"Backwoon," on the broker's book.

"Collesting rents," on my agent's book.

They were all too busy, a matter quite new
Very sorry was 1, I had nothing to do:
Then I nied use hence to the base-ball ground.

And every man on the grand stand found

A Last Resort.

Eastern Landiord-Yes, madam, that hou

is for rent. Sit down Desperate Applicant-Thank you. I have mover been so nearly dead in my life. I be dieve I have waked fifty miles today trying so get a house. How much is the rent?

Only-by the way, madam, have any "Um-er-n-o." "You seem to hesitate about it?"

"Well, the fact is, I have children, but intend to kill them to night."—Omaha World A View of Things Inside

Tommy," sand the old gentleman, sternly "I understand that you were banging ab being at school. I won't have you wasting your time is that way What on earth could you see or hear peeking through a knot hole in the fence?"

I could see you, pa." responded Tommy "settin' on the gran' stand, an' shoutin "Good boy, Danny!" "-Tid Bita.

Denver Ozone There was a young fellow from Boston Vhose right lung, ains was a lost un, But in Denver's pure air He now has a pair— That's the difference 'tween Denver and Boston

There was a young fellow named Hall bo came here with no lungs at all; He now plays the trombone
And is generally known
As a tooter exceedingly tall

- Denver News

The Baseball Craze

"I have no reason to doubt your sincerity Hankinson," said the young lady, with unaffected sadness, "but I saw you you in that amateur game at the park last Saturday and my feelings towards you have undergon a change. A young man that can't steal a bag on that one eyed duffer, Limber Jim, and strikes out six times when Pudding Jake is in the box, is no good. I am sorry, Mr. Hank inson, but I can't sign you as a husband."-Chicago Tribune.

Hop Lee's Telegram.

Our friend Mr. Stanley Jewett, who now lives at Lamanda Park, gave his Chinamar a holiday last week, and the Mongol was to have returned at 6 o'clock. About that hour Mr. Jewett received the following telegram

Mr. Jewett received the lond which we give literally: "Mr. Stanley Jewett, Lamanda Park: No clatchee clain. Come home 'leven 'clock HOP LEE." -Passadena Union.

Hard on the Weather Prophet.

This is the season that I love,
No rain nor snow nor gale;
With shining skies of blue abov
While weather prophets wait
—Nebraska State Je

The Human Sleuth Hound Inexperienced Burglar-I'm afraid 'you'll

be caught this time, Tom.

Experienced Burglar—What do you mean Why, you remember your last work

"Well, they've put four detectives on your "Then I'm safe. What in thunder did you

to give me a scare for "-Nebraska State Journal.

Poor Thing.

He (turning the music)-Ah, Miss Chestah. I was weading this mawning that a man in Dwesden, Saxony, had invented a thing faw

turning music leaves, don't you know.
She—Ah, indeed! I wonder if it will be any improvement on the things we have to turn them now, Mr. Peanut! He (innocently)-Weally, Miss Chestah,

cawnt say, don't you know, I have nevah seen them. - Washington Critic.

The Old Granger.

He packed his "grip" and joyfully set out One day to buy some "green He's back again, two hundred dollars out
And no one has for him a spark of pity

-Boston O

Not Surprised.

Bearded Stranger (who ran away to sen when a boy) - Do you remember a boy name.

District Telegraph Manager-Very well Twenty years ago I sent Dick around the corner with a message requiring an immedi ate answer. "I am Dick Dart."

Well, give me the answer."-Omaha World.

Thoughtful of Others. Tramp-Can you give me a place to sleep

Woman-You can sleep in the barn if you

Tramp-Couldn't you give me a bed in the house! I'm a heavy sleeper myself, ma'am and I wouldn't feel right if I should keer you waiting for breakfast. - The Epoch:

Different Systems.

Irate Father—See here, sir, what does this mean? You said you were at the head of the class, but Mr. Pedagogue says you are at

Little Son-Well, maybe he counts from the other end .- Omaha World.

Certain of Success.

Patient (to young Sawbones, who is about to cut off his arm—Do you think the opera tion will be successful, doctor!

Young Sawbones-Of course it will; I'll have that arm off in less than ten minutes. New York Sun.

Bile

Ah! Life's not worth living, he sighed, And death will be welcon Wife, send for the doctor, he cried,

WE MAKE OUR OWN PENS.

Rapid Growth of the Steel Pen Industry

"Every year the citizens of the Units ar out DW,000,000 steel pens," said a "Twenty years ago niost of the steel pused in this country were imported. No comparatively few are imported, and the are several factories in this country in which they are made in large quantities. At pres ent the importation of foreign pens is mainly d to the high priced articles It w first doubted that steel pens could be me in this country but it was soon learned that the requisite skilled labor could be obtained for high wages, and the success of the plo neers led one manufacturer after another into the business, until now the field is pretty

st of the work on these little instru ments is done with the aid of very fine me chinery worked by women and girla. The that the quality is more uniform than the American steel. This uniformity of quality is necessary, because of the very delicate tempering required in the manufacture of the pens. That mysterious quality of stee which gives different colors is a quality that requires expert manipulation on the part of the workman who does the tempering. He must know the nature of the material with which he works, and with that knowledge he must exercise a celerity and skill that seize upon the proper instant to fasten the steel at heat which insures the requisite quality First, the steel is rolled into large sh

These are cut into strips about three inches wide. These strips are annealed, that is, they are heated to a red heat and permitted to cool gradually, so that the brittleness is all removed, and the steel is soft enough to be easily worked. Then the strips are again miled to the required thickness. It is quick eye for color and the quick hand that fastens it that constitute the skill to deter mine the temper of the steel. When the steel is heated for tempering it is bright. The first color that appears is straw color. This changes rapidly to a blue. The elasticity of the metal varies with the color, and is ar ed at any point by instant plunging in enid water. The processes of splitting, pol-ishing, pointing and finishing the pens are perations requiring dexterity, but by long oractice the workmen and workwomen become very expert. There have been few nanges of late years, and the process of manufacture is much the same wenty years ago, and the prices are rather ranging from twenty-five cents dollar per gross, according to one dollar per gross, according to rally contain a gross. The best now in the ho buy foreign pens at fancy prices find an article. Persons who write continuously vill wear out a good steel pen in two days." New York Mail and Express.

Moderation in Athletic Training

The means to be adopted for the attain sent of robust health are cleanliness, reguarity of habita, moderation in diet, exercise referably in the open air, in accordance with the capacity of the individual and na ure of the contest, and abstinence from trong drinks and tobacco. If a man trains unply to improve his health he does so more r less moderately; if for a contest, more or ance of the event. A man can do either vithout a trainer if he has an ordinary mount of common sense and will power the man who simply desires to live in a wind, healthy condition should follow these ules, modifying them slightly, according to

Get up not later than 7 a. m., sponge and rub yourself with a coarse towel until the kin is red. Do not stop if perspiring, but seep on till tired. It is good exercise. Then iress and take a fairly long walk before and ifter breakfast. Walk to your place of busiess. Attend to work in the usual way, re dsting every inclination you may have to give way to indolence. Walk home. Never nind the weather; a little rain will not hurt you, and summer beat will not affect you when you have done it long enough to do you good. then have dinner, avoiding, as at your lunch and breakfast, greasy, sweet, highly flavored or seasoned food. Water is the best thing to trink, and that is better drank after finishing your meal. Take your time over dinne in particular and other meals in general. you have not time to get a meal leisurely go without it, as it will not injure you a qui is much as it will to eat it in a hurry. Amuse yourself in the evening according to your taste, which, as you get healthier, will neline to active rather than effeminate imusementa. Repeat the sponging and rubun in Cleveland Leader.

In a code of health, just published, is his rule: "Never begin a journey until this rule: "Never begin a journey until the breakfast has been eaten." This is a suggestion to the suburban citizen to see that kindling for the cook stove has been prepaied the night before, and that the alarm clock in the kitchen girl's bedroom is in good order. Another rule is: "Never take warm drinks and immediately go out into the cold." Therefore the coffee should be taken cold; otherwise, sit around the house after breakfast until after train time. Still another rule is: 'After exercise of any kind, never sit near the window of a car for a moment. There might be some difference whether the window is opened or closed, but the rule is imperative, and says violation is 'dangerous to health, or even life, Therefore, let your fat neighbor take the risks of the window seat, while you per-use fine print by the light sifted through him and his newspaper. Great things are these "codes of health!"—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Proof Positive.

Al-I must have been very drunk yesterday. Ed-How sof Al-Look at this bill from my tailor, re ipted!-Tid Bits.

A worn out society belle is like old manle sugar. It has a certain kind of sweetness, but has to be laid on the shelf when the new crop comes out.—New Orleans Picayune

The cowboys would like to have some good all around poet write a stirring lyric to be known as "The Cattle Hymn of the ReCHAPTER OF EGG LORE.

What the Hen Does for Homanity. "Fresh Eggs" the Year Round.

Very few of those who visit their grocery and purchase their modest fifteen and twenty-five cents' worth have any idea of the vast quantity of eggs supplied to and by the United States of America. The eggs received in New York alone during 1887 amounted to 534,400 barrels of seventy dozens each, and 745,-843 cases of thirty dozens each, or a grand total bt 717,309,240 eggs in New York last year! How many of these were fresh?

total of 717,399,240 eggs in New York last year! How many of these were fresh? Take a stroll down Washington street and see the merchants opening their bar-rels and cases. On the sidewalk, and even in the buildings, are women, who have come to buy cracked eggs. Yery few men engage in this business; the women are much shrewder, and with a covered wooden pail in hand they watch the cracked eggs being taken out. They buy-them up and resell them to the bakers. No ball eggs can be palmed off on these No bad eggs can be palmed off on these women; the cracked egg must be completely broken and emptied before they accept it on their count. Many small stores also buy cracked eggs, and these are purchased in small quantities by board-ing house keepers who delight in "home made pastry on the table."
But the rotten eggs? What becomes of

them? In former years they were taken to the scows and dumped with the city refuse, but now they are the means of sup-porting a distinct line of business. They are gathered together by the members of an energetic commonwealth, who take them to New Jersey, put them in barrels and sell them to the manufacturers of Morocco leather. So necessary have they become for the leather process that the temand is frequently greater than the sapply.

In the crowded state of this city it is a most a matter of impossibility for board isg house keepers to supply their patrons with "fresh eggs" all the year round. Unergs must, with them, be at a discount. The hen is a willful bird, subject to all the caprices of her sex, and so long as her nature prompts her to do most of her lay-ing during the milder portion of the year so long will the necessities of the case require that a portion of her product shall be kept from the period of plenty to re-lieve the period of scarcity. This question of preserving eggs has excited attention for centuries, and millions of dollars have been lost in trying to attain perfection The liming process was discovered a little more than 100 years ago, and an excellent method it is, but such eggs are easily de-tected, and while a prejudice exists against them they can seldom be foisted

The later invention of refrigerating con sists in holding eggs in proper packages in a cool temperature, so that they will not grow old too fast. The etemperature is generally from 38 to 40 degs., in which they are often kept from three to six months. But these ice house eggs are usually found to be "risky." They come into the market early in the fall, just when trade is picking up and prices advancing. They work off rapidly at first, but the regular egg eater soon discovers that there is something wrong, and they are incontinently "dropped." The worst of this kind comes from Canada, where they are packed in oat hulls.—New York

Success at Last.

Success, that magic word! Who does not long to emblazon it upon his shield? Young Jack had gone home to the farm house for a visit, in all the bravery of his fashionable clothing and elaborate man-

"Succeed? I guess I've succeeded!" he answered to an old neighbor. "Done a little o' most everything, aint

ye, Jack?" queried the neighbor, "Yes, uncle. I begun low; begun with writing poetry for the magnzines."

"Ever make much by it? "Not a cent." 'Git much published?"

"Not a line.

"Left the business, then, I'll ventur'?" 'Left it to its own destruction. Went nto trade. Had a position in a wholesale dry goods firm."
"An' that's what you made your money

in, I'll be bound?" "No, uncle, no! They turned me off because I couldn't tell cashmere from

But my star has come up, in spite

"Riz, has it? Well, ooy, settle down into at last?"
"Uncle," said the prosperous young
"Uncle," salemnity, "I simply found my and invented a patent boot blacking! And now I sell it, wholesale and retail. All that's necessary in this world is to find your niche!"—Youth's Companion.

A Roman Recipe for Bread

If you want to taste wheat bread, such If you want to taste wheat the total, such as the Romans used to chew upon about two centuries before Christ, here is Marcus Portius Cato's recipe: "Panem depsticium sie facito. Manus mortariumque sticium sic facito. Manus mortariumque bene lavato. Farinam in mortarium indito, aqua paulatim addito, subigitoque pulchre. Ubi bene subegeris, defingito, coquitoque sub testu." This may be a trifle obscure if you do not happen to "know Latin," but perhaps that bright school boy or school girl can "help you out," If not, this will have to do: "Make kneaded bread thus: Wash well your hands and trough. Put the meal into the trough, add water gradually, and knead it thoroughly. When you have kneaded it well, mold t and bake it under cover." There! Clip this out, hand it to the wife, and when the first mouthful of the result has safely passed through your esophagus, don't swear, but rather give thanks that you were allowed to enter this world as a Nineteenth century American instead of a poor yeastless Roman of Cato's time.—The Roller Mill.

First Boy-Does your grandpa smoke a Second Boy-Not now, last week he went the fire reached his celluioid teeth and they exploded, bursting his head open.

First Boy—What a fool! Didn't be have any brains!

Second Boy-Oh, lote of brains; they've ruined the fre scoed ceiling -Accide

ALL AROUND THE HOUSE.

ions in Furniture-Birds and Plants Household Hints and Recip

Keep plants that are lifted from the open border in a cool room for a time and do not expose them at once to artificial heat. Potted builts should be kept in a dark place till they make a good growth of roots; then bring to the light.

Ham as Epicures Like It.

Epicures say that cooking a ham in sweet cider gives so delicious a flavor that once tried the ordinary way will never satisfy again. First, be sure that the ham is sweet and not too salt. Scrub and clean it well, put into hot water and soak over night and remove the rind; then trim nicely and boil in evect cider. Put some sweet new hay in the bottom of a kettle, place the ham on this and cover with sweet cider; bring slowly to the boiling point and simmer till tender. When you can probe it with a fork easily it is done. Take out on to at sieve to drain, sprinkle thickly with crumbs mixed with brown sugar and set in the oven for ten minutes.

Favorite Imported Song Birds. A well known bird dealer says that the Andresberg canaries are the most sought after of all varieties of the popular pet bird. They are somewhat larger than common canaries

are somewhat larger than common canariss and have very soft, sweet notes.

The English robin, a beatiful bird and fine-singer, is coming into favor as a pet.

Other imported song birds that are much liked are linnets, thrushes, bulfinches, black-birds, n agpies, goldfinches, nightingales, black caps and starlings. Starlings, bulfinches and blackbirds are often trained to whistle one or two airs, and such birds are whistle one or two airs, and such birds are nighly prized by their owners.

Household Helps. Oxalic acid removes fruit and vegetable

tains from the hands. Rubbing with celery is said to take the mell of onions from tile hands.

A lasting blacking for Meating stoves con-sists of turpentine and black varnish put on with good stove polish.

Oil cloth may be improved by rubbing with half an ounce of beeswax dissolved saucerful of turpentine. Apply with flannel and rub off with a dry flannel cloth.

How to Cleanse Marble.

To clean marble take two parts common soda, one part pumice stone and one part finely powdered chalk. Mix with water, rub well over the marble and wash off with soap and water. A mixture used on stained marble consists

of one ounce of ox gall, one gill of lye, one and a half teaspoonfuls of turpentine made into paste with pipe clay; put the paste or over the stain and let it remain several days.

A Western Loaf Cake.

Take three cups of bread sponge quite thick, one cup of either butter or pork gravy, two cups of coffee sugar, one and a half cups of chopped raisins, four eggs, one teaspoonful of ground cloves, one of cinnamon and a half teaspoonful of soda dissolved in two spoonfuls water. Mix well and put in buttered dishes, let it stand and rise for balf an how in a warm place, then bake in a pretty were

otch Hasty Pudding.

A Scotch housekeeper's recipe for hasty pudding is: Put an ounce of beef or mutton suct in a frying pan and let it fry out clear; add two handfuls of oatmeal and stir; now add another ounce of the chopped suct, pep per and salt, and stir till the

Tapioca Pudding.

Heat a quarter of a pound of tapioca slowly over the fire in a pint of milk, stirring that it may not burn. When the tapioca is soft beat ogether three eggs and four ounces of sugar. add the tapioca and half a pint of cold milk and bake half an hour in a moderate oven

Duchesse Potatoes.

Cut cold boiled potatoes into cubes, season with salt and apopper, dip in melted butter and lightly in flour. Arrange on a baking theet, bake fifteen thinntes in a quick over, and serve very hot.

Fashions in Furniture.

the more expensive grades of parlor furniture walnut /a almost cutific and adapt. Mahogany or cherry either in natural or stained finish, and oak in natural finish or darkened to imitate the antique, are the fash-ionable woods. Mahogany is the handsomest of these, taking an exceptionally fine polish and being most durable. A very elegant style of parlor suit is in highly polished mahogany wood without any upholstering, it being intended that independent cushions shall be used.

Watered or moire plush and figured tapes try in elaborate designs appear among the



AN EASY CHAIR.

There is endless variety in chairs for every purpose. The cut here reproduced from Decorator and Furnisher gives a good example of a luxurious easy chair of present style. Cane seated chairs show frames of cherry, oak, mahogany or walnut, with arms plain or carved or of bent or twisted woods. Many handsome easy chairs and rockers are entirely of wood, including the seat. Th are usually finished at home with a flat plush cushion of any desired color, tied in with ribbons. Other chairs are in leather. Some are upholstered to match suits.

A large odd chair for a parlor has very thick, rounding bottom, arms and back en tirely covered with elegant ruby plush. No woodwork at all shows in this chair, except little of the bottom of the legs. This all

over stuffed style is very luxurious.

Tall slender chairs with spindle work backs and small, leather covered seats, represent a very taking new style. The all over wood chairs, and wood wherever it appears in any of these, is beautifully polished.

A SECOND THOUGHT.

it is so long since thou wast lost to vice.

Through the dim anadow valley gone.

That with grief's wonted pangs the once more.

The dread that my lone heart, however as years take all—may loss thy likened. The ungraved image it can still adon.

Vain dread! for calming time we Those visioned love-limned lineam As in a lake the mirrored moon m Inconstant, dimmed by every by But pure and rounded when the Inconstant, dimmed by every blurring But pure and rounded when the ripple is my soul's sleep shall thy reflection g From wavering glimpses perfect by d As sorrow's surge subsides to waveler —"F. V." in New Orleans Times-D

Trying to Reform the World.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton recently told a story about the way in which she legas her work of reforming the world. When she was a girl of 10 or 13, she used to see her father, Judge Cady, administering law from the heave. father, Judge Cady, administering is from the bench. She noticed that the judge, in laying down the law or giving his decision, always referred to his law books for guidance. She set to work in his library reading these books, and as she thought he could not say anything but what he found there, she care-fully tore out and burned these anything but what he found there, she carefully tore out and burned those pages that contained principles of decisions of while on the beach during a trial, make application of anything not to be seen in the books by which he was guided? She discovered a great deal that was offensive in every law book that the he was guided? She discovered a great deal that was offensive in every law book that she inspected in his library. Out came the pages, which she cast into the fire until the book suited her, and she felt sure that her father would be compelled to confine himself to such law as she left. She kept on at this work for a long while, until she was caught at it; but by that time a great part of Judge Cady's faw library had been spoiled in her efforts to reform the world. -New York Sun

The police authorities of Vienna for some time past have, on application, issued so called "international identity cards," consisting of a photograph on which a brief personal description of the owner is written in three languages (German, French and English), and to which an official certificate English), and to which an official certificate and seal is attached in such a way as to pre-vent the possibility of the exchange of the zarte de visite photograph. The card is kept in a small leather cover, can therefore easily oe carried, and for purposes of identificati is fully as useful and even more convenie is fully as useful and even more convenient to travelers than a passport. This same idea was used in issuing press tickets to our Cas-cennial Exhibition in 1876. Each press Each press ticket bore the photograph of the editor or reporter who presented it, and this precan-tion prevented "passes" from being transterred. - Home Journal

"International Identity Cards."

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Music is a modern science, the complete cale, as we have it, being an invention of trictly modern times. Ancient nations em-ployed only the pentatonic scale, or scale ployed only the pentatonic scale, or scale having five notes, to wit—one, two, three, five and six, and in the Orient today the pentatonic scale is the only one known in their music. The Arabians, it is true, employ a scale somewhat different, having quarter tones instead of half tones like our own, some of the Arabian instruments being tuned to quarter tunes in such a way that music adapted to them cannot be played upon a European instrument of any kind, or even sing by a European without giving the Oriental the impression that the tune is false—San Francisco Examiner.

Hotel Clerk's Novel Schem

The night clerk at a West Side botel has a novel scheme to prevent impecunious cu-tomers from getting away without paying their score. At the same time he combine business with pleasure, and thereby go he floor in front of his desk with parlor matches, and then drops off to sleep. If a sustomer attempts to pass the sleeping clerk without paying his check his feet encounter the matches, and they immediately set up a fusilade that arouses the sleeping clerk and enables him to capture the man who eats and runs away.—New York Press "Every Day Falk."

Beautiful Sunset Phenome

Following the disappearance of the upper into of the sun's disk at sunset, there has been observed the phenomenon of a beautiful green ray, its flash being as rapid as that of lightning, and only visible under rare con-titions of clearness of the sky. The explanition offered for its appearance is that of the simultaneous contrast of colors, the theory propounded originally by M. Chevreul-Globe-Democrat.

A Confederate Copper Cent.

A confederate copper can.

A copper cent in the possession of a Chuluata, Fla., citizen is said to be more than worth its weight in gold, because it was coined for the Confederate government during the rebellion, from a die which was cap-tured by the United States authorities after the forty-second piece had been struck of. It is thought that only about twenty of these coins are now in existence.—Chicago Heraki.

Russia's Wheat Crop.

A very large share of the wheat importe into Great Britain is from Russia, the large competitor of the United States. The annua States for several years past has been 43, 200,000 bushels, and the export 183,000,001. The average crop of Russia for the same period has been 227,000,000 bushels, and the export 70,000,000,—Chicago Heraid.

Charged for the Correction "Do you wish to take a cab, sir!" inquired the backman. "No, I want a cab to take me," was the

reply of the purist.

And the cabby meekly bowed his head and
made the charge \$4, 75 per cent of which
was for the enforced lesson in gramman— Detroit Free Press.

A Trifle Overlooked. Farmer (returned from town)—There's the terbacker, an' the molasses, and the condises powders for the sick brindle beifer, at

Wife-Where's the quinine, John, I acked Farmer—B'gum, I forgot all about it