BEAUTIFUL HANDS.

What They Are and How Every One Can Really beautiful hands are rarely een; hands white, smooth and shapely, whose finger-tips curve upward like the pink petals of an opening rose, and whose dainty nails are polished like the heart of a blushing sea shell. Such hands had the lovely Queen of Prussia and they may sometimes be seen among us, but are more rare than

almost any other physical charm. A small hand is not necessarily attractive, proportion being one of the chief elements of beauty; but the perfect member must be a trifle long, with gently tapering fingers. Such are the hands that we ascribe to poetic and sensitive people, idealists in art or character. Heavy hands with thick, square-topped fingers could never be long to such dreamers, but are as sure ly the sign of a prosaic nature. The hands should be slightly rounded, the thumb reaching half way up the first finger, the middle one extending a nail's length beyond the first, the third about half a nail's length shorter than the middle finger, while the fourth should reach the second joint of its neighbor. The skin should be soft and fine, the lines almost imperceptible, and the whole hand should be exquisitely supple.

It is probably use rather than na-

ture that makes most hands so very unlike this ideal, for though few are essly coarse in texture, for the most a great improvement is possible. oothness and dainty cleanliness can be preserved and cultivated; stainless tips and polished nails cost little but some minutes of time. With them no hand can fail to be pleasing, even though it may never serve as an artist's model; so none need display the almost universal blemishes except they be engaged in the roughest labor. Nearly all housework can be done in gloves, which, though they seem a little troublesome at first, can soon be worn without inconvenience. Especially in sweeping and dusting are they useful to protect the skin from dirt and hardening, and in these exercises they are not in the way. But during sleep they can always be worn. care being taken not to have them too tight, as that would disturb circulation. Nothing is more certain improve the hand slight sweating thus se-It whitens, softens and renders it more supple. In addition there are creams and pastes to be applied, many of which are excellent. The following recipe has been taken from the French: Yelk of fresh eggs, 2 scruples; sweet almond oil, 2 tablespoonfuls; rose water, 1 ounce; tincture of benzoin, 36 grains. Beat the velks up with the oil, and add successively the rose water and the tincture. Put this inside the gloves and sleep in them.

Above all, wet the hands as little as possible. Wash them in tepic water with a little borax and mild soap, and never omit to dry them thoroughly after washing.

The care of the nails is of prime im portance. A brush should always be used, and if not sufficient to remove the stains that so easily gather there are acids that will complete the work. Some people use lemon juice for this purpose. If they are then bright in polished they will be so much in If they are then brightly proved that the effort will seem well spent. Preparations for this use are now quite common, but another is suggested. This consists of equal parts of cinnabar and pulverized emery, rubbed on with a small sponge. Then a little oil of bitter almonds may be passed over them to still further e their luster. This care will be sufficient to give any woman a pair of attractive hands .- Chicago News.

Good Whether It Cures or Not.

Self-massage is recommended as cure for dyspensia. The method is First thing in the morning and last thing at night rub the abdomen down the left side and the right in a round circle, also rub down the breast; now page across the room once or twice. and then snap the lower limbs, like s whip lash, for exercise. Now twist the lower limbs, first on one side, then on the other, and rock upon the toes. Now for the lungs and abdomen; first take in half breath, then exhale all the air possible, then fill the lungs to their full capacity, walk across the room and back, at the same time throwing the arms back. Now in a half breath send out every particle of air till you see the abdomen working like a bellows, and you will soon become a deep breather. For more exthe air inside is as pure and fresh as that on the outside.

—Five tablespoonfuls of milk and way to suit against a majority of the one cup of granulated sugar will make fruit canners of the country. an excellent frosting if flavored with on or vanilla, boiled five minutes m beaten hard until it is both stiff and cool enough to spread on the cake. The great advantage of this frosting is that it is economical and trit can be cut as soon as the

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Was There a Duct in the Park?

Consternation was caused among receipt of a note that two society oung meh were to fight a duel during the night over a young society woman in Central park. All officers were told to look vigilantly for the duelists throughout the night, and arrest any suspected persons. An officer found in a secluded place near the west drive and opposite Ninety-second street early in the morning, two blood-stained handkerchiefs, clots of blood and a cheap pistol. All hospitals were searched for persons who arrived during the night with gun or pistol shot wounds, and inquiries were made among physicians and drug steres in the neighborhood, but without result The police think they have been made game of, and are further perplexed as reporters came in to ask for information five minutes after the things wer received. It was an unusual visit at such an early hour.

Department Rulings.

The Treasury Department having been informed by the Collector of Customs of San Francisco of the result of the trial in the United States Court, wherein J. P. Ames and others secured judgment awarding them \$375 55 collected from them by Collector Hager for services and expenses f an Inspector of Customs sent to Port Costa to count and inspect grain bags manufactured in the United States from foreign material, which were exported filled with grain from San Francisco, and on which the manufacturer claims a drawback, has instructed the Collector to take the necessary steps to pay the judgment. He is also instructed to discontinue the practice of exacting such fees and expenses in investigations to establish the right to the drawback on such bags, and is requested to furnish the department with a certified list of ich fees and expenses collected by him since the commencement of the

The Strike at Indianapolis.

The strike of railroad switchmen is aking an ugly phase in Indianapolis Not a sikgle switch engine in the city was moved. In the freight yards everything is in confusion. Morning trains were abandoned half made up, or not made up at all. In all the vards business was at a complete standstill. In several places the engineers and firemen, or other employes pressed into service, tried to go en with the work, but the strikers interfered and successfully prevented the departure of any trains. The engineers and firemen ase in symoathy with the switchmen, and made no attempt to man their engines. In nearly every instance they quit work, ran their en-gines to their stalls and drew the fire when the switchmen requested it. All forenoon strikers hove been going from one yard to another and warning applicants for work that if they under took to touch switch engines they would be handled roughly. The officers of the road called for police protection, and an effort will be made to start out new crews.

Interested Railroads Trying Remedy Some of the Existing Evils.

The committee appointed at the conference of representatives of the Transcontinental and Central Traffic Associations and trunk lines, at St. Louis, to remedy the existing evils on Pacific coast business, reported that the condition which unfavorably affected the revenues from east bound passenger traffic from the Pacific coast were attributable to the fact that the representatives on the coast improperly received and disbursed funds for the purpose of securing business. As tern lines are desirous of bettering the conditions under which such troffic exists at present, it is probable some action will be taken ere long, on on the recommendation of the committee that all lines adopt such restrictions as would secure uniform action, and that each association take up the subject and consider it separately. Any association agreeing upon uniform rules will doubtless receive the co-operation of all the others.

Bied in a Foreign Land.

Word has been received in Nov York of the recent death in Cannes, France, of Andrew J. Baker, a wealthy banker of Tacoma, W. T. Baker left for France with his wife about a year ago, and before his departure called on Joseph B. Braman, attorney at 120 Broadway, and had his will drawn, leaving as heirs two sons and a married daughter. One of these sons, Leslie C. Baker, when last heard from, eight years ago, was a barkeeper in Detroit. His whereabouts is at present unknown.

A verdict was rendered by the jury tended practice in deep breathing the is said to involve the collection of milin the United States circuit court that morning before rising is a good time, lions of dollars in royalties annually from canners of fruit, salmon and other commodities in the United In the winter States for use of a soldering iron. The time before a good fire wash the hands case was made a test. The parties and wet the back of the neck, arms were Lewis McMurray and others and lower limbs slightly, and rub down against George R. Weison, canned with a coarse towel. This is sufficient goods manufacturer, of Somerville for a beginner, but the chronic dyspeptic needs more extensive exercise.

—United Presbyterian. soldering iron was used by defendant. This decision, it is said, will open the fruit canners of the country.

Still at Large.

Wm. Wilson, the gambler who killed Frank Robinson over a game of cards,

being carried on in the Arctic Circle. Crysolite is mined in Greenland and shipped to Philadelphia for making candles. Extensive copper mines have been worked for a long time in Fin-land.

John L. Sullivan is only twenty nine years of age. It is said that he ade and spent \$300,000 in the

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Farmers in the Palouse are happy ver the recent rains.

A Chilian employed at the Tacema mill fell dead Monday last.

A cow killed at Chelatchie, Clarke ounty, W. T., dressed 912 pounds.

At Cheney there are no vacant ouses and constant demand for them Wheat is worth 65 cents a bushel at

Cheney, sacked, at the elevator. The new foundry at Colfax began work November 10.

Tacoma has a new company of cadets, 15 members already, 15 to 17 ears old

The Tom Paine is turninh out large uantities of \$40 ore.

The Worley mine at Robinsonville will be operated all winter.

Many new companies will operate in Baker county next season. The Pandora at Huntington is giv-

ng great encouragement to its owners. Miners are happy with the prospects of a large water supply the coming

Mose Saxon, of the Pantheon saoon, Colfax, feil off a bridge and broke his left arm. At Wa-Wa-Wai, on Snake river, J.

weighed 12 pounds. Uniontown is to have a distillery. The company is organized and it will

soon be running. crowded and restaurants.

The Tacoma jail has thirteen prisners in six cells. Criminals increase as fast as the town.

Stockmen in Umatilla county complain of short grass and hard frosts make it shorter.

Little Georgie Roder, of Brookfield, Clatsop county, is in the hospital with broken bone. Charles Cowan has been bound over t Salem charged with a bestial crime

and not furnishing \$700 bail is in the county jail. Tacoma is to have a street railway of the electric motor sort, run with a

wire over the track. They are said to work well. P. J. Smith, one of the most promi-

a hay press. Two new anchers and buoys are on the way from San Francisco for Tacoma harbor. The anchors weigh

5,000 pounds each. Several valuable horses have died near Sherman, Lincoln county, of a new and unknown disease, which seems to affect the lungs of mares

ive from San Francisco to engage in the Puget Sound business. ene of the most powerful tugs on the

The Cornwall Company, at What-com, will push the railroad over the coal beds on the Nooksack early in the spring.

The Farmington Register tells how Denson uicked a quarrel with one arnum, a work He tried to shoot knocked down. Barnum and got into jail for it.

John Lochfelm fell off a train and tation was necessary. He was in charge of a car of stock going from Chehalis to Tacoma. He nearly died come on, so as to render the work into the stomach with too little of the from cold and exhaustion before he

The new mill of the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Company, will be of colossal size, being just twice the will have a capacity of 600,000 feet of put of any lumber company on the therefore, largely compete with. coast.

Messrs. Harris and Young, owners of the Tom Paine mine, now have seventeen men on their pay roll. Their Salmon mill has been kept running on very rich ore for the past sevfroze up their water power, which compelled them to order an engine and boiler from Portland, which will arrive in a few days. This will enable them to keep their mill running all winter.

William McCloud, living five miles west of Pullman, with his family, got up at 5 o clock as usual, went out and did not return. He was found hanging by the neck to a beam in an old barn a mile away. The pains he took to splice old ropes and leather straps to hang himself by, and the fact that it broke once and he tried the second ime, show it was a deliberate suicide. He was to move into a new house in Pullman that week. He was very dyspeptic and had severe spells of

Theresa Barados, of Oakland, Cal. is seeking divorce from Francisco Barados, on grounds of cruelty, latter was married in 1846, and is the father of twenty-two children, eighteen of whom are boys and four girls. He came to this country and settled in San Leandro, where the mother of the twenty-two children present wife says it is hard enough to take care of his little family without being abused and beaten by him.

There are 3,060 women telegraph operators in England earning any where from \$800 to \$1,000 a year. The telegraph being a branch of the Civil Service in England, it is necessary for them to pass a competitive examination before employment is given them

The Empress of Japan is rapidly coming one of the best informed women of her time. She is a hard student of German, Russian, French and Italian, and it is said that Her Majesty has certain days of the week upon which Japanese is a forbidden

AGRICULTURAL.

Turn the sod under after frost ap pears if you wish to kill out the cut-

Winter oats grow in Virginia and are seeded down in the fall. It might pay to try a small plot in this section. Cooked clover, and the mess thickened with ground oats, makes an excellent addition to the food of the brood sow.

Cold frames can be used for forcing some of the hardy plants in winter. Early cabbage and lettuce are grown in this manner. Mix wood ashes, cinder and gravel

together for your garden walks, and run a roller over it after each rain until it is well packed. The best varieties of early raspber ries are the Tyler and Souhegan. The

Ohio and Mammoth Cluster are excellent late varieties. In feeding grain to poultry it is bet ter to vary it, allowing wheat and oats as well as corn. Cooked potatoes

make an agreeable change for laying hens. Plant your trees, vines, etc., this fall. Do not postpone the work until B. Holt grew a sweet potato that spring. If you cannot possibly plant this fail, get the trees now and heel

until spring. Watermelons for the Christmas dinner are not an impossibility. It is Over fifty men arrived at Farming-said that they will keep perfectly if ton, W. T., in one day. Hotels put away in a mow of well cured hay, free from dampness.

Sweet potatoes will fatten a pin sooner than will corn. The small tubers can be used as well as those that may be damaged by cooking them for that purpose.

Here is a good health mixture hogs: One bushel of charcoal broken into small pieces, a peck of wood ashes and twelve bushels of salt.

It is computed that this year's corn crop, if loaded for railroad shipment would fill 2,878,571 cars and make train that would reach 16,449 miles, or two-thirds the way around the world

If mice are troublesome they can often be easily got rid of by soaking wheat in a good solution of arsenic nent farmers of Squawk, was probably fatally hurt by the breaking of where the mice will be likely to

> In France whitewash is used to pro tect the frame and interior of buildings from fire. The beams, joists and under side of floorings being thickly coated with a lime-wash before they

> Now is the time to secure rams early lambs of the mutton breeds are desired next spring. Sheep should not be too fat at this season if intended for breeding purposes. Dry pasture is better for them than heavy grain

It is a curious fact that wasps' nests sometimes take fire, as is supposed by Cascades; also will build to promising the chemical action of the wax upon the material of which the nest is com posed. Undoubtedly many fires of unknown origin in hay-stacks and farm buildings may thus be accounted

> The wells on the farm should be leaned out every fall. Despite all ing, but do it now, before the late rains

Good cider vinegar is always salable and it pays to convert the surplus apples into cider for the purpose of maklength of the present building, and can be used for choice pickles and will have a capacity of 600,000 feet of other purposes for which good cider lumber per day, being the largest out vinegar only is adapted, and does not,

Don't try to crowd fifty hens into poultry-house suitable for only twentyfive, as the larger the grop the fewer the eggs proportionately, unless they have perfect accommodations. As eral weeks until the late cold weather rule, small flocks give a larger profit from the same outlay than when numbers are kept that can not be properly provided for.

> Place your manure heap under cover so as to be able to work it over in winter. Rains should never fall on and keep the worst. True, the best the manure at any season. It is of great advantage to turn over the heap in winter, create heat and thereby decompose the materials, in order to render them fine and in good condi-tion to spread on the land in spring.

In storing apples a free circulation of the air through the barrel will be of advantage. The fruit should be kept in a cool place, but should be beyond the reach of frost. Only sound apples should be used, as the slightest touch of decay on a single apple will sometimes cause the whole to rot.

While the work can be done before the ground freezes, a large supply of dry dirt should be stowed for winter use. It is an excellent absorber and deodorizer and is cheap. On the stable floors, in the piz-pens and on damp places occupied by stock, it died. He again married, and now his answers in place of more expensive

> Land plaster is slightly soluble water, and therefore gives immediate results on the crops that feed largely on lime, such as clover, beans, peas and other legumes. About one hun-dred pounds of plaster per acre en young clover is sufficient, and if used in connection with wood ashes it is one of the cheapest fertilizers known

Hard grains can be fed to ducks ex clusively if fed very carefully. But ducks are voracious eaters, and when in confinement there is great danger of overeating. This means crippled feet or legs sooner or later. If fed on

vegetables and meal, there is not much daner of overeating, and it is better for the bird.

An English farmer who has been investigating the caterpillar pest, which has proved so destructive to the fruit and nut crops in Kent, has conclu that the spawn which produced the caterpillars was deposited by the swarm of butterflies which swept the coast last autumn, and which were supposed to have been driven over the con inent by the storms.

H. Hendricks, of Ulster county, N. Y., we tes that he has found very satisfactory results in close pruning of grapes. Last summer he stopped the rampant growth of the canes by prun-ing each one at two leaves from the ing each one at two leaves from the 25c.; pickled, 224@25c.; inferior last cluster of fruit, and pinching off grade, 20@224c. every latterel to but one leaf. The result in amount and quantity of fruit was eminently satisfactory.

An Ohio man answers an inquiry as to how a cow can be cured of kick per sk., \$ 75; lettuce, per doz. 10c.; ing, thus: Take a surcingle of sufficient length to go around the cow just in front of the bag and hips; draw it repetits but figure and the complete the comp gently but firmly. You can then sit down and milk quietly. After repeating this a few times, draw the surcingle lightly, but, if she persists in kick-ing, draw it tightly. In time she will give up the contest.

The color of the hog seems to be matter of importance. Experiments show that, contrary to expectation, a black hog, such as the Essex and Berkshire, thrives best in the South while the white breeds, such as the Chester White, Yorkshire and Cheshire thrive best in the North. The Poland-China, a spotted hog, and the Jersey Red are preferred in the Western

Raspberries will thrive on almos any well drained soil of moderate righness, but wet land is always injur ious and often fatal to them. Harrow smooth and fine and plant deep. Plant in late fall or early spring, in straight lrows seven feet apart, with bushes three feet apart in the row. If planted late in the spring, tender shoots are tiable to retard future growth. For the first season give clean culture, and, f desirable, other crops may be grown among them without injury.

Prof. A. J. Cook, of the Michigan three-quarter or seven-eighths blood M, \$22 50; No. 1 ceiling, per will be better. These high-grade \$22 50; No. 1 rustic, per M, \$22 percheron are fine walkers, and to stepping, per M, \$25 00; over break them it is only necessary to hitch inches wide, extra, \$1 00; lengths 40 them in at three years of age and go to 50, extra, \$2 00; lengths 50 to 60, to working them. The fall colts are extra, \$4 00; 1½ lath, per M, \$2 25; valuable, and can be raised at a profit. He says he is delighted with his plan.

It is the verdict everywhere that creameries stimulate farmers to keep more and better cows. Mr. J H. Hale rays that where creameries have been located many of the brush pastures have been cleared up within the past few years, and he notices that more of this work is going on this season than ever before. He is often shown farms that before the days of creameries \$1 35. kept from three to five cows that are now keeping from eight to twenty.

Feeding whole corn to horses is not wise. Whole corn is exceedingly not masticate it sufficienty. To obtain good results thorough mastication should always be aimed at, for that is precautions but few wells are free from the beginning of digestion. As is well had his fingers crushed so that ampu-toads. It is not safe to wait until the understood the saliva is one of the diwater becomes affected before clean- gestive fluids, and when food is swallowed whole or partially whole, it goes saliva. It may do that, too, if fed in the shape of dry meal or when the food is cut. There is no better way of feeding the horse than to cut the hay and mix the meal with it. Food in that shape will come the nearest to se curing perfect mastication and will furnish the stomach with the very best opportunity to do its work. Half corn-meal and half oats, mixed with cut hay and wet down, make a good ration. There had better be less corn-

Now is the time to get rid of the poorer animals. It will not pay to you failed in your examination as usual?" winter them, as better animals will give larger returns for shelter, care and feed. He is not economy to keep a feed. It is not economy to keep a soldest daughter, if think I heard voices poor animal through any season, but in the hall late last evening. I have told it is most extravagant to keep it you repeatedly not to let that young man through the winter. It is the height stay later than 11 o'clock." through the winter. It is the height of folly in stock-raising to sell the best bring the largest prices, but if you sell the best and keep the worst soon your best will be no better than your worst it o'clock, but it was a tight squ"—
is now, and your worst will be such "James!" shricked Laura.—Chicago Trithat the more you have the poorer you will be. You, by this plan, constantly make your animals poorer, and as the stock-raiser makes his animals poorer he makes himself poorer. If he keeps up the process bankruptcy is as sure The opposite policy is the winning policy.

A prominent woman lawyer of Ohio is Miss Florence Cronise, of Tiffin. She has been in scrive practice for fifteen years, and has secu petence and a large list of clients.

The Chinese Government has re fused an English firm permissisn to set up cotton cleaning machinery in that country. The decision is made that foreigners have no right to start manufactories on Chinese soil. Panama is to have a street railway

The builder has been granted a franchise for fifty years, during which time he is to pay a privilege tax of 20 per cent. of the net profits of the road. At the end of that time the road and all appurtenances revert to the municipality

R. Kondo, of the Mining University of Japan, said to be the wealthiest Japanese outside of the Royal family and the operator of sixteen gold, silver and copper mines, is about to visit the Lake Superior mineral region to ob-tain a knowledge of the mining maPortland Market Report.

WHEAT— Valley, \$1 40@\$1 42 Walla Walla, \$1 32@I 35.

BARLEY— Whole, \$0 85@1 round, per ton, 520 00@21 50. OATS-Milling, 32@34c.; feed, 28

HAY-Baled, \$10@\$13.

SEED— Blue Grass, 12@15c.; Timothy, 7@8c.; Red Clover, 11@124c.

FLOUR- Patent Roller, \$5 00 Country Brand, \$4 50. EGGS_Per doz. 30c.

BUTTER-Fancy roll, per pound

CHEESE—Eastern, @134c.; Ore gon, 13@14c.; California, 14c.

VEGETABLES- Beets, per sack

HONEY—In comb, per lb., 18c. strained, 5 gal. tins, per lb. 84c.

POULTRY - Chickens, per \$3 00@4 00; ducks, per doz., \$5 00@ 6 00; geese, \$6 00@7 00; turkeys. per lb., 12\frac{1}{2}c.

PROVISIONS-Oregon hams, 121 per lb.; Eastern, 15@16c.; Eastern breakfast bacon, 12c. per lb.; Oregon 10@11c.; Eastern lard, 10@114c. per lb.; Oregon, 10c.

GREEN FRUITS— Apples, \$ 60 @ 75c.; Sicily lemons, \$6 00@6 50 California, \$6 00@6 50; Navaloranges \$6 00; Riverside, \$5 00; Mediterra nean, \$4 25. DRIED FRUITS-Sun dried

ples, 4c. per lb.; machine dried, 10@ 11c; pitless plums, 7c,; Italian prunes, 10@12c.; peaches, 10½@11c.; raisins, \$2 40@2 50.

HIDES—Dry beef hides, 12@13c.; culls, 6@7c.; kip and calf, 10@12c.; Murrain, 10 @12c.; tallow, 4@44c.

WOOL-Valley, 15@18c.; Eastern Oregon. 10@15c.

LUMBER-Rough, per M, \$10 00 dged, per M, \$12 00; T. and G. Prof. A. J. Cook, of the Michigan sheathing, per M, \$13 00; No. 2 floor-ing, per M, \$18 00; No. 2 ceiling, per to keep only large, fine mares to do M, \$18 00; No. 2 rustic, per M, \$18 00; his work on the farm. Those that are clear rough, per M, \$20 00; clear P, 4 half percheron will do, though those of S, per M, \$22 50; No. 1 flooring, per

COFFEE-Quote Salvador, 17e Costa Rica, 18@20c.; Rio, 18@20c. Java, 274c.; Arbuckle's's reasted, 22c MEAT-Beef, wholesale, 21@3c.; dressed, 6c.; sheep, 3c; dressed, 6 hogs, dressed, 64@7c.; vcal, 5@7c.

BEANS-Quote small whites, \$4 50; pinks, \$3; bayos, \$3; butter, \$4 50; Limas, \$4 50 per cental. PICKLES-Kegs quoted steady at

SALT- Liverpool grades et quoted \$18, \$19 and \$20 for the three sizes; stock salt, \$10.

SUGAR-Prices for barrels; Golden hard to digest, for obvious reasons C, 64c.; extra C, 64c.; dry granulated One difficulty is that the horse does 7 c.; crushed, fine crushed, cube and rdered, 7%c.; extra C, 6%c.; halves and boxes, &c. higher.

> European nations have already apportioned about 6,500,000 of the 11,-000,000 square miles of Africa. This does not leave much for Africa.

> The length of pipe laid in Paris for the distribution of power by compressed air already exceeds thirty The compressing engines are of three thousand horse-power, about three million cubic feet of air are compressed daily to a pressure of eighty pounds per square inch, at an expenditure of fifty tons of coal.

> "James," said the father of the family "No, sir," protested the boy, "I passed, but it was a tight squeeze." "Laura," continued the father, turning to

"It was just 14 o'clock when he left. father." "That's so," testified James, coming to the

relief of his sister. "I was at the top of the stairway ami saw him go. He got away at

In an Italian garrison there was a private soldier named Ugolino. One of the officers took the soldier aside one day and asked

"Are you a descendant of the far Count Ugolino, about whom Dante wrote?"
"No," replied the soldier, "all my ancer tors were poor people."
"I refer to Count Ugolico who was starved to death with his sons in the tower of Pisa."
"If he didn't get enough to eat, very likely

he was an ancestor of mine after all," re-plied the honest soldier.—Texas Siftings. Dorothy-But, Herman, I can't answou now. I-I-give me time to think

fore I reply.

Herman (with rapturous passion)—Certainly, my own angel: But don't make it too long, because it costs me \$5 a day at this bestly hotel.—Washington Critic.

A .- You say your brother is a lawye and that he never told a lie. B. I said that his mouth never ut

A .- Humph-Perhaps your dumb? B.-No, but his mouth never utt a lie because he talks through his nosc He attends principally to winding up estates.—Texas Siftings.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL

—Jay Gould allows his daughter to a week for pocket money, most of which she spends in charity.

Baron Reuter, the telegraph king of Parope, keeps a secretary whose sole business it is to investigate and relieve cases of distress.

-Since his interview with Mr. Par nell, Mr. Gladstone has expressed him-self with much admiration for the Irish leader's personal qualities and polit. ical sagacity.

-A gentleman residing in Bath, Mo., recently gave an account of a trip he took thirty-five years ago from Bath, Me., to Peoria, Ill., which cost him \$141.50. The same trip can be taken now for \$35.

-President Cleveland, Mr. Blaine, Speaker Carlisle, Senator Ingalls, Warner Miller and Congressman S. 8 Cox are a few of the men prominent in public life who began their careers as school teachers. Mayor Hewitt paid for his first trip to Europe out of the proceeds of a year's school teaching.

-Mrs. Leland Stanford's jewels are valued at a round million dollars. Her diamond necklace is the finest in the United States, and possibly in the world. It cost seventy-four thousand dollars, and consists of large, "blue-tint" solitaires. Besides this she has several pairs of magnificent solitaire earrings and enough other precious tones to fill a quart measure.

-It is said that the Princess Maud of Wales carefully collects in the yards of the Sandringham House and in those of Windsor, Balmoral and Osborne all the peacocks' feathers, and begs them also from her young friends of the English nobility. With this plumage without cost, she makes prethand-screens and sells them at the pazaars for the profit of poor little children.

-It has been discovered that nearly every Colorado statesman has red hair. Ex-Governor Grant has a Titian top. "Jim" Belford was a shining light in Congress owing to his brilliant hair. Representative Symes, his successor has a head which is said to look "like an afgry sunset across a field of carrots." Ex-Senator Tabor's hair has a reddish tinge. Minor Colorado politicians show the same remarkable char acteristic.

-Charles Crocker, who left estate of \$25,000,000, was never so happy, it is said, as when enjoying out of his fellow millionaires. It is told of him that he enjoyed with the keenness of a boy the sport of running up the price of a picture or bit of bric-a-brac that another millionalre was bidding on, and that he was equally well pleased if the other had to pay a big round sum for it or if it vas knocked down to himself

"A LITTLE NONSENSE."

-A new novel has lately been pubished in raised letters for the use of. the blind. It is said to evoke a great deal of feeling .- Terre Haute Express.

-A good housewife never opens the condensed milk can with her husband's razor, nor will a loving husband curry the horse with the nutmeg grater.-N. Y. Evening Sun. -A man that marries a widow is

bound to give ap smoking and chew-

ing. If she gives up her weeds for him, he should give up the weed for her. - St. Louis Humqrist. -" Ob., when does the honeymoon end, tell n

And the gall show itself on the ho The honeymoon ends. I believe, on the day When the wife says she must have some

-Boston Courier. -Citizen-"What are you doing with that man?" Policeman-"I've just arrested him." Citizen-"But he's as deaf as a post." Policeman-"He'll get his hearing before the mag-Istrate "- Harper's Bazar. -Lady of the house (shivering)-

Has the furnace gone out, Bridget?"

Bridget-"I think not, mum; I've been at the gate all the evening with a gentleman friend of mine, an' it didn't go by me, I'm sure."-Merchant Traveler. -A magazine writer tells us that there are only 6,000 stars visible to the naked eye, but any uneducated man who ever ran his nose against the cellar door in the dark knows that

there are at least four times as many as that .- Somerville Journal. -Exasperated mother-"You good for nothing little brats! You made so much noise I couldn't hear myself speak when Mrs. Smith was here Which one of you shall I spank first?" Tommy-"Take Emma, Ladies are always served first."-Texas Siftings. -Doctor (who has been taking a dispensary patient's temperature)

"Now, my good woman, how do you feel P" Patient (eyeing the thermo ter with considerable awe)-"Much better, thank ye. Sure an' that's a wonderful thing that'll help a body so quick!"-Judge. -Churchly-"I gave Deacon Snap per \$10 this morning for the Kangaroe Mission Church in Homicide alley-Mrs. Churchly—"O, Arthur! how good you are; I wish I could do something for the mission." Churchly—"Wait

till they start the foundation, my dear,

and then you can contribute some of that angel cake of yours for the cor ner stones."-Lowell Citizen. woman walks?" "I do. Is she a! lionaire?" "Oh, no. It would bother her husband to raise \$500 in cash." "But she can't be proud of her ty?" "No." "Then what is it?" has made thirty tumblers of jelly this all, and not one of her neigh ade over fifteen. She has a right to old up her nose."—Detroit Free Press.

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