Dear little voices, high and clear, Ring like a bell in the sleeper's ear, Small hands pluck at his touzled head, Daddy, oh, Daddy, get out of bed!"

Reeping the rules-it's all a game -Out they patter as in they came, But somehow the song moves rather slow As down the passage and off they go.

And it's oh for the years that have passed away, And the feet that pattered at break of

Now they are heavily booted feet, And they tramp and stamp in the busy

And some of them seemed to tire of fun, But he sends them sliding along his To patter again in your morning dreams.

## WHY I RESIGNED.

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sensitive nature. His eyes were frank- shop. ly observant, and his demeanor was one of alertness and vigor.

dared not explain. Are you listening? | uineness.

grasp of remorseless scoundrelism, winning the plaudits of the world and the of sensitive youth.

"My sister and myself had been left ground floor. custody of a half-brother of my father's, as good and generous a feliow as orphans. We had been given into the ever lived, considerate as a father, and lift. 'I can assure you that to-morrow naturally less exacting in checking any a man shall come and see what is the of our original sins. He had a daughter, Ethel; and it was Ethel, sweet Ethel"-here the narrator made an emotional pause - "who unconsciously weaved herself into all my imaginary

acts of heroism. "I lived the ordinary life of a young man, helping my uncle in his business and taking part in no more escapades than do most fellows of twenty. I Ethel and my sister Rose was a restraint upon any extravagant foolish-

eyes that sparkled with vitality, hair | mood. support on Rose.

"Rose was my elder, and she lavished

"When I quitted Northington to join | tend to the gas. the force I little thought that Rose's passion must have another outlet, and dining-room. It was only divided by a wind and rainstorms are becoming Than regal state and golden store, whelm my darling Ethel, now secretly which two persons were talking. half-plighted to me.

frauds we have had to deal with for dinner party to-night!" some time. The notes are so accurate "This was said in a low, soothing ly executed as to deceive even the voice—the voice of a man born to cozen smartest of bank-clerks. Of course a women. The workman was listening thorough expert, if he were to examine intently. way, not a few of these notes have been | couple in the presence of the bride and in circulation at your native place, bridegroom!" Northington. However you have got charge of the case.'

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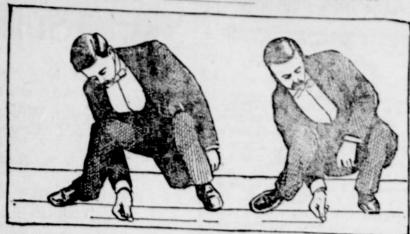
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"My heart leaped at the thought of not impress me. It was Hubert Feath- all the haggravating creetureserstone Maitland. I had not been able to attend the wedding because I was in the door with a clang. Paris inquiring into the De Mallincourt frauds. Rose was wildly enthusiastic about her husband; she rhapsodised for her, and his unvarying devotion. 'We sha'n't keep him a second.' How had she met him? He was staytlated himself with some of the towns- had seen in the cab stood before us. men that he got invited to the annual framed by the doorway. something about his family? Well, of forged notes on the Bank of Eng getting the jabbering idots to under State of Kansas. Rose wrote enthusiastically about his land!"

striving at my lodgings, after the in- about to bolt. I bounded into the room. covering the whole city. terview with the chief, I had a wire followed a retreating form into a secfrom Rose or rather from Mrs. Malt- ond apartment, and caught him as he The course of true love never runs land—saying that I might expect a call rushed into the passage leading to the smooth, and in after years the bachelor from her at any moment. She was then lift.

# ATHLETIC CONTEST FOR PARLOR FROLIC.



Here is a good game for an evening party. Let a line be drawn across a certain portion of the room and then let the men stand thereon and try which of them can draw the longest line with a piece of chalk without moving his feet. They must assume the attitude shown in the picture, namely, they must keep the left hand on or beside the knee and must only use the right hand. This seems an easy thing to do, but let anyone try it and he will soon find out that

"I was in Bond street, where as yet "Good heavens! The author of this the forger had not commenced his dep- self-accusation was my sister Rose! non-success.

change!

"These words fell on my ears. They Hugh Maitland. He was to have been had been uttered by a well-dressed, her husband. handsome man, who was just getting elean-shaven man, whose face, without | into a cab from which a lady had only "They were two of the greatest scounbeing handsome, revealed the posses- a second before alighted. He drove drels, sir, who ever played upon the sion by its owner of intelligence and a away, and the lady entered a jeweler's credulity of women. They are now ex-

"Yes," proceeded ex-Detective Morri- went into the shop. The lady bought a from their affection-a traitor, the ruinson, "I suppose it will ever be a bit of pair of links for her husband and gave er of their happiness, the man who has mystery to my late colleagues of the a ten-pound note in exchange. She re- wrecked the careers of two heroes. Do Criminal Investigation Department ceived seven pounds twelve shillings you wonder, sir, that crime investigathat I who had confessedly done much from the cashier. I had completed my tion has no longer any romance for excellent work should have renounced inquiries as to the price of a hunter- me?"-Family Herald. my career when my prospects were watch which I did not want. When she most promising. "What! Going to re- left-her close veil had never been sign?" exclaimed the Commissioner. raised-her very movement was remin-You who largely assisted to secure the | iscent. Who could she be? I saw her arrest of the authors of the De Mallin- enter another shop eight or nine doors court paste-jewel frauds, who discov- away. I returned to the jeweler's, of disaster that visits this country. learned from all this, it is simply to had drifted two hours the men heard who successfully traced the interna- ity, and asked to see the note. I was tional banknote forgers to their den?' certainly unable to discover any flaw spread manner. "It certainly did seem strange, and I in it, but was not convinced of its gen-

Well, what mystified Scotland Yard "In another minute I was standing then the residents of the prairie west common to see a bald-headed man, er. The crew concluded that men were outside the second shop which the lady begin to cast their eyes to the wind- Women's hats are worn as ornaments imprisoned within the boat, but none had entered. I dared not gaze too in- ward. They are watching the forma rather than for protection. They rare- could devise a way to save them. Then was eternally picturing myself as an learn the address she gave the cabman, other is indeed a tenderfoot. Then the fering with the circulation of the scalp, would never get out again, but carryavenging instrument of outraged jus- It was 61 Overchurch Mansions-one of cry of warning is carried across the This is why they are bald. They ought ing between his teeth one end of a rope tice, rescuing innocent beauty from the the best-known suites of maisonettes in plains, and the members of every fam- to be bald if they don't know any bet- that had been dragging from the ves-

smile of virtue-you know the kind of She had not entered the mansion ten thing that springs from the imagination seconds before I had resolved to make some inquiries at the office on the

"She was actually leaving the office not understand it.'

"The lady still left an impression my mind-an impression that her form and manner were not new. I imperatively dismissed the notion from my mind, for I had now a scheme in view. The popular cyclone cellar on the plains I hurried back to the jeweler's; he had of western Kansas, where cyclones a in the meantime taken the note to the few years ago were almost a daily octhe expert had come to the conclusion low and sfrong. not at all; but the mere presence of that it was a flash note. I went to the In the Russian communities of Kan passed there. The manager laughed to family residence the year around. They

pearance. Rose was as dark as any ... The housemaid at 61 Overchurch -that is, the ends are faced toward the Egyptian, with heavily-arched brows, Mansions was in a very unpleasant east and west.

that nestled low upon the forehead; ""Ere's the missus says as 'ow you backed up by a cave, a hole dug ito she was impetuous, eager, a child of wasn't comin' till to-morrer! It's most the ground and covered by an earthen Longfellow, chanting the "Psalm of impulse. Ethel was as fair as the h gravatin'! An' master's bring g roof. Some farmers have gone so 'ar morning sun-a clinging, easily-moved. some friends to dinner, and the missus' in protecting themselves against cytrusting maid who seemed to lean for cousin is a-coming with 'er flancey! Of clones that they have a small cannon

course, what do it matter to you? a passionate affection upon me. Ethel presence of the workman-he assured approach. This has been known to turn One and all from my shelves look down, apparently reflected it in a less vehe- her that he had been sent by the ex- the course of a storm. It is common ment and in a more regulated manner. press instructions of her mistress to at-

Never mind now why I want so many to do with it. "'Yes, Morrison,' said my chief, notes changed and never allow you to 'these are the cutest and cleverest spend gold and silver! Remember our

them closely, would detect a variation ""Well, well, dear!" the man went on. in the water-mark and in the typo- 'Don't you know that on the continent graphical peculiarities of a genuine we can't change notes easily? Why, note; but that variation is so slight that what a time we shall have! We shall even he might be deceived. By the have to play the roles of an old staid

marriage!

"'Reely, now,' said the supercilious housemald to him a minute later-'you suddenly married to a gentleman whom cahn't finish the job to-night, eh? You I had never seen, but whose name did must go and get some piping? Well, of "And the angry little cockney shut

"Tell the guv'nor we want to see him!" said the Inspector, in a quiet asover his goodness, generosity, affection suring tone, to the housemaid at No. 61.

"We had followed the girl to the dining at the county hotel and so ingra- ing-room. The handsome man whom i

bachelors' bail. Within five months he ''I arrest you.' said the Inspector, 'on and Rose were married. Didn't I know suspicion of having passed a number speaking it. The difficult part was in the condition of roads in his adopted Eggs."

brother, Hugh Featherstone Maitland. "There was an exclamation from the and somehow I began to fear for Ethel. inner room followed by a scuttling By the end of this year the capital of "I did not go to Northington, for on noise. Evidently a confederate was Mexico will have a sewerage system

in London. Besides, news had come "I brought him to the Inspector. A of these notes having been given an in- woman confronted me like a pythoness creased circulation at several West "You liar and blackguard, Richard And some of them seemed the met the End establishments. Rose's wire gave Morrison! That man never circulated no address. It was a bald note an forged notes! He is my husband-an

> redations. I was persuaded that he "'Oh, Richard,' wailed a woman at would not relinquish so happy a hunt- my feet, 'don't hurt him-don't kill me'. ing-ground, but was moody over my Let Hugh come with me! We were to be married the day after to-morrow!" "'Don't forget I shall want some "I staggered back. This was Ethelmy Ethel! The man I had caught was

> > plating their crime in Portland.

"I always act upon impulse. I was "And what of Rose and Ethel? Provattired in fashionable clothes, and I too idence only knows. I am an outcast

### CYCLONE CELLARS.

Means of Protection Against Storms by People in the West.

"I followed her closely in another cab. cellars differ in various communities. bald in spite of this article or anything gunwale and rose in the batch.



OKLAHOMA CYCLONE CELLAR.

bank. After very careful examination currence, are ordinary sod houses, built

other shop-a similar note had been sas these cyclone houses serve as the scorn the idea that it was not a genuine are about seven feet high and built exceptionally strong. The roofs are slant ing. and the houses are set to the wind

In Oklahoma every farmhouse is loaded with salt and buckshot, which is "However, she had to put up with the fired into the whirling clouds as they "The leakage was in a pretty little gins to arise in the southwest. These that in its turbulence it might over- thin partition from another room in more uncommon every day, and it is The crowd's mad clamor, the cannon's saved. believed that the planting of trees and "'Ah, pauvre petite, you are tired! settlement of barren sod has had much

It has been said of the jackle sailor -Success. boy that he is so passionately fond of pets he must have something to love if it is "only a cockroach in a baccy Angeles had an experience a few evenbox." This statement was founded on ings ago that kept him guessing for a fact, for one of the most remarkable little bit as to whether he should feel pets of an English ship was a mon-complimented or otherwise. He was strous cockroach. He was four inches at home with one little daughter while long and one inch broad.

and built for him a cage with a little ing on and the little girl was anxiously "'Whew!' whistled the workman-'a prodigy learned to recognize his mas"'Whew!' whistled the workman-'a prodigy learned to recognize his masshe says: ter's voice, and when he heard him father's attempts at reassurance. At

in response. Among other odd pets that have been "I just can't help it! I need mamma, beloved by English sallors was a seal, and I must have her!" who had a tank residence on board "Do you do this way when your and a daily round of pleasure and mamma is here and I'm away?" asked duty; his pleasure seven meals a day, the father. quid of tobacco with so much delight up person about the house."-Los An- of humor. that the fellow feeling aroused by his geles Herald. appreciative taste made him a general favorite.

Sewerage in Mexico.

Philadelphia Post.

## HOW TO AVOID BALDNESS.

Do Not Wear Your Hat Too Tight Over Your Temples.

The writer of this squib has much hair on his head. As a young man it was black as a crow's wing, curly, the envy of rivals and the despair of imitators;" as a middle-aged man, iron gray, thick, luxuriant, with no disposition to grow less. How does it happen that this one individual is singled out from all the rest to be the possessor of so much hair? Has it been the use of hair tonies? Is it the result of frequent indulgences in shampoos by the barber? Has he been spending money for some famous hair restorer? Nothing of the sort. None of these things has hapepend. It has been brought about neither by wise management nor heredity. This is the way it happened: The head upon which this luxuriant hair grows is of long diameter from before backwards, but of short diameter from side to side. That is to say a long, thin head, with rather hollow temples. This thin head. He has probably never worn panoramic camera, two weeks before has walls 1,000 feet high. a hat in his life that fit tightly over the

temples. nouncing her arrival, and was dispatch- honorable gentleman! If notes were urlant hair? It has much to do with He Sayed Two Lives by His Bravery it. The temporal arteries that supply

shape of his head. He has always been and crew struggling in the water. obliged to wear a hat that touched the Wilson McField, a negro and a subforehead and back of the head, but did ject of Great Britain, was the first not touch the sides of his head. This to come to the surface. All his twentyleft the circulation of the blood free to seven years of life he had known these the scalp. Hence the bristling, rugged, waters, and he swam like a fish. He healthy mop of hair on his head. Each soon succeeded in climbing upon the hair stays in its place with the tenacity bottom of the vessel. Then he shouted not be sufficient to pull out a single up five of the crew. hair.

else that can be written. Round-headed It was pitch dark, and the interior to their heads.-Medical Talk.

### My Friends and L. My little low room is five flights high,

are bare; Have often held in the silence there: Noble, exalted, they come to me

bloom, Whispering hope for the time to be, These are my friends in the little low

Shakspeare of Stratford, Bacon, Car- young rubber cutter, named Mallitz,

Emerson dreaming his long, long dream, called Obando. Both were panic Dickens with sighs that are lost in a stricken, and McField was obliged to Milton-unblinded-the gods for his

theme; Goldsmith, weary no more nor lone, Chatterton, safe though the storm rides

high; Byron unto his heritage grown-Royal companionship here have I.

Life."

saying:

Homer, singing the song of strife; Virgil, at rest by a sun-kissed shore;

Poe, who will leave me-ah, Gentle Hawthorne of Salem town Whittier, thrilling the heart of the

Step to my side and talk to me, Oklahoma when a bank of clouds be Kings in your palaces, here is more-Here, in faith, in a little low room-

> boom. Shades of the mighty come to me, Sit and chat as the hours go by, Prophesy things that the soul shall see-And so we are happy, my friends and I.

> > Knec-Deep in Kansas.

inent, said to Mr. Ware:

stand on the road question?"

"Up to their knees," was the reply,-

# A prominent real estate man in Los

Take "White" Names. his wife and another of the children manager of a mine in South Africa, and For example: Hundreds of thousands One of the sailors had tamed him were downtown. Darkness was comkennel in the corner of it. This insect watching for her mother's return. Her tic problem as it exists in that region. Port au Prince. The men who bear do men appropriate the ideas of the

Most of the work is done by Kaffirs. call would hurry out from his kennel length the little one burst into tears, who, like the Southern negroes in slavter what their age may be.

kraals no one ever uses their native him into immaculate honesty. names. As soon as they are brought During the last thirty years uncount-

Among the house boys "Knife," "Fork" and "Spoon" were common Eugene F. Ware, the new commis names. "Table," "Chair," "Carriage," sioner of pensions, who, over the name "Watch" and "Matchbox" were other

The Kaffirs are very fond of rice. Recently R. W. Richardson, secretary when they learn to eat it among the same difficulty as the Chinese in pro- in the world are those that never hap

CRATER OF LA SOUFRIERE, ST. VINCENT.



hat that fits tightly to his head. His head being so long, he is obliged to buy a 7½, which is always too wide for his

makes it impossible for him to buy a This view of the crater of Mount the eruption, by a correspondent of the was being hauled over the hill on a

and Perseverance. the scalp with blood run up the side of From the records of the Royal Huthe temples. The average person wears mane Society a writer in McClure's a hat that fits tightly over the temples. Magazine draws the story of an ob-This constriction of the arteries and scure negro seaman whose brave deed veins that supply the circulation of the was discovered and honored by two of upper class, a great one-story bungblood and the pressure of the hat upon the great nations of the earth. One circulation of the blood to the scalp. rested almost motionless off the Cay-This makes the hair unhealthy and in- man rocks in Nicaragua. Crew and comes on prematurely. But in case of asleep about the deck, for it was too the long-headed person we are describ- hot to go below. Then came such a ing, no hat could be found that would squall as comes only in those southern fit tightly across the temples. seas. The sails, all set, furnished am-It was no wisdom of his that preserv- ple leverage. Within ten seconds the ed his hair, but merely the accidental Dolphin was bottom up, her passengers

of a pine stump. A pound weight would to the others, and one by one pulled

Fortunately the squall was soon over, The cyclone is by far the worst form Now, if there is any lesson to be although the sea was high. After they coming at unexpected times and deal avoid wearing anything on the head strange sounds, like pounding within ing death and destruction in such wide that presses the temples. This is prob the vessel. Some thought they heard ably the reason that women have a bet- voices. The more superstitious were When the summer days bring waves ter growth of hair. It is rare indeed afraid. The night dragged on, and by PLOTS AGAINST LOUIS PHILIPPE. of heat across the stretches of hot sod. to see a bald-headed woman. It is very daylight the sounds had grown faint

men are bound to become bald-headed, of the vessel was full of the floating simply because their hats hug tightly cargo, but he kept on steadily. Finally, concluding that he had reached the cabin, he rose, and in an instant bis head was above water. Yet so foul And some might think that its walls was the aid, and so narrow the space between the water and the ship's bot sweet communion my friends and I tom, that he could hardly breathe. He could see no one, but he heard the knocking again, and called out. Then

in the earth's first came voices, faint but familiar. sound, he found two men braced against the cabin sides and holding their heads above water. One was a the other a native Spanish-Nicaraguan, threaten them with instant death if they did not obey him. He fastened the rope round Mallitz, and gave the signal to pull. McField dived into the water along with his man. In his fright Mallitz entangled himself in the hatchway, and precious time was lost in freeing him. When they reached the surface Mallitz was unconscious and Me

Field more dead than alive. They pulled Mallitz aboard, but M Field would not follow. As soon as the rope was free he took it in his teeth and went under, found the hatch and entered the cabin. Obando was almost uncontrollable with fear and exhaustion, but McField finally secured him with the rope, and gave the signal to pull up. This time the trip was made without accident, and both men were drawn on board. All the men were

The United States governmen awarded McField a medal and fifty dollars in gold, and the Royal Humane Society of Great Britain gave him a silver medal.

# DOMESTICS IN AFRICA.

Most Work Done by Kaffir Boys Who

An amusing picture of domestic con-Blow in an article in the New York mind; it is apt to surprise you round Tribune. Mrs. Blow's husband was odd corners.

of the National Good Roads Associa- whites, and our stable boy thought he ed boy who expected everything in the tion, who is preparing to take a good had found the finest name in the world circus that he saw on the bills? onds construction train across the con- in "Rice." But the Kaffics have the "How do the farmers in Kansas nouncing the letter "r," and so poor Rice always called himself "Lice."

in the world in some respects. They doesn't take kindly to water.

with oil afterward, but the habit does

Our home was a typical one of the alow, seventy-five feet long, built of these blood vessels cut off in part the tropical night the schooner Dolphin brick, covered with the inevitable Detroit Free Press, "I told you I ceased white corrugated iron, and with a ve to smile after that when anything was randa twenty feet deep. It was seven clined to drop out. Bald-headedness passengers, some twenty in all, were hundred feet above the entrance to never quite satisfied that a mistake the mine, and the hills all about were wasn't made." cut into great terraces, which were planted with magnificent tropical plants. I had two hundred banana when our well played out, the comtrees, besides oranges and lemons, pany went into bankruptcy and I've guavas and pineapples, strawberries, hardly been able to raise enough to pay peaches, all kinds of vegetables and my street-car fare since. Sometimes it the most beautiful flowers. We even seems to me that Providence stepped had tea-plants in the garden. We rais. in to save my life, and again it seems ed the finest lemons I ever saw; all we as if she missed me on the explosion could possibly use, and barrels and bar and dropped the bottom out of that

rels for the hospital. An idea of the enormous supply of native labor may be had from the fact other cigar about you it'll tip the scale that every foot of this great terraced a little bit in favor of Providence and garden was made of earth carried up the mountain on the backs of Katfirs, and the irrigation, without which nothing could grow, was accomplished by watering pots in the hands of Kaffir Lady Presented Them Without Hurt-

Several Attempts Upon the Life of the New England woman of fifty years King of the French. Louis Philippe, king of the French, ed upon to do much entertaining, and "Early in life I became enamoured tently at her as she left. However, by tion of the clouds, and he who could not be reasonable to the head at all. Men wear hats the negro proposed to dive under and the respectation. They are watching the formal rather than for protection. They are watching the formal rather than for protection. They are watching the formal rather than for protection. They are watching the formal rather than for protection. They are watching the formal rather than for protection. They are watching the formal rather than for protection. They are watching the formal rather than for protection after experiencing several minor at the negro proposed to dive under and the formal rather than for protection. of the idea of a detective's career. I lounging near the cab I was able to distinguish a cyclone bank from any tightly clasped about the head, inter- into the ship. They assured him he tempts on his life, was nearly murder. ton. Her daughter, Susan Lesley, in ed July 28, 1835. The day was one of her memoirs of Mrs. Lyman, writes the three appointed to commemorate that no one ever declined going to Mrs. the revolution of 1830. The king was Lyman's parties. ily make for their cyclone cellars. These ter. Doubtless they will continue to be sei, McField dived, passed under the with three of his sons, taking part in One day, as she was preparing for a procession, and while riding along an evening entertainment, she happenthe boulevards a violent explosion is ed to look out of the window and saw sued from a window overlooking the a young girl, whom she liked for bei line of route. Happily, the king himself | talents and good heart, but who, from and the princes escaped uninjured. poverty, was not always able to go out hough fourteen persons were killed into society. outright and forty others wounded. On O Sarah," called Mrs. Lyman, "I am investigation the discharge was discov. going to have a party this evening, and ered to have come from a machine con. all the judges are to be here! I want structed of twenty-four musket bar. you to come, my dear." rels, laid horizontally on a single frame and so adjusted as to be raised or low. Ing sadly down at her feet, "I wish I ered according to the angle required, could. But I can't, for my shoës are

a train of gunpowder, and consequently all the barrels could be discharged brightly, "at least you'll help me get simultaoneously. The window behind ready for my party. which this deadly contrivance was placed stood open, but Persian blinds, not opened until the moment of dissome delay in removing the blinds, the tention with cheerful talk. life of Louis Philippe was saved. He had hardly passed when the explosion occurred, actually wounding the horse be rode. The man who was guilty of Sarah had a beautiful pair of bronze he rode. The man who was guilty of the outrage, a Corsican named Fleschi, was seized and subsequently guillo- the party. tined. Three more attempts were made on the life of the same monarch. One

Haitian Honesty. Haiti is the only country in the world where black rules white." Although the present republic is not successful because so large a portion of the citizens are lazy and uneducated, yet the people have many good qualities which

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themselves in unexpected and contradictory ways. One of the things that strike one most is that Haitl is a country of extremes and contrasts. Logic is arways at fault. ditions in South Africa is given by Mrs. A Haiti's honesty is like a Haitian's

several years. In recalling the domest the lonely track between Jacmel and them are low-class Haltians; ragged, fair sex? Our opinion is that in the uncouth, uneducated, wild and untutored. Yet only once have the dollars ery times, are called "boys," no mat- failed to arrive. I have heard it said the Englishman's ideal of style in cloththat ten dollars might tempt the Hailing has been the easy-fitting waists When the Kaffir boys come from the tian's cupidity, but ten thousand awes and the emphasizing of height. Ladies

into contact with the whites they take ed couriers have made the desolate shape.-London Tailor and Cutter. his duty a bath after each meal. An "No, of course not," replied the little a "white" name. This produces re- journey over the mountain passes, each other was a deer who would take a one. "Cause then there's some grown-sults which are not lacking in elements with his load of wealth, and there is only this one instance known of the be- with bottled mineral waters at governtrayal of trust. A fine record!

# English Cattle Imports

The United States sent to England Homer-When you were in Paris did of "Ironquill." long ago established his names that I had in the house at vayou find it difficult to speak French? reputation as a wit and writer of verse, rious times. One of my house boys more than in the previous year; while Travers-Oh, no, I had no trouble in has been much interested for years in took the utilitarian name of "Ham and Canada, with 88,211, sent 16,628 fewer than in 1900.

> What has become of the old-fashion Probably the most important things

The Kaffirs are the cleanest people When a man drinks like a fiel be

WAS HAND OF PROVIDENCE.

He Missed the Explosion, but Isn't

Sure It Was for the Best. "I was never an atheist." said a northern Michigander who was loading bout a Detroit hotel the other day, but it used to make me smile to hear people tell about Providence doing this r that. I'll tell you why I quit smil-

"I had an interest in an oil well in Pennsylvania, and one morning I planned to get up at an early hour and ride across country for eight miles with a teamster. I was up at the hour named, but found that the fellow had started off fifteen minutes ahead of the time set. My only recourse was to hire a buckboard, and while a man was looking around for me and I was eating breakfast there came a rumble and a crash, and I fled from the hotel, believing that an earthquake was on.

"Others thought so, too, but in the course of half an hour we got word that 400 pounds of nitroglycerin which others to view the spot, or rather the hole. What they found of driver, horses are always scrubbing themselves in and wagon you could have loaded on a hot water and anointing themselves wheelbarrow. The hole made in the highway was forty feet long, thirty not extend to their clothes. They will wide and twenty deep, and men, horses and cattle for half a mile around were take an elaborate bath, and then put knocked silly." on clothes that never saw the wash-

"And you laid your escape to Providence, of course?" was asked.

"Well, I'm not exactly sure about that," was the reply, according to the mentioned about Providence, but I was

"What sort of a mistake?" "Why, it wasn't three days after that well to get even. It's about an even thing. I guess, but if you've got anhelp me to believe that I was saved for some useful purpose."

### SARAH'S SHOES.

Mrs. Anna Lyman, wife of Judge Joseph Lyman, was a fine type of the ago. As wife of a judge she was call-

touchholes communicated by means of pll, out at the toes, and this is my only "Well, Sarah," said Mrs. Lyman,

charge, screened it from the public the work was done Mrs. Lyman acgaze. It is probable that, owing to companied her home, holding her at-Somehow, the girl hardly knew how,

they were presently in the best shoe shoes, and ran gally home to dress for

Their Last Words.

Mr. Rhodes was not given to highby the discharge of a walking stick gun flown talk and I suspect the story of into his carriage June 25, 1836; an- his "last words" is a fiction. Sydney other, at Fontainebleau, in April, 1846: Smith observed that it seems a neceswhile the third and final act of the sity that every distinguished man kind may be recorded as having hap should die "with some sonorous and quotably saying in his mouth," pened when the king was standing on

the balcony of the Tulleries one da; in Mr. Pitt was supposed to have expired exclaiming, "How do I leave my country?" It was afterward established on conclusive evidence that his real last words were : "I fancy I could eat one of Bellamy's meat pies." Mr. Fox was credited with some becoming observation about public affairs, whereas his last words conveyed a requisite for barley water. Sir Robert Peel was according to Hesketh Pritchard, show stated to have died after an ejaculation about the blessings of cheap bread. In reality, he awoke for a few minutes, after several hours of sleep, said "God bless you all," and died. Lord Beaconsfield was reported to have exclaimed, "Any news in the Gazette?" with his last breath, whereas he muttered, "I feel overwhelmed."-London Truth,

Do women imitate men's fashions, or vast majority of cases it is the women who copy the men. For some time past have now adopted the same idea-the tall, straight figure, without form or

Mineral Waters for Senators.

United States Senators are supplied ment expense. Nearly every committee-room has something like a bar attachment. It is usually in one corner, behind a screen and next to the washbowl. The bottles of fizz water are supplied by colored messengers, who bring them in buckets of ice, like champagne. The excuse for the expense is the poor quality of the Potemac water.

When you meet a woman on the street at any time of the day, month, year, it is safe to bet that she is either going to, or coming from, a dressmaker's.

Few critics ever get what they are entitled to in this busy world.