, had censed be correct to hold that the State law to be spoken, it led an artificial life as cannot prohibit the use of a represen tation of the fing in connection with same part as Latin played in medieval advertising it does not follow that Congress might not do so.

From three important institutions of learning have come severe complaints ing an intermediate stage between the about the illiteracy of the students, their inability to think clearly, to make | pire. correct sentences, to spell and punctuate. This does not mean that college boys are a picked class of illiterates; they probably think as well as their pporaries who are not in college, and they probably write and speak the language better. The charge of the older teachers seems to be that the present generation of youth is not, as whole, up to a reasonable standard. The charge points to the lower schools. Peruaps there is too much "nature study" and "physical culture," much painting and pasting of bits of colored paper. Certainly there is not enough reading aloud, spelling aloud, and committing to memory thoughts worth thinking. The boy who learns heart Webster's Bunker Hill orachurch. tion, speaks it aloud with proper emphasis, and can spell every word in it. getting the right kind of education. And when he goes to college, his in- risk it.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES. structors will not find in him cause to

The New York World urges parents to cease burdening boy bables with the names of famous men. The thing has been overdone. When William Dean Howells Green faces the police judge on a charge of chicken stealing, and Henry Cabet Lodge Jones goes to the calabonse for wife beating there does seem to be something out of whack with the eternal fitness of things. In the near future it would be possible to organize regiments of William Jennings Bryans and Theo-dore Roosevelts, with a company or two of Grover Clevelands in the pr cession. There is another side to it Great men are but men, after all. Up to the day of their death it is possible for them to clothe their names with shame. They may become as infa-mous as they formerly were famous. There is history for this statement. Then what is to be done for the lad who wears a name that has become offensive in the ears of the people? Indirectly he is bound to pay a penalty the man who goes in for lobsters after for the sins of another. There can be no objection to using the name of one who has won glory and died; but to copy the names of the living is, at best, a hazard. It is certainly due to bables that their names shall never be a handleap. They have a hard enough time getting through life at best.

Secretary Dike, of the National first-class fiction is being produced these days. Let him keep his eye on tends, by concerted action of the several States, not by national legislation. The natural independence of the average American girl Congress cannot pass a divorce law unfederal constitution has been

ble. Nearly 15 years ago a committee and English girls.—St. Louis Republic. of the American Bar Association de clared that a constitutional amend-ment was out of the question. The late Prof. Thayer, of the Harvard Law School, used to say that this country would never get another constitutions tainly some great crisis must arise which will arouse the feeling of the people, more than any mere moral position to any further transfer of power from the States to the national two or three billions of dollars. government. It may also be added that ter do for themselves. The States have no difficulty in getting together on uniso it would seem there is no insupertect the banks, the way is open to an agreement to protect the homes. The courts of Delaware, according to Mr. Dike, are forbidden to entertain a suit for divorce for any cause arising prior to the residence of the petitioner in that State unless it were also a ground for divorce in the State where it arose. The adoption of a similar law in all the States would effectually end the migrations for divorce. It would put an end to the rivalry for divorce fees

#### get together. That would be a good example to the States.

OLD EGYPTIAN LANGUAGES. Farthcoming Dictionary Compiled by

Berlin Academy of Sciences. A brief dispatch from Berlin conveys intelligence which will thrill the heart of every scholar. It announces the near completion of Professor Erman's of milk in feeding calves, ac monumental "Dictionary of the Ancient Egyptian Languages," a work endowed by the Kalser, compiled by the Berlin Academy of Sciences and aided in no small degree by the best American erudition. Professor Erman, the editor, is easily the foremost Egyptologist of the world, though he has toiled development. Butter fat and crean in a field wherein there has been of course, are the most highly prize friendly contention for many years among the scholars of France, England, Germany, Italy and America,

says the Philadelphia Ledger. The oldest records of the Egyptian language date back to about B. C. 4000 and it did not die out as a tongue until about three centuries ago. Professor Erman's great book will, of course, embrace its long history and the many changes it underwent.

In one of his own published mono for example, than Latin would be to a learned language, playing much the Europe, and was regularly employed for religious and monumental purposes down to the Roman period. Then followed the middle Egyptian, represent language of the old and the new em-

In it most of the old forms and inflections are retained, but some of the peculiarities of the later speech make their appearance, this being the Neo-Egyptian or popular language about B, C. 1500-1000. It is represented by a number of papyri containing tales, poems, letters and legal documents From about B. C. 700 to the Christian era the language of the Egyptian people was the demotic, about which comparatively little is known; and it was succeeded by the language of Christian Egypt, or Coptic, written in a modifica tion of the Greek alphabet with the addition of characters derived from the demotic. As a spoken language it perished about 300 years ago, but is still employed in the ritual of the Coptie

Getting married is a serious business; but many people are willing to



### OPINIONS OF GREAT PAPERS ON IMPORTANT SUBJECTS

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American Husbands VRITER in the London Telegraph deplores he fact that the American husband of the middle class" does not interfere in domestic ffairs and "seldom examines the accounts of he grocer, the butcher or the baker and hardy knows the cost of staple articles of food." He also regrets that the husband is extrava-

gant and "does not make his wife a regular allowance, but gives her as much as he can spare, freely, but without system

These are simple extracts from the writer's long article and it shows the vast difference between the America and the English husband. In England the husband thinks that he has to "keep tab" on every penny and dole money out to his wife in gingerly portions and, to the American

way of thinking, look upon his wife merely as a servant. The writer in the London paper is perfectly right in his report. The American husband is extravagant. He does not bother his head with the price of meat and flour and potatoes and other things for the table. Why should be do so? He has confidence in his wife. The culinary de partment is not his department. He runs things in his office and allows his wife to run things at home. Both parties are well content. He has no interest whatsoever in League for the Protection of the Fam- the bill sent in by his grocer or butcher beyond paying it ity, has supplied a new summary of the reasons for uniformity of divorce the other hand, the wife does not concern herself with his laws throughout all the States, and business. She knows that the bills are paid promptly and

would resent a husband's constant interference in he ousehold duties and expenses. She considers herself per amended, and amendment to the fed-eral constitution is next to the impossi-she is right. This shows the difference between American

#### The Hero in Politics.

HE case of Captain Richmond Pearson Hobso we that the war here does not always have he open sesame to the prizes of politics. Young Labson resigned from the navy a year or two igo, and announced that he intended to seek in election to Congress. One of his objects in Congress, as he recently declared, would have been to work for the construction of a higger navy for the

question ever can, before another United States than England has. He would give this co arranged. Let every married woman amendment can be secured. Throughbe paid \$5 a week for doing her own out the South there is unalterable op- has had for the past third of a century, even if this necessitated the expenditure, within the next twenty years, of

But Hobson's war record did not prove to be so po there is less need in the South of laws to restrict divorces than in any other. He has been beaten by John H. Bankbead, of the Sixth Japan. Still, comparatively few of us would care to be blown to pieces even pears no good reason why the national a person who has had an experience of eighteen years in government should do for the States Congress, and who served in the Legislature of his State what the States can, if they will, bet-many years before going to Washington, while Hobson ter do for themselves. The States have never has had any political service of any sort.

Like his companion in arms, Dewey, the hero of the form laws relating to money affairs; Merrimac has had bad luck in politics. The sailors in this country have been less fortunate than soldiers. Moreove able obstacle to their getting together the war in which Hobson figured has given no political on a vital question of morals. Since prize to anybody except President Roosevelt. It furnishes on a vital question agree to propresidency. The chances are that it has no more political posts for anybody.-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### Will Penmanship Become a Lost Art.

SCUSSION of "vertical writing" in the schools which has been revived of late, naturally raises se question as to the future status of penman ship as a means of recording the facts of comnercial exchange or conveying the thoughts of

Is penmanship destined to become

between the States which induces so much of the liberality of the laws. But, "Vertical handwriting" was introduced in the schools after all, public opinion is the great because it was supposed to be better adapted to the needs power that not only can render divorce odious, but influence laws against it. of our time than the old Spencerian, running hand. It is Mr. Dike calls upon the churches to more condensed, and, if properly taught, more legible than the content to the condensed of the old style. But now comes the parental objector with

FEED CALVES COD-LIVER OIL

Animals Make Great Gains on This

Kind of Nourlshment.

An attempt is being made to substi-

tute cod-liver oil for the natural fat

the Philadelphia Record, Milk cor

tains, as is generally known, all the

nutrients necessary for the full de-

velopment of young animal life. If

one of these elements is removed it

has to be replaced with a substitute of like kind in order to insure thrifty

of course, are the most highly prized

and valuable of dairy products and

some resourceful individual suggested

that these might be extracted by press-

ing the whole milk through a separa-

tor and their loss be made up to the

calf by adding an equivalent amount

Experiments have accordingly been

in progress for some time at one of the

agricultural colleges in Yorkshire and

recent reports seem to indicate that

they are entirely successful. There is

but little labor involved. The cod-

liver oil and skim milk is a cheaper

a feeding experiment embracing some

28 weeks it was found that the average

daily gain of the calves fed on whole

milk until they were weared was 2 pounds; those fed on skim milk and

oit and continued on an oil ration, 2.4

fed oil and milk but from which the

On slaughtering the animals no in-

jurious effects on the flesh could be discovered. The daily ration that ap-

peared to be successful was made up

of five quarts of skim milk and two

ounces of cod-liver oil. Fortunately the calves do not develop that aversion

human beings, but, on the contrary,

ONE PENALTY OF WEALTH.

Indigestion Afflicts Many Men Who

Have Immense Fortunes.

has come to quite a large number of

few years, made considerable , for-

transition from a simple life, where

hard work was required early and

hard work, has proved a change too

great to be healthfully made. It is a

One curse of riches which, it is said,

ericans who have, during the past

readily become accustomed to it.

only 2.1 pounds.

feed than the whole milk and calves appear to thrive on it. During

of cod-liver oil, another fat nutrient.

cerns, that it is "not a good hand for bookkeeping." And yet it was this objection to the old, running, long hand that led to the introduction of the vertical system, whose ndensed, legible form was supposed to adapt it perfectly to mercantile uses.

The question suggested by 'be discussion of "vertica writing is: How long will pe, nanship of any kind last How long will we need to teach it in the schools? Isn't the typewriter supplanting it in all departments of business endeavor?

To discuss intelligently these questions we have first to get rid of the notion that there is anything sacred about "penmanship." Following the law of evolution, if it be nes useless, it will have to go. As a matter of fact, isn't its usefulness even now confined to social correspondence and bookkeeping? How long will it take to break down the social barriers against the use of the typewriter for polite correspondence. May not the typewriter become as on and as necessary in the home as the sowing ma-

As for bookkeeping, machines have already been inented for writing in books, and it can be but a question pose?" of time when mechanical ingenuity will supply the perfect and practical bookkeeping typewriter. And then what then agin it mouth't. Green eak kin-will become of penmanship—and the stick are for a partic, der needs a little light wood for to ular form of writing?-Chicago Record Herald.

### Mixed Marriages.



HE people who have lately been agitating the question of "mixed marriages" of various sorts -meaning by the term, marriages between ople of different white races and different ects-are, of course, looking at the question rom their own race or religious standpoint at together. This is a matter in which all the bane, or all the good, depends on the point of view,

Broadly speaking, the interest of the American nation ites in a multiplicity of mixed marriages. The safety of the republic demands that there shall be no upgrowth of castes, no hard and fast delimitation of component elenents. Our public schools are the greatest mixing agency on the earth. Our politics are themselves a mixed mar a full glance, then looked steadfastly is, for the preparation of tools is kept riage of races and cuits. America is the melting pot of the shead, saying, "Well, now, stranger, in the hands of people who are doing

Our young people have taken their one from the school and the hustings. They mix, and no one can stop them that all the people of North Caroling from mixing. Nine out of ten of the young families known to every reader of these words are probably in some sense yerself." fusions. Religious considerations are a more potent bar to mixture than race considerations, save when the race happens to be African. But even religious bars fall before a fusion of elements which is proceeding here on a grander scale, and in more rapid movement, than has ever befor

Love laughs at canons, at rules, even at anathemas Perhaps it would often do better to obey them than to them. It all depends, in the last resort, upon the ndividual will. And we have here a land in which Cupid a as free as air, with no will or tradition or authority to vermaster him.-New York Mail and Express.

#### Boy Bandits and Their Origin.



HERE is a great moral in the execution of he three Chicago boy handlis, and it shows haven't been to all the restaurants that there is something worse for boys than and hotels that he has. You see, he ignrettes. It is the dime novel that glorifles married late in life, and his long series the deeds of train robbers, bank robbers and of bachelor years perfected his knowl-ther robbers. This may be the initiation of edge of omelette-making. public sentiment building for the suppression

of publishing houses that issue such pernicious books.

Four legal hangings and one prospective hanging in llinois and Missouri and nine murders are the latest crop of this kind of printing. The criminal press becomes as of the things I'm to have on hand, much a part of the care of the state as the criminal who "When I saw that my idea was performs the homicides. The criminal play staged at the ing to prove a success I bought some theater is also part of the machinery that supplies gallows' fruit. A censorship of publications and of plays is likely men. The men's are regular butchers' to suggest itself to the public mind, although Uncle Sam's aprona! I have all the aprona in a nice supervision of the United States mails in some measure pile on the kitchen table when my serves the purpose.

This is a free country in which no one is allowed to incite to crime by public speech. Is any one to be permitted to incite to crime by public print? Books sold under the name of "The Boy Bandita" or similar titles will con- going on. I put away the provision the contention that the "vertical" writing disqualifies the tinue to do their permicious work until public authority child for cierical positions in mercantile or banking con- must interfere.-Lilustrated Home Journal.

### SOLDIERS SEATED WITHOUT CHAIRS.



Soldiers in the French army have a drill to perfect them in the art of sitting down comfortably without chairs

A dozen or more men stand in a circle each facing the back of the next in line, at a carefully calculated distance apart. At the word of command they sit down, each resting on the knees of the man behind him. In this way, as the accompanying picture illustrates, the weight is distributed around the entire circle.

physical exercise does not come with water ways of the country. While obtaining it through out-of-door sports feet in cheapening the cost of transof a greater or less athletic character is essential if good health is to be that the compensation has scarcely maintained.

To eat and drink, possibly to excess pounds, while those which had been to live luxuriously—that is, to satisfy all one's desires without material phyoil was subsequently withheld gained sical exertion-is almost certain to be physically demoralizing and the number of those not beyond the middle period of life who have in the last few rears acquired great wealth, who are now under medical treatment, not so much for nervous allments as for what may be termed an excess of luxury, is said to be exceedingly large. to cod-liver oil which is natural to most

There is, perhaps, this compensation in life, that the man of moderate means, who is compelled by the neces sity of the case to live in a reasonably simple manner, is more likely to enjoy better health while he lives and connue on to a good old age, than is the man who does not have to place the ation by the dominion government, least restriction upon his expenditures The total expenditure on canal staff o'clock dinner?" and who cannot withstand the temp- and maintenance, repairs and renewtunes, is indigestion, due to what may tation to consume all of the dainties als for 1902 was \$864.080. be termed good living. The sudden procurable by money.—Boston Herald.

COST OF CANADA'S CANALS.

late, to a life of luxury with but little | Enormous Outlay for Water Ways that Are of But Little Commercial Value. change which has come to many who the Dominion of Canada has devoted night as by day. All gates are oper her neighbor's head?" — Yonkers have not during their previous life much labor and an enormous amount ated by five-horse power electric States man. had to take into account that where of money to the improvement of the motors.

man's daily pursuits some means of these have undoubtedly had their efportation, it is the opinion of many justified the cost.

According to the minister of railalready spent on canals \$102,481,545, to treat when they are iii. The Czar three feet four inches in height, an amount slightly in excess of the is extremely sensitive and has an in- twenty-five inches in width, and some ment of the Eric canal by the much less remedy, and the Sulfan is very binding ropes are twenty two inches in larger population of New York. It is suspicious and is constantly afraid that circumference. The bark has been rethe time-honored policy of Canada to some one is going to poison him. He moved, and the surface, which is gold-improve its natural water ways and does not even trust his own physiconstruct artificial ones.

Agent Hamilton at Cornwall points for him." out, the development of the ditch seven feet wide and two and a half feet deep into the magnificent artificial water way 150 feet wide, with not less than fourteen feet of water. Since the confederation of Canada in 1867 the canais have been under oper. tation of being a good one.

The Cornwall canal, which over comes the Lang Sault rapids, is lighted and operated throughout its entire length by electricity. Are lamps of

### \*\*\*\*\* A CAROLINA DODGER.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Not even an unwilling woman's of North Carolina. The man was get-ting out a load of wood, and the traveler stopped to gossip with him. He soon found that "yes" and "no" were the words which were not in the na-

tive vocabulary. Fayetteville?"

I reckon you mout find one, of yo looked in the right place." "How far is it from here-about ten miles?" "More or less,"

"This is the direct road there, I suppose?"

ef you keep goin' ahead."
"Do you sell much wood there?"

has to haul a right smart chance."

more and some agin not so much."

then agin it mouth't. Green oak kin- ing the essence, which is exported to der needs a little light wood for to France and the United States for use not it goln'.

you need both kinds?" "Ef one or tother won't do single "

I believe you Southerners burn tonte. green wood mostly?" ler to his own likin'."

"What good would it do to know?" "Well, I'm writing a book."

"Which is heavier, green pine or

"What sorter book?" ion on the relative weights of the and another one, all ready for use, is

you kin fest set it down in your book, nothing else, and who are necessarily when you git to that pertiklar p'int, much more expert than the general that all the people o' North Caroling workman would be, while the latter was sech fools you had to weigh it does not waste time in waiting for a

## MEN REALLY LOVE TO COOK.

How Young Matron Manages When the Maid Is Out. "We just let our friends cook their

wn supper on Sundays when the maid's out," said the young married woman. "I have found out that men just love to cook, and I honestly think they know a good deal more about it

"One man we know makes every delicious kind of omelette you could paper. possibly dream of, and a great mony kinds you couldn't dream of, for you

"He knows how to make systecocktalls, which is more than most amateur cooks know. He is going to make some Sunday. Here's the list

"When I saw that my idea was gocheap aprons for the women-and the guests enter. We put them on first thing.

"As hostess I become kitchen maid I keep an eye on everything that is the moment they are not needed any longer, and I keep the dishes washed up as they are used in the cooking By being constantly occupied in this Father Cronin has written verse which way I keep my small kitchen fres has won him a reputation. He is also pers from being ruffled.

to make as little work as possible for the maid.

"The maid grumbled a little at first, just because it is in the maid code to time Father Cronin assumed his presgrumble at anything unusual, but I ent editornal position have passed dispelled the last remnant of her lilnature by telling her after the first evening that she could go out every Sunday instead of on alternate ones. Yes, the men really do like it."-New York Sun.

When Monarchs Are Sick.

insists on airing the superficial knowl. grew into a vine, when the native garedge of medicine which he has no dener set about to fashion by ingentquired through reading a few popular ous twistings, compressions and trainrorks on the subject.

good deal of trouble, for she hates to with strong fiber ropes, and as the have one of them come near her, even tree expanded the ropes held firm. for the purpose of feeling her pulse. ways and causis, the government has and the Sultan are the most difficult and more imperishable than only. It is outlay authorized for the improve stinctive dread of even the most harm. of the knots which formed between the

> No Time Allowance. "I think," said the first business man, "I'll go home to lunch to day. A new cook arrived at our house just

"Why not walt for your usual "Bhe may be gone by that time,"-Philadelphia Press.

after breakfast, and she has the repu-

Problem in Millinery. "Why, oh, why," remarked the ob server of events and things, woman smile with delight when sh 2,000 candle power are placed every sees a hat in a milliner's window an-For many years the government of 400 feet, making the line as clear by frown when she sees the same hat of

# QUEER STORIES

most coquettish evasion could equal there are 62 miles of innucls. They the indirection of the mind of a manufacture are 62 miles of mucls. tive whom a traveler met in the woods are stocked with an ample supply of arms, ammunition and provisions, in readiness for a slege.

There was some trouble over the dividing line between the towns of New Hartford and Harwinton in Con necticat until the original survey of "Is there any tavern on the road to the towns laid out in 1720 by the preprietors, who were taxpayers of Hartford, was found, and this record will be used in making a new survey.

After 10 years incessant labor, Mrs. ished what is probably the oddest bedquilt in the country. It is a patch quilt nade of 14.000 pleces of silk of all "You'll be putty apt fur to git there kinds and colors, and every piece of silk came from a different bride's bat. During 10 years Mrs. Hoffman has "I reckon this beab jack thinks he been collecting these pieces.

A remarkable industry of Paraguay "Does wood bring a good price is the preparation of essence of orange leaves. More than 150 years ago the "It's jest accordin'. Some fetches Jesuit priests, who then ruled that secleded country, imported orange "Oak fetches more than pine, I sup- seeds and planted groves, which have ose?" now became immense forests, filled "Can't say as it does, reg'lar. Mout; with small establishments for extractin soap and perfumery making. It is also employed by the natives in Paraguay as a bealing cintment and a hair

Every engineer is now familiar with "Oh, we sin't pertikiar. Every fel- the fact that in all modern works of any size the making and repairing of tools is managed by a special depart ment of the works. The "good old days," when a gang of men would stand in line, waiting for their turn at the grindstone, have gone by. In a "Oh, just a general book on the modern shop, when a tool needs grindountry, and I'd like to get your opin- ing it is sent to the tool department obtained at once. It is easy to see how The Carolinian gave the Northerner much more economical such a method turn at the grindstone.

### FATHER CRONIN, LONG

### A CATHOLIC EDITOR.

The Rev. Patrick L. Cronin is regarded, in point of service, as being the oldest editor of a Catholic newspaper in the United States. This venerable newspaper man and priest is editor of the Catholic Union and Times of Buffalo, N. Y., and has recently completed thirty years of service on that

In addition to his ability to wield a trenchant pen in his editorial work,



PATHER CRONES.

from confusion and my guests' tem- a powerful erator and among scholars pers from being ruffled.

"After support the women belp me clear the table. We banish the men from this. I leave the kitchen neet, ity for work and besides his editorial several seve with the dishes piled together ready to duties, on which he spends several be washed. It is Sunday and I want hours a day, he has charge of a large parish at Tonowanda, N. Y. Nearly all of the many priests who

exercised the sacred ministry at the away. In every case the venerable priest penned their obligaries.

### A Vegetable Chair.

One of the most wonderful pieces of furniture in the world is a vegetable chair, which came from Kores, and has grown from a single seed, planted "Emperor William, of Germany, is take grown from a single seed, planted an excellent patient," says a French twenty-six years ago. The seed was writer, "and his only fault is that of a gingko tree. In fertile soil whenever his physician attends him he and amid sunshine and rain the seed ings into an arm chair.

"King Edward VII. is an admirable der to make the lower branches de-bim to do he does without a murmur."

Much pruning was necessary in or-der to make the lower branches de-bim to do he does without a murmur. "The young Queen of Holland, on was carefully formed by tring the the other hand, gives her physicians a young and pliable branches together

The chair weighs more than 100 "Of all rulers, however, the Cxar pounds, and is even harder, sturdler cian, and he employs a chemist to ans. polish, and in spite of its look of impy The result has been, as Commercial lyse any medicine which is prescribed antagonism it is quite as comfortable as the conventional factory made chair.

Had Heard of It-Somewhere. Senator "Tom" Platt was fingering a gilt-edged book that had come to him in the mail. He seemed so much in-terested in it that Senator Quay asked what he was reading.
"This," explained the New York

boss," as he turned the pages slowly, "is a reprint of a curious volume much thought of by William Penn and his followers, but which I am told is scarcely known among their descend-

anta." "And what is it called," asked the Pennsylvania statesman. Platt fossed it on Quay's desk. It

was the Bible.—Baitimore Herald. Why don't they put rubber heels on boys' shoes?