HE TAILOR'S STITCHES.

president of a Boston bank for a moment that the sigpon it was his own. expert testimony. Several ere like children who saw it."

d how he knew that the coat

work hy, I know it by my stitches, of

other tailors ?'

then, are they shorter?"

and Dise

a bit shorter.' thing peculiar about them?' l. I don't believe there is.' en how do you dare to come ad swear that they are yours?' seemed to be a poser, but tness met it triumphantly. a look of contempt upon his rey on us! as if I didn't know

stitches! jury believed him, and they cognizance.

these nice shades of sensi-

DISCIPLINE AT ANNAPOLIS.

line is considered as much a the course at West Point and is as training in the sciences ration and war. The rules y, and to a young man who used to indulgences they

But as a compensation for privations to which a cadet bmit while he is being propcated for the army and navy. ited States Government actdlows him a salary.

and pay for his tuition. At ives excellent food and lodgvery thorough education and a at sum to meet his necessary s all for nothing.

Government simply demands ce and ability, a return which exorbitant considering the benonferred. The motto of both tleman's Magazine. tary academy and the naval y may be said to be, "To learn s to learn to command."

discipline is absolutely nec and when it is accompanied cently rebelled, and their in-

rules, indeed, at the mischievousness of the carities.

TARISIO AND THE CREMONAS-

esident of a Boston bank At the beginning of this century. emed a counterfeit fifty-hidden away in old Italian convents on his own bank, not and wayside inns, lay the master-on ment that the sig-pieces of the Amati, Stradivarius, upon it was his own. Mr. Guarnerius, and Bergonzi, almost Quincy mentions in his "Fig-Quincy mentions in his "Fig-Past," that the incident Tarisio's eye was getting cultivated. at Daniel Webster's dinner-He was learning to know a fiddle hed to a discussion of the when he saw it. "Your violino, Signor, requires mending?" says the nests asserted that it could itinerant peddler, as he salutes some epended upon, but Mr. Web-monk or padre known to be condepended upon, but Mr. Web-depended it. He said that he fended it. He said that he ind it valuable, and that ex-ind it valuable, and that ex-it who saw it who s Out comes the Stradivarius, with they could explain to a loose bar or a split rib, and sound ing abominably. "Dio mic?" says this reminds me," he added, Tarisio, "and all the blessed saints. bry of the talior. A case of but your violino is in a bad way. My eath was being tried, and the respected father is praved to try one estimony was very important. that I have, in perfect and beautiful d been called to prove that accord and repair, and permit me to made a certain coat for a mend this worn-out machine." And and he swore to the fact Tarisio, whipping a shining, clean Upon cross-examination he instrument out of his bag, hands it to

the monk, who eyes it and is for try-He tries it; it goes soft and ing it. sweet, though not lond and wheezing, like the battered old Strad. Tarisio your stitches longer than clutches his treasure. The next day back comes the peddler to the cloister, is shown up to the padre, whom he finds scraping away on his loaned fiddle. "But," he exclaims, "you have lent me a beautiful violino and in perfect order." "Ah! if the father would accept from me a small favor,' says the cunning Tarisio. "And what is that ?" "To keep the violino that suits him so well, and I will take in exchange the old machine which ar, the tailor raised both is worn out, but with my skill I shall to heaven and exclaimed: of good wine or a lemonade or black coffee clinches the bargain. Off goes Tarisio, having parted with a charin doing so," continued acterless German fiddle sweet and bster. "The fact is," he ad-easy-going and "looking nice," and we continually build our worth now about £5-in perfect or-ent upon details too fine for der, no doubt-and having secured

one of those gems of Cremonas which gain now run into the £200. Violin-cole trustworthy, although we lecting became the passion of Tar no good account of them. swear to our stitches, not-ding they seem to be neither fiddle world knows how Tarisio came or shorter than those of other to Paris with a batch of old instruments, and was taken up by Chanot and Vuillaume, through whose hands passed nearly every one of those chefs d'æuvre recovered by Tarisio in his wanderings, which now are so eagerly contended for by English and American millionaires, whenever they happen to get into the market. I have heard of a mania for snuff-boxes—it was old Lablache's hobby. There are your china maniacs, and your picture maniaes, and your oldprint connoisseurs who only look at the margin, and your old-book hunters who only glance at the title-page ther colleges he must feed and and edition, and your coin-collectors, himself, find his own pocket- and your gem-collectors, who are al ways being taken in; but for downis and West Point, however, right fanaticism and "gone cooni-res excellent food and lodg- ness," if 1 may invent the word,

commend me to your violin maniac. He who once comes under that spell goes down to the grave with a disordered mind. I have sometimes attributed the confusion of my own ideas to this .- Haweis, in the Gen-

RUSSIAN SOCIETY.

A visitor to Russia who has been able to look beneath the outward h liberal treatment as we have brilliancy of the Czar's coronation ed, it ought to be cheerfully ceremonies at the true state of Rus-But some of the cadets sian society writes that a gloomy si lence pervades even unsuspected and dination will deprive them of loyal social circles. The usual disgreat opportunities which ad position of the Russian is sociable, ion to the academies affords. and formerly, when friends and acquaintances gathered around the tea polis, but their existence indi- table, drinking innumerable glasses of tea and smoking Turkish cigarrather than the severity of the ettes, it was the custom for conversation to flow animatedly on all subjects of political importance. Now there is scarcely any conversation, pathetic little scene, witnessed and in companies there pervades a in a Cincinnati market, dread lest a suspicion may arise with wed that the poor are sometimes the inevitable consequence of the ed to deny themselves the luxury person suspected being suddenly transported under the escort of gendarmes "to some place where there is no railroad, no telegraph, no stall, and as she received a means to send a letter to one's e from the pale, careworn lit- friends in order to tell them what has befallen us." Under such conditions society naturally languishes, so intimately connected are politics and social life. h. how sorry I am?" with still As society is not dead, however, as er earnestness; "when did she the Russians have not overcome natural qualities, friends and acquaintances meet upon a safe ground, the game of whist. Good whist players cannot converse and play at the same to day's sales. I couldn't afford time, so night after night, old men to it; there are the other children and men fresh from the universities, older women and younger women meet at the green table and engage varped hands down on the rough in the fascinating game, all the more ds with a pathetic gesture, and sunken eyes wandered along the of flaring lights. was a hard thing to do," she bridle their tongues in fear of the ruler who has succeeded in being the MISTAKE.—They knew he had be been the Warden of a Western tes Prison and a Western tes Prison, and were asking him duced to choose between the playing the came to lose his place, and he of whist and the making of dynamite ered, with a sad shake of the bombs? Are the alternatives the being loyal in whist or the being disloyal in Nihilism? Beneath the pageantry of royalty exists a loyal people playing whist; beneath the roar of the rejoicing cannon lies a si lence produced by fear. It will be fortnate for the Czar and for Russia the engine worked before the fault

THE MOSQUITO CARNIVAL.

The best human calculations assign the latter part of August or the whole month of September, and in exceptional years possibly the best or worst part of August and a slice of July, to the annual mosquito advent, and preparations are made accordingly for it. But just now, right here in May, before the cuticle of the race has begun to toughen itself under the blaze and brown and black and tan of the summer months, these bill birds and blood suckers are with not account for.

be said that there has been no such miles, when taken apart showed the the simplest.

But this does not explain why, in lubricant. 1883, at the present date hereof, so An int many of the insects should appear. by Herr Kepner, at Saltzburg, in the There is probably some reason for it; Tyrol, namely, the attractive or rebut it is waiting a discoverer. The evclones come earlier this year by two or three months, and no one can tell why, but it makes less difference when wind storms come, for they are instantaneous and all over before the surprise begins, while mosquitoes come to stay and prolong the agony, sometimes in such persistent and soul-provoking measurements that the interruption of a cyclone would be a relief to the tormented.

The best that can be done now, probably, is to put up the bars and trust to science for an explanation of the phenomenon. In case science should fail the whole matter might be referred for more light to the Board of Aldermen, whose practical knowledge of public necessities and great desire to please the public no one will seriously question.

Earl de Grey, of India, has killed 1,868 animals in the hunting field, including four tigers.

A Howell-County, Missouri, man killed a hoop snake a few days ago that measured six feet in lengh and three and a half inches in diameter. and had a horn on its tail. It gave him a little chase during the preliminaries.

Billy Edwards was out hunting a horse last week, and when in a canyon near Ross' Hole his dog treed a black bear. He was in a quandary, as he had no gun. If he left and went home for his gun his dog would follow, and thus leave bruin to go in peace. So he took his halter rope, tied the dog to a tree, rode hastily home several miles, got his gun and returned. The boys in that neighborhood are feasting on bear meat .-Montana Independent. This morning a man was telling on the streets of a terrific battle he witnessed between two eagles yester day on the Reavis place. The birds brands in America and England, the had come together in the air, about remainder manufacturing for local each other with tremendous force, screeching and scratching like wild-The air was filled with flying cats. feathers and the sport was an immense the most part, inferior and below the pitched in for all he was worth. He but, in respect to fineness, these knocked his foe out in the second skins are coarse as compared with the best tannages of England and then swooping to the the best tannages of England and the interest of her merchants and wind isn't right." earth, he took hold of his rabbit and the United States. That the former tree. The dead eagle fell to the the latter is a notable fact, and yet ground and was picked up by the contrary to the common opinion, upon the working of the Mazenay mines, M. Poisot states that the great slipping on the rails, these being always greasy, owing to the smoke and moisture in the galleriez. In some parts only half speed could be cent, less than an English skin. obtained, and in others the wheels slipped continually, notwithstanding the thorough sprinkling of the rails with fine sand. On one occasion, the joint of a blow off cock having broken, a jet of steam escaped and was driven was remedied, no slipping took place. of the group, after a long silence. is not productive of an outbursting In consequence of this, the blow-off pipes on the different locomotives ere so arranged as to discharge Pope's "mob of gentlemen who directy upon the rails-the results of a means of obviating excessive wear

NOTES ON SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

The manufacture of paper carpasted together and subjected to a proposed to construct such a tunnel. hydraulic pressure of some 400 tons' as not in scattered forces, into raining subjected to the same present and any minister, expressed his ap-numbered ranks and full array of dis-thus pressed until of the right thick-right thick and full array of dis-thus pressed until of the right thick-suck the vitality and provoke the chemical preparation. When made profanity of a sinful world. Com- into the right shape, iron plates are plaints come from all sections of set on each side of the paper interior, the city that households are disturbed and all are firmly fastened together merciless tormentors, and ordinarily band or tire is added, and this congood-natured wives and housekeepers stitutes the car wheel. An illustra-are losing their tempers somewhat tion of the durability of the article is over a dispensation which they can- afforded in the fact, as stated, that mile. one of these wheels, which had made

at that time so sudden an arrival and What is considered an improved in such vast numbers that the *Courant* method of solidifying petroleum, and printed a leading article on the subject, which attracted much attention low, is due to the researches of Mm. among its exchanges on both sides of Frezon and Dumont, their plan being the Atlantic. The uncommon size of simply that of mixing the crude the insects was then noted, and a petroleum-after it has undergone be constructed is leading specimen was preserved for the first distillation—with twenty-five chalk throughout. the Historical Rooms, but was spoiled per cent. of the juice of the plants by an accidental fall when workmen belonging to the "euphorbiaceæ" were arranging a pedestal for it to family. To this end, the two ingrethis attraction arrangements were an agitator and heated together to subsequently made for securing and about fifty degrees, the whole being placing on exhibition a chest which agitated until the mass becomes a came over on the Mayflower, and uniform milky fluid. On arriving at which is now in the possession of the this state the mixture is distilled society, showing that there can be again and refined in the ordinary no great loss without some small manner, when it solidifies, and is equally good for lighting or as a

> An interesting fact is mentioned pellant force on a compass, which he observed to be exercised by some old bricks. It appears that, from each of eight varieties of clay in the neighbor hood two bricks were moulded, and one of the two in each case was baked. The unbaked bricks had no action on a magnetic needle, but seven of the eight baked bricks proved polarly magnetic. In some further experiments made in this direction, it appears that particles of powder of the magnetic bricks adhered to a steel magnet. Again breunerite, mica slate, argillaceous iron-garnet, chlorite, and hornblende were, before heating, unmagnetic, but intense heating produced a magnetic polarity, the axis of which seemed to be perpendicular to the plane of stratification.

The production of what are termed seamless steel casks and barrels appears to have proved a successful venture in England, the article be ing more durable than wood, as well as less bulky and lighter. rims are shrunk on hot, thus making opposed to the scheme. a very solid end-the time being like wise thick enough to insure a good purchase for the grappling-hooks of the top does not project beyond the rim, so that the nozzle is not likely to

THE PROPOSED CHANNEL TUNNEL

The manufacture of paper car-wheels once pronounced a chimera, has already become no insignificant the projected tunnel beneathed the English Channel to connect England industry, and by the improved mothod and France. This is a very old of production lately introduced, their scheme but until recently it has not advantage appears unquestionably gone beyond the narrow limits of a assured. The process is one of en-tire simplicity. In the first place, six The first Napoleon was interested in gone beyond the narrow limits of a sheets of ordinary brown paper are the plans of a French engineer, who

The plan upon which the enterprise weight; these sheets being then taken now discussed was based, were pubto the thicknes, of half an inch, and lished in 1867. Seven years afterus, not in scattered forces, like rarities subjected to the same pressure, and ward, Lord Derby, then the British

At last it was taken up by two companies, one English and one French. Borings were made at by the unseasonable presence of these by a system of rivets; then an iron Dover and at Calais, and sections of tunnel were made under the water. On the English side a small tunnel was driven a distance of about half a

The situation for such a tunnel is To be historically accurate, it may revolutions sufficient to travel 250,000 remarkably good, and the work is of The points chosen are early visitation of mosquitoes since paper portion to be twice as compact those where the English and French the late spring of 1782. There was and serviceable as at first.

The railroad systems of the two ly. countries can be easily connected by a tunnel. The water is shallow, so that the boring need not be very far below the bed of the channel. The rock through which the tunnel would be constructed is believed to be soft

The boring-machine which has been tested was sound to be capable of a fouling piece? making such headway that in five stand upon. Because of the loss of dients are put in a boiler fitted with years at the fullest the tunnel could be completed. And in all the work that has been done no fissures in the chalk were met, and there was no trouble from water.

The perfect practicability of the tunnei having been shown, there is no longer any question that the en-terprise would pay. There is an im-mense business between England and France, and it would be vastly increased if the facilities for doing it

was improved. The English Channel is the terror of travelers. Possibly there are more tarbulent waters than are found in it, but there are none that are traveled that approach it for roughness. The best sailors are made seasick at times by its passage.

Not only would this be overcome and a short railway journey of less than an hour be sufficient to make the journey, but trade would be

greatly benefited by the tunnel. At present, goods going from London to Paris, or in the opposite direction, must be trans-shipped twice. They go to Dover or Calais by rail, are taken out and placed in a vessel, and on arriving at the other side of the channel, they must be discharged from the vessel and placed again in railroad cars.

If the tunnel were built, goods would go directly from one capital to the other, or from any part of the European continent to any part of Great Britian without change.

All that is lacking to the success of In its this enterprise is the consent of mechanism, the two edges of the the British Government. That is sheet of steel which form the cask are brazed together in such a manner as would not be a danger to England in to be pactically seamless; the head of the event of a war, has been submitthe barrel is also riveted to the body, ted to Admirals and Generals, who always occupy the most prominent baye generally declared themselves position in the box is because "there's so as to leave no seam, and the end have generally declared themselves

It is said that a small body of troops might suddenly pass through the tunnel, seize Dover and the Enhoists and cranes, for loading and glish end of the tunnel, and so allow unloading purposes. The bush for the entrance of a large army, and the

Various ways have been proposed

ALL SORTS.

A land-lady-Mother Earth.

A spread of canvas on a vessel is for sail or to rent.

When a miner strikes a lode it lightens his labor.

Croquet is a cute game but billiards is the cue-test.

The engaged girl is now known as a due belle

Vain as the peacock is, the weath ercock is even more vane.

A maiden heiress is the only mine that makes a social hit.

Close quarters-The twenty-five cent pieces hoarded by a miser.

The cold neutrality of an impartial judge must be just ice.

The sleepy brakeman knows what a carbanele do in a tight place.

"Can a man serve two masters?" Certainly, sailors on schooners can.

Even the best behaved medical students are occasionally cutting up. Of course, all imported eggs are

stowed beneath the hatch-ways. It does not matter how well the

gardener tries to do-he is always slipping.

When a man is half-seas over you may harbor a suspicion that his judgment is afloat.

Fruits of the seas-on-Wrecks. "Cutting up shines"-The worker in precious stones

Because a twenty-inch Krupp gu gets dirty when fired, can it be called

Hanlan is called the aquatic lion, and when he is in his skull the lion can row'er.

Can't get drunk on water? Non sense! Go on a yachting trip and see if you can't.

No matter how good his business may be, the dentist always "look down in the mouth."

Artists are almost invariably great smokers. One has to learn to draw before he can paint.

Never look a gift horse in the month. especially if it be the Colt Revolver.

Isn't it a little inconsistent that "the Missouri prohibitionists should nominate a 'fall' state ticket?"

Ill-tempered folks who think the telephone is always to blame, may be described as victims of a Hello-cination.

It is strange, yet true, that ne matter how much you batter at a knot, when you batter it out you always leave the knot hole.

A Western magistrate, named Pitcher, is sound and hearty at 89. It's evident that Pitcher hasn't gone often to the well.

It would hardly do to speak of the girl who has her dress caught in a door-jamb as a fast girl, and yet that is just what she is.

May the East River Bridge be re garded as a dangerous place to cross on account of there being so many high way men there?

Somebody out West is trying to find out how many mules there are in the country. We give it up. It's a question of mule tiplication.

The reason the largest strawberries plenty of room at the top."

"No," said a Philadelphia bride, "I am not willing that our wedding tour should include Yellowstone Yellow don't agree with my Park. complexion."

A London oculist says that cul- JR

TID-BITS.

GRIEF A LUXURY.

The Cleveland Leader tells ief. ender story:

ady, richly dressed, stood beage from the pale, careworn litarket-woman, said kindly:

How is your little girl to day?" ie is dead," the woman an-

This morning." Ind you?"

es, ma'am; I had to come, or provided for."

pale little woman laid her thin.

simply.

made a great mistake."

I stood in with the beef contractnd the meat was so bad that the ners raised a row. A committee estigated, and I got the bounce." fortuate for the Czar and for Russia Where was the mistake?" asked if the silence around the green tables Why, if we had stolen all the storm at some favorable time. the prisoners wouldn't have any shanks or neckpieces to kick

e ideal newspaper, having noth-

wrote with ease" was evidently com- this method being sufficiently satisposed of the Brown-e, Smith-e, and factory to warrant its continuance, as

one.

Continental Europe is estimated to posed to the construction of the tun-be some 10,000 or so, but of all these nel. nel

only about fifty are known by their brands in America and England, the the tree tops, and one was trying to get hold of a jack rabbit the other held in its claws. They would fly at curious fact, that all the best brands go to America and England, the skins

earth, he took hold of his rabbit and the officer braces that the vert brace braces that to vert the great projected improve-sailed away to the top of an old oak the latter is a notable fact, and yet ment in order to protect them. lime water is used in their preparation, and not soft water. The peculiar

In a communication to the Societe skins are independent of the water ing to promote the construction of a de L'Industrie Minerale, France, employed, however, being due, rather, to tanning in very weak bark liquor— fully nine months being occupied in difficulty in the way of their satis-factory working arose from the wheels nerve skin by hand labor, and various nent, that the opposition will be overothers details of vigorous and prolonged manipulation, so that, when

finished, the skin weighs ten per

from Scott County informs us that a fellow passenger raised an umbrella den was found near Commerce last when we got on board, and said I week, which when opened was found had better raise mine. He was right. to contain 387 rattlesnakes. A party The puffing, wheezy old engine sent of men went to the den, which was soot and water over us in a perfect under a huge rock, and after about shower (the cars were open). We got two hours' hard work succeeded in along, however, very well, and would turning the rock over whereby the have made the trip quite as quickly snakes were exposed to view. They as we could have walked it if the were coiled up in one solid coil, and train had not stopped when we were did not move until they were fired into by the men with shot guns, then they uncolled and scattered in all finish his supper." about half way and waited half an into by the men with shot guns, then finish his supper." ried in a bonnet. In our opinion this widow has selected the style of bonthey uncolled and scattered in all finish his supper.' directions, and only about one hundred were killed, but a man who went up a tree says he counted 387 of the

be knocked about and injured. In for rendering the tunnel useless and shape, the metallic barrel does not impassable in case of a sudden alarm, differ from a well formed wooden but they have all been condemned as insufficient, and at present both the The number of calf skin tanners in Cabinet and Parliament stand op-

> There is another reason for this opposition which is just as real as the last straw, you see, that broke the military reason, although it is not so Campbell's back.

ors get their living by the shipping trade between England and France. which are consumed at home are, for Were the tunnel to be constructed, it would be the quickest and cheapest sight to the spectator, who sat on the standard. In the case of the French. mode of transportation, between the fence watching it. Finally the eagle derman, and Swiss calf-skins, the wo countries, both of goods and pass is better pray for rain to-day, Dea-with the rabbit dropped his prey and leather is tough, soft, and yielding; sengers, and the shipping business is con?" said a Binghamton minister.

mariners, and she is perfectly willing

Nevertheless, there is reason to believe that the tunnel will be built betion, and not soft water. The peculiar fore many years. The same argu-characteristics of the Continental ments which England has been ussecond Suez Canal, can be used to come.

A correspondent of the Nebraska State Journal, describing a railroad A DEN OF SNAKES .- A man just he traveled on in Oregon, says: "My Wegot

not allowed bereavement (her hus- lost patience and gone elsewhere for Texas is a great State for ants. People who want to see such a er are not walling to stand its es. Texas is a great State for ants. Doesn't the Scripture say, "Go to the ant, texas is a great state for ants. Texas is a great State for ants. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Doesn't the Scripture say, "Go to the ant, the stare are not walling to stand its the Scripture say, "Go to the ant, the stare in tered my sole." Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great state for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Texas is a great State for ants. Sallivan ought to go there. Texas is a great State for ants. Texas is a great State for ant

ture diminishes the size of the eyes Now, just listen to that! Every body knows that small i's are a sign of the entire absence of culture.

Mr. Alexis Campbell was locked up by the St. Louis police because, af-ter nine sherry cobblers, he couldn't walk or stand straight. It was the

It's Lowell who asks: "What is so rare as a day in June?" is it not? Well, now, if he had only stopped to think a minute, he might have known that the 29th of February was the answer to the riddle.

Caution in the Premises-"Hadn't

A cross counter. Jack Oldstock-"We're very proud of our ancestry, you know," Tom Parvenue-"Yes, I know; but how would your ances-try feel about you?"

"Do you send your washing to a Troy laundry?" asked a Milton man of a friend. "No." was the reply, as favor this enterprise; and it is so man-ifestly for the advantage of trade that collars and cuffs, "I have it done at a des-Troy laundry."

> The Indian ring—A war-whoop. News of the week—Health bulletins. The chord of sympathy is often best expressed by a cord of wood. None but the most inhuman would think of pulling down the blind.

> Count Smith put on a clean paper ollar recently, when the thermome ter was 104 degrees in the shade, and it melted round his neck in three minutes and fifteen seconds. This the fastest time made by a paper collar this year.

Harper's Bazar is authority for the dictum that a wldow should be mar net in which she wishes to appear at Gladys, Countess of Lonsdale, has the ceremony the groom will have