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How We Theat Our Feet. $\begin{aligned} & \text { tinement be vour natural self. Be }\end{aligned}$ "A weii formea wot" says Chap-
and in the American Drawing Book, $*$ is rarely to be met with in our day,
from the lamentable distortion it is compelled to endure by the fashion of our ooots and shoes. Insiead of being
allowed the same freedom as the fingers to exercise the purposes for which nature intended them, the toes are cramped together and are of intle more
value than-if all in one; their joints enlarged, stiffened and distorted, forced and packed together, often overiapping one another in sad confusion, and wantonly placed beyond the power of ser-
vice. As for the little toe and its neighbor, in a shoe-deformed foot, they are usually thrust out of the way alto-
gether, as if considered supernumerary gether, as if considered supernumerary
and useless, while all the work is hrown on the great toe, aithough that
oe is scarcely allowed working room in its prison-house of leather. It is,
therefore, hopeless to look for a foot that has grown under the restraints of leather for perfection of form; and hence the feet of chiddren, though less marked in their external anatomical
development, present the best models development, present the best models
for the study and exercise of the pupil or the study and exercise of the pupi Camper
Camper, who wrote in the sevenceenth century, on "The Best Form of Shoe." says that his treatise originated in a jest with his pupils, who "did not
believe I would dare to make public- a believe I would dare to make putic-a
work on such a subject," which indicates the small estimate which was put upon the foot as an organ of the body. He begins by deploring the perversity which wholly neglects the human feet the feet of "horses, mules, oxen and the feet of 'horses, mules, oxen and
other ahimals of burden, "and deciares that from the earliest infancy the footcoverings worn serve but to deform them and make walking painful, and blame on the ignorance of the shoe-
makers.
James Dowie, a practical and scien-
tific Scotch shoemaker, in his excellent tific Scotch shoemaker, in his excellent as the artist; and the great Dutch surgeon, whose treatise ne had transiated
into the English language, also laments that the subject of the feet is so much
neglected by those who are competent neglected by those who are competent
to instruct us about them. Lord Palmerston said to Dowie that "shoe-
makers should all be treated uke pirates, put to death without trial or merrates, put to death without triai or mer-
ey, as they had inflicted more suffering
on mankind than any class he knew. Mada $H$

How Not to Be Disagreeable.
"How do you manage to win the confidence of all the young people who
meet you in society? ? I asked a friend who was no longer young, but a great favorite with her own, and also the opposite sex, in friendship that seemed
"I do not know of any secret in it," she said, "only that I am a good lis-
tener, and I can manifest an interest and sympathy in conversation. To be an agreeable listener it is necessary to talk now and then, to look the spesker in the eye, and not to interrupt I try not to show superior knowledge, for there is nothing more disagreeable than to have peopie all the time setting you straight. I do not like it myself; so, When some one telis me a story that I have heard before, even if it is a little different in detail, I let it pass as something I am hearing for the first time. I think if anyone will talk naturally, speaking with eyes as well as lips, and Writicism, unless the need not fear oriticism, bors' affairs. If I were to give rules for becoming a good conversationalist I should say, avoid slang, grammatical errors and bad punctuation, be as refined as possible, and let that very re-
subjects, never treat them lightiy, even in a joke; adhere strietly to the truth and isten intelligently.

A Few Big Things.
The greatest wall in the world is the Chinese wall, built by the first emperor of the Tsin dynasty, about 220 B . C., as a protection sgainst the Tartars. It traverses the northern boundary of China and is carried over the highest hills,
through the deepest valleys, across rivthrough the deepest valleys, across riv-
ers and every other natural objeet. Its length is 1.250 miles.
Among the most remarkable natural banks of Killarney, in Ireland, which repeats a bugle call until it seems to be sounded from a handred instruments, and that of the Naha, between Bingen and Coblentz, which repeate a sound seventeen times.
The most remarkable artificial echo known is that of the castle of Simonetta, about two miles from Milan. It is oc casioned by the existence of two parallel walls of considerable length. It repeats the report of a pistol sixty times. maelstrom renarkable whirlpool is the maelstrom of the northwest coast of Norway and southwest of Moskenasol, It was once supposed the Loloden isles. able, bnt the depth ins been shown to exceed twenty fathoms.

## To exceed twenty fathoms. The greatest cataract in

that of Niagara. The Horseshee world is the Canadian side, has a perpendicular descent of 158 feet. The height of the American fall is 167 feet. The Horseshoe fall, which carries a larger volume of water than the American fall, is about 600 yards wide and extends from the Canadian shore to Goat island. The biggest diamond in the world, if which forms part of the Preganza, crown jewels. It weighs 1.860 carate However, not a little doubt exists of its being a diamond, as the government
nas never allowed it to be tesed. It was found in Brazil in 1741.
The largest tested but ancut diamond is the Mattam, belonging to the rajah of
Mattam, in Borneo. It is of pure water weighs 367 carats, and is of pear shape. weighs 367 carats, and is of pear shape, has been the canse of a sanguinary war has been the canse of a sanguinary war.
Before it was cut the Koh-i-noor, which is one of the English crown jewels, was
the largest tested diamond. It then weighed 793 carats. When in possession
of the Emperor Aurengezbe it was re-
duced by unskilfulcuting to 186 carats. duced by unskillful cutting to 186 carats.
During the Sikh mutiny it was captured by British troops and presented to Queen

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Yesterday there was quite a sensa
on created on Sullivan's island by the capture of a fish of a genus hithert unknown in our waters. It wa beached by the waves, and was taken by a party of ladies, who were unable wa satisfy themselves as to what manner of fish it was, until one of the party, a lady from Michigan now visit ing the island, and whose knowledge of ichthology is by no mesans limited, threw light on the subject. The fish belongs to the species known as sea They are not rare, by any means, the They are not rare, by means, the being reapture foung. This fish is indigenous to tropical waters, and it is the first ever tropical waters, and it is the first ever
caught in our harbor. In size it is about six inches long and is shaped very much likea cucumber, from which it takes its name. It has neither fine nor feet, but swims by the motion of its body, as an eel does, its body being
very suppie, considering its bulk. If has a large mouth, which is surround-
d by a soft fuzzy fringe. It will eat almost anything and can be easily kept in an aquarium for years with proper attention. - Charleston Newo
The Chinaman's "Fonr Most Preet

## Things."

In China the 'four most precions things" are the paper-plant, ink and its saucer, and the brush.
The hornet, whose sharpsting is the error of children, is the recognized pioneer of paper-makers. Its cellular nest, on trees and rooks, is buit of material which resembles the most delioste tissue-paper.
Eighteen hundred years ago, the Chinese, acting upon the wasp's sugo gestion, made paper from fibrous matter reduced to pulp. Now, each province makes its own peculiar variety from the inner most bark of different
trees The young bamboa, which grees The young bamboo, whioh
grows eight inches in a single aight, is whitened, reduced to pulp in mortar, and sized with nlym. From mold by hand. The celebrated Chinese rice paper, that so resembles woolen and silk fabrics, and on whieh are painted quaint birds and flowers, is manufactured from compressed pith, which is first cut spiraliy, by a feea k nife, into thin slices, sir inches wide and twice as long. Immense quantities of paper are used by the Chinese or a great variety of purposes. Funeral papers, or paper imitations of earth$y$ things which theyedesire to bestow on departed friends, are burned over their graves. They use paper windowframes, paper sliding-doors, and paper visiting-cards a yard long. It is, related that when a distinguished representative of the British Government
once visited Pekin, several servante brought him a huge roll, which, when sprend out over the large floor, proved pread out over the large floor, proved
o be the visiting-card of the Chinese Emperor- - From Paper: Its Origin and History" by 'has. E. Bolton, in SK Nicholas for August.

## Pasteur Studying Hydrophubia

Biting dogs and bitten dogs fill the aboratory. Without reckoning the hundreds of mad dogs that have died in the laboratory during the last three years, there never occurs a case of hydrophobia in Paris of which Pasteur is not informed. Not long ayo a veterinary surgeon telegraphee hrm: Attack at it height in poodle dog and bulldog. Come. Pateur invited me $w$ accompany him, us in a buskr. The twe doge were mabid to the last degree. The bulldog espe, an enormous creature, howled and foamed in its cage. A bar of iron wa heid out to him; he threw himself upon drawing it away from thi: bloody fangs. One of the rabbits was then brought near to the cage, and ite drooping ear waw allowed to pass throngh the bars. But notwithmanding this provocation the dog
flung himself down at the bottom of his cage and refused to bite. Two youths then threw a cord with a silp loop over the dog as a lasmo is thrown. The animal was caught and drawn to the edge of the eage. There they managed to get hold of him and secure his jaws, and the dog, suffocating with fury, his eyes bloodshot, and his body convulsed with a vioent spasm, was extended upon a table and held motionless, while Pasteur, lenning over his foaming head at the into a narrow tube some slrops of saliva In an narrow tube some sirops of saliva, In the basement of the veterinary surgeon's house witnessing this formidable
lete-s-tete, I thought Pasteur grander than I had ever thoaght him before. Histoire d'un Savant par un lgnoranh by Valery Hadol.

At the Atmsitung Works, in Engsheil titieen wiles has buen made.

