TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

A CHOICE BELECTION OF INTER-ESTING ITEMS.

Comments and Criticisms Based Upon the Happenings of the Day-Histori-cal and News Notes. The automobile with all its perils seems to be less fatal than the bath-

ing suit. "A stage held up." The pity is that it does not happen oftener, for stage so often needs such aid.

The Japanese have disproved the Russian boast that Kalchow was a stronghold not to be sneezed at.

Every little while somebody suggests that the United States annex San Domingo. Would it not be possible

Russia has a General Pflogg and Japan has an Admiral Hobo. The interesting question is, Can Bussia Pflogg the Hobo?

When Russell Sage hears about the young man who went crazy while on his vacation he will, of course, regard it as a clear case of just retribution.

Scientists claim to have discovered the old-age microbe, but it is quite likely the varmint will continue dobusiness at the same old stand. What will the poor typesetter

when the legions of General Takaharakamaharahara begin to encounter those of General Shootemoffskykillemoffaroff?

William C. Whitney's heirs object to paying an inheritance tax of \$222, Why can't the State of New York be generous and cut it down to \$221.990.001 Miss Jane Addams predicts the time

when the servant girl will be a memory of barbarism. Begging Miss Addams' pardon, it's that way now in some suburban homes.

Prof. Starr thinks that the Chinese upon the whole, are superior to the Japanese. This will give everybody something to talk about during the professor's extended visit in China.

Dr. Slins C. Swallow says that for twenty years America has been "ruled by Bunko, Boodle and Booze." It must be admitted in all candor that these three Bs have improved each shining hour.

Bishop Potter has assisted at the opening of a saloon in New York. Inasmuch as he has been able to get his articles accepted by the magazines without going to this extreme, some people can't imagine why he did it.

A New Jersey man claims to have discovered a process whereby beautiful gowns may be made from asbestos. Whether or not this drawing upon the rocks of mother earth will tend to eave the "rocks" of the head of the family remains to be seen

Switzerland looks well after its citisens, and its postal department and ratiway privileges have long been admired by the rest of the world. Now the government has decided to forbid parents from saddling their children with fantastic names. Two children, named by unmerciful progenitors "May First" and "Ribello" (Rebell, have been legally christened, and the foolish names have been condemned by the courts. Switzerland has truly a "paternal" government.

Captain Mahan told the Imperial Federation League in London that it was important that the various communities of English-speaking peoples should become so far capable of coincident action as to be able to exert their power as one great nation. Therefore it was important that the British steamer ninety feat to storage pockets colonies abould be united with the at the rate of 320 tons an hour. The mether country in some sort of a fed- capacity of the shovel was two tons. eration with a head that could speak for the whole. This view of one of questions of world politics deserves espectful consideration.

Daylight is one thing that destroys the germs of disease-all of themand publicity, bringing with it irresistthis public opinion, is the sure cure for public unrighteousness. A shining example is furnished by the recent experience of the Western Union Com pany in connection with the collection and sale of racing news in New York City. The public realized and the directors of the Western Union realized what the company was doing, and immediately the transmission of racing news to poolrooms was stopped. Day light, and yet more daylight, is the surest guarantee of continued progress toward better things everywhere, but especially in the financial community. Indiscriminate publicity has its faults, and, at times, works hardships and injustice-but it is better than se-

Senor Dupuy de Lome-he died in Paris recently-was a diplomatist who illustrated in his own person the effeets of violating the good old-fashion-While he was ed rule of courtesy. Spanish minister at Washington the excitement over Cuba came to a crisis. in a letter to a friend in Havana he wrote that "McKinley is weak and catering to the rabble, and besides, a low politician." This letter was intercepted by the Cubans, and sent to the Secretary of State in Washing-The Becretary took it at once to Minister De Lome, who admitted that he wrote it. The Spaniard knew that he had violated the rules of diplomacy, and cabled his resignation at once to forestall his expulsion by the American government, His offense was the same as if a guest should go about the house abusing or ridiculing his

The arrest in Chicago of four boys, 16, 17, 18 and 20 years old respective ly, and their subsequent confession of various robberies and at least one murder, is a striking commentary on at least one phase of the life of to-day. It is the more striking because it is not the only recent revelation of the participation in crime of half-grown town is the smart set.

boys and youths. For a man woo has reached or passed middle age it is lifficult to see how it is possible for boys such as these to engage in partperships in crime or to practice it even alone. A generation ago the number of boys of that age over whom no controlling influence was exerted was small. To-day the streets of every city, even of the third or fourth magnitude, seem to be awarming with them. Parental control, with the inculcation of any sense of moral responsibility or respect for human law, seems to be a thing of the past. The so-called principle of governing by love gained some headway in the growing years of the men who are now fathers of boys of 15 to 20. Un-backed by knowledge of and respect for authority, this has become family anarchy. Boys are not governed at all. Yet nothing is more certain than that parents must resume authority or find some power that will exercise it or the outcome will be tragedy on a large scale, wherein the undisciplined will go to the wall.

A London dispatch says the present fad of many Englishmen is to take numerous minute precautions against the invisible germs of the earth and the air, which, if inhaled or handled, may cause disease. There are sterillaed cigarets, germicide deormats to kill the germs attached to the shoes of people who have been walking through dust or mud, and little sliver scoops which are to hold money until it can be taken home and fumigated. There are little tubs in which the ends of canes and umbrellas are dipped to kill the clinging germs, and innumerable other devices for the protection of human health against the myriads of unseen enemies which menace it. The Bible tells men not to make themlves overwise. This is a case to point. The man who knows all about germs, and who feels himself obliged to be continually on his guard against their insidious attacks, is so busy protecting his life that he has no time left in which to enjoy it. Furthermore, he cannot help knowing that in spite of all the pains he takes while he is awake some germ may take adnoments unless he shuts himself up in a glass case where he can be sup piled with a sufficient allowance of sterilized air. Such a person is in constant agony about his food, drink, and clothing, lest all the germs have not been killed. Nobody should court danger. Everybody should take reasonable precautions against it, there is such a thing as moderation, even in defending oneself against disease germs. To be too much troubled or account of them is to give up all peace of mind.

Out of every one thousand letters used in writing English, T is used eighty-eight times.

her rallways. Great comotives on Britain has 21,304.

Only nine men have been hanged in Kentucky in the last five years, although there have been 798 murders. Five hundred and sixty thousand persons in the United States are dependont upon the street cars for suprrod.

Owing to a decline in the Swiss watch trade, many emigrants are leav-ing Switzerland for Canada and the Inited States.

Mantla has a population of some thing like three hundred thousand, about ten thousand being American and European born. The American population is estimated at about six

thousand. The coal handling machinery at a Boston wharf recently lowered the world's record by raising coal from a

The "trains de luxe," which now over the distance from Moscow to the the most profound students of the big Pacific in sixteen days, and which rival luxury any in the United States. each carry a physician and an inspec tor who speaks half a dozen languages.

Milan was recently the scene of a remarkable "rain" or downfall of but terflies or moths. They settled in tens of thousands on almost every available nch of space on the ground and on the buildings of the central quarters of the city. The insects are described as perfectly black and marvelously active. Their presence is ascribed to an air current swept along in front of a bur rienne.

A Mexican cactus is eaten by It dians during their religious cerem to incite visions. An English natural st. Dr. Dixon, has been testing upor himself its extraordinary properties and reports that the air seemed fliled with vague odors of perfumes, a halo of musical sounds surrounding him. and a marvelous display of ever-changing brillfant colors passed clearly be

After all other remedies fail, there still remains a way of getting rid of rats, and that is by depriving them of water. They can live for a very time without food, but when hard pressed will not hesitate to est each other, but no rat can go twenty four hours without drink. Therefore, if every possible means of obtaining water is taken from the rats they will deert the vicinity.

The Sakais, or tree dwellers, of the Malay peninsula build their houses in forked trees a dozen feet above ground, and reach them by means of bamboo ladders, which they draw up when safely housed out of harm's way. The house itself is a rude kind of shack, made of bamboo, and the flooring is lashed together piece by piece bound securely to the tree limbs by rattan. These curious people ather small and lighter in complexion than the Malays, though much uglier They have no form of religion at allnot even idols-no written language

and speak a corrupt form of Malay. If you ent corn on the cob, don't ag gravate your offense by mixing a mustache up in It.

One of the funniest things in a little



OPINIONS OF GREAT PAPERS ON IMPORTANT SUBJECTS

Country and City.

PAPER published near the southern boundary

of Missouri speaks of the great advantages to rances of the telephone where it has been inroduced. The improvement, it is remarked, places city and country in immediate commication, rendering unnecessary four-fifths that have been made on country roads." High of the trips that have been made on country roads." High-ways may be muddy and weather stormy, but the world can be rung up according to the necessities of the moment, facilitating business and social life, and saving an immense amount of time and effort. A marked tendency of the age is to bring the country into closer touch with the centers of population. Electric roads are multiplying and make their way into neighborhoods that could hope for steam lines. Rural free delivery of the mails is moving onward with great strides. Over 20,000 routes are in operation. Missouri alone has 1,200. Farmers get their etters and the daily newspapers delivered almost at their loors. Each day's events reach the country promptly, and the old rural isolation is disappearing. Means of ready travel grow better and keep on extending, and the good

oads organizations gain constantly in active support. Within a dozen years electric transit in the cities has ore than doubled the area suitable for town residences Cities themselves are spreading farther into the country. of which suburban sections are a pleasing modification Labor on the farm has been rendered easier by ingenious nachinery. All whose memories stretch back to pionee days can bear witness to the enormous advance toward bringing country and city closer together. Progress in that respect proceeds at an accelerated pace. Going to the city or taking a run into the country is a common place incident. How far the space between will eventually annihilated is beyond the range of conjecture, but the old lines of separation are disappearing in so many ways that the future relations of country and city are full of honeful interest.

There is a reflex side to the drift of the population to the cities. Love of country life is a natural and general feeling. The merchant who comes to the city as a youth make his fortune often returns to the country when he retires, and dreams of doing it all through his business career. He would hardly be willing to admit the deep tenderness of the memories of the old farm. All the renoteness of that quiet nook has passed away. You can "rung up" the farmer of to-day and find that he is abreast with the current news and that he has it in printed details. thanks to the rural delivery carrier.-St. Louis Globe-Dem ocrat

Leap Year Over Half Gone.

do not wish to urge anyone to rash and prenarried ladies, to the exceptional privileges apally passing. The number of weddings shows no in as to himself.-Youth's Companion. crease over ordinary years, and it is to be feared that the feminine world has not realized how little potential energy there is in water which has passed the mill. The decay of the peculiar customs of Leap Year is strongly evidenced by the almost complete lack of jokes on the subject in the

newspapers, since it is well known that topical humolingers long after the vanishing of its cause. So far from Leap Year sinking into noxious desuctude. it might be expected that its peculiar privileges would.

The United States has now 38,065 be more widely used than ever before, now our young women are becoming more adventurous and also much harder to suit. The requirements for admission to matrimony imposed on the young men by the opposite sex have risen as rapidly as the standard of scholarship in the uni- this contest, are exhibiting the capacity for initiation and versities, and a young man whose attainments a few years invention. Their strategy is almost faultiess, and it is ago would have been considered sufficient to qualify him their own. Their artilliery is astonishingly destructive, for the position of master of a household would nowadays and, in some of its most deadly features, is the product of

have to be content with his degree of bacheior. Really, it is not at all certain that women do not do most of the proposing every year. Very little is known future methods of naval warfare. When peace comes and about this mysterious though important topic, anyway the Japanese carry their genius into the industrial world, Each person's experiences are limited to a comparatively they will demonstrate perhaps in a more teiling way that

"AND YE VISITED ME."

"Your letter brought tears to my

eyes," wrote the invalid to her friend

of former years, as she lay in bed and

painfully used her lead pencil. "I have

been out of sight so long. You can

never know how good it seems to be

Julia Graham-that was what every

one called her who remembered her-

had married and gone West. "Mrs.

George William Osgood" was the name

on her visiting card. But she returned

for "Old Home Week" after an ab-

sence of nine years, and the return was

far from being an unmixed pleasure.

A pleasure it was, in many ways great-

er than she expected; but the changes

were many, and some of them sad-

No one can revisit the scenes of child-

hood or youth, or any locality where he has spent much of his life, without

this mixed experience—the joy of re-

pleasant, and the sadness of finding

those whom he loved less prosperous

with Miss Graham. The "week" was

only a week for her, and it was a full

friendships to be renewed, and din-

ners to be eaten. But the thing walch Julia Graham did that endeared her

to some old friends was the looking up of those whom she had known in

other days who were unable, or timid-

ly disinclined, to look her up. The

had learned that this old friend lived

in another town, and was bedridden.

but she came back saying over to her-

cost her a whole day to go to her,

There was another old friend, a

schoolmate, who had married a drunk

ard, and who did not appear at any

shouldn't call on her; she might be

Julia went to her in her poverty and

sorrow, and her visit was like a ray of

Most pathetic of all was her looking

up an old man, feeble now and obliv-

ious of most that had happened recent-

ly, but with a mind that came back

when recalled by suggestions of former

years, and whose life was brightened

for many a day afterward by his mem-

Home Week," said Julia to her hus-

ries of the visit of "little Julia Gra-

"The pleasantest things about Old

of the festivities of the week,

sensitive," said Julia's cousin.

sunshine to her old friend,

ham.

letter was from one of these,

sick, and ye visited me!"

There were relatives to visit, old

less strong or happy. So it

newing acquaintances which

looked up and visited."

gether unreliable, and the government has not added questions concerning the methods of matrimonial negotiations to the census queries, although many more personal and less important vital statistics are procured. It may even be doubted whether matrimoutal engagements are necessarily or even commonly preceded by formal declarations, any more than are utilitary engagements.

However that may be, we do not recommend our saidens, no matter how desirous they are, and should be, to obtain the best men for husbands, to adopt the convenlonal form of proposal. Breaking the ice is a disagreeable process. It is better to thaw it. And let no one abstace on such maidenly maneuvers as she can advantageously use for fear lest the man should, through gallantry, accept er unwillingly. It is rare that a man is persuaded into doing snything he really does not want to do; much more rare than women think. A man's affection for the opposite sex is in the beginning general and diffuse. is naturally so altruistic that he normally loves all women. and on which one of them he ultimately focuses the full force of his affection depends on circumstances—and on the woman.-New York Independent.

Fraud Orders.

HEN a business concern in the United States begins suddenly to receive a large number of letters daily, it may be sure that, although no ripple has disturbed the surface, a quiet in vestigation is going on, and if there is anything dishonest about the business a notice will soon appear from the postmaster, to the effect that the Department at Washington has ordered the reten-

tion of all letters addressed to that man or company. The dishonesty which is held to justify the issuing of a fraud order may not be a more barefaced attempt to steal an effort to get something for nothing. The charging f an excessive profit, or misleading advertising, has called forth such an order. A recent case in point is that of a mpany which advertised to furnish seed for an agricul ural product and to buy the product at market prices. The order against the company was issued because it was carned that it sold in small quantities, for a total of \$000,

This fearless attitude and action of the Government is of the greatest possible beacht to the country at large in two ways. It checks, indeed it stops absolutely, one kind of fraud, and it protects innocent persons from loss through that fraud. The thing on which stress should be laid is the

availability of this strong arm of protection There is always a large number of fraudulent schemes Micanda. No, he hasn't any reason affect, dependent upon the publicity which they get through at all, that's what we said when he pitate action, but it is our duty to call the advertising. When one's attention is attracted by such an tention of young ladies, and, indeed, of all advertisement, he has only to call the attention of his postmaster to it, and to ask him to notify the Department which immemorial custom allows them in the at Washington. To do this in every suspicious case is a parternary period through which we are so duty which every honest man owes to his neighbor as well

Japanese Inventiveness.



ese and Japanese are imitators, not inventors.

aneae is rapidly proving the idea to be mere assumption. It is the Eastern rather than the Western people which, in Japanese invention. Their naval tactics have been so unexpected and successful as to promise a revolution in the the Japanese carry their genius into the industrial world, few instances, and these are always regarded by both the capacity for initiation does not diminish as one travels parties as exceptional in all respects. Novels are alto-

A RUSSIAN HEROINE.



MRS. E. W. VORONOBA. Mrs. E. W. Voronoba, wife of the commandant of the maritime province

real struggle to do it, and there were late '70s., But you can pay out \$10 in so many things I wanted to do. I'm silver dimes and silver quarters and afraid I did it just because it was my duty. But I received a greater bless.

ing than I gave." The experience of one woman may be a suggestion to other people, returning for Old Home Week. Theirs, too, may self the words which her friend had said, "I know now why our Lord be the blessing of Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one blessed those to whom He said, 'I was of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."-Youth's Companion.

Can't Pay in Pennica.

Ordinarily when a debtor appears before a long time creditor there is no questioning of the United States colu which the debt is to be paid, but th wide possibilities possessed by an arbitrary creditor in stipulating just what coins and in what amounts he will receive payment are enough almost to discourage borrowing.

You can't force a mean creditor to take more than 25 cents' worth of nick the eye. The field is constantly els or 25 cents' worth of copper cents. If you could get as much as \$5 worth of old silver 3-cent pieces of snother hand, "were those which I was most \$6 worth of the obsolete 20 cent pieces, she expected; it is full of creases, and He'd rather fight than eat. reluctant to undertake. It cost me a which made so much trouble in the docsn't hary right.

silver half dollars. The trade dollar, of which there are a few still coming into the treasury of the United State for redemption, are worth nothing while the standard dollar is an unlim ited legal tender, as is the old "dollar of our dads." the first of which coined in 1794 and the last in 1873.

ed from circulation are gold \$3 and \$1 pieces, the trade dollar of silver, the fast? mokel 3-cent piece, the copper 2-cent iece, the copper half cent, and silver 3 and 5-cent pieces.

Great Field of Salt. The great field of crystallized salt at Salton, Cal., in the middle of the Colorado desert, is 264 feet below the lovel of the sea and is more than a thou and acres in extent. Its surface is as white as snow, and when the sun is told me so to-day."-Yonkers States shining its brilliance is too dazzling for man. piled by the many sait springs in the adjacent footbills

LET US ALL LAUGH.

JOKES FROM THE PENS OF VA-RIOUS HUMORISTS.

Pleasant Incidents Occurring the World Over-Sayings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young-Funny Selec tions that You Will Enjoy.

"How much will you charge me by the week?" asked the stylish young nan, stepping over the stile in front of the rural boarding house.

"I'wenty dollars," responded the You are cather steep. I might get ven by running away with your

wife. "thinkle stranger, if you promise to do that, I'll only charge you five,

Depends on the Position, Raynor (giving it another shake) I nave often wondered why they call

these things "fountsin" pens. Shyne If you accidentally put one of them upside down in your A man | pocket you'll find out.-Chicago Trib-



Sumlay School Teacher Lot's wice oked back and turned to salt. Tommy -Yes, an' even now many en turn ter robber.

Her Bean. Vera S. Kaird Thieves seem to be

ctive out this way. Eine Cosay -Yes, there was one in house last evening. Vers S Kaird-You don't say! Did seed which it bought in bulk for \$3; and because it represented the product as easy to raise, when, in fact, it is take anything?

Effle Ousay-Oh, a few kisses. B ensony Jack

Strictly Unanimous. Myrtilia-I never encouraged your rother, but he has proposed to me. am sure he has no reason for want ug me to marry blus.

Stiered Them Up. "You will admit that education has been a great thing for this community?" said the stranger.

"I'll admit nothing of the kind," re illed the mayor of Bacon Hidge. "One of them resky school-teachers came around here and told the children the carth was always moving and ever since the whole town has been sea sick, by brek!"

Lifting the Hundleaps Gyer. There goes a girl who is t cord breaker.

Myer A record breaker? Gyer-Yes. She towered her record ten years by manipulating the figures in the family Bible. Resembled Her Mamma.

Singleton-Mr. Enpeck, I love your augister, and have come to ask your esent to our marriage. Enpeck-Take her and welcome, my

y; and may the good Lord have merey on your woul.

It All Dependa. "Do you like popular songs?" asked he pretty girl.

'No," replied the egotistical chap; "not when anybody except myself sings or whistles them."-Chicago

He Gave Him e'f Away



Kind Old Gentleman (to beggar) 'oo bad! too bad! How long have you en deaf and damb? Beggar (absently)-About three

One Comfort. The poor man's got some things his way.

Altho' the world may chaff—

He don't have folks to dodge each day

That want his photograph. Pittsburg Post Easy Money. Stringem-I'll bet you \$10 that

in kick higher than the celling. Nibbles-I'll take that bet. Stringem-And I'll take the money The ceiling can't kick at all. See

What He Required. "Give me a theme," said the poet with the unbarbered bair, "and I will do my part." "In order to do your part," rejoined his matter-of-fact friend, "all you need is a comb."

How to Do It. Stringem-Say, do you want to get next to a scheme for making money

Nibbles Sure, I do. Stringem-Glue It to the floor.

Keeping a Secret. Patience—She's getting a divorce. Patrice—Is that a fact? "It is indeed; but she's keeping it a secret. 'How do you know?"

"The girls at the cooking school

As Others See Us Green-Hear about Bifkins? Brown-No; what about him? Green-He married his cook

Brown-That's just like Bifkins.

Telling on the Tab.

Mamma Johnny, bow many times have I told you about pulling that cat's

tuil? Johnny-I don't know, mom; but from de way de tail is worn it must be a lot. Philadelphia Telegraph.

Wise Young Man. "I see you have a new reporter." and the doctor, as he stopped to shake hands with the village editor. "Has

be had experience?" "That's what he has," replied the scissors manipulator, as he let out a deep sigh. "He insisted to getting his salary in advance"- Chicago Dally News.

Patied to Make Good. Miles-Did you ever read that won-derful book, "How to Live a Hundred

Years?" Olles-Yes, the nutber was an old schoolmate of mine.

Miles-Indeed: Where is he now?

Giles-He died at the age of 37. Mystery Solved. Re-A scientist says the older a an grows the smaller his brain be-

omes She-That explains it.

He Explains what? She Why an old man knows so litle and a young man knows so much

Promotion. First Clerk-I was promoted to the saition of floorwalker last night. Becond Clerk-What are you giv-

First Clerk-Facts. And the little fellow weighs just nine pounds.

In After Years. "Refore our unrriage," she pouted, "you used to speak of my lovely golden tresses, but now you call me

red-headed." "My dear," rejoined the man who had promised to love, honor and pay the freight, "love is billed, but marringe is a great eye-opened. Why, before we were spliced I was actually

color blind." One Might Think So. "No," said the man who had re-cently made his fourth pligrimage to the matrimonial altar. "I can't say

that marriage is a failure. "Of course not," rejoined his bach-elor friend. "With you it is merely a habit.

Not the Real Thing. She-So your friend lingiston is a orain worker, is he?

words for popular songs. A Great Watch Dog

He Not necessarily. He writes



Hixton-Why do you lock arch dog in the house at night? Dixon-Afraid somebody might steal

In the Blood. Adelle Carence, don't you think you could overcome somewhat your

fundaces for your club? Clarence-No, that would be imposelble. I inherit it from my mother; she was a club woman.

Prudence.

Bumps-Why is it that you won't lend me \$5, and yet are willing to let me have a bundred? Stumps Because, if I give you the hundred you'll remember that you owe it to me, and there'll be some

prospect of getting it back. Not Practical. "Mrs. Gettum is going to give a stocking shower for her daughter. That's practical, isn't it?"

"Why not?" "Because after a shower there !

use for the hose."-Cleveland Plain Dealer. Must Be a Fan. Hyker-Mother Earth is careful to

hide her richest gems from human

eyes. Piker-Oh, I don't know. You see her baselsell diamonds everywhere. Poor Consolation.

"Madam," exclaimed Sapleigh, as a lady seated herself in a chair in which als new silk but rested. "you have destroyed \$10 for me.' "Serves you right," she replied as she stood up and surveyed the wreck,

for a bat to cover a 10-cent head." His Explanation "Why didn't you answer when I called you up over the telephone the

You had no business to blow in \$10

other day?' said the angry Billville matron. "My dear," replied the 'old man."

spologetically, "there is a standing notice over the telephone not to use it when you hear thunder!"-Atlanta Constitution.

A Slip of the Tongue. The narrator was growing excited as he entered upon the description of the

"It was a fearful moment, gentlemen. We saw that we were lost. The life boats had been staved in, and there was no way to escape from the loomed yessel. Forward upon the bridge stood our noble captain, true to his trust to the last, while aft were crowded those of us who still remained

alive after that fearful night. "Never shall I forget the last, awful moment as the vessel sank. My eyes, were fixed on the mizzenmast, where some one had bound a beautiful young giri, the belle of the ship, with whom. not twenty four hours previously, I had been conversing gayly. And as the ship went down, she was borne with it into that seething gulf, helpiess, doomed 'mashed to the last.' "

"In some respects rate are much wiser than human beings. They-Really he did not look it; but then, you know, you can never tell when some people are loaded. "-always gnaw a good thing when they see it."-Woman's Home Companion.

has long been supposed that the capacity e initiation is the characteristic of Western ations alone. According to some leading an ropologists, as one goes from West to East e finds this capacity disappearing and the caacity for imitation taking its place. The Chi-

But the present war between the Russlans and the Jap



dragoons, has organized at her own expense a transport system for the wounded. She has also joined the Sisters of Mercy during the war, even signified her willingness to go to the front and serve in the Red Cross Her purse is always open to any demand having for its object the promotion of deeds of mercy in connection with caring for wounded Rus-

Coins that virtually have disappear

When a woman puts on a black silk generation, you could unload \$5 on him, just as he would have to take \$5 or worth of the sliver 5-cent pieces and worth of the sliver 5-cent pieces and the superstant of the sliver 5-cent pieces and the sliver 5